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## Judge Lucia Bates starts term with open house reception



Open House guests in Baytown at the office of newly elected Justice of Peace Lucia Bates. Seen are Pct. chair Hunter, State Rep. Carol Alvarado, Judge Bates, Former Constable Ken Jones, Former JP Tony Polumbo, and former Mayor Pete Alfaro. Congrats Judge Bates!

BAYTOWN – A meet and greet for Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 Position 2 Lucia Bates brought in some local legends to wish her well last Saturday.

Mike Parrott, Tony Polumbo, Ken Jones, Pete Alfaro and Jason Rabelais

came out to hear the new J.P. talk of working with young girls from her position. Even as her partner Joe Stephens Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 Position 1 works with boys. She was later joined by Precinct 3 Constable Sherman Eagle-

ton. Among other ideas expressed was that although misdemeanors bring youth into contact with the Jus-

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## Sterling Forest residents hear from officials on bond drainage project

By Allan Jamail

Houston, TX. – January 10, 2019 at the Leon Grayson/Baldree Community Center residents of Sterling Forest Subdivision met with Harris County officials concerning flood reducing projects in their neighborhood.

On August 25, 2018, Harris County voters approved \$2.5 billion in bonds to finance specific flood damage reduction projects throughout the county which included projects in Sterling Forest subdivision.

A total listing of 104 subdivision drainage improvement projects have been identified as part of the bond program. Additional projects may be added to the list in the future or projects on the list could be modified based upon public input and other factors if authorized by Harris County Commissioners Court.

Before a final report on each project can be presented to Commissioners Court for approval for con-



Photo by Allan Jamail

Adrian Garcia, Harris County Commissioner Precinct 2 (right), discussing drainage issues in Precinct 2 with Jeremy Phillips, Director of Infrastructure Harris County Precinct 2 (center) and John Blount, Harris County Engineer.

struction there must first be opportunities for further community engagement for each project.

To develop the final report and as part of the preliminary engineering

process the Harris County Engineering Department (HCED) and the County's Flood Control District is

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## C. E. King/Texas A&amp;M Star heads to the NFL

By Allan Jamail

Thursday, January 3, 2019 – Texas A&M running back and former C. E. King alumni Trayveon Williams, the SEC's leading rusher this past season, will forgo his senior season and enter April's NFL draft, he announced in a video on Twitter on Thursday.

Williams last college game as an Aggie was New Year's Eve, December 31st in the Florida Gator Bowl. During the game Williams broke the Aggies record for single-season all-purpose yards and single-season rushing yards with 1,760 yards. He broke the Gator Bowl record for single-game rushing yards, with 236 and three touchdowns in the Aggies blowout win 52-13 victory over the North Carolina State Wolfpack.

Trayveon and family members have told the story many times about how he was brought up by family members other than his natural parents. His mother Felicia Davis who felt she wasn't ready for the responsibilities of motherhood gave him to her father James Davis to raise. Felicia and Trayveon now have a positive relationship. It's been said James and his grandson Trayveon were never seen apart in the East Houston Norwood Manor subdivision in the early 2000's.



TRAYVEON WILLIAMS  
Trayveon Williams, Texas A & M junior running back and former C. E. King alumni heading to the National Football League (NFL)

James Davis had requested before his unexpected death to his son Kevin Davis and daughter-in-law Joyce to

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## Texans QB Watson to keynote Chamber Gala

The North Channel Area Chamber will hold its Annual Gala on Thursday, January 24 and have announced that the Keynote Speaker will be Houston Texans star QB DeShaun Watson. This year the Gala will be held in a new location, the Sylvan Beach Pavilion in LaPorte. A few seats are still available by calling the Chamber at 713-450-3600.

Watson is a star quarterback for the Houston Texans. Born in Gainesville, Georgia, he played college football at Clemson University, and led the Clemson Tigers team to a CFP Championship game appearance in 2015 and a national championship win in 2016. He was selected by the Texans 12th overall in the 2017 National Football League Draft.

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**Judge Bates Open House,**

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tices the expreience need not necessarily be punitive but an opportunity to grow and develop.  
Bates introduced her family and her office team including deputies.  
It was evident from her oration to attendees that Bates intends to work with and in the interest of compassion for the youth that she encounters.

**Engineers hear public  
on Crosby drain project**

CROSBY – On January 15 the Harris County Flood Control District held a meeting to inform the public about partnering with the Harris County Engineering Department to address flooding issues in residential neighborhoods in unincorporated regions of Harris County with focus on stormwater drainage improvements and to receive input from the public.  
Voters approved \$2.5 billion in bonds to finance flood damage reduction projects within the county. The county is moving forward with planning and construction of projects with bond funding, making effort to make transparent those projects to residents.  
This meeting was entitled Crosby MUD/Township Drainage Project and is listed on the Harris County Flood Control District website as HCFCD Bond Project E-12. Information can be obtained and comments made at [www.hcfcd.org/E12](http://www.hcfcd.org/E12) the district's website.  
Stormwater drainage in Crosby was discussed with what engineers believe are the best remedies and they heard residents express what they believe are



Crosby residents carefully examine the graphic depiction of the neighborhood across the street from the Methodist Church on Runneburg to see the impact of floodwater in that neighborhood. Mike Foster of Harris County Emergency Management and ESD#80 talks with Jeremy Phillips of Harris County Precinct 2 Engineering.

stormwater problems and potential improvements.  
Internal neighborhood drainage systems and related infrastructure that move flood water to major drainage channels or bayous were explored. Municipalities typically handle internal drain systems like underground sewer systems and roadside ditches.  
A presentation proceeded an open house discussion with the Project Team.  
Reid Mrsny a Public En-

gineer points out that his group is working on three subdivision projects in or near Crosby ISD that are not in the flood plain and not previously identified they are Creole Country, Apache Lane (east of Highlands,) and Dreamland in Barrett Station. Dreamland has found federal funds to be released for improvement while Creole County and Apache Lane are in planning stage.

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## LyondellBasell donates equipment to Sheldon ISD



"LyondellBasell's Channelview Complex recently donated manufacturing equipment to Sheldon ISD's CTE program for students to practice welding skills. Pictured from left to right, Bobby Greenlea (LYB Maintenance Manager), Stephanie Nappier (LYB Maintenance & Reliability Manager), Dameon Tristan (Student), Manuel Guajardo (Student), Kyler Pye (Student), Chris Jones (CTE Instructor), Dr. Tyrus Doctor (Sheldon ISD Director of Transportation), Bryan Rivera (Student), Fernando Gonzalez (Student), Kim Foley (LYB Channelview Complex Site Manager), Bo Cotton (LYB Maintenance & Reliability Specialist)."

## Two Galena Park High School Band students make Yellow Jacket History

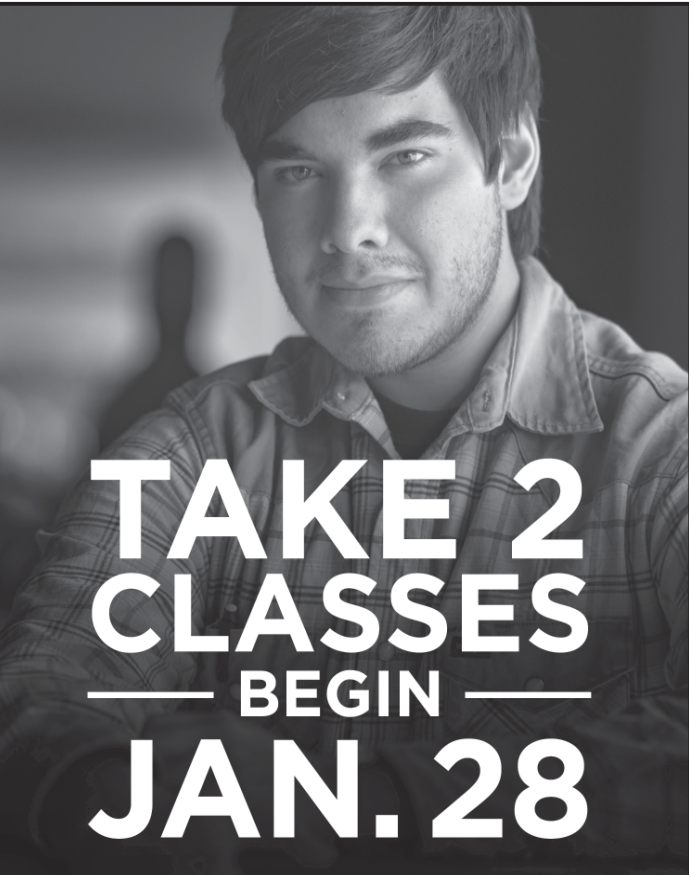
Galena Park ISD would like to congratulate Joe Bizarro and Julian Garza, Galena Park High School students, for becoming All-State Band Winners! This is the first time in Yellow Jacket history, two band members have won All-State in the same year. Congratulations, Joe and Julian!



## Galena Park ISD recognizes top ACT/SAT students



On January 9, Galena Park ISD high school students were recognized at the administration building for earning top scores on their SAT and ACT tests. All students who earned a 1300 or higher on the SAT and a 27 or higher on the ACT were invited to the luncheon. Elizabeth Lalor, Assistant Superintendent for Educational and Academic Support, was on-hand to congratulate and recognize the students on their accomplishments. Each student's principal presented them with a certificate and a gift card. Many of the students shared their chosen university and career goals, and they all are excited to start the next chapter of their lives. Galena Park ISD wishes all of these wonderful students the best of luck in their future endeavors!



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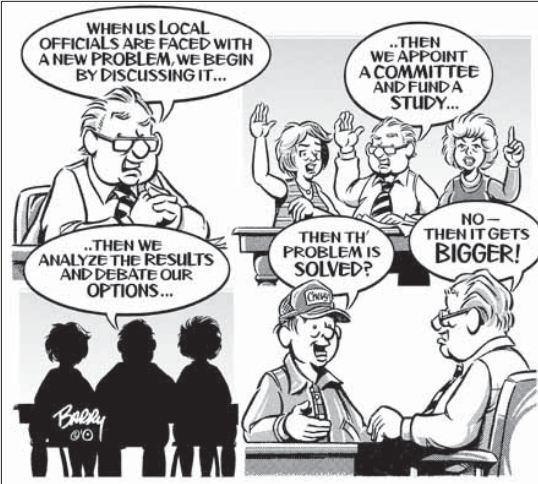
House elects new speaker as legislative session kicks off

AUSTIN — The 86th Texas Legislature convened on Jan. 8 with all its customary ceremonies and recognitions—chief of which was the unanimous election of a new House speaker — Angleton Republican Dennis Bonnen.

On Jan. 9, Gov. Greg Abbott, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who presides over the Senate, and Speaker Bonnen announced their joint commitment to passing legislation that would improve how public education is funded. That arduous and heretofore divisive task means rethinking and recalibrating what share of the cost would be funded by local property taxes — public education's primary source of funding.

Patrick predicted this legislative session would be different from previous ones. "If the three of us are aligned, that we're going to accomplish a mission and pass legislation, it happens," said Patrick. "This is not just a message to the public and to the media, but I think our members will take note, that this is really unprecedented, that we're addressing these issues at the beginning of session, totally united with one another." Patrick added that he would name a new Senate committee on property taxes to work on

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS  
By Ed Sterling



a plan.

House and Senate committee hearings will begin as soon as Patrick and Bonnen have selected chairs and members for each panel. Lawmakers must keep in mind that the comptroller's office has estimated the cost of public education, the biggest of all drivers of the state budget, at about \$63 billion in fiscal 2018-2019.

Ideas to streamline and increase the efficiency of public education came last month from the Commission on Public

School Finance. Among other things, the commission suggested moving \$3.5 billion in existing state resources away from "outdated programs or obsolete hold-harmless provisions" into new strategies.

The commission's report also calls for a halt to the continuing decrease in state resources allocated to public education, and directing more money toward students who need it most, such as low-income, special needs and English language learners.

Revenue estimate is given

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Jan. 7 released his biennial revenue estimate, this one covering the state's 2020-2021 budget years.

Hegar said a strong national economy and rising oil prices over most of 2018 left the state with 8 percent more revenue than two years ago, or \$119.1 billion in total general revenue available.

However, he said, "Despite this projected revenue growth, the Legislature will again face some difficult choices in balancing the budget. The most pressing and costly budget drivers for the upcoming session include a potentially large boost in education spending to reduce the property tax burden and reform school

finance." "Texas remains economically well positioned compared to other states and we will continue to outpace the U.S. economy in the long term," Hegar added. However, he also noted that the price of oil has been down since October, federal interest rates are up and both the global economy and U.S. trade policy remain uncertain.

Meanwhile, the state's Economic Stabilization Fund, commonly referred to as the "Rainy Day Fund," currently contains about \$12.5 billion, not counting currently outstanding spending authority. Absent any legislative appropriations, the balance of the fund is expected to be \$15.4 billion at the end of the 2020-21 biennium, Hegar said.

Monthly revenue reported

Comptroller Hegar on Jan. 9 announced his office would send cities, counties, transit systems and special-purpose taxing districts \$734.7 million in local sales tax allocations for January, an amount 3.6 percent more than sent in January 2018. Allocations are based on sales made in November by businesses that report tax monthly.

Julian Castro announces

Former U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julian Castro of San Antonio on Jan. 12 formally announced his candidacy for president in 2020. He is a Democrat.

Castro, 44, a former mayor of San Antonio and twin brother of U.S. Rep. Joaquin Castro, is the first Texan to declare his candidacy for the next presidential race.

Oldest veteran laid to rest

Richard A. Overton of Austin, who died Dec. 27 at age 112, was buried in the Texas State Cemetery on Jan. 12 with full military honors.

Overton, who was in the U.S. Army from 1940 to 1945, served in the Pacific during World War II. He was America's oldest man and oldest military veteran.

Head of state agency dies

The Texas Workforce Commission on Jan. 7 announced its executive director, Larry Temple, died Jan. 5. He was 66.

Temple joined the agency in 1997, serving first as director of welfare reform for six years. He had served as executive director since 2004.

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OPINION

By REP. DAN CRENSHAW

The Silly Arguments  
Against a Border Wall

They'll go around it? Exactly—that's the point.

By Dan Crenshaw

This week saw the culmination of the great wall debate. President Trump made his case—one I generally agree with—and explained what an extra \$5.7 billion (approximately 0.1% of the budget) would do for the security of our southern border. Democratic leaders Chuck Schumer and Nancy Pelosi immediately dismissed it. It is honestly surprising how quickly and thoroughly Democrats adopted the notion that a wall of any kind is such an obviously stupid and immoral idea. Well, is it? Let's lay out the claims one by one:

- They'll just climb over it, dig under it or break through it. Just like that huh? I spent 10 years as a Navy SEAL, and people often say, "Dan, you know better than anyone how ineffective a wall is." Actually, I know how effective walls are, even against skilled SEALs. Planning to scale a 30-foot steel slatted barrier is a daunting challenge. Do you bring an enormous ladder all the way there? How do you get down from the top? Jump? Rappel? This isn't a Tough Mudder course. A few skilled and well-equipped people may figure it out, but the reality is that most will be deterred.

The same goes for "digging" or "breaking." Tunneling would require special equipment and hundreds of hours to dig under the barrier, the base of which would penetrate many feet underground. To break through it, you'd need specialized circular saws, torches or explosives. Typical equipment for a special-ops team, but not exactly on the packing list for a migrant. And Border Patrol agents would easily detect such a ruckus.

This isn't to argue that a wall is completely impetrable given the right equipment, but to state the obvious: A barrier is far preferable to an open space, where migrants can simply walk across.

- They'll just go around it. Exactly—that's the point. A deterrent at the busiest sections of the border would allow more effective allocation of manpower. If a mile of the border is walled off, that's one less mile the Border Patrol needs to worry about. Agents can still respond to the location if a special-ops caravan shows up with a blowtorch, but otherwise they can focus on open areas where it is simply not viable to build a barrier.

- You can't put a wall on the Rio Grande. Fair enough—there are places where a physical barrier can't work, such as private land along the river in Texas. You can't build a wall everywhere—but that doesn't mean you shouldn't build one anywhere.

This whole debate is a classic case of one side attacking the other's worst arguments instead of seriously addressing the actual proposal. Democrats need to stop assuming we are talking about a contiguous 2,000-mile wall. Republicans know that's not practical. The budget's small allocation of \$5.7 billion that President Trump has requested would build 234 miles of wall. It's a start.

We know that border security is a multifaceted problem, that security at unwall segments can be enhanced by drones, sensors and additional patrols, and that the Rio Grande requires a different approach. Let's start looking for a multifaceted solution instead of automatically dismissing the critical role that physical barriers play.

Do Democrats agree that it's a problem when hundreds of thousands of people illegally cross our border each year or not? If we all still agree on the sanctity of our country's borders and rule of law—and I have faith that most of us do—then we should be looking for solutions. My fear is that Democrats have staked out a position so extreme that any common-sense compromise involving a physical barrier will constitute a serious political loss for them. It doesn't have to. The president's proposal—a mix of physical barriers, technology and more Border Patrol agents—is one that benefits everyone.

Mr. Crenshaw, a Republican, represents Texas' Second Congressional District

This Op-Ed originally appeared in the Wall Street Journal.

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January is School Board Recognition Month



Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman

Mayor Brandon Capetillo (middle) presents a proclamation for School Board Appreciation Month to Goose Creek CISD board members (from left) Pete Pape, president; Ricky Clem; Ben Pape; Jessica Woods, secretary; Howard Sampson, assistant secretary and Al Richard. Not pictured is Agustin Loredo II, vice president.



Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman

Members of the Goose Creek CISD board of trustees receive camping bucket lights at a recent board meeting in honor of School Board Recognition Month. The theme for 2019 is "Planting Seeds of Success," and all schools sent a poster thanking board members for donating their time and effort in support of the students, staff and schools of Goose Creek CISD. Pictured are (from left) Al Richard; Jessica Woods, secretary; Ricky Clem; Pete Pape, president; Howard Sampson, assistant secretary and Ben Pape. Not pictured is Agustin Loredo III, vice president.

Dorothy Jean Hudson



Dorothy Jean Hudson 67 passed away Wednesday January 9, 2019 at her home in Baytown, Texas.

Dorothy was born in Ranger, Texas August 18, 1951 the daughter of the late Billy Gene Notgrass and Dorothy Jeanette Sanford Notgrass. Dorothy enjoyed singing, dancing, and spending time with her family. She was loving, caring, and

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kind. She will be remembered for her nonjudgmental ways and her unconditional love.

Dorothy worked for over twenty-five years at United DC in Houston in numerous positions. She was preceded in death by her parents as well as her three brothers Billy Michael Notgrass, James Valson Notgrass, and Danny Paul Notgrass, and her late husband James Tirey Hudson.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her son James Tirey Hudson Jr. of Baytown, daughter Angela Jean Hudson of Baytown, sisters Carolyn Humphrey of Crosby and Linda Nickens of Cleveland. In addition, she leaves her beloved granddaughter Kirey

Jade Meadows, and numerous nieces, nephews, friends, and extended family.

Cremation services have been entrusted to Sterling White Funeral Home, 11011 Crosby Lynchburg Rd. Highlands, Texas. A Celebration of Dorothy's life will be held at 3 pm January 19, 2019 at Maranatha Church 12319 Hwy 146 Mont Belvieu, Texas 77580. Condolences and memories can be shared online at [www.sterlingwhite.com](http://www.sterlingwhite.com).

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FM2100 Accident kills man, injures two youths

HUFFMAN – On Wednesday, Jan. 9 at about 4:18 p.m. an accident took the life of David Moser and sent two youths to the hospital.

According to investigators, David Moser was operating a 2010 Jeep Patriot westbound in the 26900 block of Fairway Crossings Drive, approaching the intersection with 26900 FM 2100. The intersection was con-

trolled by one stop sign on Fairway Crossings and cross traffic did not stop. At the same time, a 2016 Jeep Wrangler was traveling northbound on FM 2100 approaching the intersection.

According to witnesses, Mr. Moser came to a stop, then went on and failed to yield right of way turning left from the stop sign, crossing in front of the path of the northbound

Wrangler. This caused the Wrangler to strike the Patriot in the driver side. Mr. Moser was killed due to injuries sustained in the crash.

The two juveniles in the other vehicles were rushed to the hospital by ground ambulance.

This crash remains under investigation by the Harris County Sheriff's Office Vehicular Crimes Division.

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and strength, a  
very present help  
in trouble  
Psalm: 46:1

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reveal to us later  
ROMANS 8:18

All of them were filled with  
the Holy Spirit and began to  
speak in other tongues as the  
Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:4

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Be alert. Continue strong in  
the faith. Have courage  
and be strong.  
1 Corinthians 16:13

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



ASK THE EXPERT

CHARLOTTE'S WEB



Your Contact List

This morning as I stood in line with several students and co-workers I had a student ask me if I had any words of wisdom I could share. The first thing that came to mind was something that Brother John A. Brady shared with the North Channel Area literally hundreds of times. "When you wake up in the morning, you have a choice. You can react to the world and become bitter or react to God and become better."

The smile that broke out on her face was awesome. She immediately wanted to write the words down. She even said that those words might make a great tattoo. A young man standing near us asked how do you stay happy if you do not have enough money. This led into a discussion about learning what is important as well as learning to budget your money. He started telling us that he grew up in a single parent home which did without many of the things his classmates were accustom to. He also shared that it is hard to know those things if your family never taught you about them.

That was a perfect point to share with him that in my opinion, family is not defined by blood or marriage, but instead by those who love and respect you unconditionally. I explained that over the years, my parents taught me some basics for life yet a junior high school science teacher taught me that you attend school to learn how to learn. Walter Lilly taught much more than physical science, he taught me that you have to love yourself before others can. He taught to be brave and talk to strangers. (Although I think I already had that one mastered. I have never been known to be shy.)

As we talked, they started asking how diverse my circle of friends is. I laughed and explained that more than once I have been told my life is an eclectic collection of interesting people. I shared that on my contact list, you will find connections who are blood family, you will find former and current coworkers, young people and much older friends as well as every shade of the rainbow. And speaking of rainbows, I have friends that are straight as well as friends in the LGBTQ community. I have friends who are millionaires and friends who are homeless.

One of the students asked about my James Avery charm bracelet and as I started to explain each charm and its origin, smile broke out in our circle. There was one charm in particular that they asked about. It is a small oval with the work "TOUCH" engraved on it. They wanted the details. I explained that my pastor preached on that word. T was for trust. O was for others-minded. U was for unconditional acceptance. C was for community and H was for the hope we must all have.

As we began to go our different ways, they thanked me for sharing with them. They laughed as we exchanged contact information. And of course, we all hugged. Life is too short not to expand your contact list.

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Here are a few tips that will help you along the way:

PEACE-OF-MIND

Do your homework before buying the engagement ring. Most importantly, find a jeweler you trust. And, since you're making such a big investment, make sure you insure the ring as soon as you purchase it. Your knowledgeable jeweler should be willing and able to discuss this with you. One option is that you may be able to insure it for an additional cost under your homeowner's or tenant's insurance policy.

KNOW THE ANSWER

Your proposal should be surprising, but it shouldn't come directly out of left field. Before you pull a ring out, have a good idea how your partner will respond. "Will you marry me?" shouldn't be your first discussion on the subject.

RULES OF THE ENGAGEMENT (RING)

Here's where a little bit of effort goes a long way. The history of the diamond as an engagement ring first became popular in the 1930's, but the idea of an engagement ring has been around for centuries.

If you're still deciding on a diamond engagement ring, consider doing some window shopping with your partner prior to mak-

ing a purchase. If you want to keep things more secretive, talk to your partner's friends and family to get a feel for their taste. Another option is to use a standing ring for the proposal. Perhaps you can use their great grandmother's diamond engagement ring, and then take your partner shopping later. (A trusted jeweler can tell you everything you need to know about how to buy a diamond and will take the time to help educate both of you).

ASK PERMISSION, NOT FORGIVENESS

Before you take a knee, take the time to speak with your partner's parents first. Asking permission is a tradition carried since the Roman times, and it's a great way to make a good impression on your future in-laws.

BE CREATIVE

This is your chance to shine. A good Jeweler should have several ideas that will help you to be creative when "popping the question". You could also use modern technology for a Twitter proposal. You might also consider proposing by sending her a text when she's right next to you? Imagine the huge smile that will light up her face when she reads the best text she's ever received! No matter what you do, just put your heart into it.

Celebrate

You did it! Consider toasting your engagement with a night on the town, a glass of bubbly or a celebration with friends and family.

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Trayveon Williams,

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please raise Trayveon. James at about the same time had signed up Trayveon for the youth football league. Grandfather James died shortly later due to prostate cancer. Trayveon moved in with his uncle Kevin and Aunt Joyce whom he refers to as his father and mother. They took him to football practice even though at times he didn't want to go, but after getting there and playing he was glad to be there. He lived with Kevin and Joyce until he entered Texas A & M as a four star

recruit. There were attempts by others to try to get him to transfer to the North Shore Mustangs, but Trayveon didn't want to leave his classmates and teammates. His C. E. King coach Don Price said by him not jumping the fence where the grass looked greener it says a lot about his good character. He has great vision and running with the football comes natural to him, he practices hard and listens well, you don't have to tell him twice Price has said.

Drainage Issues,

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Photo by Allan Jamail

Citizens and engineers discussing Sterling Forest drainage projects.

L-R: Linda Jamail, Community Liaison, Rep. Ana Hernandez office, Kimberley Roper, Engineer with Ward, Getz & Associates Consulting Engineers, John A. Fuller Sterling Forest resident, John Blount, Harris County Engineer and Steven Ward, P.E. Partner at Ward, Getz & Associates Consulting Engineers.

conducting public meetings in a primary project watershed to solicit public comments about the project. From these meetings the HCED will prepare a preliminary engineering report to support the advancement of these projects toward final design and construction report to give Commissioners Court.

Drainage projects is to improve the internal drainage systems and related infrastructure that take storm water from neighborhoods to major

drainage channels or bayous maintained by the county's Flood Control District. Internal drainage systems include underground storm sewer systems and roadside ditches.

The streets in Sterling Forest proposed to have drainage improvements is Donfield, Deercrest, Terryhollow, Stonyridge, Hollycrest, Ivy Hollow, Deeppass Dr., Canna, Onaleigh and Grassmont.

For a list of drainage projects and community meetings visit, [www.hcfd.org](http://www.hcfd.org).

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Galena Park ISD would like to congratulate Rochelle Roberson, North Shore Senior High science teacher, for being selected to participate in the Spring 2019 NanoEnvironmental Engineering for Teachers (NEET) course at Rice University.

Roberson was one of 25 teachers from Houston and Phoenix, AZ selected to participate in this graduate level course. The program participants will work hard throughout the spring semester learning about the Engineering Design Process and Project-Based Learning with the goal of finding a way to achieve water sustainability and integrating these teaching practices in their classroom.



Rochelle Roberson

At the end of the program, each teacher will showcase their hard work at the Engineering Showcase on April 23rd.

Congratulations, Ms. Roberson!

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