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KFB recognized as KTB Gold Star Affiliate Around Town

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JULY 4th PARADE APPLICATIONS Friendswood Parks and Recreation Department is accepting parade and booth applications for the 4th of July celebration. For more information call 281-996-3220 or email rec@friendswood.com.

Now-August 12 KIDS PACZ FOOD PACKS

Kids Pacz will be available at the Friendswood Library June 6 - August 12. The free food packs are available for qualifying children ages 3-18. Registration required at 281-482-7135. The library is located at 416 S. Friendswood Drive. For more information visit www.galvestoncountyfoodbank.org.

June 22-24 **FISH CAMP**

Friendswood Fish Camp will be offered June 20-24 from 8:30am to 10:30am at Lake Friendswood Park, 2533 Davis Prairie Lane. Choose one of 3 classes: June 22, 23, 24. Class content will be hook safety, knot tying, rod assembly, local fish identification, practice casting and reeling and catch fish. \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents. Register for a class at parks.friendswood.com. For more information call 281-996-3220 or email rec@friendswood.com.

June 22 LIBRARY MOVIE NIGHT

The Friendswood Library Movie Night for Thursday, June 23 is "Stardust". Movie night is free and open to the public. Refreshments provided. The library is located at 416 S. Friendswood Dr. June 23

CHAMBER LUNCH & LEARN

The Friendswood Chamber of Commerce will have a Lunch and Learn Thursday, June 23 from noon to 1pm on Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention. Frank Winsett, MD, Assistant Professor in the Department of Dermatology at UTMB Health will be the speaker. The event is free but RSVP for a food count at 281-482-3329. The Chamber is located at 1100 S. Friendswood Drive.

June 24 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**

By KAROLYN GEPHART Reporter News Staff

Keep Friendswood Beautiful has once again been recognized as a Keep Texas Beautiful 2022 Gold Star Affiliate.

To achieve Gold Star status, affiliates must share information

to Keep Texas Beautiful on their mission and goals, answer questions about their economic development and diversity and inclusion practices or participate in the Beautify Texas Awards or Governor's Community Achievement Awards programs



KFB member Kaye Corey worked with a participant when Keep Friendswood Beautiful hosted their Make A Fairy Garden Class in Stevenson Park.

and provide a letter of support from their community.

Keep Friendswood Beautiful (KFB) is a city board made up of 20 volunteers dedicated to enhancing the aesthetic appearance of Friendswood and to encourage residents to take an active role in maintaining that appearance.

Activities in which KFB participate include picking up trash on their Adopt a Highway section in Friendswood, tending to the beautiful pollinator garden in Stevenson Park year round in all types of temperatures, organizing and participating in the giveaway of 100-plus trees to residents annually and volunteering at their City-wide clean up twice a year in Fall Haul and Spring Sparkle.

They brought the nationallyknown Fairy Trail to Stevenson Park, Santa in the Park to the community and education community-wide with Figgy the Eco-Friendly Squirrel.

They also provide a matching beautification grant for HOAs or businesses annually.

Interested in getting your hands dirty and volunteering, a few volunteer spots for the KFB board are now available.

The history of Keep Texas Beautiful dates back to 1967, when Texas was preparing for the 1968 HemisFair in San Antonio and more than 16 million tourists were expected to descend upon the state.

A variety of representatives from diverse entities, including the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, decided that Texas cities and highways should be given a "facelift" so visitors would see a clean, beautiful state. To accomplish this goal, the group created a non-profit educational corporation, supported totally by membership dues, known as the Beautify Texas Council.

Realizing the importance of what had been accomplished via local volunteers and their love of their communities, the Beautify Texas Council continued to support communities in their beautification efforts even after HemisFair. By 1968, the Council had supplied almost every Texas town with information on how to improve their city's appearance. In response to enthusiastic efforts from dedicated volunteers across the state, the Council eventually increased its focus to highway beautification, environmental education and public awareness, procurement and distribution of funding and support to local volunteers, and creating and maintaining valuable relationships with state officials and agencies.

In 1985, the Beautify Texas Council officially became Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc., and a state affiliate of Keep America Beautiful. Since that time, KTB has won top honors as an outstanding KAB state affiliate and have grown by creating an extensive affiliate program.

Keep Texas Beautiful now has the largest environmental and community improvement network in the state.

Texas Eagles - an Eagle Tribute Band will be performing at the Concert in the Park on Friday, June 24. Music begins at 7pm. Those attending are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, refreshments, blankets, dinner or snacks. All concerts are free. Concerts are held at Stevenson Park, 1100 S. Friendswood Dr. To become a sponsor or donate a door prize call 281-996-3220 or email rec@friendswood.com.

BLOOD DRIVE

Friendswood Chamber of Commerce will hold a blood drive on Friday, June 24 from 10am to 2:30pm in the Chamber Board Room, 1100 S Friendswood Dr. Free beach towel for donors. To sign up visit https://conta.cc/3mq7Tzu.

June 27-30 **RADKIDS CLASSES**

The Friendswood Police Department will be hosting radKIDS® classes this summer on June 27-30 at the Friendswood Activity Center at 416 Morningside Dr. in Friendswood. The radKIDS® program is designed to increase children's ability to recognize and avoid potentially dangerous situations, violence, and harm. For more information or to register contact: Officer Jason Ives at 281-996-5048 or email Jives@friendswood.com.

June 30 NETWORKING BREAKFAST

Kick Start Your Day Networking Breakfast is planned for Thursday June 30 from 7:30 to 9am at the Friendswood Chamber of Commerce at 1100 S. Friendswood Dr. The cost is \$10. Sponsors are Whataburger and Dunn Bros. Coffee. RSVP to 281-482-3329.

July 4 127th JULY 4 CELEBRATION

The City of Friendswood will have their 127th July 4th celebration, Freedom for One & All, on Monday, July 4. The Grand Parade will begin at 10 am followed by entertainment, food and fun at Stevenson Park at 11 am. Centennial Park will host music and food beginning at 7:30 pm followed by the patriotic fireworks show. For more information, follow Parks and Rec on Facebook.

July 14 **TUCKER HART PERFORMS**

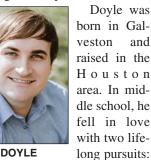
Tucker Hart will be performing at the Friendswood Library on Thursday, July 14th at 7:00pm. Check out Tucker Hart on our Primary Source vlog where we present local and regional professionals in the fields of art and science. https://youtu.be/d5vvO6EazU4. Free and open to the public. The library is located at 416 S. Friendswood Dr.

Local author to speak about his book at library

By KAROLYN GEPHART Reporter News Staff

Local author Justin Doyle will be at the Friendswood Library Friday, June 24 at 3:30 pm.

Doyle will answer questions and speak about his book, Embargo on Hope.



DOYLE

space and writing. He knew he wanted to work at NASA and write science fiction/fantasy on the side, and lo and behold, that's exactly what he ended up doing.

He graduated from Texas A&M University with a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering, and an M.S. in Systems Engineering. He works for now Barrios Technology as a project engineer for the next NASA space station, the Gateway, after previously working on commercial avionics, International Space Station (ISS) flight and manifest planning, and ISS research planning. He lives in the Houston area with his wife, daughters, and various small mammals.

His book is described as follows: Even gods have secrets...

On planet Vastire, worth is set by the sins of one's ancestors. Good families rise to the elite and the wicked fall into poverty. Unfortunately for sixteen-yearold Darynn Mark, his father incited a revolution. Now, Darynn scrounges his way through life in the slums. When Vastire is surrounded by an embargo, it gets even harder to survive.

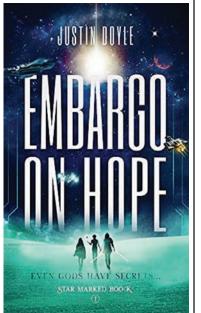
That all changes when an alien ship slips through the embargo, seeking Darynn with an offer: finish the revolution and the embargo ends. He might have a chance thanks to mysterious magic powers, and his two companions: clairvoyant crush Fyra and soldierly alien Kaylaa.

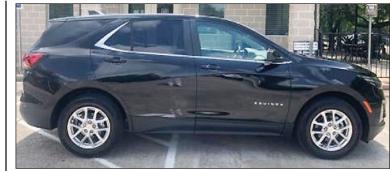
Cutthroat killers, mystical beasts, Vampires, power-hungry priests and lords, and self-serving spies stand in their way. If the three of them can crack his father's secret, maybe they can end the embargo and save the poor. If not, another poor orphan will be added to the growing piles of dead.

His book is available through Barnes and Noble as well as on Amazon.com.

The first in the Star Marked trilogy, the book was published in August 2021.

The library is located at 416 S. Friendswood Drive.





Tickets on sale to win an SUV on July 4

By KAROLYN GEPHART Reporter News Staff

Winning an SUV is getting closer as the Friendswood Chamber of Commerce continues to sell tickets for this year's vehicle to win at the Fourth of July Fireworks celebration July 4.

Tickets are \$20 each and the money supports the many activities and programs of the Chamber.

This year's vehicle is an SUV and the winner does not have to be present to win. A Chamber staff person will call the winner by phone.

The drawing is planned for 9:28 pm at Centennial Park on Monday, July 4.

The theme this year for the 4th of July festivities in Friendswood is Freedom for One and All.

The Grand Parade is planned for 10am and will proceed on Friendswood Drive between Heritage Drive and Stevenson Park. Rides, games and food at the park will follow along with entertainment beginning at 11am.

The evening entertainment will begin at 7:30 pm at Centennial Park. Food and music by Party Crashers will be offered.

The annual Fireworks Show will follow featured entertainment starting at approximately 9:30 pm following the drawing for the SUV.

For more information about July 4 events contact the Parks and Recreation office at 281-996-3220 or email at rec@friendswood.com. To get tickets to win the SUV, contact the Chamber at 281-482-3329.

Galveston County enacts burn ban

Judge Mark Henry signed a burn ban June 14, 2022 to prohibit outdoor burning in the unincorporated parts of Galveston County.

Burn bans are enacted at the county level based on local drought,



wind and other conditions, and the threat of wildfire. When enacted, they prohibit or restrict outdoor burning for public safety, including campfires and controlled burns.

The Texas Forest Service determined June 13

that drought conditions existed in the county as evidenced by the Keetch-Byram Drought Index (KBDD). With rates above 600 on the index after measuring moisture in the soil, the county is considered to be in severe drought and this means an increased fire risk.

County residents in unincorporated areas will not be able to burn trash or brush and campfires will not be allowed.

For any violations, the person committing the violation could face a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

Alvin Community College reduce tuition for Alvin ISD **Dual Enrollment students**

Alvin ISD's Dual Enrollment program is a long-standing partnership between Alvin ISD and Alvin Community College. This program provides high school students the unique opportunity to obtain college credit while still in high school, which can lead to the completion of a postsecondary degree or certificate.

On May 17th, Alvin ISD was informed the Alvin Community College Board of Regents unanimously voted to support a request to reduce tuition for Alvin ISD students who take Dual Enrollment Classes either online or on campus at ACC.

Currently, Alvin ISD students who take classes outside of their respective high schools pay \$47 a credit hour and all fees associated with registration. The new proposal reduces the cost to \$25 per credit hour along with \$80 in fees, thus creating a savings of \$212 for a 3-credit course.

"We are committed to eliminating unintentional barriers to access to our Dual Enrollment program and recognize that cost can definitely be a barrier for some of our students and their families," shared Dr. Robert Exley, Alvin Community College President. "Our hope is that more students will be able to take courses as part of the Dual Enrollment program and that by providing more affordable options to take classes either online or after school hours on the ACC campus, it will enable more students to complete their Associates Degrees while in high school."

In 2022, Alvin ISD had 112 students graduate from ACC as part of the Dual Enrollment program. 91 of these students earned an Associate's of Arts Degree in General Studies and 21 received a Technical Degree. The General Studies degree is a combination of forty-two hours of core academic courses and eighteen hours of electives selected with the student's intended pathway in mind, for a total of sixty hours of college coursework completed prior to high school graduation.

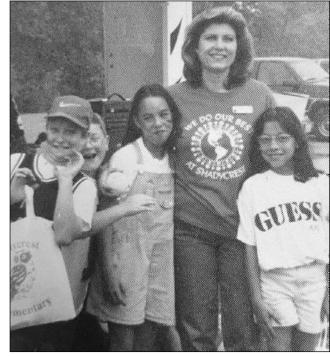
"Alvin ISD is thankful for the Regents' decision. Hopefully with this new pricing structure, more Alvin ISD families will be able to take advantage of this amazing opportunity," shared Carol Nelson, Alvin ISD Superintendent. "Alvin ISD and ACC have always had a strong partnership and we look forward to continuing to offer these great opportunities to our students."

If you are interested or want to learn more about this wonderful educational opportunity, please visit with an Alvin ISD High School counselor, Alvin Community College Dual Enrollment Advisor housed on the Alvin ISD high school campus or visit www.alvincollege.edu/dualenrollment.





Dr. Waters giving first morning announcement at Silverlake



Dr. Waters with Shadycrest Elementary students.

Dr. Waters Lauded as Trailblazer in Elementary Education after 39 years of service to Pearland ISD

As the 2021-22 school year comes to a close, Pearland Independent School District will bid farewell to longtime and cherished Senior Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, Dr. Brenda Waters, who is set to retire.

After dedicating 45 years to public education, 39 of those with the district, Dr. Waters thinks of Pearland as home. She began her journey in education in Friendswood and joined Pearland ISD in 1983 as a math teacher at Jamison Middle School because of the unique concept the district offered to fifth and sixth graders. "Not many districts followed this rare concept of an elementary and middle school, for me, giving students the extra support before transitioning was something I felt very strongly about." Growing up, Dr. Waters spent a lot of time helping other students in her neighborhood which is where the devoted servant leader first came to understand her true passion for education. "Teachers and students alike need hope, they need help. When you speak positivity into people's lives and tell them they will succeed, it shows," Dr. Waters said. "Parents are busier than they have ever been and it truly takes a village; Pearland ISD is that village." Dr. Waters believes in building character and has devoted a majority of her time to various programs and clubs as a teacher, among her favorites were Celebrity Readers, RISE Mentoring



DR. BRENDA WATERS

and Math club, to name a few.

Following a decade of service in teaching, she accepted the role as assistant principal at Shadycrest Elementary where her daughter attended. In 1992, Dr. Waters went on to become the school's principal.

Dr. Waters also left her mark and led the way for future leaders. In 2002, she worked with architects to design Silvercrest Elementary, serving as Silvercrest's first principal. She was able to see the district grow and flourish from seven schools, an administration building and a transportation facility to 23 campuses, five facilities,

two transportation buildings, one agricultural and one maintenance & operations facility, as well as an Education Support Center.

In 2003, Dr. Waters joined the administration team as Executive Director of Elementary Schools. During her tenure, she not only helped to rebuild the foundation of elementary education for the district, but she also served the community alongside her peers after catastrophic events such as Hurricanes Rita, Ike, Harvey and, most recently, witnessed the biggest change in education her career has experienced with the Covid-19 pandemic.

The strides of progress that started with Dr. Waters will continue forward under the leadership of Marlo Keller. "Her legacy that began in August of 1983 will be carried on - a legacy that has now impacted thousands of students and families," Pearland ISD Superintendent Larry Berger said. "Her constant support and encouragement, her commitment to education and love for Pearland will truly be missed."

Dr. Waters' last day as Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools is set for the end of June. She looks forward to spending time with family and returning to the classroom, this time, walking the halls as a volunteer to continue serving her beloved district.

Registration begins for Fall league at Miracle Field

The Miracle League of Pearland is seeking athletes for the Fall league. Registration has begun.

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Hosted on the Miracle Field, the all inclusive baseball field designed to serve children with disabilities, the league is open to children ages four and up.

The six week long season is free of charge and will also include the official team uniform.

League play begins Sept. 10. Participation is free.

The Fall league lasts six weeks. Uniforms include a team shirt and hat and participants will get a trophy.

Registration ends July 8. Volunteer buddies are also needed and can sign up now.

Register today by visiting pearlandparks.com

Miracle Field at Shadow Greek Sports Complex provides

a place for children with mental and physical disabilities to play sports, particularly baseball.

The complex is located at 13050 Shadow Creek Parkway.

Galveston County United Way seeks books

The United Way of Galveston County Mainland staff are in need of Spanish and English children's book donations for their Dr. Seuss Summer Reading Camp.

These books will be sent home with young campers so that they can continue reading throughout the summer.

The United Way will accept new or gently used books and donations can be dropped off Monday- Thursday from 8 am-4 pm at their office.

The office is located at 2800 Texas Avenue in Texas City. They will be taking book donations through July 11.

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Master Gardener members awarded for 25 years plus in 2022 included Velda Cuclis, Jerlee Owens, Clarence Paul, (Row 2) Linda Steber, Patsy Jewell, Mikey Isbell, Joyce McMillan (Row 3) Herman Auer and Terry Cuclis.

County Master Gardeners celebrate 40 years of service

By KAROLYN GEPHART

Galveston County Master Gardeners celebrated 40 years of Master Gardeners service to the county on June 14 at the Galveston home of GCMG Mikey Isbell and husband Allen Isbell. An awards ceremony and dinner were part of the event.

MCs for the evening included Extension Agent – Horticulture Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service Galveston County Stephen Brueggerhoff and GCMGA President Kathy Maines.

Recognition was given to members with milestone awards, those serving 25 years plus, and members achieving Emeritus sta-

Texas Master Gardener President (and our chapter member) Robin Collins presented TMG state awards as well.

Milestone year awards for 2021 were presented to Patsy Jewell and Linda Steber for 30 years; Jim Edwards, Julie Massey and Donna Ward for 25 years; Janice Beick, Kaye Corey, Trish McDaniel, Charles Myers and Lister Wygrys for 20 years; and Anne Baugh, Keith Boyston, Julie Moncur and Amy Lynn Williams for 15 years.

Members awarded for 25 years plus in

Frerking, Morris named Principals of the Year

Principals Jason Frerking and Becky Morris are dedicated administrators who have made a profound impact in the lives of their students, teachers and communities. Pearland Independent School District named Pearland Junior High South's Frerking and Challenger Elementary's Morris as the 2022 Elementary and Secondary Principals of the Year.

2022 included Jerlee Owens for 40 years; Herman Auer for 39 years; Velda and Terry Cuclis for 35 years; Ann Lyon for 33 years; Doris Heard for 32 years; Pasty Jewell and Linda Steber for 31 years Laura Bellmore, Mikey Isbell and Clarence Paul for 30 years; Joyce McMillan for 28 years; Philip Fox for 27 years, James Edwards, Julie Massey and Donna Ward for 26 years; and Karen Geary and Gene Speller for 25 years.

New Emeritus Members honored included Phil Cone, Willie David, Mary Demeny, Clyde Holt and Lester Wygrys.

State awards presented by Collins to the group included First Place for Written Education: GCMGA Online Store Plant Education; First Place for Research: 2021 Paste Tomato Trials' First Place for Outstanding Organization; Second Place for Outstanding Individual: Kathy Maines; and Third Place for Educational Program A Passion for Plumeria.

At the event, Galveston Mayor Craig Brown presented a Proclamation to the group.

The GCMGs were also joined by new County Commissioner, Dr. Robin Armstrong.



PARTY CRASHERS TO PERFORM AT FRIENDSWOOD 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Announcing this year's Friendswood 4th of July Celebration evening entertainment band, the Party Crashers. Party Crashers® is one this planet's best party bands, a diverse group of vocalists and musicians with enormous musical talent, tremendous energy, and obvious chemistry. Primarily due to the golden vocals and remarkable showmanship of Jenny J, this extraordinary band has raised the bar on live performance. The evening program begins at 7:30pm at Centennial Park on July 4th, there is no public parking at the event. To attend the Fourth of July evening program, the public can take a free shuttle bus from Friendswood Methodist Church (110 N Friendswood Drive) or Friendswood High School (702 Greenbriar Drive) between 6:30pm and 8:45pm. The event and parking is free.

----- JUDGE Mike Engelhart FOR COURT OF APPEALS DEMOCRAT



Please Vote for Judge Mike Engelhart for the First Court of Appeals, Place 4 on November 8, 2022. Early voting starts October 24th.



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Jason Frerking, Pearland Junior High South

Frerking recently completed his tenth year as principal at Pearland Junior High South and has served in education in various roles for a span of 25 years. As principal, he strives



to create a campus that students, teachers and staff take pride in being a part of.

"I take great pride in the responsibility of leading those I serve, and normally that is enough to keep me motivated. I also focus on the positives there are so many positive things going on every day in our

schools, and the positives substantially outweigh the negatives," Frerking said.

Frerking began his career in Pearland ISD as the assistant band director for Pearland Junior High East and Jamison Middle School working his way up to head band director, assistant principal and ultimately as principal at Pearland Junior High South. He stays motivated by focusing his efforts in building impactful relationships.

"Sometimes it's the small things — like giving a student a high-five or fist bump in the hallway — that makes all the difference. Building world-class schools in Pearland ISD starts with world-class relationships because relationships are the prerequisite to learning at high levels," he said.

Frerking has a Bachelor of Music with All-Level Teacher Certification and Master of Science in Education Management from University of Houston.

Challenger Elementary, Becky Morris

Morris recently completed her third year as principal at Challenger Elementary. Before joining Pearland ISD, she was an elementary assistant principal in Deer Park ISD. Prior to that, she was a math teacher at Deer Park, Spring Branch and Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISDs.

"Seeing student achievement improve and increased teacher efficacy keeps me motivated. When teachers come to me excited to try fresh, new ideas, I know we are headed in the right direction," she said. "If you see a principal that you think is great, know that the teachers and staff inside that building are even greater!"

With 18 years of experience in education, Morris has a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies from Texas A&M and a Masters in Curriculum and Instruction from University of Phoenix. Morris' vision is to create a culture of achievement and success for all students and staff.

"I want my generation's success 'ceiling' to be the next generation's success 'floor.' I find great joy in finding my staff's strengths in leadership and empowering them to keep growing as learners and leaders," Morris said.

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Drawing to be held Monday, July 4th at approx. 9:25 p.m. at Centennial Park before the fireworks. (Winner need not be present to win). PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT WWW.FRIENDSWOODCHAMBER.COM.



NATIVE AMERICAN WISDOM

(Last in a series of four posts)

"See, I have taught you decrees and laws as the LORD my God commanded me, so that you may follow them in the land you are entering to take possession of it. 6 Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people."

- Deuteronomy 4:5-6 The word, 'wisdom' appears in both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible... and is presented in the female form. Bam. So... take that all ye men of good will and faith... thinking women and children are to be seen and not heard... as the 'wise old man' down the block is outdueled by the 'wiser woman' next door... or in my case the one who lives in my house... as though I'm a pretty good guy... give credit to my wife... she's made me a better man than I thought I'd ever be.

And speaking of the Bible... here's a very interesting thought on how I think the Bible gets read in our culture... one way having a posture or thought and then go looking for a verse in the Bible to back that idea up... or the other way... the one I've used for most of my adult life... to read the Bible... out loud even ... and listen to what is being heard... then respond to that... or simply said... the first way is to read into the scriptures and the second is allow the scriptures to read out to us... the latter having greater positive consequence and the former potentially being very dangerous... as when I read this passage from Deuteronomy it is easy to see how those who arrived from Europe could use these words as permission from God to usurp the land already inhabited by some of God's own... despite the differences from the ones arriving! And in the big scheme of things as much as there is plenty of ancient native American wisdom to consider there are modern thoughts of those who still claim those indigenous ways... like this...

"We are strong, resilient, and highly adaptable people. Archaeology shows that

Alaska native peoples have been here for 14,500 years and more. Our ancestors lived through climate issues of the past so we know that we will survive the hardships coming our way, but it will not be easy." -Rose Highbear (02/2015)

She sounds a bit prophetic. And just like the obvious diversity in the USA of our day... we hear this... "across this great country, from the southwest to the northeast, one cannot paint Indian country with a single stroke. Indian country is not a homogeneous community. There are some stark and subtle differences that make each tribe unique" - Tara McLean Sweeny (05/2018)

Or these words from Dorothy Haberman about the importance of embracing the best of one's past yet understanding life is full of shifts and turns... "we have to look at the way we were in the past, hang on to it in our hearts and at the same time change; accepting we're always changing to survive."

And there is this piece of Cherokee wisdom lifted up in 2020 by Lisa Pivec... "We have to come together as one people. We have to think about others. And that's something the Cherokee do. And that's how we live collectively...understanding that what we do and how we live impacts others. Don't ask. 'What are my rights? Ask, what are my responsibilities?"

And this... some hail the interactions of Jesuit missionaries with native Americans over time... contributed to the ending of France's aristocracy!

So, if wisdom is a gift of God... then we will find it in many places and in many people... and hopefully even within ourselves... and better yet... that others would find some in us... or as Ernestine Hayes declared, "Well, we're still here!"

The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Gigee is a long-time resident of Pearland, having pastored four churches over the last four decades in Texas and Louisiana. Read more following Brian's blog 'murmurings' at https://briangigee.wordpress.com/. Send and/or comments questions to godworks247365@gmail.com.

Brazoria County Day to celebrate 50th Anniversary

Brazoria County Day is set for Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2023. The event takes place in Austin and is open to residents of Brazoria County and those doing business in Brazoria County. A large group will converge on the capitol to thank our elected officials for what they do and let them know our points of interest in the legislative session. The state agencies and elected officials know we stand together and support one another. It is heartwarming to be a part of the group of hundreds of Brazoria County representatives, wearing matching t-shirts, canvasing the Texas capitol.

Brazoria County is held every other year in Austin when the legislature is in session. The event started in 1973 with just a few Brazosport Chamber representatives and has grown every session since. The only year Brazoria County did not show up in person was 2021 when COVID closed the capitol. Our legislative concerns were sent electronically to the elected officials.

During the legislative session on Tuesday, Feb. 28, Brazoria County will be formally recognized in the House and the Senate. The more faces they see in the gallery, the more effective our work will be in Austin. As we stand together with one vision and one voice, everyone in the county benefits from the strong relationships we build. We want Brazoria County to be

recognized as the vital, vibrant part of Texas's economy, history, and future, that it is.

Events will be taking place over two days: Monday, Feb. 27 and Tuesday, Feb. 28. The first 500 Brazoria County Day attendees to show up in Austin will receive a goodie bag and t-shirt. There is no need to register in advance to attend Brazoria County Day. Each attendee is on their own for transportation and overnight accommodations.

The scheduled events will be free to Brazoria County residents and business representatives of Brazoria County. Upon arrival in Austin, stop by the Brazoria County Day registration room and pick up your goodie bag and t-shirt.

The Host Hotel is the Hyatt Regency Austin, 208 Barton Spring Road, Austin, Texas. Some of the events will take place at the Hyatt. A discounted block of overnight rooms is reserved. If you call the Hyatt (512-477-1234) be sure to reference the Brazoria County Day block. To register online use www.hyatt.com/ en-US/group-booking/ AUSRA/G-BBCD.

Agency meetings and delivery of invitations and legislative issues will take place on Monday, Feb. 27. A continental breakfast is available to attendees at 8:00 a.m. at the Hyatt. Volunteers will deliver the gifts, invitations and legislative issues to legislators following the breakfast. Anyone wanting to meet with a state agency during Brazoria County Day is asked to make the request through The Alliance (<u>info@eda-bc.com</u>). The



meetings will be scheduled for you, through the Brazoria County Day Steering Committee, reflecting a united front.

A reception for all Brazoria County Day attendees will be on Monday (Feb. 27) evening at the Hyatt.

Brazoria County Day, Tuesday, Feb. 28, will start with the Legislative Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at the Hyatt. Following the breakfast, attendees will make their way to the capitol for recognition in the House and Senate. A group photo will be taken on the lawn following recognition.

The Brazoria County Day grand finale will be a gathering at Fiesta Gardens Austin City Park. Elected officials, aides, and agency representatives all look forward to the warm welcome they receive from Brazoria County residents offering boat loads of fresh gulf shrimp, red sauce, and beverages. The World's Largest Shrimp Cocktail is from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., with shuttle service available from the capitol and the Hyatt Regency Austin.

The Steering Committee is still collecting donations to underwrite Brazoria County Day 2023 so all attendees can participate without a cost for the individual events. If you would like to become a sponsor, please contact info@eda-<u>bc.com</u> or 979-848-0560.

Promote your business by contributing to the goodie bags that will go to Brazoria County residents. The 500 items can be delivered to The Alliance or your local Brazoria County Chamber of Commerce. If you need to have the goodie bag items picked up, just let us know.





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TRISTYN REED

HANNAH CANTRELL

Farm Bureau announces scholarship winners

To help local students achieve their dreams of furthering their education, Brazoria-Galveston County Farm Bureau awarded \$8,000 in scholarships.

"We offer these scholarships at a local level to help kids right here at home," Brazoria-Galveston County Farm Bureau President Charles LeCompte said. "Trade school, college and university education can be expensive. Scholarships are one way we invest in the future of Texas agriculture."

Tristyn Reed and Hannah Cantrell received scholarships through Brazoria-Galveston County Farm Bureau's scholarship program.

"These young women were selected based on their academic, scholastic and agricultural involvement, LeCompte said. "We are proud of their commitment to their education and to agriculture."

Tristyn Reed graduated from Pearland High School.Tristyn will be attending West Texas A&M University in the fall where she will study Agriculture Education. During her high school career, Tristyn was involved in the FFA program all 4 years and served as an officer not only for her high school chapter, but also for Area III. She also played volleyball and served on the Principal's Advisory Committee. Tristyn has a passion for public speaking and advocating for agriculture and wants to help other youth find that same love for agriculture.

Hannah Cantrell graduated second in her class from Hitchcock High School. She will be attending East Texas Baptist University in the fall where she will study Kinesiology and Health Education. She hopes to pursue a career in education. During her high school career, Hannah was involved in FFA and 4-H showing swine at the Galveston County Fair. She was also a member of the powerlifting team, a varsity cheerleader and a gymnastic coach at Santa Fe Sports.

"We are confident these students will be successful in their future endeavors and look forward to following their college careers," LeCompte said.

A list of Texas Farm Bureau scholarships and other opportunities for Texas youth can be found online at http://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/youth-opportunities.

Sports

From the Cluttered Desk by Dr. David Davis

Standing at the elevator of life I heard a funny story recently. A fellow was raised in the back hills of West Virginia - I mean, so far out in



the sticks, never in his life had he even seen a big city to say nothing of modern inventions and neon lights. He married a gal just like himself and they spent all their

married years in the backwoods. They had one son, whom they creatively called Junior.

Around the time Junior reached his sixteenth birthday, his dad decided the three of them would take a trip to the big city which they had never seen.

As they approached the outskirts of the metropolis, Papa began to get a little jumpy: "Mama, when we pull up at th' hotel, you stay in th' truck while Junior an' I go in an' look around. We'll come back and git ya, okay?" She agreed.

Flashing neon lights and uniformed doormen greeted them as they pulled up at the luxurious hotel. Papa and Junior left mama in the pickup and they couldn't believe their eyes! When they stepped on a mat - the doors opened automatically. Inside they stood like statues - staring at the chandelier, then the enormous waterfall inside the lobby. While both stood silent, watching one breathtaking sight after another, they kept hearing a clicking sound behind them.

Finally, Papa turned around and saw this amazing little room with doors that slid open from the center. People would walk up - push a button and wait. Lights would flicker above the doors and then, "click," the doors would slide open from the middle. Some people would walk out of the little room and others would walk inside and turn around as, "click," the doors slid shut. By now, Papa and Junior stood totally transfixed.

At that moment a wrinkled old lady shuffled up to the doors all by herself. She pushed the button and waited. "Click," the doors opened and she hobbled into the little room. No one else stepped in with her, so "click," the doors slid shut.

Not more than twenty seconds later the door opened again - and there stood this fabulously attractive blonde, a young woman in her twenties - high heels, shapely body, beautiful face - a real knockout! As she stepped out, smiled, and turned to walk away, Papa grabbed Junior and said, "Did you see that? Quick, Junior go git Mama!" Seems like everybody these days is looking for a room like what Papa thought he had found. Just push the right button, wait momentarily for the door of opportunity to slide open, then "click," magic! In only a matter of seconds we are instantly transformed. Who are we kidding? That makes a pretty good joke, but when it comes to reality, nothing could be further from the truth. This is especially true when it comes to the cultivation of your family in building all the key ingredients that makes a home strong. Things like moral character, honesty, love for family and others, clean living, respecting the feelings of people that we meet in life, giving of oneself to help another and doing the best we can in every area of life. So, as you stand at the elevator of life and you hear the sliding doors "click" open for you to get on, and once you step in and the doors close you will begin your ride to the top. But you will make a stop at each floor presenting you with an opportunity to get off before you reach the top floor. Trials and temptations will attempt to lure you from reaching your ultimate destination - but don't get off until you have gone as far as you can go. Once at the top - you can look back and say - "I'm glad that I stayed by the stuff that lifts me and my family above the level of mediocrity." Old friend Robert said, "Very few make it to the top. But those who do, rise above their problems and circumstances to see the greatest view that life has to offer. "Going up, anyone?" Email: drdaviddavis@yahoo.com www.reporternewssports.com Twitter: @drdavis111



DISTRICT 23-6A MVP - Pearland senior pitcher/first baseman Caden Ferraro was named "Most Valuable Player" for the All-District 23-6A baseball team selected by the league's coaches.

Ferraro, Rogers headline All-District 23-6A baseball selections

By DR. DAVID DAVIS Reporter News Staff

Pearland had a strong showing with their softball and baseball teams as the Lady Oilers won the District 23-6A crown and the Oilers followed their path to success by winning the baseball 23-6A championship.

Lady Oilers head coach Laneigh Clark was the league's "Coach of the Year" and the baseball coaching peers of head coach David Rogers deservedly named him the 23-6A "Coach of the Year."

Rogers led the Pearland diamondmen to a 34-9-1 season record while advancing to the 6A Region III semifinals before dropping the best-of-three series to Ridge Point 2-1. Pearland was attempting to reach the regional finals for the first time since 2014. The Oilers were 13-1 in league action. Pitcher/first baseman senior Caden Ferraro of Pearland was named the 23-6A "Most Valuable Player" for his outstanding season. Ferraro played an impact role for Oilers in all phases of the game as he was 12-0 on the mound with a 1.54 ERA while fanning 66. As hitter, he posted a .330 batting average with 18 runs, 31 RBIs, 7 doubles, 2 triples, and 6 HRs.,

Also named to the All-District

first-team were: senior pitcher Mark Zapata (0.83 ERA, 8-0, 85 strikeouts), junior first baseman Justin Ogle (.345 BA, 7 runs, 16 RBIs, 5 doubles, 1 HR), and senior outfielder Brett Smajstrla (.471 BA, 14 runs, 9 RBIs, 3 doubles, 1 triple).

Second-team All-District selections were: pitcher Joshua Graf, shortstop Anthony Avalos, outfielders John Moya and Isaiah Castenada.

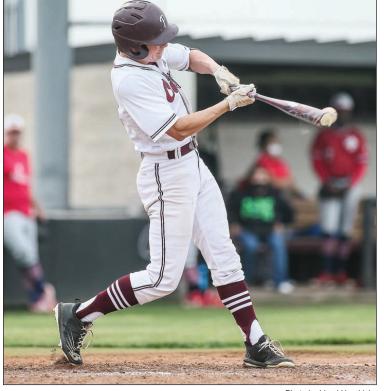


Photo by Lloyd Hendricks ALL-DISTRICT 23-6A FIRST-TEAM - Pearland outfielder Brett Smajstrla was name All-District 23-6A first-team. Smajstrla played a big role in the success of the Oilers baseball season that captured the league crown and advanced to the 6A Region III semifinals.



Photo by Lloyd Hendricks

FIRST-TEAM ALL-DISTRICT - Pearland pitcher Mark Zapata was an All-District 23-6A selection after helping the Oilers to the District 23-6A championship and the 6A Region III semifinals.

Friendswood finishes fourth in the UIL Lone Star Cup

By DR. DAVID DAVIS Reporter News Staff

Friendswood has won the Lone Star Cup in the past. The last time they brought the Cup home came in the 2013-2014 school year when they won the Class 4A crown, the last school year before a Class 6A division was added.

Friendswood also has the distinction of winning the Lone Star Cup in back-to-back school years, accomplishing the feat for the 2008-2009 and the 2009-2010 campaigns.

The UIL Lone Star Cup is awarded annually to six high schools, one in each of the six UIL classifications (1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A), based on their team performance in district and state championships. The winning schools in each classification will receive the UIL Lone Star Cup trophy and a \$1,000 scholarship. The UIL would like to thank Texas Farm Bureau Insurance for their sponsorship of the UIL Lone Star Cup.

Schools receive points from the following: Team Tennis, Cross Country, Marching Band, Military Marching Band, Volleyball, Robotics BEST, Football, Congress, Spirit, Swimming & Diving, Wrestling, Mariachi, Film, Basketball, Robotics FIRST, Soccer,

Academics, One-Act Play, Theatrical Design, Track
& Field, Golf, Tennis, Softball, Baseball.
Friendswood accumulated 80 points for the 2021-

Friendswood accumulated 80 points for the 2021-2020 school year placing them fourth in the state standings.

Winning the Lone Star Cup this year was Dallas Highland Park who scored 108 points followed by Lucas Lovejoy (89), Frisco Wakeland (81), and Friendswood (80). Dallas Highland Park has dominated the competition winning the Lone Star Cup 12 times since the award was started.



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LEGAL NOTICE

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a BG/FB by Smart Elf Creations dba The Butcher The Baker The Cheese Board Maker, to be located at 5012 W. Broadway, Pearland, Brazoria, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Christina Stroh, Owner.

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NOTICE OF PU	BLIC HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Pearland Economic Development Corporation (the "Corporation") will conduct a public hearing to consider the use of sales tax proceeds from the levy of the one-half of one percent sales and use tax, approved by the voters of the City of Pearland (the "City") on January 21, 1995. The public hearing will take place at 5:00 p.m. on June 23, 2022 at 3519 Liberty Drive, Suite 350, Pearland, Texas.

Sales tax proceeds will be used for Projects, as part of the Corporation's fiscal year 2022-2023 budget that includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, expenditures, targeted infrastructure and improvements that are for the creation and retention of primary jobs. Proposed project types include: manufacturing and industrial facilities, research and development facilities, transportation facilities, distribution centers, regional and national corporate headquarter facilities and small warehouse and storage facilities. Sales Tax proceeds will also be used for promotional expenses to new and expanding businesses, open space improvements along with maintenance, demolition, infrastructure and transportation improvements, amateur sports or convention/hotel facilities along with maintenance, job training, debt obligations, administrative expenses and other improvements or facilities related to any of the foregoing projects.

If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements at the meeting, please contact Roxanne Luna-Larsen at (281) 997-3001, within 48 hours of the scheduled business meeting date. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.



Alvin ISD STEM Bus makes its debut

The Alvin ISD STEM Bus was launched the week of June 13 at the Bill Hasse Elementary summer school program.

During the full week of school, over 265 students visited the STEM Bus. These students were able to experience academic content through exploration in the Robotic, Augmented and Virtual Reality, Nasa and many other hands-on stations. The stations were intentionally planned to support academic content that the students in grades 3-5 had found difficult to master during the 2021-2022 school year. Circuits, matter, and energy were academic skills present in most of the stations.

"It was amazing to see a student pull out a 3-D shape from a computer, using virtual reality, and see him being able to count the faces and vertices of that shape without difficulty. That's the beauty of having all this technology available for our students on the STEM Bus, so that we can support and enhance what they are learning in the classroom," said Ana Pasarella, Alvin ISD Director of Family and Community Engagement. The STEM Bus will visit the summer school students at EC Mason Elementary the week of June 20 and the summer school students at Bel Sanchez Elementary the week of June 27. At the end of the summer, over 700 students will already have experience learning on the STEM Bus. For the school year 2022-2023, the STEM Bus plans to visit students across all the Alvin ISD Elementary campuses as well as many community places once a month to facilitate STEM Saturdays for our students.

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ORDINANCE NO. 1358-23

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas, amending non-development usage and service fees; containing a savings clause, a severability clause, a repealer clause, providing for publication and an effective date.

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Notice of Public Hearing Regarding A Variance Request from Appendix B, Subdivision Ordinance

NOTICE is hereby given that the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Friendswood will hold a public hearing to give all interested parties the right to appear and express their views on the following item:

A variance request for a subdivision of 36.863 acres of land situated in the William Henry Survey, Abstract 84 and Mary Sloan Survey, Abstract 184, Galveston County, Friendswood, Texas, to reduce the required minimum block length from 300-feet, as shown on Exhibit A, for streets Narrows Trail, Pennine Way, and Lechweg Trail, being within the proposed subdivision of Friendswood Trails Sections 3A and 4A, and being variances to Appendix B, Subdivision Ordinance, Section VI.K.2.a.

The **Planning and Zoning Commission** will hold this public hearing on Thursday, July 14, 2022, in the Council Chambers, located in City Hall, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas, 77546-4856, at its meeting commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Item documentation is available for review in the Community Development Department, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas 77546 during regular business hours. For questions regarding the details of the documentation and its related public hearing, please contact Aubrey Harbin, Director of Community Development/City Planner at 281-996-3280.

The City of Friendswood is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable accommodations and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. For assistance, please contact the City's ADA Coordinator Brian Rouane at 281-996-3285 via phone, 281-482-1634 via fax or contact 281-996-3285 via Relay Texas at 711 or 1-800-735-2988 for TYY services. For more information concerning Relay Texas, please visit <u>http://relay-texas.com</u>.

Leticia Brysch, City Secretary

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CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3519 Liberty Dr., until **2:00 P.M. CST, Thursday, July 21, 2022,** and all proposals will be read aloud via virtual meeting. Interested parties may join the meeting by calling into the meeting at: Dial in #: 281-652-1955; Meeting #: 1775#; Access Code #: 0971# on that date for:

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR DEMOLITION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR RESIDENTAL STRUCTURES BID NO. RFP 0622-09

Proposal forms, specifications and all necessary information may be obtained from the following website: <u>https://pearland.ionwave.net</u>. Vendors are encouraged to return the proposal response electronically using the City's e-bid system but may submit by hard-copy to City Secretary, with either manner due by the closing date and time stated above.

Pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 05, 2022 at 2:00 PM CST at City of Pearland Council Chambers located at 3519 Liberty Drive, Pearland, Texas 77581. See Proposal for virtual link option if preferred.

Vendors should register on the City's e-bid system at <u>https://pearland.ionwave.net</u> (if not already registered). Once registered on the City's e-bid system, proposal specification documents may be viewed on the site. If further assistance is needed, please email <u>ebids@pearlandtx.gov</u> no later than 5:00 p.m. CST Friday, July 8, 2022, and reference <u>Bid Number RFP 0622-09</u>. Bid Closing Date: <u>July 21, 2022.</u>

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS FORGOTTEN ANGELS PAVEMENT PROJECT PROJECT NUMBER

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Project Description

Forgotten Angels Foundation in Pearland, Texas is seeking a qualified, proveneffective, construction contractor with experience in managing federally funded construction projects to complete the construction/installation of the following:

1. One (1) 30,000 square foot, 30,000 square foot, paved parking and fire lane construction.

2. One (1) 26-foot wide fire lane with a 25-foot internal and 50-foot external turning radius.

The resulting area shall be located at 3301 Industrial Dr., Pearland, Texas, and is being funded in part with a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), via the City of Pearland's Community Development Block Grant program.

All interested bidders should send a Notice of Intent to Bid to Lindsey Weatherford at <u>LWeatherford@forgottenangels.org</u> by July 6, 2022. Plans and instructions with all specifications to bidders will be provided once a Notice of Intent has been received.

Qualifications statements and bids must be submitted sealed by postal mail or hand delivery to:

Forgotten Angels Foundation 6302 Broadway, Ste. 240, Pearland, TX 77581

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Both submissions must be received no later than 2:00 P.M. Central Standard Time on July 20, 2022 and will remain sealed until publicly opened with transparency for any and all interested parties at that time. This may involve an electronic or web-cast of the bid opening, as COVID-19 policies and procedures are in place with our agency to prevent the spread of the virus.

All bidders and their respective subcontractors must qualify and follow federal and State regulations set forth in 2 CFR Part 200, the Davis Bacon Act, and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations as stated in 24 CFR part 570, as well as Section III of the HUD Act. No debarred or suspended entities may participate as a prime contractor or subcontractor on any tier on this project. The successful bidder will be selected on a competitively scored bid, based on the determination of the best value for the project.

All questions, requests for clarification and other bid-related inquiries must be provided in writing to Lindsey Weatherford at Lweatherford@forgottenangels.org.

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Sealed bids will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3523 Liberty Dr., until **Wednesday, July 13, 2022** @ **2:00** PM and all bids will be read aloud via virtual meeting. Interested parties may join meeting by calling: #281-652-1775; Meeting: #1775, Access Code: #0971 on that date for:

ITB 0622-16 Motor Fuel

Bid forms, specifications and all necessary information may be obtained from the following website: https://pearland.ionwave.net. Vendors are encouraged to return the bid response electronically using the City's e-bid system, but may submit by hard-copy, with either manner due by the closing date and time stated above.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at Council Chambers located at 3519 Liberty Drive, Pearland, Texas 77581 at <u>2:00 PM on Thursday,</u> June 30, 2022. See bid solicitation for virtual link option if preferred.

Vendors should register on the City's e-bid system <u>https://pearland.ionwave.net</u>. Once registered on the City's e-bid system, bid documents may be viewed on the site. If further assistance is needed, please email <u>ebids@pearlandtx.gov</u> no later than 5:00 PM CST Tuesday July 5, 2022, and refer to **ITB 0622-16**. Bid Closing Date: **Wednesday, July 13, 2022** @ **2:00 PM**

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