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COVID-19 Cases as of May 12, 2020

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343 DEATHS
4,850 RECOVERED

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City of Galena Park distributes food to the community

By Julieta Paia

GALENA PARK, Texas — Last Monday Galena Park Mayor Esmeralda Moya, along with other community leaders distributed free fresh food and masks to the residents.

"My heartfelt thanks to the more than 480 lovely people who participated in our Food and Masks Curbside Distribution yesterday afternoon. I was blessed to see the goodness, resilience, and hope of the people of Galena Park. We witnessed what's possible when we come together as one and help our brothers and sisters in these challenging times.

My gratitude to Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia, Senator Carol Alvarado, Harris County Commissioner Adrian Garcia, Plumbers Local Union 68 Rick Lord, The Committee for a Bet-



Commissioner Adrian Garcia helps with distribution of vegetables last Monday at the Galena Park Food Pantry.

See more pictures of Food Distribution on Pages 3 & 8



Rick Lord, Business Agent Plumbers Local 68, Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia, Galena Park Mayor Esmeralda Moya, Senator Carol Alvarado and Michael Walter, Supervisor Community Relations Valero Houston Refinery, Monday, May 11, 2020 at the Galena Park Food Pantry. Citizens received food and protective masks. (Allan Jamail photo)

ter Galena Park, Houston Food Bank, Valero Energy Corporation and to the most talented, tireless, and mission-driven employees who have given of themselves for the betterment of others. God bless you all and, may God continue to bless our beloved city of Galena Park," Mayor Moya posted on the City's facebook page.

The City distributed more masks on May 4 and there was another fresh food and mask curbside distribution on April 29, 2020.

Rotary Fish Fry Drawing set for Saturday as online event

North Shore Rotary Club will hold their raffle drawing this Saturday. There will be a grand prize of either a Chevrolet Colorado pickup truck or a Camaro. Other prizes include a whole hog, a side of beef, each cut and wrapped from animals purchased at auctions from local FFA students. Houston Livestock & Rodeo packages, Texan tickets with hotel accommodations, vacation packages, gift cards, and many more. Twenty prizes to be drawn.

Tickets can still be purchased from any Rotarian or purchased via Pay-Pal by going to nsrotaryfishfry@gmail.com, or Contact President Elect Lowell Everitt at everittind.com.

For information: info@northshor Rotary.org



The drawing will be held at Turner Chevrolet at 2:00 PM on Saturday May 16, 2020. It will be shown live on Facebook Live by going to Rotary Club of North Shore Facebook page. The drawing will also be presented via a Zoom meeting. Check the Rotary Facebook page

for ID to enter the meeting.

North Shore Rotary says they are committed to not cutting any scholarships provided annually. Purchase of a ticket will help reach closer to their goal and enable Rotary to continue to support programs for seniors, veterans, and others.

HC Clerk Trautman resigns her office

HARRIS COUNTY – Citing fear of the Covid-19 pandemic, and other health concerns, first term Harris County Clerk Diane Trautman announced her resignation last week.

In a letter addressed to Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo, Trautman said the resignation would be effective May 31. The Commissioner's Court will appoint an interim Clerk, Judge Hidalgo said.

Trautman said that her decision was "due to personal health concerns... the Covid-19 pandemic, my age, and underlying health issues. I do not feel I can safely continue to carry out my duties as Harris County Clerk."

Trautman took office in January 2019, after holding previous positions as a teacher, local school board member, and county school board member.

The County Clerk is in charge of all elections, and in that capacity she brought a number of innovative advances to the election process in Harris County. She is credited with convincing the county and the state to allow voters to cast their ballots at any polling location, instead of the one closest to their home.

Due to the Coronavirus, she has also been working on a plan to allow the majority of voters to vote by mail instead of risking their health at polling locations. She has received preliminary county



Harris County Clerk Diane Trautman

funding of \$12 million for this effort, but has been told by the state that it would not be legal to allow all to vote this way, and she is awaiting resolution of this ruling.

Trautman credits her staff for much of the accomplishments, and praises their commitment and hard work.

In accepting her resignation, Judge Hidalgo said "Dr. Trautman embodies the spirit of the community she has served... she led the charge to allow citizens to vote at any polling place on Election Day... she expanded voting locations... and expanded hours and early voting opportunities for all... During the Coronavirus crisis, she has led the push for mail ballot voting... I thank her for serving our community with pride, dedication, and an ambitious agenda."

The Harris County Republican party issued

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Food/mask Distribution in Jacinto City by Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia, others

By Allan Jamail

JACINTO CITY, MAY 13 – The Jacinto City food distribution, virus masks giveaway and U. S. Census information event was organized by the Office of Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia in collaboration with State Senator Carol Alvarado, State Rep. Ana Hernandez, Commissioner Adrian Garcia, Mayor of Jacinto City Ana Diaz, Constable Christopher Diaz, the U.S. Census, and the Houston Food Bank.

"Today, May 13th, I organized a food distribution event in Jacinto City because it is imperative that



Pct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia, Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia and Jacinto City Police Chief Joe Ayala handing out virus protection masks and boxes of food commodities. (Photo by Allan Jamail)

See Jacinto City Food Distribution, Page 8

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Commissioner Garcia proposes property tax relief for seniors and individuals with disabilities

Plan will provide much needed relief to Homeowners from Harris County Property Taxes

Harris County, TX — Last Tuesday, Harris County Commissioner Adrian Garcia announces will be putting an item on the next Commissioners Court Agenda (May 19, 2020) to extend the Harris County Homeowners Property Tax Exemption for seniors and disabled homeowners. The plan would eliminate county property tax liability for seniors 65 years of age and older as well as disabled homeowners and disabled military veterans, with homes valued at \$260,000 or less. Qualifying homeowners with homes valued at \$260,000 or more would

save at least \$350 next year (and annually going forward) on their property tax bills.

This is the first update to the Homeowners Exemption since 2008, and according to a Budget Management Department analysis commissioned by Commissioner Garcia's office in 2019, the plan would be revenue neutral. The exemption also eliminates tax liability for Harris Health and Harris County Flood Control for homeowners qualifying for the exemption. If the plan is approved, it would take effect for this year's tax bills.

"I hope my fellow members of Commissioners Court will approve this plan to increase these exemptions without delay.

This would be the first time in twelve years that we will have brought meaningful tax reform to Harris County homeowners, and given that seniors and homeowners are particularly vulnerable during the COVID-19 pandemic, we need to step up and help right away. In addition, the added exemption is long overdue to negate the adverse impact of rising appraisal values is having on families across Harris County," said Commissioner Adrian Garcia, "I'm proud to be the first Commissioner to submit this in 12 years and put money back into the pockets of hardworking families, many who have been directly impacted due to COVID-19."

Pct. 3 Constable continues mask and glove giveaways

May 6 was a banner day for the Precinct 3 Constable to keep on giving away masks and gloves for free to residents.

According to Constable Sherman Eagleton, "When we work together everyone wins."

St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church combined forces with Precinct 3 to "Feed those in need."

With special notation from the Constable to the "staff at the Wendell D. Ley Family YMCA and National Guard that distribute food two times a week and make it look easy."

Special recognition goes for masks for distribution courtesy Commissioner Rodney Ellis, US Representative Sylvia Garcia, State Senator Carol Avarado, State Rep. Harold Dutton, Ana Hernandez and J.P. Joe Stephens



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- Barret Station Community Center, 11901 Mulberry St., Barrett, TX 77532.

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Woods Dr., Highlands, TX 77562. Starting Tuesday May 12 from 10 am - 12 pm or while meals last.

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Crash on Main Street reminds residents of driving dangers



A truck towing a trailer loaded with an ATV crashed on Main Street in Crosby, in front of the Jack In The Box restaurant last Wednesday, May 5. It appears the driver first lost a Yeti Cooler followed by the trailer sweeping to the right. The ambulance service is seen treating the driver.

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OBITUARY



Knute Blomstrom

Knute Alvin Blomstrom, Jr., age 84, of Rochelle, Texas passed away Wednesday evening, May 6, 2020 at his residence in Rochelle. Knute was born July 6, 1935 in Houston to Knute Alvin Blomstrom, Sr. and Gertrude Mae (Wilson) Blomstrom. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown in 1953. He married Helen Louise Spiers on March 20, 1954 in Houston. He was an engineering technician for Exxon Oil for 33 years, retiring in 1986. He lived in Crosby, Texas for 29 years before moving to Rochelle in 1993. Knute led a full life. He was known for his kindness, generosity and his servant heart. He was very active in sports, church and community organizations over the years. He was a member of the Rochelle Baptist Church where he served as deacon for many years and served on the Board of Directors of the Heart of Texas Memorial Hospital for several years.

Graveside services at 1:00pm Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at Sterling-White Cemetery, 11011 Crosby Lynchburg Road in Highlands, TX. Knute Blomstrom will lie in state at the pavilion at Sterling-White Cemetery Wednesday, from 12 Noon to 1:00pm prior to the service. Friends may view Knute Blomstrom's Memorial Video Tribute and/or sign the online memorial guest book at www.leatherwoodmemorialchapels.com.

Knute Blomstrom is survived by his wife Helen Louise Blomstrom of Rochelle; son Chuck Blomstrom and wife Paula of Crosby; daughters Karen Blomstrom and husband Tommy Lowden of Crosby and Susan Blomstrom Hurst of Weaverville, CA; daughter-in-law Robin Morris of Crosby; grandchildren David Vogelpohl and wife Catherine, Stephen Vogelpohl, Jeffrey Vogelpohl and wife Stacey, Jacob Gunner Blomstrom, Ashlynn Blomstrom, Ronnie Blomstrom, Cody Evans and Lacey Painter; great-grandchildren Luke, Jake, Ava, Jackson and Emily Vogelpohl and Alice Fancher. Also survived by sisters-in-law Frances Brown and Helen Spiers; nephews Bill Spiers and wife Chris, Rod Brown and wife Christy and Rusty Brown and his wife Bonnie; special cousins David Blomstrom, Thomas Blomstrom, Martha Anderson, John Blomstrom, Patty Jaeger and Bill Jaeger; and his extended family, Joyce Wilson and her children Clint Wilson and his wife Kisse and Dr. Mary J. Flannery and her husband Mike. He was preceded in death by his parents, son Arthur "Tiger" Blomstrom and sister Geraldine Blomstrom. Memorial contributions in memory of Knute Alvin Blomstrom, Jr. may be made to the Women's Missionary Union, %Rochelle Baptist Church, P.O. Box 126, Rochelle, Texas 76872.

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Goose Creek CISD Nutrition Services helps community with meals

Making sure students are fed is a way of life for Natalie Edwards, Goose Creek CISD Nutrition Services director. When Goose Creek CISD superintendent Dr. Randal O'Brien realized Friday, March 13, that students were not going back to school after spring break due to the COVID-19 situation, he asked Edwards when they could set up to provide grab & go meals, and she got the wheels rolling.

"We started with lunch Monday, March 16, and added breakfast the next day at 11 sites. Since then, we have had from 11-19 sites serving children 18 and under," Edwards said.

From March 16-April 30, Edwards and her team, comprised of nearly 100 of the more than 300 Nutrition Services employees, have served 132,839 breakfasts and 135,467 lunches, providing a boost for many families who have experienced layoffs, furloughs or reduced hours. With 71 percent of the district's students on the free or reduced lunch program, Goose Creek CISD knows there is a need for nutritious meals when school is not in session and works to make sure children do not go hungry.

Working during a pandemic means that employees fix the meals, package them and give them to fam-



Nutrition Services employees (from left) Alma Chaverria and Blanca Maldonado prepare to hand out meals at Lamar Elementary.

ilies outside of the schools, while wearing gloves and masks. Employees are encouraged to put the bags containing the food on a table and let the parents pick them up. They also are required to stay apart in the kitchen while preparing the meals.

"People have been grateful to get the food," Edwards said. "I watch some of little kids get excited about things that are in their bags. We try to give them a treat every day, such as chips, cookies or ice cream. Sometimes there are some small toys. We do whatever we can to make it fun."

During the school year, Edwards manages all food programs, including child nutrition, catering and concessions at Stallworth Stadium. Registered dietician Kirsten Kruzenga helps create menus for the 28 schools and nearly 24,000 Goose Creek CISD students, making sure students with special dietary needs, such as food allergies, are accommodated. Each kitchen operates as an individual restaurant, with a manager and assistant manager placing food orders, counting inventory, working with monthly promotions and participating in campus activities.

Roshelle Stevenson handles marketing for Aramark/GCCISD Nutrition Services, and Chef Francheska Bland works with catering, creating food demonstrations, and encouraging students to enter the culinary profession by offering internships, field trips and competitions. Dina McCartney, Suellen Lambert and Michelle Ojeda supervise the school kitchens.



Aramark/Goose Creek CISD Nutrition Services staff (from left) Teofila Reyes(Chica), Raina Cardona, Chef Francheska Bland, Veronica Magana, Alma Rodriguez and Natalie Edwards accept the Best of Booth Award, getting out into the community at the recent Epicurean Evening event.

The grab and go meal distribution will continue through June 30 and will start back up again sometime in July.

"Natalie Edwards and her food service team are some of the most dedicated and caring staff members within the district," said Dr. Anthony Price, deputy superintendent for administrative services. "Their focus is to ensure our students are fed each day, while providing a safe transference for all involved within the grab and go process. They truly are meeting the needs of the community."

The More Things Change

A very old quote says that "the more things change, the more they stay the same." Generally, this expression is used in a negative sense, but the child of God can find a lot of truth here.

Think about the church. What has changed through the years? One obvious change is in our music. Most generations grew up with hymnals in hand. Many still use them, but large numbers of churches now choose more contemporary forms. Other changes involve the appearance of the sanctuary, the arrangement of the seating, the minister's presentation style... The list goes on.

In recent months, the biggest changes have come as a direct response to a worldwide pandemic. Ministers all over have had crash courses in live streaming as their congregations became accustomed to attending service in their living rooms while wearing their pajamas, and where it's been permitted drive-in churches became an option that allowed us to not only see each other (while remaining socially distant), but

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THOUGHTS FROM
HILLSIDE CHURCH

By Dr. Mark Trice

also have breakfast and enjoy coffee in our parking lot "sanctuaries."

Much has changed in recent decades, years, and weeks, but this is not what's important. Where the Christian is concerned, what is truly important is what has stayed the same, the truths that will never change, such as...

God loves everyone in the world. (John 3:16)

There is only one way to God. (John 14:6)

We all need a one-on-one, intimate relationship with God. (John 17:3)

We must worship Him with a pure heart. (John 4:23)

We are called to come together as a church body. (Hebrews 10:24-25)

Jesus still expects us to

do what He tells us. (Luke 6:46)

We must take personal responsibility to share the Gospel. (Matthew 28:19-20)

As we come back together in our sanctuaries after this break from the norm, let us return with fresh hearts, hearts focused on the eternal truths found in the Word of God, hearts on fire with a passion to live every moment in a way that is pleasing to Him and brings Him glory. Let us determine not to return to church as usual, but rather to focus even more intently on living the lives God has called us to live, on actively basing our lives on those things that never change.

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CHARLOTTE'S WEB



Changes

For the past eight or nine weeks, life as we have known it has been turned upside down. Living rooms have become classrooms, garages have become gyms, backyards have become learning labs for nature and dining room tables are often workspaces for laptops. Many conversations include talk about being screened for COVID19 as well as stimulus checks. Teenagers and children have learned to adjust to online classes as well as the reality that this school year will be one that “life changed”.

School officials have scrambled to find funding to distribute laptops to students as teachers have had to move lesson plans online as well. Parents have had to adjust to answering questions from children while trying to work from home. Grandparents have stepped in to care for children who have parents who work in essential roles. There are daily food distributions as well as mask distributions. And of course, any time there are emergency situations such as tornados, hurricanes or this current pandemic, there will be criminals trying all sorts of things.

I read this week about someone walking up into a driveway, eating half of a freshly grown tomato and then leaving their worn-out sandals in the driveway. You cannot help but wonder if the homeowner will soon realize that they left another pair of shoes outside that perhaps this person traded the sandals for. Did the person who stopped by for the tomato not know there were free

food distributions in the community? Perhaps they did not have transportation or perhaps they do not have access to a phone or social media to learn about the available help. This person was fortunate that the homeowners or neighbors did not pull a gun in fear of the trespasser. Instead of finding sandals outside, there could have been a dead body.

There are many senior citizens who regularly attend the county community centers for activities, field trips, meals and opportunities to connect with others. Their lives have been drastically changed. Now, if they are signed up for meals to be delivered to their home from the County, they see one person daily whereas they were accustomed to seeing 40 or more daily at the Center. Many of the seniors that I speak to each week have adjusted well, yet there are a few who are now experiencing signs of depression. I often hear that they have not seen others, so they do not make the effort to bathe and change clothes. I hear about how they do not like television, so they just sleep all day. I hear about how they are frustrated with the younger people they live near who make noise all day and night.

As each one of these changes is happening, we must all learn to adjust and as hard as it is, we must learn to live with the “new normal” while not giving up too much of what we enjoy. This season of our lives should be a time we learn to be more content as well as understanding of others.

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Trautman,

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the following statement:

“We appreciate Dr. Trautman’s stated willingness to work together during the one and half years she has been in office. While we have had our differences, Dr. Trautman showed the importance of having an independent county clerk dedicated to meeting important election challenges. Her tenure has also shown why the County Clerk is elected by the people and not beholden to other county officials. While serving as County Clerk is no easy job, it plays a critical role in Harris County, overseeing the largest elections in Texas and, in November 2020, one of the largest countywide voting operations in the nation.”

Harris County Clerk Diane Trautman Accomplishments

Diane Trautman has served as Harris County Clerk since January 1, 2019, working arduously to make the voting process accessible, continually anticipating challenges, and addressing public concerns to ensure the election infrastructure remains secure. Below is a list of some of her major accomplishments.

- 1. Countywide Voting Centers** – Successfully implemented a Countywide Polling Place program which allows voters to cast a ballot at any Election Day polling location.
- 2. Extended Early Voting Hours** – To offer voters additional time to vote, opened polls from 7 am to 7 pm during Early Voting.
- 3. Additional Early Voting Locations** - Opened 6 new Early Voting sites including the campuses of Texas Southern University and the University of Houston bringing the total number of Early Voting locations to 52.

4. Textbot Poll Finder and Wait Time Features – Worked to create website features to help find the nearest voting locations and those with the shortest lines.

5. Election Judge Training - Improved election judge training and included additional ADA and sensitivity training for all election workers.

6. More Transparent Website - Updated the harrisvotes.com website by including information on the application process for Voting Centers, easy to find election reports, and an improved polling location map.

7. New Wallisville Annex - Opened 11th Harris County Clerk Annex location so that customers would not have to drive far to get copies of vital documents.

8. Sexual Harassment Training - All 333 employees completed Sexual Harassment and Sensitivity training.

9. ADA & Accessibility - Settled a six year old ADA lawsuit from the last administration by providing greater access for all voters. Also implemented a multilingual virtual poll worker for translation support in dozens of different languages.

10. New Marriage License - Created a new more modern design with a new Harris County Clerk logo showing the skyline of "can do" city of Houston.

The following has not yet been accomplished, but is expected to be implemented in the near future:


11. Supporting Safe Elections- Most recently, secured \$12 million from the Harris County Commissioners Court to expand ballot by mail to those who qualify and worked with election officials to create an extensive plan to ensure voting at the polls continues to be safe and accessible.

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Private, non-profit schools, who legally qualify as a non-profit (currently hold a 501-C3 certificate), home schoolers, parents, and community members are invited to participate in a virtual meeting with representatives from the Sheldon Independent School District to learn more about federally funded programs and services available for the 2020-2021 school year. The meeting will be held virtually using zoom, on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in participating or have questions, please contact Sheldon ISD at (281) 727-2096. Details on how to access the zoom meeting are posted at www.sheldonisd.com.

Atención escuelas privadas, escuelas sin fines de lucro y estudiantes educados en casa en el Distrito Escolar Independiente Sheldon

Las escuelas privadas, escuelas sin fines de lucro y estudiantes educados en casa que califiquen legalmente como sin fines de lucro (que actualmente tengan un certificado 501-C3) están invitados a reunirse con representantes del Distrito Escolar Independiente Sheldon para saber más acerca de los programas y servicios financiados con fondos federales disponibles para el año escolar 2020-2021. La reunión se realizará en el Edificio de Administración NEY de Sheldon ISD localizado en el 11411 C. E. King Parkway, Houston, Texas 77044, el miércoles 27 de mayo, 2020, de 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Si usted está interesado en participar, por favor contacte a Sheldon ISD al (281) 727-2096 para solicitar información acerca de elegibilidad.

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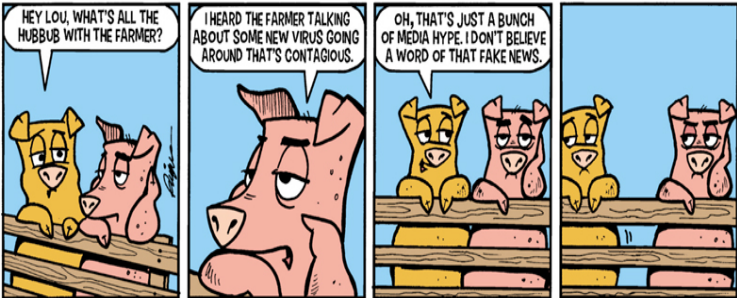
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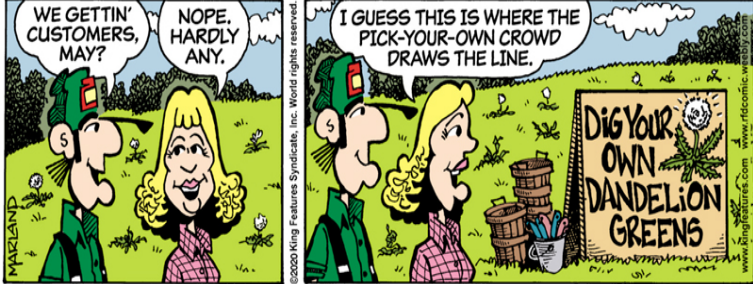
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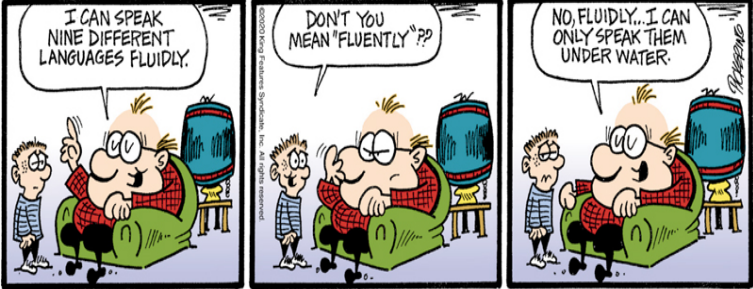
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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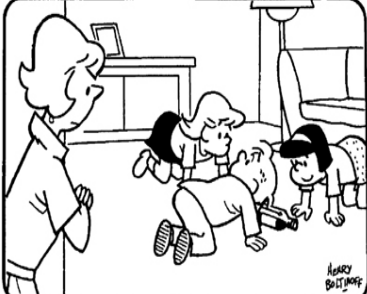
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HOCUS-FOCUS

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Plant is missing; 2. Frame is added; 3. Woman's blouse is different; 4. Lamp is added; 5. Girl's skirt is different; 6. Woman's earring is added.

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1 Work units
5 Urban carrier
8 Wanders
12 Hoodlum
13 Bobby of hockey
14 Leave out
15 Atmosphere
17 With skill
18 Godlike
19 Indefinite interval
21 To and —
22 Regimen
23 Sheepish comment
26 Mess up
28 Manicurist's concerns
31 Mater preceder
33 Insult (Sl.)
35 Nike slogan, "Just —"
36 Unpaid bills
38 1960s Pontiac
40 Homer's neighbor
41 Faraway fleet?
43 Actress Thurman
45 Help
47 Least adorned
51 Physicist Niels
52 Food of the gods
54 Tourney situations
55 Wire measure
56 Soda fountain treat
57 Right on the map?
58 Snoop
59 Arctic diving birds
5 Massachus-
etts city
6 Joan of —
7 The staff of life
8 Proceed
9 Drive
10 Pickling herb
11 Eyelid woe
16 Ireland
20 Victory
23 Evil
24 Brewery product
25 Surprise attacks
27 Tractor-trailer
29 Falsehood
30 Norm: Abbr.
32 Originally
34 Unshaven, in a way
37 "Mayday!"
39 Mr. Sharif
42 Postage buy
44 Scent
45 Singer Lane
46 Protein-rich bean
48 Birthright barterer
49 Symbol of smoothness
50 Body pics
53 Russian space station

Answers

King Crossword

Solution time: 25 mins.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: The island of Hispaniola is divided into which two countries?

2. U.S. STATES: Which state is known as the Badger State?

3. MEDICAL: Which human organ is involved in the development of diabetes?

4. AD SLOGANS: Which company advises clients to "leave the driving to us"?

5. MONUMENTS: How long ago was Stonehenge built?

6. ENTERTAINERS: Which singer/actress was born with the name Anna Mae Bullock?

7. COMICS: What kind of dog is Snoopy in the "Peanuts" comic strip?

8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many official languages does the United Nations have?

9. MEASUREMENTS: How many drops are in a teaspoon?

10. MUSIC: How many members sing in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir?

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Galena Park Food Distribution,

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From left to right: Commissioner Adrian Garcia, Rick Lord with Plumbers Local Union, Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia, Mayor Esmeralda Moya, Senator Carol Alvarado and representatives from Better Galena Park and Valero Energy (in blue t-shirt) working together at Galena Park's food distribution last Monday, May 11, 2020. (Contributed Photo).

Jacinto City Food and Mask Distribution,

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State Rep. Ana Hernandez, Sandra Zamarripa, Community Liaison Pct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia's office, Jacinto City Mayor Ana Diaz, Senator Carol Alvarado and Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia. Jacinto City's mask giveaway day led by Senator Alvarado. Every child was given a free toy. Friday, May 8th. (Photo by Allan Jamail)

no one in our community goes hungry due to the COVID-19 pandemic," said Congresswoman Garcia. "We must continue to do everything in our power to help people who have been hit the hardest by this health and economic crisis. The need for food assistance is great, so much so that people waited in line for hours to secure food for their families," continued Congresswoman Garcia. "And this is not just happening in the greater Houston region. It's occurring all across the country as millions of Americans have lost their jobs and are struggling to put food on the table. This is why the Heroes Act, which was introduced on Tuesday in the House of Representatives, includes additional funds to expand SNAP and other food assistance benefits during this crisis. We have a responsibility to ensure we take care of the people in our community and all across the U.S.," concluded Congresswoman Garcia.

Precinct 2 County Commissioner Adrian Garcia said, "I am pleased to join my colleagues today in Jacinto City as we distribute needed food and masks. Working together we will all come through the pandemic."

Jacinto City Mayor Ana Diaz said, "I'm happy our city is able to help so many families in need with food and virus protection masks. Our city has always opened its heart to the entire area during hurricanes, flooding and now this pandemic."

Lon Squyres, City Manager of Jacinto City's said the city currently has 14 positive cases of the



State Representative Ana Hernandez and Jacinto City Mayor Ana Diaz providing both English and Spanish U. S. Census information. Hernandez didn't let her broken ankle hold her back from reaching out to the needy. She's been seen hobbling around at many of the like events. (Photo by Allan Jamail)

COVID-19 virus and according to Galena Park Chief of Police Rodney Chersky has 10 cases. Why responding to the 2020 Census data helps states and communities get their part of thousands or millions of dollars in federal funds. Text "Censo2020" to 3131. Por que responder al Censo 2020 datos ayudan a estados y comunidades obtener parte de mil de millones de dolares en fondos federales. Texto "Censo2020" a 3131.

Police investigate shooting of a teenager on Uvalde Rd.

Houston police are investigating the shooting of a man that occurred at 606 Uvalde Road about 4:45 p.m. last Tuesday, May 12, 2020. According to Houston Police Department Major Assaults & Family Violence Division Officers M. Althaus and Z. Brumley, the suspect's pickup truck backed into a parking spot at a business in the 600 block of Uvalde and was approached by the victim, Izayah Torres, 18, and the suspect then exchanged gunfire and Torres was struck in the chest. At this time, it is not known if the suspect was also wounded by the gunfire. The suspect fled in the vehicle, described as only as an older model, red Ford pickup truck. Mr. Torres was transported to an area hospital in critical condition. Anyone with information in this case is urged to contact the HPD Major Assaults & Family Violence Division at 713-308-8800 or Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS.

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