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IN THE STARS

EVENTS

SAT. JUNE 29 FREE MOBILE HEALTH SERVICES

(weather permitting) Harris County Public Health will feature its mobile fleet to help meet residents' current needs based on surver results. Free health services, recovery resources and family fun activities at Crosby Community Center, 409 Hare Rd. in Crosby.

SUN. JUNE 30 KLOBASA FESTIVAL

11:00 a.m. at Knight of Columbus Hall in Crosby.

BIRTHDAYS

Jun 27-Josh Lisenbe
George Welshimer
George Thurmond
Jun 28-Jeanne Webb
Ethan Hill
Jun 29-Sarah Muldrow
Peggy Smith
Jun 30-Hannah Barron
Alan Boudreaux
Lisa Boudreaux
Rosetta Farrar
Jul 1-Susan Butler
Deanna Hildebrand
Otis McGaffet
Lewis Spearman
Jul 2-Mark Whittaker
Jul 3-Marsha DeLay
LaHoma Johnson
Bryan Sanders
Josh Beck
Jul 4-Helen Bennett
Ken Dusek
Lois Searcy
JoAnn Turner
Wendy West
Jul 5-Bobby Cantrell
PeeWee Farmer
Terry Sain
Jul 6-Marca Lee Gentry
Thurmon Ickes
Jul 7-Chasity Herman
Jul 8-Jeremey Heinsarling
Melinda Horn
Desmond Hernandez
Keith Pickard
Jul 9-Dustin Mannes
Doug Beck
Jul 10-Jeantte Thompson
Jimmie Michalsky

ANNIVERSARIES

Jun 22-Larkin &
Margaret McKay
Gene & Elizabeth
Bulanek
Jun 23-Ben & Shannon
Coward
Daniel & Jane Pratkan
Jun 25-Joe & Rene
Anselmo

Crosby passes tentative budget

CROSBY – The Crosby ISD Board of Trustees approved the 2019-2020 budget at the Special-Called Meeting on June 25 at the Crosby ISD Operations Center to meet the state's budget adoption deadline of June 30 for districts with fiscal year start date of July 1.

The votes were unanimous for adopting the budget, approval of a budget amendment 4 and resolved about the GASB 54 fund balance categories.

The adopted budget did not include projected House Bill 3 revenues as the state continues to release guidance for more accurate revenue estimates. However, preliminary calculations indicate the likelihood of a 9% average raise for all Crosby ISD full-time employees for the 2019-2020 school year. A budget amendment prior to the first teacher payment at the end of August.

See Crosby Budget, Page 8

Klobasa Festival benefits local Catholic Charities



A flurry of activities happens at the KNights of Columbus Hall on June 30 beginning at 11:00 a.m. For adults the Gun Raffle with \$10 tickets for chances to win firearms that range from a Gun Safe, a Precision -6.5 Creedmoor to .22 caliber is to be won. Barbecue plaets are legendary and there is to be a live auction in an effort to raise money and provide scholarships.

Highlands Rotary installs new officers

HIGHLANDS – The Rotary Club of Highlands held their Installation and Awards Banquet last Friday night at the Boat Club on Clear Lake Road.

Present were about 40 persons, including new officers and board members, family and friends, and invited guests. Emcee of the evening was outgoing president Denise Smith.

The theme for 2019-2020 for Rotary International is "Rotary Connects the World" an acknowledgement of the presence and activities of Rotary in almost all the countries of the world.

Small clubs like Highlands are actually part of the much larger organization, first the District 5890 with 3000 members in greater Houston, then the national Rotary organization in the United States,



HIGHLANDS ROTARIANS gathered at the Boat Club in Highlands, for the installation banquet and awards ceremony last Friday night. Pictured are Front Row: Sheila McDonald, incoming president, and Betty Brewer, Membership and PIE chair; Back Row: Denise Smith, outgoing president, Charlie Ward, Foundation Chair, Patricia Scott, Treasurer, Johnny Gaeke, Sergeant at Arms, Gilbert Hoffman, Program Chair, Weston Cotten, International Services, and Dr. Larry White, Scholarship Chair. Not Pictured: Andy Scott, president-elect, Teresa Martin, Secretary, Diana Weaver, Community Service & Polio Plus chair.

and finally part of Rotary International, with 35,000 clubs worldwide, and 1.2 million members. Highlands Rotarians are welcome at all these clubs.

Outgoing president Denise Smith reprised some of the accomplishments of the last year, including awarding 18 scholarships to local students for a total of \$32,000; winning an R.I. grant for \$1500 for bicycles for HES students with perfect attendance; safety street signs; a memorial bench at the VA Hospital; support for a Rotoract club at SHSU; hosting an exchange student from France.

In remarks by the incoming president Sheila McDonald, she said she would concentrate on partnering with other local groups in the spirit of the national theme.

Environmental awards to three

Bayou Preservation Lauds Shanley, Turner, Young



Each year the prestigious Terry Hershey Bayou Stewardship Award recognizes members in the community who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to aiding the conservation, preservation, restoration and/or advocacy of Houston's waterways.

This year's awards went to Kevin Shanley, principal of the global landscape

firm SWA Group, and former BPA board chair;

Mayor Sylvester Turner, who has taken significant action during his administration for the region's waterways; and Jackie Young, founder of a nonprofit THEA to protect water resources and safeguard public health from the harmful effects of toxic waste in the San Jacinto River Superfund site.

County Judge Ed Emmett also received a special recognition award for his commitment to the health of local bayous and waterways.

County, City won't support ICE raids

For several days last week, rumors were rampant that a national effort to round-up and deport immigrants without legal papers would include Houston and Harris County persons. The rumors emanated from Washington, D.C. and said that the Immigration and Customs Enforcement would carry out unannounced raids, detention, and deportation without a court's due process.

Local leaders reacted with negative comments, vowing that they would not cooperate with such an undertaking, citing inhumane treatment of individuals, and questionable legal authority. Here are the statements by the County Judge and the Houston Mayor:

Judge Lina Hidalgo

Statement: The Trump administration

announced that potential raids on undocumented families across the nation, including in Harris County, have been delayed. The Harris County Judge's Office had been working with community and government leaders to seek answers so we were prepared to do right by our community, and did not ever receive notice from any governmental agency regarding the reported enforcement



Mayor's statement:

"The city of Houston has not been directly notified by ICE of any plans to conduct mass raids targeting undocumented families. The unconfirmed reports have created a great deal of anxiety for some and it proves once again this country needs comprehensive immigration reform."

"People deserve certainty in their lives, especially those who have been living in our community and making positive contributions. We are a country



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HIGHLANDS ROTARY CLUB NEWS



Awards Scenes from the Rotary Installation



Weston Cotten swears in the new president-elect Andy Scott



Gavel of Authority passed to new president Sheila McDonald from Denise Smith



Robert and Ann Woodall get an award for their work with children at BP Hopper.



charlie Ward and Patricia Scott are acknowledged for their Paul Harris Fellows.



Gilbert Hoffman thanked for his work as Program Chairman.



Betty Brewer receives certificate as Membership Chair and longevity award.



Dr. Larry White receives an award for his work as Scholarship Chairman.



Weston Cotten acknowledged as International Chairman, and general curmudgeon.

Jared Jamail awards 2018-2019 scholarships



This year Jared Jamail Scholarship winners are, left to right, Dayton Berezoski (Leadership), Dylan Hathorn (FFA/4H), Erik Haffelfinger (Academic), Randi Plair (Soccer). The next golf tournament is set for October 5th, 2019, stay tune for more updates in future issues of this newspaper.

Harris County Fire Marshal encourages fireworks safety

Harris County, Texas -- Fireworks are fun and beautiful, but can also be very dangerous. The Harris County Fire Marshal's Office encourages residents to attend professional fireworks displays and practice fireworks safety.

"Professional fireworks displays are a great way for residents to safely enjoy fireworks," said Harris County Fire Marshal Laurie L. Christensen. "If you choose to use consumer fireworks, please read the cautionary labels and performance descriptions. Fireworks can be dangerous if not used properly."

The Harris County Fire Marshal's Office encourages residents to follow these recommended safety tips:

- Follow the law. Make sure fireworks are legal in your community.
- Read and follow the directions and warning labels on fireworks packaging.
- Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks.
- Light only one firework at a time.
- Do not point fireworks at homes, buildings, or people.
- Never consume alcohol or drugs while shooting fireworks.
- Make sure there is a bucket of water or water source nearby for emergencies.
- Be considerate of neighbors when it comes to noise and the trash left behind.
- Pets and fireworks don't mix. The loud noises can cause pets to become anxious or afraid.

Fireworks sales run from June 24 through July 4. Residents are urged to report complaints regarding the sale or illegal use of fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Harris County by calling (281) 999-2200 or emailing fmosupport@fmo.hctx.net.

For additional information on fireworks contact the Harris County Fire Marshal's Office at (713) 274-1700, or visit www.hcfmo.net.

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ROUND-UP

Goss Library events

These are the events taking place at the Sam and Carmina Goss Memorial Branch Library the week of Monday, July 1, 2019.

• Tuesday, July 2 - 6:30 pm, Cork Dork Book Club at Yepez Vineyard. Discussing *Then She Was Gone* by Lisa Jewell. (Ages 18 & up)

• Friday, July 5 - 2:00 pm, Kids movie showing *Monsters vs. Aliens* (All ages)

Questions? 281-576-2245.

Gaming Tournaments at the Jones Public Library

Jones Public Library will be hosting gaming tournaments on Tuesday evening's in July from 5-7 PM. These gaming tournaments are for teens aged 12-17 (or senior in high school) and will be held in our teen room. Each tournament will be a 12 player tournament. They will have registration for the tournaments on the website and facebook. You must register to get a spot. They will have a grand finale tournament held in the ballroom on the giant screens on Tuesday July 23rd. The finale will include snacks, drinks, and a gift card for the winners! 936-258-7060.

United Way & Chambers County Annual Meeting

United Way of Greater Baytown Area & Chambers County will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, July 11, 2019 from 11:30 AM – 1 PM. The meeting will be hosted at Wismer Distributing Company, 3827 I 10 East, Frontage Road, Mont Belvieu, TX. The Board of Directors, volunteers and staff will provide a report to the community. This will include information on funding, disaster recovery, and special recognition of volunteer leadership representing the Board of Directors. The meeting is open to the public. Donors, volunteers and other interested individuals are encouraged to attend. RSVP online at www.unitedwaygbacc.org/2019annualmeetingrsvp or call 832-926-4006 by July 1, 2019 to attend this lunch meeting.

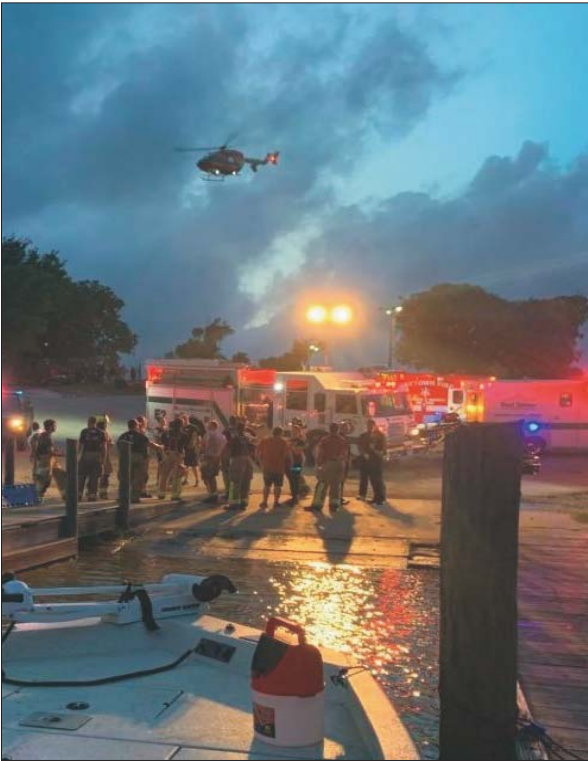
For more than 70 years, United Way of the Greater Baytown Area & Chambers County has tackled our community's most difficult issues in the areas of education, financial stability and health. For more information about your United Way, visit: www.unitedwaygbacc.org

Boat crash leaves 3 dead, 4 injured

OLD RIVER WINFREY – A motorboat outing became tragic last Sunday after a deadly collision of a ski boat and a fishing boat where Old River, Lost River and Cross Bayou come together north of Trinity Bay, near Hugo Park Road.

Thus far, three are known dead from this incident, while two women remain in critical condition. The three that were killed were identified as Zachary Jackson Miles, 29 of Beach City, Laura Kay Grant, 48 of Mont Belvieu and William Robert Bowles, 36. Grant and Bowles were declared dead at the scene. Miles expired at Hermann Memorial Hospital following a Lifeflight helicopter evacuation. Two others were taken to the hospital in stable condition.

Texas Game Warden Capt. Fred Ruiz described the collision as having happened in open water and “total chaos” indicating that at about 7:30 p.m. the ski boat and the bass fishing boat with a combined 12 aboard were on a collision course on Lost River at a blind inlet jut. “They tried to veer away from each other. Unfortunately, we believe they veered in the same direction and then one tried to cor-



A LIFEFLIGHT helicopter takes off headed to the Medical Center, as emergency personnel continue their work at ground level and on the water. (Chambers Co. Sheriff photo)

rect. When that happened, the other vessel, the strike vessel is what we call it, hit the other almost broadside.”

The ski boat was estimated to be cruising at about 30 Miles Per Hour each at the time of impact, equal to 60 MPH.

Seven were aboard the bass boat and five were on the ski boat including the pilot of the ski boat now identified as Jacob Vernon Breaux, 29, of Baytown. According to the Chambers County Sheriff's Office Breaux was arrested at the scene on three counts of intoxication manslaughter with a vehicle and two counts of intoxication assault with a vehicle with bonds amounting at this time to about \$200,000. Authorities would not say if additional charges are being brought.

According to Ruiz, a “substantial factor in the crash” was alcohol. He also indicated that he saw no life jackets and expressed his belief that none of the passengers were wearing flotation devices.

The same location has been the scene of similar crashes in the past the last one just over one year ago.

A memorial for victims was erected Monday at a ramp near the crash site. Dub Harper, owner of The Barn Whiskey Bar said William Bowles had worked there as manager for two years.



West Chambers County Chamber is all new in board and staff for 2019



This is the brand new West Chambers County Chamber of Commerce Board photo (left to right): Shane Blackmon, Blackmon Plumbing, Michelle Bitterly, Awards and Engraving, Brian Hawthorne, Chambers County Sheriff, Holly Jackson, RE/MAX One - Premier, Macie Schubert, WCCCC Executive Director, Richard LeJeune, Community Resource Credit Union, Dean West, Baytown Sun as photographed at the West Chambers County Chamber of Commerce June Business After Hours event served as an opportunity for members to network and meet the chamber staff. Everyone enjoyed delicious foods and drinks all donated by multiple local restaurants.



Everyone was excited to meet the new staff and here they are: Ashley Wells, Macie Schubert, Executive Director and Rhonda Barker, Membership Director. And the businesses in West Chambers County wish them good luck and God speed.

West Chambers County Pilot Club New Officers 2019-2020



(Pictured l-r) Back row - Treasurer Tonya Keller, Project Coordinators Betty Dutton, and Susan Hudnall, Directors Marla Van Pelt, Jan Jones, Wynona Montgomery, (front row) Recording Secretary Pam Sapp, Corresponding Secretary Deana Fojt, President-Elect Angela Harris, President Chelsea George, Anchor Coordinator Judy Duncan, and Director Linda Polk.

The West Chambers County Pilot Club, Inc recently installed the New Officers for the 2019-2020 Pilot year. They are President Chelsea George, President-Elect Angela Harris,

Recording Secretary Pam Sapp, Corresponding Secretary Deana Fojt, Treasurer Tonya Keller, Directors; Jan Jones, Linda Polk, Wynona Montgomery, Marla Van Pelt

and Samantha Forcier (not pictured). Also installed were coordinators Judy Duncan Anchor Coordinator, Betty Dutton, and Susan Hudnall Project Coordinators.

School Personnel take part in Goose Creek techXpedition



Photo by Carrie Pryor-Newman

Katie Tatsch (left) from Robert E. Lee High School and Carol Colvin from Stephen F. Austin Elementary, take the “Escaping Boredom – Crushing Classrooms Using Google Forms” class during the recent techXpedition hosted by the GCCISD Educational Technology Department at IMPACT Early College High School. Teachers learned to take worksheets and reviews and create digital escape rooms.

Don't Miss Your Appointment

It's amazing how far past Easter we were still seeing deeply-discounted Easter candy in the stores. Now... I like candy as much as the next person, but there's just something about candy that has missed its special day. It may not be past its "best by" date, but it still feels wrong.

For a piece of candy to miss its appointed time is one thing. For us, the case is very different. Missing medical appointments can create real problems. Employers look down on missed deadlines. God forbid that you get your child to the ball field late. And guys, if you miss your anniversary or your wife's birthday...

Just think on that one for a moment.

But even these pale in comparison to our appointed times with God. When I think of appointed times, one of the first that comes to mind is in Luke 19 when Jesus weeps over Jerusalem because He sees the destruction that is coming as a result of the Holy City missing what many ministers refer to as her "time of visitation," the time Jesus offered her everything.

That's what Jesus was always doing. He came to Earth and gave continually, and the people took. They took every healing, every miraculous meal, ev-

THOUGHTS FROM
MARANATHA CHURCH

By Dr. Mark Trice



ery deliverance, and rejoiced over each of them; but very few let those miracles truly affect them. Not many had eyes that were open enough to see what was really going on, what Jesus most passionately wanted to give them: Salvation. As a result, though they were laying palm branches on the ground and shouting, "Hosanna" one day, they were crying out, "Crucify Him" just a few days later.

And then there's today. Even in the church you find those who have their hands out to receive, but they're very specific about what they want God to give them. There are many who head out on Sunday mornings only because they want to tick "Went to church" off their To Do lists or to salve their guilty consciences. And then there are those who are ever on the look-out for a church that will make them feel good or help their bored children have fun. How many are genuinely affected by the experience? People haven't really changed much in 2,000 years.

But there is a day coming. It's what Christians know as "The Rapture," or the "catching away of the saints." Those who study Bible prophecy say that we're closer to the Rapture than most of us can imagine. Prophecy after prophecy regarding That Day has already been fulfilled, and God could literally turn to Jesus at any time. It will be His Own that He catches away; it is up to us to accept Salvation and His Lordship so that we qualify to make the trip.

For a piece of candy to sit on the shelf long after its appointed day is one thing. For anyone to be stuck here after God calls His children home...that will be something else entirely. When Jerusalem missed her time, she set herself up for total destruction. If a man misses the Rapture, he will face years of nothing but destruction in a world ruled by pure evil. If you think it's hard to live as a Christian now, you have no idea.

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Chevron Phillips supports Education Foundation with Gala Sponsorship

Heather Betancourt (right), community and government relations representative at Chevron Phillips, presents a check for \$10,000 to Erika Foster, GCCISD Education Foundation director, for the company's All-Star sponsorship of the Education Foundation's All-Star Gala September 14, 2019, at Minute Maid Park. Chevron Phillips is a longtime supporter of Goose Creek CISD students, staff and schools.



BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey—

1. Is the book of 2 Thessalonians in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Whom did God not allow to build a temple, as he had been a man of war? David, Solomon, Rehoboam, Jesse
3. In Proverbs 6:6, where/what should lazy people go to for wisdom? Mountaintop, Temple, Priest, The ant


4. What kind of place was Patmos, where John received his revelation? Temple, Isle, Ship, Mountain

5. In Revelation 20, what is the eternal home for those not written in the book of life? Whirlwinds, Lake of fire, Underworld, Exile

6. Who was the father of Gershom? Adam, Noah, Moses, David

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) David; 3) The ant; 4) Isle; 5) Lake of fire; 6) Moses

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Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name.

GENESIS 2:19-20

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ROMANS 8:18

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elderly and revere your God.
Leviticus 19:32

★ ASK THE EXPERTS ★

Focus on players guides coach through cancer scare



Daren McClellan (back row, second from right) with the Dr. Cesar De Las Casas (back row at left), Dr. Mary Goswitz (fourth from left) and the cancer center staff at his "bell ringing ceremony"

BAYTOWN — (June 21, 2019) — Following his 2018 cancer diagnosis, Daren McClellan took inspiration from the kids he surrounded himself with as special teams coach of the Baytown Christian Academy (BCA) football team.

McClellan, 52, a native of the small panhandle town of Dumas who played football at Baytown's Sterling High School before graduating from Deer Park High School, doesn't deny that the diagnosis of squamous cell carcinoma was scary, but says being able to focus on his coaching and mentoring duties was a godsend.

"That was everything to me," said McClellan, a BCA coach for 16 years. "I fell in love with the part of coaching where you're training young men to understand that it's not just a game; it's about building relationships with them to encourage them to be responsible, make a commitment to something and never quit."

McClellan received chemotherapy and radiation therapy treatment at the Houston Methodist Cancer Center at Baytown guided by Radiation Oncologist Dr. Mary Goswitz and Medical Oncologist Dr. Cesar De Las Casas. He celebrated the conclusion of his treatments last December during a "bell ringing" ceremony attended by a large con-

tingent of BCA players and students and family and friends. McClellan is scheduled to be the featured speaker at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital's Cancer Survivors Celebration on Wednesday, June 26.

McClellan's cancer was initially detected during a routine dental exam. After a biopsy revealed the presence of cancer in August 2018, he began treatments in October as the team was preparing for a playoff run that would eventually lead to winning the TAPPS 6-man division III championship.

"I didn't miss much work or practices, but every day when I got home, I was worn out," he recalls. "As the radiation and chemo treatments went on, by the time we got to Thanksgiving, I couldn't swallow or eat. I had to take my food through a feeding tube, which was really hard because one of my favorite things to do is eat."

Immediately following the football season, McClellan says the emotional impact of not being around the team daily created a painful void, but he's grateful that subsequent exams have determined that he remains cancer-free. However, he is still coping with issues related to his ability to swallow.

"My only recovery now is to get to where I can eat a steak again. The biggest thing

I had was the support of my family, the hospital, my school and my church. When people would tell me, 'I'm praying for you,' I would say, 'I know. That's why I'm doing so good. Please don't stop.'"

McClellan says the true stars of his cancer journey were the cancer center physicians, nurses and staff.

"The staff of Dr. De Las Casas and Dr. Goswitz were amazing. They treat you like family. The care, concern and compassion they showed was more than I could ever imagine," he said.

McClellan says the one message he'd like to deliver to those diagnosed with cancer is to embrace activities that allow them to focus on others rather than their next doctor's appointment.

"I can only speak for myself, but being able to focus on helping my players achieve their goals was so important. Coaching these young men is where my heart is. I would encourage other patients to focus on things that are close to their heart and think about other people as much as possible," McClellan said.

The Cancer Survivors Celebration takes place on Wednesday, June 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the conference center classroom at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital. To register, visit houstonmethodist.org/events, or call 281-428-2273.

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ICE Raids,

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JUDGE HIDALGO: operation planned by Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Nonetheless, Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo expressed disappointment at the reported threats of raids, saying, "Creating a climate of fear puts lives at risk. Even the threat of raids are a shameful attempt to push some of our most vulnerable residents further into the shadows. Families belong together, and immigrants make our communities stronger. My office will not assist in any rumored raids and will continue to advocate for reforms at all levels of government."

Individuals with questions or in need of legal advice are advised to call the Immigrant Rights Hotline: 1-833-HOU-IMMI (468-4664). Should a loved one be detained by ICE, leave a message with a name, phone number and point of contact. Messages will be returned.

MAYOR TURNER: that places a high premium on families and we need to be cautious about separating parents from children or uprooting entire families.

"Houston depends on the ingenuity, the sweat and the rich cultural contributions of its immigrants. One of four Houstonians is foreign born and we are the most diverse big city in the U.S. We welcome newcomers of all kinds when they come to our city to work hard and make a home.

"It makes sense, then, that many people in our

I-10 closed by bus fire at Monmouth exit



Traffic on I-10 near the San Jacinto River was stopped in both directions last Thursday afternoon, as a bus fire near the Monmouth exit blocked the westbound side, and onlookers blocked the eastbound. Channelview Fire Department had to rescue 26 occupants of the Casino tour bus, and take them to truck stops where they got other transportation. There were no injuries reported, and the cause of the fire was ruled to be an overheated engine.

city are concerned about reports of plans for mass raids against undocumented immigrants across the country. In the larger picture this is another vivid reminder that our national leaders must work together across party lines to fix a broken and dysfunctional immigration system.

"My job starts with the never-ending effort to provide a safe, secure and prosperous environment for every resident of Houston in their places of work, their places of worship, their school, their homes and elsewhere. The city does not try to do ICE's job, nor does it try to impede ICE. And we will continue to be a city that builds relationships, not walls."

Crosby Budget,

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gust will formalize the compensation increases required by House Bill 3.

An increase in student enrollment and property values contributed \$3.3 million in additional revenue to the 2019-2020 adopted budget. This additional revenue and revenue that will soon be realized through House Bill 3 provisions will make it possible for Crosby ISD to fund the 9% raises. Teachers on steps 0 - 4 of the teacher pay scale will see an increase of \$4,500. Teachers on steps 5 - 31 will see a \$5,000 increase.

Additionally, the plan is to use funds to bring the fund balance to the level that the T.E.A. advises schools do, the fund balance was depleted to pay for cost

overruns and shortfalls found during the financial emergency from which Crosby is recovering. Some \$1.2 Million is to go into the general fund balance.

First year teachers with a Bachelor's degree will receive a salary of \$59,335 for the 2019-2020 school year. That sum is projected over \$60,000 for some schools including Barbers Hill ISD.

"The opportunity to take care of our staff is a real blessing for the board and me," said Superintendent Scott Davis. "Crosby ISD continues to recover financially. Additional state revenue through HB3 will greatly assist us in these efforts."

Davis also indicated that these measures should bring Crosby competitive with other districts.

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