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CHANNEL CHATTER

EPA Waste Pits Meeting Oct. 20

EPA will hold a public meeting to inform residents of the proposed cleanup strategy and obtain comments at 6:30 pm on October 20 at the Highlands Community Center, 604 Highlands Woods Dr., Highlands 77562.

GPISD hosts Super Family Literacy Day

Family Literacy Day

Galena Park ISD is hosting
a Parent Family Engagement
event for all enrolled Galena
Park ISD Pre-K students and
their parents on Saturday,
October 15, 2016. The "Super
Family Literacy Day" will provide
parents the opportunity to
attend several interactive
sessions to help them
understand the importance of
reading to children at home,
how to make reading fun and
meaningful, and how to access
parent videos for additional
strategies. Parents who attend
will receive a free parents'
guide, a free App and a
backpack full of books to take
home and share the love of
reading with their child.
The event will take place at
the Joyce Zotz Education
Center- 13801 Holly Park,
Houston, Texas 77015. Parents
may choose to attend the
English session from 8:30-11:30
a.m. or the Spanish session from

Crosby Street Dance Oct. 15

Crosby Antique Mall in-vites you to "Crosby Street Dance", Saturday, October 15, 2016, noon -7 pm. Live music, entertainment, ven-dor booths and much more, 5600 S. Main in Old Town Crosby, TX.

School superintendents speak at Chamber

Superintendents of the three school district in the North Channel area were the featured speakers last Friday at the Chamber's monthly luncheon.

Emcee for the luncheon, held at the San Jacinto College student union, was former Chamber chairman Charles Grant. He is now heading up a membership drive for the chamber, entitled Forty for Forty in Four. This is a reference to the 40th anniversary of the chamber, and the goal of adding 40 new members in four weeks. With a sly sense of humor, Grant has offered to 'Kiss A Pig' if the chamber board and members meet this goal.

Grant was followed by each of the superintendents of the three school districts, and they exhibited a tongue-in-cheek rivalry in their remarks.



SPEAKERS at the North Channel Chamber luncheon last week were Greg Ollis, Channelview ISD superintendent; King Davis, Sheldon ISD superintendent; Angi Williams, Galena Park ISD superintendent; Charles Grant, former president of the Chamber, and Shalonda Dawkins, 1st vice chair of the Chamber.

Galena Park ISD's Angi Williams was the first speaker. She referred to the winners produced by GPISD, both in athletics and in academics.

GPISD has 22,000 students, 3000 employees, and a \$204 million budget, having a big impact on the community. The district passed a \$290 million bond issue to upgrade their facilities, she said.

Dr. King Davis reported on the Sheldon District, of which he has only been superintendent since January. His motto is "Every Child, Every Day" with emphasis on personalized learning opportunities.

Growth is the main factor for Sheldon ISD, with projections of 7% expansion in the current year. Sheldon ISD recently

See SUPERINTENDENTS, page 6

Barbara Mae Street sidewalk project completed

CLOVERLEAF - Commissioner Jack Morman announces the completion of SaferStreets2Schools Barbara Mae Street sidewalk project.
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walk project.
SaferStreets2Schools is a Precinct 2 program that partners with local school districts to improve areas with high student-pedestrian traffic. Commissioner Morman meets with the school districts at least once a year to discuss necessary improvements for the area. "We very much value their input, as they see firsthand how we can improve the safety and efficiency of getting our children to and from school," said Commissioner Morman. The \$112,000 project, which was in partnership with the Galena Park In-



New sidewalk on Barbara Mae Street between Holly Park Drive and Alderson Street.

dependent School District, began in late June. It included the installation of a sidewalk on the east side of Barbara Mae Street from Holly Park Drive to Alderson Street, as well as pedestrian refuge areas and a crossing over a Harris County Flood Control ditch.

Control ditch.
For more information and updates on the Precinct, visit www.hcp2.com or like their Facebook page "Harris County Precinct 2."

Pilot Club Spaghetti Dinner & Auction a tasty success

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The ladies of the San Jacinto Pilot Club were holding their 29th annual Spaghetti Dinner and it was quite successful.

According to club member and Director Julie Fallin, the dinner tickets amounted to about 400 with an additional 175 for the C. E. King band, and the raffle tickets sold amounted to about 500.

Winners of the raffle items included: 5th prize a 42° television, Karen Westbrook; 4th prize a \$250 gift



AUCTIONEER for the event was Patrick Kelly, well known radio personality, at right. Also helping were Jerry Fallin and Rojean Norris. In this photo, two of the auction items appear: a stainless gas BBQ cooker at left, and a handmade quilt at right.

card, Bobby Roy; 3rd prize a \$300 gift card to Pineforest Jewelry, Doris Wilkinson; 2nd prize two Astro tickets, dinner, and a limousine ride to the ballpark, Robert See PILOT CLUB, page 6

COMMUNITY SUPPORT Jacinto City Elementary student council walks for a cure



On Saturday, October 1, the Jacinto City Elementary student council participated in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at the Sam Houston Park in downtown Houston. These fourth and fifth grade council members participated to show appreciation and dedication to the Houston area community. Many of the students expressed interest in doing something that made a positive impact on their lives while showing support for cancer survivors, those who are currently battling cancer, as well as to honor individuals who have lost their lives to breast cancer.

"Student council is a leadership committee that is dedicated to servicing the community," Ms. Scott, JCE student council sponsor said. "The Susan G. Komen Walk was an excellent opportunity for our students to support those battling cancer and survivors."

"Participating in the Race for the Cure made me feel proud because some people have cancer, and I walked to help them get better," Jordan Balderas, 5th grader said.

To donate to Susan G. Komen, visit http://www.komen-houston.org/make-a-donation/ or text @race to 52104.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Judge Mike Parrott honored by Harris County

Mike Parrott was honored with the Jim Fonteno "Service to Our Community" Award during Harris Award during Harris County Precinct Two's Annual Black & White Ball on September 9, 2016 at Sylvan Beach Pavilion in La Porte. Commissioner Jack Morman paid special tribute to Judge Parrott for his long-standing support of Precinct Two's nonprofit senior, youth and veterans programs.

Judge Parrott has dedicated his life to public service and improving the quality of life for communities of southeast Harris

vice and improving the quality of life for communities of southeast Harris County. He served 18 years as Superintendent of Parks for Harris County Commissioner Precinct Two prior to being elected Harris County Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Place 1, in 1993. Currently presiding over the 4th largest JP court in Harris County, he is actively involved with mentoring and motivating local students to pursue higher education. Judge Parrott's innovative Teen Court



Judge Mike Parrott receives "Service to Our Community ioner Jack Morman during the recent annual Black & White Ball.

Program for area high school students has in-spired many of his teen participants to earn their law degrees and become working attorneys for the District Attorney and pri-vate law firms. His exten-sive community sive community involvement includes serviny on numerous nonprofit boards, Chambers of Commerce, Rotary Clubs and community service organizations where he has

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Award was named after
long-serving Commissioner Jim Fonteno, who established Harris County
Precinct Two's senior program in 1975. It is presented annually to individuals
who have made significant
contributions to the nonprofit programs of Precinct profit programs of Precinct Two. The Honorable Mike Commerce, Rotary Club Parrott truly exemplifies and community service organizations where he has been frequently honored for his efforts.

The Jim Fonteno "Sertification of Harris County Precinct Two. Internonorable Mike

COMMUNITY NEWS

A **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Crosby Community Center programs

Duplicate Bridge: Tuesdays, October 25 at 1 p.m. A volunteer facilitates duplicate bridge games the second and fourth Tuesday. This game is not suitable for begin-

ners.

Zumba with Angelique: Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Exercise with experienced fitness instructor Angelique Pool

Lumoa with Angelique: Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Exercise with experienced fitness instructor Angelique Pool to achieve a toned body.

Conversational English as a Second Language: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Learn to read, write, and expand your English vocabulary skill through practice and discussion.

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Decorative Painting With Cindy: Wednesdays at 0 a.m. Master decorative artist Cindy Forsythe teach-

Decorative Painting With Cindy: Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Master decorative artist Cindy Forsythe teaches the art of decorative painting.

Beginning Line Dancing: Mondays at 10:45 a.m. These volunteer-led classes teach the basic steps of country-and-western line dancing.

Crosby Ladies and Lords Chorus: Wednesdays at 11 a.m. Enjoy singing your heart out at the Center and performing at area community events.

Dart Baseball: Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. No skills are needed to join the dart baseball team—just a willingness to try. All of the necessary equipment is provided.

Ceramics: Wednesdays at 6.9 m. A. and Markey Ceramics: Wednesdays at 16.9 m. A. and Markey Ceramics: Wednesdays at 16.9 m. A. and Markey Ceramics: Wednesdays at 16.9 m. A. and Markey Mark

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Ceramics: Wednesdays at 6 p.m. A volunteer instructor teaches how to pour slip into molds, painting techniques, and glazing procedures. Ceramic pouring is offered the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Beginning Spanish: Thursdays at 10 a.m. Volunteer instructor Maria Rojas leads this class that focuses on basic language skills required to function in a Spanish-speaking environment.

Crazy for Canastal: Thursdays at 10 a.m. Bring a sack lunch and stay for an enjoyable afternoon of cards.

Train Dominoes: Thursdays at 10 a.m. Join in the fun of playing Train with fellow domino players.

Pickleball: Thursdays at 10 a.m. Played with a paddle, wiffle-style ball, and net, pickleball is the latest craze to sweep the nation. Open to participants of all fitness levels ages 50 and better.

Quilting Classes: Thursdays at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Take this opportunity to quilt, share ideas, and enjoy the fellowship of other quilters. Quilters of all experience levels can attend these sessions.

Boot Camp Aerobics: Thursdays at 6 p.m. Come exercise and have fun at the same time.

Watercolor: Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Professional artist and instructor Anne Vandagriff teaches composition, design, color, and contrast using a variety of subject matter.

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Bunco: Fridays at 1 p.m. Come play this popular game played in teams with dice. Stop by the Center or call (281) 462-0543 for more information.

Crosby Community Center is located at 409 Hare Road, Crosby 77532. For more information regarding classes or other Center programs, please call (281) 462-0543.



School of the Month

Goose Creek CISD honored the custodial team at Dr. Johnny T. Clark, Jr. Elementary School with the School of the Month award. Pictured are (from left)
Maria Ochoa, Rosa Medina, Graciela Navarro, Silvia Andrade, Sandra Zarate and Teresa
Sanchez.

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Board of **Directors** Voting & Luncheon

Crosby-Huffman Chamber of Commerce October
Luncheon. The luncheon will take place on Thursday, October 20th, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Crosby. The address is 1508 Crosby Dayton Road. Lunch will be catered by Baytown Seafood and will begin at 11:30 a.m.
Voting will be held at this Luncheon.
Only CHAMBER MEMBERS in good standing may vote.

The following is a list of NOMINEES NOMINEES.
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Time Church of God
Tiffany Muller - Crosby Care
Justin League - United Commu-Justin League - United Community Credit Union Albert Luna - Shine Dental Editor Foster - Handyman Services

Kim Davila - Realtor, Alliance Properties
Jessica Watkins - Neighbors
Emergency Center
Eric Jennings - DocResources

Please RSVP by October 18th. You can call 281-328-6984, email chamber@ crosbyhuffmancc.org.

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SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

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North Shore culinary students win competition

On Friday, September 30, Chef Veal of North Shore Senior High School took five of her culinary arts students to compete at the Culinary Institute LeNôtre in Houston. During the culinary competition, students were tasked with creating and executing a recipe infused with an egg in under two hours. The NSSHS culinary students took home 1st, 2nd and 3rd place and brought home \$10,000 in scholarship money!

money!
Chef Veal said, "I am so very proud of the students!"
Robert Rivera created the prize winning dish; corn flack fried fajita stuffed chicken with heirloom tomato pico de gallo.



North Channel Library opens new learning space



Mothers and kids celebrate opening of the North Channel Library Family Learning Space that took place on Saturday, October 1st. The Family Learning Space is an early literacy area of the North Channel Library that was funded with support from the North Shore Rotary Club.

CHANNELVIEW ISD

Aguirre program stresses importance of fathers' roles

Good role models can play an important part in today's students becoming tomorrow's leaders.

That was the message shared with more than 100 fathers of students at the Aguirre Junior High Coffee with the Principal's Donuts with Dad program on Oct. 4.

"We wanted the fathers of

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"We wanted the fathers of our students to understand how much of a difference

our students to understand how much of a difference their involvement makes in their children's lives," Aguirre Principal Eric Lathan said.

Teacher and coach Jerry Elledge told those in attendance that providing support and direction of their child's interests helps to guide them toward a path to fiture success.

"Give your full support and attention to the interests your son or daughter wants to pursue," Elledge said. "Take the time to ask them questions about their day or help them with homework, and especially attend their school events. Your guidance is something they will remember for the rest of their lives."

Head Football Coach

Male teachers speak to fathe importance role that they play label importance role that they play label importance role that they play their children. "Saying 'Yes sir' and 'thank you' might sound like small things, but showing respect for others leaves quite an impression," he said. "It shows that good manners are important to you as an adult."

Teacher Gilbert Perez told the fathers that encouraging participation in extractivities helps the students to learn life lessons.



Male teachers speak to fathers in attendance about the importance role that they play in their child's education.

"Participating in activities and organizations teach students a variety of things that that students will carry throughout life, such as working with others as a team, problem solving and being able to lead when called upon," Perez said.

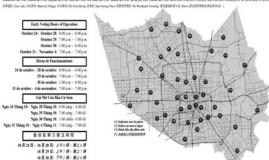
Aguirre Assistant Principal Keon Wortham closed the program by thanking the parents for their involvement in their child's education. "We all need to work together to give our students the best educational opportunities possible," he said.

Man killed in parking lot of Jack in the Box

A man was killed during an argument in the parking lot of the Jack in the Box fast food restaurant last Sunday, police said.

According to police, the argument led to a shootout around 11:30 p.m. that killed the man at the restaurant near Federal Road

November 8, 2016 General and Special Elections Early Voting Schedule Horario para Votar Temprano en las Elecciones Generales y Especiales del 8 de noviembre de 2016 Lịch Trình Bầu Cử Sớm Các Cuộc Tổng Tuyển Cử và Bầu Cử Đặc Biệt Ngày 8 Tháng 11, 2016 2016年11月8日普選與特選・提前投票日程表



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	5300 Griggs Road, Houston, 77021		2407 Market Street, Baytown, 77520	
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14. Sumyside:	Sunnyside Multi-Purpose Center		3055 Bear Creek Drive (at Patterson Road), Houston 770	
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15. South Houston:	Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center		19710 Clay Road, Kary, 77449	
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16. SW. Houston:	Bayland Park Community Center		16327 Lakeview Drive, Jersey Village, 77040	
	6400 Bissonnet Street (near Hillicroft), Houston, 77074	38. South Cypress:	Richard & Meg Weekley Community Center	
17. Near West Side:	Tracy Gee Community Center		8440 Greenhouse Road, Cypress, 77433	
	3999 Westcenter Drive, Houston, 77042	39. Cypress:	Juergen's Hall Community Center	
	(One block East of Sam Hounton Tollway)		26026 Hempstead Highway, Cypress, 77429	
18. Spring Branch:	Trini Mendenhall Community Center	40. Northwest:	Prairie View A&M University - Northwest	
	1414 Wirt Road, Houston, 77055		9449 Grant Road, Houston, 77070	
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	4141 Victory Drive, Houston, 77088		12512 Walters Road, Houston, 77014	
20. Acres Homes:	Acres Homes Multi-Service Center	42. Cypress Creek:	Champion Forest Baptist Church/Multi-Purpose Bldg	
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21. North:	Hardy Senior Center	43. Tomball:	Tomball Public Works Building	
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719	Cobb Elementary School, 915 Dell Dale St., Channelview, TX
740	Church on the Rock, 7123 Decker Dr., Baytown, TX 77520
741	Galena Park Administration Building, 14705 Woodforest, Hot

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BUSINESS

"Diamond Jim...What are some of the most famous Diamonds?"



Famous Diamonds
Examined by GIA (Gemological
Institute of America)
The Hope Diamond, the
Dresden Green, the Idol's Eye,
the Portuguese Diamond and the
Moussaieff Red – these famous Moussaieff Red – these famous diamonds are spectacularly beautiful jewels that have been admired for centuries. An aura of mystery has always surrounded these rare natural wonders, so it was quite an honor when GIA researchers examined them.

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The Hope Diamond
V\$1 • 45.52 ct
The Hope Diamond.
Courlesy of Chip Clark/
Smithsonian Institution.
The Hope Diamond may be
the most famous colored
diamond in the world. A team of
GIA gemologists graded it in
1988. Because they were able to
weigh the diamond unmounted,
they quickly made a notable
discovery: the diamond was
45.52 ct, and not 44.50 ct, which
had been its previously recorded
weight. Clid graders also
reported that the Hope Diamond
is a cushion antique brilliant. The
diamond was color graded as a
natural color Fancy dark grayish
blue diamond.
Since the 1800s, the Hope
Diamond had been described as
being flawless. During their
examination, the GIA team
noticed that the diamond had
accumulated a few wear marks
over the years and had whitis
graining and a few minor
feathers. Its clarity was graded
a V\$1 (Very slightly included).
Good polish and Fair to Good
symmetry were also noted.
Technical specifications aside,

symmetry were also noted.
Technical specifications aside the Hope Diamond captivates the imagination like no other

ASK DIAMOND JIM

41 ct
The Dresden Green
In late 1988, GIA gemologists secured permission to
examine the famed Dresden
Green diamond in the Green
Vaults, which was then in East Vaults, which was then in East Germany. They were particularly excited, as it promised to provide insight into distinguishing natural from laboratory-irradiated green diamonds (radiation is usually the cause of color in both instances). Because the diamond's history had been recorded since 1741, research-ers could be confident that it had not been freated in a laboratory.

ers could be confident that it had not been treated in a laboratory. As the diamond remained mounted upon examination, GIA gemologists were not able to issue a grading report.

GIA researchers described the Dresden Green as Fancy green, with a modified pearshaped brilliant cut. The natural green color has medium tone and slightly grayish saturation. The Green Vaults records indicate it weighs 41 ct.

The Portuguese Diamond VS1 • 127.01 ct The Portuguese Diamond. Courtesy of Harold and Erica Van Pelt. Of South African origin, the

Of South African origin, the Portuguese Diamond weighs 127.01 ct. 61,0 gemologists graded it an M on the GIA Color Scale, and gave it a VS1 clarity grade because of a small bruise on one of the facets and two very minor scratches on the table. The Portuguese has Very Strong blue fluorescence, and this may help mask the faint yellow color in the diamond. Because the fluorescence is os strong, in 1924 it was advertised by Black, Starr & Frost to be a blue diamond.

Idol's Eye VVS1 • 70.20 ct Idol's Eye. Courtesy of Graff

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Idol's Eye. Courtesy of Graff Diamonds.
Another famous diamond shrouded in myth, the Idol's Eye was probably mined in India's Golconda District – an area famed for producing fine diamonds. There are many tall tales about the diamond, including one that says the Idol's Eye is also the Nassak. This has been disproven. The first confirmed documentation of the Idol's Eye was in one of the Idols Eye was in one of the Idols Gla gemologists confirmed that the Idol's Eye weighs 70.20 ct. Its color grade is Very Light blue and its clarify is VVST (Very very slightly included).

The Moussaieff Red

The Moussaieff Red 5.11 ct The Moussaieff Red Although the Moussaieff Red Although the Moussaieff Red weighs just 5.11 ct, it's a predominantly red diamond (no secondary hues like purple), which means it's incredibly rare. A description of Fancy red is remarkable. GlA records show that from 1957 to 1987 there was no mention of a GlA report issued for a diamond with 'red' as the only descriptive term. Only a handful of Fancy red diamonds the color red is often modified with another hue, such as purplish red or orangy red. A Brazilian farmer discovered the Moussaieff Red in the 1990s. It was cut and polished from a 13.9 et crystal.

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Guard Against Identity Theft and Protect Your Finances

In 2015 alone, more than 13 million Americans were victimized by identity theft, according to the U.S. Department of Justice. What can you do to guard your identity and protect yourself from potential financial losses?

Here are some ideas to

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• Review your statements. Closely review the monthly statements from your checking and other financial accounts. If you find any unfamiliar charges, contact your bank or other financial services provider immediately.

• Order your credit reports. The three credit reporting agencies – TransUnion, Equifax and Experian – are each required by law to provide you one free credit report a year. Make sure your name, address and other information are correct on information are correct on your credit report, and if you find old or inaccurate information, have it re-

information, have it removed.

• Place a fraud alert. If you suspect you have become a victim of Identity theft, place a "fraud alert" on your credit reports by contacting any of the three credit reporting agencies. You can choose a short-term or long-term alert. And if you're an active member of the military, you can request a special, one-year alert.

• Feed your shredder.

one-year alert.

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Shred all old bank and investment statements, applications for new credit cards and any other documents that contain personal information.

• Destroy digital data. If you have a variety of financial accounts, you're not just creating a paper trail – you're also establishing

ASK THE EXPERT

By Edward Jones

a digital "footprint." So, when you sell or otherwise dispose of a computer system or hard drive, you may want to take steps to destroy personal data. You might think that simply deleting it would be sufficient, but tech-savvy identity thieves can "undelete" files or recover information from a formatted drive. However, products are However, products are available that allow you to completely wipe out data on hard drives.

on hard drives.

• Change passwords.

It's a good idea to change your Internet passwords every so often – especially those passwords that provide access to financial accounts.

counts.

• Leave your Social Security card home. Snagging someone's Social Security number is a real "catch" for identity thieves, "catch" for identity thieves, so do everything you can to thwart them. And you can start by leaving your Social Security card safely at home - after all, there's probably never a good reason to bring it out, anyway. In fact, be wary of anyone, or any business, that asks for your Social Security number, either in person or online. Except for a few obvious exceptions, such as your tax preparer, most reputable businesses don't need to know anything about your Social Security information.
• Watch for "phishers."

 Watch for "phishers."
If you've ever gotten an email, supposedly from
your bank, advising you
that your account will be
"frozen" unless you provide personal details about
your account, it's a good
bet that someone is "phishites" feathing. ing" for this information — and they're using the "freezing" threat as bait. What's particularly alarming is that these "phishers" ing is that these "phishers" have gotten quite good at duplicating logos and using official-sounding language. However, a legitimate bank would never threaten you this way with an e-mail, so, if you get such a message, contact the bank's fraud department.

You can go a long way toward protecting yourself against identity theft by following these suggestions — so put them to work soon.

work soon.

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Annual Fall Festival offers Family Fun at Lake Houston ÜMC



Each year, the inflatables provide excitement for children and youth.

Lake Houston United Methodist Church in Huff-man will be hosting a day full of fun and entertainment at their annual Fall

ment at their annual Fall Festival on Saturday, October 15 from 10am-3pm.

Bring the family as there's lots to do for kids and grownups alike. Entrance to the Fall Festival is free and most activities are free as well. There will be pony rides in the morning and a rock wall in the afternoon. Plus, we will have inflatables, pumpkin

painting, face painting, lots of vendor booths in-side and outside, silent side and outside, silent auction, bake sale, DJ, BBQ, lemonade and more throughout the day! Dona-tions and proceeds will benefit LHUMC Chil-

heneitt LHUMC Chirdren's Ministry.

The Festival takes place amongst LHUMC's very large Pumpkin Patch filled with almost 2,000 pumpkins. Patrons are invited to bring their cameras for festive photos as

they shop for holiday pumpkins. The Pumpkin Patch is open daily throughout the month of October (M-F 3pm-dusk/

October (M-F 3pm-dusk/ 7pm, Sat. 9am-dusk/7pm, Sat. 9am-dusk/7pm). Sun. noon-dusk/7pm). Lake Houston UMC is located at 23606 FM 2100 in Huffman. For more in-formation, visit www.lake houstonumc.com. For donations and ven-dor booth availability, con-tact the church office at 281-324-1541.

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day of celebration, wor-ship, and fellowship. Northside is located at 317 Barbers Hill Road, Highlands, TX.

Ruth Catherine Gray

Ruth Catherine Gray,

Ruth Catherine Gray, 89, passed away October 8, 2016 surrounded by her family in Pasadena, Texas. Ruth was born January 2, 1927 to parents George H., Sr. and Amelia A. Johnson in Hattisburg, Mississippi. She was a long time resident of Channelview, where she raised her family and enjoyed being a member of her community. She was a deveted and brief and friend who always made sure her family was taken care of.

Ruth retired from Mail Well Envelope Company where she worked from 1952 to 1992. She is preceded in death by her parents; sisters and brothers, Doris Mims, Melva Hogan, Kenny Johnson, Cleude Johnson, Skyler Johnson, Claude Johnson, Skyler Johnson, George Johnson, Jr., Lynn Johnson, and twin brother, Ross Johnson, Ruth is lovingly survived by her son, George and wife Mary Mabe of Channelview; daughters, Tonia and husband Larry Sherrhouse of Jersey Village and Amelia Foster of LaPorte; grand-children, Danny and wife Kasey Mabe, Lindsey Mabe, Lauren Kubin, Chris and wife Kelley Kusin Kirs and wife Kelle Chris and wife Kelley Ku-bin, Kim and husband James Cook, Jody and wife Carrie Ferguson, Curtis and wife Andrea Musick, Shawna and husband Den-nie Smith; special nephew, Kenny and wife Gloria



Johnson, Also left to cher Johnson. Also left to cher-ish her memory are 12 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild; lifetime best friend, Doris Turentine; her furbabies, Red and Gizmo; numerous nieces, nephews and many self-adopted grandchil-dren, everyone called her Grandma.

dren, everyone called her Grandma.
Friends are welcome to join the family for visitation Tuesday from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Carter Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 12, 2016 in the chapel of Carter Funeral Home Graveside services will follow at San Jacinto Memorial Park under the direction of Carter Funeral Home. After the services, Ms. Ruth's family and friends will gather at the American Legion at 16417 Market St., in Channelview, for a time of food and fellowship in her honor.

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Remembered

In the sports community, a person's jersey number may be retired to remember the good he or she brought to their respective sport. In the meteorological (weather) community a hurricane will have its name retired because of the devastation it caused. For 2005, hurricanes Dennis, Katrina, Rita, Stan, and Wil-Katrina Rita, Stan, and Wil-Katrina, Rita, Stan, and Wil-ma made the list, the most ever in a single year. In each case a committee meets and

case a committee meets and makes the decision.

King Solomon said in Proverbs 22:1, "A good name is to be more desired than great wealth." In Ecclesiastes 7:1 he said it is "better than precious ointment."

Now if a committee met, and my name or your name came up, I wonder what list we might make?



1. Is the book of Haggai in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Which king of England and Scotland authorized a Bible translation published in 1611? Charles II, Henry VIII, James I, Wycliffe
3. Who told Saul that rebellion was as bad as witchcraft? Moloch, Mamath, Marduk, Samuel
4. From I Timothy, what is

Marduk, Samuel
4. From 1 Timothy, what is the root of all evils? Lust, Power, Satan, Love of money
5. How old was Moses when he died? 100, 120, 160,

when he died? 100, 120, 160, 190
6. How many sons did Judah have? 3, 5, 6, 12

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) James I; 3) Samuel; 4) Love of money; 5) 120; 6) 5

Homecoming Day and 55th Anniversary will be celebrated by Northside Baptist Church of Highlands on October 16,

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Francis Louis Rucka

Francis Louis Rucka, 83, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, Oc-tober 5, 2016. He was born on April 28, 1933 in Wooster, Texas to Rudol-ph Rucka and Mary Buchta Rucka.

Francis graduated from Crosby High School and served his country and was honorably dis-charged from the U.S.

Francis worked in insurance sales for Catholic Life Insurance Company where he was recognized with many awards over the years until he retired. In his free time Francis enjoyed being outdoors, gardening, working cattle and cooking. Most of all he enjoyed spending time with his grandkids. Francis was very involved with Sacred Heart Catholic Church where he served as a Eucharistic minister for many years, served on Francis worked in in-



the building committee to build the current sanctuary, he was a 4th degree Knight in the knights of Knight in the knights of Columbus, was a mem-ber of the equestrian or-der of the Holy Secular of Jerusalem. He was also a member of the Crosby American Legion Post 658.

658. Francis was a very kind hearted, spiritual, kind hearted, spiritual, gentle, and easy going man who will be deeply missed by all. He is preceded in death by his parents, and brothers, Bennie Rucka, Rudy Rucka, and Leo Rucka. Francis is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Shirley Pierce Rucka; son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Judy Rucka; daughter and son-in-law, Michelle Rucka and Mark Shepard; grandsons, Joshua Rucka and Caleb Rucka; biethers, Albert Rucka, Joseph Rucka, and Jerome Rucka; sisters, Mary Helen Hoelscher and Elizabeth Smith; numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

friends.
A visitation for family and friends will be held on Sunday, October 9, 2016 from 5pm-8pm at Sterling-White Funeral Home with a rosary starting at 7pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, October 10, 2016 11am at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial following at with burial following at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Services have been en trusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd. Highlands, Texas 77562. To send the family condolences please vi www.sterlingwhite.co

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Rise in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. Leviticus 19:32

Freddie Wayne

Freddie Wayne Murdoch, 62, of Houston, Texas, passed from this life on October 3, 2016. Freddie was born October 14, 1953 in Texarkana, Texas to parents, Fred Thomas & Doris Dorothy Murdoch. He worked in sales for Texas Truck Center. He is preceded in death by his parents and by two brothers, Ed Ray Jeanes and Terry Louis Jeanes. He is lovingly survived by his lovingly survived by his wife of 21 years, Madeline



as by nieces, nephews, other family and friends. A visitation will be held at Carter Funeral Home, Saturday, October 8, 2016 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Graveside services will be held at Chaplaced Mealward held at Chapelwood Memo-rial Gardens Cemetery in rial Gardens Cemetery in Texarkana, Texas on Mon-day, October 10, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. under the direc-tion of Carter Funeral Home.

Carter Funeral Home, 13701 Corpus Christi St., Houston, TX 77015 713-455-5100

Murdoch

COMMUNITY NEWS

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Free Overtime Rule Workshop

The North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to a FREE Overtime Rule Workshop, Wed., October 26, 2016, 11:30 am at Woodforest National Bank, 80 Uvalde Rd

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-

Galena Park Senior Dance

Senior Dance is every Monday at the Alvin D. Building, 1302 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/Baldree Building, Corpus Christi street. Live bands and refreshments. Cost is \$ 5/per person. For more nation call 713-455-3660

San Jacinto Pilot Club meeting

The Club meets the 2nd Thursday of each mo Basell on Sheldon Road at noon.

North Channel Branch Library

-Saturday, Oct. 15, Faithful Paws, 2 pm; Pokémon, 3 pm.
-Monday, Oct. 17, STEAM Camp, 6 pm.
-Tuesday, Oct. 18, Toddler Time, 10:30 am; Preschool Story Time, 1:30 pm; Craffcen, 4:30 pm.
-Wed, Oct. 19, Book Club, 10 am; kid's Craft, 4:30 pm.
-Nurday, Oct. 20, Baby Time, 10:30 am; Tween Time, 4:30 pm.
-North Channel Branch Library is located at 15741 Wallosville Rd.,
-Houston, TX 77049. 281-457-1631.

Galena Park Library Programs

-Thursday, Oct. 13, Kid's Creations-Día de la Raza, 4 pm. -Friday, Oct. 14, Nutrition Classes (Clases de Nutrición), 4 pm. -Saturday, Oct. 15, Ask A Lawyer (Hable con un Abogado), 11

am.

Monday, Oct. 17, Coffee & Coloring, 4 pm.

Tuesday, Oct. 18, Teen Zone, 4 pm.

Wednesday, Oct. 19, Mecanografia, 10:15 am; Toddler Time,
10:30 am; Story Time, 11:30 am; Typing, 1 pm; Get Active/

Activate, 4 pm.

-Thursday, Oct. 20, Chronicles of Yarnia Knit & Crochet Class, 10 am; Kid's Creations: Monster Mash, 4 pm.

-Friday, Oct. 21, Nutrition Classes, 4 pm.

Galena Park Library's Nutrition Class
Nutrition Classes for Adults every Friday afternoon from 4-5
matring October 7th through December 2nd. These classes
are completely free and participants will receive a certificate of
completion at the end of the program if they attend at least six
sessions:

sessions.

If you have any questions please call 713-450-0982.

All chidiren programs require tickets. Tickets are free and available the Moday before the program at the front des.

Galena Park Branch Library, 1500 Keene St., Galena Park, TX.

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SHELDON ISD:

Breast cancer survivors serve as honorary captains at Friday's varsity football game

Vicki Clements – Art teacher at Monahan Elementary was diagnosed three years ago with Lobular carcinoma in situ and has been taking preventive medicine ever since. Most recently, doctors discovered a small dot after performing an MRI that wasn't there before. However, recent biopsy results indicated that what Vicki had was not malignant.

had was not malignant.
In addition to Vick's fight, she would also like to represent her sister, Mary, who is undergoing some pretty stout chemotherapy in her fight against breast

Shelly Fry – First Grade Teacher at Garrett Elementary was diagnosed Elementary was diagnosed in 2008 with Ductal carci-noma in situ (DCIS). Due



(рното ву DERIK MOORE) Honorary Captain Vicki Clements, Honorary Captain Shelly Fry, and Sheldon ISD Superintendent King Davis.

to early detection, this was a best-case scenario for her. Shelly required no chemotherapy, however, she did undergo 30 rounds of radiation treatment.

Bulldogs defeat Panthers 49-6

Ashton Wade (24) pushes himself forward against three Summer Creek defenders in last Friday's varsity football game at Crenshaw Stadium. game at Crensnaw Station.
The Bulldogs went on to defeat the Panthers, 49-6 (photo by DERIK MOORE).



Channelview ISD to host pre-UIL, Region 19 band contests

Channelview ISD will host two major high school band contests this month at Ray Maddry Memorial Sta-dium.

The Channelview ISD Marching Band Festival (Pre-UIL contest) will be held from 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, with the University Oct. 15, with the University Interscholastic League Re-gion 19 Contest scheduled the following weekend start-ing at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 22. Channelview High School's Falcon Marching Band will perform in the fi-nal time slot during both events. Complete perfor-mance schedules can be found on the CISD website

found on the CISD website at www.cvisd.org.
Class 6A bands earning "superior" rating at the Region 19 event will advance to the Area Contest, with an opportunity to qualify for the State Contest in San Antonio in December.
"The Fine Arts Department is very excited about hosting the Region 19 UIL marching contest and also our own Channelview ISD Pre-UIL contest," said Ken Wright, CISD director of fine arts. "These two contests provide a great opportunity to share our fantastic facilities and to let more

people see that Channel-view is a growing and pro-gressive school district that promotes our Fine Arts pro-grams."

grams."
Channelview ISD Superintendent Greg Ollis is also looking forward to the district hosting the two major music competitions.

music competitions.

"Both of these events are well-attended every year and feature some of the great high school bands in the Houston area," he said.

"We are excited that our community and our facilities are being showcased at these events."



James Alvin Martin



James Alvin Martin, 83, of Houston, Texas, 83, of Houston, Texas, passed from this life on October 11, 2016. James was born August 14, 1933 in Frederick, Oklahoma was born August 14, 1953 in Frederick, Oklahoma to parents, Leroy & Grace Martin. He co-owned and operated a pipeyard for 10 years prior to going to work for the Pasadena LS.D. where he worked in maintenance for 10 years at Dobie High School before retiring. He served his country in the U.S. Air Force and was a Mason with the C.A. Fortner Masonic Lodge #1304 in Channelview. He is preceded in death by his parents and by #1304 in Channelview.
He is preceded in death
by his parents and by
brother, Jerry Martin and
sister, Juanita Dupree
and by his beloved wife of
53 years, LaQuita
Martin. He is survived by
son & daughter-in-law,
Steve & Nikki Martin, by
brothers, Derol Martin &
wife, Linda; and Charles
Martin & wife, Shirley;
grandchildren, Steven C.
Martin & wife, Julia;
Zachary Arguello &
Rebecca Arguello; by
great-grandchildren,
Riley Ethan Martin,
Raegen Martin and
Cayden Dancer. A
visitation and service will
be held Friday, October
14, 2016 at Carter
Funeral Home with
visitation starting at9:00
a.m. and services starting
at 10:00 a.m. He will be
laid to rest in Hopewell
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Texas following services
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Chamber hears Superintendents, Club

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passed a \$285 million bond
issue, for a new high school
and other improvements
and upgrades to facilities,
safety, and technology, he
said. King said that due to
heir growth, they now
were rated by the UIL as a
6A school. They have 8900
students total.

Greg Ollis, superintendent of Channelview ISD,
was the next speaker. He
has been in office since
2008, and the district just
passed a \$111 million bond
issue.

The CISD motto is "One Passion... One Dream... One Heartbeat." The dis-trict now has 9500 stu-dents, adding 700 in the

last 5 years. Ollis pointed to a good graduation rate, 89.6% and a good attendance rate 95.6%. His district has a \$76 million operating budget, he said, and has been able to reduce the tax rate. All three districts had advanced courses, dual credit and early college courses to help their students with college. All are implementing HB5, which calls for getting a student ready not only for college, but a career if that is more appropriate.

Pilot Dinner,



ROWAN SALINES helps his grandmot Pilot Club member Rojear winning tickets in the Raffle.



BIG SUPPORTERS of the Pilot Club are Deputy Sherman Eagleton, Rotarian Jerry Fallin, and Rotarian Bill Palko.



SAN JACINTO RIVER WASTE PITS SUPERFUND SITE

Public Meeting Highlands, Texas Harris County Thursday, October 20, 2016 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in cooperation with the Texas Commission on Environmenta Quality (TCEQ), Harris County, State and local officials, will conduct a Public Meeting for the San Jacinto River Waste Pits site (Site). The public meeting is to inform residents of the proposed cleanup strategy and obtain comments on the Proposed Plan and EPA's preferred remedy. The meeting will be held on October 20, 2016, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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The EPA's preferred remedy will address dioxin and furar contamination in a set of impoundments impacted by liquid pulp and paper mill wastes disposed in the impoundments.

Public Comments can be presented at the public meeting or submitted during the public comment period from September 29, 2016, through November 28, 2016.

The public meeting is being held in a fully accessible facility. Should you have specific needs or questions about the facility, contact EPA Community Involvement at (800) 533-3508.

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If you know a child who may be challenged with a disability, please contact the Crosby ISD Special Education office at 281 328-9200, Extension 1108. If the child is already a student in Crosby ISD, please contact the counselor at the child's school. The counselor will be happy

The special education personnel will coordinate efforts to evaluate the udent and, if eligible, ensure that the student is provided with supports nd services needed to benefit from instruction.

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Beltran.

Paintiff's attorney, whose address is, 32 Wilson Street, Martinsburg, WY 25401, an answer, including any related counter claim or defense you may have to the complain filed in this action on or before 30 DAYS FROM October 6, 2016. If you fail to do so, thereafter judgment, upon proper hearing and trial, may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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The board of Directors of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. (the "District")

is requesting proposals for professional engineering services for: A) planning, design and construction of critical upgrades at two (2) of the District's three (3) water plants, water line extensions based on the water model, and well and facility inspections; and B) planning, design, and construction services for replacing and for rehabilitating a sanitary sewer package plant and sanitary sewer lines financed through the Texas Water Development Board("TWDB"). Accordingly, the District is seeking to contract with a qualified engineering services firm to assist with the TWDB loan project identified herein.

Guidelines for content of the proposals, statement of qualifications and selection criteria may be obtained by contacting Jaleesa Auzenne via regular mail at 12900 Crosby Lynchburg Road

Barrett Station, Texas 77532 or via email at j.auzenne@hcmud50.com

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Any contract or contracts awarded under this Invitation for Bid ("IFB") or Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") are funded in part by loan from the TWDB. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies or employees are or will be a party to this IFB, RFQ or any resulting contract. RFQ's are issued in accordance with Chapter 2254 of the Regulations, Part 31 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).

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contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts,
subcontracts and procurements to Minority Business Enterprise and
Women-Owned Business Enterprise firms. Although EPA's policy does not
mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants
and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. The
Current fair share goals for the State of Texas are as follows:

	$\underline{\mathrm{MBE}}$	$\underline{\text{WBE}}$
CONSTRUCTION	12.94%	8.72%
EQUIPMENT	7.12%	5.39%
SERVICES	10.84%	5.72%
SUPPLIES	9.68%	9.34%

SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED BY: Sending an email to uzenne@hcmud50.com and request that the specifications be sent to

Equal Opportunity in Employment-All Qualified Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or handicap. The contractor shall carry out application requirements of 40 CFR Part 33 in the award and administration of contracts award under TWDB financial assistance agreements. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach, which may result in the termination of the awarded financial assistance.

PROPOSALS WILL BE REVIEWED AT A TIME SELECTED BY THE DISTRICT ELIGIBLE FIRMS WILL BE CALLED FOR AN INTERVIEW.
THE DISTRICT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL
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