



## Around Town

### July 1

#### CRAFTY CRAB CRAFTS

Join the Pearland Library and make some Crafty Crab Crafts on Friday, July 1 at 2pm. Glue, cut, color and create fabulous ocean projects. Open to all ages. The library is located at 3522 Liberty Drive.

### July 2

#### PEARLAND MARKET DAYS

Pearland Market Days Christmas in July Holiday Vendor & Craft Show will be held Saturday, July 2 at the Pearland KC Hall, 2320 Hatfield Road. 80+ vendors, food trucks, bounce houses, face painting, and more. Free pictures with Santa from 4 to 7pm. Free outdoor movie starts at 8pm. Open from 3pm until the movie is over.

### July 13

#### PARTY ON THE PATIO

The Pearland Chamber of Commerce is hosting its Party on the Patio July 13 from 5-7 pm. The Commerce Center is located at 6117 Broadway St. in Pearland. The party is the summer member appreciation event.

### July 14

#### FREE GARDEN LECTURE

The next Keep Pearland Beautiful event in their Lecture Series will be Composting Thursday, July 14 at 7 pm. Programs are presented on Facebook Live and free to the community. Online at [www.facebook.com/keeppearlandbeautiful](http://www.facebook.com/keeppearlandbeautiful).

#### CHICKS TO CHILDREN

Texas A&M AgriLife presents "Chicks to Children" on Thursday, July 14 at 2:00pm and 4:00pm at the Pearland Library, 3522 Liberty Dr. Learn about the life cycle of a chicken and watch them hatch. For ages 4-11.

### July 16

#### CAR SEAT CHECK

A Car Seat Check will take place Saturday, July 16, at Pearland Fire Station No. 4 from 9 am until noon. This educational event is open to the public and free to attend. This event will inform caregivers of how to properly secure the car seat, safety techniques, vehicle precautions and more. Fire Station No. 4 is located at 8333 Freedom Dr in Pearland.

#### HONEY EXPO

The 5th Annual Honey Expo will be held July 16 from 10am to 5pm at the Brazoria County Fairgrounds, 901 S. Downing Rd. in Angleton. Activities include honey and mead tasting, kids activities, silent auction, raffles and more. Honey, honey products, beekeeping equipment and food will be available for purchase. Free admission. For more information visit [www.brazoria-county-beekeepers-association.com](http://www.brazoria-county-beekeepers-association.com).

### July 23

#### BACK TO SCHOOL VENDOR SHOW

The VFW Auxiliary is hosting its 2nd quarterly fundraiser Back to School Vendor Show on July 23 at Pearland VFW Post 7109 at 4202 Walnut from 9 to 5. There will be crafters, vendors, and food. A collection of school supplies will be accepted for local military families stationed at Ellington Field. Proceeds from these craft shows assist the Auxiliary in their community service projects, scholarships, and Veteran service projects. Follow the Facebook page at VFW Post 7109 Auxiliary for details about upcoming events. Interested in participating, call Jennifer Corl at 713-825-2214 or visit [www.post7109.com/BackToSchoolVFWVendorFair](http://www.post7109.com/BackToSchoolVFWVendorFair)

# Council discusses water billing changes

By KAROLYN GEPHART  
Reporter News Staff

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Pearland City Council, discussion was held regarding options for transitioning from the adopted 32/30 water billing plan to a true-up payment plan or other options, with the intent to end the 32/30 billing plan.

This item had been postponed from the June 15 meeting and was discussed at the meeting June 27 at City Hall.

This agenda item was requested by Councilmember Joseph Koza and seconded by Councilmember Jeffrey Barry.

According to information given to the Council members, the City has been successfully billing customers on the 32/30 since August/September 2020 (The month depends on the customers billing cycle).

The plan works with the City's billing software, with minimal manual interactions and continues to be successfully executed as planned. The main purpose of this plan was to slowly close the gap between read and bill dates. This read-bill gap has shrunken from 71/78 days to 25/32 days. As of June 8, 2022, 82 percent of the 32/30 plan has been com-

pleted.

The current gap is 25 to 32 days. The plan is scheduled to end in December for three cycles, and April 2023 for cycle 14. With the conclusion of the 32/30 plan, Pearland will be meeting its goal of a 10-15 day read-to-bill gap.

True Up plans include the following information: One-Bill Alternative is as follows: After analyzing the Ad hoc committee's recommendation and its implications on revenue loss (not billing for all water used) and technical system limitations, on 11/22/2021 Council directed staff to investigate an alternate one-bill true up plan. The plan was presented to Council on 1/24/2022, with no action being taken to move away from the 32/30 plan. In both February and March of 2022, Council had items on the agenda to move away from 32/30, again with no action taken. The one-bill alternative is the most feasible of any true-up plan and recommended by staff if there is direction to move away from the 32/20 plan.

The 5/23/2022 Proposed True Up Plan is as follows: The True Up plan presented at the May 23 meeting suggest a true up bill in August, at the period of highest water usage

for customers. The plan also appears to remove a base charge, resulting in a revenue loss that will impact future rates. The associated charts also indicate customer will receive three bills within ~60 days.

Any True Up plan also complicates the rate setting for FY23. The current rate model is built around a revenue forecast under the 32/30 plan. The rate model suggests that utility rate increases will be necessary in the FY23 budget year.

The rate model is complex, and any change to the 32/30 plan will need to be worked into the model - which takes significant time to ensure the model remains accurate. Any change to 32/30 in July, August, or September will significantly complicate the rate modeling process and public discussion on utility rates.

True Up Plan Schedule is as follows: In any case, enacting a True Up plan now will take until September/October for the True Up bills to be due. This introduces complications in approximately 38,000 bills just two months prior to the conclusion of 32/30 for three of the four cycles. Additionally, staff is vetting options to conclude the 32/30 plan for all cycles in December.

## County burn ban in effect

Brazoria County has issued a county burn ban effective immediately for the unincorporated areas of Brazoria County due to the hot, dry conditions throughout the county.

The Keetch-Byram Drought Index (KBDI) for Brazoria County on June 22nd was 684 (countywide average) and continues to rise as the Summer heat dries out the soil and vegetation. Once the KBDI reaches within the 600-800 range, drought conditions are considered severe, with an increasing concern for wildfires.

This burn ban does not affect the sale or use of fire-works in unincorporated areas.

The burn ban prohibits outdoor burning. Violations of the burn ban order include burning any combustible material outside of an enclosure, serving to contain all flames and/or sparks, or ordering such burning by others.

Contained BBQ pits and grills are permitted, but open flame pits are not allowed. Any violation of this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine.

If weather conditions improve for safe outdoor burning within 90-days and the KBDI average is below 400 for five consecutive days, County Judge Matt Sebesta may authorize the burn ban to be lifted.

Refer to the Brazoria County website for updates concerning the burn ban at <http://www.brazoriacountytx.gov>.

## Drought causes increased water use

Due to the persistent Texas heat and recent drought conditions in and around the Pearland area, the City of Pearland has been experiencing an increase in water consumption across the city.

Pearland Water Production is monitoring demand and working to keep the system in good working order, but the City is encouraging residents to conserve water where possible.

The City Water Production Division is working diligently to maintain the current volume of water production and doing everything in their power to prevent that from decreasing - responding to and fixing water leaks when they occur (there have been 12 main breaks so far in June, which is up from nine last year), maintaining water production plants, wells, and storage tanks to make sure they are operating effectively, and monitoring consumption to keep stakeholders informed and provide the data to make thoughtful decisions in the best interest of the community.

Representatives from the City will also be reaching out directly to major water users in the system to work with them to achieve voluntary water use reductions. Customer Service Representatives are available to answer questions and provide recommendations to any customer at 281-652-1603.

The Water Production Division will continue to monitor consumption levels versus production, and if the weather doesn't cool down or if there is a significant failure in the current capacity, City Administration will consider implementing Stage 1 drought restrictions.

Stage 1 separates Pearland and its unincorporated ETJ into three sections that align closely with trash collection to provide recommendations for watering schedules:

For full details on how the City of Pearland is approaching the situation along with more information, be sure to visit their website at <http://ow.ly/jGyQ50JH35O>.

# ~ Celebration of Freedom Q&As ~

The countdown has begun for the Celebration of Freedom events scheduled July 4 from 6 - 10 pm at Independence Park at 3449 Pearland Pkwy.

Here are some Frequently Asked Questions about the event.

#### Is there a cost to attend?

Admissions is free; however, a wristband is required to participate in most rides and attractions. Wristband Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in advance online or when you arrive at the event.

#### Will there be music? Fireworks show?

The event will feature live music from the variety band, Adrian Michael and the Greenway Band, on the H-E-B Entertainment Stage and a spectacular fireworks display.

#### When do the fireworks start?

The fireworks show begins at 9 p.m.

**Where do I park? How much does parking cost?**

General Parking is free and located at Pearland High School, 3775 S. Main Street. Follow the pedestrian walkway signs towards Pearland Parkway to easily access the park.

#### Where is Handicapped Parking?

Accessible parking is located onsite at Independence Park, 3919 Liberty Drive. NOTE: Vehicles must enter the park from Liberty Dr. Access from John Lizer Rd. will not be possible due to the road's closure. Accessible parking will only be provided to vehicles with handicap placards and will be available on a first-come first-served basis.

#### Will there be shuttles?

No, shuttles will not be provided.

#### Is there a designated drop off location?

If you plan to drop off pedestrians, we recommend dropping them off at Sheryl Searcy 9th Grade Center and have them walk to the event using the surrounding roads.

**Where can I pick up passengers during/after the event?**

If you plan to pick up pedestrians, we recommend doing so at Sheryl Searcy 9th Grade Center. You will need to coordinate with the individual(s) to meet you at the Sheryl Searcy 9th Grade Center. Vehicles will not be able to access the event site/park until surrounding roads have been reopened by Pearland Police.

#### Where are the road closures?

Pearland Parkway, from Oiler Drive to Magnolia Pkwy/John Lizer Road, will be

closed promptly at 5 p.m. on July 4th. Additionally John Lizer Road, from Stacey Drive to Pearland Parkway, will be closed at 5 p.m. on July 4th. All roads will be reopened, by Pearland Police, no later than 11 p.m.

#### What should I bring to the event?

You, your family and your friends! And don't forget a chair or blanket, sunscreen, and bug spray! Large tents, pop-up canopies, and oversized umbrellas are prohibited. Although you don't have to spend any money at this event to have fun, you may also want to bring money for food, drinks or for purchasing items from the novelty vendor that will be onsite.



#### Can I bring a pop-up or shade canopy?

No, guests are not permitted to bring pop-up tents, canopies, oversized umbrellas or any other shade structure that is meant to be staked or anchored to the ground. Hand held, personal umbrellas are allowed.

#### Can I bring a cooler with food and drinks?

Yes, outside food and beverages are allowed. Glass containers are prohibited. Tailgating and barbecuing are not allowed inside the park or on Pearland ISD property. Numerous food trucks will be onsite.

#### Can I bring alcohol to the event?

BAKFISH Brewing Co. and Vallensons' Brewing Company will be onsite selling beverages.

#### Can I bring my pet?

For the health and safety of all our guests and for the consideration of all pets, we ask

that you please do not bring your pets (of course, service dogs in harness are welcome). As a reminder, the dog park at Independence Park will be closed all day on July 4 and will reopen the following day.

**Can I drive my golf cart, utility vehicle, or other motorized vehicle (hover board, electric scooter, etc.) to the event?**

No. For the safety of event guests, personal motorized vehicles, such as golf carts and utility vehicles are not allowed inside the park.

**Can I bring non-motorized vehicles (bikes, skateboards, rollerblades, wagons, manual scooters)?**

Yes. Non-motorized vehicles are permitted, and wheelchairs and strollers are always welcome.

**Can I bring my own fireworks to the event?**

No. The possession or use of fireworks within the city limits of the City of Pearland and the surrounding extraterritorial jurisdiction is prohibited by City Ordinance.

**What emergency services will be available on site?**

An ambulance will be available on site, as well as Pearland EMS bike patrol and Pearland PD bike patrol.

#### What if it rains?

If we experience rain during the event, staff may suggest that all attendees seek shelter whether in the park or by returning to your vehicle. Severe weather forecast will be monitored throughout the event by event staff. Weather related updates will be posted on the Pearland Parks & Recreation special event hotline at 281-412-8900, option 3, and on the Pearland Parks & Recreation Facebook page and Facebook Celebration of Freedom event page.

**How do I volunteer to work at the event and what is involved?**

In addition to Parks & Recreation staff, we do depend on volunteers to make the event successful! If you are interested in volunteering and are above 16 years old, sign up [here](http://www.pearlandtx.gov). All roles are active and outdoors, and will require standing and walking and some lifting. We will email you next steps. If you have any questions please email us at [volunteers@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:volunteers@pearlandtx.gov).

For more information, email [events@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:events@pearlandtx.gov)

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# FAITH MATTERS

By Rev. Dr. Brian Gige

## THE COST OF FREEDOM

From St. Paul ... "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve each other humbly in love. 14 For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 15 If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other." - Galatians 5:13-15

I'm writing these words from Amherst, MA and by the time you read them I will be back in Pearland prepping my family's fourth of July celebration... as Amherst is home to both Amherst College (founded in 1821 with a 'mammoth' for its mascot on a mammoth skeleton has been on campus since the 1920's) and UMass (founded in 1863 with a mascot name 'minutemen'... those who readied themselves in a moment's notice back in the 1770's)... one a private college and the other funded by public dollars... and it is noteworthy to report people were living in this part of the country as early as the 1730's only reminding us education and patriotism run pretty deep around here...

So, wherever you find yourself or whenever your eyes cross these words... Happy 4th of July to all of y'all and I hope you will take a moment in the midst of burgers and brats and fireworks to consider the cost of freedom... how you got yours and what you are doing with it... as St. Stephen of Stills once wrote...

"Find the cost of freedom, buried in the ground Mother earth will swallow you, lay your body down Find the cost of freedom, buried in the ground; Mother earth will swallow you, lay your body down..."

A Jesus truth, huh? ... as in... "no greater love is there than one person giving up their own life for another..."

So... what does freedom look like to you? How much do YOU think it costs? Or better yet... how much are YOU willing to spend or sacrifice to assure the best life possible for those around you? Faith matters... it always does and what we believe deep in our hearts is what ends up showing up before others... our witness to what is upright and true... or living our lives in such a manner... only to disappoint everyone around us and most likely God along the way as well...

These are honest questions at a time such as this... and call into question every young person who has said to me... "it's a free country... I can do whatever I want..." to which I've often replied... "yes, you are right... it is a free coun-

try, and you don't want to know what I'm thinking right now if I have the same freedom as you to do whatever I want..." It's actually a good conversation starter for the generations to discuss over burgers, brats and watermelon just before the fireworks go off! And listen, no one has to live in the U S of A... you can live anywhere you want... but if you do... remember there are always outcomes to choices... like what John Green said about living abroad... "Some tourists think Amsterdam is a city of sin, but in truth it is a city of freedom. And in freedom, most people find sin." Yes, we can and yes, we do... so... please join me in a prayer that can be for all of us... near and far... here and there and just about everywhere...

"Creator God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus, your Son. Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth... bringing love and grace to all whom we meet... that, in your good time, all may serve you in harmony throughout the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord; Amen."

Happy 4th of July! The cost of freedom is ours!

The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Gige 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://briangige.wordpress.com/>. Send comments and/or questions to [godworks247365@gmail.com](mailto:godworks247365@gmail.com).

## Galveston County Tax Office announces new hours

Beginning Thursday, July 21, the Galveston County Tax Office will implement new hours of operation as follows:

- Monday – Thursday 7:30 am to 5:30 pm
- Friday 8:00 am to Noon

Friendswood Satellite hours Thursdays will also be 7:30 am to 5:30 pm (closed Noon to 1 for lunch) and Friday from 8:00 am to Noon. Crystal Beach will continue to open the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm (closed 30 minutes for lunch from 11:30-Noon).

Most services continue to be available online 24/7 at [www.galcotax.com](http://www.galcotax.com).

Customers are encouraged to utilize drop-boxes (yellow at full time locations and black at rear driveway of Friendswood City Hall). All items left in drop-boxes are picked up daily at 8:30 am and processed with the previous business day effective date.

Volunteer Deputy Registrar training will continue to be conducted the 3rd Friday of each month with class beginning at 10:00 am. Registration is not required but is preferred in order for VDR packets to be prepared in advance. Contact a Voter Registration Specialist at (409) 766-2280 or toll free (888) 976-2280.

## City of Pearland offers Home Repair Program

The City of Pearland is committed to maintaining healthy and vibrant neighborhoods for all residents. Instrumental in achieving this critical goal is the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

A portion of CDBG funds is used towards the City's Home Repair Program. This program is designed to assist eligible low-moderate income Pearland homeowners that occupy their homes, for needed minor repairs to their homes.

The Home Repair Program is a federal based program through Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and requires no cost from Pearland homeowners. Although the program requires no upfront cost from Pearland homeowners, a forgivable five-year lien will be placed on the property for the cost of repairs. This lien will lessen over the course of five years and will be forgiven at the end of that time.

Applicants are not required to pay back any monetary expenses for the total cost of repairs. The Home Repair Program follows many set Federal and City guidelines for applicant and property eligibility such as, Ownership, Occupancy, Income Limitations, Location and Type of Structure.

The Home Repair Program provides minor home repairs that prevent hazardous health conditions, and deterioration which include but not limited to Electrical, Plumbing, Drywall, HVAC, Roofing, Siding, Doors and Windows, etc.

Each home repair is unique to the given circumstances and can vary in length based on the application status, review of information, and scope of work. The staff member assigned to you will provide timely status updates for your specific circumstance. The general construction period usually takes 1-3 business days.

If one is a current resident of Pearland and are interested in the Home Repair Program, visit [homerepairs@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:homerepairs@pearlandtx.gov) and complete an interest form. Contact will be made by the City's Housing Rehabilitation Officer within 48 business hours to discuss program eligibility and next steps.

For more information, call 281-652-1785.

## Alvin ISD Education Foundation hosts Celebration of Academic Excellence

The Alvin ISD Education Foundation hosted the 21st Celebration of Academic Excellence on May 17 in Liberty Alumni Hall at the Alvin ISD Heritage Complex. "It was exciting to be together to honor these amazing students and educators," said Melba Ervin, president of the Alvin ISD Education Foundation board of directors.

The celebration recognized the academic accomplishments of the top twenty seniors at Manvel High School and Shadow Creek High School. Also recognized were the educators that the students chose as the one who had the most significant influence on their educational career thus far. Videos of the students sharing the reason they chose the educator were a special part of the evening. The students shared what a difference the educators had made in their lives with their support and encouragement.

Valedictorian at Manvel High School, Amelie Satterwhite, said about her teacher Lisa Staup, "She's always encouraging my learning and taught me to trust in myself and my own skills". Other students recognized were Salutatorian AJ Brooks, Jr., Hang Nguyen, Jordan Pho, Larissa Aspiras, Joey Allender, Cyril Mencias, Jaaziel Sandoval, Jasmine Cabusao, Aleena Prasad, Carter Pahl, Madison Coward, Louan Dang, Benjamin Mooney, Cassandra Serrano, Russel Ogor, Mario Medeles, Joseph Onwukwe, Marisol Morales and Monserrat Rios.

The Shadow Creek High School Valedictorian is Abigail Garcia, who said that Adam Hopson, who taught her AP Macroeconomics at Shadow Creek High School, is a teacher who would provide guidance and resources as well as taught her that making mistakes was natural. Other students honored were Salutatorian Jerry Liao, Samah Haidar, Nimah Haidar, Ananya Udaygiri, Owen Cai, Julia Luhsen, Ahmed Alcaassab, Aditya Udaygiri, Jayadityasinh Vaghela, Ammar Sethi, Aidan Ngo, Nikhil Surapaneni, Ella Hestand, Emily Tieu, Rishan Nandi, Abel Thomas, Rishi Vangala, Riley Dou and Hooriya Azhar.

The Celebration of Academic Excellence was generously sponsored by numerous businesses, organizations and individuals. The student gift sponsor was Stantec and the teacher gift sponsor was MDL Enterprise, Inc. The Celebration Level sponsors were Challenge Office Products-John & Debbie Barbosa, Community Health Network, Consolidated Property Advisors, Frost Bank, GAMMA Construction, GPD Group, PBK Architects and Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, Alvin Community College, ASCEND Performance Materials, EMA Engineering, HomeTown Bank of Alvin, Huckabee Architects, Imagine Learning, Memorial Hermann and State Senator Larry Taylor.

# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

The Original Mobile Game

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- Guy Fawkes Day mo.
  - "What are the \_\_\_?"
  - "Hamlet" has five
  - "C" \_\_\_ la vie!"
  - "Tarzan" extra
  - Carrot, e.g.
  - Drapery fabric
  - Accelerated bit
  - Important role in "Our Town"
  - English county
  - Rejoicing
  - Plating material
  - Baseball stat
  - Aircraft compartment
  - Number cruncher, for short
  - Shack
  - Arid
  - Arab leader
  - Excruciating
  - Badly made
  - Newspaper div.
  - Countesses.
  - Suffix with ideal
  - Primordial matter
  - Minor player
  - "Catch-22" pilot
  - Ponzi scheme, e.g.
  - Carpentry tool
  - Again and again?
  - Color
  - Cover
  - Process of producing
  - Prefix with linear
  - Undertake, with "out"
  - Bermuda \_\_\_
  - Decide to leave, with "out"
  - Even if, briefly
  - "60 Minutes" network
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  - Indian coin
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  - Bahamas cruise stop
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- Bakery selections
- Close, as an envelope
- "Absolutely!"
- Poked around
- Threefold
- \_\_\_ grass
- Father, Son and Holy Ghost
- Big dipper
- "Peanuts" character
- Carbon compound
- Cassandra, e.g.
- Turn (to)
- Autumn bloomers
- "Much \_\_\_ About Nothing"
- It may get stubbed
- Place for rings
- Damon of "Good Will Hunting"
- Cheat, slangily
- Careful footwork?
- Em, to Dorothy
- Capacity units, these days
- Wood carver
- Pen
- Light
- Tenant farmer
- Scaly
- Eight-armed creature, generally speaking
- Dress
- Foray
- Ancient
- Whacks
- Bender
- Director's cry
- Jiffs
- Coastal raptor
- Flight data, briefly
- Greek H

- Down**
- Drops off
  - Brightly colored fish
  - Genuine
  - Monopoly avenue
  - Elmer, to Bugs
  - "La \_\_\_ Vita" (1960 film)
  - Animal in a roundup
  - Bad marks
  - Bad-tempered
  - \_\_\_ cotta
  - Those going off course
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# SPORTS

## From the Cluttered Desk

by Dr. David Davis

### Down to the last string

The colorful, nineteenth-century showman and gifted violinist Nicolo Paganini was standing before a packed house playing through a difficult piece of music. A full orchestra surrounded him with magnificent support. Suddenly one string on his violin snapped and hung gloriously down from his instrument. Beads of perspiration popped out on his forehead. He frowned but continued to play - improvising beautifully.

To the conductor's surprise, a second string broke. And shortly thereafter, a third. Now there were three limp strings dangling from Paganini's violin as the master performer completed the difficult composition on the one remaining string.

The audience jumped to its feet and in good Italian fashion, filled the hall with shouts and screams - "Bravo! Bravo!" As the applause died down, the violinist asked the people to sit back down. Even though they knew there was no way they could expect an encore, they quietly sank back into their seats.

He held the violin high for everyone to see. He nodded at the conductor to begin the encore and then he turned back to the crowd, and with a twinkle in his eye, he smiled and shouted - "Paganini and one string!" After that he placed the single-stringed Stradivarius beneath his chin and played the final piece on one string as the audience (and the conductor) shook their heads in silent amazement. "Paganini and one string!" And, I might add, an attitude of fortitude.

I believe the single most significant decision I can make on a day-to-day basis is my choice of attitude. It is more important than my past, my education, my successes or failures, fame or pain, what other people think of me or say about me, my circumstances, or my position.

Attitude is that "single string" that keeps me going or cripples my progress. It alone fuels my fire or assaults my hope. When my attitudes are right - there is no barrier too high - no valley too deep - no dream too extreme - no challenge too great for me.

Yet we must admit that we spend more of our time concentrating and fretting over the strings that snap - dangle - and pop - the things that can't be changed - than we do giving attention to the one string that remains - our choice of attitude.

Your attitude can make or break your family. If you consistently have a negative attitude toward your mate or children - don't be surprised when those attitudes become the dominant tone of your environment.

But when your strings snap and you only have one left - play like crazy to produce a beautiful symphony of music that will pulsate a melody that encourages and excites others to new heights of existence.

So, when the strings of life snap and you are down to one - hold up that one string and scream out, "(Your Name) and one string!"

Old friend Robert said, "When we hear what God has done with others, it inspires us and expands our hearts with greater faith, vision, and purpose."

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SHADOW CREEK FIELD GENERAL - Shadow Creek quarterback Duke Butler was the district's "Offensive MVP" last season. Butler led the Sharks to a 9-3 record as he was 141-of-246 passing for 1,922 yards for 29 TDs and 6 INTs. He had a QB rating of 111.0 while averaging 13.4 yards per completion. Butler also had 207 yards rushing on 90 carries and two TDs. Butler will lead the Sharks on offense for his senior campaign.

## Shadow Creek a pre-season favorite to win 23-6A title

By DR. DAVID DAVIS  
Reporter News Staff

Ever since Shadow Creek began competing at the varsity level in their young history, first in Class 5A where they won a 5A state championship, and now, as a Class 6A state power, the Sharks have always been considered a top pre-season pick to capture a district title and to go deep in the post-season.

The Sharks finished in second place behind the Dawson Eagles in 2020 and won the league title in 2021 with a 7-0 mark to finish ahead of Pearland (6-1), Dawson (5-2), and Alief Taylor (4-3).

Shadow Creek is a pre-season pick to capture the league crown again followed by Dawson, Pearland, Strake Jesuit, Alief Taylor, Alvin, Alief Hastings, and Alief Elsik.

Head coach Brad Butler saw his team post a 9-3 mark in 2021 while advancing to the area round in the playoffs. The Sharks began last season with a 1-2 non-district record as they lost to North Shore (33-11) and Bridgeland (24-14) before getting past Cypress Woods (28-11).

After running the table in district action, the Sharks won their bi-district playoff contest over Clear Creek (45-38) before seeing their season end in the area-round to C.E. King (52-34).

The 2022 football season presents another challenging non-district schedule as the Sharks will face district cousin Manvel in the

season opener on Friday, August 26 at Freedom Field at 7:00 p.m. The Mavericks are picked to win their 10-5A DI district and are a pre-season No. 8 state-ranked team. The Mavs were 10-3 last season while advancing to the 5A Region III DI finals.

Next on the schedule will be District 24-6A power Clear Springs who was 7-5 last season while advancing to the area round.

The final non-district opponent will be a re-match from last year with Bridgeland. The Sharks will be looking to avenge last year's loss to the Bears who were 11-3 in

2021 with a trip to the 6A Region III finals.

Shadow Creek will return an experienced team for the 2022 season with six offensive and seven defensive starters while drawing from a pool of 39 returning lettermen to fill the other positions.

The offense will be led with the return of quarterback Duke Butler (6-1, 175, 4.5) who threw for 1,922 yards and 29 TDs. He also had a QB rating of 111.0 while averaging 13.4 yards per completion. Butler had 207 yards rushing on 90 carries and two TDs.

Joining Butler in the backfield is

junior RB Tylik Burton (5-9, 170, 4.7) who rushed for 760 yards and 8 TDs as a sophomore.

Others on offense who will have an impact for the Sharks include WR/ATH Jacob Washington (6-1, 180, 4.6), WR Jacorey Watson (6-0, 165, 4.5), WR Josh Best, WR Caleb Washington RB Felix Buchanan, OL Tyson Kestner, and OL Marcis Kemp.

The strength for the Sharks will be their defense with seven returning starters who are all college prospects at the FBS level.

The defense will be led by defensive ends Theorin Randall (6-2, 265, 4.9) and Zion Taylor (6-2, 230, 4.8). Last year, Randall recorded 42 tackles and 5 sacks while Taylor had 18 tackles and 4 sacks.

LB Robert Edmonson (6-1, 200, 4.7) led the defense with 72 stops, 3 sacks, and 1 INT. Junior DB Maurice Williams (6-2, 185, 4.5) had 47 tackles and 1 INT while garnering double digit offers at the next level.

Additional defensive players include junior LB Ethan Judge (5-11, 180, 4.8), LB Sean Gilbert, LB Scott Koumado, and DB Zyran King-Brooks.

While Shadow Creek is a pre-season favorite to win the league title, there will be several other teams in the district that will put them to the test including Dawson and Pearland that will have something to say regarding the outcome of the district race.



23-6A COACHING STAFF OF THE YEAR - Shadow Creek head coach Brad Butler and his coaching staff have done an excellent job in guiding the Sharks to one 5A state title while making the adjustment to 6A the last couple of years. Butler and his gridiron warriors will have another strong team to put on the field in 2022.

## 2022 SHADOW CREEK SHARKS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Friday 8/26	Manvel	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday 9/2	Clear Springs	Home	7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9/10	Bridgeland	Away	6:00 p.m.
Friday 9/16	OPEN		
Friday 9/23	*Pearland	Away	7:00 p.m.
Friday 9/30	*Alief Hastings	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday 10/7	*Alief Elsik	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday 10/14	*Alvin	Away	7:00 p.m.
Friday 10/21	*Dawson	Home	7:00 p.m.
Friday 10/28	*Alief Taylor	Away	7:00 p.m.
Friday 11/4	*Strake Jesuit	Home	7:00 p.m.
*District 23-6A games			

## Shadow Creek has good showing at 7-on-7 state tournament

By DR. DAVID DAVIS  
Reporter News Staff

The Shadow Creek Sharks qualified for the 2022 state 7-on-7 tournament held on the Texas A&M campus in College Station on June 24-25. There were 128 teams from across Texas who qualified for the tournament.

The Sharks opened up Pool Play against Byron Nelson, PSJA North, and Round Rock Westwood. The top two teams advance to the championship bracket and the bottom two advance to the consolation bracket.

Shadow Creek beat Westwood 14-7 and Byron Nelson 27-20 but lost to PSJA North 24-20.

The Sharks were placed in the consolation bracket beating Houston Heights 25-19 and Jordan 27-26 before being eliminated by Austin Lake Travis 27-20.

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### CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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 **2:00 PM on Thursday, June 30, 2022**. See bid solicitation for virtual link option if preferred.

Vendors should register on the City's e-bid system <https://pearland.ionwave.net>. Once registered on the City's e-bid system, bid documents may be viewed on the site. If further assistance is needed, please email [ebids@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:ebids@pearlandtx.gov) 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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### 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 RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES BID NO. RFP 0622-09

Proposal forms, specifications and all necessary information may be obtained from the following website: <https://pearland.ionwave.net>. 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 <https://pearland.ionwave.net> (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 [ebids@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:ebids@pearlandtx.gov) no later than 5:00 p.m. CST Friday, July 8, 2022, and reference **Bid Number RFP 0622-09**. Bid Closing Date: **July 21, 2022**.

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### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY EXAMPLE A NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER: 168270

**APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION.** Syzygy Plasmonics Inc., 9000 Kirby Drive, Houston, TX 77054-2504, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Proposed Air Quality Permit Number 168270, which would authorize construction of a Photo Catalyst Facility located at 3250 South Sam Houston Parkway East, Pearland, Harris County, Texas 77047. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 15, 2022. The proposed facility will emit the following contaminant: ammonia.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit because it meets all rules and regulations. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Houston regional office, and at the Pearland City Hall, 3519 Liberty Drive, Pearland, Harris County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Houston Regional Office, 5425 Polk St Ste H, Houston, Texas.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. **You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below.**

**RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Because no timely hearing requests have been received, after preparing the response to comments, the executive director may then issue final approval of the application. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID).**

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.** When they become available, the executive director's response to comments and the final decision on this application will be accessible through the Commission's Web site at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid). Once you have access to the CID using the above link, enter the permit number for this application which is provided at the top of this notice. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.596938&lng=-95.37147&zoom=13&type=r>.

**MAILING LIST.** You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at [www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/](http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/), or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1 800 687 4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Syzygy Plasmonics Inc. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Robbie Patader, VP Operations at (346) 571-3647.

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### INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS FORGOTTEN ANGELS PAVEMENT PROJECT PROJECT NUMBER

#### Project Description

Forgotten Angels Foundation in Pearland, Texas is seeking a qualified, proven-effective, 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 [LWeatherford@forgottenangels.org](mailto:LWeatherford@forgottenangels.org) 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

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](mailto:LWeatherford@forgottenangels.org).**

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Pearland, in Brazoria, Harris and Fort Bend Counties, Texas, will hold a public hearing on Monday, **July 18, 2022**, at 6:30 p.m., at City Hall, 3519 Liberty Dr., Pearland, Texas 77581; and that the City Council of the City of Pearland will hold a public hearing and first Ordinance adoption consideration on Monday, **August 8, 2022**, at 6:30 p.m., at City Hall, 3519 Liberty Dr., Pearland, Texas 77581, for the following cases:

**1. Zone Change Application No. ZONE22-05:** A request by Jignesh Derasari, applicant, on behalf of Forgotten Angels Foundation, owner, for approval of a zone change from Planned Development (PD) to Planned Development (PD) to accommodate amendments to the Design Plan of Bellavita PD, on approximately 3.1749 acres of land, to wit:

**Legal Description:** 3.1749 acres of land, more or less, out of the W.D.C. Hall Survey, Abstract No. 23, in Harris County, Texas, and being that same property conveyed in Special Warranty Deed to Green Hollow Ltd., a Texas limited partnership, dated March 27, 2014, recorded in Clerk's File No. 20140142664, Official Public Records, Harris County, Texas.  
**General Location:** Southeast Corner of South Rivera Circle & Berlin Drive.

**2. Zone Change Application No. ZONE22-09:** A request by Steven Henderson, applicant, on behalf of CAFM RE, LLC, owner, for approval of a zone change for approximately 40.752 acres of land from Light Industrial (M-1) District to General Commercial (GC) District, to wit:

**Legal Description:** A tract containing 40.752 acres (1,775,144 square feet) of land, situated in the J.M. Swisher Survey, Abstract No. 667, H.T. & B. RR. Co. Survey, Abstract No. 542 and H.T. & B. RR. Co. Survey, Abstract No. 232, Brazoria County, Texas, being all of a called 26.162 acres and all of a called 16.176 acres described in a deed to CAFM RE LLC, as recorded under Brazoria County Clerk's File No. 2020074350.  
**General Location:** 1014 Main Street, Pearland, Texas.

**3. Zone Change Application No. ZONE22-12:** A request by Mona Miller, applicant, on behalf of Steven Ryan, owner, for approval of a zone change for approximately 3.611 acres of land from Heavy Industrial (M-2) District to General Commercial (GC) District, to wit:

**Legal Description:** A 3.611-acre tract (called) out of Lot 24 of Lot 24 of the Subdivision of Section 2, situated in the A.C.H. & B. Survey, Abstract No. 507, Brazoria County, Texas.  
**General Location:** Southwest Quadrant of Main Street and Bailey Road

**4. Zone Change Application No. ZONE22-16:** A request by Nathan Do, applicant, on behalf of VNDO Holdings LLC, owner, for approval of a zone change for approximately 9.747 acres of land from Cullen Mixed Use (C-MU) District to General Commercial (GC) District, to wit:

**Legal Description:** Being a 9.747-acre tract of land situated in the H.T. & B. R.R. Co. Survey, Abstract No. 243, City of Pearland, Brazoria County, Texas, being a portion of a called 4.999 acre tract of land described in an instrument to Allison Investments, Inc. recorded under Brazoria County Clerks' File No. 99057945, and a portion of a called 4.999 acre tract of land as described in an instrument to Allison Investments, Inc. recorded under Brazoria County Clerk's File No. 91896452, same as being out of Lot 3, Section 19 of Allison-Richey Gulf Coast Home Company's Part of Suburban Gardens subdivision as recorded under Volume 2, Page 23 of the Brazoria County Map Records.  
**General Location:** 1855 Cullen Parkway, Pearland, Texas.

**5. Zone Change Application No. ZONE22-17:** A request by Adkisson GC Partners, LLC, represented by Anthony Sarao, applicant, on behalf of Hooper Partner Investment, LP, owner, for approval of a zone change for approximately 8.834 acres of land from Spectrum (S-1) District to Planned Development (PD) District, to wit: **Legal Description:** A tract or parcel containing 8.834 acres or 384,808 square feet of land being out of and a part of the remainder of a called 36.166-acre tract described in a deed to SHT/Kirby, Ltd., as recorded under Harris County Clerk's File No. 20080049996 situated in the D. White Survey, Abstract No. 876, Harris County, Texas.  
**General Location:** Southwest Corner of Hooper Road and Sam Houston Tollway

**6. Amendments to the Unified Development Code (2000-T-37):** A request by the City of Pearland, applicant, for approval of proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC), Ordinance No. 2000T, in accordance with Section 1.1.4.1 of the Unified Development Code, to include:

- i) Amendments to Chapter 4, Section 4.2.4.3 (a), Fencing, of the Unified Development Code, to allow additional height for residential fences within the front yards of residential properties fronting on major roads be approved right; and
- ii) Amendments to Chapter 4, Section 4.2.4.3 (a), Fencing, of the Unified Development Code, to allow additional height for residential fences within the front yards of residential properties fronting on major roads by a special exception approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

At said hearing, all interested parties shall have the right and opportunity to appear and be heard on the subject. For additional information, please contact the Community Development Department at 281-652-1765.

Mohamed A. Bireima, AICP  
Senior Planner

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REPORTERNEWSTX@GMAIL.COM**



## City of Pearland offers Home Repair Program

The City of Pearland is committed to maintaining healthy and vibrant neighborhoods for all residents. Instrumental in achieving this critical goal is the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

A portion of CDBG funds is used towards the City's Home Repair Program. This program is designed to assist eligible low-moderate income Pearland homeowners that occupy their homes, for needed minor repairs to their homes.

The Home Repair Program is a federal based program through Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and requires no cost from Pearland homeowners. Although the program requires no upfront cost from Pearland homeowners, a forgivable five-year lien will be placed on the property for the cost of repairs. This lien will lessen over the course of five years and will be forgiven at the end of that time.

Applicants are not required to pay back any monetary expenses for the total cost of repairs. The Home Repair Program follows many set Federal and City guidelines for applicant and property eligibility such as, Ownership, Occupancy, Income Limitations, Location and Type of Structure.

The Home Repair Program provides minor home repairs that prevent hazardous health conditions, and deterioration which include but not limited to Electrical, Plumbing, Drywall, HVAC, Roofing, Siding, Doors and Windows, etc.

Each home repair is unique to the given circumstances and can vary in length based on the application status, review of information, and scope of work. The staff member assigned to you will provide timely status updates for your specific circumstance. The general construction period usually takes 1-3 business days.

If one is a current resident of Pearland and are interested in the Home Repair Program, visit [homerepairs@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:homerepairs@pearlandtx.gov) and complete an interest form. Contact will be made by the City's Housing Rehabilitation Officer within 48 business hours to discuss program eligibility and next steps.

For more information, call 281-652-1785.

## CCISD Board of Trustees seeks nominations for Citizen of the Year

*Nomination Deadline is August 1, 2022*

The Clear Creek ISD Board of Trustees is now seeking nominations for the 2022 Citizen of the Year. This distinguished award is presented each year to honor an outstanding member of the community who champions the Clear Creek Independent School District and devotes their efforts to the betterment of public education.

The recipient will be announced at the Clear Creek Education Foundation's (CCEF) Annual Gala on February 4, 2023.

Recipients eligible for the Citizen of the Year award must meet the following requirements:

- Demonstrated a commitment to Clear Creek ISD through volunteer efforts.
- Contributed significantly in ways that have benefited the entirety of Clear Creek ISD.
- Maintained a reputation across the Clear Creek ISD community as an individual with high standards and dedication to excellence in public education.
- Voluntarily served the District and its students and patrons over an extended period of time.

Former recipients of the CCISD Citizen of the Year honor include Ralph Parr (posthumously), Chris Reed (posthumously), League City Mayor Pat Hallisey, Trent Martin, Joyce Abbey, Harv Hartman, Jamieson Mackay, David Braun and Dr. James O'Malley.

All nominations must be submitted no later than August 1, 2022, to be considered for the 2022 award. Nomination forms are available online on the CCEF and District websites. Once completed, nominations may be emailed to [ccef@ccisd.net](mailto:ccef@ccisd.net) or mailed to: Clear Creek Education Foundation, P.O. Box 1631, League City, TX 77574.

## Registration begins for Fall league at Miracle Field

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

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](http://pearlandparks.com)

Miracle Field at Shadow Creek 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.