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CHANNEL CURRENTS

Chamber

Luncheon At San Jacinto College North, 5800 Uvalde Rd. (Inside the Monument Room of the Student Center), Friday, Sep. 7, 11:30 a.m. Speaker Greg Berg, Port of Houston. Call 713-450-1114 for details.

Jacinto City Market Night

Jacinto City Market by Night schedule, the 2nd Saturday of the following months. September 8th, October 13th, November 10th, and December 8th. from 6 pm to 10 pm. Ja-cinto City Town Center Plaza, 1025 Oates Rd. Facebook: @jc-

Men's Prostate Health Seminar

Houston Methodist San Ja cinto Hospital, 4401 Garth Rd., Hospital Boardroom, Baytown, TX 77521, 6-7 p.m. September 13, 2018. Come learn about new procedure to treat enlarged prostate in men. Call 281-428-2273 to reserve. See ad, page 8 for more details.

2nd Boys Rock 2 Life Skills Camp

Saturday, September 15, 2018, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Channelview High School, 1100 Sheldon Road. This oneday fun packed workshop for young men grades 7th thru 12th will address topics such as appearance, handling money, interacting with law enforcement, hygiene, and all participants will be given a tie and instructed on how to tie a tie and much more.

Register and get free tick-

boysrock092018.planningpod.com/ Please call 832-388-7155 for more details. Hosted by Judge Joe Stephens.

Weight Loss Surgery Class

Houston Methodist San Jacinto Hospital, 4401 Garth Rd., Community Room, Baytown, TX 77521. 6-7 p.m. September 18, 2018. To reserve call 281-428-2273. See also ad, page 8.

NORTH SHORE

Mustangs kicked Tigers 35-21



Photo by Allan Jamail Mustangs sophomore quarterback Dematrius Davis passing, he completed 78 percent (14-18) of his passes, to receivers Ajani "AJ" Carter (TD), Chance Pillar, Shadrach Banks, Zorhan

See Story, page 8

Galena Park YellowJackets open season winning 26-0

By Allan Jamail

August 31, 2018: Ga lena Park, TX - Friday the Galena Park Yellowjackets defeated Pasadena Eagles

Senior quarterback Eric Guzman completed 9 passes for 128 yards. Leading pass receivers, senior Julian Macias had 5 catches for 86 yards, junior Eli Quintero had 1 catch of 18 yards for a touchdown and junior Patrick Hernandez Jr. caught 3 passes for 46 yards.

The 150 rushing yards came from junior running back Eli Quintero had 16 carries for 78 yards and 2 touchdowns, senior Julian Macias had 4 carries for 44

defense shut-out the Eagles offense keeping them scoreless making 18 loss of vard tackles with 2 passing interceptions. Defensive players senior John Juneua had 9 tackles, senior Ivan Quinones had 4 tackles and Brice Hernandez had 5 tackles.

Head coach George Young's offense and Spe cial Team's produced 300 yards that he's hoping to improve on as his Yellowjackets clash with the Dayton Broncos (Dayton, TX) in a non-district match, on Friday, September 7.

Coach Young is entering his 21st year in coaching and his first year as Campus Athletic Coordinator/ Head Football Coach for

EPA expands Superfund interviews to two days in Highlands, with wrap-up session

Residents of Channelview, Cloverleaf, Lynchburg all invited

HIGHLANDS - Janetta Coats of the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) has announced that she will be in Highlands on Tuesday, Sept. 11 from 1pm to 5pm, and Wednesday, Sept. 12 from 1pm to 7pm, conducting one-onone interviews with residents that have been affected by the waste pits, or have an opinion for the official CIP record. Interviews will take place at the Highlands Community Center, and last about one hour each. Everyone is welcome to participate, by calling Coats at 1-800-533-3508 to schedule an interview. A Round Table Discussion will take place from 5pm to 6pm on Wednesday.

Rideaux and running back Zack Evans

Coats issued the following statement on the CIP interview process:



Congressman Brian Babin examines the Geofabric materials to be used in the ongoing repairs of the cap over the toxic waste pits in the San Jacinto River. Babin visited the site in July, with EPA Region 6 Remedial Chief John Meyer

ingness to participate in the interview process to update the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Community Involvement Plan (CIP). The community interviews are conducted to gather information for the CIP. The interviews are a way to meet with community members and learn about their site-related needs, concerns, and expectations, as well as how the community gets information and prefers to received information from

The CIP is a required activity under the National Contingency Plan (NCP) to ensure the public appro-

> See EPA Interviews, Page 6

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Football frenzy has begun Jacinto City holds the in Channelview ISD



Alton Lott for the touchdown

week for the Channelview Team The Falcon fresh-

man led the program with a win over Nimitz High School on Thursday night by defeating the Cougars

28-16. The Junior Varsi-

See Channelview Football, Page 3

COMMUNITY EVENT Night Market Saturday

Life in Jacinto City is good, and gets better all the time. Now the city has a new "Night Market" every second Saturday of the month, on the plaza of the The Market has about

40 vendors that set up their booths, from 6pm to 10pm. Included are fresh food, pastries and cupcakes, food specialties, handmade crafts, information exhibits, and even a wine tasting truck. And check out the live music. take a few minutes to enjoy the sounds.

The urban event is the brainchild of Fire Chief Rebecca Mier, who with the support of City Council has been staging the Market for a number of months. At first it was a daytime event, but now it regularly meets at night to serve the community. To reserve a free booth, call 832-554-



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COMMUNITY NEWS

GCCISD Kicks off 100th Anniversary at Three Backto-School Convocations



Photo by Susan Passmore

Combined theatre, drill team, orchestra, band and choir students from Goose Creek Memorial, Robert E. Lee and Ross S. Sterling High Schools wow the audience with a lively musical number, "One Hundred Years of Class," lyrics and music by Phillip Morgan and transcribed by Kevin Coward and Michael Grauvogle. The opening number of the three convocations honored the 100th anniversary of Goose Creek CISD.



Photo by Susan Passmore

Harlem Elementary staff with Betty Baca (far left), principal, prepares for the annual convocation at Goose Creek Memorial High School and for the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.

You're getting a new Medicare card

By Bob Moos/ Southwest public affairs officer for the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Your new Medicare card is coming soon.

From now until April 2019, Medicare is mailing new cards to the more than 60 million Americans with Medicare. The 3.9 million Texans with Medicare will begin receiving their cards this month.

The new cards will no longer have your Social Security number on them. Instead, they'll have a new Medicare number that's unique to you and will be used for only your Medicare coverage.

Don't worry. Your Medicare benefits will remain exactly the same. Nothing about your health care coverage will change.

A recent federal law requires the removal of Social Security numbers from Medicare cards to help protect you from identity theft. Many people asked for the new safeguard, and Congress responded.

You don't need to do anything or pay anyone to get your new card.

If someone claiming to be from Medicare calls you and requests your Social Security number or other personal information, that's a scam. Hang up and call Medicare at 1-800-633-4227 to report the incident.

4227 to report the incident.
Likewise, if anyone tries to charge you a fee for the new card -- or for processing a "temporary" card until your new card arrives --



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that's a scam, too. It's another scheme to get your bank or credit card information.

Medicare will never call you uninvited and ask you to provide personal information to receive your new card

Medicare will send your card to the address you have on file with Social Security. So, if you need to update your mailing address, contact Social Security at ssa.gov/myaccount or call 1-800-772-1213.

Because of the many cards to be mailed, they're being sent out in waves – several states at a time. Texans with Medicare will receive their cards over the next month.

When you do receive your card, destroy your old one. Don't just toss it in the trash, where a crook can get hold of it. Cut it into small pieces so that your Social Security number can't be read.

Then start using your new card right away. Doctors and other health care providers know the new cards are beginning to arrive in mailboxes and will ask for yours when you need care, so carry it with

Protect it as you would any other card with personal information. Removing your Social Security number will safeguard you against most identity theft, but thieves might still use it to try to get medical services.

One final note: If you're in a Medicare Advantage plan, your plan's ID card will remain your main card for health care benefits. Keep it and use it when you require care, though it's smart to have your new Medicare card as well.

For years, people who mistakenly gave out their Medicare numbers have fallen victim to identity theft and discovered their bank accounts emptied. The redesigned Medicare cards should help prevent that.

Look for your new card in your mailbox soon. If you have any questions or need help, visit medicare.gov or call 1-800-633-4927



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SCHOOL NEWS

Galena Park ISD Students attend Lone Star Leadership Academy

One thousand, one hundred twenty-one outstandparticipated in Education in Action's summer 2018 Lone Star Leadership Academy camps. These young leaders were selected for the Lone Star Leadership Academy camps based on demonstrated academic success and leadership ability, an educator recommendation, and involvement in school/community activities. The participating students, representing communities across Texas, traveled to Dallas/Fort Worth (4th, 5th & 6th graders), Austin/ San Antonio (5th, 6th & 7th graders), and Houston/ Galveston (6th, 7th & 8th graders) to take part in the

The Lone Star Leadership Academy experience provides a unique opportunity for outstanding students to learn about Texas leaders and what it means to be from the Lone Star State. Participants discuss what they learn, complete problem solving and decision-making simulations, exercise creativity, and practice presentation skills in Leadership Groups. In addition, participants have fun meeting other out-



Pictured left to right are (top) Jacqueline Hernandez and Arianna DeLeon. Bottom: Casey Wenner, Jayla Gonzales and William Knowles.

standing students and making new friends while adding to their resume of academic achievements, $developing\ leadership$ skills, and bringing home a wealth of information to supplement what they are learning in school.

Jayla Gonzalez (Cobb Sixth Grade Campus) and William Knowles (North Shore Middle School) attended the leadership camp in Houston/ Galveston, where they toured NASA went on a boat tour of Galveston Bay with a marina biologist and visited the San Jacinto Monument and Moody Gardens.

Jaquelyn Hernandez (Galena Park Middle School), Arianna DeLeon and Casey Wenner (Woodland Acres Elementary) went to camp in San Antonio/Austin, where the students visited the Texas State Capitol and the Supreme Court of Texas. went bat watching on the Lone Star Riverboat and visited the Alamo.

GPISD is so proud of these students for being leaders on their campuses!

Community Response to Active Shooter **Events Training in Channelview ISD**



Harris County Precinct 3 deputies present CRASE training to community members

In a room filled with district personnel, business leaders, and ministers, Channelview Independent School District hosted the first Community Response to Active Shooter Events $\begin{array}{c} training \; (CRASE) \; for \; the \\ Channel view \; community. \end{array}$

Harris County Precinct 3 deputies and School Resource Officers, Lieuten $ant\ Gregg\ Board,\ Sergeant$ Jeff Gonzales and Deputy

Richard Miranda, began the training session by drawing attention to safety features in the room and preparing the audience for the intensity of the workshop. During the training session, deputies used a combination of practical tips and training exercises to raise awareness of potential threats in the community. The department believes by providing

strategies that are most successful for surviving an active shooter event, communities become knowledgeable and prepared.

Community Response to Active Shooter Events is offered free of charge to community agencies. For additional information, contact Mr. Mike Niemever, Assistant Superintendent of Schools



Channelview Football,

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ty followed suit by winning

with a score of 40-14. Friday Night Lights was up next with the varsity team winning 35-25. The offense was led by a good

passing performance from Zion Webb. He was 16 for

24 with 169 yards passing. Webb also had two passing touchdowns to Devin Jennings. The leading rusher was Alton Lott with 158

capped off with a stellar 94-vard kickoff return from Lamarcus Webb.

Next up for the Falcons is Aldine Eisenhower at yards and two touch-downs. The win was p.m., Friday, Sep. 7.



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How Accurate is Your Weather Forecast?

(StatePoint) The weather is not just an idle topic for chit chat. It matters. Particularly when you have a vested business interest in the outcome, or you simply want to make plans for the next few hours or

These days, there are innumerable sources for weather available. Unfortunate lv. these sources don't always say the same thing. So, how do you know which weather forecasting service or app is offering dependable information you can trust?

According to Accu-Weather founder, president and chairman Dr. Joel Myers, choosing the most accurate source of weather forecasts and warnings will go a long way to help keep people and their families safe and help to protect businesses' property and assets as well as minimize liability.

"The greater the accuracy of weather ings, the better the decisions people and businesses can make in the face of hazardous weather events, the more lives are saved, the more property is protected, and the more losses are reduced," said Myers.

The good news is that weather forecasts are becoming more accurate, thanks to improved data-gathering technology, computers powerful enough to analyze it faster than ever before and better algorithms. Personal technology has also made it possible for individuals to get more localized weather reports, with smartphone apps able to provide weather predictions based on a user's exact GPS location

Despite improved capabilities and technologies, many weather providers continue to regularly cough up ing forecasts to consumers and businesses relying on them. Why? Sometimes it's due to a flawed algorithm. Other times, it's a lack of high-quality data, the systemic pessimism or optimism of a

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particular provider for fear of getting it wrong, or a unilateral system for analysis that relies on computer modeling alone to generate a forecast. While artificial intelligence and supercomputers can perform certain aspects of forecasting, human meteorologists play a vital role in helping average people make sense of it all, say experts.

All weather apps are

not equal. In the case of AccuWeather, a leading provider of weather forecasts and warnings globally, leveraging consensus forecasting," has proven beneficial, whereby humans and computer models make accurate predictions, and then human meteorologists interpret and communicate the impact. Indeed, a recent report conducted by independent industry tracker ForecastWatch, analyzing the accuracy of six top global weather forecast providers, reconfirmed that AccuWeather was the clear winner in forecast accuracy and had the highest margin of statistical forecast accuracy in each of three areas it verified: high temperature, precipitation and wind speed

Available for free on all Android and iOS devices, the awardwinning AccuWeather app, can be a good resource before you leave home for the day, connecting to desktop computers and TVs, as well as when you're onthe-go and using a smartphone or other mobile device, offering push notifications and 24/7 access to weather data and other weather-related tips and resources. It also provides MinuteCast precipitation forecasts, updated minute by minute, up to two hours ahead.

When it comes to weather forecasts, the powerful combination of accuracy and detail both in location and time -- as well as a strong emphasis on how predicted weather conditions will impact users, provides an added layer of insurance for better plan-ning and better living.

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Texas leaders call for new trade agreement to include Canada

AUSTIN - The White House last week announced a preliminary new trade agreement had been secured between the United States and Mexico.

While details of the pact are forthcoming, the White House said the agreement would "create more recip-rocal trade that grows the economy, supports highpaying jobs for American workers, protects American intellectual property" and "is a mutually beneficial win for North American farmers, ranchers, workers, and businesses.

Gov. Greg Abbott reacted on Aug. 27, saying, "Today's agreement between the U.S. and Mexico is a step in the right direction. Texas is the nation's top exporting state, and with Mexico being our largest trading partner, this new deal should be good for the Texas economy. Canada is our second-largest trade partner, and I remain hopeful that negotiations with Canada will be equally productive.

The White House released a transcript of President Donald Trump and President Enrique Peña Nieto of Mexico discussing what a new agreement between the two countries would require. Trump said cars imported from Mexico would have to contain a $greater\,percentage\,of\,parts$ and equipment originating in North America. During their conversation, Nieto asked Trump to include Canada in the agreement, but Trump stopped short

of making such a promise. U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, hailed the prospect of a new trade agreement, saying, "This is a positive step and now we need to ensure the final

By Ed Sterling agreement is the best path

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forward, and any modernized agreement should do no harm to states like Texas whose economy has seen the benefits of crossborder commerce. Millions of jobs in Texas depend on an updated NAFTA, and it's important that we get this right."

NAFTA, the North American Free Trade Agreement, was signed during the Clinton administration and took effect Jan. 1, 1994.

Russell Boening, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, also welcomed the news, but emphasized that his organization wants Canada considered. "The North American Free Trade Agreement has benefitted U.S. agriculture and we hope this new deal promotes even more trade with our neighbor to the south," he said. "We hope Canada comes to the table soon and joins this agreement or enters into a new agreement with the U.S. on its own

Campuses earn

designations Texas Education Com-

missioner Mike Morath on Aug. 28 announced that more than 400 campuses that achieved a "Met Standard" rating in the 2018state accountability system also earned all distincdesignations applicable to their individ-

"Earning one or several campus-level distinctions is notable and should be applauded by a community as an outstanding achievement," Morath said. "For a school to earn every potential distinction applicable to their campus is difficult, but a reflection of some truly amazing work by our educators," he added.

Up to seven distinction designations can be earned for: Academic Achievement in English Language Arts/Reading; Academic Achievement in Mathematics; Academic Achievement in Science; Academic Achievement in Social Studies; Top 25 Percent: Comparative Academic Growth; Top 25 Percent: Comparative Closing the Gaps; and Postsecondary Readiness

Texas' 2018 accountability ratings for school districts, charters and campuses statewide were released by the Texas Education Agency on Aug. 15. More information is available online at TXschools.org.

Governor honors

McCain

Gov. Abbott on Aug. 25 joined a long list of dignitaries and citizens offering condolences on the death of Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, longtime member of Congress, former presidential candidate, U.S. Navy pilot and former prisoner

of war.

"John McCain was born to lead," Abbott said in a news release. "Throughout his military career, his years of cruel imprisonment and torture as a prisoner of war, his decades of dedicated service in Congress, and his quest as a candidate for the highest office, his fighting spirit could not be broken. Though he often could have chosen the easier path in life, John McCain would never surrender his love of country. He was an American warrior. Cecilia and I ask the people of Texas and of his beloved nation to join us in prayer as we mourn the loss of a true statesman.

McCain, 81, died of glioblastoma, a type of brain cancer, on Aug. 25. President Trump on Aug. 27 signed a proclamation for U.S. flags to be flown at half-staff until McCain's burial.

Editorial

On the other hand y.o.l.o.

By Lewis Spearman

 $CROSBY\ -When\ the$ Superintendent of Crosby ISD Scott Davis uninten tional quoted the band Traffic in the song "Low Stomp of High Heal Boys last month everyone jumped to the conclusion that "living beyond all your means" was a bad

thing.
Pretty sure "Low
Stomp of High Heal Boys"
should be our theme song for the next five years or so as we quit digging and climb out of the difficulty. There is such a thing as U-Tube for those unfamiliar with the song, it is worth a listen.

Whatever else can be said of the years 2014 to early 2018, Crosby had panache' a plenty and was the envy of many a was the envy of many a rival with a new stadium a new pro-football styled score board, fireworks, and dazzling stunts like smoke swirling skydivers It is far more fun to attend a football game in the guise of 'Cow Bell Ringing Rednecks' than 'Austere Auditors'. So, here is another way of looking at the financial crisis, "You Only Live Once."

One of the intangibles gained by all the lavish dressing was that most of the students at the high school got involved in something school related. Who wouldn't want to join JROTC when they are getting a new school wing and a firing range. And in a highly life and money saving way, drug usage dropped dramatically, or so I am told.

And officially, we don't now what happened.

Sure, we changed curriculum a few times at a cost of \$75,000 a pop but we needed to know what way to teach suited Crosby. Turns out we were right all along, but we had to look at alternatives to come to under stand that. You just cannot leave that to experience, even though we ultimately did.

Upon learning that the TEA is not investigating the district or former administrators one has to wonder where the district came up \$7.6 million short in M&O and having to borrow from construc tion debt. The district may have spent \$8 Million more in 2016-2017 than it collected but it put on a great show.
Our community must

back Superintendent Scott Davis to correct our financial woes. He promised to be the 'invisible sage," I am told our public demanded in a meeting attended mostly by school staff. No wait that is "transparent." As God is my witness that will be a new experience for this reporter. The transparent district did not return phone calls about Carla Merka leaving to go to Pasadena nor did it return any calls when the second financial person exited to confirm or deny that it had happened.
When trustees asked

about the practice of allowing \$50,000 can be used by administration from the fund balance to handle small cost overruns they were told "It is just a common practice. not revealing that where the fund balance was \$10.6 Million in August 2016 it had declined to \$5.4 Million in 2017 That was not transparent or the work of an "invisible

A sincere quote from a man I have come to respect is, "When you ask an academic a question, they are answering another question than the one you asked.



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Sandra D. Moore

Sandra D. Moore, 62, of Fullerton, Nebraska went home to be with the Lord while in the loving arms of her family on Friday, August 24, 2018, after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer

She was born September 9 1955 in Omaha and adopted by her loving parents, Orville and Betty Dodds, at two months of age. Sandra graduated from Stromsburg High School in 1973. She shared in many activities while living in Stromsburg, including teaching the art of Swedish dancing to many of the children who entertained at many events and, especially, the annual Swedish Festival. She was an active member of the Eastern Star and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Stromsburg, in which she participated in many activities such as the Bell Choir, church choir, and along with many Christmas programs. Additionally, she helped her father in many of his business endeavors throughout her years in

Stromsburg.
In 1998, Sandy and
Dave moved to Nance County, initially in Genoa where Dave was a deputy county sheriff, and then to Fullerton shortly before Dave became Nance County Sheriff.

In addition to her love and support for her family, she also enjoyed fishing, camping, her dogs, and

Sandy is preceded in death by her parents, Betty and Orville Dodds, and mother and father-in-

law, Paul and Mary Ann

Sandra is survived by her high school sweetheart and the love of her life, Dave Moore. They were married for 45 years. To this union they had three children, Jeremy Moore and wife, Sherry, Jeff Moore and wife, Shae, and Jenny Moore; her seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren which she dearly loved; brothers, Doug Dodds and wife, Lori, Jay Dodds and wife, Lori; her biological mother, Fran Whitney; two biological sisters. Terri and Jane: one biological brother, Robert; special friend, Bonita Hamblin; and many nieces, nephews, other rela-

tives, and a host of friends. Visitation will be Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at the Palmer-Santin Funeral Home in Fullerton from 5:00-7:00~p.m.

A celebration of Sandy's life will be at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at the Palmer- Santin Funeral Home. Reverend Dan Spearow will officiate. Interment will follow at Stromsburg Cemetery in Stromsburg, Ne

Habitats for Butterflies and Hummingbirds

the migrating humming-birds have arrived? More butterflies seem to be around as well Instead of filling those feeders, perhaps a better choice would be to plant host and feeding plants for these tiny Butterfly habitat is in a

critical stage in this country, due to our passion for large mowed lawns, which take away much of our weedy wildscapes. In addition, what flower beds are planted do not always contain plants that would be of help to sustain these populations. When you add the indiscriminate use of insecticides, it adds up to a triple whammy for keeping these creatures at populations large enough to continue in the future. When folks see caterpil-

lars on their flowers and vegetables, they immediately reach for the bug spray. Most of these "worms" are larvae of moths and butterflies. A decision needs to be made about whether a perfect rose or tomato is worth a dead butterfly. Sometimes it is, sometimes it isn't. But awareness is the point; an informed decision, however painful, is a better decision. Hand-picking a caterpillar off one plant can be more effective, and better for your health, than broadcasting insecticides into the garden.

Placing plants for but-

terflies to feed upon is one thing; they also need "host" plants that will house the caterpillars that will then cocoon and become butterflies. Most folks have heard about the Monarch butterflies and their need for milkweed plants. Placing milkweed among your other plants can not only provide that critical habitat for the monarchs, but when they totally devour the milkweed in the space of a few hours, your bed still looks presentable, because the milkweed is tucked in among other plants. And think of oldfashioned plants when you plan, like lantana and zinnias, which the butterflies like to sit and feed upon. One more thing - if it has been very dry, consider providing a patch of mud near your butterfly plants. The butterflies get minerals from playing in the

mud! Hummingbirds are also affected by these same sorts of issues. They need flowers that are ideally of a shape that suits their beaks, usually of a tubular shape. Liatris, pentas, salvias and shrimp plants all provide these flowers. Think about how red, orange, yellow, white, pink, blue, purple, and lavender would look in your beds all attract the hummingbirds. And if you do use feeders, keep them reasonably small, and change

Spoiled sugar-water can harm these fascinating creatures. Lists of appropriate flowers for hummingbirds and butterflies can be found on the web.

Now, back to the garden: flower bulbs should be showing up soon in the stores; buy now and throw them in the chiller, to plant around Christmas and New Year's Day. Nasturtium seeds can be sown. as well as bluebonnets and poppies; snapdragons and other cool-weather flowers should begin to show up in the garden centers in pots for planting. If you're thinking vege-

tables, now is the time to "go green." Chard, collards, spinach all can be started from seed now. Many herbs do very well in our fall and winter weather, so look for oregano, parsley, cilantro and rosemary, if you don't have them already. Having a fall crop of tomatoes for Thanksgiving is always a comfort; get the plants in now and you'll have braggin' rights. Strawberries may begin to show up in stores: varieties best for our area are Chandler, Sequoia, Allstar, and Cardinal. Plant them high; strawberries hate wet feet, and they don't like snails and slugs, either. Mulching the plants with hay helps both these issues

A lot of folks are notic-

nut trees right now. This is usually the big infestation time. Once again, these are caterpillars. If you can break the bag open, the birds will solve your problem, but you can also get some BT (bacillus thuringensis) insecticide in the bags and kill the cat-erpillars. Unfortunately with pecan trees, the webworm sacks are usually too high to reach. If you have a lot of

house plants that have been spending their summer on the patio, you might want to start a plan of action for their transfer back inside. First, check the plants for any infestations of scale, aphids, or ants who have decided the pots are nice places to nest! Trim them up, give them a light feeding, and tidy up the outsides of the pots. If you can begin to slowly change them from full sun to partial sun to shade, they will be less likely to lose their leaves and look forlorn when you get them into the low-light conditions inside. When you do move them in (usually when that first big front comes in October), remember that the humidity levels are considerably drier inside. Don't leave them standing in water, which is worse than not watering at all, but try to raise the moisture level by misting or leaving a pan of water to evaporate nearby.

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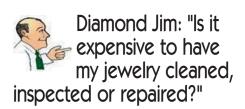
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Man wanted in fatal shooting of Channelview mother





Edna McWhorter

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North Shore Mustangs kicked Katy Tigers 35-21



Photo by Allan Jamail

Mustangs Zach Evans goes over-the-top of his powerful offensive line to score one of his four touchdowns in defeating Katy 35 to 21.

By Allan Jamail

Katy, TX. August 31, 2018 in less than a year after the Katy Tigers knocked the Galena Park Northshore Mustangs out of the 2017 High School Regional Semi-finals; the Mustangs defeated the Tigers 35 to 21Friday night.

Spoiling the Tigers opening season game, Northshore gave them their first ever loss in the new 72 million dollar stadium named Legacy.

Katy quarterback Bronson McClelland acknowledged the tough loss but seemed confident the Tigers can still win the state title this year, which means they'll beat Northshore if they meet again in the playoffs.

Jonathan Kay the Mustangs head coach kept the Katy defense off balance mixing plays, using the run-pass threat to achieve 410 yards from his offense. He said winning over Katy in a big game is good but his team's performance must be improved or they'll have a short season.

Mustangs sophomore quarterback Dematrius Davis completed 78 percent (14-18) of his passes, to receivers Ajani "AJ" Carter (touchdown), Chance Pillar, Shadrach Banks, Zorhan Rideaux and running back Zack Evans.

Zach Evans the Mustangs junior running back led the offense with 4 touchdowns averaging 10 yards per carry with 15 carries for 150 yards, followed with runs from QB Davis and running back John Gentry.

After the game North Channel Star writer Allan Jamail asked Evans how he felt about his performance and he said, "I contribute my successes to the offensive line. We still need to improve and when every player executes as a complete unit we'll see an improvement. We need to correct our mistakes made tonight, this was only game one of the season, we're 1 and 0."

Katy's four-star senior running back Deondrick Glass as a junior was named District 19-6A Offensive Player of the Year and who's sought after by every major college in the nation was kept scoreless by the swarming Mustang

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