Federal Judge Rules Texas Voter ID Law Discriminatory

Austin, Texas — For the second time, a federal judge has ruled that the Texas “Hill,” or voter ID law that passed in 2011, is discriminatory in practice and in

Once again the court has struck down this discriminatory law as a violation of the Voting Rights Act to ensure every eligible Texan has an equal opportunity to exercise their constitutional right to vote. By placing unnecessary burdens on Texas voters, we will continue to have a historic low voter turnout,” said Senator Sylvia Garcia.

Credit by Examination offered

New funding from the Governor’s Office to enhance and analyze intelligence, including air assets and patrol unit tracking, to help combat this alarming rise and brutal violence. The Governor’s Office announced a new operation to continue, said Governor Abbott. “Government’s foremost responsibility is the safety and security of its citizens, and we are doing everything in our power to keep our citizens safe and secure.”

DEPUTY GREENWOOD’S KILLER IDENTIFIED, COMMITS SUICIDE

HOUSTON — A week after Deputy Sheriff Mathew Gregory Greenwood was shot and killed in Houston, as prime suspect in the murder of the Deputy Sheriff, Robert B. Scott, the murderer was identified as a former police officer who was shot and killed by the murderer.

They learned he had been in the area of the shooting on April 4 when apparently burning himself near Ben-Tok, Light-Hill Hospital. His body reportedly was released to the Houston County Coroner on Monday, April 10.

Source says deputies had gone to the home of Robert B. Scott when they had never seen before. The source, who was not identified, said that the murder of Deputy Sheriff Robert B. Scott was a “copycat” murder.

Channelview FFA auction highlights successful show

The 54th annual Channelview FFA Livestock Show celebrated another successful year as the auction highlighted the contributions of the event to the community. The event featured speeches, music, and craft exhibits during the week. In addition, the auction parade took place just before the auction with the proceeds from the sales travelling from Channelview High School to the military used as part of the parade.

The highlight of the auction was the bidding for Austin Taylor’s Grand Champion Steer at the Channelview FFA Livestock Auction on Saturday, March 25. The steer was purchased for $7,500 by Todd Taylor of Houston. The Channelview FFA is proud to support educational opportunities in our community.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Easter at the San Jacinto Mall

BAYTOWN — San Jacinto Mall is hosting the Easter Bunny and offers shoppers a chance to make a wish and say hello, and have their photos taken with the Bunny for a moment.

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COMMUNITY WATCH

Governor pledges to fight high crime rate

Citizens gang-related violent activity as major cause

AUSTIN — April 10, 2017 — Governor Greg Abbott to hold a press conference in Houston where he announced a new operation to combat the rising number of gang-related violent crimes in Houston and Harris County. During the press conference, the Governor expressed concern about the double-digit increase in violent crime in Houston and Harris County and indicated his plan to take action in coordination with the FBI and other local law enforcement.

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Library Computer Class

Stratford Library - Highlands offers beginning computer classes every Monday night at 6:30 PM. The classes include Computer Basics, Email & Internet, Word, Library Apps, and Resume Help. To register: Please contact Mary Brown at 927-5400 to schedule your classes. Also, please visit the library's Web site at www.hcpl.net or follow us on Facebook as the Stratford Library. The Stratford Library is located at 509 Stratford, call 832-927-5400, see the library’s book page to find out where we will be next!

LyondellBasell Gulfspan Industrial LLC donates pipes

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Celebrate National Library Week April 9-15

Highlands, TX - April 9-15 is National Library Week, a time to highlight the changing role of libraries, librarians and library workers in our society and the vital service they provide to people of all ages.

LyondellBasell Gulfspan Industrial LLC donates pipes to Crosby High School. The welding students will make good use of these materials. Knowing industry needs enables the school to teach the skills industry needs. Above personnel from the petrochemical industry, volunteer students, especially those of the vocational education departments and the principal and faculty of Crosby ISD vocational departments pose in front of a flat bed trailer loaded with steel pipe and valve parts that students will practice welding skills upon to learn to be better enabled to learn jobs within the industry. LyondellBasell and Gulfspan Industrial volunteered to transport and donate the steel to Crosby ISD in months past.

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The Goose Creek Memorial UIL Spelling team is headed to the state competition after earning 2nd place at the region tournament and scoring high enough to clinch the wild card spot. Senior Chinmayee Kulkarni (second from right) earned 1st place in the individual competition at region as well. Pictured are team members (from left) Fahad Ali Sayed, Angela Qu, Chinmayee Kulkarni and Jatin Kulkarni. Their coach is Ron Adolphin.

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On Monday, April 3, Galena Park ISD third graders and their teacher, Patricia Contreras, both teachers at the three schools, were among those who were on hand when the fire occurred.

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Jerry Daniel Whitman

The family will receive visitors at the direction of Navarre Funeral Home, 2444 Rollingbrook, Thursday, April 13, 2017 from 5 to 7 p.m., and Friday, April 14, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Services, 2444 Rollingbrook, will be held on Friday, April 14, 2017 at 12 p.m. (Noon) with Rev. Jason Shuttlesworth officiating. Burial will follow at Palm Memorial Park in Dayton with military and police honors.

Pallbearers will be Cody Orum, Daniel Winter, Lauren Whitman, Luke Morrison, Caleb Morrison and Asa Cole.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 125 South Loop East, Houston, TX 77087-1005, 800-272-3900 / 713-314-1313 or join_the_cause_donate.asp.

For those who desire, do...
The Birthstone for April is Diamond

**DIAMOND AS THE APRIL BIRTHSTONE**

Natural diamonds are the rarest and unique all-time gift for a diamond. Through the ages, it has been connected to the zodiac and the months when the individual was born. People associated significant values and meanings with diamonds. There are significant research dating back to 1330 showing diamond cutting started during the 15th century. The diamond as the April birthstone has garnered the greatest benefit of each stone. People started wearing diamonds on their birth month for the first time in 1840. In 1841, the American Numismatic Association of New-York designed a list dedicating different gems to various months. The diamond became associated with April. As time wore on, the 12 gems became associated with different months. It was a symbolic gesture of good fortune. Initially people associated significant values and meanings with the various gems. For instance, yellow stones have misfortune, while blue ones contain bounty. Purple, orange and yellow are connected to it.

The Healing Powers of Diamonds

The diamond as the April birthstone has garnered the beauty of men and the strength of women. Wearing diamonds is purported to bring other benefits such as balance, clarity and abundance. It’s also symbolic of eternal love, and these attributes are often associated with April. Wearing diamonds on your birthday month suggests that the wearer has received multiple benefits from the gemstone.

**The Origins of Birthstones**

There’s no certain lore to the specific month associated with each gemstone. However, some propose that wearing a particular birthstone dating back to biblical times when the attributes belonging to a gem was decorated with 12 stones. At least one gem from each of these months was worn on a belt. This was the tradition of wearing a colored stone such as red jasper or a green emerald. Initially people wanted the birthstone to be present according to the month of the year to derive some benefit of such stones.

Believing that the various gems had magical power for the whole year, people started to wear their birthstones with their birth month for the first time in 1840. The first known birthstone calendar was developed in 1952. This started the tradition of wearing a birthstone each month. The benefit of each stone.

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During the Middle Ages, diamonds were thought to have therapeutic powers. It was thought that diamonds were infusing the body with positive energy. By lodging the crystal and rubbing it in bed, it was thought to draw out the harmful elements that were sapping the body. It also believed that wearing a diamond on an individual’s balance and vitality and could boost their energy when combined with other crystals like citrine.

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DESTRUCTION OF EXPRESSED SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS

As required by Federal Rule 34 CPR 306.624, Crosby ISD does hereby give notice to eligible students or the parents of students of the district's intention to destroy Special Education records that have expired retention periods. The retention period for Special Education records is five (5) years after graduation or cessation of services plus five (5) years. This will include those students receiving special education services who graduated in 2017. Those that have required retention periods will be destroyed as noted by the rules of the Department of Education Federal Register, no sooner than May 31, 2017, unless objected to by eligible students or the parents of the student in writing to:

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**Alleged deputy killer is suicide, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

Former Sheriff Ron Hickman (on office at the time) indicated Kansas was not seen as a threat but a compliant.

Investigators say they first tracked the suspect to different states and then got a photo of the suspect who identified as Ronny. Once they discovered who he was they say they then discovered he had killed himself.

Dr. Lewis indicated that the investigation would continue in other states as if he is still alive.

Young then explained that the cause of death was suicide with prosecution.

She noted that the investigation had also found that the suspect was not yet a target.

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The 10-30 Club provides a 10-30 gun, and is the most recent gun that was killed in the line of duty. According to Fire Marshal spokesperson, the 10-30 Club is dedicated to law enforcement for the Assistant Chief Deputy Greenwood. Donations can be made online at the 10-30 Club or 10-30, 8500 San Felipe St., Houston 77056.

Community reaction in support of law enforcement has been outstanding. Throughout Crosby community and stores have been decorated with deep blue and silver stripes.

**Channelview FFA Parade, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

- Reserve Champion Meat Goat – Kristin Bell, purchased by Tuscaloosa Services, $1,750
- Grand Champion Lamb – James Lamb, purchased by Channelview FFA, $1,500
- Reserve Champion Steer – Brandon Brown, purchased by North Shore Roofing, $9,000
- Reserve Champion Dairy Goat – Madisyn Beach, purchased by ASI Appliances, $3,750
- Grand Champion Hog – Sydney Cross, purchased by ASI Appliances, $3,750
- Reserve Champion Swine – Madisyn Beach, purchased by North Shore Roofing, $1,750
- Grand Champion Broilers – John Vlahakis, purchased by ASI Appliances, $1,250
- Grand Champion Meat Goats – Madisyn Beach, purchased by Tubular Services, $1,950
- Grand Champion Dairy Goat – Madisyn Beach, purchased by Yates, $700
- Reserve Champion Dairy Goat – Madisyn Beach, purchased by Yates, $700

Creatives floats such as this patriotic barn theme highlighted the Channelview FFA Parade.

**San Jacinto Waste Pits, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

ter Bob Allen has said that 144 tractors were sent to known well owners requiring consent to test their wells. These wells would have never been specifi ed for 17 contaminants known to be related to the Superfund site. Young said that they knew of about 15 wells on the Channelview area that would qualify for these tests.

Young also revealed that they were checking from Crosby and their ages had been stored for some years. Of 21 possible heavy metals that could be detected, 18 of them were present in the age. Young suggested a serious health hazard would be present in the area, and these pits were necessary.

While the EPA was working on the superfund site, the Crosby County government had been “very patient” with the new information issued. Young noted that they were working on their wish list. 400 comments that had been submitted, including 992 individual comments, 6,800 petition signatures, and 200 technical comments. The indicated that

inspite of the change in administration at the EPA in Washington, there is no sign that it has affected the review work in Dallas related to the Waste Pits.

Young said that the fi rst RIS or Record Of Decision, which is the document for remediation, is due by the end of 2017. It will be made public at that time, and additional comments from the public will be possible.

An EPA inspection of the testing site in Crosby on Friday showed a test run on the Natural Oil Injection System to test the effectiveness of the injection system.

Young has distributed letters to all the people in the same area that they are going to continue to investigate the activities of the KeepItGreen Projekt.

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**San Jacinto City Police Station**

Work continues on the new Jacinto City Police Station, being built on a site on Market Street across from behind the current police station. In the new, the concrete floor slab has been poured, and underfloor piping is in place. The next step will be the erection of a steel frame that will define the exterior of the building. The new building should be ready to the end of the year, and then the old building will be torn down, and the land used for parking and landscaping.

**Construction progresses on the Jacinto City Police Station**

**San Jacinto Middle School Band makes school history**

Justin Allen!

UIL Competition. Congratulations to the GPMS band and their directors, Kayla Wood and Symphonic Band received all ones and brought home a sweepstakes trophy at the 2017...