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## CHANNEL CURRENTS

### Community Pep Rally

It is time to get together and celebrate the State Championship North Shore Mustangs on Saturday, February 1. The Community Pep Rally will be held at 3 p.m. at the Galena Park ISD Football Stadium and the event is open to everyone. This will be a celebration to recognize the hard work and diligence of all who worked together to bring home Back2Back State Championships.

### North Channel Chamber Monthly Luncheon

Friday, February 7, 2020, 11:30 a.m. at San Jacinto College North, 5800 Uvalde Rd., Houston, TX 77049. Speaker: Ana Arredondo, U.S. Census Bureau.

### Galena Park ISD to report on District's Academic Performance

The Galena Park Independent School District (GPISD) Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the District's 2018-2019 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR).

The Public Hearing to discuss the TAPR will include campus performance objectives and the progress toward those objectives, district accreditation status, each campus awarded a distinction designation, the district's current information on violent or criminal incidents and prevention and intervention policies, and information on the performance of the previous year's graduates in their first year of college.

The Public Hearing will be held on February 10, 2020 at 5:50 p.m. at the Galena Park I.S.D. Administration Building, located at 14705 Woodforest Blvd., Houston, Texas 77015.

## Sheldon FFA holds successful show

SHELDON – The C. E. King High School FFA held their Annual Livestock Show and Sale last Saturday, Jan. 18. Students exhibited a total of 41 animals, and bidding from Buyers was lively. The event was held at the Agriculture barn on Old US90, the Beaumont Highway.

According to FFA adviser Robyn Jones, the bids totalled \$32,650 and after add-ons the show raised a total of \$44,120 for the students, who use the money for scholarships and costs of raising the animals.

Jones said the high volume bidders were Shy Girls Saloon and Alfonso Trevino, tied for the top spot among the buyers.

The Grand Champion Steer was exhibited by Samantha Doerr, and it was



Samantha Doerr wrangles the Grand Champion Steer as the judges look it over.

purchased by Rotating Equipment for \$2600.

Other Grand Champions were GC Swine, exhibited by Kaitlyn Staten and purchased by Turner Chevrolet for \$1000; GC Lamb, exhibited by Samantha Doerr and purchased by Rotating Equipment for \$500; GC Goat, exhibited by Haley Jones and purchased by Courtesy Roofing for \$525; GC Rabbits, exhibited by Jenna Semien and purchased by Robert & Sandra Fletcher for \$350; GC Broilers, exhibited by Roger Davis and purchased by Terrox Construction for \$725.

A complete listing of exhibitors, and photos of the Grand Champions and Reserve Champions will be published in the *North Channel Star* next week.

## North Shore Mustangs defeat Channelview Falcons 55-26

By Allan Jamail

Channelview, TX January 24, 2020 at the Channelview Falcons basketball court the visiting North Shore Mustangs easily defeated them 55 – 26. However after the first two quarters the Falcons kept within reach only 9 points behind.

Coach Sam Benitiz after seeing his Mustang team having a comfortable lead began putting in his bench to get those players more experience and to rest his starters. In the final two quarters and at game's end they ended up 29 points ahead.

Two previous games the Mustangs played that have not been reported on by the North Channel Star were against Beaumont Westbrook on January 17th that they won 54 to 51 in a double overtime game. And to Beaumont United on January 21st, they lost by 3 points, 43 to 40.

FIRST PHOTO: The game's leading scorer #2 Kose Egbule Mustang guard outruns Falcon defenders for a 2 point layup shot.

SECOND PHOTO: The game's 2nd highest scorer #22 Jakari Marshall out-leaps Falcon defenders for a score.

Photos by Allan Jamail



## Raffle tickets available for this Saturday's Chili Feast



Rotary club president Sheila McDonald and Chili Feast chairman Andy Scott remind the community that a few tickets are still available for Saturday's Chili Feast and Raffle at St. Jude's church hall. Andy says that two are better than one for increasing your odds to win that Chevy SUV behind them, or a Colorado pickup or Camaro. The public is invited for a great bowl of chili, live and silent auction items, and a chance to win 1 of 16 great prizes, including the new auto or truck. You can get tickets from any Rotarian or local business, or call 281-426-3558. A few \$7 lunch and \$100 raffle tickets are available at the door, but often sell out early.

## “STOP THE BLEED” program presented at Rotary

North Shore Rotarians at their luncheon last week learned about an important program used in the Galena Park schools, called “Stop the Bleed.”

Bryan Clements, the police chief of the Galena Park ISD and a Rotarian, explained the theory and techniques behind the life-saving program. After a serious wound, inflicted by accident, gunshot, or other event, he explained that it is important to help stop bleeding until medical responders can arrive. He said what happens in the first 5 minutes can make the difference in whether a life can be saved.

Clements said that the Texas legislature passed a law in their last session, that requires a “bleeding control station” in schools, plus training of personnel to use the blood stop kits.

With the help of the North Channel EMS, all GPISD schools north of I-



Bryan Clements speaks on the “Stop the Bleed” program.



North Shore Rotarian Derrill Painter practices placing a tourniquet on Highlands Rotarian Weston Cotten.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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**Highlands  
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## Board Recognition Month



*Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman*

Dr. Randal O'Brien (third from left), Goose Creek CISD superintendent, joins board members (from left) Agustin Loreda III, president; Richard Clem; Tiffany Guy; Shae Cottar; Jessica Woods, vice president; Ben Pape, secretary and Howard Sampson, assistant secretary, in putting on their space helmets in keeping with the 2020 School Board Recognition Month theme, "Launching the Next Generation."

Governor Greg Abbott declared January 2020 School Board Recognition Month to honor the more than 7,200 locally elected trustees from the 1,025 districts in Texas. Goose Creek CISD honored the seven members of the Goose Creek CISD board of trustees at a recent meeting, using the statewide theme, "Launching the Next Generation."

"Our board members are volunteers who shoulder critical responsibilities and make difficult decisions for our district. This year our board of trustees is more focused on the future success of the children in our district than ever before," Dr. Randal O'Brien said. "Although we certainly appreciate all they do for our students, our staff and our community all year, we enjoy having a special time during a board meeting to express our appreciation to these dedicated women and men. We know they truly stand with us in 'Launching the Next Generation.'"

Providing a link between the community and the classroom, board members are elected to establish the policies that provide the framework for public schools. The Goose Creek CISD board is responsible for an annual budget of \$292,134,883, nearly 24,000 students, more than 3,000 employees and 28, soon-to-be 30 campuses. Members devote their time not only to board meetings, conferences and workshops, but also to visiting schools and attending extracurricular activities. In May 2019, after the board called for a bond election, the community approved a \$335,725,000 bond which will provide new construction for growth and equity, repairs and upgrades to aging schools, safety and security improvements, technology and athletics improvements.

The celebration for the board began with a shrimp dinner and dessert prepared by Chef Tina Andrade and her Culinary Arts students from Stuart Career Tech High School. Opening exercises included a performance by Bonnie P. Hopper Primary School students under the direction of teacher Sandy Bocox; Maria Rosas, principal; and Kurt David, assistant principal. The boardroom was decorated with posters and banners created by the campuses to honor board members, and schools posted messages to the board on their marquees. Aramark designed rocket and stars cookie bouquets, and each board member, as well as the superintendent, received a GCCISD space helmet.

Board members are Agustin Loreda III, president, District 2; Jessica Woods, vice president, District 3; Ben Pape, secretary, District 5; Howard Sampson, assistant secretary, District 1; and Richard Clem, District 4; Shae Cottar, District 7; and Tiffany Guy, District 6.

"It is even more important now that communities support public education so that today's students are prepared to be productive citizens and the leaders of tomorrow," O'Brien said. "I encourage everyone to take a moment to thank our school board members for caring about our students and for giving so much to our community."

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia's office presents Sheldon ISD board members with appreciation certificates



Thank you, Rep. Sylvia Garcia, for providing our board members with appreciation certificates as part of "School Board Recognition Month" during the Celebrations portion of last night's Sheldon ISD School Board meeting. Pictured (from left) are Devora Myles, board member; Ken Coleman, board member; Erika Martinez, board member; Angela Cormier, board secretary; Yuroba Harris, representing Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia's office; Eileen Palmer, board vice president; Latricia Archie, board president; and Dr. King Davis, Sheldon ISD Superintendent. Not pictured is Fred Rivas, board member, who showed up after the photo was taken.

Galena Park ISD Host Community Leadership Council Meeting



On January 17, the Galena Park I.S.D. (GPISD) Community Leadership Council (CLC) gathered at the GPISD Administration Building for their second meeting of the 2019-2020 school year. The leadership council had the opportunity to meet with Dr. Williams and her administrative cabinet to learn of the great things happening in the District! GPISD is extremely fortunate to have so many concerned members of this community who continue to dedicate their time for the benefit of the District's 22,000+ students. We would like to thank Congresswomen Sylvia Garcia, Representative Ana Hernandez' office, and the CLC members for attending the meeting. We look forward to future collaboration with each one of you at the next meeting!



PUBLIC DEFENDERS ARE HERE FOR YOU

Public defenders are here to protect persons charged with crimes in the Harris County courts. The Harris County Public Defender's Office was established almost 10 years ago to represent persons charged with criminal offenses in Harris County who cannot afford to pay for a lawyer. Before that time, judges only appointed and paid private attorneys. Complaints about the ethics of those financial relationships, the lack of independence, and a desire to improve the quality of representation, led Harris County Commissioners Court to create the Public Defender's Office, located in the Criminal Justice Center at 1201 Franklin, 13th Floor, Houston, TX 77002.

The office has 130 employees and is growing. Those include attorneys,

investigators, social workers and administrative staff. It is a large law firm that specializes in representing persons who are charged with crimes in Harris County, but cannot afford to hire an attorney. Statistics show that public defenders in Harris County get better outcomes for their clients than private appointed lawyers and even most hired lawyers. That means Harris County public defenders get a higher percentage of cases dismissed or clients found "not guilty."

However, there are some limits upon what public defenders are allowed to do. Public defenders cannot choose their clients and clients cannot choose them. Defendants are appointed public defenders by the courts. Most defendants are still

represented by private lawyers chosen by judges. Unless a lawyer gives you a business card that identifies them as a public defender, they are probably a private appointed attorney. The Public Defender's Office continues to grow and is gradually getting a higher percentage of the appointed criminal cases.

If you contact the Public Defender's Office about a friend or family member who is a client, the client must first give their permission for their public defender to talk to you about their case. Unless you are a client, if you contact the office for some other reason, you will only receive very general advice about the law. For more information, email pdo.info@pdo.hctx.net.

Channelview ISD January Students of the Month



Channelview ISD recently honored January Students of the Month by hosting a recognition luncheon at Ray Maddy Stadium. The Students of the Month include, top row, from left: Bri'Ana Baker (Kolarik Ninth Grade Center), Angel Campos (DeZavala Elementary), Maryellen Vallejo (Joe Frank Campbell Learning Center), Hannah Robinson (Alice Johnson Junior High), Andrea Lopez (Cobb Elementary), Delilah Flores (Anthony Aguirre Junior High), Antonio Estrada-Arriaga (Channelview High School). Front Row: Mya Martinez (Brown Elementary), Shayla Gordon (Crenshaw Elementary), Roselynn Gutierrez (Barrett-Lee Early Childhood Center), Jaiden Guillen (McMullan Elementary), Desiree Gomez (Cobb Elementary), Segundo Rodriguez (Hamblen Elementary), Kylie Williams (Schochler Elementary).

Sheldon ISD students of the month



Congratulations to our Sheldon ISD Students of the Month for January 2020! Student recipients include (in no particular order) Romina Corripio, SECA; James Wells Jr., CECA; Michael Centeno, SE; Johnneu Roberson, SLE; Massimo Carrasco, RE; Elisa Piedra, ME; Maite Zarze, GE; Brandon Sandoval, CE; Sir Randle Dynes, NMS; Jocelyn Alfaro, KMS; Kadie Ibarra-Escalera, KASE; Zulema Tamez, ECHS; and Emmanuel Ordonez, KHS.

Sheldon ISD Spelling Bee winners

Congratulations to Haley Staten of King Middle School for winning 2020 Sheldon ISD Spelling Bee. Eli Chavez, Sheldon Lake Elementary, placed second; and Luis Cano of Null Middle School finished third. Also, congratulations to all Sheldon ISD participants - as this year's event lasted 20 rounds! Staten now advances to compete in the 2020 Houston Media Spelling Bee Feb. 29 at the Baylor College of Medicine Academy at Houston ISD's Ryan Middle School.



Pictured (from left) are Haley Staten, first place winner; Eli Chavez, second place; and Luis Cano, third place.

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# Social Security Matters

by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor  
Association of Mature American Citizens

## Ask Rusty – We took benefits early; can we get more now?

**Dear Rusty:** My birth date is 1947. My wife is 1950. We both took our Social Security years ago at age 62 due to health concerns because we questioned if we would live to age 78 to equalize the extra payout if we would have waited to age 66. Taking early at 62 may have been a mistake and I am wondering if there are any options available to maximize my and/or my wife's monthly payment with a restricted application or any other available options? My gross monthly is \$946.60, and my wife's is \$543.60 before the deduction for Medicare. Together our gross monthly is about equal to the per person individual average monthly payment of \$1479. Signed: Regretful we took SS early.

**Dear Regretful:** I'm afraid the options for either you or your wife increasing your benefit at this point are extremely limited. You cannot file the restricted application you mentioned because that can only be done by someone applying for the first time (and who was born before 1/2/1954), and only by someone who has not yet reached age 70. Neither can you suspend your benefits to earn delayed retirement credits (DRCs) because DRCs are only earned up to age 70. Your wife has a very small window until she reaches 70 in March during which she could suspend her benefits, and by doing so immediately she could perhaps earn, at most, an additional 1% in DRCs (about \$5 more per month). That leaves only two other things which could increase your benefits: 1) Annual Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) granted each year depending upon inflation, and 2) returning to work and having substantial current earnings which may replace the earnings in a lower-earning year in your lifetime work record (SS uses the highest earning 35 years over your lifetime to compute your benefit amount).

If you have some years

in that 35-year history with no or very low earnings, working now could replace one or more of those years. I have no way of determining whether that is a possibility; you would need to get your lifetime earnings record from Social Security and see if that is possible by examining your earnings for each year over your lifetime. But remember, all early years of earnings are adjusted for inflation, so for example, \$10,000 earned in 1990 would be equal to about \$25,000 in today's dollars, and you'd need to earn more than the higher amount to have any effect on your benefit.

I wish I had better news for you, but the unfortunate reality is that once someone claims their Social Security, the benefit amount is quite fixed. Although it's possible to withdraw an application within 12 months of initial filing, and it's also possible to suspend benefits once FRA is reached, neither of those is available to you. And your wife only has a very short window to suspend her benefits, which will reach maximum when she reaches 70 in March. So, except for the COLA increases and returning to work options I've discussed above, I'm afraid you have no other opportunity to increase your Social Security benefit amounts.

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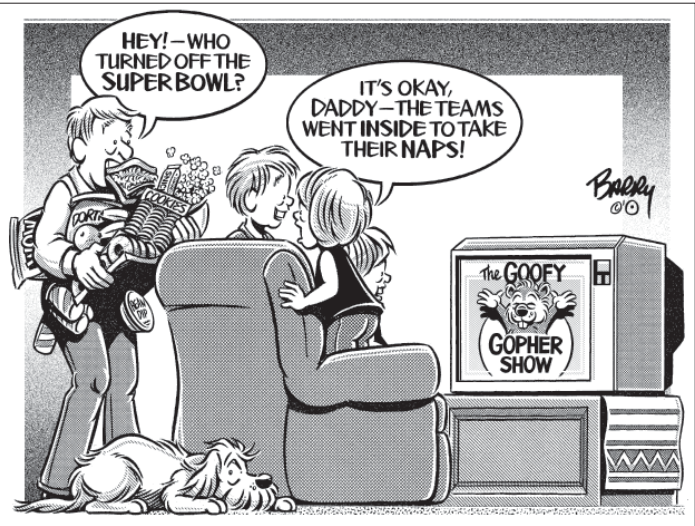
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## Governor applauds White House approval of women's health funding

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott said Jan. 22 that a Trump administration decision reestablishes the federal partnership for the Women's Health Program in Texas.

Abbott issued a statement concerning the approval of the 1115 Waiver for Healthy Texas Women:

"The Lone Star State is once again in partnership with the federal government to provide meaningful family planning and health services while fostering a culture of life. This collaboration is a symbol of our commitment to championing the lives of Texas women. I am grateful to President Trump and his administration for approving this waiver and for his commitment to protecting the unborn while providing much-needed health resources to Texas women."

According to the governor's office, "Healthy Texas Women offers family planning and women's health services to Texas women who earn less than 200% of the federal poverty limit. In 2018, HTW served approximately 173,000 Texans. While this program is currently funded with state general revenue, Texas submitted a Medicaid 1115 waiver application after President Trump took office, requesting federal matching funds for the program. The waiver had previously not been renewed under the Obama administration because Texas refused to fund abortion providers or their affiliates."

Planned Parenthood, the nation's leading provider and advocate of high-quality, affordable health care for women, men and young people, had a different view. The organization posted a news release saying the Trump administration "rewarded Texas's long-standing effort to cut off people's access to health care. The administration approved Texas' request

## STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

to implement a Medicaid family planning program that bars patients from accessing care at Planned Parenthood and other sexual and reproductive health care providers that also provide abortion. This is the first time the federal government has allowed a state to explicitly waive Medicaid's free choice of provider for family planning provision. This move upends longstanding federal law and sets a dangerous precedent for other states to pursue similar state-level measures, with grim consequences for health care access nationwide."

Data from the Austin-based Center for Public Policy Priorities estimates that nearly 45,000 fewer women received birth control, cancer screening and other services through the Healthy Texas Women program — a nearly 40 percent drop — than when Planned Parenthood participated in the program.

**Jobless rate stays low**  
The Texas Workforce Commission on Jan. 24 reported that the seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate was 3.5 percent in December, up one 10th of a percentage point from 3.4 percent in November 2019.

Although the rate of unemployment increased slightly, Texas did add 29,800 jobs over the month. TWC Chairman and Commissioner Representing the Public Bryan Daniel said, "Our current economic climate creates opportunities for our skilled workforce and success for employers. We look forward to continued growth in

our great state throughout 2020."

Regionally, the Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area recorded the lowest unemployment rate among Texas MSAs in December with a non-seasonally adjusted rate of 2.1 percent, followed by the Amarillo MSA at 2.3 and Austin-Round Rock with the third-lowest rate at 2.4 percent.

**Paxton joins in brief**  
Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Jan. 22 announced his joining 17 other states in a friend-of-the-court brief that argues for protecting fetuses with Down Syndrome from abortion based on genetics.

The brief, filed with the Cincinnati-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, seeks to reverse an Ohio federal district court ruling that "created a categorical right to abortion, regardless of whether the reason for an abortion is clearly based on discrimination against a child with disabilities," Paxton said in a news release.

**Registration is urged**  
Texas Secretary of State Ruth Hughs, the state's chief election officer, on Jan. 23 reminded Texans to make necessary preparations to vote in the upcoming March 3 party primaries.

Feb. 3 is the registration deadline.

"Being prepared is essential for Texans seeking to make their voices heard," said Hughs. "In addition to registering to vote, Texans should set aside time to ensure that they have made the necessary preparations to cast their ballot. Together, we will ensure that all eligible Texans are able to take part in shaping the direction of the Lone Star State."

As of this month, according to the Secretary of State's Elections Division, there were 16,106,984 registered voters — a new state record.

Information on how to register to vote and the voting process, such as what forms of identification may be presented when voting, is available at votetexas.gov or 1-800-252-VOTE.

**Safety training is held**  
The City of Austin, Travis County and Joint Task Force Civil Support from the U.S. Department of Defense conducted response training in Austin last week for a fictional nuclear incident.

As many as 1,000 Department of Defense personnel, 50 City of Austin and 10 Travis County staff participated in the training.

Juan Ortiz, director for the City of Austin Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, said, "We want to build the relationship with the armed forces to ensure we are prepared to respond and work together as efficiently as possible in the event of a disaster."

Events related to the exercise in Austin were conducted in Killeen and Fort Hood last week and continued into the current week.

## THE POSTSCRIPT

By Carrie Classon

## "Learning to Whistle"

My sister learned to whistle at age two.

She was precocious in other ways as well. She knew how to read by the time she started kindergarten. She demonstrated a physical dexterity I never did. She was much more talented at the piano. But it was the whistling that really got to me.

I was six when she started to whistle and I remember it clearly. She sat in her highchair at my grandparents' house and started whistling her heart out. She could see, even at two, that she was creating quite a sensation and so she continued, louder, demonstrating her newfound talent. I was sick with envy.

I don't think I have envied many people many times in my life, but I very much wanted to whistle when I was six. Like tying your shoes at five, it is a milestone. My dad whistled. My friends could whistle. Now my baby sister could whistle and everyone was over the moon. It was a low moment in my short life.

My grandmother, who I am sure was very well intentioned, did not make the situation better.

"Carrie, some people never learn how to whistle," she informed me.

I suppose this was to help me understand that I had company, that there was a great world of non-whistlers out there and I would surely find companionship with the similarly inadequate. I was not comfortable.

"Some people never learn how to whistle!" I remember repeating to myself many times over. I think this may have been the first time I was seriously confronted with the possibility that there might be something I desperately wanted to do that I would not be able to. I had parents who assured me that I would be able to do whatever I put my mind to and here I was, at six, already stopped at a major roadblock. It was very discouraging.

I could be imagining this, but it seems to me my sister sensed my dejection and whistled with even more virtuosity.

All this came to mind as I was in New York last week. I had just performed material from my columns at a conference. I was certainly a late arrival to this world. Most of the performers were at least twenty years younger than me, if not thirty, and I was every bit as nervous as the youngest of them—perhaps more so.

I had fifteen minutes to perform and, while it's hard to tell with these things, I felt I did reasonably well. Afterwards, I changed out of my sparkly costume and headed back to the hotel to watch some of the other talented people perform. It was unseasonably warm in New York for January. The sky was clear and there was an unexpectedly big moon rising over the skyscrapers. I stopped, right in the middle of Broadway and stared at this giant moon.

I suddenly realized how ridiculously lucky I was. I was doing something new. I was having fun. I might or might not be embarrassing myself but—if I was—I really did not care. I started to whistle. I was walking down Broadway whistling and I didn't care if anyone heard me. I fished my phone out of my purse and called my sister.

"Hey, Sister!" I announced without preamble, "I just wanted you to know that I couldn't whistle at two and not even at six but I actually am a halfway decent whistler now!"

My sister laughed and I told her I loved her and I kept walking and smiling and whistling.

Till next time,  
Carrie

Carrie Classon's memoir is called, "Blue Yarn." Learn more at [CarrieClasson.com](http://CarrieClasson.com).



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OBITUARIES

Angeline Annie Thompson



Angeline Annie Thompson, passed away on Thursday, January 16, 2020 in Rockwall, Texas. She was born on June 16, 1935 in Crosby, Texas to Victor Adam and Francis Ned-balek Adam. She married her high school sweetheart William Thompson in May of 1954 who preceded her in death in 1998. Angeline was a dedicated mother first and foremost. She loved her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren with “all her heart and soul” as she would always say to them every chance that she could. She lived her remaining years of life in Rockwall, Texas where she was able to be close to her family. Angie was a social butterfly loved to love on people. She had such a magnetic personality and made friends everywhere she went. She enjoyed tending to her yard and planting flowers, cooking, dancing, and signing. Her favorite snack was chocolate and a Dr. Pepper. She enjoyed fashion and shopping for anything that was made of crystal. She even had a Christmas tree that was decorated entirely of crystal ornaments and garland. Angeline was a very special woman who will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Woodrow Adam, Lawrence Adam and Victor Adam; sister Willie Mae Nemec; brother-in-law, Charles Nemec; sister, Irene May; and brother-in-laws, Keith May and Richard Maxwell.

Angeline is survived by son, Craig Thompson, daughter, Angela Horak and husband Kelly Horak;

five grandchildren, Kimberly Thompson, Logan Brewer and husband Matt Brewer, Cayson Horak, Camryn Horak, and Layne Horak; great-grandchildren, Zane and Emmerson Brewer; sister, Evelyn Woodard; sister-in-law, Judy Adam; and a host of extended family and friends.

A visitation for family and friends will be held from 5:00p.m. until 8:00p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2020 at Sterling-White Funeral Home. Services will be held at 2:00p.m. on Saturday, January 25, 2020, at Sterling-White Funeral Home with interment in Sterling-White Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd. Highlands, Texas 77562.

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Bottom Below, Captains of the Year: Miguel Najera Station 1 Captain, Warren Thompson Station 2 Captain, Jean-Luc Buchanan Station 3 Captain, Casey Ward Station 4 Captain, Jonathan Riker Station 5 Captain, Kelly Staton Training Captain

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey—

1. Is the book of Ezra in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Daniel 4, who had the vision of a tree growing higher and higher until it could be seen by everyone? Silas, Josiah, Nebuchadnezzar, Solomon

3. Which book could be summarized, "God, why don't you stop bad things from happening"? Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Malachi

4. What hour mentioned in the Bible means the last possible moment something can be done? 1st, 3rd, 11th, 12th

5. Which king of Israel set up two golden calves as gods, one in Bethel, the other in Dan? Zimri, Jeroboam, Baasha, Ahaziah

6. From Judges 6, where did Gideon encounter an angel? Prison, Oak Tree, Temple, Well

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Nebuchadnezzar; 3) Habakkuk; 4) 11th; 5) Jeroboam; 6) Oak Tree

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CHARLOTTE'S WEB



## Impacting Lives

In October 1971 my family moved to North Shore and it did not take long to realize that there were some special people in the community. Among those we met that first year were Jim and JoAnn Fonteno. Their love for people as well as for the community seemed to be a gift they gave to those they met. Among the lives they touched was Mike Parrott.

For 18 years Parrott served as Superintendent of the Parks for Harris County Commissioner Precinct Two and no doubt in those years, Fonteno served not only as his supervisor, but as a mentor. Parrott went on to be elected in 1993 to serve as Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Place 1. During his time in office, he was actively involved in mentoring and motivating young students to pursue a higher education, yet his impact was much greater. He wanted every person he came in contact with to know their unique value. He implemented a Teen Court Program for area students to understand the various positions in which they could find lifelong employment. He stayed involved in the community serving on numerous nonprofit boards as well as being involved with the local Chambers of Commerce, Rotary Clubs and many other groups.

Yet in spite of how much he loved the community, he found

plenty of time for his family and for splitting time between the golf course and the softball field. Many a young person watched as he was there to support his son John as well as daughter Michael for practices as well as tournaments. In more recent years, he and his wife Deby have been able to spend much time with their grandchildren. And every time you see them, they are still impacting lives.

I love to hear young adults, perhaps in their mid-thirties and early forties talk about how they learned from the Parrott family. They have set a standard of being involved and still having the time to impact their own family first.

Last Saturday, like many in our community, we noticed pictures that John was posting of “the guys trip to Dallas”. They seemed innocent enough. Knowing the Judge and John well enough, we knew they were up to something involving fun. As the day progressed, we learned they were at the ISSSA Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. Not just at the event, but there to cheer on Judge Parrott as he was inducted for the many years he contributed to the sport of softball. Congratulations Judge and may your impact continue to touch lives for decades to come. At 70, we know you know you still have many years to support the grandkids as well as all of the adopted family in our community.

ASK DIAMOND JIM

## Diamond Jim: "What can you tell us about Amethyst?"

FEBRUARY'S BIRTHSTONE IS AMETHYST

For individuals with February birthdays, the amethyst makes a perfect birthstone. This month is often cold, dark, and short for many people around the world, so the amethyst—which is often associated with qualities of peace, courage, and stability—is the right gem for individuals who need a little extra warmth and strength this time of year.

Amethyst is purple quartz and is a beautiful blend of violet and red that can be found in every corner of the earth. The name comes from the Ancient Greek, derived from the word “methustos,” which means “intoxicated.” Ancient wearers believed the gemstone could protect them from drunkenness.

Amethyst, as previously mentioned, is composed of quartz, which is the second most abundant material found in the earth's crust. Amethyst gets its color from irradiation, iron impurities, and the presence of trace elements. Its hardness (a 7 on the Mohs scale) is the same as other quartz, which makes it a durable and lasting option for jewelry.

While amethyst is most commonly recognized to be a purple color, the gemstone can actually range from a light pinkish violet to a deep purple that can read more blue or red, depending on the light. Sometimes, even the same stone can have layers or color variants, so the way the gemstone is cut is important to the way the color shows in a finished piece.

Amethyst often occurs in geodes or in the cavities of granitic rocks. It can be found all over the world, including the United States, Canada, Brazil, and Zambia.

The amethyst is not only the February birthstone, it is also used to celebrate the 6th and 17th year of marriage.

It has been associated with many myths,



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legends, religions, and numerous cultures. Some historical accounts say that Saint Valentine had an amethyst ring carved with an image of Cupid. And for those familiar with Old Testament history, amethyst was one of the twelve gemstones that represented the twelve tribes of Israel.

For many years, amethyst was held to be one of the most precious gemstones, often favored by royalty or exclusively by the clergy as a symbol for the diety of Christ. It was even held for many years in the same regard as the diamond. It wasn't until the discovery of more abundant supplies of amethyst that it became a gemstone enjoyed by more than just the wealthiest buyers.

Many wearers of amethyst throughout history and even today prize the gem for its symbolism as well as its beauty. Leonardo da Vinci once said that amethyst helps to quicken intelligence and get rid of evil thoughts. Other qualities like peace, stability, courage, and strength are said to be derived from this gemstone.

Today, many wearers simply prize the amethyst for its beautiful shade and the way it complements both warm and cool colors.

*Diamond Jim is a diamond dealer and precious metals broker of NTR Metals. See more at: [www.pineforestjewelry.com](http://www.pineforestjewelry.com).*

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OBITUARIES

### Scott Fitzgerald Thompson

Scott Fitzgerald Thompson, 49, passed away January 18, 2020 in Nassau Bay, Texas. Scott was born on August 31, 1970 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

He was a talented carpenter and he enjoyed building custom sound systems for cars and homes. Scott dedicated his life to helping his family and friends and preaching and teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ.

He is preceded in death by his father, Kayces Howze and mother, Carol (Thompson) Borden. Scott is survived by his wife of 17 years, Rebecca Thompson; son, Scott Thompson II; a sister; 2 nieces and a nephew; as well as his church family and numerous friends.

Friends are welcome to join the family for visitation from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM Friday, January 31st at Carter-Conley Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, February 1, 2020 in the chapel of Carter-Conley Funeral Home.



Graveside services are to immediately follow at 12:30 PM at Cedar Crest Cemetery under the direction of Carter-Conley Funeral Home. Titus 1:2 - In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

• **The Social Striders Walking Club** is off to a great start. The group meets weekly at 6 a.m. on Saturdays for a short time of walking and with each month, the goal is to walk a little farther. Please contact Kristina at 713.305.0140 for more details.

• **Inspire Senior Ministry** under the direction of Pastors B.L. and Brenda George would like to invite all seniors, age 55 and older to join us on the second Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. for a time of fun, fellowship and food. The group which was founded in October has already reached over 60 individuals and planned their calendar for 2020.

February 8, the focus will be Matters of the Heart and FAST (Stroke awareness) presented by local physicians. March will bring a Community Health Fair focused on Living the Blessed Life.

Seniors do NOT have to be a member of Inspire Church to participate in the meeting or activities. Mark our calendars and should you have any questions, please contact Brenda at 979.665.7712.

• **Interested in participating in a John C. Maxwell Master Mind Group?** The first session of 2020 will be “How Successful People Think”. The group will meet from February 4 until mid-April on Tuesday from 6:30 – 8 p.m. For more information, please call 346-297-0080. You may also visit [www.johnmaxwellgroup.com/corneliuswilson](http://www.johnmaxwellgroup.com/corneliuswilson)

• **BE-U-TI-FUL** Conference for middle school, high school and young adult females is scheduled for February 15, from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at 970 Dell Dale. To register for this free event, text Beautiful1 to 555-888 or call Melanie Cole at 832-984.4170.

• **East Houston Democrats** will meet Thursday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Milton Lusk Youth Community Center located on Mercury drive, just 2 blocks south of I-10. For more information, please contact Linda at 281.782.6437.

• **Jeans and Jewels Institute** presents a free workshop on Protecting Our Youth. Event will include information on sex trafficking, kidnapping, sexual abuse, domestic violence and the signs of unhealthy relationships. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. The event will be held on Saturday, February 29 at Cunningham Middle School from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. For more information please email [info@jjinstitute.org](mailto:info@jjinstitute.org)

• **Street Athlete Mentors (SAM)** is looking for those in the community who are willing to commit to make a difference in the lives of young people. The group, led by Freddie Evans will be working to bring the gap between educators, student athletes and parents. SAM will be working from the outside in starting with the North Channel Community. Too often there are many of our young men and women being written off or thrown to the side after making a bad decision. Often after a poor choice, they are removed from the team, organization or school they had participated in. Yet, those volunteering with SAM will believe in second chances, rehabilitation and helping young people learn life skills such as planning and decision making. SAM will help our youth become more productive citizens, far past their athletic contributions. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Freddie at 832-525-2811.

• **Are you a Senior or Disabled Adult?** If you are over the age of 55 and would feel more secure with a weekly phone call from Constable Eagleton's Staff, you are invited to call the RUOK? Office at 713-274-2513 to learn more information as well as to sign up. Staff Members are also available to come out to speak to groups who may have multiple members interested. As of July, the CASA Program was been added to assist our Spanish speaking community member as well. Please call for details.

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★ SPORTS ★

# Super Bowl LIV could be a special one as high-scoring Chiefs face defensive-minded 49ers

The first Super Bowl of the new century has the potential to be one of the best ones we've seen in recent years. SB No. 54 pits the high-scoring Kansas Chiefs, and one of the game's rising stars in quarterback Patrick Mahomes, against this year's Cinderella story, the San Francisco 49ers who turned a 4-12 finish in 2018 to a 13-3 (15-3 now after playoff wins over Minnesota and Green Bay) record and a NFC West title.

The game is scheduled for Miami on Sunday. Early weather forecasts call for showers in the morning, but clearing by the 5:40 p.m. Central Time kickoff on FOX.

This will mark the first time in 18 years that somebody other than Tom Brady (started last four Super Bowls), Peyton Manning or Ben Roethlisberger will quarterback an AFC team in the big game.

The Chiefs will be seeking their second Lombardi Trophy, while the 49ers will be looking for their sixth Super Bowl title, which would tie them with the Steelers as the only NFL teams with six Lombardi's.

This game will also have a local tie, as former MacArthur High standout Richard Whitaker is the special teams coach for the 49ers.

Chief fans have waited 50 years for a return to the big game, while 49er fans have waited 25 years to get back to a game Joe Montana and Steve Young played in routinely back in the late 1980s and 1990s.

Unfortunately, we all know how the Chiefs got to Miami. They overcame a 24-0 first-half deficit to your Houston Texans in the AFC Division round, exploding for seven straight scores en route to a 51-31 thrashing of Bill O'Brien's team (and the guy still has a job!). In that game, Mahomes threw five touchdown passes and in his team's 35-24 over Tennessee, the surprise team of this year's

playoffs, he added another two scoring tosses and rushed for another on an amazing scramble to put his team ahead for good near the end of the first half.

In two playoff games Mahomes, who will be the only quarterback from a Texas university to start a Super Bowl when he steps on the field in Miami, has passed for 621 yards, thrown eight touchdown passes, and has rushed for 106 yards and one touchdown.

Mahomes, a product of Texas Tech University (disclosure, I am a proud Tech grad), has a plethora of weapons to throw to and hand off to. Wide receiver Tyreek Hill (5 receptions, 67 yards, 2 TDs in playoffs; 58 receptions, 860 yards, 7 TDs for season) is one of the fastest, if not the fastest, players in the league. Fellow wide receiver Sammy Watkins had a huge day in the AFC title game hauling in seven catches for 114 yards, including a game-clinching 60-yard touchdown catch in the fourth quarter. And then there is tight end Travis Kelce. Kelce (13 receptions, 164 yards, three TDs in playoffs; 97 receptions, 1,229 yards in regular season, five TDs) destroyed the Texans with his three touchdown receptions and his Mahomes security blanket. The SF linebacking corps is one of the best in the league and has the speed and athleticism to cover Kelce.

But the Chiefs are not simply a pass team. Head coach Andy Reid, one of the brightest offensive minds for decades in the NFL, has a stable of capable running back led by Damien Williams, who has scored four touchdowns in the post season (three rushing, one receiving). The Chiefs can also light up the scoreboard with their special teams, which is lead by speedy rookie returnman Mecole



Kansas City Chiefs vs San Francisco 49ers at Super Bowl LIV

Hardman. Look for Hardman to come up with a key return or two in this game and he might make some noise on offense.

The 49ers are no slouches on offense, but they would rather bludgeon teams with their potent running attack rather than throw over opposing defenses. Don't get me wrong, quarterback Jimmy Garapolo (3,978 yards, 27 TDs in regular season) is capable of putting up Mahomes-like numbers, but Kyle Shanahan's team is a run-first team as evidenced by the 287 rushing yards they put up against the Packers. The 49ers have a three-headed rushing attack of Raheem Mostert, Matt Brieda and Tevin Coleman. In their win over the Vikings, Coleman was the man with 105 rushing yards and two

touchdowns. He sustained a dislocated shoulder in the Green Bay game, but he hopes to be ready for the Super Bowl.

Once Coleman went down in the Packers game, Mostert responded in spectacular fashion, rushing for 220 yards and four touchdowns. For the postseason, Mostert has picked up 286 yards on the ground and the 49ers are averaging 236.5 rushing yards in post season play. If the Chiefs hope to win, they will have to slow down the running game early. KC can't let Brieda, Coleman and Mostert gash them for big gains early. If that happens, Garapolo could have a field day in the passing game. In the NFC title game, Jimmy G, who ironically saw his first season with SF end in

Week 3 at Kansas City in 2018 when he sustained season-ending knee injury, also has a stable of quality pass receivers to go to.

Like Mahomes, Garapolo's safety valve is tight end George Kittle (85 receptions, 5 TDs), who has been quiet in the playoffs, but I expect him to have a big day in the biggest game he will have played in come Sunday in Miami. Kittle and Kelce are two of the top five tight ends in the league and expect both of them to put on a show in SB 54.

While Kittle handles the middle stuff for Garapolo, he has two quality wide receivers in veteran Emanuel Sanders (36 receptions, 502 yards, 3 TDs and rookie Deebo Samuels (57 receptions, 802 yards, 3 TDs). The 49ers also like to use Samuel on end arounds because of his blazing speed.

Because the 49ers had such ease running the ball against the Packers, Garapolo threw just eight passes in the NFC title game. I don't think he will get that luxury in the Super Bowl. The Chiefs are solid on defense and have a big and fast defensive front led by Chris Jones, Terrell Suggs (who KC claimed off waivers late in the season after Arizona released him) and Frank Clark. The front line and linebackers must slow down the SF running game early because if they don't it could be a long day for Reid's team.

Since their 35-32 loss at Tennessee on Nov. 10, the KC defense has allowed just 12.5 points per game, while the offense has averaged 32 points per game during their current eight-game winning streak.

There is no doubt the 49ers have the best defense of the two teams who are playing on Sunday. During the regular season and playoffs, that defense allowed just 18 points a game. SF has one of

the best front sevens in the league led by defensive lineman Nick Bosa (9 sacks), Arik Armstead (10 sacks) and former Chief Dee Ford (6.5 sacks). As stated earlier, SF has an active group of linebackers who can roam sideline to sideline. As a unit, this defense recorded 48 sacks during the regular season and added six more in the playoffs.

The secondary is led by veteran cornerback Richard Sherman, who has brought a winning attitude with him from Seattle where he won one Super Bowl and played in another (losing to Brady and the Patriots).

While Mahomes and Reid have their work cut out for them, the mastermind head coach has had two weeks to prepare a scheme to attack the 49ers. I would not be surprised if the Chiefs come out running the football and if they are successful early, Mahomes should have plenty of chances to make big plays downfield to Hill, Kelce, Watkins and others.

I do think this game will live up to the hype and most assuredly should be a big improvement over last year's bore fest that saw the Patriots win a defensive struggle against the Rams, 13-3.

One big key to this game will be how well Mahomes handles the pressure of playing in the biggest game of his life. He never had that opportunity at Tech and he will be facing the best defense he has seen this season. Garapolo has experienced the Super Bowl before, but that was as a spectator as Brady's backup.

I have a feeling Reid out coaches Shanahan, one of the top young coaches in the league, and comes up with a gadget or two that turns the tide in the Chiefs favor. Let's just hope this one will be worth watching come Sunday. My pick, Kansas City 30, San Francisco 27

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REVENUES:					
5700 Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 36,496,811	\$ --	\$ 12,439,538	\$ 2,019,283	\$ 50,955,632
5800 State Program Revenues	48,013,863	895,509	764,520	261,725	49,935,617
5900 Federal Program Revenues	3,408,846	--	--	10,155,330	13,564,176
5020 Total Revenues	87,919,520	895,509	13,204,058	12,436,338	114,455,425
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
0011 Instruction	50,767,583	906,155	--	4,621,721	56,295,459
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	517,676	--	--	--	517,676
0013 Curriculum and Staff Development	481,698	--	--	--	481,698
0021 Instructional Leadership	1,066,580	--	--	166,455	1,233,035
0023 School Leadership	5,027,162	--	--	--	5,027,162
0031 Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	2,377,677	--	--	1,169,338	3,547,015
0033 Health Services	929,222	--	--	--	929,222
0034 Student Transportation	3,060,630	--	--	--	3,060,630
0035 Food Service	--	--	--	5,908,127	5,908,127
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	1,671,948	--	--	68,392	1,740,340
0041 General Administration	3,148,263	--	--	--	3,148,263
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations	8,402,362	--	--	--	8,402,362
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	1,529,097	--	--	--	1,529,097
0053 Data Processing Services	1,291,191	--	--	--	1,291,191
0061 Community Services	--	--	--	11,500	11,500
0071 Principal on Long-term Debt	135,409	--	5,535,000	--	5,670,409
0072 Interest on Long-term Debt	--	--	5,441,308	--	5,441,308
0073 Bond Issuance Costs and Fees	--	--	19,634	--	19,634
0081 Capital Outlay	5,820,701	--	--	--	5,820,701
6030 Total Expenditures	86,227,199	906,155	10,995,942	11,945,533	110,074,829
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)					
1100 Expenditures	1,692,321	(10,646)	2,208,116	490,805	4,380,596
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):					
7915 Transfers In	--	--	--	982,430	982,430
8911 Transfers Out	(327,388)	--	--	(982,430)	(1,309,818)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	(327,388)	--	--	--	(327,388)
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	1,364,933	(10,646)	2,208,116	490,805	4,053,208
0100 Fund Balances - Beginning	32,400,612	16,962	13,781,227	1,825,840	48,024,641
3000 Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 33,765,545	\$ 6,316	\$ 15,989,343	\$ 2,316,645	\$ 52,077,849

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TERRI ANN BIRMINGHAM  
LAPATINA AKA  
TERRI ANN BIRMINGHAM

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MARY J. TURNER  
COOLING

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JERRY DEAN HOSKINS

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Galena Park Independent School District (GPISD) Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the District's 2018-2019 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), as required by Texas Education Code (TEC) §39.306 and §39.362 or 19 Texas Administrative Code, §61.1022.

The Public Hearing to discuss the TAPR will include campus performance objectives and the progress toward those objectives, district accreditation status, each campus awarded a distinction designation, the district's current information on violent or criminal incidents and prevention and intervention policies, findings that resulted from evaluations conducted under the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1994, and information on the performance of the previous year's graduates in their first year of college as reported by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). The Public Hearing will be held on February 10, 2020 at 5:50 p.m. at the Galena Park I.S.D. Administration Building, located at 14705 Woodforest Blvd., Houston, Texas 77015.

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## North Shore Little League Sponsors Needed

As the new Little League year is upon us, NSLL would love for you and/or your company to be a sponsor for their North Shore Little League 2020 Spring Season. They are one of very few leagues in District 17 that are NOT county maintained. This means that they have to raise more funds in order to make it through the year. Sponsorships allow maintenance of the park and 4 fields, electricity, and rent to be covered.

There are over 300 kids in the league, and the NSLL strives to leave a beneficial impact on these children and those to come. There are multiple levels of donation, and any amount given to NSLL will be appreciated. If you are looking to commit to a sponsorship, you can contact John Parrott, VP of Operations/Sponsor Coordinator at (713) 732-0867 for more information.

## Woman fatally stabbed by husband in Galena Park

GALENA PARK – An argument between a woman and her husband led to a fatal stabbing and the woman's death, according to police. The fatality occurred last Friday morning, Jan. 24 inside their home in the 1700 block of Danaway Street. Mayra Falcon-Medellin, 38, was found dead by Galena Park police, and deputies from the Harris County Sheriff's office about 4:00 a.m. The Sheriff's office charged the husband, Jose

Medellin, 40 with her murder. He is being held in the Harris County jail, and prosecutors have asked for a high bond amount. Sheriff Ed Gonzalez said "Sadly another death is linked to domestic violence." Medellin's death is the fourth in Harris County since January 1st which can be attributed to violence by an intimate partner. Gonzalez decried the pattern of deaths and abuse, calling for restraint and intervention.

## Bleeding,

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10 have been equipped with the kits, and in total Galena Park ISD has 800 from NC EMS, and another 162 from the district.

Clements proceeded to show the Rotarians how the kits can be used to stop bleeding, including applying pressure to a wound, or packing a deep wound with gauze, and applying a tourniquet where needed.

He said the steps to remember when someone has a serious bleeding wound, is:

- A. Call 9-1-1
- B. Locate the bleed
- C. Apply pressure, using your full body weight on

the wound if necessary. You can cover the wound with cloth or gauze to help. Most EMS units respond within 5 to 7 minutes, so even though it seems like a long time, help will soon arrive. He said you should expect the victim to feel pain when you apply pressure, but that is necessary to effectively stop the bleed. Clements said that the Galena Park ISD is fully committed to the program, and so far has trained over 3500 people in the lifesaving techniques, with more to get trained soon.

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