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## Galena Manor Civic Club’s President “Taggy” Hall retires

By Allan Jamail

Galena Park, TX. – September 17, 2018 – The Galena Manor Civic Club at their monthly meeting honored retiring President Eronia “Taggy” Hall. Hall was presented an engraved award by Rosemary Coreathers, the new President thanking her for the 8 years of loyal and faithful service to the civic club. State Representative Ana Hernandez presented a State of Texas recognition certificate commending President Hall for her positive contributions to the Galena Park citizenry. Former Galena Park Commissioner Barry Ponder said President Taggy Hall was responsible for bringing many issues to the City which resulted in improving the lives of the community. Hall said she’s truly



Photo by Allan Jamail

L. to R: Ollie Randle (Membership), Anne Murphy (Ways and Means), Diana Cotton (Sgt-at-Arms), State Representative Ana Hernandez, Eronia "Taggie" Hall (Honoree), Rosemary Coreathers (President), Tracy King (Vice President), Winnie Gilbert (Secretary). Back Row: Una Toppos (Outgoing Treasurer), Paul Winfield (Treasurer), Elisiah Coreathers (Financial Secretary), not in photo, Johnetta Goodloe (Parliamentarian) and Bessie Cox (Membership).

thankful for the trust the members placed in her and said she appreciated all the work the volunteers had given her in helping make their community a better place to live. She said she'll never forget the honor she was given to serve as President and will

always treasure the memories of her service with so many good folks she's met and worked with. President Coreathers

kicked-off a new membership drive and wants interested citizens to call her at 832-755-6294 or email: coreathers@yahoo.com to

learn how they can join the club. New members can See **TAGGY RETIRES** Page 8

## North Shore Gallops past Westfield 35-3



Photo by Allan Jamail

North Shore sophomore Charles King leaves a trail of Westfield defenders on the turf racing for 66 yards to the end zone after receiving a pass from sophomore quarterback Dematrius Davis.

By Allan Jamail

Spring, TX. – Thursday, September 13, 2018 the Galena Park North Shore Mustangs playing at the

Leonard George stadium home of the Westfield Mustangs won 35 to 3. The Houston-area Class 6A poll has North Shore Coach Jon Kay's Mustangs ranked No. 1. As of now they're undefeated, with a 3-0 record with wins over Katy (35-21), Ridge Point (44-0) and Westfield (35-3). See **North Shore Game**, Page 6

## Yellow Jackets swatted by Ganders 15-9

By Allan Jamail

Galena Park ISD Stadium – Friday, September 14, 2018 The Galena Park Yellowjackets football team lost their Homecoming non-conference game against Baytown Lee Ganders 15-9.

The Ganders scored first with a 3 point field goal in the first quarter. In the second quarter the Yellowjackets took the lead 7 to 3 from a 29 yard pass from Eric Guzman to Caleb Aparicio.

In less than a minute of the second quarter the Jacket s defense tackled the Ganders running back behind the goal line for a



Photo by Allan Jamail

Caleb Aparicio scores Yellowjackets only touchdown to take the lead 7 to 3 from a 29 yard pass from Eric Guzman.

safety and 2 points, increasing their lead to 9-3. The Jackets maintained their lead until the Ganders scored in the fourth

quarter, tying the game with a 9-9 score. See **Yellow Jackets**, Page 2

## Texas Ren Fest announces 2018 themes and a Royal Season Pass

HOUSTON – Magic, merriment and majesty await at this year's Texas Renaissance Festival, the nation's largest Renaissance-themed event, now announcing unique themes for all nine festival weekends, from September 29 to November 25, 2018, and a brand new season pass, The Royal Pass. In 2017, Texas Renaissance Festival saw its second highest attendance season, welcoming a total of 644,917 attendees, while facilitating 63 weddings, the most recorded in a single season. Texas Renaissance Festival also saw a 14 percent increase in campers from the previous year, hosting 23,000 guests in the campgrounds – suited perfectly for both those seeking nighttime thrills around a bonfire, and families seeking a quiet retreat with a place to shake off the fairy dust. “We encourage the noblest lords and ladies of the land who are interested in purchasing Festival tickets to secure the Royal Pass at once to get the most savings -- up to 68% off admission, with many free perks



Texas Renaissance Festival festivities from last year's event, held at Todd Mission, 50 miles north of Houston.

included, such as preferred parking and access to TRF After Dark,” says Texas Renaissance Festival General Manager Terre Albert. “We're thrilled for our loyal patrons to take advantage of such bargains, and excited to see everyone for nine themed weekends this year!” The Royal Pass By order of Their Majesties, the King and Queen, we present to you The Royal Pass – a simpler, more cost-effective way to enjoy

all the merriment and magic of the Festival! The Royal Pass offers patrons all-inclusive perks to maximize the experience of Texas Renaissance Festival for all 19 days of the 2018 nine-week season. Admission to all 19 days includes Saturdays, Sundays and Thanksgiving Friday, from Sept. 29 through Nov. 25, 2018. The pass also includes: See **Tex Ren Fest**, Page 8

19 days of Preferred Parking Access Free admission to TRF After Dark every Saturday evening for adults 21 years and over. The Royal Pass: Campground Pass Add-On Royal Pass holders can easily transform into Royal Campers every night by adding the Campground Pass for even more savings. Save nearly 30 percent off the regular campground admission price per visit, and keep your campsite in place for the entire Festival season with the Campground Pass. Royalty should not be burdened with packing and unpacking! The Campground Pass allows Royal Pass holders camping access for one vehicle each weekend of the 2018 Festival season. Campgrounds are open and accessible every week during the festival season from Thursday at noon through Monday at noon.

## Galena Park crowns 2018 Homecoming King and Queen



Photo by Allan Jamail

On Friday night, September 14, Galena Park High School held their homecoming game against Baytown Lee. During halftime, Hugo Martinez and Yadira Quintero were announced as the 2018 Homecoming King and Queen. Martinez is a member of National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Interact Club and Science National Honor Society. He also serves as the Senior Class Vice President. After high school, Martinez plans to major in biotechnology or biology and become a doctor. Quintero is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Science National Honor Society and LULAC. After high school, she plans to major in communication sciences and disorders to become a speech pathologist for children.



# SCHOOL NEWS

CHANNELVIEW ISD

## And the band keeps playing on



Channelview High School Band



After overcoming many obstacles, Channelview High School band takes the field for a grand performance.

The Channelview High School band, against all odds, is marching to the beat of A Rose by any Other Name, as they open the season with a performance dedicated to symbols of love.

The horrific bus crash of 2018 is embedded in the minds of all associated with the band program. While everyone works towards complete healing, the band keeps playing on. All students have returned to school following the ac-

cident with a few students having minimal restrictions. Band director, Aaron Allison, can be seen on the observation tower at band practice and on the field when the band performs. Due to the extent of his injuries, he continues to receive physical therapy and counseling. Mr. Allison credits the band's success to the staff members in Channelview ISD "The district counselors and administration have been

amazing. They were there the day of the crash and have been available to students." Channelview ISD counselors have arranged for weekly group sessions for students requiring ongoing support. Ms. Galloway, a counselor at Channelview High School, looks forward to their weekly sessions. "We have dedicated special time for our students to work through any issues that they are facing. It is

our goal to ensure students are given mental support to cope with everyday challenges." The Channelview Independent School District would like to once again extend our sincere gratitude for the support received during the aftermath of the bus accident. It is through your prayers and support that we find the strength to march in the 2018-2019 season.

## September is attendance awareness month in Channelview ISD

September is a great month to ensure routines are set and it is a prime time to emphasize the importance of attending school every day. Students have ended their long summer break and school has been in session for four weeks.

Morning routines are in effect and students are back to the books! Channelview ISD



The Principal's Prize Patrol surprises Allison Martinez with balloons, pizza, and a certificate for perfect attendance

The ECC has partnered with Pizza Patron to reward students for



Principal Emily Laird and teacher, Ms. Berrera rewards the Huerta family for making Gisselle's attendance at school a priority

recognizes Attendance Awareness Month by participating in several activities to stress the importance of students attending school on time, every day. The district strives to raise awareness of the importance of attendance and the role it plays in academic achievement. This year we feature a great example of school-community involvement by The Barrett-Lee Early Childhood Center (ECC).

perfect attendance. Students who have perfect attendance for the first four weeks of school were entered into a drawing for a chance to have the Principal's Prize Patrol visit their homes. Congratulations to the families of Allison Martinez and Giselle Huerta for committing to attending school every day. The ECC Principal's Prize Patrol will visit two lucky students each month through the end of this school year.

## Yellow Jackets,

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With plenty of time on the clock the Jackets tried a deep-pass which fell short of the receiver and was intercepted giving the Ganders the ball. The interception led to the final score of the game when the Ganders connected on a 67

yard passing play for a touchdown giving them the 15-9 game winning score.

Jackets quarterback Eric Guzman completed 16 of 28 passes for 149 yards and 1 touchdown. Leading the rushing game came

from Eliseo Quintero with 17 carries for 52 yards. The Yellowjackets (2-1) will now prepare for their first District game against the Port Arthur Memorial Titans in Port Arthur, TX. Friday, September 28th at 7 PM. The Titans enter the

5A-1 Region III District 9 match with a 3-0 record. See the photo of the Galena Park Homecoming King Hugo Martinez and Queen Yadira Quintero in this issue.

## Harris County Water Control Improvement District No. 21 Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The Harris County Water Control Improvement District No. 21 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2018 on October 1, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at 15808 Avenue C, Channelview, Texas 77530. 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: Pete Brady, R.L. McRae, Jimmy Ramsey & Jimmy Smith  
**AGAINST** the proposal: None  
**PRESENT** and not voting: None  
**ABSENT:** Wesley Hutchins

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.

	2017 Last Year	2018 This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.366/\$100 Adopted	\$0.366/\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$0.00/\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		0.00%
Average appraised value	\$ 94,055	\$ 96,107
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ -	\$ -
Average taxable value	\$ 94,055	\$ 96,107
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 344.24	\$ 351.76
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)		\$7.52
and percentage of increase (+/-)		2.18%

**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.

**Mike Arterburn, Tax Assessor-Collector**  
(713) 688-3855

## WATER DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE

The HARRIS COUNTY F.W.S.D. #51 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2018 on October 10, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at 367 Queenstown, Houston, Texas 77015. 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: Jerry Dominy, William Bowes, Cary Stephens, Mike Bilnoski and Les LeBleu  
**AGAINST** the proposal: None  
**PRESENT** and not voting: None  
**ABSENT:** None

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	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$ .25000/\$100 Adopted	\$ .25000/\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$ .00000/\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		.00%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$ 132,797	\$ 138,693
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 26,559	\$ 27,739
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$ 106,238	\$ 110,954
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 265.59	\$ 277.38
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)		\$ 11.79
and percentage of increase (+/-)		4.43%

**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.

**Bob Leared Interests 713-932-9011**



COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWS

Low-cost pet vaccination event at San Jacinto College

World Rabies Day pet vaccination event set for Sept. 22

The San Jacinto College South Campus natural sciences department will host a low-cost pet vaccination event on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the San Jacinto College South Campus in the science and allied health building (Building 1).



Photo by Andrea Vasquez

HOUSTON – The San Jacinto College South Campus natural sciences department will host a low-cost pet vaccination event on Saturday, Sept. 22, to highlight pet health and disease prevention awareness in observance of upcoming World Rabies Day.

Dr. Susan Pickle and staff from the Alvin-Friendswood Veterinary Clinic will provide several vaccinations for dogs and cats at a reduced rate to the community.

Available vaccinations for dogs include: rabies, \$12; DA2PPV (distemper/parvo), \$18; bordetella, \$18; leptospirosis, \$22; rattlesnake, \$25; and bivalent flu (canine influenza), \$32. Available vaccinations for cats include: rabies, \$12; FVRCP (distemper), \$18; and leukemia, \$18. Microchips for dogs and cats will also be available for \$15. No additional veterinary services will be offered. All fees are cash payment only; no debit cards, credit cards or other forms of electronic payment will be accepted.

In addition to the low-cost vaccinations, the San Jacinto College South Campus Coyote Science Club will also be on-site

volunteering and fundraising with popcorn, snow cones and other refreshments. The South Campus International Student Organization will also be volunteering to offer free translation services.

The World Rabies Day pet vaccination event will be held on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the San Jacinto College South Campus in the science and allied health building (Building 1). The event entrance will be near the south/rear entrance of Building 1, with vaccinations administered in room S1.157 for cats and S1.159 for dogs. Signs for the event entrance will be visible from Beamer Road. Parking is available outside of the event entrance. Pet owners need to check-in their pets upon arrival at the registration desk located at the event entrance. All pets are required to be in carriers or on a leash. The South Campus is located at 13735 Beamer Road, in Houston. For more information on the low-cost pet vaccination event, contact the San Jacinto College South Campus natural sciences department at 281-992-3460.

Man wanted to failure to comply as a sex offender

Crime Stoppers and the Office of the Texas Attorney General's Fugitive Apprehension Unit need the public's assistance locating a convicted sex offender.

Leonard Lee Taylor is a fugitive wanted for Failure to Comply as a Sex Offender on the original charge of Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child in Bowie County, Texas.

Leonard Taylor was last seen at 10900 block of Beaumont Highway in Houston, Texas. It is believed that the fugitive has family living in Texarkana, Texas and Arlington, Texas and may possibly be in those areas.

Fugitive: White male,

47 years of age, 5'11" approximately 152 lbs., hair: brown, eyes: brown, and tattoos on his right and left hands.



Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$5,000 for information leading to the charging and/or arrest of the suspect(s) in this case. Information may be reported by calling 713-222-TIPS (8477), submitted online at [www.crime-stoppers.org](http://www.crime-stoppers.org) or through the Crime Stoppers mobile app. All tipsters remain anonymous.

East Houston Democrats announces October events

National Night Out

The Termite Watkins Charitable Foundation in conjunction with Fellowship of the Nations will host their Second Annual National Night Out on Wednesday, October 3 from 5 - 8:30 p.m. The event will be held at 13305 Woodforest Blvd, Houston 77015. Area non-profit organizations as well as local businesses interested in reserving a vendor booth, please call 281.241.7059.

Youth Reach Houston Open House

Join us on Saturday, October 6 for the Youth Reach Houston Fall Open House on Saturday, October 6. The event is a great opportunity for you to learn about the residential facility in our own community which has served troubled boys for over 30 years.

Take a tour, learn more and pray about how you can make a difference. For more information, please call 281.459.4555.

As the Club begins the third year, the membership has been busy recruiting Precinct chairs, working on various campaigns and planning 10 upcoming block walks. For information on the Club, please contact Linda Prittenat 281-782-6437.

The Alumni of the Sho "NSSH" Homecoming Parade 2018

Calling all North Shore Alumni that would like to participate in parade in October 10th. Decorate your cars and trucks and join the parade. More details available on their Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/groups/502584713447859](https://www.facebook.com/groups/502584713447859)

2018 Property Tax Rates in San Jacinto Community College District

This notice concerns the 2018 property tax rates for San Jacinto Community College District. 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	\$67,384,415
Last year's debt taxes	\$28,510,280
Last year's total taxes	\$95,894,695
Last year's tax base	\$52,305,721,766
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.183335/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$95,795,279
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$53,418,711,560
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.179329/\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

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)	\$67,314,555
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$53,418,711,560
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.126013/\$100
x 1.08—this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.136094/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.052119/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.188213/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If San Jacinto Community College District adopts a 2018 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.179329 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2017 taxes by \$2,413,703.

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
Interest & Sinking Fund	159,927

Schedule B - 2018 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
2007 Tax Bonds GOB	1,330,000	422,894	0	1,752,894
2008 Refunding Tax Bonds GOB	160,000	10,212	0	170,212
2008A Tax Bonds GOB	1,015,000	21,315	0	1,036,315
2009 Tax Bonds GOB	2,820,000	173,600	0	2,993,600
2011 Refunding Tax Bonds GOB	2,674,098	2,092,727	0	4,766,825
2012 Refunding Tax Bonds GOB	1,795,000	427,944	0	2,222,944
2015 Refunding Tax Bonds GOB	0	2,110,850	0	2,110,850
2016A GOB/2016B Refunding GOB	2,375,000	8,203,494	0	10,578,494
2016C Refunding Tax Bonds GOB	0	2,940,025	0	2,940,025
Total required for 2018 debt service				\$28,572,159
- 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 2018				\$28,572,159
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2018				\$0
= Total debt levy				\$28,572,159

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: Ann Harris Bennett  
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# OPINION PAGE

## Harris County residents urged to monitor weather

Harris County residents are urged to monitor the weather forecast and use extreme caution if venturing out into rainy conditions according to the current forecast. Portions of Harris County could receive up to four inches of additional rain especially south of I-10 as a weather system moves into the Gulf of Mexico and has the potential to impact the Texas coast with showers and thunderstorms.

As of now, bayous, creeks and tributaries are expected to remain within banks, but roadways and streets may become impassable. Commuters are urged to avoid high

water and flooded streets throughout the county and to proceed with caution when driving on area roadways - Turn Around Don't Drown!

The Harris County Flood Control District's Flood Watch team will continue to monitor rainfall trends and check the gages that measure rainfall amounts and water levels in bayous and creeks to advise the public and local officials of areas that are and could be affected by flooding. Residents may monitor rainfall and bayou water levels on the Harris County Regional Flood Warning System website (desktop and mobile versions) at [www.harriscountyfws.org](http://www.harriscountyfws.org).

# Weather system prompts Texas to prepare as hurricane season continues

AUSTIN — Before Hurricane Florence reached the shores of the Carolinas last week, Gov. Greg Abbott focused on the Gulf of Mexico, where an inbound tropical disturbance threatened the southern region of Texas.

Proactively, Abbott on Sept. 14 issued a disaster declaration for 78 counties stretching from the Texas Gulf Coast to deep into the interior of the Lone Star State.

A daily earlier, Abbott ordered the state's emergency operations center to increase its readiness level and said some 25 state agencies, plus the American Red Cross and The Salvation Army, would be ready to help communities. The governor urged Tex-

ans to prepare by assembling emergency kits, essential documents and evacuation maps.

Abbott also recommended that Texans in coastal areas:

- Select a safe evacuation route for all family members and pets;
- Consider special needs for individuals with disabilities or the elderly;
- Stay informed about changing weather conditions; and
- Follow local officials' instructions if a storm develops.

While last week's tropical disturbance proved to be much milder than anticipated, the Atlantic hurricane season continues until Nov. 30. Comprehensive disaster readiness and



## “State of the County”



**HARRIS COUNTY JUDGE ED EMMETT delivered a State of the County report last week to a well attended luncheon at NRG Center.**

## Keynotes Progress, Optimism after Hurricane & Floods

Emmett says Partnerships Forged in Disasters Result In Greater Public Trust, More Efficient Responses To Challenges

HARRIS COUNTY — Harris County Judge Ed Emmett presented his 11th annual State of the County Address last Thursday, at a luncheon at NRG Center, on the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Ike's devastating arrival, noting that county residents have emerged from recent natural disasters better prepared, better educated and more determined to take the steps needed to combat such challenges in the future.

Emmett focused on partnerships and sounded an optimistic tone, addressing a sold-out event of more than 1,000 attendees at the annual speech at the county-owned NRG Center. The event is sponsored by the Greater Houston Partnership.

He noted that a recent series of nearly two dozen “community engagement meetings” focusing on the county's recent \$2.5 billion flood bond issue resulted not only in an overwhelming margin of victory, but further strengthened the ties between Harris County residents and their employees and officials.

“It was an amazing sight to behold,” Emmett said. “At every meeting, county residents of all types met face-to-face with county employees, many of whom spend most of their time behind desks. Suddenly, a human element came into focus instead of abstract numbers and plans. County employees were energized, and the public believed and trusted them. On Aug. 25th, the one-year anniversary of Harvey, Harris County voters approved the flood mitigation bond with 86% voting yes. On that day, Harris County became truly Harris County Strong.”

Emmett noted that the county's experience with a series of recent floods and national events also has strengthened its experiences with the federal and state government, as well as local governments, private business and not-for-profits throughout the region.

“So, on the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Ike, a storm we thought was one for the ages, Harris County has now endured a worse storm, but we have emerged with unshakable partnerships and a belief in each other that we can, and must, carry forward into all of our endeavors,” Emmett said. “Harris County is not just stronger. Harris County is together and ready to face the future.”

Emmett was introduced at this afternoon's event by state Rep. Garnet Coleman, chairman of the House County Affairs Committee.

-- Story courtesy of Joe Stinebaker

## STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

response tips can be found at the National Weather Service website, [weather.gov](http://weather.gov) and ready.gov.

Rainy Day fund is eyed

In preparation for the upcoming legislative session scheduled to begin in January, the Senate Finance Committee in a Sept. 11 hearing considered state spending and costs related to the 2017 Hurricane Harvey disaster.

Figures provided to the powerful, budgeting-writing committee by the Legislative Budget Board show the state already has spent \$2.6 billion on Harvey-related disaster recovery. But that amount, largely federal funds, does not include dollars for public education, according to the Senate News Service.

Public education in Texas is funded primarily with local property taxes, so when property values in a district decrease, so does the money available for public schools there. Lost property value could mean up to \$1.4 billion less for school districts in the areas affected by Hurricane Harvey, which caused an estimated \$125 billion in damages.

Some members of the committee suggested tapping the state's nearly \$11 billion Economic Stabilization Fund, also known as

the Rainy Day fund, to help overcome local property tax revenue shortfalls.

### Portal assists victims

The Texas Attorney General's Office on Sept. 10 launched a new portal within the agency's official website that enables victims and claimants to apply online for Crime Victims' Compensation and Emergency Medical Care Compensation for sexual assault exams.

The portal is intended to make it easier for crime victims, claimants and their advocates to submit applications, upload crime-related bills and follow the steps of the claim and bill review process with near real-time updates.

Created by the Legislature in 1979, the Crime Victims' Compensation program is administered by the attorney general's office and reimburses victims and claimants for certain crime-related expenses not paid by other sources, such as funeral and burial, mental health care, loss of wages, loss of support, child care and medical care.

The program receives criminal court costs, fees and fines from convicted offenders to reimburse victims and their families for crime-related expenses of

up to \$50,000. More information can be found at [texasattorneygeneral.gov](http://texasattorneygeneral.gov).

### Revenue is distributed

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Sept. 12 announced his office would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts some \$739 million in local sales tax allocations for the month of September, an amount 10.5 percent greater than the amount returned in September 2017.

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

### Registration ends Oct. 9

Texas Secretary of State Rolando Pablos on Sept. 7 posted a reminder that Oct. 9 is the voter registration deadline and to make all necessary preparations to be able to cast a ballot in the upcoming November 6 General Election.

Texans may check to see if they are already registered to vote by visiting [www.votetexas.gov](http://www.votetexas.gov).

Pablos encouraged all eligible Texas voters to ensure that they:

- Are registered to vote in their county of residence; and
  - Are aware of what they need to bring to the polls in order to cast a ballot.
- “Don't wait until the last minute,” Pablos said, and encouraged Texans to avoid waiting at the polls on Election Day by voting during the early voting period that will begin on Monday, Oct. 22, and end on Friday, Nov. 2.

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The ASCS Gulf South 2018 season is coming to an end on September 22nd in Highlands Texas at their home track, Battleground Speedway. Along with the 360 Sprint cars, we can now confirm we will have the Factory Stocks, Limited Modifieds, Dwarfs, Street Stocks IMCA Modifieds, Ecos and the IMCA 305 sprints too.

If you're a fan of dirt track racing or have never even attended a sprint car race before, now is the time to come see them run.

Highlands Texas hometown resident, Channin Tankersley piloting the 17 of the Griffith Truck and Equipment sprint car and the current point leader is going for his 6th win this year to capture the title of the 2018 ASCS Gulf South Champion. So for a fast pace, fun filled family night, make it out to Battleground Speedway, 10625 FM 2100 Highlands Texas.

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# LIFESTYLE

## Huffman Church launches bold building Campaign

Lake Houston United Methodist Church has announced a bold plan designed to carry the church into the next decade. The campaign, which is called “Rising From The Water” will be raising funds to build a new sanctuary.

This project, approved several weeks back by the church’s official board, is in response to the need to replace the original building, built in 1961, that was flooded during Hurricane Harvey. The new sanctuary will be double the size due to growth the church has been experiencing in recent years so that all worship services can be held in one building.

The campaign is led by Don Smith of the Horizons Stewardship Co. of Cabot, Arkansas. It is expected that the campaign will last four months culminating in the membership com-



Preliminary architectural rendering of exterior design being considered for new Lake Houston UMC sanctuary featuring double the space and seating of original sanctuary, plus gathering space for before and after worship, and additional restrooms and connection to the existing campus.

mitting itself to gifts over a three-year period.

The Chairpersons of the campaign are Ken and Daralyn Schubert. The Campaign Coordinator is Jeanne McGregor. The Pastor of the church is Reverend Frank Coats.

The church does not see this campaign as an end, but a means by which exciting new ministries can be offered by the congregation to the community. The church is located at 23606 FM 2100 in Huffman, TX.

## Events at Highlands Library

### For babies and parents

September 24, 2018. Check out the library! There is a Tiny Tuesday program designed specially for babies & toddlers ages 0-4 at 11 AM on Tuesdays. And Story Time for all ages on Thursdays at 11. They also have FREE snack bags available for all children under 18 on Tuesdays - Thursdays from 11:30-6. So stop by and check it out! Books, movies, computers, & the family play center are all free to use.

### Salsa Tasting

September 27, 2018. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the library! Thursday, September 27th @ 5 PM Sample a variety of salsas & vote for your favorite.

Explore a wide range of delicious Mexican American Cookbooks available in English y Español. More information can be found online at [www.hcpl.net](http://www.hcpl.net).

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Follow on Facebook or Instagram for more info! Or call 832-927-5400. Stratford Library is located 2 blocks behind Food Town at 509 Stratford Street, Highlands, TX 77562.

### PANNEL



W.R. “Sonny” Pannell passed away on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018 in Houston, Texas. He was born December 27th, 1942, in Henderson, Texas to the late Richard Elmer and Bentley Barthell Box Pannell. He graduated from Henderson High School in 1961, and then went to serve his country in the US Army where he was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. He was a retired Journeyman Electrician, having been a member of the IBEW Local 716 for over 50 years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his oldest brother George and his wife Ella Pannell, sister Marie “Sis” and her husband Rev. Keith Phipps, and sister-in-law Eugenia “Mickey” Pannell.

He leaves behind his wife of almost 46 years Shirley Pannell, son Rodney Pannell, daughter Becky Dunkerson and husband Randy, grandson Kolten Dunkerson, all of Houston; granddaughter Kirsten Dunkerson of Austin; brother Lee Roy and wife Mary Jane Pannell of Nashville, Tennessee; brother Bill and Shirley Pannell, and brother Ross and Lou Pannell, all of Henderson, Texas, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

## OBITUARIES

### MC DONALD

Charles Gerald "Jerry" McDonald, 81, of Houston, Texas, passed from this life into his heavenly home on September 17, 2018.

Known to family and friends as Jerry, he was born July 20, 1937 in Ripley, Tennessee to parents Vance McDonald and Mary Francis McDonald. He was married to the love of his life Ellie McDonald for 55 years and retired after 35 years as a longshoreman with the ILA Local 24. He and Ellie were active members of Dell Dale Avenue Baptist Church and former members of the Woodforest Baptist Church.

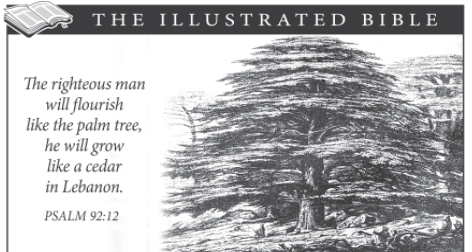
He is preceded in death by his parents and by one brother, Sonny McDonald. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Ellie McDonald; sons, Gerald McDonald & wife, Charman and Kenny McDonald & wife, Rachel; by grandchildren, Landon McDonald & wife, Taylor; Blayne McDonald, Autumn McDonald, Brennen McDonald, Camryn McDonald, Kendall McDonald, Charlie McDonald; and by one great-grandchild,



Maci McDonald; and by sister, Carol White & husband Melton; and brother Jimmy McDonald & wife Jeanette.

The family invites you to join them for a time of remembrance on Thursday, September 20, 2018 at Carter Conley Funeral Home from 6-8:00 p.m. and a celebration of life in the Carter Conley Chapel Friday at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Brookside Memorial Cemetery following the services.

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Psalm: 46:1

## Water District

## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The **Harris County Fresh Water Supply District #6** will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2018 on Wednesday, October 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM at 15902 Market Street, Channelview, Texas 77530. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

**FOR** the proposal: Gary O’Brian, Edgar Granados, Carl Green and Darrell Fry

**AGAINST** the proposal: None

**PRESENT** and not voting: None

**ABSENT:** None

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

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	<u>\$0.21457/\$100</u> Adopted	<u>\$0.22156/\$100</u> Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		<u>+\$0.00699/\$100</u>
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		<u>+ 3.2576 %</u>
Average appraised Value	<u>\$ 73,765</u>	<u>\$ 77,152</u>
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen’s or disabled person’s exemptions)	<u>\$ 11,065</u>	<u>\$ 11,572</u>
Average taxable Value	<u>\$ 62,703</u>	<u>\$ 65,580</u>
Tax on average residence homestead	<u>\$ 134.54</u>	<u>\$ 145.30</u>
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if Proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)	<u>+\$10.76</u>	
And percentage of increase (+/-)	<u>+7.9976%</u>	

**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 water 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

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ASK THE EXPERT

ASK DIAMOND JIM

Diamond Jim: "Why do some people steal and take what's not theirs?"

"A Thief, by any other name, is still a Thief"

That's a question that has plagued mankind for centuries. I've determined that there are many "reasons" that someone may steal such as drug addiction, a criminal mindset, or simply evil. Whether a person takes a box of pens from work, has a co-worker clock them in early while they arrive to work late, or walks into a bank with a gun demanding money, they are the exact same thief. There is no good or bad degree of being a thief...you either are a thief or you're not a thief, it's precisely that simple!

Today, with technology so much further advanced than it was even 30 years ago, thieves have become more adept at creating new ways to separate you from your hard-earned money. "Identity Theft", when I was growing up, was incredibly rare. When it did happen, it usually meant that someone reached into your mailbox or your garbage can and took a credit card application addressed to you. All this thief needed to know was your social security number and they often found that information in your garbage can as well. In

2018, all they need to do is monitor the key strokes on your computer or send you a virus attached to an email along with their ransom demands for payment. If you pay the ransom, and if you're lucky, you may get your computer files back, your identity back, and maybe even your privacy...like I said, "if you're lucky".

Back in the "good ole days", being a thief was nothing to brag about and nothing to be proud of. If you were caught, you were either arrested, charged, and went to jail or the community banded together and kicked the ever loving...well, you got your butt whopped. And yes, I have kicked a few butts over the years. So, here's the "bottom line" as we mature people say;

What is mine, is not yours! I earned what I have, and YOU are NOT entitled to any of it!

Do not attempt to benefit from my hard labor! Get off your lazy butt and earn your own!

Thank you for reading the "Ask Diamond Jim" column.

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LETTER TO EDITOR

Praise for NCAM

Dearest Editor,  
My name is Joyce Sugar. The reason for my writing is to inform you all of the beautiful Saints in the Cloverleaf Area that serve not only Cloverleaf but also surrounding areas.

I am not sure if you all know what's going on over at North Channel Assistance Ministries. Well, if you don't if you don't mind please let me fill you in a bit.

First and foremost NCAM is a blessing to all it serves. I am just about to start crying before I can even begin to get my story together. (Please forgive me as I wipe my tears away).

Mrs. Gail and her crew are all Awesome and she's such an Angel of God. So filled with the Holy Spirit of God.

Let me begin: After Hurricane Harvey I had nothing left, it was a very difficult time for all in the surrounding area, at the end of last year, around October 2017.

I went to NCAM for assistance, their assistance includes everything, from

clothing, food, financial, furnishings and if you sit and talk with my Ms. Gail it should also include Spiritual as well. And I needed it all. And the help was provided to make a long story short, NCAM was there then and NCAM continues to be there today.

So just in case if you all never heard of them or even if you have, just maybe someone else could use their assistance.

This is to let you all know about who's out there that cares. And they do. They are not there getting over or trying to look good, they are there helping. And that goes far. So I would say because of NCAM I now have a bed to lay in at night, and food to eat.

Here's to NCAM <HOO-RAH>:  
Mrs. Gail & Husband  
Ms. Jones  
Ashley  
DeeDee & All NCAM Volunteers.  
I Love You Guys.  
Thank You.

North Shore Game,

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It was the second 1-2 matchup in 3 weeks for North Shore. They were ranked No. 2 in Week 1, against No. 1 Katy, then ranked No. 1, against Westfield ranked No. 2 going into Thursday's showdown.

A sign posted along the playing field boasted Westfield's Mustangs over the North Shore Ponies, after the game that sign should have been corrected to say, "North Shore's stable of Racehorses sprints past Westfield's Ponies."

Nshore's high scoring offense using a balanced game plan of rushing and passing has garnered 114 points while the defense has only allowed 24 points in 3 games.

North Shore junior running back Zach Evans sprinted for a 51-yard touchdown on the 4th play of the game for a 7-0 lead.

After the early score North Shore punted on the next 4 consecutive possessions. Their next score came when sophomore quarterback Demetrius Davis made a quick pass over the middle to sophomore Charles King, he left a trail of Westfield defenders on the turf racing for 66 yards to the end zone.

Coach Kay's offense had 347 yards, passing for 216 yards with 131 rushing yards.

To avoid a shutout Westfield kicked a 35-yard field goal as time expired.

North Shore will not play next week, it begins District play Friday, September 28th at 7:00 pm against the La Porte Bulldogs, at Bulldog Stadium, 301 E. Fairmont Pkwy. La Porte, Tx. 77571.

CHARLOTTE'S WEB

By Charlotte Jackson



Unity in Our Community

In a time where so many of the headlines are focused on the division in our neighborhoods, cities and in the nation, it feels so good to be in a community where people want to unite to make a difference. Every week there are meetings, events and opportunities to meet your neighbors as well as various agencies and organizations that work to make every day a better day.

Judge Joe Stephens held his second Boyz Rock 2 Camp last Saturday. It was an opportunity for 150 young boys to join together with others and learn many things. Speakers donated their time and shared with the attendees about educational opportunities as well as met Channelview Superintendent Greg Ollis who shared his heart about never being too old to learn or too young to volunteer. Each attendee was given a tie with a lesson on how to tie it. They learned about proper table settings and which utensil to use for what. They saw familiar faces of bus drivers Floyd Johnson and Diane Pinkney outside of their normal surrounding, they saw each share about the dangers of drugs, alcohol and addition. They saw countless volunteers from our community helping in various positions.

On Sunday I participated with Project Orange at the Harris County Jail. This is a program to register eligible voters who are either incarcerated and awaiting hearings or trials as well as an opportunity to register those who were coming to visit. While I saw several volunteers that I knew from the community, I also spoke with several currently incarcerated individuals with ties to our community. One young man told me that he wished he had listened to those who had warned him about being careful as to who you surround yourself

with. He is waiting for a hearing where he is charged as an accomplice to a robbery. He said his parents had sent him to many events but he never took them to heart. Until it was too late.

Monday night, I met with others who are working on a monthly project to help returning citizens find the resources they need to not stumble and land back in prison. I looked around the room as well as at the list of organizations and I realized how blessed with are to have resources such as Nehemiah's Wall of Crosby (a free 90-day faith based program for males ages 18 and older who are struggling with substance abuse) as well as Youth Reach Houston (a residential facility for young men ages 9 – 21) who are often children of the incarcerated or formerly incarcerated and need structure and guidance. On Tuesday, I attended the Harris County Sheriff's Office monthly Safety Meeting with at least 40 community members who were asking questions about what they could do to avoid being a victim to crime. Many others were at home or online complaining about things yet not taking an active role to make a difference.

The bottom line is if we want unity in our community and we want to feel safe, we must get involved and do something. Anyone can cast a vision, but with no action, what is the point? Please get involved. Mark your calendar now for Tuesday, October 16 at 7 p.m. It will be the next HCSO Safety Meeting and you will want to come early to learn about great community resources we already have. The Meeting will be held at San Jacinto College North in the Charles W. Grant Fine Arts Center, at the corner of Uvalde at Wallisville. Resource Fair begins at 6:30 p.m. Please come out and get involved.

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The District's Rate Ordinance has been amended to establish penalties for illegal connections to District service and to create joint and several liability for property owners and violators for such penalties, to increase the penalty for violating the District's rules and regulations, to establish penalties for violators of the District's wastewater rules and regulations, to increase the water service and sewer service rates above the minimum rate effective October 1, 2018, to add a monthly charge and water service rate for fire lines effective October 1, 2018, to adjust the Multi-Unit Commercial deposit fee, to require proof of residency within the District when applying for service, to add regulations for mobile food establishments, and to update the District's regulations on tap connections, plumbing, and customer service inspections to protect the District's sewer system and the sanitary condition of the District's water. A violation of the District's rules and regulations will subject the violator to a penalty.

The entire Rate Ordinance is on file at the principal office of the District, 125 San Jacinto, Highlands, Harris County, Texas 77562, where it may be read by any interested person. The Rate Ordinance was adopted on September 11, 2018, and the rules and regulations contained therein are effective and enforceable on October 1, 2018.

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NOTICE OF TAX RATE SETTING

The Harris County Emergency Services District No. 5 will hold a meeting at 6:30 P.M., on Thursday, September 27, 2018, at 5915 FM 2100, Crosby, Texas, 77532, to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2018. The proposed tax rate is \$0.019910 per \$100.00 of value.

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Notice of Public Meeting

The City of Jacinto City will host a public meeting to review Harris County's Method of Distribution (MOD) for the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Round 1 funds for the Hurricane Harvey and the allocation of \$ 5,350,417 to the city. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated Harris County \$1.115 billion in CDBG-DR funding through the Texas General Land Office (GLO) and has developed a MOD to allocate funding to local cities. The City is seeking input on the community needs resulting from the Hurricane Harvey and the projects needed to assist with recovery within the city.

The meeting will be held:  
10301 Market Street  
Houston, Texas 77029  
September 27, 2018 at 5:30 pm

The venue is accessible for persons with disabilities. The City of Jacinto City will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending the function. Requests from persons needing special accommodations should be received by Ms. Joyce Raines 48-hours prior to the function. The meeting will be conducted in English and requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should be made at least 72-hours prior to a function. Please call 713-674-8424 or email joyce.raines@jacintocity-tx.gov for assistance or additional information about this posting.

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# Channelview High School teacher reflects on 9/11 and creates an experience students will never forget

September 11th is a day that haunts many Americans over the age of 24. Across the United States, many fire departments host memorial climbs or memorial 5ks for this American tragedy. In San Antonio, TX the SA110 hosts one of the largest September 11th Memorial Climbs in the state. At this memorial, firefighters, police officers, paramedics, EMT's, and civilians come together to remember the sacrifices those brave men and women made on that tragic day. The first responders of 9/11 climbed 110 stories into the Twin Towers, so the first responders of today climb 110 stories (the Tower of the Americas twice) in remembrance of that sacrifice. Each climber carries a tag for a fallen brother for another climb. The first responders climbed with a fallen brother or sister's name, picture, and an information card to pay tribute to their memory. One



Channelview High School's InterAct Club volunteers for the SA110 Memorial Climb

man climbed with his search and rescue dog- the dog carried the informa-

tion card of a fallen search and rescue dog. When the climber has completed his/

her climb, they read the name of their fallen first responder, ring the memorial bell, and place the name tag on the display. If a climber was unable to finish his/her second climb, they were to pass off the memorial tag to be completed by another.

I had the honor and the privilege to not only volunteer this year while my husband climbed, but also take some remarkable young men and women from our Channelview Falcon family. These young people were not even alive on that tragic day, but they understand that an event of this importance would not be possible without volunteers. These students are members of the Channelview InterAct club. They met at the school at midnight Tuesday morning, drove to San Antonio, helped set up the event, sold merchandise, assisted with the teardown and clean-up of the event, and helped collect donations. We were the only high school group in attendance. We received several, "Y'all drove all the way from Houston?" and "Where's Channelview?" Everyone we interacted with expressed their appreciation and surprise that we would travel that far with high school students that were ready and willing to volunteer. These young men and women carried our Falcon Pride with us all the way in San

Antonio and served as an inspiration to many. I was approached by several firefighters who complimented our young students about the questions they were asking about the symbols and their meaning- why the bells were ringing, why they all were carrying names, what the weird buzzing noise was, and many more. The bell rang at 8:46 a.m. when the first plane hit and for the first responders to start climbing. It rang a second time when the second plane hit. Then a third and fourth time, when each of the towers fell. At each of these rings, all of the first responders paused in their climb and set off their mayday alarms. That eerie sound brought chills to us all. Our students handled themselves and the event with the utmost respect. These students not only volunteered their time, but they also gained a deeper understanding of what happened on September 11th and why we will Never Forget. -Jessica Palous

## Tex Ren Fest,

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The Royal Pass and Campground Pass can only be purchased online at [www.texrenfest.com](http://www.texrenfest.com). Kids ages 12 and under will be granted free admission every Sunday.

**2018 Texas Renaissance Festival Themes**

**September**

- Sept. 29 and 30: Opening Weekend, Oktoberfest Weekend
- October**
- Oct. 6 and 7: 1001 Dreams Weekend
- Oct. 13 and 14: Barbarian Invasion Weekend
- Oct. 20 and 21: Pirate Adventure Weekend

- Oct. 27 and 28: All Hallows' Eve Weekend
- November**
- Nov. 3 and 4: Roman Bacchanal Weekend
- Nov. 10 and 11: Heroes and Villains Weekend
- Nov. 17 and 18: Highland Fling Weekend
- Nov. 23, 24, and 25: Celtic Christmas Weekend

*The festival and the adjacent Fields of New Market Campground are located in Todd Mission, Texas 50 miles northwest of downtown Houston. For more information, please visit [www.texrenfest.com](http://www.texrenfest.com).*

## Taggy Hall retires,

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come and enjoy the upcoming Christmas Party that's currently being planned for December.

The civic club meets monthly on the 3rd Monday at 6 PM at the Alvin Baggett Community Center, 1302 Keene Street, Galena Park, Texas. Citizens interested in joining the civic club can come to a monthly meeting to learn the benefits of being a member.

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