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## CHANNEL CURRENTS

### JC Night Market Saturday

Jacinto City will hold another monthly Market by Night this Saturday, July 13 at the Town Center, from 5pm to 9pm. This popular event includes arts and crafts booths, food both homemade and commercial, clothing, decorations, music, food trucks, and much more. Everyone is invited.

### Spaghetti Sauce Competition

Spaghetti Sauce Competition September 20, 2019 16 - 10PM | Greyson Community Center, 13828 Corpus Christi St. Houston, TX 77015. Fundraiser for the opening of a non profit female veteran home. Contestants fee: \$100 (Non refundable) Tickets \$10 - Children (6-12yrs) \$5 RSVP by August 5: [info@destinyhouse transitionalivingcenter.com](mailto:info@destinyhouse transitionalivingcenter.com) 281.235.4091

### 2nd Annual Community Day Out Parade and Fellowship July 20

Parade starts at 4 p.m., followed by fun and fellowship until 7 p.m.

The event will be held in the parking lot of the Galena Park ISD Administration Building.

There will be a Meet and Greet featuring helpful resources, community leaders, Houston Authors, Non-profit Organizations, Worship Center information and pop up shops.

There will be fun in the sun, with a game truck, moonwalks, train rides, inflatable race, carousel, popcorn and cotton candy.

For details please call Nikisha at 832.883.6982

## July 4 Fireworks light up sky in Jacinto City/Galena Park



Photo by Allan Jamail

Exploding fireworks mark Independence Day celebration in Jacinto City and Galena Park. Jacinto City and Galena Park had thousands of celebrant's turnout to see their fireworks celebrating Independence Day. For 50 years the two cities have used giant exploding bursts of fireworks to celebrate the 4th of July. Both cities share the cost of the display that uses the vacant acreage between the cities to shoot off the fireworks.

## Legislative ReCap by Senator Carol Alvarado

Dear Friends,

The 86th Session of the Texas Legislature concluded last month and I am happy to report that I had a very productive first session in the senate.

I want to share some of the bills that I passed this session including Harvey recovery, health related issues, workforce expansion and appropriations in response to the ITC incident. I passed a total of 32 bills, 29 of which were signed into law by Governor Abbott and will take effect on September 1, 2019.

### Harvey Recovery & Disaster Preparedness

S.B. 799 will create the Natural Disaster Business Advisory Council, a disaster recovery task force, wet debris clean-up programs and provide for the expansion of the Texas Department of Emergency Management under the Texas A&M Systems.

S.B. 493 aims to speed up disaster recovery by allowing for the allocation of housing tax credits to more than one development in a single community within the City of Houston. This will create more housing opportunities after a disaster.

S.R. 816 urges Con-



gress to enact legislation to consolidate disaster recovery housing funding into a single Disaster Housing Response and Recovery Block Grant.

H.B. 41 will allow state employees who volunteer in search and rescue teams during a disaster to take leave time without a deduction in salary. This will make it easier for employees of state agencies to take leave time in order to help their fellow Texans as search and rescue volunteers.

H.B. 2310 creates a coordinated effort between TX DMV, Texas Department of Emergency Management and FEMA to provide vehicle tracking information after a disaster.

H.B. 2835 will establish protections for the of-

See SENATE RECAP, p3

## Divers recover body of driver of semi that plunged off I-10 into the River

EAST HARRIS COUNTY – For the third time in the last two months, a vehicle has plunged over the side of a highway bridge, and the occupant was killed.

The most recent event occurred Wednesday, July 3 on the I-610 East Loop bridge over the Houston Ship Channel. Authorities reported that an 18-wheeler swerved to miss a car that had cut in front of him, and crashed through the railing and fell 150 to land on the buildings below. Emergency responders attempted to remove the driver from the wreckage, but he was pinned upside down and died at the scene. The driver of the truck was not immediately identified. His rig land-



THE FRAME AND CAB OF THE SEMI truck that plunged into the San Jacinto River last Thursday, June 26 are lifted by a crane on a work barge on Saturday morning. The barge came from T&T Salvage in Galveston, and was required because the bridge and the nearby Waste Pits Superfund site were not suitable for this type of heavy lifting.

(Photo by Harris County Sheriff's Department)

ed on top of some industrial buildings of Huntsman Chemical Company. They said that no plant employees were injured, but that operations were stopped due to a sanitary sewer line that was severed and leaking. Some traffic lanes on the bridge were closed, as TxDOT studied how to repair the railing.

This fatal accident followed by only a week a similar accident on the I-10 bridge over the San Jacinto River, when an 18-wheeler struck a stopped car and then plummeted over the rail and into the river.

In this accident, a sedan driven by two young men had stopped in the west

See Truck Plunges, p. 8

## Pct. 2 plans major work in Driver Park to create county-wide "inclusive" park

ALDINE – Pct. 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia held a public information meeting last Tuesday, June 25 to introduce his concept for an "inclusive" county park.

He also asked the public for their input on what they want in the park for the use of families and folks with limited mobility whether they are elderly, handicapped, or otherwise restricted. He emphasized that the park would be for all ages. He noted that in Harris County, there are at least 500,000 persons with limited mobility or a handicap

See Expansion of Park, Page 8



The Revitalization of Driver Park would include: Green areas new athletic fields; Black areas additional parking; Light Green, "inclusive" play areas for use by handicapped persons; Blue areas, new and expanded recreation facilities; Yellow areas expanded basketball and sports courts; Purple areas detention ponds. The Northeast Community Center is the center building.

### SAIL INTO SUMMER!

## San Jac Alumni to honor Dr. Charles Grant July 13

07/13/2019 Sail into Summer!

San Jacinto College Alumni Association invites you to join fellow alumni and community members. Saturday, July 13 from 11am to 2pm at the SJC Maritime Campus, 3700 Old State Highway 146, LaPorte, TX 77571. There will be a petting zoo, live music by Jake Bush, hamburgers and hot dogs, games and more. You will get a chance to win four (4) Club Level seats and a Parking pass to the Astros

vs Mariners game on August 4. The Alumni Association will be honoring Dr Charles Grant with the Distinguished Alumni Award. Purchase your tickets today. Adults \$10, Children \$5, Family Four Pass \$25. Purchase tickets at <https://sjcsailintosummer.planningpod.com> or call 281.998.6104 for more details.





# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Church prays for bus

The Youth Department has been working all year to raise funds to rent a Charter Bus to take them to camp in Dale, Indiana from Crosby, Texas. The bus is equipped with tv and outlet and a toilet. It comes with 2 certified drivers and does not have to make any stops on the way. This is a safe way for our youth to travel. However, the bus is filled with 56 passengers and we currently have an extra 30 students / adults that want to go. We are now needing to rent a 2nd Charter Bus. This will keep us for having to rent 2 vans and to find drivers and all associated requirements.

The Charter Bus will be an easier way to travel and to keep all the students together. We need your help. We only have a few days till we leave for camp and need to raise another \$4,000.00 for the 2nd Bus. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated.

## Goose Creek CISD recognizes retirees and Teachers of the Year

By: Susan Passmore

Goose Creek CISD recognized retirees and Teachers of the Year at a recent gala at Ross S. Sterling High School. The Theme was “100 Years of Class – Through the Decades” in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Goose Creek CISD. The RSS String Quartet, under the direction of Camille Gates, provided music. After the program, guests enjoyed a reception and took photos in front of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt, which features a quilt square created by each campus, finished by Sandy Martin, retired GCCISD employee.

Dr. Randal O’Brien welcomed guests and presented a brief history of Goose Creek CISD. Dr. Melissa Duarte announced the retirees, and O’Brien and Pete Pape, board president, presented each one with a clock and a plaque.

The highlight of the event was the naming of the District Teachers of the Year. Anna West from Victoria Walker Elementary, was announced as the District Elementary Teacher of the Year, and Angie Johnson from Goose Creek Memorial High School was named District Secondary Teacher of the Year. Kristen Curette from Community Resource Credit Union presented the two teachers with iPads. Joe Grabo, James Marion and Tesla McCawley, representing the Bayway Auto Group, specifically Bayshore Chrysler Jeep Dodge and Ram, presented each one with a cap and a key to a car for them to drive during the summer months.

The James Becker Thomson Special Education Teacher Kendricka (Kiki) Moore from Goose Creek Memorial High School was recognized by Janna Crow, director of special education. The award was established by Dr. Richard Thomson, a retired ophthalmologist, to honor his late brother James, who benefited from special education services. Moore is the 44<sup>th</sup> recipient.



Teachers of the Year:  
Goose Creek CISD Teachers of the Year (front, from left) Kiki Moore (James Becker Thomson Special Education Teacher), Caitlin Huebner (HAABE ESL Secondary), Jo Ann Fenley (HAABE ESL Elementary), Jessica Vega, Jackie Brown, Neisa Villegas, Ciara Marks, Pam Bradford, Stacia Laird, (middle, from left) Esmeralda Cantu, Adriana Cienfuegos, Brandy La Bouve, Robin Edwards, Ofelia Wells, Kristin Reyes, Janette Kelley, Amy Serrano, Anna West, Teresa Black, (back, from left) Margaret Cayton, Jennifer Martin, Tracy Gaston Gray, Amanda Majeed, Angie Johnson, Valerie Currie, Jennifer Hollis Ashworth, Lauren Hoyt, Janoy Roberson, Rachel Prettyman and Ian Sobczak. Not pictured are Lizzet Austin (HAABE Bilingual Elementary) and Rovena Moreno.



Retirees:  
Eva Padilla, Sally Capetillo, Karen Coffey, Terry Coy, Debbie Crow, Valery Jackson, Darrell Kalbitz, Connie Piotrowski, Sharon Stults and Catherine Huntley receive plaques and clocks in honor of their retirement. Not pictured is Michelle DuBay.



TOY with Bayshore:  
Joe Grabo (left), Tesla McCawley (middle) and James Marion (right) from the Bayway auto Group – Bayshore Chrysler Jeep Dodge and Ram – arrange to present District Teachers of the Year  
Angie Johnson (second from left) from Goose Creek Memorial High School and Anna West (second from right) from Victoria Walker Elementary with a car to drive from June 1 - August 31, 2019.



Curette with TOYs:  
Kristen Curette (middle) from Community Resource Credit Union, presents iPads to Goose Creek CISD Teachers of the Year Angie Johnson (left) from Goose Creek Memorial High School and Anna West from Victoria Walker Elementary.

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Legislative ReCap by Senator Carol Alvarado,

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fense of operating a vehicle with an expired registration if the office of the county assessor-collector was closed for an extended period of time during the offense, such as after a disaster.

H.B. 3365 will extend the Good Samaritan Law to reduce liability for individuals responding to a disaster as declared by the President of the United States or by the Governor of Texas. This allows more flexibility for everyday Texans who want to volunteer during a disaster.

H.B. 3913 protects certain private information obtained by a flood control district after a disaster, such as names, addresses, phone numbers, emails, social media information and social security numbers from predatory contractors

Health Issues and Human Services

S.B. 1834 will expand access to affordable healthy foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, for low-income Texans through a pilot Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) incentive program.

H.B. 76 requires public schools to provide certain information regarding cardiac assessments and optional electrocardiograms to student athletes participating in UIL sports.

H.B. 170 will require health insurance companies to provide coverage for diagnostic mammograms as part of an annual well-woman examination.

H.B. 1651 limits the use of restraints, such as shackling, on pregnant women in county jails.

H.B. 1884 will provide information to kinship caregivers on the option to become verified by a licensed child-placing agency and the Permanency Care Assistance Program to ease financial burdens.

Transportation Issues

H.B. 2188 will regulate the use of e-bikes to create a predictable regulatory environment for manufacturers, retailers and consumers.

H.B. 1130 creates specialty "Register to Vote" license plates to increase awareness of voter participation.

Human Trafficking

S.B. 1219 requires transportation hubs across Texas to display information on the indicators of human trafficking as well as the National Human Trafficking Hotline number in publicly conspicuous zones.

H.B. 1113 creates a comprehensive state plan to prevent and treat victims of child sex trafficking. This includes a treatment program for survivors and a matching grant program for municipalities and law enforcement agencies for prevention programs (amended onto S.B. 20).

Workforce Expansion

I was the senate sponsor for H.B. 2784 which requires the Texas Workforce Commission to create and administer the Texas Industrial Workforce Apprenticeship Grant Program to encourage the private sector to develop specialized workforce training programs.

Local Issues

S.B. 1835 creates the Channelview Improvement District which can issue bonds, impose fees and taxes in order to rehabilitate outdated infrastructure.

Houston Ship Channel

This session, I had the privilege of serving as the Vice-Chair on the Senate Select Committee on Ports. I valued this role greatly as the Port of Houston is one of the busiest ports in the country and is an integral part of Senate District 6. Our work on this committee will ensure that the port continues to thrive economically.

I passed S.B. 1915 which will separate the governance of the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports from that of the Port Commissioners of the Houston Port Authority.

ITC Incident

In March, the initial fire and following environmental damage at the Intercontinental Terminals Co. facility in Deer Park drew my attention to the lack of regulatory measures surrounding similar facilities. Through town halls, various meetings and a special Ports Committee hearing in the Cap-

itol, my office worked with TCEQ and other agencies to discuss needed changes.

I advocated for additional funding for three mobile monitoring units and pushed for the TCEQ to take a harder look at the safety standards being upheld. From this funding, the agency received funds needed to obtain all three mobile units as well as a Scanning Electron Microscope for more accurate air readings. I will continue to work with various agencies and review the regulatory standards at chemical facilities similar to ITC during the interim.

Celebrating the home team - Houston Astros!

I was honored to present our H-Town team with Senate Resolution 463 for their historical World Series Championship win. It was exciting to welcome our players and recognize their display of Houston Strong determination in the wake of Hurricane Harvey.

Missed opportunities that I will continue to work on this interim and in the 87th session

S.B. 798, giving Texas Health and Human Services discretion in denying applications for a family residential center license (detention centers).

S.B. 967, requiring Texas Health and Human Services to regulate detention facilities and deny any waiver requests for child-care detention facilities in Texas.

S.B. 327, allowing counties to opt-in to Medicaid expansion in order to cover their uninsured residents.

S.B. 686, creating a personal financial literacy course for high school students.

S.B. 757, allowing for online voter registration in Texas.

S.B. 1832, creating a music incubator rebate program to relieve financial burdens on small music venues.

S.B. 1577, banning the use of taxpayer money to settle sexual harassment allegations.

S.B. 1573, creating a public awareness campaign around safe storage, suicide prevention and the prevention of firearm accidents involving children.

S.J.R. 42, a constitutional amendment autho-

rizing the operation of casino gaming in Texas.

S.B. 1837, expanding medical marijuana for treatment of certain illnesses.

H.B. 3511, creating The Commission on the Texas Workforce of the Future to address workforce needs.

My first session was result-oriented and I am happy to be back in Houston, engaging with the community. Over the interim, I will tour throughout Senate District 6 to discuss the 86th session so I may continue to hear and represent your interests again next session.

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OPINION

By HARRIS COUNTY  
ATTORNEY VINCE RYAN



## Harris County Attorney Ryan opposes EPA emissions “loophole”

Friday, June 28, 2019 – Harris County Attorney Vince Ryan today filed a formal letter of opposition to a proposed Environmental Protection Agency rule that would allow companies in Texas to avoid civil penalties for polluting the air during so-called Startup Shutdown, or Maintenance (SSM) activities.

Ryan is objecting to an EPA proposal to withdraw a 2015 finding that Texas’s plan did not comply with the federal Clean Air Act because of state rules that provide companies with an affirmative defense for excess air emissions that occur during SSM events.

“Texas’s regulations have a loophole through which facilities can exceed permit emissions limits during upsets and unplanned SSM events without fear of being held fully accountable under the law,” said County Attorney Ryan.

“This loophole not only harms nearby communities but also endangers first responders, including County employees, who respond to SSM events,” he said.

In his letter to the EPA, County Attorney Ryan laid out facts that led to his opposition:

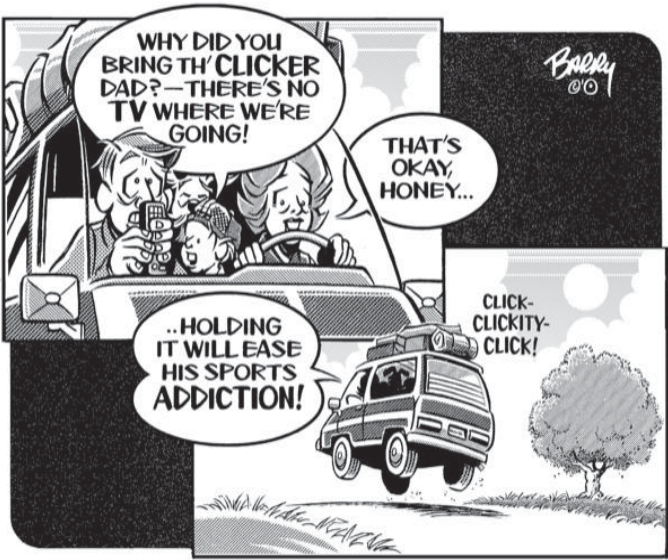
Houston has some of the worst air in the nation and the eight county nonattainment area consistently fails to meet federal health based ozone standards.

Communities around facilities with SSM events in Harris County are primarily low income, low resource, linguistically isolated communities of color and are especially impacted by these events.

The EPA is legally required by the Clean Air Act to close this loophole and correctly required Texas to do so in 2015.

Ryan also points out that the community impact of these SSM events continues to linger, as residents impacted by these pollutants released into the air often have to shoulder the cost of medical care, compounded by the strain of missed days at work and school. Instead of affirmative defenses, Ryan believes polluters should face full enforcement under the environmental laws.

“I urge EPA not to finalize its proposed rule and instead withdraw the proposal,” said County Attorney Ryan. “SSM events have real adverse health impacts on communities around industrial facilities and allowing them to occur without penalty will only prolong and exacerbate those impacts.”



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STATE CAPITAL  
HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

## Prominent local legislators named to important redistricting panel

**Lieutenant governor names members to redistricting panel**  
AUSTIN — Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick on June 28 released the names of his appointees to the Texas Legislature’s 2021 Redistricting Committee.

Patrick, who presides over the 31-member state Senate, named Sen. Joan Huffman, R-Houston, as chair of the committee, and Sen. Juan “Chuy” Hinojosa, D-McAllen, as vice chair. He also named 13 more Senate members to the committee, including Sens. Carol Alvarado, D-Houston; Paul Bettencourt, R-Houston; Dawn Buckingham, R-Lakeway; Donna Campbell, R-New Braunfels; Pete Flores, R-Pleasanton; Kelly Hancock, R-North Richland Hills; Bryan Hughes, R-Mineola; Eddie Lucio Jr., D-Brownsville; Jose Menendez, D-San Antonio; Robert Nichols, R-Jacksonville; Angela Paxton, R-McKinney; Charles Perry, R-Lubbock; Kirk Watson, D-Austin; Royce West, D-Dallas; and John Whitmire, D-Houston.

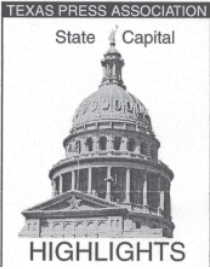
In January, Texas House Speaker Dennis Bonnen, R-Angleton, named 15 members to the House Redistricting Committee, with jurisdiction that includes preparations for the redistricting process. Those members include: Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, chair; Rep. Chris Turner, D-Grand Prairie, vice chair; and Reps. Sheryl Cole, D-Austin; Matt Krause, R-Fort Worth; Lyle Larson, R-San Antonio; Jeff Leach, R-Plano; Ben Leman, R-Brenham; Ina Minjarez, D-San Antonio; Joe Moody, D-El Paso; Chris Paddie, R-Marshall; “Four” Price, R-Amarillo; Toni Rose, D-Dallas; Senfronia Thompson, D-Houston; Armando Walle, D-Houston; and James White, R-Hillister.

Patrick and Bonnen have not set a date or dates for the committees to meet jointly or separately.

### New census will be key

When the redistricting work begins, committee members will use population figures from the yet-to-be conducted 2020 decennial U.S. Census to redraw the boundaries of U.S. congressional districts and Texas House and Senate districts.

Article III, Section



28, of the Texas Constitution requires the Legislature to complete the redistricting job at its first regular session after publication of the federal decennial census.

If the Legislature fails to adopt a redistricting plan by the end of the 2021 legislative session, a Legislative Redistricting Board consisting of the lieutenant governor, comptroller, House speaker, attorney general and land commissioner, shall convene within 90 days of adjournment and adopt a plan within 60 days.

In addition to redrawing Texas House, Texas Senate and U.S. congressional districts, the Legislature also is required to review the 15 State Board of Education districts for any necessary redrawing of district boundaries.

### SCOTUS ruling in play

As Texas’ bipartisan 2021 Redistricting Committee goes about its work, a U.S. Supreme Court ruling released June 25 is sure to stimulate discussion during the process.

In the ruling, Chief Justice John Roberts, in writing the majority opinion, remarked that federal courts are unable to decide cases of partisan gerrymandering.

“We conclude that partisan gerrymandering claims present political questions beyond the reach of the federal courts. Federal judges have no license to reallocate political power between two major political parties, with no plausible grant of authority in the Constitution, and no legal standards to limit and direct their decisions,” Roberts wrote.

So, with the U.S. Supreme Court and lower federal courts no longer the court of last resort for plaintiffs with voting rights appeals based on allegations of partisan

gerrymandering, the weight of the job of the redistricting committee increases.

### Solicitor general testifies

In other news related to redistricting and voting, Texas Solicitor General Kyle Hawkins on June 25 testified in Washington, D.C., before the U.S. House Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties.

The panel heard testimony on continuing constitutional problems with the U.S. Voting Rights Act since the U.S. Supreme Court’s landmark 2013 ruling in a case alleging racial gerrymandering. The high court’s ruling in the case, Shelby County (Alabama) v. Holder, struck down a provision in the act that required Texas and certain other states to seek preclearance from the U.S. Justice Department or a federal court before making changes to voting laws.

In concluding his testimony, Hawkins said, “As Congress revisits the Voting Rights Act, it must adhere to the constitutional principles the Supreme Court articulated in Shelby County that limit the power of the federal government to impede on fundamental principles of federalism and disturb the coequal sovereignty of the states.”

### Revenue total comes in

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on July 2 announced state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.86 billion in June, an amount 3.3 percent more than the amount reported for the month of June 2018.

Also, total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in June 2019 was up 5.1 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections, Hegar said.

## Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee Conducts Oversight and Inspects Facilities Used to Detain Migrants at the Southern Border in Clint and El Paso and a Border House in Mexico

Houston, TX – The accounts and images emanating from our southern border are horrific and unbecoming of a country regarded as the last best hope of the world. Indeed, these experiences were relayed in shocking and graphic terms in a recent report of the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security, which found that migrants are being held in dangerous conditions in overcrowded facilities. The conditions have become so dire that, according to a new report, the situation is described as a “ticking time bomb” that merits our immediate action. For example, official reports have found that 51 women were being held in a facility designed to house 40 juveniles. Meanwhile, 71 men are held in a cell designated for 41 men. Indeed certain cells are so crowded that some migrants are being forced to stand for days at a time. Some migrants are standing on toilets to secure breathing room. Meanwhile, the toll on the youngest migrants is compelling. Some children 7 and under have been in facilities for upwards of two weeks and more, and some children are forced to wear soiled clothes. Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, a senior member of the House Committee on Homeland Security and a former Chair of the Border & Maritime Subcommittee will travel to these facilities on an official visit of the Homeland Security Committee to assess the situation and gather information, pursuant to her oversight responsibilities as a member of the United States Congress.

**WHO:** Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-18) together with the House Committee on Homeland Security

**WHAT:** Oversight Inspections of Facilities Used to House Migrants

**WHEN:** Monday, July 8, 2019

**WHERE:** Location 1: 13400 Alameda Ave, Clint, TX 79836- Press Availability at 9:30am

Location 2: 9201 Gateway South Blvd, El Paso, TX, 79924 – Time to be announced.

Location 3: Details to be announced

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Sheila Jackson Lee, a Democrat representing the 18th Congressional District of Texas, is a senior member of the House Committees on Judiciary, Homeland Security and the Budget

2019 Kids2gether SUMMER PROGRAM

May Community Center’s Kids2gether is open to children of all ages, and advance registration is required for each program. A \$3 per child suggested donation for each program helps defray the cost of supplies and entertainment. Please note: All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. To register call 713-274-2434.

**Yellow Rose Cloggers**  
Tuesday, June 11 at 11 a.m.  
Get those toes ready to tap and put a spring in your step as the Yellow Rose Cloggers come to entertain you with clogging and some great music to dance to! Lunch and a craft will be provided.

**Pet Education Day**  
Tuesday, June 18 at 11 a.m.  
This will be a fun educational class on animal safety and bite prevention. Responsible ownership, how rabies are transmitted and any questions you have about encountering a stray animal! Lunch and craft will follow!

**Dance Party**  
Tuesday, June 25 at 11 a.m.  
Get ready to boogie to the beat and put a stomp in your step and dance till you put a smile on your face!! Fun! Fun! Fun! Lunch and craft will be provided!

**Shark Party**  
Tuesday, July 9 at 11 a.m.  
Come and watch some interesting facts about those mysterious creatures of the sea! Sharks can be so much fun to learn about. Lunch and craft will be provided.

**Old School Game Day**  
Tuesday, July 16 at 11 a.m.  
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BERNICE JOYCE LEISSNER

Bernice Joyce Leissner, 99, of Highlands, Texas, passed away on Friday, June 28, 2019. She was born on January 5, 1920 in Lake Charles, Louisiana to Alexander Hohensee and Kate Goodman Hohensee. She enjoyed all of her children's activities, reading, sewing, and crafts. She was a volunteer for Churches United In Caring for many years until she was no longer able to go. Bernice was a kind and caring woman who will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Milton Leissner; son, Jon Leissner; parents, Alexander and Kate Hohensee; siblings, Yva Lee Addison, Warner Hohensee, Windol Hohensee, Bobby Hohensee, and Wayne Hohensee.

She is survived by her children, Judith Simpson and husband Allen, Tommy Leissner and wife Nancy, Becky Lamb and husband Larry, and Bonnie James; daughter-in-law, Linda Leissner; grandchildren, Shannon O'Neal and husband T.L., Clay Leissner, Tonya Blankenship and husband Danny, Dorci Hill and husband Rex, Kristi Schwartz and husband David, Troy Simpson and wife Brooke, and Michelle Hernandez and husband Pedro; great-grandchildren, Karli, Kyle, Kylee, Lillian, Nike, Callen, and Emma; and a host of extended family and friends.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at 10:00am, followed by a Celebration of Bernice's Life at 11:00am at 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church of Crosby, 615 Runneburg Rd., Crosby, TX 77532. Arrangements have been entrusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home, 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd., Highlands, TX 77562.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church of Crosby, 615 Runneburg Rd., Crosby, TX 77532, 281-328-2564.

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OBITUARIES

NITA WILKINSON

Nita Wilkinson, age 77, of Highlands, Texas, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, June 22, 2019 at San Jacinto Methodist Hospital, Baytown, TX. She had a severe hemorrhagic stroke resulting in her remaining in a coma until her passing.

Nita Wilkinson was born in Houston, Texas, on October 3, 1941 to Percy Theodore Wilkinson and Eva Juanita Faulk Wilkinson. She loved archaeology, history, reading, traveling, teaching, singing, and being with friends and family. Nita could be considered strong-willed at times, only because of her deep Christian love and devotion to all; but, she was also a kind, loving and caring person, and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Nita graduated in 1960 from Reagan High School, Houston, Texas; she went on to receive a Bachelors of Arts Degree from Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, and is a proud member of the SHSU alumni. She attended Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, for a year where she majored in Archaeology, and was a founding member of the Baptist Student Union at BYU. She also founded the Girls' Auxiliary at the Southern Baptist church in Provo during that time.

Following college, Nita was hired by Exxon as a secretary, and later moved on to work for Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation for an additional 18 years. She was an active member and held offices in the Desk & Derrick Club of Houston, a petroleum club for women in the industry. After an early retirement from Texas Eastern, she began teaching school in the Baytown, Texas, area until retirement.

Nita was faithful and dedicated to her Lord as an active member in her church, First Baptist Highlands, Highlands, Texas. She also enjoyed her memberships and activities in the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, both in the former Highlands David Huffman Chapter-DRT, and then the Houston Miss Ima Hogg Chapter-DRT. She held offices in both DRT chapters. In addition, she was a member of the Texas Archaeological Society and participated in several archaeological digs. She also enjoyed her years and held offices in the Highlands Book Club Review; she was a former Pilot Club member; and a long-time member of the Women of the World Fraternity.

Ms. Wilkinson is preceded in death by her parents; and her former brother-in-law George Mack Archer. She is survived



by her brother Robert Theodore (Ted) Wilkinson and wife Janis; her sister Alice Juanice Wilkinson Archer Burroughs and husband Gary; nephew Mark Jones and wife Bettina; nieces: Melody Jones Krapf and domestic partner Sherri Vlach; Chrystal Rae Jones Almeida and former husband Victor; Barbie Archer-Burroughs Wallace and husband Matt; April Wilkinson Maestas and former husband Ernie; and Debbie Archer-Burroughs Grothe and husband Jimmy Lee; great-nephews: Trent Grothe; Victor Almeida, Driston Grothe and wife Shea; and Jacob Maestas; great-nieces: Jana Birckbichler and husband Brian; Kimberly Krapf Thompson and husband Joe; Ambyr Wallace; Alexus Wallace; Christina Almeida; Amanda Maestas; Jessyka Little and husband Jake; Chrystal Brush and husband Tyler; great-great nieces: Alexandra Krapf Thompson; Margaret Krapf Thompson; Jazmineann Robinson; Syrenitee Brush; Amelia Birckbichler; and Carter Stark. She is also survived by other relatives and many friends.

A visitation for family and friends will be held at Sterling-White Funeral Home, 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd., Highlands, TX, on Saturday, July 6, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. followed by Funeral Services in Sterling-White Funeral Home. Interment will be in Sterling-White Cemetery; and arrangements are entrusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home, 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd., Highlands, TX 77562. To offer condolences to the family, please visit [www.sterlingwhite.com](http://www.sterlingwhite.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to First Baptist Highlands, 210 N. Magnolia, Highlands, TX 77562 or online at [www.firstbaptisthighlands.org/online-giving](http://www.firstbaptisthighlands.org/online-giving).

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JOSEPH LELAND FORBUS

Joseph "Joe" Leland Forbus, 83, passed away July 5, 2019, at his new home in Denton, Texas. Joe was born on June 14, 1936, in Henderson, Texas to parents Z. O. and Marie Forbus. He was a devoted Christian; teaching Sunday school throughout his life beginning at age 17, he was a Deacon Emeritus at Uvalde Baptist Church where he was a long-time member, a Gideon International member, as well as being an ordained Baptist minister.

After a brief courtship, Joe married Jerry (Keaster) on December 9, 1955, in Jacinto City. In the summer of 1965, they moved to North Shore where they lived and raised their family for 54 years. He was an active member of the labor unions during his career, including OCAW Local 4365, before his retirement from both Armc Steel and Shell Oil. Joe was an avid reader who enjoyed Biblical research, writing of Sunday School lessons and treatises on Biblical subjects. He also enjoyed carpentry and D.I.Y. repair. He was a dedicated "yellow dog Democrat" and proudly represented the Democratic party at the State Conventions.

Joe is survived by his wife of 63 years, Jerry N. Forbus; children, David Lee Forbus, Lorre Fann (with husband Lloyd), Paul Mark Forbus; sisters, Livine Jimenez, Alice Sullivan; grandchild, JoAnna (with husband Charles Ashlock); great-grandson, Clayton Kyle Ashlock; numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and many dear friends. Funeral services will be held at 12 noon Tuesday, July 9, 2019, with friends, welcome at 11:00 a.m. for visitation, at Uvalde Baptist Church, 901 Uvalde Rd., Houston, Texas 77015. Graveside services will immediately follow at Earthman Memory Gardens Cemetery in Baytown, Texas under the direction of Carter-Conley Funeral Home.

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UTLX Manufacturing LLC, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for: Amendment of Permit 5566

This application would authorize modification of a Railroad Tank Car Coating Operations located at 16923 Beaumont Highway 90, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77049. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.



# ASK THE EXPERT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

By Charlotte Jackson

## 07/13/2019 MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID CERTIFICATION TRAINING

Sometimes, first aid isn't a bandage, CPR, or Heimlich or calling 911...Sometimes first aid it YOU! Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training teaches you how to identify signs of mental health distress, or substance use issues in your community. It will help you understand people's challenges or crises and show you how to respond effectively. This **free** training is scheduled for Saturday, July 13 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. The event will be held at Jeans & Jewels Institute located at 12655 Woodforest Blvd., Suite 701, Houston 77015. For more information, please contact 832-951-4204 or [HYPERLINK "mailto:info@jjinstitute.org"](mailto:info@jjinstitute.org)info@jjinstitute.org

## 07/18/2019 EAST HOUSTON DEMOCRATS MONTHLY MEETING

Join East Houston Democrats for their monthly membership meeting with special guest Harris County Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia as he shares about current issues within the area and plans for upcoming projects. The meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the Milton Lusk Youth Activity Center, located at 1022 Mercury Drive.

## 07/20/2019 YOUNG MAN OF VALOR

A Day for Discussion, A day for Acceptance and A Day for Change. Young men from age 11 to 36 are invited to attend a **FREE** Conference presented by Internal Hope Fellowship Church. The event will be hosted at Spirit of Life Ministries, located at 385 Maxey Road, Houston 7013. Registration and Breakfast will begin at 8 a.m. and the Conference will continue to 2:30 p.m. Lunch is included.

Young Men of Valor, is a one-day event to bring together teen boys and young adult men in Houston and surrounding areas, from different walks of life to give answers and to impart biblical truths regarding many pertinent issues they face today. The program format includes gifted teachers, musicians, food and age-appropriate group interactions. Each year the attendees overwhelmingly ask for Young Men of Valor to continue. The young men appreciate having mature men of wisdom and integrity take the time to listen to them, talk with them and share their wisdom as they journey through life. For more information, please contact Pastor George Burrell, St. at (281) 543-4268 or visit [HYPERLINK "http://www.internalhope.org/"](http://www.internalhope.org/) \t "blank"www.internalhope.org

ASK DIAMOND JIM

## Diamond Jim: “What is Sapphire?”



Sapphire is a gemstone variety of the mineral corundum, an aluminum oxide. It is typically blue in color, but natural “fancy” sapphires also occur in yellow, purple, orange, and green colors; “part-sapphires” show two or more colors. The only color which sapphire cannot be is red - as red colored corundum is called ruby, another corundum variety.

Trace amounts of elements such as iron, titanium, chromium, copper, or magnesium present during formation are responsible for the color of a sapphire. Commonly, natural sapphires are cut and polished into gemstones and worn in jewelry. They also may be created synthetically in laboratories for industrial or decorative purposes in large crystal boules.

Because of the remarkable hardness of sapphires – 9 on the Mohs scale (the third hardest mineral, after diamond at 10 and moissanite at 9.5) – sapphires are also used in some non-ornamental applications, such as infrared optical components, high-durability windows, and wrist-watch crystals / movement bearings.Sapphire is the birthstone for September and the gem of the 45th anniversary. Sapphire is one of the three gem-varieties of corundum, the other two being ruby (defined as corundum in a shade of red) and padparadscha (a pinkish orange variety). Although blue is the best-known sapphire color, they occur in other colors, including gray and black, and they can be colorless.

Significant sapphire deposits are found in Eastern Australia, Thailand, Sri Lanka, China (Shandong), Madagascar, East Africa, and in North America in a few locations, mostly in Montana. Sapphire and rubies are often found in the same geological setting. Every sapphire mine produces a wide range of quality - and origin is not a guarantee of quality. For sapphire, Kashmir receives the highest premium although Burma, Sri Lanka, and Madagascar also produce large quantities of fine quality gems. The cost of natural sapphires varies depending on their color, clarity, size, cut, and overall quality.

Color in gemstones breaks down into three components: hue, saturation, and tone. Hue is most commonly understood as the “color” of the gemstone. Saturation refers to the vividness or brightness of the hue, and tone is the lightness to darkness of the hue. Blue sapphire exists in various mixtures of its primary (blue) and secondary hues, various tonal levels (shades) and at various levels of saturation (vividness).

Blue sapphires are evaluated based upon the purity of their primary hue. Purple, violet, and green are the most common secondary hues found in blue sapphires. Violet and purple can contribute to the overall beauty of the color, while green is considered to be distinctly negative. Blue sapphires with up to 15% violet or purple are generally said to be of fine quality. Gray is the normal saturation modifier or mask found in blue sapphires. Gray reduces the saturation or brightness of the hue, and therefore has a distinctly negative effect.

The color of fine blue sapphires may be described as a vivid medium dark violet to purplish blue where the primary blue hue is at least 85% and the secondary hue no more than 15%, without the least admixture of a green secondary hue or a gray mask.

The 423-carat (84.6 g) Logan sapphire in the National Museum of Natural History, in Washington, D.C., is one of the largest faceted gem-quality blue sapphires in existence.

Sapphires of other colors

Sapphires in colors other than blue are called “fancy sapphires” or “parti-colored” sapphires. Fancy sapphires are often found in yellow, orange, green sapphires, brown, purple and violet hues.

Parti-colored sapphires are those stones which exhibit two or more colors within a single stone. Australia is the largest source of parti-colored sapphires – however they are not commonly used in mainstream jewelry and remain relatively unknown. Parti-colored sapphires cannot be created synthetically and only occur naturally. Colorless sapphires are sometimes used as diamond substitutes in jewelry.

Pink sapphires occur in shades from light to dark pink, and deepen in color as the quantity of chromium increases. The deeper the pink color the higher their monetary value. In the United States, a minimum color saturation must be met to be called a ruby, otherwise the stone is referred to as a pink sapphire.

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CHARLOTTE'S WEB

## Appreciate the Community

One day last month, I noticed two ladies picked up trash along the esplanades between Woodforest and Wallisville on Uvalde Road. The next day, I saw them again, but on Woodforest between Uvalde and Normandy. Not only were they removing all of the plastic signs but picking up the trash that had been thrown out of passing cars. I made a mental note to find out more about who they were and why they were cleaning the landscape.

The following week, they were out there again. I noticed they get out early in the day, usually by 7 a.m. and diligently work to clean the esplanades daily. By 9 a.m. they are gone as is all of the trash. Many people do not realize it is a crime to post these plastic signs on public property. There are fines which can be issued, but more importantly, they clutter the roadways. I have seen people slowing down to copy down a number or to take a picture of the sign and almost cause a wreck.

So early on one Friday, I stopped to ask the one lady about their work. There was a language barrier but she wrote down a phone number for me to call. I had to get the assistance of a coworker to find out more. Apparently, Woodforest Civic Association has partnered with the Harris County Water District 051 to help beautify the community. The Water District is working on a lighting project, which frees up some funding so that

the Civic Association is able to hire a local landscaping company to have the esplanades cleaned weekly.

In addition, if you traveled around Woodforest on July 4<sup>th</sup>, you most likely noticed the large beautiful American flags which had been strategically placed along the entrances of the Woodforest subdivision. Even though several of these flags came up missing, Woodforest resident David Pope had spent the money to purchase the flags as well as the time and energy to display them to help beautiful the area. David is no stranger to most of us in the North Channel Area, as each year he decorates his home on Duncannon for a Winter Wonderland with Santa's Airport. Literally thousands of neighbors drive by, take pictures and most importantly, make memories. He does this on his own as a way of giving back to the community he loves. For those wanting to purchase a picture of their children with Santa, a nominal fee is charged but it barely covers the cost of the toys Santa gives away much less the cost of the electricity. Yet David does this out of love for his neighbors.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS


Notice is hereby given that Original Letters of Administration for Docket No. 475192; Estate of JAMES JOSEPH MCCONNON Deceased; In Probate Court No. 1, of Harris County, Texas, Deceased, were issued on June 13, 2019.

JANNINE E. MCCONNON

The residence address of the administrator is in Harris County, Texas. The mailing address is:

c/o Weston Cotten 1500 E. Wallisville Rd. Highlands, TX 77562

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this June 26, 2019

  
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Attorney for the Estate

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Notice is hereby given that Original Letters of Administration for Docket No. 475568; Estate of MARK THOMAS PRICE Deceased; In Probate Court No. 3, of Harris County, Texas, Deceased, were issued on July 1, 2019.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER

NEW

PERMIT NO. WQ0015028002

**APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION.** Chaparral Industrial Services LLC, 8216 Miller Road 3, Houston, Texas 77049, an industrial painting and coating services provider, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for new Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0015028002, to authorize the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 5,000 gallons per day. The facility was previously permitted under TPDES Permit No. WQ0015028001, which expired on May 1, 2018. TCEQ received this application on January 8, 2019.

The facility will be located at 8216 Miller Road 3, in Harris County, Texas 77049. The treated effluent will be discharged to a roadside ditch, thence to Harris County Flood Control District ditch N119-00-00, thence to Carpenters Bayou, thence to Carpenters Bayou of the Houston Ship Channel Tidal in Segment No. 1006 of the San Jacinto River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are minimal aquatic life use for the roadside ditch and limited aquatic life use for Harris County Flood Control District ditch N119-00-00 and Carpenters Bayou (upstream of Wallisville Road). The designated uses for Segment No. 1006 are navigation and industrial water supply. In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code §307.5 and the TCEQ's *Procedures to Implement the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards* (June 2010), an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. A Tier 2 review is not required since no exceptional, high, or intermediate aquatic life use water bodies have been identified in the discharge route. Existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.845935&lng=-95.158875&zoom=13&type=r>

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at North Channel Library, 15741 Wallisville Road, Houston, Texas.

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html) within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.**

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.** For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid). Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html), or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep). Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Chaparral Industrial Services LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. James E. Hebert, Chaparral Industrial Services LLC, at 832-871-4260.

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT  
AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBER: 5566

**APPLICATION** UTLX Manufacturing LLC, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for: Amendment of Permit 5566

This application would authorize modification of the Railroad Tank Car Coating Operations located at 16923 Beaumont Highway 90, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77049. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.867222&lng=-95.143055&zoom=13&type=r> The facility will emit the following contaminants: carbon monoxide, exempt solvents, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less and sulfur dioxide.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on June 21, 2019. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Houston regional office, and the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 9419 Lamkin Houston, Harris County, Harris County, Texas beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Houston regional office of the TCEQ.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING** You may submit public comments, or request a public meeting or a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all public comments.

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

After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision for an Air Quality Permit will then be published and mailed to those who made comments, submitted hearing requests or are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues submitted during the public comment period and not withdrawn. The deadline to submit a request for a contested case hearing is 30 days after newspaper notice is published. If a request is timely filed, the deadline for requesting a contested case hearing will be extended to 30 days after the mailing of the response to comments.

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

If a hearing request is timely filed, following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

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

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at [www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/](http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/), or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from UTLX Manufacturing LLC, 16923 Old Beaumont Highway 90, Houston, Texas 77049-1050 or by calling Mr. Trinity Deville, Union Tank Car Company at (318) 449-8242.

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# Truck plunges into San Jacinto River,

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RESCUE WORKERS evaluate the situation on Thursday, as they decide how to find the missing truck drive and remove the trailer of the 18-wheeler. The cab of the truck is completely under water and not seen in this view. Also note the red buoys marking the limits of the Waste Pits Superfund site, which is the land at the bottom of the photo.



ANOTHER TRUCK ACCIDENT is seen in this view, of an 18-wheeler that went over the side of the I-610 East Loop bridge over the Houston Ship Channel. The top of the arrow marks where the truck broke through the rail after swerving after hitting a car that cut in front of him. The bottom of the arrow shows where the truck landed on top of a chemical building at Huntsman Chemical, 150 below the bridge. The driver of the rig died pinned in his cab, as rescue workers tried to extract him.

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bound lanes of the bridge after being side-swiped by another 18-wheeler that did not stop. A deputy had come upon the scene, and was just getting the information when the second 18-wheeler struck the stopped car and plummeted over the rail into the river below.

The truck's cab and trailer were submerged under water, and authorities called on divers to search the waters for the missing truck driver. The HCSO Marine Unit, HazMat team, firefighters from Highlands and Crosby, and the Coast Guard helped in the search. Due to the muddy water and the restrictions caused by proximity to the Waste Pits Superfund site, the driver was not found until Friday, in the cab of the

semi. He was identified by family as Steve Martinez, 60, of San Antonio.

Sheriff Gonzalez said the cab was buried in mud up to the windshield, and divers could not maneuver in the remaining space, and also had to keep wearing protective gear because of the nearby toxic waste pit material.

After finding the driver, authorities turned to the task of removing the truck from the river. They decided it could not be done from land, and secured a salvage barge from Galveston with a heavy-lift crane for the work.

By Saturday afternoon the salvage work was completed, the truck was lifted from the river in three parts, and the scene had returned to a quiet state.

The location of this accident was just on the other side of the river channel

from an accident that occurred in May, when an 18-wheeler struck the side of a car in the westbound lanes of the bridge as it was changing lanes. The collision sent the auto over the railing and through a gap between the east-bound and westbound lanes. The car landed on its roof on the riverbank, and a 4 year old child, Andrea Salas, was killed. She was not in a seat belt, authorities believe. Her parents did survive the fall with only minor injuries. The family was from Honduras, and in this country only a short time.

Authorities cautioned that these accidents occurred from excessive speed, unsafe distance between vehicles, unsafe lane changes, and distractions while driving.

# Boat crashes into bulkhead, one dead

CHANNELVIEW – Authorities were able to end their search for a missing boater Tuesday morning, when they discovered the body of a man thought to be Luis Gonzalez, 33.

Sunday night about 7:30 pm a motorboat travelling at a high rate of speed on the San Jacinto River, near Rio Villa, crashed into a bulkhead, crumpling the boat and seriously injuring two people on the boat, with the third person thrown overboard and declared missing.

Authorities reported that Galan Ruiz was transported by LifeFlight to a hospital with severe leg injuries, and Michelle Huff was transported to a hospital with lacerations, a broken leg, and internal injuries.

Sheriff's Deputies and Texas Parks and Wildlife



MOTORBOAT with front end mangled.

deputies said that the boat had a number of beer cans inside and nearby in the water. Ruiz had a blood alcohol content of .093 and was the operator of the boat. He was allegedly drunk, and has now been charged with felony murder. The accident occurred near 18908 Sandbridge

Court and Rio Villa Drive, in Channelview. After the crash, neighbors came to help the injured boaters, and are credited with saving their lives.

The investigation is continuing, and is under the direction of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

# Expansion of Park,

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that could be served by this park.

Garcia noted that the new park could revitalize the East Aldine area, and add value to the surrounding community. He has budgeted \$4 million dollars for the park development, but hopes with matching grants and other sources to expand the work to as much as \$8 million.

Also making the presentation were Reynaldo Guerra, who is director of Capital Projects for Precinct 2, and landscape architect Tara Klein, of the firm Four&One.

Klein explained some of the features of the park design, including automobile access from the US59 frontage road, special recreational equipment designed for persons with disabilities or limited mobility, improvements to the existing equipment and park elements, and the promotion of the park as a county "Destination" Park.

Klein and Garcia emphasized that the park is in the early design stages, and encouraged residents to give the team input on their desires and needs. Questionnaires were distributed, but there is also a website to submit your thoughts, at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8TFDKN2>.

Questions on the survey include whether you support improving Driver Park; how you get to the park; where you are coming from; your age group; do you have a disability yourself or someone close;



Pct. 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia speaks at the Northeast Community Center on Tuesday, June 25 as area residents put their ideas on the paper idea board behind Garcia.

how often do you go to Driver Park; which area of the park needs improvement; which activities do you use the most; which activities do you use the least; what type of amenities do you want to add to the park.

Amenities that were suggested for the park include a playground, splash pad, driveway improvements, walking and bike trails, fitness stations, pavilion for community events, open lawn, art and sculpture, and restrooms.–

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