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## IN THE STARS

### EVENTS

#### WED., FEB. 7

##### CURIOSITY CRUISER

Crosby Library Branch will host State of the Art Mobility Library named "The Curiosity Cruiser". Come and take advantage of an opportunity to see The Cruiser, February 7 at 10:30 am. There will be Storytime in the library meeting room. Afterwards, The Curiosity Cruiser will be open to tour. 135 Hare Rd., Crosby TX. 77532.

#### THUR., FEB. 8

##### HIGHLANDS CHAMBER BANQUET

Annual Community Awards and Direct Installation, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm at Monument Inn, 4406 Independence Parkway. 281-426-7227.

#### SAT., FEB. 10

##### CRAFT & CONSUMER EXPO

11 a.m.-3 p.m. Crosby High School, visit local vendors as they display the goods and services unique to the Northeast areas. Free entrance.

#### WED. FEB. 14

##### HEART SCREENINGS

Houston Methodist San Jacinto Hospital is offering free heart screenings, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. Please call 281-428-2273 to register. See also AD, page 10.

#### THUR., FEB. 15

##### CROSBY CHAMBER BANQUET

Annual Awards Banquet & Board Installation, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Monument Inn, 4406 Independence Parkway. Visit [www.crosbyhuffmancc.org](http://www.crosbyhuffmancc.org) for more information.

#### BIRTHDAYS

Feb 2—Lisa Dammon  
Donny Herman  
Melissa Miley  
Feb 3—David Buford  
Sammy Covey, Jr.  
Feb 4—Harry New  
Andy Scott  
Chris West  
Mike Getlemy  
Feb 5—Angi Boudreax  
Kyle McCain  
Geraldine Krampota  
Judy Powell  
John Mouton  
Feb 6—Josina Hovater  
Tori Brumfield  
Feb 7—Chris Browder

#### DEATHS

Iran Wilburn King  
Patsy Jean Dunn  
Josephine Laura  
McCorvey Bruce

# Rotary CHILI FEAST this weekend

HIGHLANDS – The Highlands Rotary Club is set to put on their famous Chili Feast this coming Saturday, and you are invited. The chairman of the event this year is John Seaton, with the help of the four rotating presidents, Diana Weaver, Patricia Scott, Charlie Ward, and Weston Cotten, along with all the members of the club. Also helping are the spouses of the club members, the two Interact clubs sponsored by the club, and local scouts.

You can smell that great Chili in the air, from now until Saturday. Hundreds will partake of Chester's Special Recipe chili, and then it will be gone.

The Rotary Club's 43rd Annual Chili Feast will take place at St. Jude's Catholic Church Hall on



LAST YEAR'S WINNER WAS MALCOLM BUTLER, second from left, with Leon Wilson, Turner Chevrolet salesperson, and granddaughter Payton Butler and grandson Kip Butler. Behind the Butlers is the top prize in the Chili Feast Raffle, a new 2017 Chevrolet Pick-up truck from Turner Chevrolet. With an amazing string of luck, Malcolm Butler has won the top prize three times in the history of the raffle and Chili Feast. Butler has won in 1988, 2000, and now 2017.



Saturday, Feb. 3rd from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The local crowd always looks forward to socializing with old friends, eating great chili, bidding on auction items, and anticipating the winning numbers in the raffle. As the excitement builds, tickets are drawn for the prizes, including 15 items, plus the

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# Constable adjusts for Best Practices

CROSBY – Constable Sherman Eagleton chose to bring his reorganizing force to meet the public they serve at Hungry Jack's for Coffee With A Cop last Thursday.

Having lost his Assistant Chief Deputy Clinton Greenwood to a murderer, and his Chief Deputy to allegations of impropriety toward female co-workers, Eagleton is focused on maintaining the highest standards of law enforcement for Precinct 3 Constable's Office.

Chief Deputy Kirk Bonsel was hired on Jan. 1, 2017 to be a

deputy in Precinct 3 and on Dec. 27, 2017 he was promoted to Chief Deputy by Constable Eagleton to replace Milton Rivera when

sexual harassment complaints arose concerning Rivera.

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New Command and staff at "COFFEE WITH A COP." At left the new Chief Deputy for Precinct 3 Constable Kirk Bonsel with Officer Captain Antonio Ford standing. Seated are Sergeant Tim Edmonds and Deputy Robert Nobles with Constable Sherman Eagleton, inside Hungry Jack's in Crosby on Jan. 25.

# STATE REP. REMARKS IRK SCHOOL DISTRICT

By Lewis Spearman

CROSBY – The school district here reacted to certain strange allegations by this District's State Representative after they had announced the resignation of the Superintendent.

From the desk of Carla Mills Windfont, President of Crosby ISD Board of Trustees comes, "As announced recently, Dr. Keith Moore resigned as Superintendent of Schools for the Crosby Independent School District for personal reasons. Following his resignation announcement, members of the Crosby community have speculated regarding the nature of those

personal reasons and our own State Representative, the Honorable Briscoe Cain, has requested some public clarification. Although the District is not at liberty and respectfully declines to publicly discuss details of any personnel situation, including this one, the District can and does publicly state that Dr. Moore's personal reasons for resignation did not in any way relate to District financial issues.

In addition, no alleged internal investigation regarding unaccounted-for District dollars exists or needs to exist, the District has received a positive, full and complete

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# Dancing with the Cougars

CROSBY – the Second Annual Dancing with the Cougar Stars was held January 26 at the Crosby High School Cafeteria as Cisd Teachers, administrators and even a Precinct 3 Deputy competed in the coveted, spinning Mirror Ball.

The event was a fund raiser for Crosby Education Foundation that featured the Aggie Wranglers from Texas A&M as the cap of the night. Then there also were the Crosby Middle School Star Steppers and the Crosby Elementary School and Newport Elementary School Dance Teams.

The event was presid-



Aggie Wranglers roused the crowd last Friday with sweeping dance steps.

ed over by Michael Joseph former Superintendent of Crosby ISD.

Attendees that paid the entrance fee got to vote for their favorite dancers as a panel of judges

Proceeds benefitted Crosby Education Foundation which funds grants for innovative teaching strategies in the classroom.

Dance was performed by Caroline Duda, Katie and Chris McGinnis, Robin Creed and John Hammond. Precinct 3 Deputy Nobles was one part of three that took home one of the fabulous spinning Mirror Balls.

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★ COMMUNITY NEWS ★

# Susan G. Komen Casino Night charity gaming fun



Expressions were found to change quickest at the roulette wheel Saturday, Jan. 27 as Community Bank of Texas hosted the Susan G. Komen Casino night benefitting Susan G. Komen – Houston Affiliate, all of which followed the Susan G. Komen Fun Runs against Cancer earlier in the day. The event at Community Bank was presided over by Patricia Vice, who became involved in the fight against cancer years ago for family and friends’ encounters with the disease. Tables were sponsored by local supporters including Community Resource Credit Union and Crawfish Shak. Players enjoyed a night of casino like gambling for prizes and the experience of fellowship and fighting cancer. Tables included the favored blackjack, poker, roulette and a dice table. Hector’s Of Crosby was the caterer of a delicious fajita meal with all the trimmings and sumptuous margaritas. The bargain of the night was that for \$10 to charity one could buy \$1,000 in chips and play until they burned at the tables or until winnings were amassed enough to buy prizes that included a 9 m.m. pistol. a fabulous fishing trip and a wonderful trip to Oregon.

# Elementary school attendance winners




Photos by Carrie Pryor-Newman  
Randal O’Brien (back), Goose Creek CISD superintendent, and Pete Pape (right), board president, congratulate (front, from left) Edward Villanueva, Highlands Elementary principal, and students Giselle Valdovinos, third grade; Bert Dillow, second grade; Hank Barrientes, fourth grade and Amber Joseph, fifth grade, for having the highest elementary attendance percentage, 95.99 percent, for the third six weeks.

# School Board Recognition Month




Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman  
Elsa Mendoza from the office of Senator Sylvia Garcia, presents the Goose Creek CISD Board of Trustees with a Proclamation for School Board Recognition Month. Pictured with Mendoza are (from left) board members Agustin Loreda III, vice president; Ben Pape; Pete Pape, president; Jessica Woods, secretary; Howard Sampson, assistant secretary, and Ricky Clem. Not pictured is Al Richard.


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350th Ticket.....	Amazon Echo	700th Ticket.....	2018 Chevy Camaro or

2018 Chevrolet Equinox SUV (Color & Model may vary from Pictures)

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Dancing with The Cougars,

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It looked like Disco had returned inside the Cafeteria of Crosby High School last Friday as Precinct 3 Deputy Nobles performed at the Seoncd Annual Dancing with the Cougar Stars.



Michael Joseph actually raised money by promising not to apply his pun (or punishing) humor if those in attendance would support the dancers with their dollar votes. Above dancers from four different venues of dance won accolayeds and the fabulous spinning Mirror Ball. The event was a way to raise money to fund specialized courses at Crosby ISD and benefitted Crosby Education Foundation.

HLS&R School Art Contest Winners

Alfredo Vega (middle), third-grader at Carver Elementary, is congratulated by Randal O'Brien, Goose Creek CISD superintendent, for receiving the Elementary School Gold Medal in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo School Art Contest. With him is his art teacher Harry Barber.



Photos by Carrie Pryor-Newman

Randal O'Brien (back), Goose Creek CISD superintendent, congratulates Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo School Art Contest High School Special Merit Medalists (from left) Paris Landry, 12th grade, Ross S. Sterling High School, art teacher Annie Watson; Larissa Solis, 12th grade, RSS, art teacher Annie Watson; Erin Ouano, 11th grade, Goose Creek Memorial, art teacher Johnna Morris, and High School Gold Medal Winners Marisa Gates, 12th; grade, GCM, art teacher Johnna Morris and Skylar Newton, 10th grade, GCM, art teacher Johnna Morris.



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# Brady Briefing: Building American Prosperity

By U.S. Congressman  
Kevin Brady

President Trump will deliver his first State of the Union Speech this week. My guest is Jim “Mac” McInvale, a successful businessman, founder of Gallery Furniture and world-class philanthropist who embodies the American Dream.

President Trump’s first year has energized the sluggish U.S. economy he inherited by balancing regulation and enacting the first tax reform bill in 31 years—which I’m proud to have authored.

In just one month since the tax cuts were signed into law, more than 250 American businesses have announced pay raises, bonuses, expanded maternity and paternity leave, and increased 401(k) contributions. Some have already announced major new investments here in the U.S. exceeding 30,000 new jobs, and others have reversed their decision to move their company overseas—now they are staying here in America.

These daily reports underscore the steady progress our economy is making under President Trump’s leadership and the Republican-led Congress. With a new tax code built for growth, I’m confident our economy will continue to improve. In fact, the next boost is just around the corner.

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In the coming days, Texans and all American workers will begin to receive their first paycheck since the Tax Cut and Jobs Act went into effect. Under the new law—which lowers rates for Americans at all income levels and nearly doubles the standard deduction—the federal government will take less of your paycheck for income taxes. For a family of 4 living in Conroe or The Woodlands making \$92,113 that could be as much as \$2,632 in 2018—that’s a big deal!

Letting hard-

working taxpayers keep more of their income is just one of the many ways the new tax cuts bill is improving lives in our nation—and it’s only the beginning. As each new part of the tax law takes effect, families will see more of the benefits. That means a stronger economy with more jobs, fairer taxes, and bigger paychecks for Texans and taxpayers nationwide.

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I’m relieved Senator Schumer and Congressional Democrats reversed course and joined Republicans to reopen the government. What a needless shutdown—and for what? An unrelated agreement on immigration with a deadline weeks from now?

The shutdown hurt our troops, delayed crucial Harvey disaster aid, and risked children’s health insurance for more than 400,000 Texas children and pregnant mothers. With tens of thousands of Texas victims of Hurricane Harvey waiting for assistance, Senate Democrats, led by Schumer, are still refusing to approve the \$81 billion disaster relief bill passed by the GOP House last year.

Regardless of where you stand on illegal immigration and DACA—is it reasonable to shut down the government over it or hold crucial Harvey disaster aid hostage?

Regrettably, too many Democrats in Congress have their priorities wrong. Instead, they should be working with Republicans and the President in a bi-partisan way to find common solutions.

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After reading the classified memo on the political abuse of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act I am calling for its release to the public. The memo is disturbing and raises serious concerns. A full, thorough investigation into possible privacy, procedural and criminal violations is needed. This is not how FISA should work.

U.S. Congressman  
Kevin Brady chairs the  
House Ways and Means  
Committee



## Governors urge congressional leaders to pass disaster aid funding

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott and the governors of California, Puerto Rico and Florida on Jan. 24 asked U.S. House and Senate leaders to hurry up and pass supplemental disaster funding, and to send the legislation to President Trump.

“Over the past several months, we have received numerous assurances that adequate disaster funding was imminent,” the governors wrote in a joint letter. “Its continued delay only exacerbates ongoing uncertainty in devastated areas. Simply put, the communities devastated by these storms cannot be completely put back together until the federal government makes good on its promise to our citizens. If ever there was a time and role for the federal government to urgently help its citizens rebuild communities damaged by epochal disasters, now is the time to step up and fill that role.”

The letter, signed by Abbott, California Gov. Jerry Brown, Puerto Rico Gov. Ricardo Rosselló, and Florida Gov. Rick Scott, was addressed to U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Kentucky, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-New York, U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wisconsin, and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-California.

The governors also said in their letter, “While no longer front page news in Washington D.C., ongoing suffering becomes more acute the longer Congress waits to finish its work and pass a substantial disaster supplemental funding package” for critical relief measures in communities damaged by “epochal disasters.”

### Paxton files DACA brief

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Jan. 25

## STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling



was joined by 12 other states in filing a court brief urging the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn a lower court ruling that would prevent the Trump administration from phasing out the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program in March.

The ruling, issued by a U.S. District Court in California earlier in January, blocked the federal government from phasing out DACA, an Obama-era policy.

Paxton, in the text of the 36-page brief, informed the Supreme Court that Texas would be forced to consider whether to file suit challenging the June 15, 2012 memorandum by President Obama that created DACA and provided for its continued implementation. It is furthermore stated that such a challenge would be brought by June 15, 2018, in order to avoid issues about the possible application of a six-year statute of limitations.

“Without this court’s prompt intervention, the district court’s injunction could last for over a year, frustrating the very purpose of the executive’s de-

cision here of promptly terminating disputes about the legality of a past policy by taking an undisputedly lawful course going forward,” Paxton said.

### Special Ed: Survey open

The Texas Education Agency on Jan. 23 made available an online survey to solicit feedback from the public on its draft corrective action plan for special education.

The survey, available on the agency’s website, is open to anyone wishing to provide input on the draft plan.

At the direction of Gov. Abbott, the TEA drafted an initial corrective action plan concerning support and delivery of special education services in public schools. The draft addresses issues identified in a recent federal monitoring report, including the proper identification of special education students and assuring access to services at the local level.

### Reported: 6 measles cases

The Texas Department of State Health Services on Jan. 23 announced that six measles cases among unvaccinated people in Ellis County were being investigated.

DSHS officials have advised health care providers in the area to take precautions and consider measles as a possible diagnosis in patients with a fever and rash in addition to a cough, runny nose or conjunctivitis.

The highly contagious nature of measles means it is possible that more cases will occur in the community. People involved in the outbreak have connections to Waxahachie and Midlothian, state health officials said.

### DPS implements HB 1729

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Jan. 25 announced that customers applying for or renewing a driver license, identification card or commercial driver license may donate \$1 or more to the Sexual Assault Evidence Testing Grant program.

As of Jan. 8 the program — administered by the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor — had received more than 8,900 donations for a total of nearly \$25,000, the DPS reported.

## Three steps toward a better retirement In 2018

(NAPSI)—For seniors who have already entered retirement, there are some important things that can be done in 2018 to make it better and more fulfilling:

1. Consider your spending. Create a budget and track your expenses.

Most experts say you’ll need at least 70 to 80 percent of your current income to live the same lifestyle in retirement, so after you figure what you’ll get from Social Security and any other income sources, you’ll need to create a nest egg that can throw off that much without your having to use any of the principal.

Also, your retirement can last for a good long time. According to AARP, a healthy, upper-middle-class couple who are 65 today have a 43 percent chance that one or both partners will live to see 95. Financial planners now advise that you withdraw no more than 3.5 percent a year out of your savings for both your regular expenditures and one-time items like a new roof or a big vacation for the money to be around as long as you are.

2. Take that dream trip while you can. Research by Joseph K. Goodman of Washington University in St. Louis, and Sarah Lim at Seoul National University, South Korea, among others, shows experiences bring more happiness than things. You want to get in as many good times as you can while your health holds out.

Another impetus: Many hotels, resorts, restaurants, attractions and tour operators offer special discounts for older travelers. For example, for less than \$100 you can get a lifetime pass that lets you enjoy every national park in the country. Ask when you book about discounts for seniors and you may save enough for an extra trip or two.

3. Inventory your assets for sources of cash. For example, take a good look at any life insurance policy you no longer need. It could be sold for a significantly greater amount than the policy’s cash surrender value through something called a Life Settlement. You get a cash payment and the purchaser assumes all future premium payments in exchange for the benefit. Candidates for life settlements are typically aged 70 or older, with a life insurance policy that has a death benefit of at least \$100,000.

Such a sale could improve retirement for many, yet fewer than half of American seniors are aware of the option. That’s one reason the Life Insurance Settlement Association (LISA), a non-profit organization that is the nation’s largest association representing participants in the life settlement industry, is committed to making sure that older Americans have all the information they need to make an informed decision. To explore whether a life settlement is a good option for you, you or your financial adviser can contact a licensed life settlement professional who is a member of the association and is subject to a rigorous vetting process.

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## ROUND-UP

### WCCCC Career Fair

The Weast Chambers County Chamber of Commerce (WCCCC) is partnering with Barbers Hill Schools and Lee College to bring you “Connect with Industry” Career Fair this Saturday, February 3, 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon at Barbers Hill High School, 9696 Eagle Drive, Mont Belvieu. The public is invited to attend this fast-moving, educational event designed to inform and assist citizens in their career search. Companies participating include Covestro, Enterprise Products, ExxonMobil, Lone Star NGL, Targa and Turner Industries. Even if you do not see an industry-based job in your future, the interview skills exercises and resume writing tips are invaluable to any job seeker.

### Jones Library February events

**February Story Hours**  
•February 7, 2018  
Book: That is My Dream!  
Craft: Footprint Pathway to Change  
Synopsis: It's Black History Month! We will begin our reading time discussing a few of the famous figures we celebrate during black history month such as; Ruby Bridges, Mae Jemison, Rosa Parks, Harriet Tubman, George Washington Carver, Barack Obama, Jackie Robinson, and Langston Hughes. We will then read an illustrated copy of Langston Hughes' famous poem; That is My Dream. For our craft we will be tracing our feet and writing down what we can do to help change the world. Our pathway of change will be displayed in the library throughout the month of February.  
•February 14, 2018  
Book: If You'll be my Valentine  
Craft: Love Bug Valentines Card  
Synopsis: Happy Valentine's Day! We will be having an extra special Story Hour today! During circle time we will be singing and dancing to songs all about love. We will then read our story about a little boy showing his whole family love on Valentine's Day by spending time with them. For our craft we will be making adorable love bug cards, complete with a cute poem inside. We will then go pass the cards out to our friends in the senior citizens center! When we are through visiting with them, we will head over to Parker Park for a picnic! Everyone needs to bring a blanket to sit on, a sack lunch for you and your child, and snack to share with the group. We will talk about the newest feature in the park; A Little Library! Please bring a gently used book to donate to the little library!  
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## West Chambers County Pilot Club presents BrainMinders Program

By Linda Gilmore

West Chambers County Pilot Club, Inc. members along with members of the Barbers Hill High School

Anchor Club presented the BrainMinders™ Buddies Puppet program on January 26, 2018, to 2nd Grade students at the Barbers Hill Elementary North

Campus. The Pilot Club gave out over 200 activity books and 20 helmets. Pilot International's public service campaign, BrainMinders™ is focused

on providing prevention education to the general public, children, caregivers and professionals in the community. The primary goal of the

BrainMinders™ program is to dramatically decrease the number of brain injuries.



**BrainMinders™ Helmet Winners Group 1** - Barbers Hill Elementary North Campus 2nd Graders: Mathi Kuppuswamy, Dylan Wilson, Kason Park, Katelyn Castolenia, Allison Schubert, Jordan Maldonado, Greyson Wells, Maddox Dyer, Ava Storie, and Mia Rodriguez. Barbers Hill High School Anchor Club members: Hayley Harris, Mckenzie Gibson, Rachael Reynolds, Alyssa Gonzales, Rania Droubi, and Arial Pinion.



**BrainMinders™ Helmet Winners Group 2** - Barbers Hill Elementary North Campus 2nd Graders: Hudson Benoit, Jayde Thompson, Kade Shumate, Gwyneth Chen, Abby Tallant, Mason Johnson, Chase Fleming, Nevaeh Chavez, Preslee Lewis, and Luke Biddy. Maci Johnson, Kash Arnold, Kaylin Campbell, Sadie Millslagle, Jackie De Le Rosa, Nathan Fuentes, Sebastian Davis, Jayden Robles, Noelia Rivera, and Jase Stoner. Barbers Hill High School Anchor Club members: Hayley Harris, Mckenzie Gibson, Rachael Reynolds, Alyssa Gonzales, Rania Droubi, and Arial Pinion.

## New marketing theme: “We Grow Giants”

By Gilbert Hoffman

Speaking at a local Rotary club, in Highlands, Goose Creek CISD Executive Director os Support Services and Strategic Planning Kevin Foxworth revealed the details of the new marketing plan known as “Here We Grow Giants.” Foxworth is well known locally, as he was the principal at Highlands Junior School, and later at Sterling High School. He is proud of the fact that HJS is the only secondary school in Goose Creek CISD with an Exemplary state rating. He said that the idea for this marketing program started with Baytown Mayor Steven DonCarlos who felt that GC CISD



**Kevin Foxworth, spokesperson for the Goose Creek CISD and Baytown new marketing program, “Here We Grow Giants.”**

could do more to promote its record of success. The message is “our students to on to successful careers.” And just as importantly, “our kids go on to premier universities.” This marketing pro-

gram is aimed at local citizens and businesses, to raise their pride in the city and the school district, but also as a way of attracting more economic development to the area, said Foxworth. To that end, the two entities hired a marketing firm, and the message has been displayed on billboards, television, and in print. There is also a website, [www.herewegrowgiants.com](http://www.herewegrowgiants.com). Foxworth showed his audience a video presentation, with attractive pictures of area landmarks, such as the San Jacinto monument, parks, and new buildings. It also interviewed various students that have been challenged by the school district, and gone on to success. Another interesting as-

pect of the video was a list of the “giant alumni” who have graduated from Goose Creek schools and gone on to top careers. These include Roger Guenther, chairman of the Houston Port Authority, Judge Jennifer Walker Elrod, Darren Walker, president of the Ford Foundation in New York, Alan Green, a Broadway actor, and Dr. Terry Dean King, a renowned cardiologist. Foxworth went on the mention the accomplishments of current students, including 12 national champion of the History Fair in Washington D.C. Also an Early College High School, a STEM Academy, All-state Chamions, and the award of \$12 million in scholarships.

## Baytown Crime Stoppers Board honors sponsors

By Susan Passmore

Campus Crime Stoppers sponsors from junior schools and high schools were honored at the recent Crime Stoppers Sponsor Appreciation Banquet for their work in helping to keep campuses safe from the threat of violence, illegal drugs, weapons and other dangerous activities. The event was catered by Rooster's and held at the Baytown Community Center. Decorations were provided by Carolyn Francis, Robert Francis, Eileen Hall, Bruce Simpson and Carolyn Simpson. Wayne Hanson, chair, welcomed guests, and George Ward gave the invocation. Officer Randell Morris presented statistics for the eight schools that participated in the Campus Crime Stoppers program in 2017. One hundred tips were received, resulting in 13 disciplinary actions, six arrests, 20 cases cleared, \$365 in narcotics recovered and \$1,825 total rewards paid. Baytown Chief of Police Keith Dougherty, Sgt. John Butler and Hanson presented sponsors in attendance with a Visa gift card, thanking them for working with the Crime Stoppers pro-



**Cheryl McClarity, coordinator and caseworker for the Baytown Police Department's Domestic Violence Unit, tells guests at the Crime Stoppers Sponsor Appreciation Banquet how she and her department help others escape from abuse and violence.**

grams at Goose Creek CISD schools. Campus sponsors are Amy Kaminski, Baytown Junior School; Roxie Brown, Stephenie Stults and Peggy Cayton, Cedar Bayou Junior School; Sarah Capastani, Michelle George and Leanne Leslie, Gentry Junior School; Brenda Ayers and Lauren Fox, Highlands Junior School; M.J.



Photos by Susan Passmore  
Crime Stoppers Campus sponsors are honored by the Baytown Crime Stoppers Board at a recent banquet at the Baytown Community Center. Pictured are (from left) Sgt. John Butler, Crime Stoppers program coordinator; Lauren Fox from Highlands Junior School; Peggy Cayton, Stephenie Stults and Roxie Brown from Cedar Bayou Junior School; Chief of Police Keith Dougherty; M.J Nolan from Horace Mann Junior School; Michele George from Gentry Junior School; Steve Denton from Ross S. Sterling High School; David Garza from Horace Mann Junior School; Jody Roberts from RSS and Officer Randell Morris.

Soriano-Nolan and David Garza, Horace Mann Junior School; Shonda Clark-James, Goose Creek Memorial High School; Enrique De Leon, Robert E. Lee High School and Steve Denton and Jody Roberts, Ross S. Sterling High School. Cheryl McClarity, coordinator from the Baytown Police Department's Domestic

Violence Unit, spoke to the group about her work in handling cases of abuse and domestic violence. She was accompanied by Paulina Carrillo, Domestic Violence Unit caseworker. “The Campus Crime Stoppers Program continues to grow and help reduce crime on our campuses. In conjunction with the

Friends for Life Program, which encourages students to report issues such as bullying, cyberbullying, sexting, dating or family violence/abuse, gang activity, suicidal tendencies and sexual harassment on campus by another youth, Campus Crime Stoppers plays a major role in keeping campuses safe,” Sgt. Butler said.



# SUPERBOWL LII

Again, I expect a competitive game and I think the Eagles have a real shot in this one, but they don't have Brady. Look for No. 12 to be the difference maker once again as the Patriots win Lombardi Trophy No. 6. My pick, New England 27, Philadelphia 24.

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LIFESTYLE PAGE



OBITUARIES

Iran Wilburn King



Iran Wilburn (Bill) King, 81, passed away peacefully in St. Lukes Hospital at 10:47 am, January 20, 2018, with his closest family members holding his hand. He will be remembered by many as an avid sports fan and fisherman, but more importantly as a genuine, vibrant man who never met a stranger. Bill was born May 21, 1936 in a small town in northeast Louisiana called Newellton. He spent most of his youth in Ferriday, LA. He told countless stories of the State Championship football teams of Ferriday High School that he was a part of in the early 1950's. He later spent several years traveling the world as an employee of Hydril Co. in the oil industry. It's doubtful that anyone watched more sports (of almost any kind) than Bill. He loved the LSU Tigers and would keep track of anything to do with LSU athletics. He was the most devoted Houston Astros fan, and as fate would have it, he was able to witness them win their first World Series title in team history.

Another passion of his was fishing. He was famous for being on the water before the sun came up and not leaving the water until just before the sun set. For over 30 years, the family freezer remained stocked full of fish fillets...often enough to feed the neighborhood. Even at the age of 81, Bill was an avid reader. He would consume books like nobody we've ever seen. On average he would read about 2 books per week. When he wasn't watching ESPN or reading, he loved listening to Bluegrass of any kind, but Bluegrass Gospel is what he enjoyed most. There were many times he would open the garage door and fill the cul-de-sac with his favorite songs. If there was anything that trumped all else, it was Bill's love of family, including his wife of 47 years, Sherry, and his grandsons, Kolby and Kyler. When he wasn't on the field helping coach those two boys, he could be heard from the bleachers, over everyone else, cheering them on. If one were able to sum up Bill King's legacy, it could be done in 2 words...be kind. The message that can be heard in his favorite song "You Don't Love God (If You Don't Love Your Neighbor)" was exactly how he lived his life. Cremation by: Blackwell & Vazquez Woodforest, 750 Uvalde, Houston, TX 77015, 713-453-1900

Patsy Jean Dunn



Patsy Dunn left this earthly home on Thursday Jan 25th to spend eternity with our Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ. Mrs. Dunn was born on Sept 25th, 1935 and passed Jan. 25th 2018. She was 82 years old. Mrs. Dunn lived a full life, marrying Billy Ellison Sr, at an early age and together, they had four children, and lived in Odessa, Tx. They moved to Monahans, Tx. In early 1963. They were very involved with their family, and spent time boating, camping, fishing and later motorcycle riding. Mrs. Dunn was a Girl Scout Leader for her daughter, Denece. She loved to garden and can the fruits of her labor. She collected historical postage stamps, dolls and coins. She loved to crochet, do needlepoint and knit. What ever she did, she did it well. Mrs. Dunn was the family historian and spent many hours and days researching the Ellison, Watts, Martins, Crouches and Mooney families. She managed convenience stores in Monahans, for many years.

Mrs. Dunn loved to read and her favorite books were Louis Lamar and the The King James Bible. In her retirement years, she was an active member of the Immanuel Baptist Church and was the Church Treasurer. She was in charge of the Church Prayer chain up until just 2 weeks ago. Her Mother Evelyn Crouch, her Father R.Q. Martin and grandchild, Kris Ellison preceeded her in death. She leaves behind: Her children and their spouses: Billy & Velma Ellison Kenneth and Yong Ellison Denece Johnston David Robert Ellison She has 8 Grand Children 14 Great Grand Children and 1 Great Great Grand Child. She also leaves her brother James and Bonnie Damron, and her sister Gloria Jean and Billy Joe Dunn. She has many nieces and nephews along with friends and extended family. Rest in Peace Patsy Dunn. A Celebration of Patsy's life will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 7pm at Sterling-White. Services have been entrusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd. Highlands, Texas 77562. To send the family condolences please visit [www.sterlingwhite.com](http://www.sterlingwhite.com)

Josephine Laura McCorvey Bruce



JOSEPHINE LAURA MCCORVEY BRUCE passed away Wednesday, January 24, at the age of 90 in Pasadena, Texas. Josephine was born December 8, 1927, in Dallas, Texas to Willis Eagleton and Minnie Lee McCorvey. She was a lifetime homemaker, with a short stint early in life as a secretary. She outlived three husbands, John Emmons, J D Moses and Grady Bruce. After her first marriage she returned to Galena Park, Texas, where she had attended High School and remained the rest of her life there, close to family members. In her later years she was both a participant, as well as a volunteer at Heritage Hall Senior Center in Jacinto City, Texas, her home away from home. At the Hall she was presented with several certificates of appreciation for her devoted and invaluable service there as well as from the Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. Josephine was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Donald, Neal, Elwood, Raymond and Allan; sisters Zelle, Edith and Margaret. She is survived by her son Melvin Emmons

and wife Crissie, two grandchildren, Mike Emmons and Michelle Emmons Bagley, three great grandchildren, Amelia Bagley, Isaac Bagley and Bret Bagley, along with several nieces and nephews, and her "Hall Family" friends. Visitation took place at San Jacinto Funeral Home from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 29, followed directly by the funeral services at 10:30 a.m. A brief graveside service was held at the adjacent San Jacinto Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers we would like to suggest consider making a memorial gift to First Christian Church of Pasadena in Josephine Bruce's memory. 4848 Preston Rd. Pasadena, Texas 77505.

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Song of Solomon in the Old or New Testament or neither?
  2. From Revelation 21, what perfectly square city is described as having walls made of jasper? New Damascus, Jericho, New Jerusalem, Philadelphia
  3. Who became leader of the children of Israel after Moses' death? Isaac, Joshua, Aaron, Abraham
  4. Saint Luke said Jesus was about how old when he began to teach? 20, 30, 40, 50
  5. What is the biblical word of "Didymus" translated as? Sinner, Heathen, Teacher, Twin
  6. What was the trade occupation of Paul? Shepherd, Carpenter, Tentmaker, Tax collector
- ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) New Jerusalem; 3) Joshua; 4) 30; 5) Twin; 6) Tentmaker

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Psalm: 46:1



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# Goose Creek ISD holds Career Night



Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman

Santiago Barajas (left) from Gentry Junior School and Louis Toussaint (second from left) from Highlands Junior School work the controls at the Project Lead the Way table as Owen Buntin (second from right) from Ross S. Sterling High School and John Tremmel, teacher and coach at RSS, observe at the recent Career Night, hosted by the GCCISD Career and Technical Education Department.

# Heart Screening program finds allies



Student athletes dying because of hidden heart problems the traditional sports physicals do not detect prompted **Scott and Melody Stephens with the Cody Stephens Go Big or Go Home Memorial Foundation to sponsor a massive effort with Alahna Kessler, Mary DeBauche with Who We Play For and KPRC2 Bill Spencer KPRC2 / Click2Houston in screening 576 young hearts at Kingdom Builders' Center - The KBC with the Cameron Juniel Project. Fifteen were flagged and thirteen will require more extensive tests.**

# School District irked,

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audit for the last fiscal year, and a comprehensive financial due diligence review was performed by District staff, attorneys and consultants, an independent, nationally-recognized rating agency, and independent institutional investors in connection with the January 18, 2018 public sale of the first installment of bonds recently approved by District voters (the proceeds from which will be delivered to the District on February 15, 2018). The Board's focus now is and continues to be moving the District forward in a constructive and positive fashion to transition to

new Superintendent leadership on behalf of the students, parents, staff members and citizens of the Crosby ISD community. We hope everyone will join us in that important effort.”  
Briscoe Cain, R.128th District Texas House of Representatives, a freshman that voted against the consent agenda last session, was quoted in an article in the *Baytown Sun* Thursday, January 25, as having said, “It has come to my attention that an internal investigation at Crosby ISD is on-going regarding taxpayer dollars that are unaccounted for, whether the accounting issues are re-

lated to Moore's resignation is unknown to me at this time.”  
Cain is a Deer Park lawyer, the same area that tried unsuccessfully to hire away Crosby's Athletic Director last week, and defeated Wayne Smith, a Vietnam Veteran, during the last election.  
Cain continued, “Taxpayers have paid enough, and they deserve better. I'm calling upon the school board to clarify the nature of Moore's resignation and to publicly address the concerns of the many parents who have reached out to me individually.”

HOUSTON – Last week some major interests in preventing Sudden Cardiac Arrest got together to screen young athletes at Kingdom Builders's Center.  
Screenings were funded by the Cody Stephens Foundation, according to Scott Stephens of Crosby, “We were able to team up with Cameron Juniel's parents, Who We Play For, KPRC, Windsor United Methodist Church and Memorial Herman Hospital to screen 576 young hearts ages 11-25 last

Sunday. The Cody Stephens Foundation paid for the screening with the generous help from our sponsors. We found 13 students that are being sent to more extensive tests as they may have serious issues. These follow up tests are being given free by Dr Thomas Debauche in his cardiologist office. Hopefully all their conditions can be dealt with in an easy, timely manner and they can go on to live long heart healthy lives. Cody and Cameron's foundations plan to team up again in the future. This was our second largest screening ever and is a good model going forward.”  
After the news story ran Scott said he heard from 3 other families that lost son's to SCA. One in Kingwood, one in The Woodlands and another in Atlanta, Georgia.  
“These families want to get involved in the mission of preventing the loss of our students to SCA.” concluded Stephens.



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Sealed bids, in duplicate, on Bid Forms provided, addressed to The Mayor and City Council, City of Jacinto City, Jacinto City, Texas, Harris County will be received at the City Hall, 1301 Mercury Drive, Jacinto City, Texas 77029 until 4:00 p.m. Thursday, FEBRUARY 8, 2018 and then publicly opened and read during the Thursday, FEBRUARY 8, 2018 Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. for furnishing all labor, material, and equipment and performing all work required for the construction of "Fire Station Addition".  
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