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in the PRESS:

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IN THE
STARS

EVENTS

**SAT., APRIL 7
COMMUNITY
GARAGE SALE**

Precinct2gether
Community Garage Sale,
San Jacinto Community
Center, 604 Highland
Woods Drive, April 7,
8:00 am - 1:00 pm. 281-
426-7561 for info.
Proceeds benefit
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**SUN., APRIL 8
ANNUAL CZECH
SPRING FEST**

Sunday, April 8, 2018 -
11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
SPJST Lodge #88, 1435
Beall St at 15th St in the
Heights.
For more info, call 713-
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**WED., APRIL 18
ORTHOPEDIC
SEMINAR**

At Houston Methodist
San Jacinto Hospital
Main Boardroom, 4401
Garth Rd., Baytown. Call
281-428-2273 to register.
See also AD on page 8
for more details.

**SAT., APRIL 21
HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE
COLLECTION**

Harris County Pct. 2
Hazardous Waste
Collection, 8 am - 11 am
at Barrett Station/Riley
Community Center, 808
1/2 Magnolia, Crosby,
TX. BRING: Fertilizers and
other yard products,
paint and paint related
products, household
cleaners, automotive
products (oil/gas), pool
chemicals, aerosol cans,
fluorescent bulbs,
batteries, small and BBQ
size propane. Questions?
281-560-6200.

BIRTHDAYS

Apr 5-Fred Dunks
Apr 6-J.J. Worthen
Apr 7-Jean Oliver
Charlotte Yates
Apr 8-Thomas Earl Fabian
Marie Engle
Apr 9-Casie Russell
Damon Lay
Mitchell Thompson
Apr 10-Wendi Owens
Apr 11-Paul Bailey
Teresa Barker
Richard Lyons
Ashliegh Oviedo

ANNIVERSARIES

Apr 5- Randy & Rose
Donnell
Apr 10-Rod & Anita
Davis

DEATHS

Burley Matthew Francis

Remembering Deputy Greenwood

One Year Anniversary Ceremony

BAYTOWN – A year has passed and still it was like yesterday when we learned that Precinct 3 Constable Chief Deputy Clinton Greenwood died from gunshot wounds at the Harris County Courthouse Annex that now bears his name here.

It seemed even worse for Precinct 3 Constable Sherman Eagleton, one of the last people to see and talk with Greenwood alive.

April 3 shortly before 7:00 a.m. in 2017 a shooting is now remembered in a dedication stone to the victim that devoted so much of his life to the ser-

vice of others. Sterling-White Cemetery donated a Melrose black granite stone that was designed by a Precinct 3 memorial committee and made to bear Greenwood's likeness with those of the badges that he served in his over 3 decades in law enforcement.

Recollections of daddy's little girl: calling home from college because she couldn't remember when to use a colon or semicolon; learning he sent her to learn that.

A best friend spoke of Greenwood's joy in living and in serving law enforcement.

*Continued see
Dedication on Page 8
See Monument Page 2*



Constable Sherman Eagleton retrieves the veil from the dedication stone for Chief Deputy Greenwood on Tuesday.

Crosby seeks superintendent, buys land

CROSBY – Since a special called School Board meeting on Jan. 18, there have been frequent meetings of Crosby ISD's Board of Trustees to deal with the issue of a search for a new superintendent, and to plan land purchases for future growth.

The superintendent Dr. Keith Moore quit or was fired, and an interim superintendent was hired. We are told personal reasons were the basis for the decision. We are still paying Moore per contract, however.

We are now informed that at the meeting on March 20 that we are looking for a "transparent superintendent



Crosby school trustees deliberate at last meeting.

with vision."

Many staff and teachers turned out and 300 surveys were submitted but public attendance at the meetings was minimal.

At the meeting on March 26 the Board made some decisions that will help future plans, however. The firm JG Consulting was hired to find the next superintendent. It seems they are charging

about \$7,000 total for this service. Dr. Guy Sconzo is to be the senior search consultant. He recently performed this operation for Humble ISD and leads the Fast Growth School Coalition as Executive Director. The intent is to give national or regional scope to fulfill the role needed by the school.

The land purchase is intended to hold a new elementary and a middle school. It is 107 acres on two contracts. One contract is for 102 acres at \$21,000 an acre from the estate of Rita S. Metyko, and five acres at \$30,000 an acre from Barbara Metyko on Foley Road.

OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, April 14, 2018

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Ribbon Cutting 11:00 AM

2301 Wallisville Road

Highlands, TX 77562



Harris County E.S.D. # 14 would like to invite you to the Ribbon Cutting for our rebuilt Fire Station # 27.

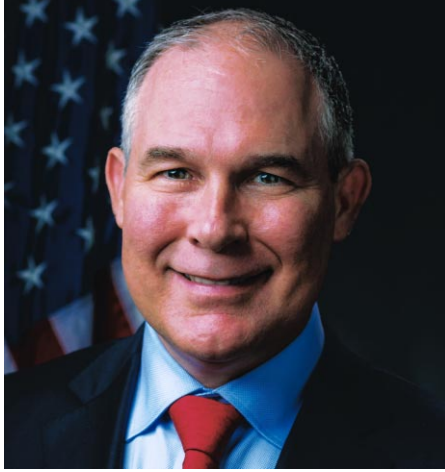
Parking will only be at Highlands Jr. School.

Shuttle service will be provided.

There is **NO Parking** at the Fire Station.

Under fire, Pruitt gets Trump ok

WASHINGTON, DC – The director of the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) has received a great deal of criticism recently for extravagant spending, and questionable choices of housing that might violate conflict of interest rules. He



Scott Pruitt, EPA Head

has been flying first class, with several staff members, when most department heads travel at lower expense. He also rented a Washington apartment from a women with connections to lobbyists.

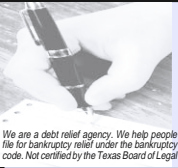
A number of Congressmen, and public media commentators, have called for his resignation or firing. But in a series of interviews early this week, President Trump says he supports Pruitt in his position, saying "we have your back." He also commented to reporters, "I hope he is going to be great."

Pruitt's departure would be of interest locally, because he has supported the removal of the toxic waste pits from the San Jacinto River, and if a new person were to head the EPA, that decision might be called into question.

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April is Tax Time; Rotary hears about new rules

HIGHLANDS – Rotarians heard from Baytown Tax Consultant Theresa Badgett, about changes in the tax laws after Congress passed a tax reform bill this year.

Badgett indicated that filling tax forms this year might be easier, especially if you are taking advantage of the standard deduction, which has been raised to \$25,000, instead of itemizing deductions.

And the good news is that you may pay less in taxes after you get through with all that paperwork. She said that if your company uses the standard withholding tables, you will already have noticed an increase in the size of your check. This is because tax brackets, the rate you pay depending upon your income, has been reduced to 10-12-22 per cent. In previous years they were higher.

Badgett offered a number of ways to save on your taxes. Three major changes she noted for this tax year are:

Energy Efficient Credit has been eliminated, but in its place is a Solar tax credit. The reason this is good, is because you can deduct 100% of your tax obligation, i.e. Dollar for Dollar;

Sale of your permanent home has been increased, and capital gains are now tax free up to \$250,000. You must have lived in your home for at least two years, but Badgett said that some people move just for the savings, especially if they have a second home that they can designate as their new homestead;

Buy an electric car, or a hybrid for some models. When you buy an electric car, you immediately get a \$7300 “coupon” or savings of that amount on the purchase price. Again, this is

a Dollar for Dollar savings.

Badgett said that most of these new tax rules would be good until the year 2025, although a new administration and Congress could always change them.

Another favorable new rule is that small businesses can take 20 per cent off their reported income, before their tax is figured. This is a new benefit, available to any small business.

One change that may affect many people is how Alimony payments are handled. This time, these payments are not deductible as an expense.

Another change is the elimination of a Personal Exemption for each member of your household. This had been \$4050 per person, and very beneficial for larger families. Now the new Standard Deduction of \$25,000 is to take care of this instead.

Anyone with a large Estate would be interested in the increased limits to avoid federal Estate taxes. The threshold up until this year had been \$5 million dollars. If your estate was less than that, you

were not obligated for any federal estate tax. Now the limit has been raised to \$11 million, not a factor for most persons.

Other highlights that Badgett mentioned, included the deduction available for student tuition, and donations to a so-called college fund, known as a 529 Plan, have been expanded as to how this money must be used. It can now cover some expenses prior to college costs, she said.

Gifts to children or grandchildren have been raised to \$14,000 as a non-taxable transfer.

Hurricane losses that are unreimbursed by insurance are deductible this year, but next year there will not be any deductions allowed for casualty losses, she said. For some, this might be a major change. Loss of income in these situations is not deductible, since it was not declared as income anyway.

She advised everyone to take pictures: of donations, odometers, and so on to help your memory, and document your information for the IRS.



Theresa Badgett, Tax Consultant

Greenwood Memorial



The Memorial as dedicated by Constable Eagleton, with dignitaries after the ceremony paying their respects.

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ROUND-UP

West Chambers County Pilot Club Annual Gala

Pilot Club's "Lights, Camera, Auction" Annual Gala, April 7, 2018 at Barbers Hill High School.

Pilot Club of Baytown Yellow Rose Gala

The 2018 Yellow Rose Gala On A River Cruise will take place Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 6:30 pm at Sylvan Beach Pavilion, 1 Sylvan Beach Drive, LaPorte, Texas. Celebrating 69 Years of Friendship and Service.

Contact any Pilot or call 281-424-7838 with questions.

WC Chamber Eagle Open Golf Tournament

Eagle Open Golf Tournament, April 13, 2018. Eagle Underwriter Community Toyota*Honda*Kia and Cap Sponsor Northstar Energy Services will be there and hope you will share a beautiful day at the Eagle Open, as well!

Lots of opportunities remain to market your business to our top industrial companies, contractors, suppliers and elected officials.

Should you have questions, give a call to the Chamber office (281-576-5440), or email Rhonda@TheWCCCC.com

Jones Library story hours

•April 11, 2018. Book: My Many Colored Days. Craft: Mixing Paint Sensory Bag
•April 18, 2018 Book: We Planted A Tree. Craft: Planting a seed!
•April 25, 2018. Book: Book Fiesta. Craft: Paper Bag Piñatas
Jones Public Library, 801 S. Cleveland St., Dayton, TX 77535. Call the Library with any questions 936-258-7060.

Dayton Ole Tyme Days

April 20-22 at Downtown Dayton. Carnival Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Visit www.oletymedays.com for more detailed information.

Chambers Library Branch celebrates 2nd anniversary



Standing (left to right): Randy Forrest, Jean Abshier Forrest, Elaine Byrd, Susie Davis, Suzanne Berends. Seated (left to right): Gaynell Leming, Heather Puppa

By Annie Vass

It has been almost two years since the county, city, and school district worked together to make the Sam and Carmena Goss Memorial Branch Library in Mont Belvieu a reality. The library, a branch of the Chambers County Library System, is located at 1 John Hall Drive, near the Barbers Hill High School. In addition to providing a community meeting room, access to computers, and programming events for all ages, among many other offerings, the library also contains a bookstore.

The bookstore is operated by volunteers of the Friends of the Chambers County Library System, a non-profit organization that aims to actively promote library services and resources. There is a large selection of items to choose from at the bookstore, with books for all ages and a variety of interests. Additionally, most books in the bookstore cost just 50 cents – a real bargain!

The items in the bookstore come from donations generously made by community members. The library accepts donations of gently used books, au-

diobooks, music CDs, and DVDs. Funds raised by book sales go toward supporting the library system.

The bookstore's hours of operation vary depending on volunteer availability. For more information on the bookstore, how to become a Friends member, or how to volunteer, please contact the staff at 281-576-2245.

The Friends will be at Thrif-Tee Food Center, 10955 Eagle Dr. in Mont Belvieu, on Saturday, April 7th from 10am until 3pm. There will be books for sale and entertainment. Come out and visit with our Friends!

Volunteers help Dayton resident rebuild after Harvey



Claudia Cannaday received the \$5,000 check from Dayton Rotary, Oswego Rotary Club and Liberty County Extension, volunteers also pose for the picture.

By James Motton II

Claudia Cannaday of Dayton was able to receive repairs on her home that was affected by Hurricane Harvey. Through the help of Dayton Rotary, Oswego Rotary Club of Illinois, and Liberty County Extension they were able

to remove and replace drywall, mold remediation, installing insulation, repaired plumbing they discovered while on the job site, and did some electrical work as well. Hungry Jack's restaurant in Crosby provided meals to the volunteers working.

On the outside, the club hauled out and

burned debris from the storm, raked leaves and burned them.

Mrs. Cannaday received \$5,000 from the Rotary Club, the money will help to replace the carpeting and the tile will be done after the club's work is completed.

Lee College holds Prescription drug abuse Town Hall

The Southeast Harris Community Coalition (SE-HCCP), a program of Bay Area Council on Drugs and Alcohol (BACODA) and Lee College present Prescription Drug Abuse: A Dose of Reality, a community town hall meeting.

Prescription drug abuse is a growing problem across the country, particularly the abuse of opioids. Opioids are a classification of commonly prescribed painkillers such as hydrocodone or oxycodone. There is a mistaken assumption that prescription drugs are safer than illicit drugs because they are legally prescribed, but taking a drug without a doctor's oversight can cause major problems. Opioids are highly addictive and it's easy to develop a tolerance, which means more of the drug is required to cause the same effects. This can lead to accidental overdose, and nationally, these accidental overdoses have become an epidemic in America. According to the CDC, in 2015, opioids (including prescription medications and heroin) killed 33,000 people, more than any year on record. Nearly half of all opioid deaths involve a prescription opioid.

Maureen Wittels, mother of late Harris Wittels, noted comedian and writer of Parks and Recreation, a popular TV series, will share her personal testimony and lead the panel discussion on prescription drug abuse and the opioid epidemic. Presenters will include: Assis-

stant Chief Dana Dalbey of City of Baytown Emergency Medical Services, Melissa Romain-Harriot from the Prevention Resource Center Region 6, Timothy Carter from Baytown Police Department, Traci Gauen from Memorial Hermann Prevention and Recovery Center and Mark Kinzly from Texas Overdose Naloxone Initiative.

The program includes a community discussion with an expert panel. The above listed presenters will be panelist along with Steve Dorris from Baytown Police Department and Long Nguyen with Walgreens. The community is encouraged to participate and bring their questions for the experts.

"Prescription drug abuse and the opioid epidemic is a complex community problem that requires community based solutions. There are initiatives that the community may not be aware of such as Naloxone, an overdose reversal drug. We want community members to leave with valuable information to help their community and also find resources if they need them for themselves or family members," said SEHCCP coordinator, Amber Buras.

The town hall will take place April 18, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Lee College's Rundell Hall Conference Center located at 200 Lee Drive. The meeting will include an art display from those in recovery

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Seminar Focuses on Digestive Health

BAYTOWN — (March 23, 2018) — Houston Methodist San Jacinto Hospital hosts a free Digestive Health Seminar featuring two gastroenterology specialists on Thursday, March 29.

The seminar will take place from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the Houston Methodist Cancer Center at San Jacinto (4021 Garth Rd.) and will feature Houston Methodist Gastroenterology Associates gastroenterologists Rashid Khan, MD and Samir Nath, MD.

The physicians will discuss the latest advances and treatment options regarding a wide range of conditions, including acid reflux and GERD, chronic constipation, hemorrhoids and constant stomach or abdominal discomfort, as well as conditions affecting the liver, including hepatitis C and fatty liver disease. The seminar will conclude with a question-and-answer session.

GERD (gastroesophageal reflux disease) is one of the most common gastroenterology conditions in the U.S. According to the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), approximately 20 percent of the U.S. adult population suffers



Dr. Rashid Khan



Dr. Samir Nath

from GERD, defined as frequent heartburn. The panelists will discuss symptoms, possible causes and treatment options for this prevalent condition.

Hepatitis C is a viral infection that primarily af-

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AG Paxton urges HHS to implement rules restoring Religious Freedom and Conscience Rights for Americans

Attorney General Ken Paxton sent a letter to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar supporting proposed rules that would assure the principles of federalism, religious freedom and freedom of conscience are restored to their proper place in our constitutional system of government. Texas and Arizona co-led the comment letter, which was signed by 17 state attorneys general.

In January, HHS said it intended to rescind Obama-era guidance that sought to protect government funding for abortion providers by excluding states and health care providers from federally funded programs based on their respect for the sanctity of human life. HHS also announced a new proposed rule that would designate its Office for Civil Rights to enforce 25 existing statutory conscience protections for Americans involved in HHS-funded programs. Those laws protect people from being coerced into participating in activities – such as abortion – that violate their religious and moral beliefs.

“It is encouraging to see HHS taking concrete steps to restore the rule of law and respect for our Constitution,” Attorney General Paxton said. “All

of us must be able to abide by our religious, moral and ethical beliefs without fear that our government will intimidate and discriminate against us for doing so.”

In the letter, the attorneys general expressed concern that HHS in the past excluded the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops from a grant program to help victims of human trafficking because the charity did not refer individuals for abortion services. They also reminded the department that Texas was excluded from the Title X grant program in 2012 “because of actions taken by the Legislature to protect the widely-held religious and moral convictions of Texas taxpayers concerning abortion.”

“These types of actions undermine the constitutional and statutory protections for religious freedom and conscience rights, and the department’s proposal would put in place a check to ensure such actions do not occur in the future,” the attorneys general wrote.

Texas and Arizona are joined in the letter by Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Utah, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

What to know about seasonal allergies and your eyes

(StatePoint) Suffering from itchy, watery eyes? You may have ocular allergies or you could have another issue entirely, such as chronic dry eyes. Experts say that getting the correct diagnosis is the only way to treat symptoms properly.

“Chronic dry eye often mimics the symptoms of seasonal allergies and must be approached entirely differently,” says Arian Fartash, VSP network optometrist. “Many over-the-counter allergy treatments can actually make dry eyes worse, so make an appointment with your eye doctor to determine the exact cause of your discomfort.”

If your itchy and watery eyes are diagnosed as ocular allergies, Dr. Fartash recommends taking the following steps.

- Limit your exposure to pollen on high pollen count days.
- Wash your face after being outside to reduce the amount of pollen on the skin.
- Use cold compresses for some added relief.

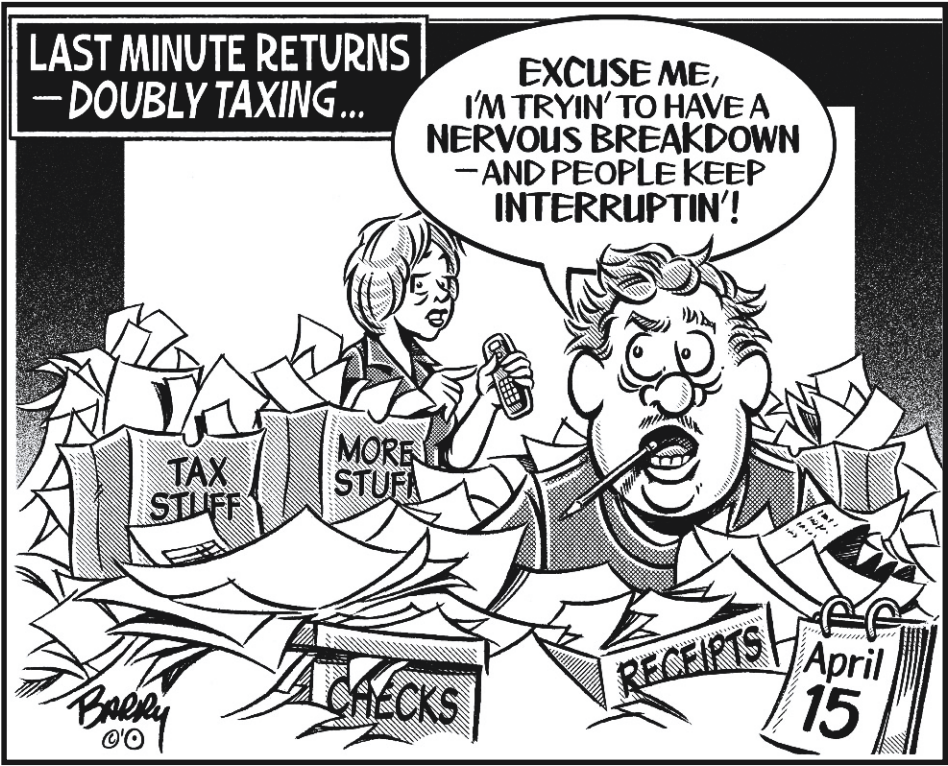
- Don’t rub your eyes, as this will increase your body’s overreaction to the irritants.

- Remove contact lenses, which can attract allergens that accumulate throughout the day. Consider wearing your glasses or switching to daily disposable contacts during allergy season.

- Try over-the-counter eye drops. There are a number of allergy drops that are formulated to relieve itchiness, redness, and watery eyes. But consult your optometrist to find out which are the best recommended.

- Consider prescription medications. If the symptoms won’t go away, you might need something stronger. Go see your eye doctor to discuss if a prescription medication is right for you. You can find a doctor local to you by consulting the VSP-network at vsp.com/find-eye-doctors.

Don’t suffer this season. See your best and feel your best by getting your eye symptoms properly diagnosed and treated.



Question to appear on upcoming census stirs opposing viewpoints

AUSTIN — Ted Cruz of Texas was one of three United States senators who requested that respondents to the 2020 decennial census be asked if they are citizens of the United States.

When Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross responded in the affirmative last week, Cruz said, “I applaud Secretary Ross for honoring this request by my colleagues and me. It is imperative that the data gathered in the census is reliable, given the wide-ranging impacts it will have on U.S. policy. A question on citizenship is a reasonable, common-sense addition to the census.”

On March 28, state Sen. Sylvia R. Garcia, D-Houston, who chairs the Texas Senate Hispanic Caucus, took issue with the question. “Adding a question on citizenship at this time would only seek to fan the flames of fear and distrust in the Census, further risking depressed response rates,” Garcia said.

She added that the Census Bureau would “have to expend more resources in the field for those fearful of an initial response.”

“Even with additional resources, an undercount could result in less representation for Texas in Congress, inaccurate data for redistricting, unreliable numbers for business seeking to move to Texas, and a loss of federal funding for communities across the state. In a word, this could be disastrous. I implore our state leaders to support the litigation to remove this question and fight for an accurate Census count nationwide,” Garcia added.

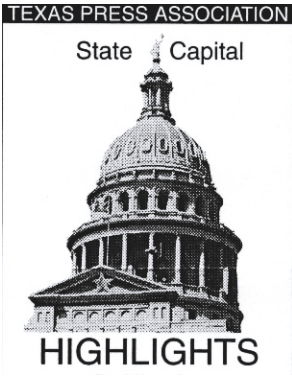
State Rep. Cesar Blanco, D-El Paso, on March 26 held a Capitol news conference detailing concerns similar to those expressed by Garcia.

Citizenship questions have been included on prior censuses: “Between 1820 and 1950, almost every decennial census asked a question on citizenship in some form,” according to a Commerce Department news release.

AGs file court brief
Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on March 26 announced the filing of a friend-of-the-court brief supporting the Trump administration’s lawsuit against California over state laws that signatories of the brief say inten-

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling



tionally obstruct the federal government’s ability to enforce the nation’s immigration law.

Paxton, the state’s chief litigator, was joined in the brief by a coalition of 17 state officials, including the attorneys general of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina and West Virginia; and Mississippi Gov. Phil Bryant and Maine Gov. Paul LePage.

In the brief, Attorney General Paxton and his fellow attorneys general highlight a 2012 case where the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that states couldn’t stand in the way of federal agents following federal immigration law.

“Dangerous sanctuary policies like California’s undermine the rule of law and endanger good law enforcement officers and the communities that need their protection the most. It is incomprehensible that California finds criminal illegal aliens dangerous enough to detain, but then insists on releasing them back into the community to offend again instead of turning them over to federal immigration authorities for removal. If California prefers different immigration policies, it is free to take them up with the appropriate authority: Congress,” Paxton said.

DeVos approves plan

Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos on March 26 announced her approval of Texas’ consolidated state plan under the Every Student Succeeds Act.

The Every Student Succeeds Act became law in 2015, replacing the No

Child Left Behind Act, which was signed into law by then-President George W. Bush in 2002. The new act retains annual standardized testing requirements and tasks each state with developing a revised plan subject to federal approval.

“Texas’ plan met the requirements of the law, therefore I have approved it,” said DeVos. “I look forward to seeing how Texas embraces the flexibility afforded by ESSA to innovate on behalf of the Lone Star State’s students.”

DeVos pointed out three elements of Texas’ approved plan:

- Rigorous, yet achievable goals for all student groups in Texas, while creating stronger alignment between all state and federal program areas;

- Strong support and interventions to assist low-performing schools; and

- Alignment of federal funding with priorities within the Texas Education Agency’s strategic plan.

Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath welcomed the announcement by DeVos, saying, “In Texas, we are committed to ensuring every child is prepared for success in college, a career or the military. Our state plan reflects a commitment to reinforcing public education outcomes for more than five million schoolchildren while continuing to strengthen the economic future of Texas.”

Guv returns from India

Gov. Greg Abbott on March 30 returned from a nine-day business development trip to India, where he visited with government officials and business leaders in several cities to promote economic and trade relationships between India and Texas.

Abbott met with Reliance Industries, Infosys Limited, JSW Steel and Wipro Limited and with India Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the nation’s ministers of petroleum and natural gas, commerce and industry and civil aviation.

Fire Prevention Tips And Technology

(NAPSI)—They look like small, plastic boxes, round or square, stuck up on the wall or the ceiling—but they could save your life. They’re smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

Facts And Figures

On average, eight people die in a home fire each day in the U.S.—almost 3,000 people every year. While working smoke alarms cut the chance of dying in a fire nearly in half, roughly two-thirds of all home fire deaths occur in homes without working smoke alarms, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

As for carbon monoxide detectors, more than 200 people die from carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning in the U.S. annually. Several thousand more are treated in hospital emergency rooms for CO poisoning. Yet an estimated 70 percent of U.S. homes are not protected by a working CO alarm. CO is created when common fuels such as natural gas, oil, wood or coal burn incompletely. This odorless, colorless, tasteless gas is often called the “silent killer” because it is virtually undetectable without the use of proper technology. You can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer time as well as by a large amount over a shorter time.

What You Need To Know

For the best protection, smoke alarms should be interconnected, so that they all sound if one sounds. Manufacturers are now producing battery-operated alarms that are interconnected by wireless technology.

Combination smoke alarms that include both ionization and photoelectric alarms offer the most comprehensive protection. An ionization alarm is more responsive to flames, while a photoelectric alarm is more responsive to a smoldering fire.

Hardwired smoke alarms with battery backups are considered to be more reliable than those operated solely by batteries.

What You Need To Do

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home including in hallways and the basement.
- Choose alarms that bear the label of a nationally recognized testing laboratory.
- Install smoke alarms at least 10 feet from cooking appliances to reduce the possibility of false alarms.
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- Test your alarms every month by pressing the TEST button.
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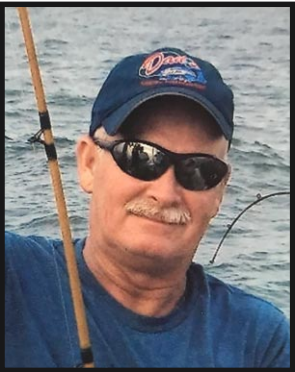
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OBITUARY

Burley Matthew Francis



Burley Matthew Francis 64, of Crosby, Texas passed away on March 16, 208.

Burley was born on February 25, 1954 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri to Ben Chester and Margaret (Talley) Francis. Burley worked as an animal control officer for Jacinto City and in his free time he enjoyed fishing, hunting, playing pool, going out on the boat and spending time with his family and friends. Burley was a very hardworking, fun loving, and helpful man who never met a stranger and he will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 12pm-2pm at Sterling-White Funeral Home with a 3pm graveside service following at Hardin Chapel Cemetery in Hardin, TX.

THOUGHTS FROM MARANATHA CHURCH
If I'd Only Known

Dr. Mark Trice

How often, in life, do you realize that you would have done things differently if you'd known the outcome ahead of time? How many opportunities have you missed? In the Bible we see many people who missed their opportunities, and others who did not. One person who got it right was Ruth.

Ruth wasn't an Israelite, but she had married an Israelite and come to love his mother Naomi. When both women were left without their husbands, and Naomi learned that Israel was a prosperous place again, they traveled to Naomi's home. Once there, Ruth decided she was going to care for her mother-in-law.

She had no way of knowing the plan God had for her life. She simply went out to the fields to find some grain for dinner. As it happened, as if anything only "happens" with God, she ended up in the field of the one man best positioned to change her life forever, the one man who could help her become more than she ever imagined.

If you've read the book of Ruth, you know the full story. The man was Boaz, the son of another non-Jew, Rahab, who had greatly aided the Israelite army at Jericho. Another Jewish man might have respected Ruth for her actions but turned aside because of her bloodline. Boaz's attitude was different, and God gave Ruth great favor with him – so much favor that he eventually married her.

Again, if you've read the story of Ruth, you know that Ruth and Boaz aren't just any Bible couple. They are in the lineage of David and, consequently, of Jesus. Truly, this whole chain of events is nothing short of supernatural.

But Ruth could have chosen to stay home, and if she had she might easily have missed out on God's plans. Instead, she went

into the fields to do her part to help provide for the family. She was only expecting a supply of grain, but God's vision was much greater: He wanted to give her the whole field. She intended to provide for her mother-in-law and herself, but God positioned her to help bring salvation to the whole world through Jesus Christ.

We don't know what plans God has in the works for us, and we don't have to. Proverbs 3:5-6 tells us not to rely on logic or reason – on our own understanding – but rather to entrust our lives to Him and live faithful to His call. For those of us who have an innate need to be in control, this can be a challenge. Even so, if we do follow God step by step, as He tells to, we'll never be left thinking, "If I'd only known."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

3D Printing Opportunities: Stratford Library Highlands

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Annual Czech SpringFest

Sunday, April 8, 2018 - 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
SPJST Lodge #88, 1435 Beall St at 15th St in the Heights.

Kovanda's Czech Band (11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)
Texas Legacy Czech Band - (3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.)
Guest Artist, Marcela Hrabovska, demonstrating the art of Decorating Eggs with Straw and Other Materials. She will have many items for sale.
Traditional Czech Sunday Dinner - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Highlands Chamber monthly luncheon

Highlands-Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce Monthly Luncheon, Thursday, April 12, 11:30 a.m., San Jacinto Community Center, 604 Highlands Wood Drive. Reserve at 281-426-7227 by the 9th.

Blood Pressure / Sugar Check

Tuesday, April 17 at 9 a.m. Keeping a healthy lifestyle means keeping blood pressure and blood sugar check in at May Community Center, 2100 Wolf Roaf, Huffman 77336. For more information regarding classes or other Center programs please call 713-274-2434.

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Samaria in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. When he had a vision, who said, "Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean"? Adam, Reuben, Samson, Peter

3. From Acts 7, who was the first person martyred for his belief in Jesus Christ? Apollos, John the Baptist, Jehu, Stephen
4. What is the fourth book of the Old Testament (KJV)? Deuteronomy, Numbers, Leviticus, Joshua

5. Besides Jonah, what other prophet ministered in Nineveh? Nathan, Paul, Nahum, Philip
6. From 1 Kings 11, what was the number of wives of King Solomon? 3, 50, 100, 700

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Peter; 3) Stephen; 4) Numbers; 5) Nahum; 5) 700

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fects the liver. It causes inflammation and can lead to liver cirrhosis and liver cancer. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), baby boomers (anyone born between 1945 and 1965) have a higher risk of contracting hepatitis C. Other high risk groups include people with HIV, patients undergoing long-term kidney dialysis and anyone born to a mother who has the disease. The CDC recommends a one-time screening blood test for anyone with an increased risk of the infection. A common disease impacting nearly 100 million Americans, the term non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) is used to describe a range of liver conditions affecting people who drink little to no alcohol. The main characteristic of NAFLD is that too much fat is stored in liver cells. Untreated, the condition can develop into cirrhosis and increase the risk for liver cancer. It is

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from drugs and alcohol and community resources during an opening reception from 5:30-6pm. The event is free and open to the public and no registration is required. To get involved in local community-based efforts to prevent prescription drug abuse, contact Southeast Harris County Community Coalition by calling 1-800-510-3111 or email amber.buras@bacoda.org. Get more information online at www.bacoda.org or www.facebook.com/bacodaseharris. The coalition is a project of the Bay Area Council on Drugs and Alcohol (BACODA). BACODA is a community based substance abuse prevention organization that provides sustainable leadership and support for the Southeast Harris Community Coalition. BACODA has provided comprehensive prevention/intervention services since 1974.

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ACROSS

1 Dillon or Damon

5 Greek vowel

8 Heap

12 Cooling drink

14 Smell

15 Execrate

16 Island garlands

17 Sch. org.

18 Not quite upright

20 Big name in California wines

23 Soreness

24 Do as you're told

25 Wide ruffle

28 Conk out

29 Lead the way

30 Playwright Levin

32 Beat decisively

34 Follow closely

35 Manitoba native

36 Tending (to)

37 Lecherous observer

40 — carte

41 Off the base, for short

42 Proclaim

47 Toy block name

48 Washington Monument,

DOWN

1 Central

2 High card

3 Roman X

4 Doubly thick

5 Sicilian volcano

6 Sleuth, briefly

7 212 or 718, e.g.

8 Allergy suffer-

9 Concept

10 Pork cut

11 Formerly, formerly

13 Car

19 Actress Elisabeth

20 Deity

21 Somewhat

22 Sly look

23 Carroll heroine

25 Solemn occasions

26 "Arrivederci"

27 Ireland

29 Mentor

31 Beer cousin

33 Spotted wild-cat

34 Emotional upset

36 Trudge on

37 Crooner Jerry

38 As yet unpaid

39 Boo-Boo's companion

40 "— Karenina"

43 Siesta

44 Run-down horse

45 French vineyard

46 — out a living

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Greenwood Dedication,

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Assistant District Attorney Jim Leitner speaks of Deputy Clint Greenwood as best friend, with the Deputy that has taken his post Kirk Bonsal.



Emotional dedication moment from Constable Sherman Eagleton

The ceremony with prayers and benediction by Harris County Sheriff's Chaplain Don Savell, speeches and musical tributes were contained in less than thirty minutes of service. Everyone remembered Greenwood as dedicated with a sense of humor.

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