**Alcohol Sales on Ballot in Galena Park**

By Alan Jamail

The Galena Park Mayor and Commissioners after receiving a citizen’s petition, will discuss whether or not the petition signatures required them to conduct an election where voters will decide whether or not to allow restaurants to serve alcohol in the city. The election date is October 20th through Friday, October 21st. City Hall at 7:30 a.m. on November 2nd.

**204 vote cast.**

The two voting locations for both Early Voting and Election Day are at the Alvin-Baggott Community Building located at 1302 Keene or at City Hall located at 1300 Clinton Dine for early voting prizes.

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**Additional repairs required for San Jacinto Waste Pits Superfund Site**

By Alan Jamail

The Harris County Mayors’ Conference and the Houston Area Chambers of Commerce will host its annual event on Thursday, November 2nd, 2017, 5:45 p.m. at the Grayson/Baldree Building, 1302 Keene in Galena Park.

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**Jacinto City hires new Officer Perez**

By Alan Jamail

Jacinto City Mayor Ana Diaz administering the oath of office, Police Chief Jose Ayala, Officer Christopher Perez hand on the Bible, her father Ricardo Diaz and mother Alicia Perez.

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**Port of Houston continues to grow**

HOUSTON — September

container activity at Port of Houston’s Barbours Cut increased twenty two percent. Executive Director, Ryan Crocker reported Monday.

Additionally, all Port Houston facilities handled 28.8 million tons of cargo first quarter, Executive Director, Ryan Crocker reported Monday.

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**STAND for GALENA PARK**

**VOTE AGAINST**

**CANTINAS, BEER-JOINTS AND LIQUOR STORES**

**EARLY VOTING STARTS**

October 23 Through November 3, 2017

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**ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

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Automobile Theft Prevention

With the holidays quickly approaching I wanted to remind you to be aware of your surroundings and give some tips so your vehicle is not broken into and stolen. Do you know that the first step of violent crimes and high impact crimes often begins with a vehicle theft? Criminals will steal your vehicle to commit other crimes such as home invasions, shootings, assaults, armed robbery, and terrorism.

I will provide you with a few pointers in case you lose your vehicle and need to search for it:

1. Keep your vehicle locked at all times, even while driving.
2. When parked, never leave your keys in the car. Check the windows and doors before leaving the vehicle.
3. Never leave your car running and unattended.
4. Avoid leaving valuables inside your vehicle where passersby can see them.
5. Do not leave your vehicle-title in the car. Too often a car thief is pulled over and gets away from the police because he or she has produced the auto registration. If multiple drivers use the vehicle, be sure to hide the registration in a secret location in the car that only the owners know.
6. Know where you’re going. Avoid known high crime areas even if the alternate route takes longer.
7. Install an anti-theft system in your vehicle if it doesn’t have one. These are reluctant to steal vehicles if they know the car can be recovered quickly.

Many insurers offer discounts for the types of systems listed below. Have these options in your vehicle’s title when you purchase your new car.

• Ignition cut-off system
• Anti-lock braking systems
• Central locking system
• Engine immobilizers
• Number plate recognition
• A steering lock

Also, you may be eligible for a discount on your auto insurance if you have these systems in place.

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Please stay safe and secure your vehicle from theft. If another car bumps into you, do not get out of your car to check the damage. If your car is stolen, call the police immediately. They may be able to track your vehicle through the system listed above.

Let’s work together to prevent automobile theft and protect our community. Together, we can make a difference.
COMMUNITY NEWS

More Repairs for Superfund Site,
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Hurricane Harvey surge
waters and flooding.

AUSTIN, Texas – Hurricane Harvey
survivors who need more time to move
onto their own homes should stay tem-
porarily in hotels approved by the
Federal Emergency Management
Agency (FEMA).

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Stay safe this Halloween with NFPA’s fire safety tips

October 10, 2017 – Halloween is creeping up on us. This trick or treat is on find the perfect pumpkin, the spookiest costume, and the best candy for trick-or-treaters. However, along with all this excitement comes a risk related to seasonal fires. Fire rangers can be avoided by following the National Fire Protection Association’s (NFPA) Halloween safety precautions.

“Halloween brings out curiosity in people of all ages. Children enjoy dressing up and going door-to-door collecting candy and adults put out decorating their homes in the Sparky the Fire Dog website.

NFPA single Halloween is also great for sharing an experience that can help others enjoy a spooky, safe Halloween.

To ensure that your home remains safe and free of fires that Halloween may bring, follow these safety guidelines:

• Refrain from having an open flame.
• Use battery-operated candles or glow sticks in your home.

Costumes:
• Choose the right costume. Try to stay away from long or flowing fabrics, and remain vigilant of vegetables or other ominous pieces. 

• Avoid flammable decorations such as dead flowers, cornstalks, and hay that are not highly flammable.
• Keep decorations away from open flames and other heat sources, including light bulbs and heaters.

Smoke Alarms:
• Make sure all of your smoke alarms are working and up to date.

Visibility:
• Provide flashlight to disabled or hard-of-hearing children, or children with autism as part of their costumes.
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Rotary gets tips on membership

Rotarian Becky Cobb, District 5890 Membership Chair, and Beckie Cobb, a Rotarian from Deer Park, visited the Highlands club last week, to share some advice on recruiting new members, retaining members.

Cobb is the District 5890 membership representative for healthcare insurance. Cobb talks about recruiting new members, especially younger ones 25-55 years old. She is also a representative for healthcare insurance.

Cobb’s advice included inviting spouses to join, invite students in Rotaract clubs, hold a social or special event each month to attract guests, and make cold calls. For the latter, she don’t be afraid of rejections, do part of the process.

Cobb also told Rotarians the best way to retain members, especially younger ones ages 25-55 years old. When interested, call 281-348-5555 for more information.
Fishing banned in waters near the San Jacinto River Waste Pits

EAST HARRIS COUNTY — Concerned about the potential release of toxic material from the San Jacinto River Waste Pits South of the Grappler Waste Pits site, District Judge Timothy Phillips has issued a "NO FISHING" ban to protect fish from the surrounding waters.

Phillips told the news media that he didn’t issue the order because, after EPA revealed that its tests of the pits indicated toxic substances, District Judge Timothy Phillips has issued a "NO FISHING" ban to protect fish from the surrounding waters.

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COMMUNITY

Port Growth,
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and in September surpassed the 1.8 million twenty-foot equivalent unit mark.

“We remain confident of continued growth in the container sector, both on the import and export side, during the remainder of this year and into 2018,” Guenther said.

Terminal operations recovered very well following the events of Hurricane Harvey, the executive director reported to the Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority, during the regular monthly meeting.

“During the meeting, Port Houston employees were also recognized for their donation of about $24,000 to the Catastrophic Assistance Fund for their fellow employees adversely impacted by Hurricane Harvey,” he added.

Finally, the Port Commission was pleased with Monday’s delivery to Port Houston of three super post-panamax wharf side cranes. These new cranes bring to seven the total number of cranes with this size and capacity operating at Barbours Cut, and are part of a $700 million modernization program underway at the terminal to further its increase cargo handling efficiency and capacity.

CHALLENGING ROYALTY

Channelview Homecoming Royalty

Channelview High School announced its 2017 Homecoming King and Queen during the halftime of its football game against Goose Creek Memorial last Friday. Leslie Montes was named the Homecoming Queen, the first time a female crowned Homecoming Queen since 1990.

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