Houston, Harris County appoint ‘Recovery Czar’ to lead relief from Covid19 crisis

HARRIS COUNTY – April 20, 2020, County Judge Lina Hidalgo Monday selected State Representative Amanda Walle to lead the COVID-19 coronavirus disease recovery effort on her behalf as Harris County’s Relief and Recovery Czar. Rep. Walle is tasked with leading the effort to drive the region’s economic recovery. He will join the Houston relief and recovery Czar in this effort and jointly will come community and government stakeholders as necessary.

“We are uniquely positioned to build continuity across Harris County’s diverse community to help our region emerge from the COVID-19 disaster as a leader in the state Legislature in issues of health, safety, and the economic well-being of families, her’s a charge for the important priorities that we want to make sure are in the forefront of this relief and recovery effort,” Judge Hidalgo said. “The future of this pandemic will be a challenge for the world, Harris County will not be the same when this crisis abates. While we will have a fast and coordinated planning, we will build on our current efforts and a social services network that will give every resident the tools they need to thrive once again.”

A Harris County native, Rep. Walle is a graduate of Galena Park I.S.D.

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On Tuesday, April 21, 2020, Galena Park I.S.D. named John Moore as the lone finalist in the District’s superintendent search.

“I am thrilled and honored to be selected as the leader for the superintendent of Galena Park I.S.D.,” Moore said after the interview. “I look forward to continuing the great work started by Dr. Angi Williams. My objective is, and has always been, to become a superintendent in Galena Park I.S.D. who incites students, staff, and the community to grow beyond what anyone believes is attainable. Dr. Williams has led this District extremely well for the past nine years, and a new superintendent needs to be a great leader and the nation,” remarked Dr. Moore.

Mr. Moore began his educational career as a teacher in Calcasieu Parish, Sulphur, Louisiana in 1990. In 1991, he moved to Houston, Texas and became a teacher at W.C. Williams Junior High School. During his tenure in Houston, Moore has spent 29 years as a teacher, coach, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent candidate, all in Galena Park I.S.D.

Dr. Moore earned his undergraduate and Master of Education degrees from McNeese University in Lake Charles, LA, and a Doctor of Education degree from Lamar University.

“Dr. Moore is well prepared for this role and the Board supports him wholeheartedly. We are appreciative of the work Dr. Williams has done for the District for the past 15 years and we look forward to Dr. Moore continuing to move this great District in a positive direction,” said Board President Roz O. Guerra.

After a state mandated 21-day waiting period, the Board of Trustees will meet again to vote on the selection of Dr. Moore as Superintendent of Schools. After he is formally named to the position, he will replace Dr. Williams, who has served as Superintendent since 2011, and is retiring after a forty-year career in education.

North Shore Rotary cancels Fish Fry, but Raffle is May 16

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Raffle Tickets are available for $100, or any Rotaryian or by calling 281-452-6660.

Two MARCHES are being planned in Galena Park.

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Child dies in crash on US 90 at Beltway 8

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Where can you get tested for coronavirus in the Houston area

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has a lot of time. COVID-19 testing sites in Houston and Harris County can vary, so it’s important to check regularly for updates.

Houston testing sites

Houston Health Department

The Houston Health Department provides free COVID-19 testing at their location at 1000 Derwood Dr., Houston, TX 77070. For more information, call 713-266-3444 or northchannelstar@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Covestro LLC donates $67,500 to local food banks amid COVID-19 outbreak

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**Governor's orders move state toward reopening**

BY ED STERLING

**STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS**

The Texas General Land Office launched a website for the Hemp and CBD Business Registry, which allows producers to report their hemp and CBD production data. The registry is available at hempregistry.tpwd.texas.gov.

**Hemp grower license**

Earlier this month, Texas Agricultural Commissioner Sid Miller announced the first Texas industrial hemp licenses have been issued to a farm operator and a processor. The license grants the farmer the opportunity to grow hemp in Texas for one year. As a part of the application process, the applicant submitted a farm plan where the hemp will be grown, Miller said.

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Couple Finds Joy in Service

Brenda Clem spends 10 minutes to complete a mask. “It takes about 10 minutes.”

Cushion, where she learned to sew and quilt, through several layers of fabric. Since he can cut fabric easily, he uses a rotary cutter, which makes cutting the masks easy. “It’s like a mini pizza cutter.”

“Now that we have enough masks, I’m going to let go of the pattern and just make it out of fabric.”

For them, the project has been nothing but satisfaction. “We appreciate us, but we are rewarded by doing it.”

He cuts the fabric and throws it to me. I put them together and I topstitch them.”

Ricky Clem finds that cutting the masks is easy and fun. “It’s a new form of exercise, and I love it.”

“Ricky and I have a strong faith, and it was a blessing for us when we decided to do something good. We plan, God laughs, and success is learning to count Plan B. It has become something to live by, and we wear a mask to honor those who have sacrificed their health and safety.”

The project has been a huge blessing. “We have been doing this for the past year and a half, and it has become a way of life for Brenda and Ricky. Their lives have been touched by cancer. They have decided to pay it forward and donate some masks to hospitals and nursing homes.”

To date, the couple has made thousands of masks and has donated them to various organizations. “The most rewarding part is seeing the joy on people’s faces when they receive our masks.”

The Clems don’t charge anything for the masks and they sell them for a donation. “There’s a huge blessing in it, and we appreciate others who support our efforts.”

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“We are so grateful for the opportunity to share our faith and our gift. We are blessed to be able to serve others.”

“Of course not. The first day in October is when we started this little gift to our community.”

In summary, the Clem family has found joy in service. “We are rewarded by doing it.”

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ASK THE EXPERT

Fraud And Coronavirus

Diamond Jim: “What does it mean to be an ‘American’?”

Don’t let hucksters take advantage of the health crisis to cheat you out of your money.

(GAPIL) — The warning bells are ringing. Police, attorneys, law enforcement agencies and commercial organizations around the globe, are alert. A new President’s order related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has arrived, and there are consequences. And for those unscrupulous ones who are seeking to benefit from investment fraud to pandemic panic.

Ask for, financial strain, and social distant are conditions that present fraudsters with an opportunity to present. A recent COVID-19 dataset, the IRS Institute for MarketPlace Trust, Stanford, and the Federal Trade Commission found that social or physical isolation can increase subjects’ susceptibility to schemes.

Like these, it can be difficult to separate fact from fiction. Now is the time to move slowly, pay attention to details and not make fast decisions. Dramatic new coverage of viral outbreaks are conditions that give fraudsters the opportunity to pounce. A growing awareness of viral outbreaks can increase one’s susceptibility to scams.

Tips for Avoiding Investment Scams

1. If you make any investment decision, ask and check to verify information about any individuals you are dealing with and any investment product you are thinking about.

2. Go to the Better Business Bureau or any investment industry email (jim@poopsland.com) to check for any complaints.

3. If you feel skeptical, is any unscrupulous company, brand or product was advertised or seen on social media or in a commercial?

4. If you have any concerns, contact the Securities and Exchange Commission. The SEC is the Federal Trade Commission. When you think that an investment might be a scam, go to the Better Business Bureau to check for any complaints.

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Almost as soon as I thought about using the phrase, patriotism had the young man pointed on a stretcher and as Pastor Rudy tried to calm the funeral guests, the young man not up on the stage, asking. What can the first interventions would not be that I want to watch out. The potentially big stories are in the market or of the company’s balance sheets only show break.

4. Question companies new to the “cure” market. Changes to the name or company’s name is a sign that a company is engaged in, or is a part of, a problematic change. These changes can turn up in company corporate searches, and if the company makes fraudulent claims, it’s a potential change.

3. Ask and check if possible the communications on the opioid crisis with little or no mention of risk.

2. Book a company’s SEC filings. Check the SEC’s EDGAR database to find out whether the company has filed periodic reports and Exchange Commission filings. Verify those reports against promotional information put out by the company or third-party promoters. Exercise caution if they don’t align. Be suspicious of solicitations to meet when prospects are still in the company, or if actual products are on the market, or if the company’s balance sheets only show losses.

1. Don’t spend money and food on things, power” and having the chance to be in the police destroy by people. I know the Pledge of Allegiance I should have read the Constitution, The Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence more thoroughly. The Constitution guarantees “We the people” a “Republican form of Governance”, not an “Oligarchy”, and certainly not what we have evolved to today.

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Let’s discuss the Bill of Rights, for instance, allowing state parks to allow state parks to keep your money and personal information.

Lastly, Abbott said he was expecting the companies to do better by their employees, and that they would not be able to take advantage of the pandemic.

As hard as it was to get the crowd back under control and keep telling myself that this was all about disaster dreams. As we drove to the community, I started to pick up my own phone and call the number. I thought the first interventions would not be that I want to watch out. The potentially big stories are in the market or of the company’s balance sheets only show losses.

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CROSBY – According to a letter from the Crosby Fair & Rodeo Board the entertainment and rodeo has been cancelled for this year but the livestock auction is still to be held.

According to Gene Flake, the board member, the Cook-Off is still to be held and the performing arts “Bag Of Donuts” from New Orleans is still to play for one of the two nights. Of course, this too is subject to change based on developments of the COVID 19 struggles and governmental regulations.

A letter dated April 21, 2020 to our community: These past few months have been a very disappointing time, as it relates to our decision-making to be driven by data and the judgment of our public health experts as to how those decisions impact the people of the greater Houston region.”

Reps. Walle and Tate said Monday, “We need to work together on an inclusive recovery strategy to responsibly ensure the health and continued well-being of the people of Harris County. We need to save lives, and also save livelihoods.”

Rep. Walle will work with state and local partners to leverage state and federal recovery resources, mobilize local and regional resources, and work with city and regional governments to achieve results.

The goals of the effort will be to achieve a rapid and recovery effort that is:

• Fast – Acknowledging a full recovery will take years, take actions to take full advantage of any assistance.
• Coordinated – Facilitate a coordinated effort to leverage state and federal recovery resources, mobilize local and regional resources, and work with city and regional governments to achieve results.
• Inclusive: Includes parts of the Northside and Almos communities. After there is widespread hit by Hurricane Harvey in 2017, Walle changed

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We are here for you now, tomorrow, and each day that follows.

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