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## CHANNEL CHATTER

## Wheeler re-elected, Davis Rouse elected to San Jacinto College Board of Trustees

### Sheldon FFA Livestock Show

FFA students from C. E. King high school held their 60th Annual Livestock Show last January 14th, at the Ag barn on US90. Students had a total of 30 exhibits, and the total bids and add-ons brought in about \$40,200 for the exhibitors.

THE GRAND CHAMPION STEER was exhibited by Alfonso Trevino, and sold for \$4,200. The buyer was Javier Soto-Zorros Welding & Fabrication.

See Photos of Sheldon FFA Livestock Show champions, pages 9 & 10 of this issue.

### Gene Green's 15th Annual North Channel Job Fair

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Gene Green invites Houstonians to his 15th Annual North Channel Job Fair on Tuesday, May 16th from 10 am - 2 pm at the San Jacinto North Campus. There are over 30 companies from a variety of industries looking to recruit for full-time, part-time, and seasonal jobs. There will also be positions available for youth and young adults ages 16-21.

Applicants are encouraged to bring resumes and dress professionally. There will be on-site interviews conducted, apprenticeship opportunities, and job training, as well as interview and resume critiquing with representatives from Workforce Solutions.

Available positions include: clerical, administrative, sales agents, teachers, accountants, paralegals, law enforcement officers, health care professionals, engineers, call center representatives, production workers, bus drivers, security officers, truck drivers, electricians, welders, mechanics, forklift operators, and general warehouse workers.

Welcome remarks at 10:30 a.m. Job Fair to take place at San Jacinto North College Allied Natural and Health Sciences Building located at 5800 Uvalde Rd., Houston, Texas 77049.

PASADENA, Texas – Based on preliminary numbers, Mrs. Erica Davis Rouse has been elected and Dr. Ruede Wheeler has been re-elected, to the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees. The vote will become official after all provisional ballots have been verified and the Board of Trustees canvasses the votes.

Davis Rouse won election to Position 1 on the Board, filling the position vacated by Brad Hance who chose

not to seek re-election. Wheeler ran unopposed for Position 2. Unofficial election results can be found on the San Jacinto College election website at sanjac.edu/board-trustees-election.

"As a lifelong resident of the area that the San Jacinto College District serves, and as the daughter of an educator, I am blessed and elated to be elected as the newest Trustee," said Davis Rouse. "This role represents the culmination of my up-



Dr. Ruede Wheeler, re-elected



Mrs. Erica Davis Rouse, elected

bringing, education and experience. Education and civic involvement have always been family priorities so it means the world to be part of our group of Trustees that recognize the value in helping create opportunities for students, both traditional and non-traditional. I look forward to being a part of the future of San Jacinto College with optimism and enthusiasm.

See Elected Trustees, Page 5

## GP/JC Rotary cake sale benefits scholarship fund

By Allan Jamail

GALENA PARK May 5 - The Galena Park/Jacinto City Rotary Club had their annual cake auction fundraiser. Thirty-one cakes were auctioned, half of which was prepared by the Galena Park Independent District's (GPISD) Culinary Arts Program. Citizens, elected officials and business representatives attended the auction that raised over six thousand dollars for student scholarships.

This year's Rotary officers are: President Joshua Moreno, President-Elect Ibrahim S. Abou-awdi, Secretary Ernesto Paredes, Treasurer Carol Thompson, Board Member Maria Rodriguez, Board Member Ramon Garza and Membership Chair Jennifer Ledwith.

Persons interested in serving the local and global community through Rotary can contact Membership Chair, Jennifer Ledwith, at (713) 553-6557 or jldledwith@scholaredy.com. To learn more about the Rotary anyone can visit the Galena Park/Jacinto City club meeting's on Wednesdays from 12 pm to 1 pm at the Alvin Baggett Center.

Former Constable Gary Freeman was the auctioneer, his wife Mary baked and donated her cake known as the Funeral Cake.

PHOTOS BY ALLAN JAMAIL



GPISD Culinary Arts Class with Instructor Chef Vasso Espinosa (left). Chef Espinosa said the school's Le Restaurant & Catering can provide services for family or business events by calling 832-386-2803.



Sabrina Quintanilla and Kevin Alcantar with "Basket Full Of Roses" prepared by the GPISD Culinary Arts students. Pct. 3 Justice of the Peace Judge Joe Stephens bid \$165 to win the cake.

### SATURDAY, MAY 20

## North Shore Rotary Fish Fry & Raffle



WINNER OF THE NEW TOYOTA PICK-UP TRUCK last year was Kimberly Gresham, second from right in this photo.

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NORTH SHORE – Rotarians are busy preparing for their 42nd annual Catfish Fry and Crawfish Boil, which will be held Saturday May 20 at the North Shore Rotary Pavilion behind the courthouse. Tickets are on sale now, available from any North Shore Rotarian, and local businesses such as Capital Bank, Pine Forest Jewelry, North Channel Chamber and many others.

The location for the event is the Rotary Pavilion behind the courthouse, at 14350 Wallisville Road. Serving of food will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., but come early and enjoy the food, bid in the auctions, and perhaps win a prize.

There will also be a silent

and live auction, according to Adam Lund, chairman of the Fish Fry this year.

Raffle tickets are \$100, and meal only tickets are \$10. The raffle ticket also will be good for any of the 20 prizes, all of which have a value higher than \$100.

Each year the club raises several \$100,000 dollars which is returned by funding community projects, scholarships, and physical improvements to the North Shore area.

Major sponsors for the Fry include Blue Northern, Channelview ISD Education Foundation, Community Toyota, Galena Park ISD Education Foundation, and San Jacinto College Foundation.

### SUPPORTING STUDENTS

## Attorney Muessig reads to Crenshaw students during "Law Week"



Baytown attorney Craig Muessig read to Crenshaw Elementary students in Channelview ISD recently during "Law Week," May 1-5. Muessig read age-appropriate books to the students about the history of voting laws in the United States.

### COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

## Galena Park honors Scholar at Council Meeting

By Allan Jamail

GALENA PARK – At the May 2 Council Meeting Mayor Esmeralda Moya called the meeting to order. After a prayer and pledges to the flags Chad Burke gave the annual Economic Alliance report.

Resolution RO5-2017 appointing Leonel Cantu, Esteban Lucio, Dr. Aubrey Ross, Dr. Francois Martin and Mayor Moya to the Annual Advisory Committee received unanimously approval.

Resolution RO6-2017 authorizing preparation and submission of a six hundred thousand dollar Texas Community Development block grant application (CDBG) for sidewalks and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's Executive Officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the CDBG application was unanimously approved.

Mayor Moya and Commissioners Rodney Chersky and Barry Ponder voted to table a proposal to allow Splash Pads USA for forty-five thousand dollars to in-

stall a 15 ft. X 30 ft splash pad at the swimming pool. Commissioners Oscar Silva Jr. and Eric Broussard voted against the motion to table, Ponder said there wasn't sufficient detailed information as to what the company would provide and what the city would have to do to get the splash pad operational.

Two part time employees was unanimously approved, Giovanna Duran (parks and recreation) and Anita Torres (City Hall Administrative Assistant II).

Mayor Moya presented a Galena Park high school student Salvador Flores with an award for being accepted as a U. S. Presidential Scholar.

Under the public comment part of the agenda many citizens mostly from the Galena Manor African American community of the city complained to the Mayor and council about the Evelyn Churchill Community Center being closed for nine months



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and the city not giving them a date for its reopening.

They said they'll be back and continue to protest until the center is reopened. (Complete story on line at www.northchannelstar.com)

On Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 9 am till 2 PM at the pavilion 1302 Keene Street the city will provide low cost pet vaccines and city tags. For more information call 713-672-2556 or 713-453-0149.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

*Crosby Chamber May  
Monthly Luncheon*

You are invited to attend Crosby-Huffman Chamber of Commerce May Luncheon. The luncheon will take place on Thursday, May 18th, at Stonebridge at Newport. They are located at 16401 Country Club Dr. in Newport. Lunch will be catered by Stonebridge and will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Guest Speaker will be Kimberlee Whittington, Director, Community Education with Lee College. She will speak on opportunities for the community through the center for workforce and community development.

They will also be presenting their Crosby ISD and Huffman ISD Scholarship winners with their certificates.

Please register if you plan on attending so they know how many to order food for.

Please RSVP by May 16th. You can call 281-328-6984, email [kim@crosbyhuffmancc.org](mailto:kim@crosbyhuffmancc.org) or fill out the form online.

### 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. No experience necessary! Space is limited and registration is required. Please call 832-927-5400 to sign up or with any questions. The Stratford Library is located at 509 Stratford Highlands, TX 77562, 2 blocks behind Food Town.

*Crosby Alumni Asssoc. Mtg.*

"The Crosby Alumni Association has announced the dates of the 4 meetings for planning the annual All-Classes CHS Alumni Reunion to be held on August 5, 2017 at the American Legion Hall.

The meetings will be held at the Crosby Community Center on Hare Road beginning at 6 pm. The dates are: May 16, June 20 and July 18. All graduates of Crosby High School are invited to attend these meetings regardless of year graduated."

*Support Ministry Group*

First Responder Peer Support Group meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at Crosby Church, 5725 Hwy. 90, Crosby, TX. 77532. This is a safe venue within fire, law enforcement & EMS to discuss openly the realities of what you have experienced on the streets or over the phone or radio. For questions, please call 281-328-1310.

*Harris County urges residents to  
prepare in advance of Hurricane Season*  
Hurricane Preparedness Week, May 7-13, 2017

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is up to each person/family to know their risks and plan for their individual needs. Some safety precautions include:

- Discuss and practice an emergency plan with your family
- Sign up to receive weather and emergency alerts
- Assemble an emergency supplies kit that includes a NOAA weather radio
- Have an emergency bag ready to go with important documents in case you need to evacuate
- Keep trees and branches trimmed near your home

- Secure loose objects before severe weather moves in

HCOSSEM's Ready-Harris app sends emergency alerts, provides a step-by-step guide for building a personalized family disaster plan, offers survival tip sheets, maps evacuation routes and locates local emergency services. Download this free app from the App Store or Google Play.

"Every minute counts when severe weather, or any emergency, threatens our community," said Harris County Judge Ed Emmett. "The ReadyHarris app empowers residents to

make a personal plan and receive life-saving information at their fingertips."

The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1 to November 30, but it got an early start with the formation of the short-lived Tropical Storm Arlene in April. This rare tropical storm is a reminder that potential severe weather events are not governed by the calendar. Harris County residents are faced with natural and man-made threats daily, so preparedness is important every day of the year.

Go to [ReadyHarris.org](http://ReadyHarris.org) to sign up for emergency alerts.

## *Volunteers to revitalize garden of a senior couple battling cancer*

On May 11, 2017 at 16439 Bohemian Hall Rd. in Crosby from 9am – 12pm, Keller Williams Realty Northeast associates chose to “Give Where They Live” as part of RED Day, an annual day of service dedicated to renewing, energizing and donating to local communities. RED Day just happens to be a one-day expression of the constant state of the Keller Williams culture. The Keller Williams teams identify a need, discover who can meet it, and get it

done.

After hearing a retired couple's story, Keller Williams Realty Northeast agents and staff chose to help the seniors facing unfortunate circumstances. Wayne is a retired veteran and skin cancer survivor. His wife Jo is currently undergoing radiation therapy during her bout with breast cancer. Like many Americans, Jo and Wayne, spent many years dreaming of the things they wanted to do in retirement.

They settled in Crosby to enjoy their greatest passions, raising parrots and growing fruit trees, vegetables and roses. The garden they took so much pride in cultivating was starting to wane from neglect.

RED Day is built on the belief that people can and should come together to achieve extraordinary things to help others. Agents, staff members, and our trusted business partners came together this year to help sustain

Wayne and Jo during this challenging time in their lives. The KW associates gladly traded their cell phones for shovels and rakes to revitalize the couple's garden and help them keep their dream alive. By giving their backyard garden a facelift, Keller Williams agents intended to lift the spirits of these Crosby homeowners facing unexpected hardships," says Diane Bowdoin, one of the Culture Committee Co-Chairs involved in coordinating the project.



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TOWN HOME CARE**

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Evening San Jacinto Pilot Club Meeting

This newly chartered club meets on on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Woodforest Presbyterian Church. For more information, see the Facebook page entitled Evening San Jacinto Pilot Club or call 832-264-1565 / 832-289-4762.

### Galena Park Senior Dance

Senior Dance is every Monday at the Alvin D. Building, 1309 Keene St., Galena Park. 7 pm - 9 pm. No cover charge. Live band Country music. Call for more information: 713-455-7335.

### North Shore Senior Dance

North Shore Seniors holds a dance every Thursday from 1 - 4 pm at the Grayson/Baldrée Building, Corpus Christi street. Live bands and refreshments. Cost is \$ 5/per person. For more information call 713-455-3660.

### The Buckshot Jamboree

Enjoy Classic Country music every Saturday night from 7 pm - 10 pm with The Buckshot Jamboree at 7414 Hartman near Old Beaumont Highway. More info, call 281-458-0729 or 832-444-5000.

### San Jacinto Pilot Club meeting

The Club meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at Lyondell-Basell on Sheldon Road at noon. For more information, please visit [www.SanJacintoPilot.com](http://www.SanJacintoPilot.com).

### North Shore Rotary's Annual Fish Fry Fundraiser

Saturday May 20th. Meal Tickets: \$10 | Serving Time: 11 AM - 3 PM . Raffle Tickets (20 Prizes in Raffle Drawing): \$100 | Includes 2 Meals. You can get tickets from any rotarian or at the Chamber Office.

Please contact Margie Buentello at [margie@ncachamber.com](mailto:margie@ncachamber.com) for more information.

### Fidelity HS Historical Committee

The Fidelity High School Historical Committee is hosting a Zydeco and Crawfish Festival on May 20th from 2:00 pm until 6:00 pm. The festival will take place at the Evelyn Churchill Center, 1505 Hunter Street in Galena Manor. All Fidelity graduates, non-graduates and their families are encouraged to attend.

For additional details call (832-444-1629) or (832-755-6294).

## Buck Sloan’s Family Reunion



The Sloan family reunion took place this past weekend and had four family members over 90 years and one 85. Buck Sloan, in foreground, is known for the Buckshot Jamboree Band.

## SAN JACINTO: Pilot Club provides Survival Kits to Law Enforcement Officers

As part of Pilot International’s Pick-Me-Up Program, the San Jacinto Pilot Club provided Law Enforcement Survival Kits to Harris County Precinct 3 Constables last Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at the courthouse on Wallisville Rd. This was a small token of appreciation for all their hard work and service to our community.

The San Jacinto Pilot Club, along with Pilot International, uplifts and appreciates caregivers by providing needed services or small gifts to brighten their day, also known as Pick Me Ups.



Pilots in the picture are, left to right, Karen Westbrooks, Joan Van Fleet (in the back row), Julie Fallin (in the front row). They handed over Survival kits to Pct. 3 Constables.

## CHANNELVIEW: Suspects wanted in murder of four people found inside burned car

Crime Stoppers and the Harris County Sheriff’s Office Homicide Investigator’s need the public’s assistance identifying the suspect(s) responsible for the murder of four victims.

On Friday, December 9, 2016, HCSO dispatch received a call stating a gray four door vehicle was on fire off the roadway, in a wooded area, in the 15300 block of Market St., in Harris County, TX. Once Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on scene the fire was quickly put out at which time two males and two females were discovered shot to death in the vehicle.

The victims were later identified as Christopher Chaney, Willie Norman, Nicholette Briscoe and Kelcii Flintroy

Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$5,000 for information leading to the charging and/or arrest of the suspect in this case. Information may be reported by calling 713-222-TIPS (8477). Tips may also be sent via a text message by texting the following: TIP610 plus the information to CRIMES (274637). All tipsters remain anonymous.



Kelcii Flintroy Nicholette Briscoe Christopher Chaney Willie Norman

## Suspect wanted in a hit and run of Sheldon ISD School Bus

Sheldon ISD administrators and Precinct 3 constables are looking for an individual who fled the scene this morning after allegedly hitting an SISD school bus from behind at the intersection of C. E. King Parkway and Tidwell Road.

Although none of the students appeared to be injured, the District transported them to East Houston Regional to be properly screened. In conjunction, C. E. King High School personnel was in the process of contacting parents.

“First and foremost, I’m just thankful that it appears no students were injured,”

Sheldon ISD Superintendent King Davis said. “The safety and security of our children remain our top priority.”

Once the students have been released by medical examiners, they will be taken back to the high school campus, district officials said.

It was also reported that the driver of the opposing vehicle drove off immediately after bumping the bus. However, the Sheldon ISD bus driver was able to get the license plate number off the vehicle, and Precinct 3 is now in the process of locating the vehicle and driver.

## Teen dies at gas station after being shot

HOUSTON - A 19-year-old boy was brought to a gas station by a friend after being shot last Friday, night, police said.

The on-duty clerk at the Citgo service station located at 2811 East Freeway (East Interstate Highway 10) was notified by the friend that the teen was inside a vehicle in the station’s parking lot and appeared to have suffered a gunshot wound. The clerk contacted 9-1-1 and the teen was transported to Ben Taub General Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

During the course of the

investigation, it was found the teen may have been involved in a home invasion in the City of La Porte and was shot by the homeowner.

According to authorities, the teen’s friend remained at the scene for questioning but was released before being questioned by homicide detectives.

The 19-year-old’s identity has not been released.

Anyone with information in this case is urged to contact the La Porte Police Department at 281-471-2141 or Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS.

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OPINION PAGE

Slices of Life

The definition of mother

By Jill Pertler

It's something we all have in common. Mothers have touched our lives. Each of us came into the world courtesy of a mother. But the concept doesn't stop there. Mothers are everywhere. They live next door or across the country. They are teachers, coaches, counselors, protectors, enforcers, disciplinarians and friends.

They are unconditional.

They come from all walks of life to influence others. And, whether the mother in your life is the woman who gave birth to you, raised you or lived down the street and had a motherly impact, chances are somewhere along the way someone touched your heart in a motherly fashion.

Likewise, it's likely you've served the role in the life of at least one human being or perhaps a four-legged friend. You don't have to give birth to be a mother in someone's eyes. Mothers are born through various circumstances.

While no two mothers are the same, there are some common threads that accompany the job title: **M-O-T-H-E-R**.

**M** – A mother is a mentor and a motivator. She is your number one fan no matter what the score of the game. She is on your side, even when you are confused about which side you are actually on.

**O** – I've always said taking on the task of motherhood is an infinite act of optimism. A mother places her bet on a life outside her own, doubles down and then goes all in. She has no choice. Unconditional love requires such commitment and sacrifice.

**T** – Often, mothers are tenderhearted, tranquil and thoughtfully nurturing. But, under that façade is a toughness that has the capability to eat nails for breakfast. The softest

mother can become a surly and keenly focused adversary should her child be threatened in some way. This same bold fortitude also appears when a child messes up and requires a dose of a mother's tough love, which is often just as tough on the mother as it is the child.

**H** – Motherhood can be a battle of the head and heart. Sometimes a mother is forced to listen to the logic coming from her head when her heart is screaming for her to do just the opposite. In a second scenario, the heart rules and love trumps logic. The tricky part of motherhood is knowing one from the other.

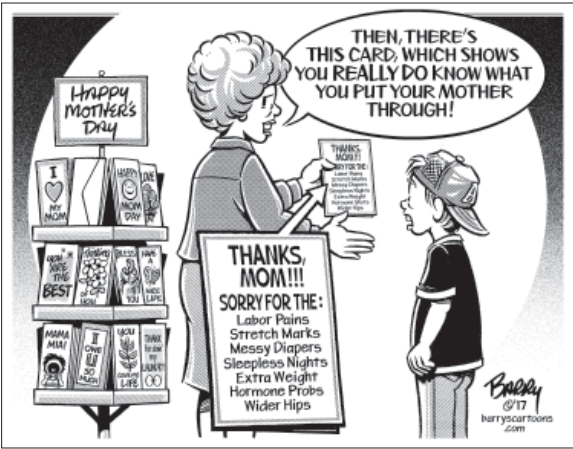
**E** – Mothers are embarrassing, especially to a 13-year-old, especially in public. They can be exasperating, especially when they won't let you stay out late or demand that you take one more bite of your broccoli. They are entirely overbearing and exceedingly oppressive and essentially erroneous in their belief that they know more than you do. They also demonstrate an everlasting love and devotion that endures far past their time with us here on earth. A mother's love is eternal. Thank goodness.

**R** – The role of mother is cast without rehearsals. There are no re-dos for mess-ups or mishaps. Motherhood is a responsibility (and privilege) that begins right now and lasts until way then without the option of retirement. Once a mother, always a mother.

We wouldn't have it any other way.

Happy Mother's Day – To everyone who's had the privilege of being someone's mom!

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.



House joins Senate in passing constitutional convention measure

AUSTIN — The Texas House of Representatives on May 4 approved Senate Joint Resolution 2, a measure calling for a convention of the states, as contemplated and enabled by Article V of the U.S. Constitution.

The state Senate on Feb. 28 originally passed SJR 2, authored by Brian Birdwell, R-Granbury. Every member of the House and Senate who signed as a co-author or co-sponsor of SJR 2 is Republican, and no Democrat voted in favor of the resolution.

Last week, after the House approved an amended version of the joint resolution, Governor Greg Abbott said: "Today marks an important step toward restraining a runaway federal government and returning power back to the states and their respective citizens as our Founders intended." In his Jan. 31 State of the State address, Abbott listed passage of such a measure as one of his emergency legislative priorities.

Next, the Senate must accept the House's version of SJR 2 or call a conference committee to iron out differences. If finally agreed upon, the measure would be forwarded to Vice President Mike Pence, who presides over the U.S. Senate, and to U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan. Should SJR 2 pass here, the Lone Star State would join 10 other states that have done likewise: Alabama, Alaska, Georgia, Indiana, Louisiana, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Tennessee.

The legislatures of two-thirds of the 50 states — that would be 34 states — must join in the call for a constitutional convention in order to convene under Article V. The stated purpose of convening would be to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution that would:

- Impose fiscal restraints on the federal government;
- Limit federal government jurisdiction and power; and
- Impose term limits on federal officials and members of Congress.

A model for states to use in their efforts to call an Article V convention is being promoted nationwide by the Arlington, Virginia-based American Legislative Exchange Council. In its publicly posted literature, the organization says: "The federal government has steadily consolidated its power while eroding state control in ways that are clearly inconsistent with the Tenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution."

Other organizations, such as Common Cause and the American Civil Liberties Union and their state affiliates, have regis-

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling



tors were up markedly. The results of consumer spending appear mixed, with increased tax collections from restaurants but a slight decrease in retail trade," he added.

Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 58 percent of all tax collections in fiscal 2016.

Abbott proclaims disaster

Gov. Abbott on May 1 declared a state of disaster exists in East Texas counties of Henderson, Rains and Van Zandt after severe thunderstorms spawning tornadoes swept through the area about 70 miles east of Dallas on April 29.

Nine tornadoes were reported, and at least four deaths were attributed to the weather system. Many homes and businesses were destroyed, and infrastructure was damaged. Abbott authorized the use of all available resources of state government and political subdivisions to cope with the disaster.

Officials seek Zika help

Gov. Abbott and Texas Department of State Health Services Commissioner John Hellerstedt on May 4 sent a joint letter to mayors and county judges across the state, asking local officials for more support in preventing the spread of the mosquito-borne Zika virus. With seasonal temperatures increasing, Abbott and Hellerstedt asked mayors and county judges to accelerate mosquito abatement efforts and to increase public outreach.

Revenue intake increases

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on May 2 reported state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.44 billion in April, an amount 2.5 percent more than in April 2016.

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in April 2017 was up by 3.3 percent compared with the same period a year ago, Hegar added.

Modest growth in state sales tax revenue reflects increased business spending in some sectors, Hegar said. "While net collections from oil and gas companies remain depressed, receipts from the manufacturing and wholesale trade sec-

Going on vacation can reduce stress even after you get back

(NAPSI)—The numbers are in and it seems the news has Americans stressed out. A survey commissioned by Travelocity of more than 1,500 Americans shows that current events have almost half (48 percent) of those polled more stressed out now than one year ago and of those, 40 percent say that they are "much more stressed."

While in recent years unique and intense activities like ecotourism and adventure travel have become increasingly popular, the self-reported stress level of Americans may indicate that this is the optimal time to return to the original purpose of a vacation—rest and relaxation.

But what kind of travel is most restful? Travelocity turned to its community of expert travelers, the "Gnational Gnomads," to offer professional insight into this question.

The most commonly named activity was, unsurprisingly, a spa treatment. According to Gnational Gnomad Roxanne Tritt, aka Spa Travel Gal, "There is nothing like luxuriating at a spa to truly recharge. And best of all, a great spa treatment can be part of an adventure across the globe or the highlight of a staycation across town."

Second only to spas as a restful travel option was to explore and enjoy local sights. Gnational Gnomad Kirstin Maxwell, founder and editor of kidsareatrip.com, says, "For too many people, sightseeing becomes a race to check places off of a list. Sightseeing should be about experiencing the people and culture of a new place, not just a mad dash to take selfies at the most popular landmarks."

Understanding that part of a relaxing vacation is not having to worry about unforeseen problems, Travelocity recently instituted a "Customer First Guarantee," a program that offers hotel changes, free flight changes within 24 hours of booking, and a price match guarantee, among other services. It also features class-leading social media customer service. Online analytics firm Socialbakers recently ranked Travelocity as the most responsive full-service online travel agency in the U.S.

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Loans. It's also necessary for federal job training programs and jobs in the executive branch of the federal government and the U.S. Postal Service. Plus, registering is the only path to citizenship for immigrant men arriving in the U.S. before their 26th birthday. Not registering could mean that a fine of up to \$250,000 and a prison term of up to five years are in your future, instead.

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CHANNELVIEW ISD

“Shattered Dreams” shares the tragic consequences of drinking and driving

From the first sight of the crash scene, there was no doubt of the tragic nature of the accident. Emergency responders quickly rushed to treat the seriously injured, even pulling some of them from their vehicles. Despite their best efforts, some of the accident victims could not be saved.

The victims were high school students who had been consuming alcohol at a party a few hours before. One of them got behind the wheel. It was a nightmare that could have been avoided. However, this terrible tragedy was a staged simulation, intended to provide a strong message. This is the purpose of “Shattered Dreams.”

“Shattered Dreams” is an educational program at Channelview High School designed to prevent teen drinking and driving. The event was sponsored by Ben Taub Hospital’s Trauma Services Department, a part of the Harris Health System.

“The Shattered Dreams program has had such a powerful effect on our students,” said Cindi Ollis, CHS principal. “The students see that the consequences of poor decisions can have a far-reaching impact. This program enables the reality of drinking and driving to hit home in a very realistic and dramatic way.”

The simulated crash took place near the Channelview High School campus in the parking lot of Ray Maddry Memorial Stadium. Channelview EMS and Fire Department, PHI Air Medical, Harris County Constable Precinct 3 deputies, along with other local emergen-



(Photo by Mark Kramer, Channelview ISD) Emergency personnel place an accident victim onto a gurney during a simulated drunk driving crash as part of the Shattered Dreams program held at Channelview High School recently. “Shattered Dreams” is an educational program at Channelview High School designed to prevent teen drinking and driving. The event was sponsored by Ben Taub Hospital’s Trauma Services Department, a part of the Harris Health System.

cy personnel participated in the event as “first responders” to the staged accident scene, where students were portrayed as fatal accident victims.

“Even though they knew it was a re-enactment, it becomes emotional for the students and their parents,” said CHS teacher Karen Hebert, who coordinated the event. “It makes them think, ‘what if it did happen?’ My hope is that this program will make students aware of how drinking and driving affects more than just themselves.”

The program did not conclude after the simulated fatal drunk driving crash. The night following the event, several students and their parents were allowed to visit the trauma center of Ben Taub Hospital and see emergency medical procedures being conducted on accident victims and shooting victims. At the end of the night

in the trauma ward, Hebert said students were asked to write a letter to a loved one, such as a parent, sibling or friend. The students then shared their letters with the group.

“The students usually become very emotional and tear up when they read their letter, as they discover that their ‘being gone’ has a ripple effect,” she said. “After the program that day and visiting Ben Taub that night, students are still coming to talk to me about the impact the Shattered Dreams program made on them.”

In addition to spreading awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving, Hebert has placed added emphasis on the hazards of texting and driving and distracted driving. “My goal and hope is that we never lose another student to a car accident that could have been prevented,” she said. “One is more than enough.”

Galena Park ISD

North Shore Middle School celebrates 60th Anniversary

Another page was turned in the history of North Shore Middle School as current and former faculty, students and members of the community celebrated the school’s 60th anniversary!

Yuroba Harris, representative from Congressman Gene Green’s office presented the school with a Congressional Certificate and an American Flag that was flown over the United States Capitol.

Mr. Ray Kilgo, the school’s second principal spoke about the importance of a strong faculty and staff and how he cherishes the memories of working here.

Mr. Paul Drexler, the



school’s third principal also spoke about the impact good teachers have on students and that our love for teaching children should be the

drive to be the best.

After the ceremony, everyone was invited into the multipurpose room for refreshments and pictures.

Elected Trustees,

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Thank you to my family and extended community of friends and supporters for your vote of confidence.”

Davis Rouse is a native of Galena Park, Texas. She moved to the South Belt area as a child and has continued to make South Belt her home, where she is raising her family. Davis Rouse has a passion for community and education as the daughter of a retired Galena Park ISD teacher and counselor. In her current role as a manager for John Wiley & Sons, Davis Rouse is familiar with the challenges faced by students and faculty in the community college environment. She has volunteered with several non-profits and is an advisory Board member for the Smahrt Girl Foundation. She has also volunteered with Pasadena ISD including service as team mom for several of her son’s

activities, mentoring and coaching in the Leaders of Tomorrow program, tutoring at New Covenant church and serving in various leadership capacities throughout the community. Rouse is a proud Ambassador for the Houston Texans as a member of the National Football League alumni association.

Wheeler has served on the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees since 1986 following nine years of service as a member of the La Porte ISD Board of Trustees. He is chairman of the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees Finance Committee. Wheeler practiced dentistry in La Porte for more than 40 years before retiring. He currently owns and operates Wheelstone Auto Sales in La Porte and is a member and past president of the La Porte Rotary Club. Wheeler is

married to Charleya who is a trustee on the La Porte ISD board. The technical building on the San Jacinto College North Campus is named in Dr. Wheeler’s honor.

Residents that live within the Pasadena, Deer Park, La Porte, Sheldon, Channelview, Galena Park, and portions of the Clear Creek, Humble and Pearland independent school districts elect San Jacinto College trustees. Each position is for a six-year term and elections for the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees are held in odd numbered years.

Davis Rouse and Wheeler will take their respective oaths of office at the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees meeting on Monday, June 5, 2017.

Personal Safety expert is Chamber speaker

NORTH CHANNEL – “RUN, HIDE, FIGHT.” That is the mantra of safety experts when you are faced with an active shooter situation, according to guest speaker Lawrence Mouton.

Mouton is a trainer and consultant to police departments and individuals regarding their personal safety, and tactics they can use when faced with a dangerous situation.

Mouton is a native Houstonian, with a total of 30 years in law enforcement. For 21 years, he was a member of the HPD SWAT team (Special



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Mouton’s advice for someone in a threatening situation:

RUN, and don’t take

your stuff with you, or

HIDE, turn off your phone and block the door of your room, or

FIGHT, be aggressive and respond quickly.

Prepare for the worst, he said, and have a plan. If you have to fight, have a target and do the following to an aggressor:

Hit in the nose, or Hit in the groin, or Hit in the Eyes, or Bite -- hard.

Mouton is also a certified firearms instructor, and he said that you must know how to manage a gun, not just be able to shoot it.



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# ASK THE EXPERT

## Diamond Jim: "When did we begin celebrating 'Mother's Day'?"



### ASK DIAMOND JIM

**AMERICAN MOTHER'S DAY ORIGINS**  
The official Mother's Day holiday arose in the 1900s as a result of the efforts of Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis. Following her mother's 1905 death, Anna Jarvis conceived of Mother's Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children. After gaining financial backing from a Philadelphia department store owner named John Wanamaker, in May 1908 she organized the first official Mother's Day celebration at a Methodist church in Grafton, West Virginia. That same day also saw thousands of people attend a Mother's Day event at one of Wanamaker's retail stores in Philadelphia.

Following the success of her first Mother's Day, Jarvis—who remained unmarried and childless her whole life—resolved to see her holiday added to the national calendar. Arguing that American holidays were biased toward male achievements, she started a massive letter writing campaign to newspapers and prominent politicians urging the adoption of a special day honoring motherhood. By 1912 many states, towns and churches had adopted Mother's Day as an annual holiday, and Jarvis had established the Mother's Day International Association to help promote her cause. Her persistence paid off in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

Anna Jarvis had originally conceived of Mother's Day as a day of personal celebration between mothers and

families. Her version of the day involved wearing a white carnation as a badge and visiting one's mother or attending church services. But once Mother's Day became a national holiday, it was not long before florists, card companies and other merchants capitalized on its popularity.

While Jarvis had initially worked with the floral industry to help raise Mother's Day's profile, by 1920 she had become disgusted with how the holiday had been commercialized. She outwardly denounced the transformation and urged people to stop buying Mother's Day flowers, cards and candies. Jarvis eventually resorted to an open campaign against Mother's Day profiteers, speaking out against confectioners, florists and even charities. She also launched countless lawsuits against groups that had used the name "Mother's Day," eventually spending most of her personal wealth in legal fees. By the time of her death in 1948 Jarvis had disowned the holiday altogether, and even actively lobbied

the government to see it removed from the American calendar.

Mother's Day falls on the second Sunday in May and traditionally involves presenting mothers with flowers, cards and other gifts. Currently, more phone calls are made on Mother's Day than any other day of the year. These holiday chats with Mom often cause phone traffic to spike by as much as 37 percent. It celebrates motherhood and it is a time to appreciate mothers and mother figures. Many people give gifts, cards, flowers, candy, a meal in a restaurant or other treats to their mother and mother figures, including grandmothers, great-grandmothers, stepmothers, and foster mothers.

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## San Jacinto College applauds introduction of Domestic Maritime Centers of Excellence Act

Rep. Gene Green's legislation would create a federal designation for certain coastal community and technical colleges as Maritime Workforce Training Centers of Excellence



PASADENA, Texas – May 3, 2017 – San Jacinto College is expressing its support for the Domestic Maritime Centers of Excellence Act, introduced in Congress yesterday by Rep. Gene Green (D-TX) with the support of Rep. Pete Olson (R-TX), Rep. Ted Poe (R-TX) and other members of Congress.

The Domestic Maritime Centers of Excellence Act is intended to advance the capabilities of two-year community and technical colleges to assist the federal government and industry in securing the talent pipeline for domestic maritime industry jobs. This legislation will help fill a void in maritime training and education programs.

"We thank Rep. Green, Rep. Olson, Rep. Poe and others for championing this legislation on behalf of San Jacinto College and our maritime partners," said Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College Chancellor. "Our region is home to one of the world's largest ports and is ranked second in the nation for maritime jobs. This designation will allow us to continue to provide U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)-approved training to help meet the workforce needs of the Gulf Coast Region."

The Domestic Maritime Centers of Excellence Act is being introduced in Congress with the support of a bipartisan group of legislators. Rep. Green is the bill's author, along with Virginia State Representative Rob Wittman, and Rep. Olson is an original co-sponsor.

"In our district, we have a surplus of maritime jobs and not enough people with the skills and training to fill them," said Rep. Green. "The industry is continuing to invest and grow along the Port of Houston, and we want to make sure that our constituents

have the opportunity to take these high-skilled jobs. This bipartisan legislation will help bridge the gap. It's good for our local community, it's good for our businesses, and it's good for the American economy."

A shortage of qualified maritime workers has been identified by U.S. industry leaders as the primary challenge to growth in the domestic maritime sector. The maritime industry requires technical skills training and licensing – even for entry-level positions. To earn appropriate credentials for each level of maritime industry employment, workers must complete regular training from course providers approved by the USCG. Community and technical colleges offer this training on an affordable basis.

"This bill will help meet critical demands of the ports in our Gulf Coast region," Rep. Olson said. "Houston is home to one of the world's largest ports and relies on trained maritime workers to keep it at full operations. We need maritime training and education programs to be readily available to fill the need for maritime workers. San Jacinto College plays a vital role in training the next generation of workers. I'm pleased to co-sponsor this needed bill and look forward to working with Rep. Gene Green to help get it passed."

San Jacinto College remains committed to training the maritime workforce. Since 2010, the College's maritime program has awarded more than 5,500 USCG-approved course completion certificates. The College also introduced the state's first associate degree program in maritime transportation to train

those new to the maritime industry. Last year marked the opening of the San Jacinto College Maritime Technology and Training Center on the Maritime Campus in La Porte, Texas, to offer more training opportunities for mariners in the Gulf Coast region.

"There are more than 56,000 direct maritime-related jobs at the Port of Houston alone," said Rep. Poe. "As the workforce grows, students must be ready to enter the maritime industry with job ready skills. This legislation simply gives local community and technical colleges the resources to effectively prepare their students. As co-chairman of the PORTS Caucus, I recognize that this legislation takes an important step forward in ensuring future workforce growth for the Port of Houston and ports across the nation."

Unless action is taken to expand the availability of domestic maritime workforce technical training, the continued lack of federal government focus on domestic maritime industry technical training, a large percentage of the workforce nearing retirement, technological advancements and the expansion of the Panama Canal are all factors that will compound the domestic maritime workforce shortage in the years ahead.

The San Jacinto College Maritime Technology and Training Center on the Maritime Campus offers a full calendar of U.S. Coast Guard-approved maritime courses. For more information and to register, visit [sanjac.edu/maritime](http://sanjac.edu/maritime).

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Mary M. Temple

Mary M. Temple, 90, went to be with the Lord on Monday, May 1, 2017 in Baytown, Texas.

She was born on May 15, 1926 in Hazlehurst, Mississippi to Brown Myers and Georgia Foster Myers. She was a housewife and spent her life being a caregiver to everyone. Mary was a woman with a great sense of humor, who liked to laugh and was fun to be around. She was an avid fan of sports from the Houston Rockets, Astros, or Texans or any team who happened to be playing and loved all animals, especially dogs. Mary liked her sweets and enjoyed cooking and baking. She has lived in Crosby, Texas for over 30 years and is now returning to her beloved Mississippi! She will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Morris T. Temple; parents, Brown and Georgia Myers; and brothers, Houston Myers, Otis Myers, and Hubert Myers.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Pat Raines and husband Jim; granddaughter, Megan Miller and husband Ryan and great-granddaughter Em-maly Miller; step children, Frances Jones; Joe Temple; step-grandchildren, Debbie Andrews, Morris Jones, Joel Temple, Dana Bishop, Cindy Harris, Karen Gillaspie, Paula Foreman,



Chris Raines, JC Stone and all their families; and a host of extended family and friends.

Quote from Megan: "She was our laughter and our comfort, she was the best cornbread maker ever, she was an animal lover, and a caretaker to all, she loved pies, cakes, and cookies, and any sports game she could find, she loved her family, but most importantly she loved Jesus."

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Sterling-White Funeral Home and also another visitation will be held on Friday, May 5, 2017 at 10:00 am at Siloam Baptist Church, 8031 Highway 98 E., Meadville, Mississippi 39653. Funeral services will immediately follow at 11:00 am. Interment will be in Siloam Baptist Church Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd. Highlands, Texas 77562.

To send the family condolences please visit [www.sterlingwhite.com](http://www.sterlingwhite.com).

7th Annual GCCISD Student Workforce Connection Employer Appreciation Reception

Jennifer Jacobs, Student Workforce Connection liaison (left), and Randal O'Brien, Goose Creek CISD superintendent, greet Kylie Salter and Yvette Spencer from SpringHill Suites Marriott at the recent 7th Annual Goose Creek CISD Student Workforce Connection Employer Appreciation Reception at the Baytown Community Center. Springhill Suites Marriott is one of more than 110 business and industry Workforce Partners, including departments within Goose Creek CISD, that provide internships and employment opportunities for students.



Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman

GCM Places 2nd at UIL State Spelling Competition



Members of the Goose Creek Memorial High School Academic UIL Spelling Team, (from left) Fayed Sayed, Angela Qin, Chinmayee Kulkarni and Jatin Kulkarni, display their medals at the state competition, where they earned 2nd place, close behind the 1st place team. Chinmayee won 5th place individually. At the regional level, the team won 2nd place and Chinmayee placed 1st individually. GCM was the 1st place team at district competition, with Chinmayee winning 1st; Fahad Sayed, 2nd and Angela Qin, 3rd place. Rosie Adolphin is the coach.

Eight GCCISD students advance to National History Day



Eight Goose Creek CISD students earned the privilege of competing at National History Day in June by placing first or second at Texas History Day. Pictured are (front, from left) Allan Cosep, Jr., Madeleine Broussard, (middle row, from left) Dominic Borbon, Havi Nguyen, Brandon Broussard, (top row, from left) Danielle Garcia and Grace Muller. Not pictured is Priscilla Garcia.

By Susan Passmore

Eight students will represent Goose Creek CISD at the National History Day Competition in College Park, MD, on the University of Maryland campus June 11-15 after placing first or second at the recent Texas History Day in Austin. This marks the 27th consecutive year that Goose Creek CISD students have advanced to National History Day thanks to support from parents, teachers and district administrators as well as their own hard work and effort.

Senior Group Exhibit competitors Danielle Garcia and Priscilla Garcia from Ross S. Sterling High School, sponsored by Stephanie Cottle, won first place with "Freedom Riders: Freedom's Wheels are Rolling." In Junior Group Performance, Madeleine Broussard and Brandon Broussard from Gentry Junior School, sponsored by Steve Koester, won first place with "Fanning the Flames of Revolution."

Havi Nguyen from Sterling High School won second in the Senior Individual Exhibit category for "Lewis Hine: Capturing the Injustice of Child Labor." His sponsor is Stephanie Cottle. Dominic Borbon from Goose Creek Memorial High School placed second in the Senior Historical Paper competition with "Manet and the Impressionists." His sponsor is Jason Catoire.

In the Junior Individual Performance category, Allan Cosep, Jr. from Gentry Junior and Grace Muller from Cedar Bayou Junior School tied for second place. Allan's entry was "Standing Up Against the Great America Depression: President Franklin Roosevelt's Economic Fight," and his sponsors are Steve Bingham and Tara Fountain. Grace's entry was "Lady Bird Johnson: Taking a Stand to Preserve the Natural Beauty of America," and her sponsor is Amy Maddie.

Other competitors from Goose Creek CISD brought home awards. In Senior Group Performance, Melissa Del Rio, Carmen Martinez, Kimberly Murrillo and Gabriel de la Garza from Robert E. Lee High School, sponsored by Rosemary Calico-Hopson, earned third place honors for "The Stand of the First Lady of the World." Third place went to Charlotte Newport and Heather Tarver from Gen-

try Junior School in the Junior Group Website category, sponsored by Tara Fountain, for "Warsaw Ghetto Uprising."

Goose Creek CISD students also received some special awards. The National History Day Special Prize for Maritime Projects went to Jacob Kingsmill from Goose Creek Memorial for his Senior Individual Documentary "The German Atlantic Wall: A Military Stand." His sponsor is Stephanie Schull. Isabel de la Rosa from Sterling High School, sponsored by Stephanie Cottle, received the Lee College Outstanding Regional Entry Award for her Senior Historical Paper "Slavery Law, Pure and Simple." Brooke Schull from Highlands Junior won two special awards for her Junior Individual Exhibit "Diane Nash: Standing for Equality." Brooke was awarded the Willie Lee Gay Award for African-American History and the Lee College Outstanding Regional Entry Award. Her sponsor is Adrienne Freeman.

Distinguished Achievement Awards were awarded to GCCISD students for the following projects: Soham Datar, Athena Janobas, Brienne Schull and Shaily Yadav, GCM, sponsored by Stephanie Schull and Lori Glaspie, Senior Group Documentary "The Greensboro Sit-ins: Igniting Change by Taking a Seat;" Tramy Nguyen, Sterling, sponsored by Stephanie Cottle, Senior Individual Website, "Voice of the Mad: Dorothea Dix;" Jacob Kingsmill, GCM, sponsored by Stephanie Schull, Senior Individual Documentary "The German Atlantic Wall: A Military Stand;" Abigail de Guzman, Sterling, sponsored by Stephanie Cottle, Senior Individual Documentary "Clara Barton: The American Humanitarian" and Pranav Gupta, Highlands Junior, sponsored by Michella Jones, Junior Individual Documentary "The Awakening of Mighty America: Taking a Stand for Economic Prosperity."

"Our Goose Creek students did a fantastic job competing at the Texas History Day competition. Our students were absolutely outstanding both in the competition and as representatives of our district. I am so proud of all the students who competed in Austin," said Faith Longorio, social studies coordinator.

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VOPAK MODA Houston, LLC, of 1000 Louisiana, Suite 7100, Houston, Texas, 77002, has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to construct a 10.75 mile Crude Oil and Condensate products pipeline in Harris County that may, on some occasions may contain hydrogen sulfide (sour gas). This proposed pipeline facility will transport sour liquid that will contain less than 1000 parts per million of hydrogen sulfide. A copy of application forms and a map showing the location of the pipeline is available for public inspection at the offices of the Harris County Clerk's office, located at 201 Caroline St, Houston, TX 77002. In the event of a leak, the radius of exposure of hydrogen sulfide for 100 parts per million could extend 2,448 feet on either side of the pipeline based on methods outlined in the 16 Texas Administrative Code 3.36(2). The radius of exposure included parts of Hwy 225 and extends east from the west side of Battleground Road and just north of Geo Specialty Chemicals at Independence Pkwy to the west end of the pipeline located on private land near the intersection of Allen Genoa Road and Lawndale Street, at the southwest boundary of the LyondellBasell-Houston Refining complex. The city boundaries of Deer Park, Pasadena, La Porte, and Galena Park areas are estimated here on the attached plat.

The pipeline will be constructed and operated in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the Railroad Commission of Texas specifying construction material and methods for the safe and reliable operation of a crude oil pipeline that at times may contain sour gas in the liquid.

Any owner or occupant of land located within the area of influence of the proposed sour gas pipeline facility desiring to protest this application can do so by mailing or otherwise delivering a letter referring to the application (Docket# 03-0304582) and stating their desire to protest to:

Docket Services,  
Office of General Counsel,  
Railroad Commission of Texas,  
P.O. Box 12967,  
Austin, Texas 78711-2967

Protests shall be in writing and received by Docket Services not later than (June 16, 2017). The letter shall include the name, address, and telephone number of every person on whose behalf the protest is filed and shall state the reasons each such person believes that he or she is the owner or occupant of property within the area of influence of the proposed pipeline facility. It is recommended that a copy of this notice be included with the letter. Additional information regarding the protest can be obtained by <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/> on the Internet.

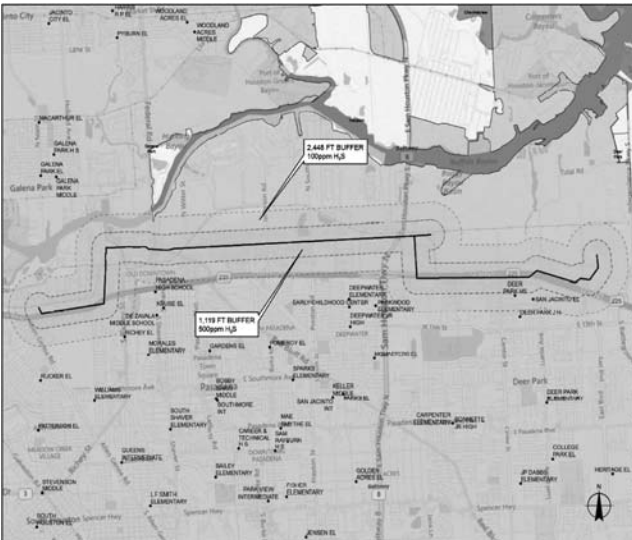
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**THE CITY OF JACINTO CITY IS ACCEPTING BIDS FOR THE RESURFACE OF KILROY ST. IN TWO DIFFERENT AREAS: FROM THE RAILROAD TRACKS SOUTH TO LANE ST. AND FROM MARKET ST. NORTH TO OSWEGO ST. THIS WILL BE A 2" OVERLAY ONLY WITH MINIMUM BASE REPAIR AND 9 STREET TIE INS.**

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters of Administration for Docket No. 456,005: Estate of DOROTHY MAE JANACEK, Deceased; In Probate Court No. 3, of Harris County, Texas, Deceased, were issued on April 12, 2017.

MONALISA MATTHEWS

The residence address of the administrator is in Harris County, Texas. The mailing address is:

c/o Weston Cotten  
5223 Garth Rd.  
Baytown, TX 77521

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this May 5, 2017.

*Weston Cotten*

by WESTON COTTEN  
Attorney for the Estate

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



### AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER

TPDES Permit No. WQ0002160000

**APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION.** Sequa Corporation, 16402 Jacintoport Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77015, which operates Precast Metals Wastewater Treatment Plant (a coil coating facility WWTP), has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. WQ0002160000, which authorizes the discharge of previously monitored effluents from internal Outfalls 101 (treated process wastewater, utility wastewater, and stormwater at a daily average flow not to exceed 30,000 gallons per day) and 201 (treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 2,000 gallons per day) at a daily average flow not to exceed 45,000 gallons per day via Outfall 001. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on November 13, 2012. This revised notice has been provided because certain limits in the original draft permit were incorrect. Notice of the erroneous draft permit was published in May of 2013. The applicant requested renewal of the permit issued September 22, 2008, but limits at Outfall 001 in that draft permit did not match the limits at Outfall 001 in the 2008 permit.

The facility is located at 16402 Jacintoport Boulevard in the Jacintoport Industrial Park, in the City of Houston, Harris County, Texas 77015. The effluent is discharged via Outfall 001 directly to the Houston Ship Channel, in Segment No. 1006 of the San Jacinto River Basin. The designated uses for Segment No. 1006 are navigation and industrial water supply.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a revised draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Harris County Library-North Channel Branch, 15741 Wallisville Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.755555&lng=-95.11&zoom=13&type=r>.

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for public comments, the Executive Director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on a mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name; address; phone number; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be added to: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html) within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html), or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/peg](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/peg). Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Sequa Corporation at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Anu Singh at (314)-496-7010. Issued:

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#### RESERVE CHAMPIONS

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NORTH CHANNEL STAR



**RESERVE CHAMPION STEER**  
Exhibitor: LEO GARCIA  
Buyer: WRTS LLC, \$3200



**RESERVE CHAMPION SWINE**  
Exhibitor: NOAH DOERR  
Buyer: WRTS LLC, \$1100



**RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB**  
Exhibitor: SANDIE OPIELA  
Buyer: UNITED COMMUNITY CU, \$400



**RESERVE CHAMPION GOAT**  
Exhibitor: FAITH LANHAM  
Buyer: CODY LANGLEY, \$475



**RESERVE CHAMPION RABBITS**  
Exhibitor: KALIAPY SCHULTZ  
Buyer: DENISE SMESNEY, \$250



**RESERVE CHAMPION BROILERS**  
Exhibitor: KAYDEE DENTON  
Buyer: DR. NINO, \$300



**RESERVE CHAMPION HORTICULTURE**  
Exhibitor: LANE PATTERSON  
Buyer: SHAMOON-SOUTEX, \$450



**RESERVE CHAMPION DECORATED CAKE**  
Exhibitor: LOGAN ROSS  
Buyer: SHAMOON-SOUTEX, \$250



**RESERVE CHAMPION FOOD SHOW**  
Exhibitor: MARIANA SAUCEDO  
Buyer: SHAMOON-SOUTEX, \$175



**3RD PLACE STEER**  
Exhibitor: MARC CHAPA  
Buyer: EPIKE POOLSCAPES, \$3500



**3RD PLACE SWINE**  
Exhibitor: SAMANTHA DOERR  
Buyer: NORTH SHORE ROTARY, \$1250



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Exhibitor: ALFONSO TREVINO  
Buyer: SHAMOON-SOUTEX, \$200



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Exhibitor: VALERIE GUERRO  
Buyer: SHELIA MCCRAY, \$350



**4TH PLACE SWINE**  
Exhibitor: MARC CHAPA  
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**NOTE:** There were a Total of 30 Exhibits. Space does not allow us to show all, but we Congratulate all that competed.

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Buyer: SOTO-ZORROS, \$4200



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Exhibitor: KAYDEE DENTON  
Buyer: NORTH SHORE ROTARY, \$1600



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Exhibitor: EMILEE DENTON  
Buyer: UNITED COMMUNITY CU, \$450



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Exhibitor: SANDIE OPIELA  
Buyer: FRED RIVAS-ROTATING EQ., \$650



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Exhibitor: LANE PATTERSON  
Buyer: SHAMOON-SOUTEX, \$700



**GRAND CHAMPION BROILERS**  
Exhibitor: EMILEE DENTON  
Buyer: DR. NINO, \$700



**GRAND CHAMPION HORTICULTURE**  
Exhibitor: EMILEE DENTON  
Buyer: DAN MIMS, \$275



**GRAND CHAMPION DECORATED CAKE**  
Exhibitor: ANISSA PEREZ  
Buyer: FRED RIVAS-ROTATING EQ., \$175



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