Obama announces end of Iraq war

First wave of La. National Guard Airmen return home

Compiled by the Dolphin Staff

Family and friends welcomed home 13 members of the Louisiana Air National Guard’s 214th Engineering Installation Squadron from a six-month deployment to Afghanistan and Iraq at the Louis Armstrong International Airport, Oct. 25.

“It’s great to be back,” said Master Sgt. Joe Cagnolatti, cable installer from Lafayette. “It was a good deployment … I had good people with me, our team worked hard and time went by fast.”

The 214th EIS was responsible for the mobilization and deployment of resources and supporting assets to accomplish the engineering, installation, reconstruction, and replacement of communication systems, facilities and air traffic control and landing systems.

While deployed, the 214th established the first permanent underground communications cable on Thumrait Air Base.

“We’re very proud of our Airmen,” said Lt. Col. Allan Tucker, commander 214th EIS. “They received numerous accolades for their outstanding job performance.”

Last April, the 214th EIS mobilized and deployed approximately 40 Airmen to Iraq, Qatar and Afghanistan. The remaining deployed Airmen will return home in November.

Ouch, Coach!

Payton sidelined on the sideline

By Laura Richard

It was the Saints first drive of the game. There hadn’t been enough time to learn if things were going to go well for the Saints or if Tampa Bay was going to pound the Boys into the ground. Things were hopeful. Everyone knew that Tampa Bay, an NFC South division rival, would be a tough opponent.

During the Saints third offensive play of the game, quarterback Drew Brees threw a short pass to tight end Jimmy Graham. Graham fought his way through two Tampa Bay defenders, but they finally brought him down out-of-bounds, right into head coach Sean Payton’s left knee.

After being examined by the team’s medical staff, Payton was helped to the bench, and continued to call offensive plays until the end of the first half, when he was taken off the field by the medical cart.

X-rays were done during halftime, with results that were worse than anyone expected. He had a torn medial collateral ligament in his knee, as well as a fractured tibia.

He was supposed to spend the second half of the game in the coaches booth, but instead he spent the second half watching his team fall in an embarrassing loss to the Buccaneers. The final score was Buccaneers 26, Saints 20.

Payton was scheduled for surgery at Oschner Hospital on Monday, Oct. 17.

According to a team news release, the three-hour surgery was performed by Dr. Deryk Jones, who was assisted by Dr. Misty Suri.

“I anticipate Coach Payton returning to the office sometime Wednesday or Thursday,” Jones said in a statement on Monday, Oct. 17. “The recovery period for this type of surgery is three to six months. I would anticipate him being able to put partial weight on it in about eight weeks.”

Payton will continue to lead his team from the coaches’ booth, and there is a chance he will not be on the sidelines again this season.

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News Briefs

CAMPUS (DCC)-The Times-Picayune featured Isaac Delgado, the founder and namesake of Delgado Community College, in its anniversary story on Sunday, Oct. 16. In addition to the story itself, there are numerous photographs of Delgado and the college; visit nola.com to read more.

LOCAL
(AP)-An ordinance passed by the New Orleans City Council bars aggressive solicitation in the city’s French Quarter. It bans soliciting in or near parks, playgrounds, banks, ATMs, bars, liquor stores, convenience stores and gas stations — or within 20 feet of an intersection or marked crosswalk, to people in parked or stopped vehicles, or to people standing in lines.

STATE
(AP)-Only about a third of Louisiana’s voters cast votes in the election to choose state leaders for the next four years. Unofficial figures from the Secretary of State’s Office peg voter turnout at less than 36 percent — fewer people than several elections leaders predicted. One million of Louisiana’s 2.8 million registered voters went to the polls since Louisiana switched to the open primary system in 1975.

INTERNATIONAL
(AP)-A dual U.S.-Israeli citizen imprisoned in Egypt on spy suspicions since June will be released soon, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s office said. Iain Grapel, 27, was suspected by Egyptian officials of spying for Israel during the height of Egypt’s uprising that ousted President Hosni Mubarak earlier this year.

NATIONAL
The gang problem in the United States is growing and there are an estimated 1.4 million members in some 33,000 gangs, the federal government said. Gang membership is increasing most significantly in the Northeast and Southeast regions of the country; results were inconclusive.

Big name in the Big Easy

Fashion icon Michael Kors brings his designs to New Orleans

By Arielle Buxton

Renowned high-end fashion designer and “Project Runway” judge, Michael Kors, is introducing a brand-new store to the city of New Orleans. The opening is set for December of this year, where the old Lee Michaels jewelry store was in Canal Place.

The boutique will showcase what is commonly called “contemporary,” with looks that are both edgy and sophisticated enough for the girl in her 20s or the woman in her 40s.

Those familiar with this designer probably have already seen the Michael Kors line in Saks Fifth Avenue, Dillard’s, Macy’s and even Marshalls. It is a glamorous and trendy line that has gained popularity since Kors first launched his women’s ready-to-wear line in his early 20s. Now at the age of 52, Michael Kors is still a dominating force in fashion and still holding his title as one of the “go-to” designers for the newest fashion trends.

From his success at an early age, his designs have been seen all over Hollywood red carpets, with celebrities like Gwyneth Paltrow and Heidi Klum still with the Kors train.

A freelance editor from the New York Times said, “Mr. Kors’ fashions display an infatuation with the traditionalism of the Eastern Seaboard haute bourgeoisie. Yet he also likes to tweak it for customers who want to look polished and prosperous but hip.”

With Micheal Kors already given the prominence as a true pioneer in fashion, the new store will not only draw many, many new and already loyal clients, but it will definitely turn out to be a great addition to the local retail scene.

No-kill shelter continues to help the unwanted

But they need your help

By Laura Richard

On Aug. 4, 2009, Animal Rescue New Orleans (ARNO) received a call for help. This was not unusual since ARNO is a no-kill animal rescue organization. What was unusual was the call for help came from the New Orleans Police Department.

Two NOPD officers responded to a call about a possibly dangerous dog wandering the streets of New Orleans. The caller was afraid because the dog was a pit bull.

Upon arrival, the officers found a neglected, emaciated, skeleton of a dog who could barely move, but was starving for affection from the humans now near him. NOPD generally calls the LA/SPCA to pick up stray animals since they are the contracted shelter for Orleans Parish, but the officers knew what would happen if they made that call. They knew this poor, pitiful creature would be euthanized because of his condition.

Once ARNO received the call, they sent dog trapper and feral caneine coordinator, Lise McComiskey, to the scene to check it out. McComiskey found the dog, still wandering in the street. “This dog will be an easy save,” McComiskey told the officers. “Because unfortunately, we have seen worse.”

McComiskey brought the dog, soon to be named Alexander, to the ARNO shelter for assessment and evaluation. ARNO volunteers consulted immediately. The recommendation was to put Alexander on cage rest for as long as was necessary. He needed to use as little energy as possible to help him recuperate. Volunteers would carry him across the street and back several times a day so he could use the bathroom. As always, the hard work, love and four to six meals a day made the difference. Within one month, Alex went from death's doornoest to happy and healthy.

A local veterinarian was immediately started treating and caring for Alexander. He was very weak. The anemia from the fleas and parasites was so bad, Alex’s gums, and everything else, were white.

NPO officers called ARNO to help an emaciated dog in August 2009. Alexander was brought to the no-kill triage shelter, and care and rehabilitation was immediately begun. ARNO needs your help to continue helping dogs just like Alex.

Former location of Lee Michaels Jewelry in Canal Place, set to reopen in December as a Michael Kors women’s ready-to-wear store.

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LSU senior cornerback Ron Brooks makes most of starter role

By Mark Clements, The Daily Reveille, Louisiana State U. via UWIRE

There aren’t many teams that can lose two starting cornerbacks without missing a beat. No. 1 LSU is an exception.

Without the services of suspended sophomores cornerbacks Tyrann Mathieu and Tharold Simon, LSU coach Les Miles called upon senior cornerback Ron Brooks to fill the void.

In only the second start of his five-year career, Brooks shined against No. 20 Auburn, finishing with four tackles, half a tackle for loss, a forced fumble and an interception.

“When Coach told me I was going to be starting, it was like a bittersweet thing,” Brooks said. “That’s what you work for the entire career to do, to become a regular starter. But I was sad that my teammates were out and weren’t going to be able to get a chance to play this game.”

Brooks, who commended Mathieu and Simon by writing their numbers on his arm, had big shoes to fill. Through the first seven games this season, Mathieu racked up one and a half sacks, two interceptions, four forced fumbles and was second on the team with 42 tackles.

Simon totaled 29 tackles, two and a half for loss and an interception.

Sophomore safety Eric Reid called Brooks’ performance “a blessing” in Mathieu and Simon’s absence.

“He’s a senior, so he knew this was his opportunity to show scouts that he wants to go to the NFL,” Reid said. “[Mathieu and Simon] were big contributors. Thankfully we got them back this week, but we were able to get victory without them still. (Brooks) played big, and thank goodness he did.

LSU’s cornerback Ron Brooks said gets him hyped in return. “Whether it’s going out there on defense and playing or going out there on special teams, whatever I’m called to do, I’m going to do it with all my heart,” Brooks said. “I feed off the crowd, and I love the crowd’s energy. When the crowd is hyped, I’m hyped. I try to get them into the game just as much as I am, and that helps me go out there and give it my all even more.”

Brooks said he spoke with several people before the game, including former LSU defensive tackle Drake Nevis, who shared some last-minute prayers and pointers. But the last voice Brooks heard before taking the field was 19-year-old Rolando Thorne, a friend Brooks said he met through Facebook and developed a brotherly bond with through the years.

“He’s like my little brother,” Brooks said. “I prayed with him two minutes before we went out on the field on the phone. He told me that God touched my life and he had a plan for me and I was going to go out here and do special things. He really spoke some things into my life that really helped me out this week and helped me to focus and relax and just play ball and make my life better.”

Whatever Thorne said must have worked. Brooks and the rest of the LSU defense held the visiting Tigers to 248 total yards, including 161 through the air – 14 yards fewer than their 176.7 yard average.

“(Brooks) played extremely well,” Miles said. “He was looking forward to playing the game that he had put himself in position to play with training and the want to contribute to this team. I’m really happy for him. He deserved the game that he got.”

So far this season, Brooks has 62 tackles, 11 pass deflections and seven interceptions. He is a finalist for the Jim Thorpe Award and is one of 25 semifinalists for the College Football Defensive Player of the Year. Brooks has been named SEC Defensive Player of the Week twice and has been named SEC Defensive Player of the Month twice.

SOCCER

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**Campus and Local Events**

"Etiquette Dinner" is on Nov. 11 from 5-8 p.m. A full course meal will be served for students and guests to teach the do's and don'ts at the dinner table. The cost is $8 for students and $10 for guests. For more information call (504) 762-3119 or e-mail to johns1@dcc.edu., Westbank campus.

The second annual "Turkey Trot" run/walk will be on Wednesday, Nov. 22, at noon! It’s open to the public and it’s a free event! The first female and male finishers will each receive a free 4-month membership at the DCC Fitness Center. The 2-mile route will start and end behind the Fitness Center on the City Park campus. To register and for more info, contact Mike Ricca at (504) 671-5486 or email at mricca@dcc.edu.

"Molly’s at the Market" will be open to the public through Jan. 29, 2012.

"Molly's at the Market" will be holding a Halloween parade Oct. 31 at 6 p.m. This is for the public and it's free! The parade will begin at Molly's at the Market at 6:30 p.m. and will wind its way through the French Quarter. There are a few small floats featuring Halloween “royalty.” To reserve your seats now call, (504) 525-5169.

**Arts & Entertainment**

**Horror movie trivia**

**By Chelsey Tharp**

- Creepy twins...
- The haunting visual style of Stanley Kubrick...
- And an insanely brilliant performance by Jack Nicholson...
- "Plans are pointless...____ is as good as it gets."

1.) Name the movie in the picture above:
   - A. "[REC]"
   - B. "The Fourth Kind"
   - C. "Paranormal Activity"
   - D. "The Exorcism of Emily Rose"

2.) Name the female character from the movie pictured above:
   - A. Micah
   - B. Michele
   - C. Melissa
   - D. Katie

3.) Name the movie from the following clues:
   - Restless ghost...
   - A. Pumpkinhead
   - B. The Blair Witch
   - C. Severn

4.) Name the character from the movie pictured above:
   - I am a forest spirit from the Dark Ages
   - A. Padfoot
   - B. The Blair Witch
   - C. Severn

5.) Complete the QUOTE from the movie, "28 Days Later"--
   "Plans are pointless...____ is as good as it gets."
   - A. right now
   - B. this moment
   - C. staying alive
   - D. spontaneous living

6.) Name the director of "Drag Me to Hell"--
   - A. Sam Raimi
   - B. Peter Jackson
   - C. John Carpenter
   - D. Zach Snyder

7.) The demon from the movie above that is tormenting Christine takes the form of which animal?
   - A. A wolf
   - B. A goat
   - C. A jackal
   - D. "Scarecrow"

8.) In "The Unborn," Casey believes ____ is haunting her.
   - A. Her son
   - B. Her dog
   - C. Her grandfather
   - D. Her twin brother

9.) Name this movie in the picture above:
   - A. "The Raven"
   - B. "The Birds"
   - C. "Psycho"
   - D. "Scarecrow"

**Answers to Movie Horror Trivia:**

1. "Paranormal Activity" Each correct answer is worth one point.
2. Katie
3. "The Shining"
4. Leprechaun
5. staying alive
6. Sam Raimi
7. A goat
8. Her twin brother
9. "The Birds"

4-5 Points: Happy Halloween! You are starting to get the hang of this.
5-7 Points: You still need a little practice.
7-8 Points: You are a very good horror movie genius! Keep it up!
8-9 Points: YOU ARE A HORROR MOVIE GENIUS! Congrats!

Get your freak on with Galactic plus JJ Grey & Moffo at Howlin’ Wolf in the Warehouse District on Monday, Oct. 31 at 9 p.m., featuring special guests Corey Glover (of Living Colour) and Corey Henry (of Rebirth Brass Band).

Delgado’s staff and students get together for this year’s Breast Cancer Awareness month for a “Pink Out.” SGA vice-president, Joseph Benitez, says, “We have the second largest student population, right under LSU, so we should have the second largest event series of awareness months, Pink Out 2011 being the first.”
New Orleans Photo Alliance gives a home to local photography enthusiasts

Membership based non-profit provides a plethora of artistic opportunities

By Erin Krall

Since 2006, The New Orleans Photo Alliance has offered a gallery, workshops and grants, portfolio reviews, workshops and lectures to both members as well as its nationwide supporters. Photography lovers of all levels, from an enthusiast to the professional, will find something to suit them at NOPA. Located at 1111 St. Mary St. in the Lower Garden District, NOPA is an all-volunteer, artist-run 501(c)3 non-profit.

The current show on exhibit in the gallery space is titled “Noir.” A mix of subject matter is presented, ranging from dawn in Havana, Cuba, couples stealing a kiss in French Quarter alleyways, somber prisoners behind bars and New York City architecture. “Noir” runs through Nov 20.

There are varying levels of membership to NOPA, beginning with a student membership running $20 a year, individual membership at $35 and going all the way up to a $1000 membership. Benefits of a student and individual membership include discounts on juried show admission fees, discounts for workshops and events held throughout the year, and access to self-promotion through the NOPA newsletter and blog. NOPA is located at 1111 St. Mary St. The gallery is open Saturdays and Sundays 12 p.m.-4 p.m or by appointment.

To furnish its exhibits, “NOPA sends out calls for entries through its newsletter, blog and Facebook, reaching people from around the country, as well as locally,” NOPA Programming Chair Owen Murphy said. “Certain shows, like the recently presented “Gulf” (focusing on the BP oil spill) were made up mostly of Louisiana residents. There are also a few shows a year that are only open to members,” Murphy added.

The largest event organized by the New Orleans Photo Alliance is the annual PhotoNOLA. Held the first two weekends in December, this citywide event involves exhibitions at various locations, a portfolio review with 23 reviewers and 65 photographers, lectures and workshops. “NOPA is the only all-volunteer organization of its kind in the country putting on a portfolio review of this size,” noted Murphy. Most PhotoNOLA events are free and open to the public. Exhibit locations range from the Contemporary Arts Center, Ogden Museum of Southern Art, the Louisiana State Museum/Presbytere, the Old US Mint, alternative spaces in the Marigny and Bywater and art galleries and restaurants around the city. The 5th Annual PhotoNOLA is being held December 8-11, 2011.

Another opportunity provided by the Photo Alliance comes in the form of two $5,000 grants given annually in honor of two influential New Orleans photographers. The Michael P Smith Fund is awarded for documentary photography, while the Clarence John Laughlin grant is awarded for fine art photography.

The New Orleans Photo Alliance offers opportunities for photographers both locally and nationally as well as members and non-members. As a non-profit relying on grants, memberships, and events to stay in operation, a membership to NOPA benefits both the artist and the local institution. To learn more visit, neworleansphotoalliance.org and photonola.org.

5-minute makeup

By Arielle Buxton

1. Start with a clean face. For that picture perfect look, you want to make sure that you are prepping your skin with the proper skin care treatments. The first thing you want to do every morning is wash your face with a normal face cleanser for your skin type. To tone, use a face toner or witch hazel, which also tones the skin and evens out complexion. After your face is dry, apply a moisturizer to prevent sunburn and dryness.

2. Apply foundation that is fit for your skin type and allow it to set or you can set it with powder. Just use circular strokes with a round brush to create a natural, matte look. Apply evenly.

3. Use a natural color on your eyelids. The worst thing to do before classes is to try a bright color for your eyes and things just don’t go right. So, always play it safe with a color that will bring out your eyes, but will give you that au natural look. Also, an eye liner on your lower and upper lids will wake up those eyes along with some mascara for your lashes.

4. Your blush is the highlight of your face. Use bronzers to add glow to pale or golden skin tones. A pink or coral blush is great for medium skin tones because it softens the face. Apply on the apples of the cheeks or near the top of the cheekbones for a more mature look.

5. Nude colored lip stains, lipsticks, glosses or pots all work wonders for this kind of look. It creates the illusion that you are wearing nothing on your lips, when really you are. It is an easy, simple way to look like yourself, but just a little more shiny!

Amanda deLeon Spring/Summer 2012 collection.
Dear Helplessly in love, I think fighting and negativity that has gone on for the weekends or I drive out than usual. Whenever he comes in for the weekends or I drive out to see him we start out with an argument, every time. I don’t want to break up, but I don’t know how to talk things better between us. What is a good way to handle the fighting and negativity that has grown between us? 

-Helplessly in love

Dear Helplessly in love, I think creating tension over 6 months. Is it something neither one of you can truly handle? That might be grounds for a breakup if it still causing tension after 6 months. Try a different approach next time you see each other on the weekend. Instead of arguing, be calm and see what he’s been up to lately. See if he follows your lead. If you can have an actual conversation with it erupting into a fight, there might be hope for you two! Long distance is the hardest of relationships, so have a talk about how long this will go on for. If you can’t see yourself hanging in there for much longer, consider taking some time off.

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4 Ways To Stop Blocking Your Blessings

With one of my good friends the other day and we were talking about how people allow things to stop them from being blessed. I know it may seem like a religious topic to talk about, but it seriously is not. This is a topic that everyone experiences, whether they know it or not. So here are 4 steps to prevent you from blocking your blessings:

1. The 1st way to stop blocking your blessings is to STOP speaking in a way that is inconsistent with what you want. Start expecting your blessings and they will be there. Always remember that what you seek, you will find. If you keep saying "I don't know how," your chances of taking the steps to learning are zero.

2. Get rid of that word and erase it from your vocabulary. If you don't know how to achieve something, go figure it out! Obviously someone must know how to achieve what you want to accomplish.

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OPINION POLL

Q: Did you notice a decrease in your Pell Grant this semester and how did that affect you?

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A fundraiser to help

Students at Delgado are participating in a fundraiser and donation drive for ARNO on Wednesday, Nov. 9 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. behind Building 1 at the City Park campus.

Baked goods, drinks, bracelets, car magnets and t-shirts will be available for a small donation. In addition to monetary donations, ARNO also needs donations of supplies that are used at the shelter every day, such as pet food, pet toys, bleach and kitty litter.

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The 2nd way to stop blocking your blessings is to STOP looking at how “everything isn’t happening fast enough.” If you want a 100 percent success rate of NOT receiving your blessings, keep on focusing on how slow you are moving and how slow your dreams are manifesting. This is a sure secret to failure. It’s all about perspective! Your future speed is determined by how you focus on your current speed. It’s a fact: the bigger the dream, the faster your growth. So if you are moving fast enough, guess what? You won’t go fast. The funny thing is you are probably going fast and making yourself feel bad because you think you are going slow.

The 3rd way to stop blocking your blessings is to STOP focusing on yourself. Do a good deed and look for others for the first time. You are always supposed to put something else first for a change. You can look out for someone by treating them to lunch, doing them a favor, buying them something just because—it’s the thought that counts the most. Focus on how you can bless others, and you will open up the floodgates of blessings upon your life.

The 4th way to stop blocking your blessings is to STOP cluttering your life with things, people, noise, chaos and junk you do not need. Having all that baggage does not serve you. It does not give you justice. All that does is clog your bucket up and stop you from getting the blessings that are reserved for you. Stuff can literally clog the pathways between you and your blessings. So get UNCLUTTERED!

Read it or watch it!

By Erika Canales

Are festivals not your thing? Not in the mood for trick or treating this year? Are you tired of vampires and werewolves? Zombies, or rather “Walkers,” are the new cool kids. Last fall AMC premiered “The Walking Dead” a show revolving around a police officer, Rick Grimes who awakens from a coma in the year 2013 as if a fifty-year nap. He learns that the world as we know it is over and that the walking dead have found a new creative way to turn us into their dinner menu. He also learns that he is not the only survivor and that there are the new cool kids. Last fall AMC premiered “The Walking Dead” a show revolving around a police officer, Rick Grimes who awakens from a coma in the year 2013 as if a fifty-year nap. He learns that the world as we know it is over and that the walking dead have found a new creative way to turn us into their dinner menu. He also learns that he is not the only survivor and that there are new survivors. One of these survivors is a fellow named Daryl Dixon who is a walking dead expert. He also has a thing for cats.

The series ran as six one hour episodes last fall and each one was a nail biter. The series is back again this fall and will continue to bring the nightmares to the audience. Some minor plots and characters have been altered with a couple of characters living past their due date in the comics a True Blood’s Lafayette. If messy love triangles, stabbing zombies, and attempting to solve what caused the zombie epidemic are your thing I say read and watch.

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Halloween zodiac art by Danny Nicholas

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