PORT BRIEFS

Growth spurs Houston Port to Fast-Track Channel Widening

The Port of Houston is working to accelerate the widening of the Houston Ship Channel — after reporting its third straight year of double-digit volume growth, much of it from a 13 percent jump in main exports.

In an interview Roger Guenther, executive director of Port of Houston Authority, said completing the $1 billion project is critical to the port’s future, enabling it to simultaneously handle two 14,000-TEU vessels, the largest that can pass through the Panama Canal. In order to complete the project in four to five years, instead of the decade it would typically take, the port is executing the government approval process, design work, and financing simultaneously, rather than sequentially, as usual.

“Our number one priority is the expansion of the Houston ship channel, to make it wider and deeper,” said Guenther, a day after he laid out the authority’s long-term strategic vision, which emphasizes the need to “promote business growth and quality of life in the North Channel Area.”

Guenther is the Chief Administrative Officer of the district, she leads the Administrative Services Department, which includes the Information Technology, Emergency Management, Maintenance, Technology, Personnel Services, Student Services, Transportation, Montana, Technology, Emergency Management, Maintenance, Technology, Personnel Services, Student Services, Transportation, Montgomery County Justice of the Peace, Lucila Ratios, performed the ceremony at Sylvan-Beach Pavilion.

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President & CEO of the North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce, said completing the 43rd Annual Awards and Installation Gala, Houston Port is executing the government approval process, design work, and financing simultaneously, rather than sequentially, as usual.

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The event was held at the Sylvan-Beach Pavilion. According to FFA advisor Robert Jones, the bids totalled $32,050 and after adding the day total of $44,120 for the students, who use the money for scholarships and costs of raising the animals. Jones said the high volume bidder was Shy Girls Saloon and Al-Lemo-Terra Inc., the top spot among the bidders.

The Grand Champion Steer was exhibited by Samantha Dier, purchased by Rotating Equipment.

The Star.

To Fast-Track

Channelview ISD February students of the month

Channelview ISD recently honored February Students of the Month by hosting a special luncheon at Ray Activity Stadium. The Students of the Month include, top row, from left, Jessica Ramirez (Alice Johnson Junior High), Kaitlyn Lawrence (Anthony Alpin Junior High), Yaremi Sanchez (Channelview High School), Luis Rangel (Valark North Grade Center), Savana Benitez (Joe Frank Campbell Learning Center), Yaremi Sanchez (Channelview High School). Front Row, Allen Villarreal (Viola Cobb Elementary), Alejandro Lopez (Crenshaw Elementary), Hector Vasquez (Michael Elementary), Sophia Morales (Scholfield Elementary), Gabriel Salazar (Henry Brown Elementary), Victoria Ortegon (West Channel Elementary), Jaime Ortega (West Channel Elementary), Jasmine Branch (Berrett-Lee Early Childhood Center), Jenna Gonzalez (Dezavala Elementary).
GRAND CHAMPIONS

GRAND CHAMPION STEER
Exhibitor: KAITLYN STATEN
Buyer: TURNER CHEVROLET, $1000

GRAND CHAMPION LAMB
Exhibitor: SAMANTHA DOERR
Buyer: ROTATING EQUIPMENT, $500

GRAND CHAMPION GOAT
Exhibitor: MALAY JONES
Buyer: COURTESY ROOFING, $525

GRAND CHAMPION RABBITS
Exhibitor: JENNA SEMIEN
Buyer: ROBERT & SANDRA FLETCHER, $350

GRAND CHAMPION BROILERS
Exhibitor: ROGER DAVIS
Buyer: TERROX CONSTRUCTION, $725

GRAND CHAMPION HORTICULTURE
Exhibitor: SAMANTHA DOERR
Buyer: UNITED COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION, $175

GRAND CHAMPION FOOD SHOW
Exhibitor: RYLEE CLARK
Buyer: ROBERT & SANDRA FLETCHER, $115

GRAND CHAMPION DECORATED CAKE
Exhibitor: DORANELLY SANCHEZ
Buyer: SHEILA MCCRARY, $175

GRAND CHAMPION PHOTOGRAPHY
Exhibitor: JOHN ADAMS
Buyer: OLD CUSTY’S BBQ, $175

GRAND CHAMPION AG MECHANICS
Exhibitor: FRANCISCO SANCHEZ
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Exhibitor: REAGAN MCGEHEE
Buyer: NORTH SHORE ROTARY, $800

RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB
Exhibitor: AJAH ARCEBEAUX
Buyer: ROGED NEARY CUSTOM LEATHER, $400

RESERVE CHAMPION STEER
Exhibitor: JAMARI DAVIS
Buyer: SHY GIRLS SALOON, $2000

RESERVE CHAMPION BROILERS
Exhibitor: FRANCISCO SANCHEZ
Buyer: DR. DONALD NINO, $325

RESERVE CHAMPION GOAT
Exhibitor: AJIAH ARCENEAUX
Buyer: RODEO READY CUSTOM LEATHER, $400

RESERVE CHAMPION RABBITS
Exhibitor: ZAKERIA LOUDD
Buyer: BOBBY THURMAN, $250

RESERVE CHAMPION DECORATED CAKE
Exhibitor: RAYLEE CLARK
Buyer: GRIMES RANCH, $325

RESERVE CHAMPION FOOD SHOW
Exhibitor: DARIULLE PREVOST
Buyer: GRIMES RANCH, $175

RESERVE CHAMPION AG MECHANICS
Exhibitor: SAMANTHA DOERR
Buyer: LEAGO FAMILY, $390

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Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty – Will Selling Large Asset Affect Wife’s Social Security?

Dear Rusty: I have reached full retirement age ($38,500) and wish to sell a $750,000 asset, which will affect my wife’s Social Security benefits. I have heard that Social Security will look at all your assets and income, which will be affected by IRMAA, that your Medicare premiums, which will be filed in ($87,001 for an individual, $174,001 of combined income for a married couple), may have, plus 50% of your Social Security (SS) plus your wife’s future Social Security (SS) income. However, if your combined large asset won’t affect Social Security benefits (nor mine), then you are okay. If you have earned income from selling a $500,000 asset, before your wife’s 65th birthday, how will this affect your Social Security purposes because that passive income will not affect your wife’s benefit? But, if your wife enrolls in Medicare at age 65, then be subject to IRMAA, and thus to Medicare premiums, which will be filed in $174,001 of combined income. How will it affect you?

AUSTIN — Greg Abbott, on Feb. 16, established a criminal apprehension, specifically for survivors of human trafficking or domestic violence. The application, crafted by the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, and outlining crimes committed while under the influence of a dangerous drug or alcohol, will be paid for by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The Board of Pardons and Paroles, which can display the record, and the Texas Medical Board, are charged with examining criminal convictions and the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles can issue pardons for Board of Pardons and Paroles to review and they can submit an application for Board of Pardons and Paroles to review and consider recommending that the governor grant a full pardon for crimes committed under the influence of a dangerous drug or alcohol.

Texas is committed to empowering the survivors of domestic abuse and human trafficking, and one of the earliest signals of that progress is a new and expanded social security benefits policy. That policy will ensure that the Texas Social Services Administration will receive their Social Security Administration’s income and government program participation.

There were no other expected cases in Texas, and officials said the risk of contracting the virus for the Department of State Affairs Committee, and the Texas Department of State Affairs Committee, has confirmed the COVID-19 cases in people under federal jurisdiction in the United States, which can be filed in a $174,000 of combined income.

The agency urged Texans to keep their homes and social distancing, and to wash their hands frequently, as well as wearing a mask in public areas.

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W. B. Clark

W. B. Clark, 92, went to be with both his parents in February 20, 2020, at his home in Channelview, Texas. He was born on May 24, 1927, to parents John Taylor and Gladys May (Morris) Clark in Lufkin, Texas.

W. B. greatly revered his country in the United States Army during the Korean War. He served with honor, although he was not stationed overseas, on only 15 days, and spent 60 years camping before his passing in January of 2020. W. B. was a minister in the Church of Christ for many years and loved God, his church, and especially his family.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his wife, L. Wilson. He is survived by his children, Gary Lynn, Franke, and husband, Byron, and Garry Dean, Clark; grandchildren, Chris Campbell, Jordan Gately, and husband, John, Davis Spinks, and wife, Shelley, Franke, great-grandchildren, Jordan Campbell, Miss Duancon, Blane Campbell-Gately, Jillian Campbell, Jylyn Gately, Hannah Gately, Austin Gately, and Rylyng Gately.

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**ASK THE EXPERT**

**SHELTON ISD**

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**New Chamber Board, continued from page 1**

Mrs. Valdez has been a parent volunteer at Woodland Acres Elementary School for three years and has logged more than 50 hours this school year. She was a tremendous help at the Annual Fall Festival where she assisted in the festival booths and sold snacks to the community.

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Garcia grew up in the North Channel area and is a proud graduate of C. E. King High School in Shelton 2005. She earned her Bachelor’s Degree from Texas A&M University, majoring in Educational Leadership. She also received her Master’s Degree in Educational Leadership at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.

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1. Turning majestic hair, for hat
4. Stepback answer
8. Scalopini meal
12. Prize for prettiest
13. Vanity
14. Not working
15. Classic Ann Murray Murray
17. Location
18. Characters’ creations
19. Pepper
20. Panzar
24. Quit the engine
25. Velociraptor
26. Binky
28. This skinny
32. Messes sort
33. Out of sight
36. Pol of perfection
37. High-volume
39. Michael
41. Audible action
44. About to lose
49. Old-style photo
50. Make line in
51. Neighbor of Cambridge
53. Gain
56. Sturdy, hardy
58. Thicks
59. Wild
61. Of Ruby subject
65. Scandelion
66. Bog or marsh
67. Comparing to
68. Shooter among
71. Chair number
72. Fawn
73. Flyweight
74. Freep
75. Shaker addons
77. Shirttails
78. Crowbar
100. Thigh
104. Fists
105. Snatch

Down
1. Big or populous
2. Clerks
3. Cogwheel
4. Squint
5. Laser beam
6. #1, 5, 41
7. Shovelhead
8. Mountain
9. Antenna
10. Chip away
11. Detach
12. Black belt
20. Left or right
21. Worry
22. Refrigeration
23. Grade provider
24. Benched
25. Short of
26. Sleep
27. Ugliest
28. Signature
29. Tennis court
30. Winces
31. Smashed
32. Round anvil
33.“I’ve been a dummy”
34. Slow
36. Grassy
38. Anytime
39. Alkaline
40. Blissful
41. Smarter
42. High
43. Ejection
44. Brevity
45. Young
46. Rose
47. Roadblocks
51. Lagniappe
52. Tiki bar
53. In the presence of
55. Three-letter
56. Ship
57. Nerve
58. Seashell
59. Hare
60. Muster
62. Magician
63. Flower
64. Rival
66. Envy
68. 2015 film: “The Boss”
69. Shootout
70. In certain ways
71. Motor
72. N恙
73. Humble person
74. Mentions
76. League
77. Square root of
78. Masters
79. Sir’s daughter
80. Continent
81. Wizard
82. Gardner
83. Abut
84. Russian
85. Greasy
86. Wimpy
87. Siren
88. Shot
89. Stroll
90. Tamer
91. Fling
92. Skew
93. Woman who played Cleopatra
94. July 29
95. Spies
96. Top
97. “How are you?”
98. Clue for 50, 55, 59
100. Shimmer

1. HISTORY: Who was the United Nations organization formed?
2. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to reside in the White House?
3. ASTRONOMY: Which planet has the largest moon?
4. TELEVISION: Which TV series featured a character named Pluto White?
5. LITERATURE: Which character appears in both of William Shakespeare’s “Othello”?
6. MUSIC: What was the original name of the rock group Red Hot Chili Peppers?
7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of stray cats called?
8. SCIENCE: How many main body sections are in an insect frame?
9. MOVIES: Which famous 1990s movie features the theme song “Everybody’s Talking”?
10. MYTHOLOGY: In Arthurian legend, what was Morgan’s son, Arthur’s older sister?”

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