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## **CHANNEL CURRENTS**

# CIP Meeting hears Flood Damage reports

#### **D-SNAP** deadline extended

The application period ofr the Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP) in Harris County has een extended starting Wed., October 18, through this Friday, October 20 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Deuessen Park's Senior Center and the Open Air Pavilion, 12303 Sonnier St.

Applicants are encourage to expect long lines and MUST be in line by 7:00 p.m. to be considered and must bring

appropiate ID.
D-SNAP is available to eligible people who are residents of one the counties with a federal disaster declaration and weren't receiving benefits through regular SNAP at the time of the disaster.

#### **Harvey Recovery Fair** in Northeast Houston

(Houston, Texas) - The Harris County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management and Harris County Commissioner Precinct 1 invite residents affected by Hurricane Harvey to a recovery fair at the Stephanie Cravens Early Childhood Academy in Sheldon ISD.

The fair will be this Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Stephanie Cravens Early Childhood Academy located at 13210 Tidwell Rd. Houston, TX 77044

The Harvey Recovery Fair will provide important available disaster assistance from governmental and non-profit organizations.

Representatives from Harris County, the Federal **Emergency Management** Agency (FEMA), the Small Business Administration (SBA) and other volunteer agencies will be available to answer questions and help residents apply for disaster assistance. Free MRE's (Meals Ready to Eat) and bottled water available for residents

ing last Thursday, Oct. 5 the CIP community-industry partnership heard from three organizations that were deeply involved in flood rescue and relief during the week of flooding from Hurrican Harvey.

Speaking to the group, at the Baggett Center in Galena Park, were Garrett Berg of the Port of Hous-ton Authority, Drew Scrog-gins of the City of Galena Park, and Lt. Mark Longrigg of the Jacinto City Police Department.

Berg said that the ma-jor impact the Hurricane had on the Port was the deposit of large amounts of silt in Buffalo Bayou, effectively making the water-way more shallow. In some places, he said, there was 8'-10' of new silt, mud, and other debris.

To maintain the viability of the ship channel for deep draft ships, it is imperative that this materi-

al be removed.

Berg said that the Post is currently working with the Corps of Engineers, to dredge the material and place it on one of their landfills. of depth that is lost, the Houston economy loses

\$281 million annually.

Drew Scroggins report ed on the impact that the Hurricane had on Galena Park. He said that 110 homes and 32 apartments were flooded, and that damage estimates are around \$7 million.

The Woodland Acres Fire Station is currently out of service, waiting repairs. The Galena Park Fire Department made 160 deep water rescues, and he thanked Galena Park ISD and Jacinto City for loaning resources such as boats and deep water vehicles to help in the evacuations. Harris County also loaned Galena Park two boats for

In the refineries, Scroggins said that two petroleum tanks at Magellan floated and leaked, and one tak at Enterprise leaked giving the neighborhood a bad smell. However, there was no environmental

threat in either incident. The Galena Park Police Department set up a shel-ter at Shafalai on Holland Avenue which served 33



**GARRETT BERG** PORT OF HOUSTON

Lt. Mark Longrigg of the Jacinto City police department reported that a number of businesses along the I-10 feeder, near Hunting Bayou had to close, including Chili's and the movie theater. Jacinto City re-corded 35" of rain during the Hurricane.

Shelters were set up at 1st Baptist Church, 2nd Baptist Church, and the Towne Center. Jacinto City has an Army truck, known as a "Deuce and a half" that is especially useful in deep water situations. Lon-grigg said that during some rescues, the police



DREW SCROGGINS CITY OF GALENA PARK

and fire had to wade

through chest high waters. He said there were lots of donations and volunteers to help, and noted that Dominoe's Pizza pro-vided 150 pizzas for the shelters.

In company reports, the

following was said: Chevron reported the road to the plant was flood-ed, and there was no access in or out for 5 days.

Gulf Coast Authority reported 9-1/2' of water on their access bridge.
Houston Cement donat-

ed \$3000 to each employee impacted by the flood.



LT. MARK LONGRIGG JACINTO CITY POLICE DEPT

they were forced to shut down for a day, but had no flooding.

KMCC shut down their plant, donated \$3000 to each impacted employee, donated \$3.5 million to 3 Relief agencies, and donated 1 million gallons of gasoline and 1 million gallons of diesel to relief agencies.

LvondellBasell had employees that had to stay in the plant during the flood,

until it receded.

Pasadena Refining reported it needed help from the Port Authority and

KinderMorgan said See CIP MEETING, page 6

# Officer awarded for child predator arrest

By Allan Jamai

Jacinto City, TX. Thursday, October 12, 2017 at the regular council meeting Jacinto City Detective B. J. Silva received two awards. Former Police Chief Allan Jamail presented a courageous performance award for her single-handed arrest on July 23, 2017 of child predator ex-convict Juan Carlos Apodaca. Keep Jacinto City Clean Committee presented a 28 year service award.

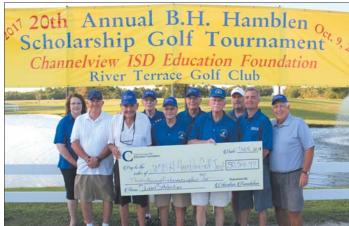
Silva's arrest of Apoca da stemmed from him

See Officer Awarded, Page 8



Keep Jacinto City Clean Committee (KJCCC) Secretary Linda Jamail, Police Chief Joe Ayala, Detective B. J. Silva (center),

# NORTH SHORE BENEFIT Hamblen Scholarship Golf Tournament raises over \$30,000



B.H. Hamblen Golf Tournament committee members proudly hold the oversized check signifying more than \$30,000 raised for scholarships for graduating Channelview High School

A gorgeous sunny warm day highlighted the 20th annual B. H. Hamblen Scholarship Golf Tournament on Monday, October 9 at River Terrace Golf Course as community members, business leaders, and avid fundraiser benefiting Channel-

view High School seniors. The Scholarship Golf Committee organized in 1997 with the purpose of providing scholarships to all qualified graduates of Channelview High School who plan to further their educational careers. The scholarship tournament com-

mittee is comprised of district administrators, community representatives, retired Channelview ISD employees, former school board members and Channelview alums as well as

See Golf Tournament,

# **HOUSTON STRONG** Sheldon ISD receives flood relief support



ABOVE, Adam Lund, president of the North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce, presents a check for \$8000 to the Sheldon ISD for flood recovery. The Sheldon District suffered severe E. King High School, which has not been able to reopen. The donation was made on behalf of the North Channel Chamber Foundation. Others in the photo are teachers and staff of Sheldon ISD, being recognized for their service.

RIGHT, TV star and CE King Alumna Michael Strahan demonstrates the warped gym floor at CE King after the flood ravaged the school.



# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# Stephens Memorial goes Big to success

CROSBY – The Cody Stephen Memorial Go Big Or Go Home Annual Fundraiser held at the David H. McNerney American Legion Hall Post 658 last Saturday was again a gigantic success to help screen first time athletes with an EKG in addition to listening to young hearts with a stethoscope.

According to Scott

According to Scott Stephens, the organizer, "Melody and I were overwhelmed by the community's support at the GBOGH event this past Saturday. We netted about \$150,000 which will pay for 10,000 young hearts to be screened across the state this school year. We want to thank our sponsors, volunteers, auction buyers and all those who came out and enjoyed the event with us. We know, especially this year with Hurricane Harvey's destruction, that you have many choices for your charitable dollars. We are overwhelmed that so many chose to include the Cody Stephens Go Big or Go Home Foundation among them. Screen 'em all!"

Factually, the volunteer effort is finding a heart defect in about two of every hundred scanned that need to be further examined. One in 900 needs immediate medical intervention. Of school districts that have not yet submitted to scanning as a policy two mothers and their kids were at the fundraiser that insisted on their kids being scanned by an EKG and both were found to have problems. Stephens awarded a Giant GBOGH belt buckle to each student and a gift to the thoughful mothers. In one case the student was able to continue sports after a simple proceedure.

Special recognition was bestowed to Dr. Asif Ali, M.D. for performing scans.



Robert Harrison of Crosby displayed his conribution to the auction as Melody Stephens looks on and the ladies fall in love with the Yorkie puppy. Robert's mom raises the puppies in Mississippi. The two puppies, Scott and Cody, brought in about \$2,950 in total.



Scott Stephens looks on as Briscoe Cain, R., District 28 displayes a Resolution from the State House recognizing the scanning effort and fundraiser. Cain also donated a State Emblem to the auction.



Scott presents a present to Eva Briiseno after giving her son Christian Edenburn a buckle. Below a special recognition for Wynevester Walker with son Davion accept the same awards.



The Cody Benefit has raised over \$1,000,000 so far.

# 19th Annual Jared Jamail Tourney was competitive

Tourney was competitive
The Jared Jamail Tournamed is a fundraiser that annually provides scholarships to Crosby High School students and this year also to students that were victims of Hurricane Harvey to remember the life of Jared Jamail that ended May 28, 1999 at age 16.The 19th Tourney see more than \$250,000 having been raised for Crosby High School students for academic scholarships. The tournament was played on Oct. 14 at Stone-bridge in Newport Golf and Country Club followed by a steak dinner.



1st Place: Bryan Daniele, Scott Lund, Mason Evers, Jerrid Payton



2nd Place: Ken Junck, Fernando Tunchez, Mike Calvillo, Emmett Lewis



3rd Place Brandon Fulghum, Jonathan Marek, James Lyles, Todd Hinson







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# **COMMUNITY / SCHOOL NEWS**

# Channelview ISD October Students of the Month



Channelview ISD recently honored its October Students of the Month by hosting a recognition luncheon in the top level of the press box at Ray Maddry Memorial Stadium. The Students of the Month include, top row, from left, Jayce Brown-Sumbera (Alice Johnson Junior High), Daniela Arevalo (McMullan Elementary), Devin Futrell (Joe Frank Campbell Learning Center), Macie Stepp (Aguirre Junior High), Nahum Carcamo (Channelview High School), Nhi Thi Gip (Kolarik Ninth Grade Center) and Jaymien Henriquez (Cobb Elementary). Pictured bottom row, from left, are Naily Alba (DeZavala Elementary), Lynsey Garza (Crenshaw Elementary), Alyssa Sandoval (Schochler Elementary), Tien Tran (Brown Elementary) and Teagan Branch (Hamblen Elementary).

## Galena Park ISD CTE Director named to the CTAT Board of Directors

Laura Mann, Career and Technical Education Director for Galena Park ISD, was recently elected by her Gulf Coast CTE Association peers to serve on the Career & Technical Association of Texas (CTAT) Board of Directors based on her leadership in CTE. Mann will serve a fouryear term as the Area 6 Representative, the second largest of 12 areas across the state of Texas.

As an Area 6 CTAT Board of Directors Representative. Mann and her team will advocate on behalf of all CTE program areas among state lawmakers and policymakers, agencies and the public

CTAT is a non-profit or- through rigorous academ-



ganization based in Austin. Texas and is the leading advocate for career and technical education. The organization enables educators to prepare students for successful careers

ic and work-based learning programs, promoting instructional partnerships with business and industry, and increasing public awareness of the opportunities available to students.

# year's tournament net proceeds of over \$30,000, with do-

The achievement of this

# Chamber hears details on container business at Port

The North Channel Chamber of Commerce hosted Ryan Mariacher at their monthly luncheon October 6th, at the Monument Room at San Jacinto College North.

Mariacher is the Director of Container Terminals at the Port of Houston. Mariacher is responsible for the over-sight of terminal operations at both Barbours Cut and Bayport terminals, including capital planning schedule budget preparation, and financial analysis for these facilities.

In his presentation, he mentioned that the Port has 8 locations along the

Ship Channel that they own or run.
Since the Panama Canal expansion project opened three years ago, the Houston Port has seen a large growth in the number of containers they re-

eive and ship. Mariacher noted that the larger size of the Panama Canal route has meant that larger ships are arriving at Houston. At one time the freighter could only carry 2000 containers, known as TEUs Now they carry as many as 8000, and he expects that sometime in the future may be large enough to carry 22,000 TEUs.

As a result, the Port of Houston has had to install larger cranes for the unloading/loading process, and in the next month Mariacher will oversee the installation of six new "SuperMax"



RYAN MARIACHER, PORT OF HOUSTON

The container facility at Barbours Cut is 40 years old, opening in 1976, and Bayport is 10 years old. The facility at Barbours Cut handles 7000 trucks a day, and this volume is growing.

The largest import tonnage is from Asia, he said, and the largest export tonnage is to countries in the Americas

Although the Port handles commodities such as grain, automobiles, petroleum products, an unusual statistic is that the top imports are Red Bull and Heineken drinks.

## College sets open auditions for 'Santa's Christmas Magic: The Musical'

PASADENA, Texas The San Jacinto College theatre and film department will hold open public auditions for adults and children to be cast in the annual holiday production of "Santa's Christmas Magic: The Musical."

The production is a holiday tradition for many families, both for the viewing audiences, and for community families in the production itself. For years, children have been returning to appear in the

fast-paced holiday favorite. "It's a high-energy musical that includes acting, singing, a lot of dancing, and there are even chase scenes," said Dr. Jerry Ivins, Central Campus the atre and film department chair. "This will be our 22nd year to present a Christmas show, which has developed into a holiday tradition for the community. Nearly every performance has sold out since we introduced the produc-

The first auditions for ages 12 and older will be held Monday, Oct. 23, and on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 6 p.m. on both dates. Auditions will be held at the Central Campus Powell Arena Theatre (Building 13), 8060 Spencer Hwy. in



J.D. Mathis of La Porte, Marcus Delzell of League City, and Lillian and Violet McCarrol from Houston, perform in the 2016 production of "Santa's Christmas Magic." Photo credit: Andrea Vasquez, San Jacinto College marketing, public relations and government affairs department.

Pasadena. Thirty to 60 actors are needed, females and males, ages 12 to 83. Auditions for children ages four and older will be held Wednesday, Nov. 29 and Thursday, Nov. 30 at 6 p.m.

on both dates.
Enrollment in the College is not required, and acting experience is not required for those interest-

ed in auditioning.

Rehearsals will begin on Thursday, Oct. 26 and will continue Mondaythrough Friday from 6 to 10 p. m. until the first performance. The show opens Thursday, Dec. 7 and will run until Sunday, Dec. 17.

"Santa's Christmas Magic: The Musical" is a fantasy about a sinister plot to steal Santa's mag-ic. Highlights of the show include toys that come alive and dance and sing, and singing children elves. Children in the audience can visit Santa Claus at

intermission. To learn more about San Jacinto College theatre and film programs, please visit sanjac.edu/caeer/theatre-film

## Golf Tournament,

members from the Channel-view ISD Education Founda-

The scholarship tournament, held annually on Columbus Day, has now raised more than \$462,600 for scholarship awards to graduating seniors since the tournament's inception. This phenomenal effort has made the difference for many students in obtaining a post-secondary education. This

nations still coming in, will fund student scholarship appli-cations in May 2018. "It is always a great event when you can help children further their education and engage the community's support at the same time," said, Mr. Bill Hamblen, former CISD Superintendent and tournament namesake.

The 2017 Tournament win-

ners were 1st place, Team Junck; 2nd place, Everitt Industrial Supply; 3rd place, Bryant's Pest Control; 4th place, IBI Group/LTY Engineers; 5th place McGriff Seibels & Williams; 6th place Team RSM; 7th place JMT Mechanical; and 8th place Chalk's Truck Parts.

annual event would not be possible without the many generous sponsors, participants and volunteers who have a passion for children and education as evidenced by the tremendous success of this year's tourna-

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# **OPINION PAGE**

# State creates mental health task force for Harvey-affected schools

AUSTIN - Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath on Oct. 11 announced the establishment of the Hurricane Harvey Task Force on School Mental Health Supports to deliver needed attention to schools and higher education institutions impacted by the

The Texas Education Agency, acting on orders from Gov. Greg Abbott, is spearheading the effort in partnership with the Texas Higher Education Coordinat ing Board and Texas Health and Human Services Commission, in collaboration with the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute. The task force will develop a list of tiered supports and resources that can be used by school leaders to address the mental health needs of affected staff, students and

"As I've traveled the state following Hurricane Harvey, it is evident that addressing the mental health needs of our students and educators is of the utmost importance,' Morath said. "This coordinated mental health response will allow our state agencies to coordinate local responses that reflect the specific needs of each individual community," he

"The invisible wounds left behind after this storm are often the most difficult to recover from," Abbott said.

## Abbott, Sharp visit cities

Gov. Abbott on Oct. 11 visited the cities of Port Arthur, Mont Belvieu, Dayton, Kountze and Orange in southeast Texas during a three-day, 16-city tour of hurricane-impacted areas of the state.

Joining Abbott was John Sharp, chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, who serves as chair of the Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas. Abbott has delegated executive authority to Sharp to marshal state agency resources to rebuild hurricane-damaged infra-structure, including roads, bridges, schools, government buildings and other public

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling



officials "to ensure they are getting all the help they need in the recovery effort," Abbott said.

Other cities hosting gubernatorial visits included Sugar Land, Wharton, Bay City, Angleton, and Dickin-son on Oct. 10 and Aransas Pass, Port Aransas, Rockport, Refugio, Port Lavaca, and Victoria on Oct. 9.

#### Hegar distributes revenue

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Oct. 11 announced he would send cities counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$660.4 million in local sales tax allocations for the month of October, 1.6 percent more than in October 2016.

Allocations are based on sales made in August by businesses that report tax monthly.

In other news, Hegar on Oct. 10 announced his office's release of the Certification Revenue Estimate for fiscal biennium 2018-2019.

The Comptroller's Office expects revenue available for general spending in 2018-19 to total about \$107.33 billion, an amount that would support the \$107.23 billion in general-purpose spending called for by the 85th Legislature and result

Market turbulence, energy price fluctuations, potential changes in national economic policy and the eventual cost of Hurricane Harvey contribute uncertain ty to this estimate, Hegar said. Texas is in the early stages of storm recovery, and full impacts to the state's economy and revenues have only begun to take shape and likely will change in the coming months, Hegar

#### Focus: school bus safety

With National School Bus Safety Week being observed Oct. 16-20, the Texas Department of Public Safety urges Texans to comply with laws prohibiting drivers from passing school buses.

It is illegal to pass any It is illegal to pass any school bus that is stopped and operating a visual signal, either flashing red lights or a stop sign. Drivers who violate the law could face fines as much as \$1,250.

"Motorists should always be alert and practice safe driving habits when traveling near school buses or anywhere school children gather, including bus stops," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Texas parents can rest assured that DPS will not tolerate those who recklessly endanger children by ignoring the law."

More than 42,000 school buses transport approximately 1.5 million Texas children every school day, according to an estimate by the Texas Education Agency.

### AG cheers EPA law

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Oct. 10 praised a decision by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to repeal the Clean Power Plan, an Obama-era regulation that Texas, West Virginia and 22 other states opposed.

#### **Harris County Municipal** in a final balance available for certification of \$94 **Utility District No. 459** "The Clean Power Plan," Abbott and Sharp visited Paxton said, "would have subjected Americans to higher electricity costs and **Notice of Public Hearing** could have weakened the on Tax Rate nation's power grid."

The Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 459 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2017 on November 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at 2407 Market Street, Baytown, TX 77521. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR the proposal: Paul West, Terry Gray & Ron Bryant

**AGAINST** the proposal: None

**PRESENT** and not voting: None

**ABSENT:** Lisa Psillas & Brad Bonnecaze

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year

	2016	2017	
	Last Year	This	
Year			
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.80/\$1	00	
\$0.80/\$100	,	Adopted	
Proposed			
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$0.00/\$100		
Percentage increase/decrease in rates	(+/-) 0.009	6	
Average appraised value	\$ 205,081	I	
\$223,639			
General exemptions available			
(excluding senior citizen's or			
disabled person's exemptions)	\$ -	\$ -	
Average taxable value	\$205,081		
\$223,639			
Tax on average residence homestead	\$1,640.64	\$	
1,789.11			
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if			
proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)	\$148.47		
and percentage of increase (+/-)	9.05%		

#### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d),

The Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 459 proposes to use the tax increase for the purpose of essential water, sewer, drainage services and related operational, maintenance and administrative services

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# \$15 Billion in Federal Disaster Funds Secured for Texas

Dear Neighbor,

After a late night meeting with leaders of the U.S. House of Representatives. and consulting with Governor Abbott, members of the Texas delegation have identified nearly \$15 billion of emergency funding for Texas to be included in the emergency disaster funding bill voted on in the

House yesterday.
In a telephone call with members of the Texas Delegation, Governor Abbott expressed his commitment to continuing to work with the Texas Congressional Delegation and Congressional Leadership to ensure that Texas has the resources needed to recov-

er and rebuild.

The measure includes \$11 billion to pay anticipated claims for flood insurance for Texans victims of Hurricane Harvey, and an estimated \$4 billion for the FEMA disaster relief fund for Texas. The new

will provide direct housing assistance, home repairs, debris removal and public assistance grants to eligible communities to begin repairs of roads, utility work, schools and public buildings.
The flood insurance pro-

gram is expected to run out of money within weeks -meaning Texas claims meaning Texas claims would not be paid - and FEMA funding will be ex-hausted soon due to the faster than expected drawdown to address Hurricane Maria claims. In addition to the \$15

billion, Texas cities will also have access to a \$4.9 billion pool for grants for Community Disaster Loans. These loans help communities with revenue losses due to disasters, so the communities can pay for police and fire protec-tion and other critical local needs during their

Yesterday, I joined my colleagues in the House to approve this second disaster relief funding package that includes emergency funding for Texas. This package provides short term, emergency help for

term, emergency nelp for Texans affected by Harvey - including continuing funding for FEMA - and more money is expected soon to help Texas. Within the last 24 hours, House leadarship has a smitted leadership has committed to Governor Abbott and to the Texas delegation that it will bring up a third, targeted relief package in the coming weeks, ensuring that Texas's funding concerns will be satisfactorily addressed. I will hold my colleagues in the House to their commitment and will not rest until Texas receives the full amount of federal aid that we need.

> $\begin{array}{c} GOD~and~TEXAS,\\ TED~POE \end{array}$  $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Member of Congress} \\ \textit{TEXAS} \end{array}$

## Harris County Attorney Vince Ryan and Commissioner Jack Morman praise EPA for decision to remove Waste Pits

October 12, 2017 - Harris County Attorney Vince Ryan and Commissioner Jack Morman praised Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt's decision to order the removal of the dangerous material in the San Jacinto River Waste

The Environmental Protection Agency on Wednesday approved a plan to permanently remove dioxin, one of the most dangerous chemicals known to man, from the San Jacinto Waste Pits - a Superfund site that was heavily flooded after Hurricane Harvey

"I want to thank EPA Administrator Pruitt for this decision," said County Attorney Ryan. "We appreciate that he visited the San Jacinto site personally and that he had EPA personnel checking it out to discover the dioxin exposure after the hurri-

"The hard work by County Attorney Vince Ryan and his staff has been remarkable. Jackie Young. Galveston Bay Foundation and other activists have been this solution and I'm thrilled the EPA made the right decision," said Jack Morman, Harris County Commission-er Precinct 2.

Leaks from the cap have been reported for years but EPA dive teams reported collecting samples after the flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey that showed that the protective cap over the waste site "had been damaged and the underlying waste material was exposed." The EPA found that one of its samples showed dioxins at 70,000 parts per trillion; EPA's clean up level for the site is 30 parts per trillion.

Harris County Attorney Vince Ryan says finding that dioxin was exposed at the waste pits during the flooding was frightening proof that the chemical must e removed from the Superfund site.

"The EPA reported the dioxin exposure is more than 2300 times the level required for clean up," said County Attorney Ryan. "And let's be clear: What we had from Hurricane Harvey was a rain event. Had the storm hit closer to Harris County, we would have experienced winds and storm surge.

"Today, we are announcing our decision to ensure the San Jacinto site is cleaned up for the benefit of the entire community," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "As exemplified today, EPA is prioritizing Superfund clean-up by making decisions in a decisive, timely manner. The San Jacinto Waste Pits site was added to the National Priority List nearly a decade ago, and I am pleased to nnounce a decision has been made to permanently address the highly toxic materials to ensure health and safety in the surrounding communities."

EPA's cleanup plan includes installing engineer ing controls such as cofferdams before excavating almost 212,000 cubic yards of dioxin contaminated material for disposal. The EPA estimates the cost for the remedy is \$115 million and savs it is "cost-effective; representing a reasonable value for the cost incurred."

EPA's final cleanup plan, called a Record of Decision, addresses comments on the proposed plan concerning the risk of water spreading dioxin contamination downstream by installing controls such as cofferdams to allow for dry excavation of the waste material. The removal plan will ensure that no chemicals are released during this process and the contaminated material will be put into a secure, stable, inland permitted facility.

Highly-toxic paper mill waste was deposited along the River at the I-10 bridge in the 1960s and has become partially submerged in the ater. The waste pits we discovered by the government in 2005. The EPA named the pits a Superfund site in 2008. Although the companies responsible for putting the waste at this site ere ordered to put a temporary rock cap over it in 2011 as an interim measure, dioxin has leaked out through the years. Signs warn people not to eat fish or crabs caught near this location.

The Harris County Attorney's Office and their outside counsel Baker Wotring LLP sued the companies involved in 2011. obtaining a \$29.2 million settlement from Waste Management Inc. and McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corp.

"These waste pits were a disaster waiting to happen that could continue to have contaminated the San Jacinto River for another 700 vears," said Rvan, "This would not have happened without the hard work and dedication of the many people who live and work along the River and Galveston Bay who want to

## **LIFESTYLE**



Dolores "Dee" Louise

Dolores "Dee" Louise (Griswold) Bass Mallicote, 85, passed away the 15th of October 2017 peacefully in her home with family by her side in Crosby, TX.

Born August 25th 1932 to Eugene Franklin and Ophelia Marzee Griswold at Houston Heights Hospital. She is survived by her brother David Griswold and sister in law Edith Griswold, along with 5 children Larry (Ruth), Roger and Douglas Bass, Sharla Anderson, Sallie and husband Scott Keaton. 12 grandchildren Cynthia Smith, Alicia Taylor, Shelley Arnst, Sarah Jones, Stacey Krecmer, Clint Bass, James Bass, Preston Boyd, Jessica Green, Crystal Warner, Rebecca Keaton and Noah Keaton. One niece, 7 nephews, and numerous great grandchildren. Honorary grandchildren Gwendolyn Arnold Kraus and Benjamin Arnold



She is proceeded in death by her parents Eugene Griswold and Marzee Roberts her brother Charles Griswold Sr., sister in law Sue Griswold, her first husband and the father of her children Roger Bass, and her husband John A. Mallicote. Her grand daughter Tiffany Boyd, great grand daughter Nicole Green, and nephew Kevin Griswold.

A celebration of her life will be held at the First Baptist Church of Crosby on Saturday October 21st at 11:00am with a reception immediately following.

### Marlon Littlejohn at Northside Baptist, Highlands

October 22, 2017 Marlon Littlejohn of LaPorte will be singing and leading the music at Northside Baptist Church, 317 Barbers Hill Road, Highlands TX 77562. Marlon will be leading the singing at both the 11am and

Worship Services. Pastor David R. Brumbelow will be preaching and invites everyone to attend

#### **BIBLE TRIVIA**

by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of Tamar in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. 2 Kings 19 and which other book's chapter are almost alike word for word? Deuteronomy 7, Isaiah 37, Jeremiah 50, Job 16 3. From Genesis 29, which of Jacob's wives was first to bear children? Leah. Naomi. Bilhah. Zilpah
- Of these, who stole idols from her father? Elisabeth, Martha, Rachel, Deborah
- 5. In Acts 22, what famous Rabbi was Paul's teacher? Hillel. Turkel, Zakkai, Gamaliel
- 6. From Genesis 4, who invented farming? Adam, Cain, Abel, Jubal

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Isaiah 37; 3) Leah; 4) Rachel; 5) Gamaliel; 6) Cain

# HIGHLANDS ROTARY **CLUB NEWS**



# **District Governor Palko** visit is highlight of year

Rotary District 5890 Governor Bill Palko paid a visit to the Highlands Rotary Club last Tuesday, Oct. 3. Each of these annual visits is looked forward to by the clubs, to keep in touch with the District and hear the Governor's plans for his (or her) year.

Governor Bill Palko is a member of the North Shore Rotary, the second time this club has sponsored a DG. Palko is a veteran, on several local boards, and a banker.

president Patricia Scott

eral checks for World projects of the Rotary Foundation. The local club raised money through the Chili Feast and the Washer Tournament.

Palko presented an overview of Rotary, with 60 clubs in Houston, numbering 2700 members. Worldwide Rotary has 1,200,000 members. The international convention will be held in Houston in 2022.

Palko presented his goals for the year, including increasing membership, supporting the foundation, club and dis-



**DG BILL PALKO** 

trict administration, and Citation.

He urged the club to join in two District 5890 projects in Mexico, an eye clinic in Guerero, and clean water in Torean.



Highlands Rotary Club president Patricia Scott, right, presents DG Palko with a check for \$10,000 for worldwide projects by the Rotary Foundation, and a check for \$500 for work on Polio Plus.

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Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 213B will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2017 on Thursday, October 26, 2017 12:00 p.m. at the offices of Coats, Rose, Yale, Holm, Ryman & Lee, P.C., 9 East Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston TX 77046. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR the proposal: Mark Prause, Stacy Lord, Marilyn Dishman

**AGAINST** the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

**ABSENT:** Juanita Orsak

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	r This
Year		
Tax rate	\$0.800/\$100	\$0.800/
\$100		
	Adopted	Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$(	0.00
Percentage increase/decrease in rates	(+/-)	0.00%
Average appraised value General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or	\$ 0	\$ 0
disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Average taxable value	\$ 0	\$ 0
Tax on average residence		
homestead Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
adopted (+/-)	\$	0.00
and percentage of increase (+/-)		0.00%

#### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

There were no residential homesteads on January 1, 2016 or January 1, 2017 at time of certification, therefore the tax that would have been imposed on a residential homestead is \$0.00.

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my hopes and dreams.
But, here it is... the winter of my life and it catches me by surprise... how did I get here so fast?
Where did the years go and where did my youth go? I remember well seeing older people through the years and thinking that those older people were years away from me and that winter was so far off that I could not fathom it or imagine fully what it would be like.

But, here it is...my friends are retired and getting gray...They move slower and I see an older person now. Some are in better and some worse shape than me...but, I see the great change...Not like the ones that I remember who were young and vibrant...but their age is beginning to show and we are now those older folks that we used to see and never thought we'd be.

And so...now I enter into this new season of my life but, at least I know, that though the winter has come... and I'm not sure how long it will last... that when it's over on this earth...it's over. Yes, I have regrets. There are things

I wish I hadn't done...things I should have done, but indeed, there are many things I'm happy to have done. It's all in a life-

So, if you're not in your winter yet...let me remind you, that it will be here faster than you think So, whatever you would like to accomplish in your life please do it quickly! Don't put things off too long!! Life goes by quickly. So, do what you can today as you can never be sure whether this is your win-ter or not! You have no promise that you will see all the seasons of your life...so, live for today and say all the things that you want your loved ones to remember...and hope that they appreciate and love you for all the things that you have done for them in all the years past!!

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they sell in stores is "sleeveless"?!!!

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# Cunningham Middle School student qualifies for National Golf

**Tournament** 



Cunningham Middle School student and local golf phenom, Allyn Stephens, has qualified to compete at The Masters Golf Tournament after winning the Drive Chip and Putt Championship- Regional Competition at Carlton Woods on Sunday, October 8.

The Chip and Putt Championship is a nationwide junior golf competition for girls and boys ages 7-15. This tournament provides aspiring junior golfers an opportunity to play with their peers from all over the country.

In April 2018, Stephens and 80 junior golfers will be traveling to Augusta, Georgia to compete at the Drive Chip and Putt National Championship before the Masters Tournament.

Congratulations, Allyn!

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

#### Sheldon ISD Groundbreaking

The Sheldon ISD will held a groundbreaking ceremony for its new C.E. King High School and stadium complex on Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Public invited, please reserve at 281-727-2007 or 713-727-2033. Construction site is located south of Garrett Road facing Beltway 8.

#### **GP-JC Rotary Club Auction**

Galena Patk/Jacinto City Rotary Club will host the annual Milborn Dollar Chili and Auction on Wednesday, October 25, 2011 begining at 11:30 a.m. at Alvin Bagget Community Center Building, 1302 Keene St., Galena Park, TX 77547. They are also raising funds to underwrite scholarships for Galena Park High School seniors. Sponsors, auction items and chili eaters needed. Please contact the club at 713-553-6557 or jdledwith@scholaready.com with questions and more information.

#### North Channel Salutes Business Expo & Health Fair

The North Channel Chamber of Commerce will host its annual event on Thursday, Nov. 2 from 10 am - 2:00 p.m. at Armentas Restaurant & Banquet Hall located at 832 Sheldon Rd., Channelview, TX 77530. Call 713-450-1114 for more information.

#### **Evening San Jacinto Pilot Club**

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, 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 information call 713-455-3660.

#### The Buckshot Jamboree

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#### San Jacinto Pilot Club meeting

The Club meets the  $\Omega$ nd Thursday of each month at Amegy Bank on I-10, at noon. For more information, please visit www.SanJacintoPilot.com.

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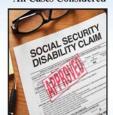
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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

#### PERMIT NO. WQ0010831001

APPLICATION. City of Galena Park, P.O. Box 46, Galena Park, Texas 77547, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renev Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0010831001 (EPA I.D. No. TX0057185) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed an annual average flow of 1,250,000 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located at 1107 Fifth Street, Galena Park, in Harris County, Texas 77547. The discharge route is from the plant site directly to the Panther Creek portion of the Houston Ship Channel (Buffalo Bayou Tidal). TCEQ received this application on September 28, 2017. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Galena Park City Hall, Water/Wastewater Office, 2000 Clinton Drive, Galena Park, 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

http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.735833&lng=-95.231111&zoom=13&type=r

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold 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 d for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period 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 by name and physical address 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 or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant 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 may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.

TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of vastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

 $\textbf{MAILING LIST.} \ If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be$ 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 placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below

 $\textbf{INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.} \ \textbf{For details about the status of the}$ application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov. goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at <a href="www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html">www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html</a>, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, PO. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3987. 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 <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep">www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep</a>. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Galena Park at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Mark Havran, P.E., LJA Engineering, Inc., at 713-450-6014.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting is being held on <u>Thursday October 26, 2017</u> at 6:00PM at 12900 Crosby Lynchburg Road, Barrett Station, Texas, to discuss the <u>Harris</u> County MUD 50's proposed project to construct a new Waste Water Treatment Plant and associated sewer and force main lines at Harris County MUD 50 owned property, located near Barrett, Texas, south of FM 1942 between Milo <u>Drive and Jean La Fitte.</u> One of the purposes of this hearing is to discuss the potential environmental impacts of the project and alternatives to it. The total estimated cost of the project is \$3,500,000. The estimated monthly bill for a typical resident is currently \$37.50 of in-district consumers and \$63.50 for outof district consumers. At this time no user rate increase is expected, as the project will be funded by grant funds, if an increase is expected to occur, residents and businesses will be notified. At this time no connection fee/tax/surcharge/other fee of will be required. An application for financial assistance for the project has been (will be) filed with the Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231, Austin, Texas, 78711-3231. An Environmental Information Document for the project has been prepared which will be available for public review at the <u>Harris County MUD 50 District Office</u> at 12900 Crosby Lynchburg Road, Barrett Station, Texas between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM for 30 days following the date of this notice. Written comments on the proposed project may be sent to 1018 Frost St. Rosenberg, TX 77471 or to the Texas Water Development Board.

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# **COMMUNITY**

# NORTH SHORE BENEFIT Pilot Club Spaghetti Dinner

The San Jacinto Pilot Club held their annual Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle last Saturday, at the Baldree Community Center in Channelview, with strong results for their fund raiser.

Pilot Julie Fallin reported that the club served over 200 meals, and sold 190 raffle tickets. Items raffled included as \$1500 Cruise, won by Ryan Dagle, and other prizes included a 49" Hitachi TV, a Swiss Watch from Pineforest Jewelry, and a \$250 gift card.

The club realized about \$7700 from their live auction, sponsors \$4000, and other income from the silent auction, dessert table, and more.

Auctioneers for the live aution were George Reisner, and Jerry Fallin.

Proceeds from the dinner are used year-round for community service, health and security, education including scholarships, and Pilot Internation projects, including Brain disorders.



Bill Bowes proudly shows his signed photo of Astros star Jose Altuve to Pilot Julie Fallin. This was one of about 25 outstanding items that were in the live auction. Other items included a luxury spa session, YMCA membership, handmade quilt, tickets to an Astros game, Yeti cooler, crawfish party for 25, portable generator, fishing trip, Willie Nelson guitar, and other autographed sports memorabilia.



# Officer Awarded,

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showing hard core pornography from his cell phone to a 9 year old girl who was shopping with her mother at the Seller's grocery store in Jacinto City.

The stores security camera provided Detective Silva with the suspect's photo which was matched on a sexual offender's database. Silva with two backup officers went to his Galena Park home but no one answered the door. The two backup officers had to leave her alone when called off for other assignments; she remained keeping the house under

surveillance.

When seeing a vehicle, arrive even though alone without any backup officer Silva went to the door again. She was allowed in where she spotted the suspect, after talking to him she took him to the police station where he confessed. The charge of Displaying Harmful Material to a Minor is pending. Tex-as criminal records show Apodaca was arrested in 2012 and found guilty of indecency with a child by sexual contact and served a prison sentence.





At the Silent Auction, Karen Westbrooks hears from her grandson Nathaniel Perez that he has his eye on that Skylander game in the corner, and he probably can't live without it.

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