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## Around Town Thursday, March 23

**ROTARY CLUB MEETING**  
Rotary Club of Pearland meets at 7:30 a.m. Thursdays at the Pearland Chamber, 6117 W. Broadway St. Call 832-293-9860 for information.

## Friday, March 24

**BIG TIME BINGO AT VFW**  
VFW Post 7109 holds Big Time Bingo Sunday, Monday, Thursday and Friday at the post, 4202 Walnut St. On Sunday and Monday, doors open at 5 p.m. with the first session at 7 p.m. and second at 8:30 p.m. For information, call 281-968-1518.

**PTG PRESENTS POTATO GUMBO**  
Pearland Theatre Guild presents the Jean Ciampi comedy, "Potato Gumbo" at 7:30 p.m. at the Pearl Theatre, 14803 Park Alameda Drive. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$16 students and seniors. For information, call 713-340-2540, or visit [pearl-theater.com](http://pearl-theater.com)

## Saturday, March 25

**DHS CELEBRATION OF MUSIC**  
Dawson High School Percussion Band presents a Celebration of Music at 3pm on March 25 at DHS, 2050 Cullen Blvd. in Pearland. Featuring students from Rogers MS, Jamison MS, Sablatura MS, Berry Miller JH, JH West, JH South, and Dawson HS. Public invited.

## BIG ART DAY

Pearland Fine Arts Department hosts the Big Art Day Event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pearland Town Center, 11200 Broadway St. at Highway 288 and FM 518. For information, visit [PearlandTownCenter.com](http://PearlandTownCenter.com) or call 713-340-0704.

## RUFF RUNNER & YAPPY HOUR

The annual Ruff Runner and Yappy Hour pet-themed fitness event begins at Independence Park, 3449 Pearland Pk. Event includes 5K, Kids 1K and 3K. Race times are 7:50 a.m., 8 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. For information on this event, email [events@pearlandtx.gov](mailto:events@pearlandtx.gov).

## Sunday, March 26

## HALF MARATHON & 10K

The 5th annual Pearland Half Marathon and 10K begins at 7 a.m. at Independence Park. Spectators will line the course, to cheer on their family and friends. Hydration stations, stocked with water and electrolytes, will be at approximately every mile. All Half Marathon and 10K participants will receive a commemorative participant shirt and finisher medal. Online registration is available at [bit.ly/2023PHM](http://bit.ly/2023PHM).

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## Tuesday, March 28

## COFFEE WITH A CONSTABLE

First Cup Coffee Co. will host Coffee with a Constable from 8am to 10am on Tuesday, March 28 at 2645 E. Broadway in Pearland. Public invited.

## Wednesday, March 29

## LIBRARY STORYTIME

Storytime for children is held at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Wednesdays at the West Pearland Library, 11801 Shadow Creek Parkway. For information, call 713-436-0995.

## Friday, March 31

## DHS BAND BINGO NIGHT

Dawson High School Band presents the 2nd Annual Bingo Night on Friday, March 31 from 5 to 10pm at Dawson High School, 2050 Cullen Blvd. Proceeds to benefit band. For details visit [www.dawsoneagleband.com](http://www.dawsoneagleband.com).

## Higher bills inevitable for projects

By N. BRADFORD  
Reporter News Staff

For Pearland residents, water rate increases will likely be a fact of life for the next few years.

"It's just that point in time where our water and sewer have to catch up with growth we've experienced," Mayor Kevin Cole said. "It's not 'if' we have to do it. We've got to do it."

Multiple large water and sewer projects are now under way. These include an expansion and upgrade of the Barry Rose wastewater treatment plant, expansion of the John Hargrove Environmental Complex Reclamation Facility and a new surface water plant.

"You tell (residents) there are \$535 million capital investment in water and sewer system, they become vividly aware these rates are

going to go up," Cole said.

Major water and sewer projects over several years have historically meant rate increases during the same period, city staff says.

"Looking at the history of rate increases in Pearland, it's really reflective of intense periods of capital investment the city has gone through," city budget officer Eric Roche told Pearland City Council during a capital improvement workshop discussion Monday. "We are still in the middle of this rate increase period. Our utility rates need to be enough to fund our operating costs, to pay for our annual debt service, to meet our bond coverage requirements."

Projects are funded through debt, and much like a mortgage, the city pays back a portion of the debt annually. Pearland city residents saw a 13.1 percent rate increase for fiscal year 2023; an estimated 16 percent increase is pro-

jected for fiscal year 2024 and 19 percent is the prediction for fiscal year 2025.

"This will get dialed in further as we go along," Roche said. "We've tried to balance these over the years to meet the needs of the capital program, staffing and other water and sewer costs."

Debt is sold on phases over the years to keep costs from rising sharply in any one single year.

"Rates are still going to go up, but we wouldn't have as big of a spike as if you put all the debt in one year," Cole said. "It's phasing it in over time."

Utilities are not funded from property taxes, staff emphasized.

"We've been having a lot of discussion about property taxes; those discussions do not impact the water and sewer rates at all," Roche said.



## DAWSON GIRLS CAPTURE DISTRICT 23-6A SOCCER CROWN

The Dawson Lady Eagles won the 23-6A championship with a 4-0 win over the Alvin Lady Yellowjackets to finish the regular season with a 9-1-2 district mark and 14-4-3 overall. The Lady Eagles scored three goals in the first half and added an insurance goal in the second half for the 4-0 win. Dawson, Pearland (12-5-3, 9-1-2), and Shadow Creek (14-3-3, 9-1-2) finished in a three-way tie for first place, but the tiebreaker was broken in favor of Dawson with a goal differential by the Lady Eagles. This was Dawson's first district title.

## Pearland ISD:

## Policy change prompts purchase reports

By N. BRADFORD  
Reporter News Staff

A change in the way Pearland ISD makes large purchases created debate and then a compromise during an update of district policies. Among local policy changes approved at the March 7 board meeting is the requirement to bring purchases of \$100,000 to the school board for approval — an increase from the prior purchase threshold of \$75,000 or more. The change is a result of both inflation and supply chain delays.

"The increase in what things costs slows down the process of buying or procuring items when we have to bring it to the board or wait for a board meeting," Superintendent Larry Berger said.

Trustee Crystal Carbone initially disagreed with that policy change, citing the need for

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CRYSTAL CARBONE, Pearland ISD Trustee

more transparency for the public, not less.

"Two election cycles ago, there was a lot of community discussion about lowering that to \$50,000 and having more transparency in our agenda items," she said. "It's about having the most available opportunities without having to ask for it for the public to be able to click on a link and find what they need and figure out where public funding is going."

A compromise was reached when staff agreed to generate monthly administrative reports for single purchases over \$50,000.

Local policy changes adopted during the March meeting are based on a recent review. Texas Association of School Boards recommends school districts review policies periodically to bring them up to date.

Another notable policy change approved limits appeals regarding complaints regarding student participation in extracurricular activities, meaning administration make the final decision.

"They can still bring to the board based on discrimination or harassment or bullying," Berger said. "This is really focusing on extracurricular where you're talking about grievances about playing time or programmatic issues that need to be handled with the athletic director, the principal or the assistant superintendent. Those issues do not need to come to the board."

## Long-term library plan notes 288 growth

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LISA LORANC, Brazoria County Library System Director

By N. BRADFORD  
Reporter News Staff

Brazoria County Library System Director Lisa Loranc told county commissioners at their March meeting. The county at that meeting approved the library system's long-term strategic development plan, which had been in the works for about three years.

"This goes beyond a three-to-five-year plan to a more strategic thoughts on how the library needs to develop over the next 25 years," she said.

The county's population is expected to grow by at least 44 percent over the next 25 years, and some models predict as many as 700,000 residents.

"The county is well covered except for one area that's going to be more and more important, which is the 288 corridor," Loranc said. "The 288 corridor is the area where we have the least coverage. It's also where we expect

to see the most amount of growth."

With the exception of Manvel, the current branches are adequate for current needs, she said. But as communities grow, "we are going to be outpaced if we don't start taking steps now with the cities involved to plan for the future."

The library system currently has 12 branches, including two in Pearland.

The strategic plan also touches on funding. "The current funding model which divides the financial burden between the county and partner cities works well," the plan reads. "However, as we move into the future BCLS needs to be more proactive about identifying alternative funding sources."

Grants and donations are the most obvious of these, along with possible funding from housing developers, school districts and community colleges.

## 2nd annual tourney seeks players, sponsors

It's not too late to sign up for the second annual Pearland Mayor Kevin Cole's Benefit Golf Tournament.

Scheduled for April 17, the tournament will be held at the Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 County Club Drive. The four-man scramble will begin at 10 a.m. and the event will wind up at approximately 7 p.m.

Proceeds from the tournament benefit the Forever Parks Foundation of Pearland, a non-profit that partners with the city to fund parks,

recreational facilities and programs.

Delayed from March, a ribbon cutting and grand opening for the Ed Thompson Inclusive Park is expected to be held after installation of a final custom piece of equipment.

Individual entry into the April 17 tournament is \$120 for players who want to be assigned to a team. Entry for a four-person team is \$600.

For more information or to register, visit [tinyurl.com/ForeverParksTourney](http://tinyurl.com/ForeverParksTourney).

## Plan your weekend:

## Massive outdoor work to highlight Big Art Day

Pearland ISD hosts its second annual Big Art Day this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this the Pearland Town Center, 11200 Broadway St.

Open to the community, the celebration of visual and performing arts is part of an initiative spearheaded by the Dallas-based Texas Art Education Association to raise awareness of the importance of the arts in education. March is Youth Art Month.

"We have several activities planned with one goal: to have our community come together to enjoy and celebrate art," says Pearland ISD Fine Arts Coordinator Victor Raygoza. Art in schools develops skills such as critical thinking, problem solving and creativity, he said. The highlight of Saturday's event will be a live chalk art creation by more than 55 high school and junior high students. The finished work will be approximately 6,000 square feet and will be coordinated and executed entirely by local students.

Saturday's activities will include student art exhibits throughout the center, make and take art stations for all ages, face painting, disc jockey, door prizes and food trucks.

Theater and dance performances will be presented by Pearland High's Theatre and Prancers, and Dawson High's Ovation Theatre and Diamonds.

A coloring contest will be open to kindergarten through sixth grade with prizes for winners.

For more information on Saturday's event, visit [www.pearlandisd.org/bigartday](http://www.pearlandisd.org/bigartday).

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# PEARLAND POLICE REPORT

Below are highlights from reports filed this week by the Pearland Police. Incident and arrest reports are public record and are available in full online at [p2c.pearlandtx.gov](http://p2c.pearlandtx.gov).

**• Wednesday, March 15**

An arrest for possession or delivery of drug paraphernalia was made at 12:03 a.m., 16600 block of South Freeway N.

A Pearland man was arrested at 12:22 a.m. and charged with DWI 2nd, 1514 Broadway St.

A stolen vehicle was recovered at 8:15 a.m., 4900 block of Shank Road.

Two people were arrested on warrants at 10:15 a.m., 8800 Hughes Ranch Road.

A man was arrested for unauthorized use of a vehicle at 11 a.m., 3600 Sunset Meadows Drive.

Two people were arrested on warrants at 11:19 a.m.,

11100 Shadow Creek Pkwy.

An arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia was made at 10 p.m., 1800 Main.

**• Thursday, March 16**

A public intoxication arrest was made at 2:23 a.m., 13900 block of South Freeway N.

A man was arrested at 4 a.m. for assault family violence, 2500 block of Main.

A man was arrested for assaulting a household member at 4 a.m., 3300 block of Walnut St.

A woman was arrested for felony possession of a controlled substance, 11 a.m., 1800 Main St.

A shoplifting arrest was made at 11:51 Shadow Creek Parkway around noon.

A missing person was reported at 4 p.m., 1100 block of Woodchase Drive.

A woman was arrested at 6 p.m. for assault of a family

member, 8300 block of Broadway St.

An arrest for assault causing bodily injury of a family member was made at 7 p.m., 4300 block of Leyland Court.

An arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia was made at 8:55 p.m., 12411 Shadow Creek Parkway.

**• Friday, March 17**

Warrant arrests were made Friday at 12400 block of Shadow Creek Parkway, 2500 block of Cullen Parkway, 3700 block of FM 1128, 1800 block of S. Sam Houston Parkway.

An arrest for assault causing bodily injury was made just before 2 a.m. in the 3000 block of Green Tee Drive.

Arrests for possession of drug paraphernalia and DWI by a minor was made at 11 a.m., 2300 block of Woody Road.

Two people were arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia, 4700 block of Main St.

A shoplifting arrest was made at 2:37 p.m., 1710 Broadway St.

An arrest for possession of controlled substance was made at 6:41 p.m., 2555 Cullen Parkway.

A man was arrested for assault family violence at 8:31 p.m., 2800 block of Business Center Drive.

**• Saturday, March 18**

An arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia was made just before 1 a.m., 3218 Country Club Drive.

A 20-year-old Pearland resident was arrested for DWI by a minor at 2:16 a.m., 3200 Magnolia Pkwy.

A Pearland area woman, 30, was arrested at 3 a.m. and charged with DWI with BAC over .15, 5000 Broadway St.

A 17-year-old Houston student was arrested at 4:16 a.m. for felony possession of a controlled substance, 4600 block of Broadway St.

Two people were arrested for unlawful carrying of a weapon, 7:45 p.m., 4100 Cleburne Drive.

An arrest for assault causing bodily injury of a family member was made at 8 p.m., 1100 block of E. Brompton Drive.

Warrant arrests were made at 7600 Quiet Trace Lane, 2022 Broadway St., 2300 Smith Ranch Road, 11800 S. Sam Houston Parkway East.

# FRIENDSWOOD POLICE REPORT

MARCH 13 THRU MARCH 20

**THEFT**

Mar. 13 (8:05 p.m.) A theft of a cell phone occurred at a residence in the 16900 block of Oxnard Lane. The purple iPhone 14 Pro Max has been entered into the State database and was disconnected by the carrier. The suspect in this case is known by the victim.

Mar. 16 (2:07 p.m.) A theft of gasoline was reported at the 7-Eleven located at 1651 W. Parkwood Ave. The theft took place on Feb. 26 and involved a black Dodge Ram truck. According to the reporting person, the driver used a pulsar manipulation device that allows them to dispense more fuel than they paid for. The total loss was estimated at 349 gallons of diesel. The same truck was involved in two additional incidents – one on Feb. 27 where 229 gallons of diesel were stolen and one on Feb. 28 where 185 gallons of diesel were stolen.

Mar. 16 (5:27 p.m.) A theft was reported at Ace Hardware located at 105 W. Edgewood Dr. A black male, in his 30's, 6' 5" tall, wearing a white hoodie and blue N95 mask, came into the store and inquired about purchasing two gas-powered saws. While getting the saws, the suspect unpackaged a universal wireless garage door keypad and a box of adhesive. The suspect was denied the sale of the saws when he was unable to provide his ID.

Mar. 17 (2:38 p.m.) A 72-year-old woman's gardener is accused of theft. Over the course of months, the gardener has been charging the elderly woman for services he did not perform. The victim's power of attorney noticed discrepancies in the gardener's payments and found a payment for the gardener's registration. The case is under investigation.

Mar. 18 (11:35 a.m.) A stolen vehicle was found entering the City on W. Parkwood near Canal. A traffic stop was conducted in the HEB parking lot at 701 W. Parkwood Ave. The vehicle was occupied by two males and a female. The occupants of the stolen vehicle claimed they borrowed the vehicle from their roommate. When the registered owner of the vehicle was contacted, he confirmed that his son stole the vehicle and that the current occupants probably had no idea the vehicle was reported stolen. The two males were released without charges; however, the female passenger, a 33-year-old Needville woman, was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

Mar. 19 (8:25 a.m.) Pearland police contacted Friendswood police when they recovered a stolen boat in the roadway in the 2400 block of John Street. A white 2020 Ford F250 Tremor pickup, TX license plates NWF0642 and an

Axopar 37 boat and trailer were originally stolen from a residence in the 500 block of Northview Drive. A resident in the area had a video of the boat being pulled and dropped off on the roadway on John Street. In the video, the stolen truck was followed by a red Chevrolet Impala.

**FRAUD**

Mar. 13 (8:52 a.m.) A Friendswood woman received a letter in the mail containing a debit card and notice that a bank account was opened using her personal information. Two checks were deposited into the account and both checks were returned as unpaid. Since that time, another account has been opened with a different bank using her fraudulently obtained information.

Mar. 13 (6:19 p.m.) A Friendswood man received a text message from someone who he believed to be associated with Centerpoint Energy. The text message alerted him to a \$300 outstanding bill that needed to be paid or his power would be shut off. The text message phone number was called and answered by a man who also claimed the caller owed money. The victim provided the man with his VISA card number, now he has cancelled his credit card number.

Mar. 15 (12:15 p.m.) A Friendswood man believed he was contacted by a friend to conduct two large wire transfers. After the two transfers were complete, the "friend" asked for a third wire transfer. At that point, the victim became suspicious. The victim is working with his bank to attempt to recover the money.

Mar. 17 (4:16 p.m.) A Friendswood man reported identity theft after receiving several emails about a new online checking account and active mobile banking account.

**NARCOTICS**

Mar. 18 (2:25 a.m.) A 48-year-old Friendswood man was charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance in Penalty Group 1. Officers responded to the 400 block of N. Friendswood Drive after receiving reports of a man crawling in the roadway. When officers arrived, they found the suspect crawling in the north-bound lanes of the roadway. He was intoxicated after leaving a nearby bar. The man was found to be in possession of cocaine.

A 31-year-old Missouri City man was charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance in Penalty Group 1. The suspect was stopped on March 20 at 2:16 a.m. for a defective headlight in the 500 block of E. Edgewood Drive. The officer checked the man's driving history and discovered that he had outstanding warrants for Theft, Unlawful Carrying of

a Weapon, and Theft of a Firearm. The warrants were out of Harris County. Once the suspect was in custody, a vehicle inventory was conducted. During the inventory, the officer found burglary tools, including a spring-loaded window punch, cordless tools, and masks. There were multiple phones, several wallets, purses, and other bags. In the glove compartment, the officer found methamphetamine.

**DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED**

Mar. 19 (4:20 a.m.) A 32-year-old Houston man was charged with Driving While Intoxicated-3rd or more in the 100 block of W. Edgewood Drive. The suspect was stopped for speeding and failure to signal a lane change. During the contact, he exhibited signs of intoxication including the smell of alcohol on his breath. He failed a field sobriety test. During booking, he tried to drink a bottle of hand sanitizer and was transported to a local hospital. He was kept by the hospital for observation and a warrant will be issued for his arrest.

**TRAFFIC**

Mar. 16 (12:07 p.m.) A 32-year-old Rosharn man was charged with Violation of Bond Conditions. The suspect was driving without a front license plate in the 1200 block of W. Parkwood Ave. He had just picked up his girlfriend from a local daycare center. The officer checked Johnson's driver's license and found that he had bond conditions that were placed on him on Jan. 5 by a Galveston County court. In those bond conditions, the suspect was prohibited from communicating with his girlfriend, prohibited from going to her place of school/employment, and was to have no contact with her except through an attorney.

Mar. 19 (6:51 p.m.) A hit and run accident was reported in the 15300 block of Blackhawk Blvd. A car was struck by a motorcyclist. The driver of the motorcycle was a white male with dark, long hair and a goatee. He ran a stop sign and aggressively maneuvered around the car and hit the side front bumper of the car. The motorcyclist lost his balance and laid down his motorcycle. When the driver of the car stopped and got out to check on the motorcyclist he was met with hostility. The motorcyclist lifted his motorcycle and drove off at a high rate of speed. The driver of the motorcycle did damage to the front end of the vehicle when he got the tailpipe stuck in the bumper of the car.

## BRIEFS

**Half-marathon set Sunday**

The 5th annual Pearland Half Marathon and 10K leaves early Sunday morning from Independence Park. Beginning around 7 a.m., spectators will line the course to cheer on runners and walkers, with hydration and snack stations along the routes.

All Half Marathon and 10K participants receive a commemorative shirt and finishers receive a medal. Online registration is available at [bit.ly/2023PHM](http://bit.ly/2023PHM).

**Festival set for April 15**

The fifth annual Pura Nava Indian Culture Festival will take place on April 15 outdoors at the Pearland Town Center.

Hosted by the Global Organization for Divinity, the festival is 4 to 8 p.m. on April 15 at the Town Center Pavilion at FM 518 and Highway 288. More information and schedules for this event can be found online at [puranava-usa.org](http://puranava-usa.org)

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- 3/26 West Columbia- First Capitol Park 4:00pm
- 3/31 Clute- Municipal Park 5:00 pm
- 4/01 Freeport- Municipal Park 10:00 am
- 4/02 Alvin- Bob Briscoe Park 5:00 pm
- 4/08 Pearland- Centennial Park 10:00 am

Brazoria County Reproductive and Women's Rights March

# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- Cat call
- Orphan affliction?
- "So \_\_\_!"
- "Green Gables" girl
- Birthstone after sapphire
- Southpaw
- City near Lake Tahoe
- "\_\_\_ Weapon"
- Affirmative vote
- 1982 Disney film
- Kwenzon, Rugby player
- Chicago airport
- Bunch
- Modest
- Hay fever drug brand
- Take back
- Christmas at St. Peter's
- Deli meat offering
- Cutting down
- Actress Brooke
- It holds things together in wood shop
- Medical advice, often
- Attic
- Apply, as paint
- Make, as money
- Antiquity
- Spanish dish
- Amo, amas, \_\_\_
- Enticement
- Ascend
- Boris Godunov, for one
- Diamond unit
- Merlin, e.g.
- "\_\_\_ cost to you!"
- 747, e.g.
- Down
- "\_\_\_ be a cold day in hell ..."
- Said twice, Dr. Doittle's monkey
- Bulk
- Straight: Pref.
- Doctor's order
- "Gee whiz!"
- Bit of punctuation
- 365 days
- "Is that \_\_\_?"
- "Yankee
- "La Bohème," e.g.
- Mount Vernon, for one
- "Home \_\_\_"
- "Is that \_\_\_?"
- Mozart's "L\_\_\_ del Cairo"
- 10th-century Holy Roman emperor
- Not loco
- Family group
- \_\_\_ Loma, Calif.
- Midpoint
- Actor Green of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer"
- Martin Short character, Jimmy \_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Casting need
- Hindi word for "Next"
- Cattle chews
- Midterm, e.g.
- Most lofty
- Snoop
- Loony
- Clockwork, mostly
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- Clear, as a disk
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- And others, for short
- Italian money
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# SPORTS



BONNER



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## Bonner, Grays, Phillips named to UIL All-Region teams

By DR. DAVID DAVIS  
Reporter News Staff

Paige Bonner and RyLee Grays of Pearland and Kamryn Phillips of Shadow Creek were named to the prestigious UIL All-Region team for their outstanding play this season.

Bonner was named the District 23-6A Defensive "Player of the Year" while she scored 221 points (5.7 ppg), 84 rebounds, 114 assists, 151 steals, and six blocks.

Grays was named as the 23-6A "Most Valuable

Player." The McDonald's All-American nominee and North Carolina commit scored 648 total points (16.6 ppg), 416 rebounds, 57 assists, 69 steals, and 46 blocks.

Phillips was named to the 23-6A All-District first-

team as she scored 535 points [14.9 ppg], 320 rebounds, 21 assists, 87 steals, and 4 blocks.

Jere' Adams is the head coach for Pearland and Latoya Micheaux is the head coach for Shadow Creek.

## Santa Fe rallies for a 4-3 win over Friendswood

By DR. DAVID DAVIS  
Reporter News Staff

The Friendswood Lady Mustangs (10-9) and the Santa Fe Lady Indians (20-1-1) entered their district showdown with undefeated league records. It looked like Friendswood would hand No. 3 state-ranked Santa Fe their first district loss but that didn't happen as the Lady Indians scored four runs after spotting Friendswood a 3-0 lead through four frames.

Friendswood sophomore catcher Charleigh Esparza gave the Lady Mustangs an early 1-0 lead when she smacked a two-out home run over the centerfield fence in the first inning.

The Lady Mustangs would add two more run in the bottom of the fourth frame when sophomore Nevaeh Cason opened the inning with a walk, advanced to second on an Esparza sacrifice bunt and reached third on a passed ball. Alaina Schaeffer walked putting runners on first and third.

Cason would score on a Chloe Aldrich bunt throwing error by the Santa Fe pitcher which would also plate Schaeffer on the same play giving the Lady Mustangs the 3-0 lead.

Santa Fe tied up the game in the top of the fifth to make the score 3-3. The inning was sparked by a two-run homer by Santa Fe pitcher Sidne Peters.

After consecutive one-out singles from Mikayla Nations and Mitchell, Nations scored on an RBI grounder from Mikayla Pruit, and then came the major momentum shift as Peters clobbered a two-run home run to left-center to even the score at 3-3.

Tied 3-3 in the top of the seventh inning, Makenna Mitchell got things started for the Lady Indians by drawing a one-out walk. Following a groundout and an intentional walk issued to Peters, Brooklyn Spencer came through in the clutch with a two-out RBI single clipped into right field for

the go-ahead run make the score 4-3.

Peters (seven innings, one hit, five walks, 12 strikeouts) had a solid outing starting in the circle for Santa Fe, retiring the final eight Friendswood batters in order en route to the victory.

Friendswood was held to one hit (Esparza HR) while taking advantage of a Santa Fe error to score the three runs.

Friendswood senior pitcher Janelle Wilson took the loss as she gave up five hits, four runs while fanning 10 and walking four hitters.

"We can compete with anyone," Friendswood head softball coach Christa Williams-Yates said. "It's just a part of being young, and it's something we'll continue to get better with."

Santa Fe moves to the top of the District 18-5A standings at 4-0 while Friendswood and Manvel are in second place at 2-1.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS REGARDING A REQUEST FOR A ZONE CLASSIFICATION CHANGE FROM A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (SFR) TO COMMUNITY SHOPPING CENTER (CSC)**

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

A zone classification change request to change from Single Family Residential (SFR) to Community Shopping Center (CSC) for a tract located at 801 W. Parkwood Ave., a 6.3951 acre tract of land being the remainder of a 19 acre tract of land being the Northwest 1/2 of Lots 2 & 3, Whitney Subdivision, according to the map or plat recorded in Plat Rec. 5, Map No. 6 of the Galveston County Map Records and being all of a 2,009-acre homestead tract of land described in Galveston County Clerk's File No. 8204830 in the Sarah McKissick League, Abstract No. 151, City of Friendswood, Galveston County, Texas.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold its public hearing on Thursday, April 13, 2023, in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas, 77546-4856, at its meeting commencing at 6:00 P.M.

The City Council will hold its public hearing on Monday, May 1, 2023, in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas, 77546-4856, at its meeting commencing at 6:00 P.M.

Item documentation is available for review in the City's Secretary's Office, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas 77546-485 during regular business hours. For questions regarding the details of the documentation and its related public hearing, please contact Aubrey Harbin, Director of Community Development/City Planner at 281-996-3280.

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/s/Leticia Brysch, City Secretary  
City of Friendswood

## Heritage Gardeners to host Annual Spring Garden Tour, Market, Plant Sale

Heritage Gardeners in Friendswood will host their Annual Spring Garden Tour, Spring Market and Plant Sale April 29-30 in Friendswood.

Five private homes will open their garden areas to tourgoers from 1 to 5 pm both Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are on sale now at businesses around town or from any garden club member. Tickets are good for both days.

The Spring Market with a huge variety of vendors will open each day from 9 am to 5 pm. The market is outdoors at the clubhouse at 112 W. Spreading Oaks and on adjacent properties. Food vendors are also planning to attend.

The garden club is hosting a huge plant sale from 9 am to 5 pm each day.

Three garden related presentations will be offered. On Saturday at 9:30 to 10:30 am Galveston County Master Gardener Ira Gervais will speak on "Tips on Growing Better Tomatoes." Galveston County Master Gardener Herman Auer will speak on "Growing Citrus in Your Own Backyard" from 11 to noon. On Sunday, Heritage Gardener and Floral Design Judge Sherrill Burge will show those present how to be "Creative Using Items for Your Backyard." Presentations are free and held indoors. Anyone interested can attend.

Follow Heritage Gardeners on Facebook.



### FISHING FUN IN FRIENDSWOOD

Even though the weather did not cooperate, the Friendswood Parks and Recreation Department held a successful Fish Camp March 13, 15 and 17 during Spring Break in Centennial Park. Many fishing skills were learned and many fish were caught. Parents and children made wonderful memories at the fun event.

## THE CLUTTERED DESK

By Dr. David Davis

### THE EXCLAMATION POINT OF LIFE

I recently read an article that the exclamation point was not put on a typewriter key until 1970. Bet you didn't know that.

I graduated from high school in 1967. In my formative years, how did I ever express my joys, my life, my dreams and hopes if I didn't have the exclamation point?

Maybe that's why my generation became rebellious and turned to smoking pot and taking drugs. We didn't have an exclamation point to help us release our frustrations. All we had were periods, commas and question marks, and they're either boring or annoying depending on which day of the week it is.

We had to find ways other than punctuation to express our exasperation and discontent. But the exclamation point is the salsa of writing; it adds a zing to anything!

Here's one example. Which of these makes you feel better: "Happy Birthday" or "Happy Birthday!"? See, the exclamation point makes all the difference. You can almost hear the little guy singing, "Happy birthday to you!"

But let me make sure I haven't confused or misled you. We had exclamation points when I was growing up, but they were as rare as a pimple-free teenager.

In order to type an exclamation point back in the days of the manual typewriter, you had to create one by first typing an apostrophe, then hitting backspace and typing a period underneath it. I don't think that's even possible on today's computers. Who would want to go to all the trouble of writing "Hi!!!" if you had to go through such gymnastics to do it? It would take you five minutes to type, backspace and type again. It just wasn't worth the trouble.

I'm one of those guys who has a tendency to overuse and slightly abuse the exclamation point!

To me, it's the cheerleader of all punctuation marks, and the more of them you use, the more they rally together to communicate your true sense of excitement. I bet scientists will one day discover that the exclamation point is the only punctuation mark that actually engages the happy cells in your brain. Even a simple little, "Get well soon!" brings about a quicker recovery.

Of course, there are times when using the exclamation point is inappropriate. You wouldn't want to say, "Just got a

call from Uncle Phil. Your Aunt Jane passed away!"

The only time the exclamation point would be appropriate in that context would be if she had left you "a million dollars in her will!" (and you were going to give some to your friends).

The famous novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald once complained about writers using too many exclamation points. He wrote, "An exclamation point is like laughing at your own jokes."

I hate to offend any of Mr. Fitzgerald's followers, but if an article I'm writing doesn't make me laugh, it isn't worth printing. Besides, I think his statement would have been more profound if he had written, "An exclamation point is like laughing at your own jokes!" (And yes, I laughed at that, too!)

There is even a blog where people complain about the overuse of exclamation points. To all of you naysayers, I proclaim, "I spent the first part of my life without these exclamation points! So let me enjoy them in my later years of life!"

As we near Easter I thought of another exclamation point in my life. His name is Jesus. No, He isn't Jesus. He is Jesus!!!

He has been my exclamation point since I was eight years old and I've never been ashamed!

Ever since then, my heart always adds an exclamation point at the end whenever I see, hear or talk about Jesus!

If I need hope, He is my hope (Jer. 29:11)! If I need peace, He is my peace (John 14:27)! If I need direction, He is my direction (Matt. 7:7-8)! He is the Lord of lords, King of kings, Prince of Peace, The I Am, Redeemer, Savior and Friend of Sinners!

I trust you will find Him as your exclamation point in your life? Maybe this Easter!

Old friend Robert said, "There would be no Christmas if there was no Easter. Blessed are those who have not seen and have yet believed. If Easter says anything to us today, it says this: You can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there."

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## Notice Of Constable Sale

Cause Number: 115335-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 239th 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 April, the same being April 4th, 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 30th day of December, 2021, Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association, recovered a judgment in the 239th Judicial District Court of Brazoria County, Texas against Marcolin D Easkins for the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four dollars and Forty-Two Cents (\$4,954.42) 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 Agreed Judgment was filed; its reasonable attorney's fees in the amount of Five Thousand Forty-Eight Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$5048.69); 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, Marcolin D Easkins; 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, Marcolin d Easkins shall pay to Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association additional attorney 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 \$110.50, 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; and, whereas, the said judgment is a foreclosure of a Property lien on the following described property, to-wit

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 #
	115335-CV	239th Judicial District Court	12/30/2021	1/10/2023	, 2023	

Plaintiff: Sterling Lakes Property Owners Association,

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Defendant: Marcolin D Easkins

### Property Description:

Lot Seventeen (17), in Block Three (3), of STERLING LAKES AT IOWA COLONY, SECTION FOUR (4), a subdivision in Brazoria County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded at Clerk's File No. 2007014732 of the Official Records of Brazoria County, Texas. More commonly known as 9403 Nickel Canyon Court, 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.

JUDGMENT \$ 7,559.21

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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)  
(Constable's Commission due upon final Bid amount)

SALE TO BE HELD

4th day of April, 2023

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

111 Locust Angleton, Texas 77515

James Brawner, Constable

Brazoria County Precinct 4

121 North 10th Street

West Columbia, Texas 77486

(979) 345-2115

By:

Jon Baker, Chief Deputy #

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## CONSTABLE'S NOTICE OF SALE

### THE STATE OF TEXAS } COUNTY OF BRAZORIA }

WHEREAS by virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the 239th District Court of Brazoria County, Texas on the 31 day of January 2023, in cause No. 81661-CV, where Village Grove Homeowners Association, Inc was / were Plaintiff and Carlos and Maria A. Sanchez was / were Defendant(s) on a judgment rendered in said Court against said Defendant(s) and in favor of the said Plaintiff(s), for the original sum of \$6255.64 dollars, with interest thereon as stipulated in said order, from the date of judgment, together with all fee's, costs and commissions thereafter added to/of suit, to wit now currently equal to the amount of \$5132.59 (Not including any additional costs or fees that may be added at sale); I did on the 16 day of February 2023 at 951 o'clock p.M., levy upon the following described lots, tracts and parcels of land situated in Brazoria County, Texas, as the property of said defendant(s).

To wit: Lot (41), Block (5), Village Grove, Section One (1) a Subdivision in Brazoria County, Texas, According to the Map or Plot Thereof, Recorded in Volume 23, Pages 225 of the Plat records of Brazoria County Texas; also more commonly known as 1910 Plum Falls Lane, Pearland Texas

And on the 4th day of April 2023, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of (10:00) Ten o'clock A.M. and (4:00) Four o'clock P.M. and most likely at 10:00am on said day, in the south hall/door of the Courthouse in Angleton, Brazoria County, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of said defendant(s), in and to said above described property.

Witness my hand this the 16 day of February 2023.

/s/ C.B. Buck Stevens  
Constable, Precinct 3  
Brazoria County, Texas

NOTE TO BIDDERS: All bidders must have or be able to pay in cash, cashier's check or money order by "close of business day" the day of the sale delivered to the Constable.

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Pearland Independent School District will be accepting Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals for Roof Replacement at Sablatura Middle School, CSP # 23-0330-13 until 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 3, 2023. A pre-proposal conference will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at 1928 N. Main, Pearland, TX. Proposals will be submitted online in the Pearland ISD eBid System. Vendors may login and view specifications and submit their response at the following link: <https://pearlandisd.ionwave.net>.

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Sealed bids will be received by the City of Pearland Purchasing Division, 3523 Liberty Dr., until 2:30 PM on Wednesday April 12, 2023, and all bids will be read aloud via virtual meeting. Interested parties may join meeting by calling: #281-652-1775; Meeting: #1790, Access Code: #0971 on that date for:

RFP 0323-06 Ballistic Shields for Police Department

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 2:30 PM on Wednesday, March 30, 2023. 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 Monday, April 3, 2023, and refer to RFP 0323-07. Bid Closing Date: 2:30 PM on Wednesday, April 12, 2023.

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

A zone classification change request to change from Single Family Residential (SFR) to Downtown District (DD) with a Specific Use Permit to allow NAICS Use #8131, Religious Organizations and NAICS Use #624, Social Assistance for a tract located at 502 S. Friendswood Drive and 107 W Spreading Oaks, a 6.0551 acres out of Lots 1, 2, 4 and 8, Block 12, Friendswood according to the plat thereof as filed in Plat Book 7, Page 21 Galveston County Map Records, Friendswood, Galveston County, Texas.

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