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Remember Jesus and He will live forever

THIS EASTER STORY begins with the Christmas story... being to a Bible class that has just begun a study of the Gospel of Luke...

One member of our study group, an English teacher, said if a student had composed the Christmas story and inserted that line about Mary, he would have asked the student to delete it...

And then forget him 'til another Easter rolls around... that Jesus is alive today is not enough. He is truly alive only if we remember him...

He is more truly alive to those who remember him and love him... matter how they believe or how often that first Easter morning...

The Gallery



TO MEET WITH KINDER AND GENTLER - GENTLEMEN, IT'S TIME TO KICK JIM WRIGHT'S BUTT!!!

Letters to the editor

Urges citizens of Richmond County to fight for 'stately' oak tree

Dear Editor: When Hepzibah Hardwood was cutting in the driveway, a great storm of protest was heard because it was feared the great oak tree on Highway 88 would be damaged or killed.

As I understand it, even the state became involved in making sure this stately oak tree would not be damaged.

Highway 88 would be very low, if even on the priorities of roads to be widened in Richmond County.

bon to this old oak tree. I would ask that at least one ribbon from each family be tied to this tree.

Lambast criticism of B.J. Annis

Editor: In response to the letter from Bonnie Q. Adams (March 12) regarding B.J. Annis, let me say that I have been a close friend of Annis since he was 16 years old and can state emphatically that he is not, and has never been, either an alcoholic or a drug addict.

Board of Education, Annis is well-respected as being fair, considerate and generous.

Questions anti-abortionists position: One must wonder about the religion of Adams which allows her to promote such lies and usually stigmatized rumors about a person she has never met and obviously does not know.

are other medical techniques, such as transplants, not also alterations of God's calling? Women's liberation is not a woman's decision classified as murder.



Robert J. Wagman

Duke wood 'Bubba' with GOP strategy

METAIRIE, La. — Since the election of former Ku Klux Klan Grand Wizard David Duke to the Louisiana House of Representatives...

Duke quite simply ran a very Republican campaign. Duke stressed, he came out for strong law enforcement against new taxes, and he specifically promised to fight for a long-cherished property tax exemption for middle-class homeowners.

Editor: It is most regrettable when an unliking person uses the media to slander the character of B.J. Annis, a member of the Richmond County Board of Education.

to be under the influence of alcohol, and I have never seen any indication of an alcohol problem. Adams simply has repeated what she was told to say by somebody else. It is pure fabrication.

Abortion is the moral issue because it alters the plan of God, why else would we have it?

other than landowners adjacent to the lake who need and are entitled to the water in those lakes.



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Editor: A person has the stature and credit due Trustee B.J. Annis. To know her is to love her and respect her outstanding work and concern in the area of education, for which she is well-known.

Religion comes in many different ways to each of us. I.A.M. is an atheist. As letter writer Bonnie Adams claims, 'March 18, 1988' can assure you that he has been tested and most of us, and through her faith, she has come out on top.

Backs Corps' lake level management: I am writing to you regarding the ongoing flap over the Corps of Engineers' management of the lake.

Although hydroponic plants for the dam and lake, no purpose is more important than payoffs. The Corps of Engineers tries to balance all four purposes.

That's exactly what David Duke stressed. He came out for strong law enforcement against new taxes, and he specifically promised to fight for a long-cherished property tax exemption for middle-class homeowners.

Rips editorial; stands up for unions

In response to your biased editorial headed "Union drug coverage" I was compelled to say something for the good of the union.

are sick and tired of being portrayed as drug addicts, greedy zealots, etc. I noticed you praised the company while you implied union chiefs are covering up for their members.

First of all, the GAO report you refer to in your editorial will not be published until April. You are quoting Derrick's version of what the GAO report says.

Other than landowners adjacent to the lake who need and are entitled to the water in those lakes.

But the facts dispute this. Until just before the election, Duke's name and phone number were listed as that of the Klan's Duke says that was an error on the part of the phone company.

Claims the Riverian Party is a 'rational group with real answers'

grams and the fact that the government has not yet officially declared war on drugs. Stupidity.

The number of poor in America has increased in relation to the population since the welfare programs were begun with our tax dollars. Obviously, the something-for-nothing experiment has been an abject failure.

gives their walking papers. The ultra-rightist Buchanan said the problem began because of desegregation of the military. It is not acceptable. I refuse to set this country back 50 years.

ed the right to bear arms, but also said that all three-time losers persons convicted three separate times should be expelled from the country.

As for the new organization he founded, it publishes a virulently anti-Semitic newspaper that, among other things, takes the position that Hitler was not a Jew and Holocaust never happened. It also takes the position that members of certain races and religions in this country should be forced to live in separate areas.

Editor: I was astounded by the rantings I witnessed on the Call News Network with broadcast, Feb. 7. The topic was gun control and the number of killings in major cities around the country.

It's just a real shame there's not a competing newspaper in the Augusta area. Maybe one day.

the least were fanatic. There is a rational group with real answers. We are the Riverian Party. We are the party of principled, responsible leadership. What does that mean? Basically, that the individual is responsible to do for, or for himself anything he wishes provided he doesn't infringe upon the rights of the individual.

Thomas A. Waters Pembroke

Atwater, the national GOP chairman, has labeled out Duke as a charlatan and political opportunist. Party of anything we stand for.

How did Treen try to differentiate himself? "He Duke attacks racist that was for years the final bastion of anti-integration in the state. He also remains firmly opposed to busing, minority education, set-aside and other forms of affirmative action."