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Reward offered by PineForest Jewelry after massive robbery

NORTH CHANNEL—A single burglar managed to get past barred windows and alarm systems, to break into PineForest Jewelry on Uvalde Road last Saturday morning.

According to owner Jim Mills, the burglar was in the store for over 2 hours, filling a bag with gold and jewelry. He also took an M1 rifle. Mills estimated the loss at between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

Surveillance video showed the man approaching the building, squeezing through a narrow window opening he made by break-

ing glass, and then methodically opening jewelry display cases and taking what he thought was most valuable.

Strangely enough, at one point the man left the store, stole Mills SUV and drove it away, only to return it about two hours later. No explanation was available for this action.

Mills has described the burglar as large build, Caucasian or Hispanic, with tattoos on his lower back and ankle. There is a \$1000 reward for information and conviction.



Jim Chaik of PineForest points out where the burglar broke the window, and squeezed between bars.



Three empty display cases attest to the huge loss.

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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 Highland Woods Dr., Highlands 77562.

GP/JC Rotary Million Dollar Meal on Nov. 9

The public is invited to lunch on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at the Battett Center starting at 11:30. This Chili luncheon and a drawing provide funds for Rotary's Galena Park High School Scholarships and other community projects.

The \$10 ticket is for lunch, and enters you in a drawing for a Laptop computer, an iPad, or a \$100 Gift Card. More info 832-420-8207 or 832-386-1223. Tickets available from all GP/JC Rotarians.

East Harris County Communications breaks ground on a new Call Center for 5 ESDs



GROUNDBREAKING FOR THE NEW EHC CALL CENTER took place Thursday, Oct. 13 at the site of the future building, at 16010 Ridlon Street in Channelview. Participating in the Shovel & Dirt ceremony were representatives of the five Participating ESDs, who now comprise the new ECOM board. Above, Eric Stricklin, HCESD#50, Danny Naramore, HCESD#6, Helen Lauersdorf, HCESD#60, Charles Anthony, HCESD#2, and William Anders, HCESD#12.

EAST HARRIS COUNTY – Five Emergency Service Districts have combined their 9-1-1 dispatching duties, into a new

collaborative agency known as ECOM, or Emergency Communications. They plan on operating out of a new building, to be built on Ridlon Street in Channelview, and they

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ARCHITECT'S RENDERING OF THE NEW EAST HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER. The building is designed to withstand the forces of a Level IV Hurricane and continue to operate. The building and the new dispatching collaboration will serve five ESDs (Emergency Service District, your taxing body) in the East Harris County area. Construction is expected to start in December 2016, and be completed by April 2017, according to contractor DuroTech. Then a training and testing period will follow, and the service will be operational by January 2018. There will be room for six monitoring and dispatching desks, but the staff will start with three, according to Jimmy Sumner of ESD #50. Participating in the project are Channelview Fire Department, North Channel EMS, South Lake Houston EMS, Cloverleaf Fire Department, and Sheldon Fire & Rescue Department. Consultants for the project were Mission Critical Partners, PGAL Architecture & Engineering, and DuroTech Inc. General Contractors.

JACINTO CITY Police Officer recognized by City and State officials

By Allan Jamail

Jacinto City, TX. At the October 13, 2016 City Council meeting Jacinto City's Mayor Ana Diaz, Senator Sylvia Garcia and State Representative Ana Hernandez each presented former Police Sergeant Jennifer Castaneda with Resolutions praising her service to fighting crime and her dedication of helping the needy.

Governor Abbott in September awarded the Star of Texas Award to 57 Texans including Jacinto City's recipient Sgt. Jennifer Simpson-Castaneda.

The Star of Texas Award created by the 2003 Legislature go to first responders, peace officers and firefighters who have demonstrated remarkable courage and heroism in serving and protecting their communities and who have been seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

Castaneda a graduate of the University of Houston Law Enforcement Academy, began her career as a Harris County Deputy Constable in 1995 before joining the Jacinto City



PHOTO BY ALLAN JAMAIL
 Left to right: Mayor Ana Diaz, Officer Sgt. Jennifer Castaneda, Senator Sylvia Garcia & State Representative Ana Hernandez

Police Department in May 1998. In Jacinto City she went on to earn promotion to the rank of Patrol Sergeant in 2005, and she was known for her professionalism, her commitment to helping those in need, and her exceptional dedication to her duties, which included assisting with gang investigations.

On March 20, 2013 Sergeant Castaneda and another officer, Lieutenant Dennis Walker were called to a residence where a family disturbance was taking place. Sergeant Castaneda the first to arrive was shot

without warning by Edgar Omar Cuellar an occupant of the home as she came to the front door.

As she lay wounded with the gunman's pistol pointed to her head a gunfight began between Officer Lieutenant Dennis Walker who arrived after Castaneda.

Lt. Walker and Sgt. Castaneda were both wounded by Cuellar before he retreated to another room. Both officers after being wounded continued to pro-

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NORTH SHORE Rotary dedicates Memorial Wall at Park to Veterans



NORTH SHORE ROTARIANS dedicated this new Veterans Memorial Wall on Thursday October 13. The wall stands at the end of the pedestrian bridge in the North Shore County Park on Wallisville. In this photo, at left are Veterans representing their services, and at right, Pct. 2 County Commissioner Jack Morman, Rotary President Kim Gonzalez, Rotarians and chairman of this project Mike Williams, and Rotarian and Veteran Frank Nadolney.

NORTH SHORE – Keynote speaker at the dedication of a new Veterans Memorial Wall was Precinct 2 County Commissioner Jack Morman.

Morman thanked everyone who helped bring about this project, remembering the sacrifices of our veterans over the years and through many wars.

Special mention was made by Morman of the partnership between Precinct 2 and the North Shore Rotarians, and the

many projects they have accomplished together for the community benefit. Morman also credited his precinct engineer, Jeremy Phillips, and Veterans Coordinator Gil Sosa, for their participation and help in this project.

The Inscription on the Memorial reads as follows: VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL DEDICATED TO ALL THE NORTH CHANNEL AREA VETERANS WHO BRAVELY SERVED THIS GREAT COUNTRY, REMINDING US FREEDOM IS NOT FREE.

GREATER LOVE HATH NO ONE THAN THIS. TO LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

Also speaking at the dedication ceremony were Rotarian Mike Williams, who as past president headed the project to build the wall.

Rotary President Kim Gonzalez introduced a visiting past exchange student, Tomas Krisica, from the Czech Republic, who was an exchange student sponsored by the North Shore Rotary in 2004/2005.

COMMUNITY NEWS

LifeFlight called for Wreck on N. Main near Barret Station



Highlands Fire and EMS personnel use jaws of life to extract the driver from his car. He was flown to Memorial Hermann hospital, but will survive. Authorities said that he may have fallen asleep, crossing the centerline of Crosby Lynchburg road and hitting the truck below head-on. The driver was headed southbound, and colliding with this dirt truck, northbound. Although the truck was heavily damaged in the front end, and was pushed off the road into a ditch, the truck driver did not receive serious injuries. However, he was also transported to the hospital for check-up. The accident happened about 6 a.m. Monday morning, on N. Main Street between Highlands and Barrett Station.



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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

UTLX Manufacturing LLC has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to and renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 5566, which would authorize modifications to and continued operation of the Railroad Tank Car Coating Operations, located at 16923 Beaumont Highway, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77049. Additional information concerning these applications is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

Cattle truck overturns on Crosby Freeway, killing animals and causing traffic problems

SHELDON – A semi trailer truck, hauling over 120 cattle, flipped on its side while travelling on new US 90, the Crosby Freeway. The accident occurred early Tuesday morning, about 4 a.m. near South Lake Houston Parkway.

The truck owner, Mike Patzke, said he thinks the cattle load shifted in the trailer, causing it to flip on its side. However, cattle were compartmentalized to avoid this type of shifting. It went over an earthen embankment, and came to rest on the lower level of the highway frontage road.

Authorities were forced to close the road, while they removed the cattle from the truck and placed them in a temporary corral, and later other animal trailers that were brought to the scene.

Veterinarians were called, and they had to euthanize about 30 injured cattle. The driver of the semi truck suffered only minor injuries, Patzke said. He was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Main lanes of Highway 90 and South Lake Houston Parkway were closed for about 5 hours, until 9 a.m. so that the cattle and truck could be removed.



This semi trailer truck, hauling about 120 cattle, overturned when its load shifted, and it rolled in a ditch. The accident killed 30+ cattle, and closed the road for many hours.

The Crosby High School Big Red Machine Section of the Week and Star Students



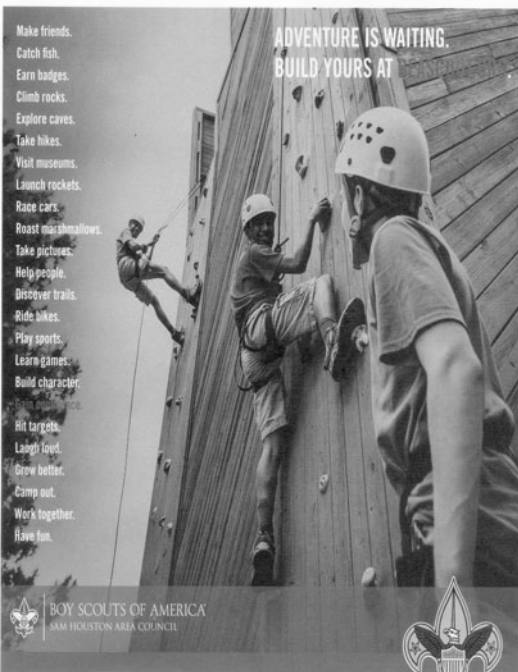
Alex Morales is the Star Student of the week. Alex is a freshman in the Big Red Machine and plays the Tuba. When he is not spending his time with the marching band, Alex likes to hangout with his family. Alex is also a big history buff.

Congratulations to the Trumpet section and Star Student of the Week.



The Big Red Machine would like you to meet the Trumpet section. Members of the CHS band leadership chose the Trumpet section as this week's section of the week. This outstanding section was chosen for the students' enthusiasm, preparedness, time management and of course their wonderful music and marching skills.

Adventure is waiting, Come join Boy Scouts of America Troop 107



Troop 107

Come join Us at any Monday Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: United Methodist Church,
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Raven District

2016 Property Tax Rates in City of Jacinto City

This notice concerns the 2016 property tax rates for City of Jacinto City. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$2,567,562
Last year's debt taxes	\$603,024
Last year's total taxes	\$3,071,486
Last year's tax base	\$391,994,170
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.783554/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$3,070,967
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$414,330,898
= This year's effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$0.741187/\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$2,567,127
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$414,330,898
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.619584/\$100
x 1.08 - this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.669150/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.118408/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.787558/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease
If City of Jacinto City adopts a 2016 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.741187 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2015 taxes by \$9,709.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balance
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	9,750,765
Debt Service	628,502

Schedule B - 2016 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Debt Schedule	410,000	75,100	0	485,100
Total required for 2016 debt service				\$485,100
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2016				\$485,100
+ Amount set in anticipation that the unit will collect only 98.55% of its taxes in 2016				\$7,137
= Total debt levy				\$492,237

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 1001 Preston, Houston, TX 77002.
Name of person preparing this notice: Mike Sullivan
Title: Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector
Date Prepared: 10/07/2016

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

October- Bullying Prevention Month

October is National Bullying Prevention Month and Harris County Department of Education will join schools and communities across the nation to raise awareness and support bullying prevention.

Celebrating its 10-year anniversary, Bullying Prevention Month was initiated by PACER's National Bullying Center in 2006 and has since grown to an entire month of education and awareness activities recognized by schools and communities throughout the world.

"Every child has the right to feel safe and supported in school," said Harris County Department of Education's Center for Safe and Secure Schools Director Ecomet Burley. "National Bullying Prevention Month is a time when educators, students,

parents and community members can come together to support bullying prevention and make schools safer for our children."

There are many ways schools and community members can get involved this October for the 10-year anniversary of National Bullying Prevention Month:

-Celebrate Unity Day: Students, teachers and community members will wear orange and send a united message of support on Unity Day, Wednesday, Oct. 19.

-Hold events and activities: Schools and communities around the country recognize National Bullying Prevention Month through creative events and initiatives. There are many resources available at www.PACER.org/Bullying.

-Participate in the You're Not Alone campaign: This new campaign provides resources and education on ways communities can show they care and are united against bullying, including classroom and event toolkits.

For more information and resources on National Bullying Prevention Month, visit www.PACER.org/Bullying or go to www.safeandsecure.schools.org

GARAGE SALE

13343 HOLLY PARK DRIVE AT WOOD-FOREST 9 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M., SATURDAY OCTOBER 22. MANY ITEMS. FURNITURE, ENTERTAINMENT CENTER-ALL WOOD. COME AND SEE.

Buckshot Jamboree



THE BUCKSHOT JAMBOREE BAND performs last Saturday night, with the guest vocalist Penny Lane, at center. Also pictured is Jim Beaumont at left, sitting in for Buck Sloan who was away on another show, and at right Jerry Orvis on the guitar. Also performing were regular band members Dusty Stewart, Herman McCoy, and Roger Mann. The Buckshot Jamboree performs every Saturday night, at 7 p.m. at 7414 Hartman, off old Beaumont Highway.

New sidewalk construction set to begin on Ashland Road

Construction will begin on October 24 on new sidewalks on Ashland Road near Alice Johnson Junior High School.

Harris County Precinct Two and the Texas Department of Transportation will oversee the project, which will extend from the northern intersection of Elgin and Ashland to Sheldon Road. According to the county, construction on the project will take several months.

Channelview ISD is working with contractors to ensure there is little impact to Alice Johnson traffic during the start of the school day and at dismissal. The flow of traffic and some school bus routes along Ashland may be affected between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., when the majority of the work is expected to occur.

District officials said they do not anticipate lane closures during the start of the school day and at dismissal. However, they encourage people to be aware of the construction along the roadway during the school day.

When completed, the new sidewalks will provide safe access for pedestrians walking along Ashland.

The project is taking place through a partnership with Channelview ISD and Harris County Precinct 2's SaferStreets2Schools program.

Regular updates on the project will be posted the district's website at www.cvisd.org.

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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日普通選與特選-提前投票日程表

Early Voting Hours of Operation: October 24 - October 28: 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. October 29: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. October 30: 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. October 31: November 4: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

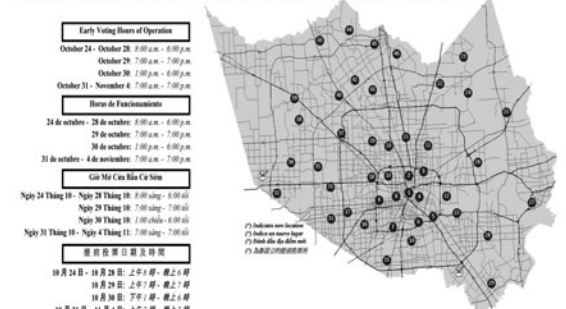


Table listing polling locations and addresses. Includes precincts like Inside Loop 418, Outside Loop 418, and various neighborhood centers.

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To the Registered Voters of Channelview, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 8, 2016 for voting in a Trustee election. On Election Day, voters must vote in their precinct where registered to vote.

Para los votantes registrados de Channelview, Texas: Se notifica por el presente que los lugares de votación indicados a continuación estarán abiertos de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. el día 8 de noviembre de 2016 para votar en una elección de Síndicos para elegir tres (3) Síndicos Escolares. El día de la elección, los votantes deben votar en su precinto donde están registrados para votar.

Table with columns: Precinct Number, Precinct Name, Polling places and Address, Lugar de votación y dirección. Lists locations like Alice Johnson Jr. High School, L.W. Kolarik Education Center, etc.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Las solicitudes de boletas de votación por correo deben ser enviadas por correo a: 郵寄投票申請書寄至:

Mr. Stan Stanart - Harris County Clerk PO Box 1525 Houston, Texas 77251-1525

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Las solicitudes de boletas de votación por correo deben ser recibidas no más tarde que al cierre del horario de oficina del Don xin la phiếu bầu qua thư phải tới nơi không trễ nhất là cuối giờ làm việc ngày 郵寄投票申請書必須在以下日期辦公結束前寄達

October 28, 2016 28 de octubre de 2016 Ngày 28 tháng Mười, 2016 2016年10月28日

Issued this the 30th day of September 2016 Emittido este día 30 de septiembre de 2016. Ban hành ngày 30 tháng 9, 2016 發布日期: 2016年9月30日

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BUSINESS

Pineforest Robbery,

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THE BURGLAR stealthily moves inside the store, taking jewelry from several display cases and drawers. He also found an M1 rifle with an expensive scope that he took. Alarm systems failed to alert the owner, who was in another part of the building.

SAN JACINTO COLLEGE:

Board of Trustees approves 2016 property tax rates

PASADENA, Texas — The San Jacinto College Board of Trustees approved the 2016 ad valorem property tax rate for the College District during its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, Oct. 10, 2016.

The rate approved by the Board is 18.2379 cents per \$100 valuation of taxable property located within the San Jacinto Community College District. The tax rate is comprised of an assessment for maintenance and operations (12.9194 cents) and a separate assessment for principal and interest due (5.3185 cents) during the coming year on outstanding general obligation bonds.

“As tax payers ourselves, those of us who serve on the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees are aware of the impact that decisions such as the tax rate have on the citizens and students in the communities we serve,” said Mr. Dan Mims, San Jacinto College Board of Trustees Chairman. “While this rate is an increase over last year due to the sale of \$150 million in bonds from the recent bond election, it remains lower than the tax rate from 2011 through 2014.”

Based on certified property tax values for 2016 from the Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD), the adopted operating tax

rate is adequate to support the current budget of \$63.15 million for maintenance and operations, which represents approximately 38.6 percent of the College's unrestricted operating budget for the fiscal year 2016-2017. San Jacinto College, like all Texas community colleges, is primarily funded based on three major revenue sources: property taxes, state appropriations, and tuition and fees.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in San Jacinto Community College District this year is \$97,066. With the adopted rate of \$0.182379 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$177.03.

It's National Save for Retirement Week – So Take Action

Congress has dedicated the third week of October as National Save for Retirement Week. Clearly, the government feels the need to urge people to do a better job of preparing for retirement. Are you doing all you can?

Many of your peers aren't – or at least they think they aren't. In a recent survey conducted by Bankrate.com, respondents reported that “not saving for retirement early enough” was their biggest financial regret. Other evidence seems to show they have good cause for remorse: 52% of households 55 and older haven't saved anything for retirement, according to a report from the U.S. Government Accountability Office, although half of this group reported having a pension.

Obviously, you'll want to avoid having either financial regrets or major shortfalls in your retirement savings. And that means you may need to consider making moves such as these:

- Take advantage of all your opportunities. You may well have access to more than one tax-advantaged retirement plan. Your employer may offer a 401(k) or similar plan, and even if you participate in your employer's plan, you are probably still eligible to contribute to an IRA. You may not be able to afford to “max out” on both plans, but try to contribute as much as you can afford. At the very least, put in enough to your employer's plan to earn a matching contribution, if one is offered, and boost your annual contributions every year in which your salary goes up.

ASK THE EXPERT

By Edward Jones

- Create an appropriate investment mix. It's not enough just to invest regularly through your IRA, 401(k) or other retirement plan – you also need to invest wisely. You can fund your IRA with virtually any investments you choose, while your 401(k) or similar plan likely offers an array of investment accounts. So, between your IRA and 401(k), you can create portfolios that reflect your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. It's especially important that your investment mix offers sufficient growth potential to help you make progress toward the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

you may be able to take out a loan, but you'll have to pay yourself back to avoid any tax or penalty consequences. (Also, not all plans offer a loan option.) More importantly, any money you take out early is money that no longer has a chance to grow to help you meet your goals. Try to do everything you can, then, to keep your retirement plans intact until you actually do retire. One suggestion: Build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, kept in a liquid, low-risk vehicle outside your IRA or 401(k).

- Don't “raid” your retirement accounts early. If you start withdrawing from your traditional IRA before you turn 59½, you may have to pay a 10% tax penalty in addition to normal income taxes due. (If you have a Roth IRA and start taking withdrawals before you are 59½, the earnings will be taxed and may be subject to a 10% penalty – but contributions can be withdrawn without any tax and penalty consequences.) As for your 401(k) or similar plan,

National Save for Retirement Week reminds us that we all must act to help ourselves retire comfortably. By making the moves described above, you can do your part.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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LIFESTYLE

Channelview ISD's October Students of the Month



Channelview ISD recently honored their October Students of the Month by hosting a recognition luncheon in the top level of the press box at Ray Madddy Memorial Stadium. The October Students of the Month include, top row, from left, Alissa Vasquez (Aguirre Junior High), Glori Ann Nguyen (Brown Elementary), Sammy Ijarah (Alice Johnson Junior High), Blessing Christmas (Channelview High School), Makayla Williams (Kolarik Ninth Grade Center) and Salma Hernandez (Joe Frank Campbell Learning Center). Pictured in front are, from left, Daniel Zamora-Benitez (Hamblen Elementary), Gabriela Galdamez (McMullan Elementary), Emanuel Sevilla (DeZavala Elementary), Valerie Cano (Cobb Elementary), Jade Nieves (Crenshaw Elementary) and Star Escoto (Schochler Elementary).

Sheldon ISD begins 2016 Homecoming Week festivities



Sheldon ISD officially began its 2016 Homecoming Week festivities last Saturday with its annual parade, followed by a carnival at C. E. King High School.

The annual homecoming parade started at Stephanie Cravens Early Childhood Academy on Tidwell Road, and ended in front of Crenshaw Stadium on Crenshaw Road. It featured trucks and floats from each school – decorated in banners, posters, balloons and more. Other community members, students and staff simply chose to walk the nearly 1.5-mile parade route.

Throughout the week, many campuses will be hosting "Homecoming Week" activities. For example, Friday is Blue and White Day – everyone is encouraged to wear blue and white. The 2016 Homecoming Week will come to a close on Friday following the C.E. King vs. Goose Creek Memorial varsity football game beginning at 7 p.m. at Crenshaw Stadium. The traditional "Crowning of the Queen" ceremony will take place at halftime.

Local Ministers gather at Galena Park ISD



On Thursday, September 29, 2016, Galena Park ISD Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Angi Williams, welcomed local pastors and church leaders to the annual GPISD Ministers Luncheon. This luncheon is held to recognize respected members of the community and provides an opportunity for collaboration with each other and GPISD staff. During the luncheon, Dr. Williams discussed the importance of partnerships with local organizations, such as area churches, and applauded the ministers for the positive impact they have within the community. The ministers were also given the opportunity to have discussions and ask questions about the community and schools.



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Loyce Adell Foshee

Loyce Adell Foshee, 83, formerly of Houston, Texas, passed from this life on October 17, 2016 in Groves, Texas.

Loyce was born November 16, 1932 in Waskom, Texas to parents, Charles Fredrick and Gladys Verne Young. She helped support her family by working in the banking industry as a cashier.

She was preceded in death by her parents, by her beloved husband, Kenneth Dwain Foshee in 2003 and by her sister, Freda Laverne Huffman. She is lovingly survived by children, Nevelyn Foshee, Brenda Foshee Gurley and husband Mike, and Keith Dwain Foshee and wife, Cheryl; by grandchildren, Jason Gurley & wife, Felicia; Elizabeth Von Ehrenrook & husband, Mat; Tiffany Harrison & husband, Mark; and Thomas Hurst, and by great-grandchildren, Julian Nguyen, Emma Gurley, Miayah Phoum-marath and Joshua



Harrison. As well as by nieces & nephews, other family and friends.

Visitation and Services will be Thursday, October 20, 2016 at Carter Funeral Home. The family invites you to join them for a time of remembrance from 5-7:00 pm, with services starting at 7:00 p.m. She will be laid to rest privately at Houston National Cemetery under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

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LITTLE BIDDY BITS By Danny Biddy

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

COMMUNITY EVENTS

East Houston Democrats Meeting

East Houston Democrats will hold their monthly Membership Meeting on Thursday, October 20 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the Fuddrucker's located at 855 Normandy Drive. Sign up to volunteer to assist with local campaigns for the November 8 Election. Questions? please contact Club President Linda Britten at 281.782.6437 or Treasurer Charlotte Jackson at 832.896.1633.

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 832-444-5000.

Galena Park Senior Dance

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

North Shore Senior Dance

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

San Jacinto Pilot Club meeting

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

North Channel Branch Library

-Thursday, Oct. 20, Baby Time, 10:30 am; Tween Time, 4:30 pm.
-Tuesday, Oct. 25, Toddler Time, 10:30 am; Preschool Story Time, 1:30 pm.
-Thursday, Oct. 27, Baby Time, 10:30 am.

Computer Classes

-Tuesday, Oct. 25, Introduction to Power Point, Lecture, 10-12 pm.
-Thursday, Oct. 27, Introduction to Power Point, Practice, 10-12 pm.
-Monday, Oct. 24, Introducción a Power Point, Lecture, 1-3 pm.
-Wed., Oct. 26, Introducción a Power Point, Práctica, 1-3pm.
North Channel Branch Library is located at 15741 Wallosville Rd., Houston, TX 77049. 281-457-1631.

Galena Park Library Programs

-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.
-Saturday, Oct. 22, Family Movie & Craft, 3 pm.
-Monday, Oct. 24, Beyond the Book, 4 pm.
-Wednesday, Oct. 26, Internet Básico I, 10:15 am; Toddler Time, 10:30 am; Story Time, 11:30 am; Internet Basics I, 1 pm; Get Active/ Activate, 4 pm.
-Thursday, Oct. 27, Kid's Creations, 4 pm.

Galena Park Library's Nutrition Class

Nutrition Classes for Adults every Friday afternoon from 4-5 pm starting 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. If you have any questions please call 713-450-0982. All children programs require tickets. Tickets are free and available the Monday before the program at the front desk. Galena Park Branch Library, 1500 Keene St., Galena Park, TX.

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CHANNELVIEW ISD

B. H. Hamblen Scholarship Golf Tournament raises over \$28,000

A gorgeous bluebird sky highlighted the 19th annual B. H. Hamblen Scholarship Golf Tournament on Monday, October 10 at River Terrace Golf Course as community members, business leaders, and avid golfers participated in the fundraiser benefiting Channelview 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 committee is comprised of district administrators, community representatives, retired Channelview ISD employees, former school board members and Channelview alums as well as members from the Channelview ISD Education Foundation.

The scholarship tournament, held annually on Columbus Day, has now raised more than \$432,000 for scholarship awards to graduating seniors since the tournament's inception. This phenomenal effort has made the difference for many students in obtain-



The 19th annual B.H. Hamblen Scholarship Golf Tournament raised more than \$28,000 to go toward scholarships for Channelview High School seniors. Celebrating the donation are, from left, Carla Buckalew, CISD Superintendent Greg Ollis, CHS Principal Cindi Ollis, C.J. Khoury, Kim Robbins, Pete Brady, Doug Tanner, CISD Education Foundation Executive Director Darcy Blackstock, Jimmy Smith, Bill Hamblen, Kris Lynn, William Jennings, Fred Hubbard and Suzanne Hutchins.

ing a post-secondary education. This year's tournament net proceeds of over \$28,000, with donations still coming in, will fund student scholarship applications in May 2017. "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 2016 Tournament winners were 1st place, Team Hubbard; 2nd place, National Thrift Stores; 3rd place, Woodforest National Bank; 4th place, Jostens; 5th place Team Hamblen; 6th place Gulf Coast Educators FCU/Doyle Trial Lawyers

LLP; 7th place CISD Education Foundation; and 8th place Team Tanner.

The achievement of this 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 tournament.

Galena Park ISD Kicks Off the United Way Campaign

Galena Park ISD hosted a luncheon for campus and department coordinators who will lead the 2016-2017 United Way campaign. The District proudly supports one of the most respected non-profit organizations in the country through employee contributions. The campaign will take collections from Monday, October 10 to Friday, October 28, 2016.

GP ISD campuses and departments have been challenged to exceed last year's contributions with a new goal of \$35,000.

United Way serves the students of Houston through their Education Initiative. This program helps make an impact on students' success through early childhood



United Way Campaign continues through Oct. 28, 2016.

education, reading tutors and academic support, mentoring and out-of-school programs. Others who directly benefit from the generous donations to United

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AMENDED NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL

AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBER 5566

APPLICATION UTLX Manufacturing LLC has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to and renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 5566, which would authorize modifications to and continued operation of the Railroad Tank Car Coating Operations, located at 16923 Beaumont Highway, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77049. 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 the exact location, please refer to the application.
<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.865833&lng=-95.137222&zoom=13&type=r> The existing facility and/or related facilities will emit the following air contaminants: carbon monoxide, lead, nitrogen oxide, sulfur dioxide, organic compounds, hazardous air pollutants, and particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

The applications were submitted to the TCEQ on August 19, 2016. The permit renewal will be issued in conjunction with the amendment. This permitting action also includes the incorporation of the following previous authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations, amendments, permits by rule, and changes in emission factors. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. The applications will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Houston regional office, and the Sheldon Municipal Utility District Administrative Offices, 9419 Lamkin Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Houston regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the applications are administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the applications.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the applications. **The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.**

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the applications. A public meeting about the applications will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the applications or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the applications, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the applications, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for these applications.

The executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the applications, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for these applications. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments. If a hearing request is timely filed in Response to this Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Air Permit, the time period for requesting a contested case hearing will be extended to thirty days after the mailing of the executive director's response to comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following the Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the applications, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for these applications.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decisions on the applications. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues submitted by you or others during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing"; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or an association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests which the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the 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 air quality concerns submitted during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from UTLX Manufacturing LLC, 16923 Beaumont Highway, Houston, Texas 77049-1050 or by calling Mr. James Norstrom, Senior Environmental Engineer at (281) 546-9455.

Amended Notice Issuance Date: September 27, 2016

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QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO.50 (the "District"), ATTN: BID/PROPOSAL RECEIPT DEPARTMENT, 12900 Crosby Lynchburg Road Barrett Station, Texas 77532 UNTIL 10:00 A.M., ON OCTOBER 28, 2016, FOR THE FOLLOWING:

The board of Directors of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 50 (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/or 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. The District is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Small, minority-owned and female-owned firms are encouraged to submit proposals.

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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 PROPOSALS OR RESPONSES.

Please contact Ms. Jaleesa Auzenne via email or phone with questions. j.auzenne@hcmud50.com
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Screenings to Identify Disabilities

CISD Special Education department provides screenings for children with suspected disabilities in an effort to identify every student with a disability who lives within the district's boundaries. Crosby ISD is committed to providing excellence in education to all students, and the screenings are designed to help identify children who may qualify for the district's special education programs. Eligible students with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 can be provided with services to ensure their successful participation in school. These services and supports may be provided through Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act. Special education services are also available starting at birth for eligible children who have a visual and/or auditory impairment.

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 to assist you.

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BARBERS HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S STATE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING

Barbers Hill ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., Monday, November 14, 2016 in the C. T. Joseph Conference Center, 9600 Eagle Drive, Mont Belvieu, TX.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Barbers Hill ISD's rating on the State's financial accountability system.

Dedication, EH Call Center,

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vide cover for one another in the ensuing gunfight while also helping children and others in the home escape to safety.

The shooter Edgar Omar Cuellar was later apprehended by Houston's SWAT officers who had been called to assist in cooperation of a multi-agency effort.

Jacinto City Police Chief Joey Ayala said Edgar Omar Cuellar in 2015 pled guilty and received a 50 year prison sentence.

Sergeant Castaneda suffered severe damage to her humerus bone and surrounding nerves and tissue, her injuries ultimately forced her to retire from the job she loved. The humerus is the long bone in the upper arm; it's located between the elbow joint and the shoulder.

Lieutenant Dennis Walker in 2015 received the Star of Texas as since recovered from the chest wounds received and has now returned to active duty.

broke ground for this building last Thursday, Oct. 13. On hand were representatives of the five ESDs that have formed ECOM, and other interested parties.

The new East Harris County Emergency Communications Center will receive emergency call through the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 network. The Center will dispatch emergency medical service events or fire service related events for five area emergency agencies. The five emergency agencies provide services within an area located North of the Houston Ship Channel, East of the Houston City limits, South of Lake Houston, and West of the San Jacinto River.

The 5,500 square foot facility will house the equipment and personnel needed to efficiently receive and dispatch the five agencies. The Center is designed to withstand hurricane force winds, and will have re-



Bill Anders, of ESD#12, was the master of ceremonies for the groundbreaking.

dundant systems to assure uninterrupted services 365 days a year.

The Center is on schedule to begin full operation in January, 2018. During the first year of operation, the Center is projected to receive over 30,000 calls and dispatch over 14,000 incidents for the five emergency agencies.

The Center will be recognized and have equipment support necessary to comply with the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network, the largest 0-1-1 network in the state of Texas.

GALENA PARK ISD:

Green Valley Elementary walks to raise awareness for Breast Cancer



On Friday, October 14, the Green Valley Elementary Gators took to the streets armed with posters, balloons and lots of pink for their First Annual Breast Cancer Walk.

The Green Valley staff organized this event to raise awareness for breast cancer and to show their support for two GVE teachers. Mrs. Carla Chavez, a third grade teacher, is a survivor of breast cancer and Mrs. Tamara Bonilla, a fourth grade teacher, is currently fighting breast cancer.

Everyone from pre-kindergarten to administrators walked the nearby neighborhood and were chanting "Team Chavez" and "Team Bonilla" to show their love and support. Green Valley and GPISD are proud of these two women and the many others who are currently fighting their battle against breast cancer.

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