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## Friendswood Edition REPORTER EWS

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#### **Around Town**

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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE Friendswood Library Summer Reading Challenge kicks off Thursday, June 1 from 6:00 to 8:00pm in front of the Old Friendswood Junior High located at 402 Woodlawn. Free pizza, hula hoops, bubbles, chalk, and a sidewalk obstacle course. Pre-register at friendswood.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack app. MOVIES ON THE LAWN

"Grease" is the featured movie for the June 1 "Movies on the Lawn" at Baybrook Mall in Friendswood. There will also be lawn games. Movies starts at 7pm.

#### June 2

CONCERT IN THE PARK

80's Tribute Band Mr. Wonderful will perform Friday, June 2 at Concert in the Park in Stevenson Park, 1100 S. Friendswood Dr. Concerts are free and start at 7pm. Prizes are given during intermission.

#### June 3

HANGER SQUARES GRADUATION Hanger Squares Graduation celebration will be held Saturday, June 3 from 7 to 9pm at Jones Hangar at Leavesley Park, 901 Buckingham. Dancing, friendship and fun! \$8 per person entry donation. Caller is Gary Belcik. For more information email hangersquaresfriendswoodtx@ gmail.com or visit hangersquares.org.

#### June 5-August 12 KIDZ PACZ FOOD PROGRAM

The Kidz Pacz Summer Program will offer free food packs for qualifying children, ages 3-18 years old, from June 5 to August 12 at the Friendswood Library, 416 S. Friendswood Dr. Registration is required. Library hours are: Monday-Thursday 10am to 9pm, Friday & Saturday 10am to 6pm. Call 281-482-7135 or email chicks@friendswood.com to register or for more information. The program is provided by the Galveston County Food Bank.

#### June 8

**HEALTH FAIR** A health fair will be held at the Friendswood Library on Thursday, June 8

from 12pm to 4pm. Free health screenings, presentations, and local authors and organizations. The library is located at 416 S. Friendswood Dr. MOVIES ON THE LAWN

### "Secret Life of pets" is the featured movie

for the June 8 "Movies on the Lawn" at Baybrook Mall that starts at 7pm. There will also be lawn games. June 9

CONCERT IN THE PARK Queen tribute band "Queen Legacy" will

perform Friday, June 9 at Concert in the Park in Stevenson Park, 1100 S. Friendswood Dr. Concerts are free and start at 7pm. Prizes given during intermission.

#### June 10

SQUARE/LINE DANCING

Join the Hanger Square Square Dance Club on Saturday, June 10 from 7 to 9pm for Square and Line Dancing at the Friendswood Activity Center, 416 Morningside. Public welcome.

#### June 14

#### ANNUAL BBQ FUNDRAISER

The 11th Annual BBQ Fundraiser will be held Wednesday, June 14 from 11am to 1pm at the Friendswood Activity Building, 416 Morningside Dr. Each meal includes a chopped brisket sandwich, potato salad, beans, cookie and water. Adults \$10, Seniors and Kids \$8. For more information call 281-482-8441. Proceeds benefit the Friendswood Senior Citizen Program.

#### June 16

CONCERT IN THE PARK Lost Shaker of Salt - a Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band - will perform Friday, June 16 at Concert in the Park in Stevenson Park, 1100 S. Friendswood Dr. Concerts are free and start at 7pm. Prizes are given during intermission.

#### **June 17 COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST**

The Friendswood Community Prayer Breakfast will be held Saturday, June 17 from 7:30 to 9:00am at The Harbor Church, 2821 West Parkwood, Friendswood. All are invited for the breakfast, the program with speaker Jonelle Fields from Inspira Resource Center, and a time of prayer around the tables. For more information and to RSVP, please call or text the Steve Martin Sr. at 832-607-1734. Requested donation is \$10.

### **June 23**

#### CONCERT IN THE PARK

Double Vision - a Foreigner tribute band will perform Friday, June 23 at Concert in the Park in Stevenson Park, 1100 S. Friendswood Dr. Free to public.

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The City of Friendswood Parks & Recreation hosted the 2023 Memorial Day Ceremony at the Veterans

Memorial (located next to City Hall). Keynote speaker was Marine Corps veteran Sergeant Jay Shaw (right). Shaw enlisted in 1997 and rose to the rank of Sergeant before he was wounded in action in Fallujah in 2004. Additional ceremony participants included the Friendswood First Baptist Church choir, the Friendswood Police Department Honor Guard, and Rob Wise performing on the bagpipes. At the end of the ceremony a group photo was taken of all the military veterans and active duty personnel in attendance.

# FHS graduates 485 in the Class of 2023

(FHS) proudly announced the successful graduation of its Class of 2023 during a ceremony held at Grace Church. With a total of 485 graduates, the event marked a significant milestone in the lives of these accomplished students.

Under the leadership of the class officers, the graduating class of 2023 displayed outstanding commitment and dedication throughout their academic journey. Asiya Siddiqi served as the class president, supported by Aidan Armand as the vice president and Brynli Campbell as the treasurer. Together, they demonstrated exemplary leadership skills, fostering a spirit of unity and excellence among their peers.

The graduation class Valedictorian is Ganesh Venu, with Salutatorian Asiya Siddiqi.

The class of 2023 embraced a distinctive identity, with their class color chosen as thistle, a pale shade of purple. Their chosen class flower, wisteria, represents good luck and success, characteristics that are undoubtedly reflected in the remarkable achievements of these graduates.

Throughout their time at FHS,

Friendswood High School the class of 2023 found inspiration in their selected class song, "Party Rock Anthem," which added a touch of energy and celebration to their high school expe-



rience. Guided by the wisdom of Dr. Seuss, their class motto, "Kid, you'll move mountains," served as a constant reminder of their limitless potential and the heights they could reach.

Mallory Migl and Matthew

Dupuis received the American Legion Girl/Boy administrative awards for possessing high qualities of courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and serv-

ice. Janelle Wilson and Alberto Archundia received girl and boy outstanding athlete. Gabriella McGregor, Arden Hill, Chloe Cravens and Connor Adams received the I Dare You Award: I Dare You To Be A Leader: Think Tall, Stand Tall, Smile Tall and Live Tall. Friendswood High School Representatives were Ava Black, TASSP Teens Serving Texas, and Maryam Faisal, TASSP All-State Academic and

Scholastic Excellence. Seven students from this senior lass will be joining the military next year. Joining the United States Army is Isaac Rodriguez Alvarez. Matthew Dupuis and Andrew Rubio will attend The United States Military Academy West Point. Carolyn Rodriguez-Alva will be joining the United States Navy. Attending the United States Coast Guard Academy is Manon Murphy. Colin Niemeier is joining the United States Coast Guard and Ethan Eberhardt is joining the

United States Air Force. FHS's administration, faculty, and staff take immense pride in the accomplishments of the graduating Class of 2023. The commitment and perseverance exhibited by these graduates have undoubtedly prepared them for a successful future filled with endless possibilities.

See all photos on Friendswood ISD's SmugMug.

Publisher's Note:

#### Congratulations Class of 2023

This month I would like to switch from my Publisher hat to my Teacher hat to focus on an exceptional group whose achievements deserve our heartfelt admiration: the recent graduates of the Class of 2023.

When COVID derailed their early high school years, these students demonstrated resilience, adaptability, and spirit in ways most of us can only imagine. They've pursued their education in a time of unprecedented challenges and changes, showing a tenacity that speaks volumes to their character and the promising future that lies

To the Class of 2023, I offer my sincerest "Congratulations!" on your graduation. You have passed a significant milestone that deserves to be celebrated and remembered, especially given the journey to this point that has been marred by obstacles and hurdles. Whether or not I had the privilege of teaching you in one of my classes, I am immensely proud of you.

As you embark on this new phase of life, allow me to offer these last few words of wisdom.

First, never let anyone else define your success for you. Your success is your own, defined by your own goals, dreams, and aspirations. The road you choose to follow is your own. While it may be a

different path from that of your peers, that is perfectly alright. Second, I encourage you to embrace uncertainty. The world is changing, and sometimes your best-laid plans will fall apart. Just remember, from uncertainty and change often comes extraordinary opportunity. Fear not the unknown, but see it as an invitation to explore, innovate, and redefine your boundaries. The world is your canvas. You now have the freedom to create your mas-

Lastly, never stop learning. The world is vast and rich with knowledge just waiting to be discovered. Education does not end with a diploma or a college degree. It's a lifelong journey. Embrace a habit of curiosity. Ask questions and seek answers. You are better equipped for this than any generation to come before you. By doing so, you will continue to grow as an indi-

vidual and perhaps even make meaningful contributions of your own to the world's collective knowledge.

In closing, let me just say that the Class of 2023 is remarkable. You have not just survived, you have thrived under the circumstances that redefined the world as we know it.

As you step forward into the expansive and uncertain world just remember that our community is behind you. We anticipate your successes, cheer on your efforts, and stand ready to support you through your challenges.

The future is in good hands: yours.

Jim Foreman, Publisher jim@myreporternews.com

#### Police Report PEARLAND

Below are highlights from reports filed during the past week by Pearland Police. Incident and arrest reports are public record and are available in full online at p2c.pearlandtx.gov.

Wednesday, May 24

Warrant arrests at 100 block of Winding Road, 12300 block of Highway 6, 2400 block of Dixie Woods Drive, 2400 block of Dixie Farm Road, 1600 block of McDonald St., 7300 Broad-

Arrest for assault causing bodily injury at 4:05 a.m., 2555 Cullen Parkway.

Reports of vehicle burglaries at 8:47 a.m., 2900 block

of Cullen Parkway. Arrest for assault causing bodily injury of family

member at 8:56 a.m., 3300 block of Mossy Oak Trail. Aggravated robbery

report at 10:20 a.m., 1800 block of Pearland Parkway. Arrest for aggravated assault with deadly weapon

at 12:16 p.m. 1409 O'Day

Criminal trespass arrest at 1 p.m., 4000 block of Quail

Run Drive. Arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia at 1:30 p.m., 3200 London Court.

Found property at 2:12

p.m., 9000 block of Broad-Arrest for operating vehicle with wrong license plate

at 4:12 p.m., 5300 McHard Robbery reported at 4:22 p.m., 1800 block Pearland

Parkway. Arrest for minor in possession of tobacco at 4141 Bailey Road, 4;26 p.m.

Arrest for assault by physical contact family violence, 4:37 p.m., 2200 Business Center Drive.

#### • Thursday, May 25 DWI arrest with BAC

over .15 at 1:17 a.m., 13300 County Road 190. Arrest for possession of

Lineup announced for Pearland Country Music Showcase

The Pearland Country

Music Showcase is planned

for June 25 in the open air

pavilion at the Pearland

drug paraphernalia at 2:09 a.m., 2500 block of Reid Blvd.

An arrest for assault by

contact family violence at

9:17 p.m., 3500 block of

Arrest for possession of

drug paraphernalia at 10:30

p.m., 2100 Cullen Parkway.

marijuana, 2800 Main St.

Sunday, May 28

3900 Harkey Road.

7990 Broadway St.

Business Center Drive.

Shadow Creek Parkway.

South Freeway.

chase Drive.

block of Main St.

South Freeway.

McHard Road.

of Gracie Circle.

5800 Magnolia Parkway.

block of Meadow Wood.

Report of threat to publish

intimate visual material at

8:20 p.m., 1700 block of

Arrest for assault family

violence at 8:28 p.m., 12900

block of Shadow Creek

Shadow Creek Parkway.

Monday, May 29

Arrest for possession of

Cullen Parkway.

A Houston man, 35, was charged with felony theft.

A 30-year-old Missouri City resident was arrested for assault of a family member with a previous conviction and assault causing bodily injury, 11200 Broad-

Shoplifting arrest was made at 9:11 p.m., 1710 Broadway St.

Arrest for assault causing bodily injury at 4:48 p.m.,

11801 Sam Houston. Hospice death at 6:20 p.m., 4800 block of Elm St.

• Friday, May 26

DWI arrest with open

alcohol container, 11131 Broadway St. Referrals to adult protective services in the 12600

block of Shadow Creek and 2100 block of Windy Shores Drive. Arrest for operating vehicle with wrong license plate,

4500 Main St. Arrest for failure to maintain financial responsibility,

3:15 p.m., 2000 Main St. Criminal investigation at 8:50 p.m., 2600 block of

Cypress Springs Drive. Arrest for felony possession of a controlled substance at 11:20 p.m., 2000 Cullen Parkway.

 Saturday, May 27 Arrest for failure to identi-

fy at 2:37 a.m., 2700 Old Max Court. DWI arrest with blood

alcohol contest over .15 at 3:21 a.m., 17556 SW Fwy. Death investigation at 9 a.m., 7700 block of Bailey

Road. Terroristic threat arrest at 11:12 a.m., 3500 block of Plum St.

Shoplifting arrests were made at 1900 block of Main St., 2800 block of Business Center Drive.

Theft of service reported at 11200 block of Broadway

Town Center. The event is

4 to 6:30 p.m. at the center,

Coolers and lawn chairs

#### Arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia, 2700 block of Cullen Parkway.

Main St.

Parkway.

are welcome at the outdoor event featuring headliner Britt Godwin, a Bridge City, Texas, native now based in Beaumont. Godwin has been featured on the Grand Opry, Louisiana Hayride, David Letterman Show and Charlie Pruitt Country Music Show and previously performed with the B.B. & Company band. Other performers include Shalane, Ellie Townley, Zac

Clifton, Allie Rae and Blair

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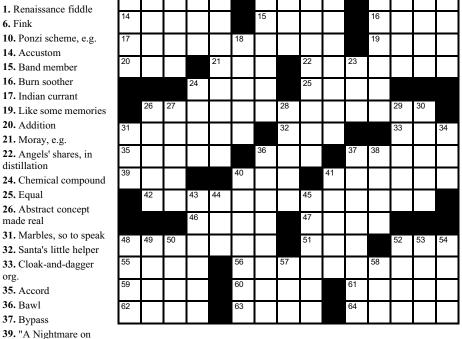
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### FRIENDSWOOD POLICE REPORT

MAY 22 thru MAY 29 May 25 (3:28 p.m.) A 19-

year-old man from Los An-

bedroom window. When the

driver handed over the de-

livery, one of the teen girls

snapped a picture of the

delivery driver. He reached

in, grabbed the phone, and

assaulted the teen. He took

the phone, ran around to the

front of home, chased by the

teens. Ultimately, the teen

got her phone back. The

Door Dash driver is de-

scribed as a black male with

a goatee and mustache. At

the time of the assault, he

was wearing a red do-rag,

an orange sweatshirt, and

**NARCOTICS** 

May 22 (7:24 p.m.) A 18-

year-old Texas City woman

was charged with Posses-

sion of a Controlled Sub-

stance in Penalty Group 1

and Unlawful Carrying of a

Weapon. The woman was

stopped for an insurance

violation in the 100 block of

W. Parkwood Ave. During

the contact, the officer de-

tected the smell of marijua-

na. A search was conducted,

and the officer found LSD

May 26 (12:00 p.m.) Two

17-year-old Friendswood

men and an 18-year-old

Pearland man were charged

with Possession of Drug

Paraphernalia. They were

stopped for running a stop

sign and making a wide

right turn at a red light. The

traffic stop took place at the

intersection of El Dorado

Blvd and Signal Hill Drive.

During the contact, the offi-

cer detected the smell of

marijuana. A search yield-

ed marijuana and a THC

May 29 (10:46 p.m.) A 17-

year-old Friendswood man

was charged with Posses-

sion of Drug Paraphernalia.

Officers responded to a

report of loud music in the

800 block of W. Stadium

and a gun.

May 23 (5:41 p.m.) A theft of mail was reported at Baywood Apartments, 5025 FM 2351. The package was delivered on May 19 at 4:00 p.m. by the United States Postal Service. When the victim checked her mail, she

**THEFT** 

found the mailbox was bro-DWI arrest at 3:39 a.m., ken and all the mailboxes were left open. DWI arrest at 3:51 a.m., May 27 (8:26 a.m.) A vehicle was stolen in the 1000 Theft of vehicle parts, block of Myrtlewood Drive 4:40 a.m., 2200 block of but was found a few blocks away in the 2300 block of Arrest for possession of Judy Avenue. The victim drug paraphernalia, 11400 was able to track his vehicle using a Ford track app. Criminal investigation at When police arrived at the 9 a.m., 15100 block of vehicle's location, the key was in the vehicle and a pair Hospice death at 11:32 of apple air pods were in the a.m., 1100 block of Woodfront seat. The rear seats were laid down and several Shoplifting arrests at 1710 packages were inside the Broadway St. and 1900 vehicle. The owner did not own the air pods or the Death investigation at packages. The victim sus-9:14 p.m., 11100 block of pected a neighborhood teen and had talked with another neighbor who had their trail-Death investigation at er detached from their truck 12:37 a.m., 16100 block of overnight. The owner realized that an Apple air tag Theft of service reported was missing from the key at 2800 block of Broadway. used to steal the truck and Arrest for possession of began to track it. Some evidrug paraphernalia, 2600 dence was retrieved from the vehicle including infor-Multiple vehicle burglamation about an iPhone that ries reported at 3600 block had been connected to the vehicle's Bluetooth system DWI arrest at 9:30 a.m., said, "Zachary's iPhone". Video evidence Arrest for assault causing was obtained from the vicbodily injury family memtim and from a local ber at 12:40 p.m., 1500 McDonald's where the sus-

> developed. May 29 (9:18 p.m.) A tailgate was stolen from a truck parked in the 15700 block of Bougainvilla Lane. The Theft occurred sometime overnight. May 29 (11:27 a.m.) A tail-

pect used the drive-thru and

a witness came forward to

police. A suspect has been

gate was stolen from a truck parked in the 16800 block of Barcelona Drive. The suspect vehicle was described as a small white SUV. The theft occurred sometime overnight. **FRAUD** 

May 24 (1:48 p.m.) A Friendswood man's identity was used to apply for vehicle loans. He was alerted to identity theft when he received a call from Jeff England Auto in Cleburne, TX. The dealership became suspicious, did their own investigation, and contacted the

May 25 (10:15 a.m.) A Friendswood resident reported that several bank accounts were opened using his personal identifying information. The banks where the accounts were opened were Chime and May 25 (11:27 a.m.) A

Friendswood man reported identity theft. The online report contained information about several accounts that were opened using the victim's personal identifying information.

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geles, CA, was charged with Fraudulent Use/Possession of Identifying Information. The man attempted to open a bank account at Chase Bank using a fraudulent outof-state driver's license. Officers located the suspect at the entrance to HEB and contacted him. He claimed to have no identification and denied the possession of fraudulent identification. During the contact, the suspect dumped out the contents of his bag onto the ground. At that time, the officer observed a California driver's license. Before the man could conceal the driver's license, the officer discovered that the driver's license had his image but another individual's name. The suspect was taken into custody. His person was searched, and he was found in possession of a credit card belonging to someone else and a New York driver's license, again with his image, but someone else's identifiers.

May 26 (12:39 p.m.) A Friendswood man reported identity theft. He received two separate emails from two different banks regarding the opening of a new account. The banks were Chime and Square. No transactions were present, and the accounts were closed. The victim's email and phone number were used to open the account but changed after the account was May 26 (12:55 p.m.) A

Friendswood woman's bank accounts were drained, and her credit cards were maxed out. The victim applied for an online job as a mystery shopper. After several transactions between the employer and herself, she now has fraudulent activity. **ASSAULT** May 27 (3:51 p.m.) A 28-

was stopped in the 3200 block of FM 528 for a license plate violation. During the contact, the officer detected the smell of marijuana. The man exited the vehicle and told the officer that he had a personal use amount of marijuana inside the vehicle. A search was conducted and yielded marijuana, Hydrocodone pills, and other drug paraphernalia. When an officer attempted to put the man in handcuffs, he assaulted the police officer. Once the suspect was in custody, he became unresponsive. Police believe he may have ingested narcotics. The man was transported to a local hospital. A warrant was filed charging him with Assault on a Police Officer. May 29 (11:15 a.m.) Two

17-year-old girls were assaulted by a Door Dash driver. They ordered a Door Dash delivery from McDonalds and instructed the driver to bring the delivery to the side of the home at a POSTAL NOTICE Pearland and Friendswood ReporterNews (USPS 013362) is published weekly at 103 S. Friendswood Dr., Friendswood, TX 77546. Second class postage is paid at Pearland,

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Court. The witness also reported that several persons were smoking marijuana and drinking alcohol in year-old Friendswood man the cul-de-sac. When the officers arrived, the suspect got out of his vehicle. Inside the vehicle, in plain view, the officer observed a marijuana bong and a grinder. Other drug paraphernalia was found. **DRIVING WHILE** INTOXICATED May 26 (2:44 a.m.) A 28year-old Houston man was charged with Driving While Intoxicated. The suspect was stopped for an insurance violation and was

stopped for a considerable amount of time at the intersection of Mary Ann and Stadium Lane. He exhibited signs of intoxication and failed a field sobriety test. May 28 (1:22 a.m.) A 21year-old Dallas man was charged with Driving While Intoxicated in the 2600 block of W. Parkwood Ave. A 20-year-old woman from Dallas was charged with

Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. A 19-year-old

Dallas woman was charged with Minor in Possession of

Tobacco. Seda The man was stopped for speeding. During the contact, the officer observed smoke billowing

out of the vehicle and detected the smell of marijuana. The officer conducted a search of the vehicle

tobacco products.

May 24 (4:56 p.m.) A 26year-old Friendswood man

and found marijuana and

OTHER INCIDENTS

was charged with Indecent Exposure. A witness repor-ted the man masturbating in KATHY HICKEY . . . . . Editor KAROLYN GEPHART . . . . . Friendswood Staff Reporter N. BRADFORD..... Pearland Staff Reporter

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front a woman who was waiting a bus stop in the

2700 block of W. Bay Area. When the man realized the

He was found behind a building in the 3600 block

of FM 528.

witness was talking on the phone, he walked away. The witness followed him and gave the police his location.

### AREA BRIEFS

#### Hurricane season expo set June 17

The Brazoria County Hurricane and Disaster Preparedness Expo is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on June 17 at the County Fairgrounds in Angleton.

The free event will include informational presentations, goody bags, door prizes, free hot dogs will supplies last, exhibitor booths and emergency vehicle displays.

Presentations, will cover topics such as the National

Presentations will cover topics such as the National Weather Service, generator safety, pet safety during an emergency and how to prepare your yard and home for hurricane season.

#### Save date for popular BBQ fundraiser

Save the date June 14 for the Senior Activity Center's 11th Annual BBQ Fundraiser planned for 11 am to 1 pm.

Each meal includes a chopped brisket BBQ sandwich, potato salad, baked beans, cookie and a drink. Orders of 10 or more meals can be delivered for free within City limits. There will also be dine in and to go orders. To go orders may be called in advance. Prices are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors (50-plus) and \$8 for kids.

All proceeds benefit the Friendswood Senior Citizen Program (FSCP).

For more information on the fundraiser, contact the Friendswood Activity Building at 281-482-8441.

#### Lineup announced for country showcase

The Pearland Country Music Showcase is planned for June 25 in the open air pavilion at the Pearland Town Center. The event is 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the center, 11200 Broadway.

Coolers and lawn chairs are welcome at the outdoor event featuring headliner Britt Godwin, a Bridge City, Texas, native now based in Beaumont. Godwin has been featured on the Grand Ole Opry, Louisiana Hayride, David Letterman Show and Charlie Pruitt Country Music Show and previously performed with the B.B. & Company band. Other performers include Shalane, Ellie Townley, Zac Clifton, Allie Rae and Blair Kudelka.

For more information, go VisitPearland.com/CountryMusicShowcase.

#### 'No Name Fest' set June 9

The Brazoria Chamber of Commerce is planning the 38th "No Name Festival" beginning Friday, June 9, through the weekend. The event includes a barbecue and hamburger cookout, vendors, street dance and more. Festivities begin Friday at 4 p.m. at the Brazoria Heritage Foundation Civic Center, 202 W. Smith St., Brazoria

For more information, call 979-824-0455.

#### Honey festival this summer at expo

The 6th annual Honey Expo is scheduled on Saturday, July 15, at the County Fairgrounds, 901 Downing Road, Angleton. This event is open to the public with educational displays on beekeeping, extracting honey and more, food and vendors.

#### Become a Junior Lifeguard

Youth can find out what being a Friendswood Lifeguard is really like with the Parks and Recreation Department Junior Lifeguard program. This program offers a unique insight into the day-to-day operations with the aquatics team. Participants will have the opportunity to attend weekly in-service training where they will be introduced to water rescue procedures and CPR/First Aid skills.

Session 1 is June 12-23 and Session 2 is July 10-21. Cost is \$10 per person for each session. Space is limited so anyone interested is encouraged to register immediately.

To register, click on the link on the Park and Rec's Facebook page or call.

Facebook page or call.

For questions and inquiries call the Parks & Rec depart-

ment at 281-996-3220 or email pool@friendswood.com/.

#### Concerts move to Independence Park

The Concerts in the Park Series will move to Independence Park beginning this Friday at 2449 Pearland Parkway. The June 2 act will be Gary Kyle and the Silverado Band. Food vendors will include Houston's Pink Box and Kona Ice

Lawn chairs and pets on a leash are welcome; smoking is prohibited. Weather-related updates will be posted on the city website, <u>parks.pearlandtx.gov/special-events/concerts-in-the-park</u> or on the event hotline, 281-412-8989. For more information, email events@pearlandtxgov.

#### Southdown splash pad closed

The splash pad at Southdown Park is closed for repairs until further notice.

The water feature at Centennial Park remains open, according to City Parks and Recreation.

#### Sales tax up for May

Sales taxes returned to the City of Pearland this month were up 7.27 percent over the prior year, according to the Texas Comptroller's office.

Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts are seeing approximately \$1.2 billion in local sales tax allocations for May, which is 4.3 percent more than the prior year, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced.

The allocations are based on sales made in March by businesses that report tax monthly, and on sales made in January, February and March for those that file quarterly.

#### Boaters urged to clean, drain, dry

Texas Parks and Wildlife this summer is again reminding boaters to clean, drain and dry all watercraft to prevent the spread of invasive species.

Giant salvinia and zebra mussels continue to spread to new areas in Texas and remain some of the biggest threats to Texas lakes.

A free-floating fern that can double its coverage area in a week, giant salvinia produces thick surface mats that make fishing, boating or swimming nearly impossible. It is currently present in 27 Texas lakes and numerous rivers, creeks and marshes between Houston and Beaumont.

Now in 36 Texas lakes, Zebra mussels damage boats, alter lake ecosystems and harm native species. Once they become established, nothing can be done to control or eradicate them.

Boaters are urged to clean and drain boats and gear before moving from lake to lake and allow them to dry for a week, if possible. Anyone who spots invasive species on boats, trailers or equipment that is being moved may report it to TPWD at 512-389-4848. Anyone who finds invasive species such as zebra mussels in lakes where they haven't been found before can help identify new introductions by emailing photos and location information to aquaticinvasives@tpwd.texas.gov.



## FAITH MATTERS

By Rev. Dr. Brian Gigee

### WORDS TO LIVE BY

(3rd in a series of five articles from Mother's Day to Father's Day)

"From the fruit of their lips people are filled with good things, and the work of their hands brings them reward.

15 The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice. 16 Fools show their annoyance at once, but the prudent overlook an insult. An honest witness tells the truth, but a false witness tells lies. 18 The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing."

- Proverbs 12:14-18

I have only a few memories of being around my greatgrandfather. He was my dad's mom's dad. His given name was Henry but in the family he was known at 'Grandpa Hank'' ... a tall slender man who some might describe as a 'hopeless romantic' caught writing poetry on the job more than once or twice and even found time to copyright some music he penned. I have two original songs of his and a folder of poems in his own handwriting in both pen and pencil I am transposing to chronicle his thoughts and prose. But here's the memory which stands out... when I was a

toddler visiting my great-great Aunt Ella's home out in the country. She was Hank's sister-in-law and the occasion for gathering matters little now as I was only three years old at the time. You see... Aunt Ella had a row of Hawthorne bushes on the side of her home and the berries were in full form and a tempting bright red. Another cousin and I were standing there admiring the almost good enough to eat prize when Grandpa Hank appeared from around the corner waving his long, thin, Methodist finger saying clearly and firmly... "Don't you eat those berries boy" and he was looking right at me. It was a fearful moment and perhaps even more ominous for him as I think I know now what was disguised in that memorable phrase. I think what he was feeling and thinking was... "I don't have time to scoop up this curious little lad and take him to the ER and have his stomach pumped because when he eats these little red berries it's likely he will experience nausea, stomach upset, dizziness, drowsiness, sweating and God knows what else and I'm trying to have a grand time with my family as the pater familias and being old and all... and this won't be ruined by the newest male in the family...' and instead of that what I got was "don't you eat those berries, boy..." and I didn't. Grandpa Hank to the rescue! God save the day with a hallelujah, too!

How many times have any of us been placed in a moment when something needed to be said and when we did... instead of the right words rising up something totally different was spoken and yet the desired result came to be. Sometimes it's when a parent or a sibling just yells, "hey!" when the youngest of the bunch is about to embark on something dumb or unnecessary or when a parent has just been blasted with a "I hate you" line from a teenager and the only reply we can come up with is ... "well, I love you and I always will". Sometimes it is just harder to love than it is to hate... requiring patience and trust and space for the emotions to clear out and provide the desired relationship to emerge allowing for both persons to experience a certain healing so the deeper details of life can be enjoyed. Meister Eckhardt once said... "If the only prayer you said in your whole life was 'thank you'... that would suffice."

Plato once wrote... "be kind... for everyone you meet is fighting a harder battle." How did he know? And when we add on the words of the great 20th century spiritualist, Thomas Merton... "Love is our true destiny!" ... then we're quick to realize we are either a big part of the problem or a key part of the solution where everyone's effort is required!

And this... Memorial Day weekend in our country is the announcement of 'summer' and all that comes with it... a testing for younger souls you might say... where encounters with words of fools collide with words of wisdom. Be well. Live well! Faith matters. We all believe in something!

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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 comments and/or questions to godworks247365@gmail.com.

#### SCHS student receives Presidential Environmental Youth Award

In April, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in partnership with the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), announced the 2023 recipients of the Presidential Innovation Award for Environmental Educators (PIAEE) and the President's Environmental Youth Award (PEYA).

Rahul Vijayan, Shadow Creek HS junior, was one of only 34 students in the nation who received this prestigious award.

His nonprofit, Farm-to-Tray (FTT) Hydroponics Farming in Schools, began in January 2022 when Earth Force granted him enough funds to purchase a hydroponic gardening system. In August 2022, after securing sup-

port from the Alvin ISD school board and Shadow Creek HS principal, Craig Rhodes, Vijayan successfully launched the system, which has since been a research tool for the school's AP Environmental Science curriculum and yielded five food harvests for 2,600 people.

Not only has Rahul brought this technology to his community, but he also encourages his community to further expand upon this work. He currently collaborates with the City of Pearland, Kroger's grocery stores, and even the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to bring the benefits of his project to a wider audience. Additionally, he intends to bring new gardens to other

schools. His garden, and his teachings, will inspire others to add fresh, organic produce to the school lunch menu while ingraining the concept of sustainable agriculture into the student core curriculum.

Vijayan recently presented his vision for Farm-to-Tray to the Alvin ISD school board during the May meeting. He

also received a commendation from the Board for receiving the President's Environmental Youth Award.

The President's Environmental Youth Award was established by the Environmental Education Act of 1970 and recognizes outstanding community-level environmental projects by K-12 youth

that promote awareness of natural resources and encourages positive community involvement. Each year, PEYA honors a variety of local projects developed by students, school classes, summer camp attendees and youth organizations to promote engagement in environmental stewardship and protection.

"I would like to thank Alvin ISD, Ms. Shannon Oliver, and Principal Rhodes for their support and guidance in making my Farm-to-tray mission a success," shared Vijayan, "I could not have done any of this without each of you. I hope the future brings more success to our Hydroponic mission."

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Thursday, June 8 from 12pm to 4pm

Presentation Schedule

2:00pm Texas Health and Humar

Services Benefits

12:45pm Gulf Coast Center Program

1:30pm City of Friendswood EMS 2:15pm COM Sickle Cell Club

3:00pm Dr. Tim McCullough - GERD















Sickle Cell Club

Friendswood Library, 416 S. Friendswood Dr., Friendswood

# SPORTS

#### **FROM THE CLUTTERED DESK**

#### Is it just me?

I had some reflective moments this past week. What started it was when I was scanning the internet and saw something I hadn't thought about in over 50 years.



I clicked on an old show on YouTube - "This Is Your Life" with Ralph Edwards as the host. I'm not sure what the year of the show was, but I know it was around mid-1955.

The show actually honored two lives - Stan Laurel and

Oliver Hardy. That's right! The comedy duo of Laurel and Hardy who brought laughter into my home as a young child on a black and white TV. I later saw that Hardy died of a stroke in 1957 and Laurel died in 1965. Both were born in 1890.

If you never saw them, then you missed some great humor which made me realize some things I'm a Baby Boomer. I've lived through the

birth of rock-and-roll, the Jesus Movement, hippie culture, the invention of color television, the birth of FM radio, records, cassettes, CDs, MP3s, and satellite radio. I was around before the Internet and cell phones. My grandparents had a party line and growing up all our phones had cords.

I learned to drive with a stick shift, we didn't have seat belts, and the dashboard was metal. We didn't use car seats, and we didn't lock our doors at night. The streets were fairly safe for kids to play in, and we knew our neighbors. Most of us went to the same kind of church our parents and grandparents attended.

The Vietnam War, the Cold War, the Civil Rights Movement, the birth of the drug culture, teenage rebellion, and the catastrophic change in attitudes in our land about social, moral, and ethical issues. I've lived through 14 presidents so

When I started driving gas was 24.9 cents (that's right - cents!) per gallon and when I went to Texas from Oklahoma when I was in college -I would take advantage of a gas war between neighboring gas stations and get gas for 16.9 cents per gallon. Yes - you read it correctly - I could fill up my 1960 Ford Falcon for \$5 bucks!

All that being said, I think I've learned a few things. I've been around the block a few times as well as around the world and I've learned from my experiences, my mistakes, and my mentors. I'm now in my eighth decade, and I'm still

Most of what I've learned in life, I've learned from people older than me. Most of the books that have profoundly impacted my life have been written by people older than me. As I've gotten older, that fact has somewhat changed, but it still is prevalent. Most of the time in life, we learn from people who have been down the road farther than we have.

While my generation rebelled against our parents, many of us have come to realize that our parents weren't as stupid as we thought they were. They had wisdom; we just had some form of limited knowledge. They fought for their freedoms; we took ours to excess. While a person can mature physically and have many birthdays, it doesn't guarantee they are wise or worth listen-

I've said all that to ask, "Is it just me — or is our world still the same as it was 40, 50, or 60 years ago? Have we, as a nation and a society, not learned anything?

Quite frankly, I don't watch the news much anymore because I get sick and tired of turning on the TV and all I hear is the news media taking advantage of social media to criticize and blast anyone and anything they want because they now have the social tools to do so.

Is there something wrong with this picture? The news is constantly filled with bitterness and hate that seemingly only reports about murders or injuries to innocent people. We have more hate in this country than at any time I can remember and I grew up in the 60's where racial hatred was

Never in my wildest imagination did I ever dream that one day I would have a license to carry a gun out of the need to protect me or my

Is it just me?

I am curious what others think? Am I the only one who has seen the decline in our moral behavior as a nation? We would rather chastise those who try to make a difference and criticize their message or method for doing good — and yet — those who seek to infiltrate and influence our society with negative and hurtful actions go unnoticed without anyone raising a voice to their demonic behavior.

Is it just me?

Laurel and Hardy came to American TV with an innocence that made people laugh. Quite frankly — there isn't much to laugh at anymore. Or is it just me?

Old friend Robert said, "Real change requires you to change your behavior - not just your attitude. Behavior is the substance of religion. Belief is the substance of a Godly relationship."

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## Miraculous comeback sends No. 3 Lady O's to state tournament

Reporter News Staff

The late, great baseball Hall of Famer Yogi Berra was noted for saying, "It ain't over till it's over." He might have added, in the case of the Pearland Lady Oilers, "That's the reason we play all seven innings in a softball game." Trailing 8-5 to state-power Deer Park in

the bottom of the seventh inning and no outs, Pearland junior Trinity Perry opened with a single to centerfield, senior Lydia Njus then reached base on an error to put two runners on base. Courtesy runner Kailey Monsef runs for Perry and courtesy runner Layla Bennett runs for Njus.

That set up senior Gabbie Roundtree, who was hitting for Laila Nobles, to drive a 2-2 pitch over the left field wall to plate three runs and tie up the game 8-8 as the Lady Oilers celebrated.

Clark's decision to pinch-hit Roundtree

showed a lot of trust and confidence in the senior.

"The series before when we had a couple runners on, I pinch-hit her and she got a hit that scored a couple of runs," Clark said. "Since she's a senior, and I told myself that if anybody really wants it, it's a senior.

"I just kept saying chip away, chip away. You never know. I knew it was gone. There was no doubt. We just kept fighting after that. These girls just have a lot of tenacity."

Following Roundtree's game-tying blast, Darian DeLeon walked, Hailey Golden reached on an error and Kaylee Schweitzer beat out an infield hit.

After Deer Park pitcher Aubrey Graham retired Kennedy Drafton on a fly out with the bases loaded, Kristyn Whitlock lifted a deep enough fly to right field to score pinch runner Kelsey Martin for the

walkoff win in the four-run seventh.

That propelled the No. 3 state-ranked Lady Oilers (39-3) to the Class 6A state softball tournament where they will face the No. 2 state-ranked San Benito Lady Greyhounds (40-3) in the 6A semifinals on Friday, June 3 at 4:00 p.m. at the Red and Charline McCombs Softball Field on the campus of the University of Texas in Austin.

Pearland found themselves behind for most of the game as Deer Park was seeking to make the trip to the state tournament for the third consecutive year. The Lady Deer won the state title in 2021 and came up short 8-4 to Lake Ridge last season in the state semifinals.

The Lady Oilers scored first with a run in the second, but Deer Park took a 3-1 lead thanks to a three-run homer by senior Angelina Morales in the third inning.

Pearland answered with a run in their half of the third when Raenna Liscano ripped a two-out double to left-center field to score Kennedy Drafton and make it 3-2.

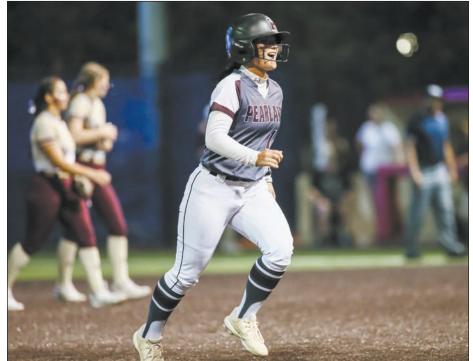
The Lady Deer moved ahead, 4-2, in the fifth inning when Julia Donnell singled home Bryanna Fuentes, who led off with a single and was wild pitched to second. Pearland refused to give in and tied the

game 4-4 in the fifth on consecutive home runs from Drafton and Whitlock. Deer Park (32-11) added four runs in

the sixth and seventh innings while Pearland scored a run in the sixth to set up the 8-5 miracle comeback in the seventh frame. Leading hitters for Pearland included

Golden (2-for-4, 1 run, 2B), Kaylee Schweitzer (2-for-4), Drafton (2-for-4, 2 runs, 1 RBI, 2B, HR), Whitlock (1-for-2, 1 run, 3 RBIs, HR), Liscano (1-for-3, 1 RBI, 2B), Perry (2-for-2, 2B), Njus (1for-2), and Roundtree (1-for-1, 1 run, 3 RBIs, HR).

Pearland goes to the 6A state softball tournament having won 18 consecutive



CLUTCH HITTER - Senior Kristyn Whitlock rounds the bases after hitting a solo home run. Whitlock was 1-for-2 with three RBI's and two walks. She also hit the game-winning sacrifice fly that allowed the winning run to get home from third base to give the Lady Oilers the miraculous 9-8 come-from-behind win over Deer Park.



6A REGION III SEMIFINAL WINNERS - The Oilers (35-6) took care of business with a 3-0, 1-0 sweep of the Katy Cinco Ranch Cougars at the UH Schroeder Park to win the 6A Region III semifinals. Pearland advances to face the Katy Tigers in a best-of-three series on Thursday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m. Game 2 will be on Friday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. Game 3 (if needed) will be on Saturday, June 3 at 5:00 p.m. All games will

## Oilers roll to region finals in sweeping Cinco Ranch 3-0, 1-0

By DR. DAVID DAVIS

Reporter News Staff

Pearland is one of the top teams in the state this year thanks to a strong pitching staff and timely hitting that has vaulted the Oilers to the Class 6A Region III finals where they will face the Katy

The winner of the best-of-three series will advance to the 6A state baseball tournament at Dell Diamond in Round Rock on June 9-10.

The Oilers (35-6) took care of business with a 3-0, 1-0 sweep of the Katy Cinco Ranch Cougars at the UH Schroeder Park.

As he has done all season, sophomore hurler Nico Partida pitched a four-hitter and struck out eight in 6 2/3 innings to pick up the win.

Pearland took a 1-0 lead in the second inning after Isaiah Castaneda singled to

He was bunted to second by Cade

Adams before Brett Smajstrla stroked a run-scoring single to left. The Oilers stretched the lead to 2-0 in

the fourth after Castaneda singled and Adams followed with a bunt single.

Following an intentional walk to Ferraro to load the bases, Landry was hit by a pitch to bring home the second Oilers

In the seventh-inning, Pearland got a leadoff double to right-center by Ferraro. Landry laid down a bunt, and a Cinco Ranch throwing error allowed pinch runner Jordan Hernandez to score for a 3-0

Cinco Ranch threatened in the seventh when Cinco Ranch Ranier Castillo and Paul Acosta each reach base on bloop singles while Ethan Muniz walked to load the bases with two outs.

Enter reliever Jake Mader-Cooper to the mound to retire Brock DeYoung for the final out to preserve the 3-0 win.

Leading hitters for Pearland were Ferraro (2-for-3, 2B), Damian Landry (1for-3, 1 RBI), Castaneda (2-for-3, 2 runs),

and Brett Smajstrla (1-for-2, 1 RBI). PEARLAND 1 - CINCO RANCH 0 Once again, the pitching was the differ-

ence for Pearland as Jaden Barfield took the hill in relief of starter Ryler Smart who got in early control trouble with four walks. Barfield pitched six innings, allowed two hits while striking out 10

Cinco Ranch hitters. The Cougars limited the Oilers to only four hits and one run in the loss as neither team could mount a serious offensive

Pearland managed to score only one run in the bottom of the third when Jace Caceres opened the frame by getting hit by a pitch. Courtesy runner Jordan Hernandez entered the game for Caceres and advanced to second on a stolen base. Brett Smajstrla had a sacrifice bunt sending Hernandez to third with one out.

With Caden Ferraro at bat, Hernandez would score on a passed ball on a 1-1 count to Ferraro for a 1-0 lead.

That would be all Pearland would need to sweep the series and advance to the region finals.

Barfield would pitch a masterful game in relief to pick up the win.

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) RENEWAL

General Permit Authorization No. TXR040233

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Friendswood, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas 77546, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Small MS4 General Permit No. TXR040000 for a renewal of authorization number TXR040233 to discharge stormwater to surface water in the state from the City of Friendswood MS4. The notice of intent (NOI) and stormwater management program (SWMP) were received by the TCEQ on July 18, 2019.

The MS4 is located area within the City of Friendswood limits that is located within the Houston Urbanized Area in Galveston County, Texas. The discharge from the MS4 will eventually reach Clear Creek Above Tidal, Dickinson Bayou Tidal, and Dickinson Bayou Above Tidal in Segment No. 1102, 1103 and 1104, respectively, of the San Jacinto-Brazos Coastal Basin.

A copy of the NOI, stormwater management program (SWMP), general permit, and general permit fact sheet are available for viewing and copying at City of Friendswood Library, 416 South Friendswood Drive, Galveston, Texas 77546. The SWMP can also be viewed online at the City of Friendswood's website at https://www.ci.friendswood.tx.us/DocumentCenter/View/391/Storm-Water-Management-Plan-PDF. Substantial changes to the MS4's SWMP during the permit term will be posted on the same website.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and SWMP. The SWMP, if approved, would establish additional terms and conditions, not included in the general permit, under which the MS4 must operate. The Executive Director has made the preliminary decision that the SWMP meets all statutory and regulatory requirements and made a preliminary decision to approve the small MS4's authorization under the TPDES Small (Phase II) MS4 General Permit No. TXR040000.

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 written or oral comments 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. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the MS4 is located. If the MS4 is located in more than one county, the applicant must publish notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county containing the largest residential population.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant material, or significant public comments. The response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application.

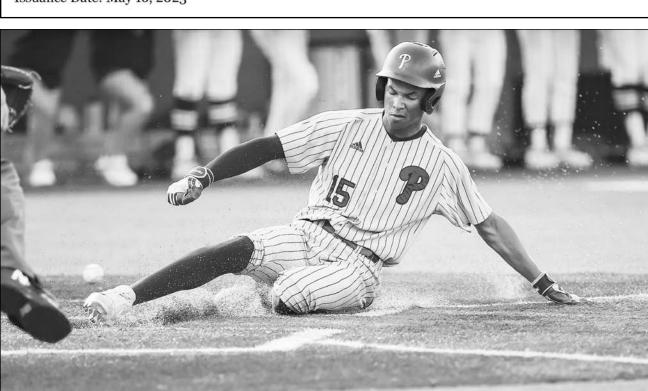
MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid</a>. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Any personal contact information you provide to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's records; this includes your name, phone number, email address, and physical address. For more information about this application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Friendswood at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Leticia Brysch at 281-996-3270.

Issuance Date: May 16, 2023



#### SAFE ACROSS THE PAY STATION

Junior outfielder Isaiah Casteneda sliding into home for a run as the Pearland Oilers shutout the Cinco Ranch Cougars 3-0 in the Class 6A Region III semifinals. Casteneda went 2-for-3 at the plate with two runs scored. The Oilers swept the Cougars in the bestof-three series to advance to the 6A Region III finals vs the Katy Tigers. Photo by Lloyd Hendricks

#### SOFTBALL/BASEBALL PLAYOFF SCHEDULES

**CLASS 6A STATE SEMIFINALS** Pearland Lady Oilers vs San Benito Lady Greyhounds

Friday, June 3 at 4:00 p.m. at the

Red and Charline McCombs Softball Field on the campus of the University of Texas in Austin

**CLASS 6A REGION III FINALS Pearland Oilers vs Katy Tigers** 

Game 1: Thursday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m.; Game 2: Friday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m.;

Game 3: (if needed) Saturday, June 3 at 5:00 p.m.

All games will be played at Constellation Field in Sugar Land.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 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, June 19, 2023, 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, July 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at City Hall, 3519 Liberty Dr., Pearland, Texas 77581, for the following cases:

1. Zone Change Application No. ZONE23-05: A request by Long Ha, H4 Architects & Engineers, applicant, on behalf of Jonathan Geren, SCI Management Corporation, representing Paradise Cemetery South, Inc., owner, for approval of a zone change for 0.9062 acres of land from Suburban Residential-12 (SR-12) District to General Commercial (GC) District, to wit:

Legal Description: Being a 0.9062-acre out of Lots 25, 26, 27 and 28, Allison Richey Gulf Coast Homes Company Subdivision in Section 19, Volume 2, Page 24, out of the Deeds Records of Brazoria County, Texas.

General Location: 8209 Hughes Ranch Road, Pearland, Texas.

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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Proposal Title:

CITY OF BROOKSIDE VILLAGE NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID / REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The City of Brookside Village, Texas will accept Sealed Bids - Request for Proposals for Debris Monitoring and Consulting Services until 4:00 p.m., on June 21, 2023, in the City Secretary's Office.

At the location, date, and time stated below, timely proposals will be announced

All interested persons are invited to attend the opening. Attendance is not required.

**DEBRIS MONITORING & CONSULTING SERVICES** 

Brookside Village City Hall, 6243 Brookside Road, Location:

Brookside Village, Texas 77581 June 21, 2023 Opening Date: 4:00 P.M. CT Opening Time:

2023, in the office of the City Secretary located at Brookside Village City Hall, 6243 Brookside Road, Brookside Village, Texas 77581. The documents are also available on the City's website at

Request for Proposals with attachments may be obtained beginning May 31,

www.brooksidevillage-tx.org. Further information or questions can be addressed to Cleo Rodriguez, City Secretary at crodriguez@cobvtx.org or by phone at 281-485-3048.

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Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Responsible Entity (City of Friendswood) under Part 58 has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988. in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under the CDBG-DR program under Grant No. 20-065-134-C451. The Proposed Action (project) will include the removal of an existing aerial utility crossing over Clear Creek and the installation of an 8-inch diameter water line and a 24-inch diameter force main beneath Clear Creek utilizing boring techniques. The project is located on the western side of Bay Area Boulevard, southwest of the Blackhawk Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and east of the Polly Ranch Airport, in the City of Friendswood, in Galveston and Harris Counties, Texas. Outside of Clear Creek, the pipelines will be installed through open cut. The new water line and force main will connect to existing utilities on each side of Clear Creek. The project is located on approximately 2.5 acres of land. The Proposed Action area includes approximately 2.41 acres of 100-year floodplains, including 1.05 acres of floodway.

The City of Friendswood has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values. The Proposed Action must take place in a floodplain because the existing infrastructure to be removed/replaced is already located in a floodplain. Further, it will still connect existing essential infrastructure on both sides of Clear Creek; it will not cause current residents to become displaced; it will be located on uninhabited property where the City of Friendswood either owns or has an easement to avoid costly land acquisition; it will be located within the Friendswood City limits in order for City funding contribution to be available; it will remove the existing utility bridge that poses safety risks for area residents that frequently climb and jump off of the utility bridge; and it will protect essential utility infrastructure by placing under-

Two alternatives for utility relocation were considered, including a No Action Alternative. Alternative A would involve relocating the utilities within other areas that would be located outside of the 100-year floodplain. The portion to be relocated must still connect to existing infrastructure on either side of Clear Creek that is still located within the 100-year floodplain, so there are no other areas in this portion of Friendswood that avoid the 100-year floodplain and still allows connections to existing infrastructure on either side of Clear Creek. Rerouting in a different location would require increased construction costs and costly land acquisition outside of areas already being used for these utilities by the City of Friendswood. Alternative A is not practicable. Under the No Action Alternative, the utilities would not be relocated, 100-year floodplains would not be impacted, safety risks would still be present for area residents that climb and jump off of the utility bridge, and essential utility infrastructure will not be protected. The No Action Alternative would not contribute to a reduction in loss of life and property from flooding. The No Action Alternative would not meet the need and purpose of the project.

Given that the Proposed Action would not result in significant adverse impacts, mitigation measures are not proposed. Additionally, the Proposed Action would involve removing above-ground infrastructure which will allow for positive drainage improvements.

The Proposed Action would be in compliance with state and local floodplain protection procedures.

The City of Friendswood has reevaluated the alternatives to construction activities in the floodplain and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of Executive Order 11988 are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the City of Friendswood at the following address on or before June 08, 2023, City of Friendswood, Attn:15355 Blackhawk Boulevard, Friendswood, Texas 77546 and 281-993-3411, Attention: City of Friendswood Engineering Department. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the address provided above. Comments may also be submitted via email at engineering@friendswood.com.

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NOTICE

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As of June 1, 2023, Dr. An Nguyen will no longer be in practice at the Vital Allergy and Asthma Center. If you were a patient under the care of Dr. Nguyen at Vital Allergy, your medical care will remain uninterrupted and assigned to another physician on our healthcare team. Please contact the Vital Allergy team if you have any questions.

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CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS **NOTICE TO BIDDERS** Request for Proposals - RFP No. 0323-06 (1st Rebid) **Ballistic Shields - Pearland Police Department** 

#### **Request for Proposals**

The City of Pearland is seeking bids from entities that can supply the Pearland Police Department with approximately 50 ballistic shields. This RFP has been issued for the purpose of securing the Best Value for the City and the specifications include the technical dimensions and manufacturing composition of the required equipment. A previous solicitation for these items has been revoked, and this measure constitutes a 2nd attempt to secure bid responses. Previous respondents ARE eligible and encouraged to submit bids in response to this 2nd

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3523 Liberty Drive until 2:00 PM on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, when all bids will be read aloud at Pearland City Hall - Council Chambers, 3519 Liberty Drive, Pearland TX 77581. A virtual option may be provided, which will be included in the detailed solicitation documents for RFP #0323-06.

#### Pre-Bid Requirements - Vendor Registration

Interested vendors must 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 lonwave assistance is needed, please email ebids@pearlandtx.gov and refer to RFP #0323-06.

#### Questions and Submission of Bid Proposals (RFP #0323-06)

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. Vendors MUST submit questions and inquiries about the solicitation process and any other aspect of the RFP, including technical information about the equipment specifications, by emailing those inquiries to ebids@pearlandtx.gov, no later than 5:00 PM Monday, June 19, 2023, and refer to RFP #0323-06. The bid will close the following week at 2:00pm on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

#### Source of Funds

The funding for this purchase will come from a grant from the State of Texas. Texas Government Code - Uniform Grant Management Standards in Chapter 783 is applicable. The successful offeror must not be debarred from doing business with the State of Texas. Other statutory requirements apply.

#### **Bid Closing Date**

2:00 PM on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

#### **RFP Advertisement Schedule**

This RFP is scheduled to run twice in the City's local newspaper of public record - Reporter News (Pearland Edition):

First Publication: May 31, 2023 Second Publication: June 7, 2023

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City of Pearland Request for Qualifications RFQ #0523-02 For Professional Engineering Services for the City of Pearland – Emergency Supply Warehouse (ESW)

#### Request for Qualifications and Scope of Work

consultants should be included in the response.

The City of Pearland is requesting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from firms that can adequately demonstrate they have the resources, experience, and qualifications to fulfill the role of Engineering Design Consultant for the Citv's Emergency Supply Warehouse (ESW) project. The facility is intended to be located at 2703 Veterans Drive, Pearland TX 77584, east of the existing Pearland Fire Department Administration Building. The respondent should select a team of professionals capable of providing the required services in an efficient manner in the best interest of the City of Pearland and that will provide successful, on-time, and on-budget project delivery. Information on all proposed sub-

The city is seeking a firm that meets the requirements of the RFQ. The firm is to provide architectural design and any applicable surveying and/or engineering professional services necessary for the construction of an approximately 5,000 square foot metal warehouse structure, with utilities and an estimated 15,000 square feet of concrete flat surface for parking, accessibility, and loading/unloading. The purpose of this facility will be to store critical supplies, materials, equipment, and small apparatus needed by the City during emergencies and catastrophic events. The successful Offeror will present the necessary qualifications, experience, capacity, and expertise for providing the architectural design elements to be used in the construction of the facility.

#### The Intent of this Request for Qualifications

From this RFQ, the city will select a Primary Design Firm for the project. The project is envisioned to have a Primary Design Firm under the direction and management of the City's Engineering and Public Works Department - Capital Projects Division. The Firm will be responsible for the successful design of the overall project. In addition, the successful Offeror will be responsible for managing, directing, and coordinating any and all teams of engineering firms and/or other sub-consultants it assembles to complete the required work

#### Federal Funding

(713) 523-6222

(713) 316-9411

The City of Pearland was awarded federal Public Assistance Alternative Procedures (PAAP) funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for this purpose. Some of the allocation will be used for the non-construction related costs of the project, which is comprised of the architectural design of the improvements described herein. Non-construction and construction costs of this project are funded by FEMA, and applicable regulations may include certain federal Uniform Administrative Requirements (2 CFR 200), including but not limited to: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Non-discrimination) and others. Davis-Bacon Act labor provisions are NOT applicable to this phase of the project, as no construction activities are being solicited at this time.

#### Instructions for Submission

The RFQ is available through the City's E-bid System and the responding SOQs will be accepted through the City's E-bid System. All interested Respondents are required to register as a "supplier" on the City's E-bid System at: https://pearland.ionwave.net/Login.aspx by clicking on "Supplier Registration." The RFQ is available for download upon approval of registration. Once approved, registration provides automatic access to the RFQ, existing project information, any changes to the RFQ, and any changes in submission time and date. Submitting Firms accept sole responsibility for downloading all the necessary documents required to provide a full response to the RFQ.

SOQs shall be submitted in the format described in the RFQ and be submitted electronically through the E-bid System to the City Purchasing Office, City of Pearland, City Hall Annex located at 3523 Liberty Drive, Pearland TX 77581.

All SOQs submitted electronically will remain confidential until the opening date and time when they will be publicly unsealed, and names of offerors read aloud at the City of Pearland City Hall, City Council Chambers, 3519 Liberty Drive. Pearland. TX 77581.

#### RFQ Publication Dates, Questions, and Submission Deadline

May 24, 2023 Second Publication: May 31, 2023

Questions are due no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, June 8, 2023, and must be sent in writing via email to ebids@pearlandtx.gov, but may be delivered directly to the City Purchasing Office - City of Pearland, City Hall Annex located at 3523 Liberty Drive, Pearland, Texas 77581 if email is not an available

RFQs will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, June 22, 2023.

Notice Of Constable Sale

Cause Number: 112790-CV\*\*

(See Notes Below)

James Brawner Constable Precinct 4

Under the authority and by virtue of an Order of Sale dated and issued pursuant to the judgment of the 412th Judicial District Court Brazoria County, Texas by the clerk of said courts as shown in the following schedule of cases, and to me directed and delivered as Constable in Brazoria County, I have on the date indicated below seized and levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in June, the same being June 6th, 2023, at 111 Locust Angleton, Texas 77515, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title and interest of the defendant(s) in the real property as described below in order to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, costs, and further costs of executing this writ.

Whereas on the 27th day of July, 2021, Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association, , recovered a judgment in the 412th Judicial District Court of Brazoria County, Texas against, Dante Holmes for the sum of Three Thousand Seven Dollars and Twenty Eight Cents (\$3,007.28) as the total amount due on the assessment account of the Property that is secured by the Plaintiff's lien on the Property as of the date the Agreed Judgment was filed; its reasonable attorney's fees in the amount of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-five Dollars and No Cents (\$2,835.00); An Order of Sale shall issue to any sheriff or any constable within the State of Texas, directing the sheriff or constable to seize and sell the Property the same as under execution, in satisfaction of this Agreed Final Judgment subject to any superior liens provided for in the Restrictions or at law, if any, and, if the property cannot be found, or if the proceeds of such sale be insufficient to satisfy the judgment, then to take the money or any balance thereof remaining unpaid, out of any other property of the Defendant, as in the case of ordinary executions. If any surplus remains after the payment of the sums adjudged to be due, it shall be paid to Defendant, Dante Holmes; Because it became necessary for the Plaintiff to obtain a writ of execution and/or an order of sale and have the Property Posted for a constable's sale or sheriff's sale in order to collect the amounts awarded in this Agreed Final Judgment, Dante Holmes shall pay to Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association additional attorney reasonable fees and costs in the amount of one thousand eight hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$1,800.00); costs of court in the amount of \$299.10, process server fees in the amount of \$132.50, and post-judgment interest at the rate of five percent (5%) per annum on all amounts awarded in this judgment, including attorney fees, from the date this judgment is signed until fully paid.

Any properties sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the property or their interest therein if allowed, within the time and in the manner provided by law.

ALL SALES SHALL BE BY Constable'S DEED AND ARE WITHOUT WARRANTY AS TO TITLE OR CONDITION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS EVIDENCED BY Constable'S DEED.

Sale #	Cause Number	Court	Judgment Date	Order Issue Date	Levy Date	Other Account #
	112790-CV**	412th Judicial District Court	7/27/2021	3/10/2023	April 6th, 2023	

Plaintiff: Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association, VS VS

**Property Description:** 

Defendant:

Lot Seventeen(17), in Block Three (3), of sterling Lakes West, Sec. 2, a subdivision in Brazoria County, Texas according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Plat No. 2016052704 of the Plat Records of Brazoria County, Texas more commonly known as 9710 steel Knot Lane, Rosharon, Texas 77583

#### For More Information, Contact: Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC, Phone: 7137804135

The Minimum Bid Is All Costs Of Suit And Sale.

Estimated Minimum Bid: \$2,186.78

, Dante Holmes

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Terms: Cash, or Cashier's Check.

Additional Terms:

(Real Property being Sold at the Direction of the Plaintiff's Attorney) (Prospective Bidders or Purchaser's Responsibility to Research or Consult with an Attorney)

(Made Subject to right of redemption (if any) in accordance to law)

111 Locust Angleton, Texas 77515

Between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM

SALE TO BE HELD

6th day of June, 2023

James Brawner, Constable Brazoria County Precinct 4

121 North 10th Street

West Columbia, Texas 77486

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#### **NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS**

Sealed Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, June 15, 2023, and read aloud into the public record for the following project:

> Bella Vita Regional Lift Station Rehabilitation City of Pearland, Texas **COP PN: WW2201** ITB: 0423-10

The project will consist of the following for Bella Vita Regional Lift Station Rehabilitation:

The complete in place rehabilitation of the lift station includes the removal and replacement of the pumps, valves, piping, instrumentation, meters, fittings, odor control, wet well rehabilitation, concrete work, painting and protective coatings. The project will also upgrade the electrical controller, add new electrical panels. an automatic transfer switch, a natural gas generator, SCADA, miscellaneous electrical upgrades, and all other work as shown in the plan and project manual

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held in person at the City of Pearland Public Works Rio Grande Conference room at 2016 Old Alvin Rd, Pearland, Texas 77581 at 10:00 a.m. on May 31, 2023.

All bids should be submitted through the E-Bid system located on the City's website at: https://pearland.ionwave.net/Login.aspx. All interested Bidders are advised to register as a "supplier" on the City's E-Bid System at the above website by clicking on "Supplier Registration" and completing a short registration questionnaire. Electronic Bid Documents, including Plans, Technical Specifications and Bid Forms are available for download after registration is approved by City Purchasing office. No plan fees or deposits are required for bid documents obtained through the City's E-bid System. Questions regarding electronic bidding should be directed to City Purchasing Office at

Bid Documents are also available for review at the following plan houses:

Amtek Plan Room The Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. Virtual Builders Exchange McGraw Hill Construction - Dodge Reports

(713) 956-0100 (713) 334-7100 (832) 613-0201 (800) 393-6343

Bid Security, in the form of Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or Bid Bond, payable to the City of Pearland in the amount of 5% of the total base bid price. must accompany each Bid proposal. See Instructions to Bidders for Bond submittal information and instructions.

The City of Pearland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Frances Aguilar City Secretary, City of Pearland

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#### **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3523 Liberty Dr., until 2:00 p.m. Thursday, June 15, 2023, and all proposals will be read aloud via virtual meeting. Interested parties may join the meeting by calling into the meeting at: Dial in Dial in #: 281-652-1955, Meeting #:1790#, Code #:0971# on that date for:

CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS

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South Corrigan Subdivision Transite Pipe Waterline Replacement City of Pearland, Texas **COP PN: WA2105** BID NO.: 0323-08

The project will entail the abandonment of the existing domestic waterlines in the S. Corrigan Subdivision and construction of new HDPE watermain. Additional work items include removing and salvaging of existing fire hydrants, installation of new fire hydrants, new connection of existing services, replacement of existing concrete water meter boxes with new DFW 1200 meter boxes, or approved equal, limited pavement replacement and site restoration.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at City of Pearland Engineering and Public Works Service Center Rio Grande Training Room at 2016 Old Alvin Rd, Pearland, Texas 77581 at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 1. 2023.

All bids should be submitted through the E-Bid system located on the City's website at: https://pearland.ionwave.net/Login.aspx. All interested Bidders are advised to register as a "supplier" on the City's E-Bid System at the above website by clicking on "Supplier Registration" and completing a short registration questionnaire. Electronic Bid Documents, including Plans, Technical Specifications and Bid Forms are available for download after registration is approved by City Purchasing office. No plan fees or deposits are required for bid documents obtained through the City's E-bid System. Questions regarding electronic bidding should be directed to City Purchasing Office at ebids@pearlandtx.gov.

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The Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. Associated Builders & Contractors of Greater Houston Dodge Reports

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The City of Pearland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Frances Aguilar, City Secretary, City of Pearland

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