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These stories in the PRESS:

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IN THE STARS

EVENTS

FRI. DEC 6 Crosby Winter Wonderland

At Crosby Community Center, 409 Hare Road., 6-8 pm. Info: 281-462-0543.

SAT. DEC. 7 Breakfast with Santa

9:00 a.m. at Crosby Community Center, 409 Hare Road., 77532. Christmas programs starts at 10:30. Call 281-462-0543 to register.

SAT. DEC. 7 Children's Christmas Festival & Parade

FESTIVAL 1:00 to 5:00 pm at Crosby Church. LIGHT PARADE & Toy Drive (donation of new unwrapped toy for parade participation) 6 pm. Line up at Crosby Middle School at 5 pm. Info: 281-328-6984.

Crosby responders get "the Opticom"

Red light control for emergency vehicles

CROSBY - Misconceptions bear critically on the realities we face daily. Once while riding with a fellow worker we sat at a red light and were approached from behind by a fire truck. The truck struggled to pass the captive motorists at the light then announced that the emergency vehicle was going to proceed through the intersection with a loud honk.

"I don't understand," said my

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Red light control receiver to be mounted as available.

Santa arrives in Highlands



SANTA sits in the Park Gazebo with Miss Highlands Haley Maxey, and Jr. Miss Highlands Aubrey Bird, in preparation to listen to childrens' Christmas wishes.

HIGHLANDS

Tree lighting in the Park



Christmas lights in Heritage Park in Highlands. About a dozen organizations decorated trees in celebration of the holiday, and in competition to see which tree Santa would pick as the best decorated. The Gazebo and a ceremonial arch were also lit, by elves from the Chamber and Highlands Horizons. (Jessica Woods/Chamber photo)



Santa's arrival on a Highlands Fire Truck was as exciting to some of the children as his actual presence.

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New Bus Service for East Harris County

Free Ridership for the first 60 Days

Nearly 200,000 residents now have new access to public transportation in eastern portions of Harris County, thanks to \$3.8 million Harvey Disaster Recovery money. Harris County Transit will expand its existing bus service to some of the communities hardest hit by floodwaters from the hurricane.

A soft launch of the new service will occur on December 2, 2019. The first 60 days are free to riders; and after the first 60 days, rides will be \$1.00 per ride. There will be an inaugural

ceremony to mark the launch on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at Joe V's Parking Lot, 5609 Uvalde, Houston, Texas.

The new service will add roughly 65 additional route miles to the infra-



See MAP of Bus Routes, page 8

structure for a total of 185 route miles. Five proposed new routes will serve Channelview, Cloverleaf and Sheldon with service

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★ COMMUNITY NEWS ★

Thanksgiving for the area



The David H. McNerney American Legion Post 658 in Crosby was the scene of a Thanksgiving day feast for all that wished to attend with restaurateur Charlie Dahu of Hungry Jacks not only chief but donator and server. 5

GCCISD teams up with Faith Family Church for Toys for Tots



Goose Creek CISD recently teamed up with Family Faith Church for the Toys for Tots annual toy drive. Faith Family Church's goal is to collect \$50,000 in toys. Last year, Toys for Tots served more than \$3,000 children. Pictured are (front, from left) Stella Gonzalez, Eloy Chapa, Araceli Delacruz, (back left) Matt Bolinger, Susan Passmore, and Kim Barnes, all from Goose Creek CISD, and (back right) Pastor Tony Pena, Leah Ferguson and Becky VanWagnen from Faith Family Church.

CROSBY Man shot during altercation at wedding hall

CROSBY, Texas – A man was shot at a Crosby wedding venue during the first hours of last Monday, according to Sheriff's Office. Precinct 3 Constable and Harris County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the 21100 block of FM 2100, between Crosby and Huffman around 1:20 a.m. last Monday, Dec. 2. According to investigators, the man attended an event earlier in the day at The Barn at Four Pines Ranch venue. He fell asleep in the restroom located outside the building. When he woke up, he tried to get back in and got into an altercation with the owner. The owner then called the property caretaker and the



Deputies investigating shooting at The Barn at Four Pines wedding venue in Crosby.

three men continued fighting. At that moment, someone fire multiple shots injuring the man. The man was transported via helicopter to the hospital with multiple gunshot wounds. The events remain under investigation by the Sheriff's office.

Wrong way crash kills man, injures two

CROSBY – A man was killed, a woman and her infant were seriously injured but in stable condition when a wrong way accident occurred on a US 90 service road in the 2500 block, the same roadway as Crosby Volunteer Fire Dept. Station 1, last Wednesday. According to the Harris County Sheriff's Office that service road held a 2013 Nissan driven eastbound by a man whose identity has yet to be released and a woman in a black Chevy Equinox driving westbound. Investigators determined that the man in the Nissan crossed over into the path of the westbound Chevrolet. The impact occurred Nissan front left to Chevrolet left front, both vehicles came to rest within the roadway. The sole occupant of the Nissan, a man, showed no signs of life at the scene. The driver and an infant girl in



Above, rescue vehicles have completed their leg of the rescue for a woman and her daughter on November 27, 2019 as a helicopter lifts off to Hermann Hospital.

the back seat of the Chevrolet Equinox were transported by Life Flight helicopters to Hermann Hospital in serious condition. This case is being investigated by the Vehicular Crimes Division of the Harris County Sheriff's Office additional information is invited to contact them at 713-274-7400.



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CROSBY'S HOME TOWN HOME CARE

Barbers Hill Independent School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

Data Control Codes	199		599	
	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	General Fund	Debt Service Fund
REVENUES				
5700 Local and intermediate revenues	\$ 76,520,973	\$ 27,261,628		
5800 State program revenues	11,003,214	109,448		
5900 Federal program revenues	1,075,453	-		
5020 Total revenues	88,599,640	27,371,076		
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
0011 Instruction	37,370,557	-		
0012 Instructional resources and media services	481,156	-		
0013 Curriculum and instructional staff development	1,509,188	-		
0021 Instructional leadership	837,802	-		
0023 School leadership	3,364,157	-		
0031 Guidance, counseling, and evaluation services	2,340,075	-		
0032 Social work services	83,598	-		
0033 Health services	845,531	-		
0034 Student transportation	1,978,043	-		
0035 Food services	26,364	-		
0036 Extracurricular activities	2,318,409	-		
0041 General administration	3,492,813	-		
0051 Plant maintenance and operations	7,271,924	-		
0052 Security and monitoring services	536,589	-		
0053 Data processing services	1,211,558	-		
0061 Community services	10,256,017	-		
Debt service:				
0071 Principal on long-term debt	3,269,499	13,145,000		
0072 Interest on long-term debt	450,496	11,193,173		
0073 Insurance costs and fees	-	2,802,474		
Capital outlay:				
0081 Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-		
Intergovernmental:				
0091 Contracted instructional services between schools	8,925,909	-		
0099 Other intergovernmental charges	552,481	-		
6030 Total expenditures	87,522,186	27,140,647		
1100 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,077,454	230,429		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
7901 Issuance of refunding bonds	-	26,075,000		
7912 Sale of real and personal property	-	-		
7915 Transfers in	-	-		
7916 Premium or (discount) on issuance of bonds	-	2,211,997		
7949 State revenue pursuant to tax refund	3,943,747	-		
8911 Transfers out	(25,000)	-		
8940 Payment to refunded bonds escrow agent	-	(27,990,783)		
8948 Tax refund pursuant to Texas Tax Code 313	(3,943,747)	-		
8949 Other uses	(280,557)	-		
7080 Total other financing sources (uses)	(305,557)	296,214		
1200 Net change in fund balances	771,897	526,643		
0100 Fund balances - beginning	46,249,746	11,797,748		
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 47,021,643	\$ 12,324,391		

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

699	Total Nonmajor Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
\$ 1,695,657	\$ 2,627,772	\$ 108,106,030
16,651	418,484	11,547,797
-	1,713,474	2,788,927
1,712,308	4,759,730	122,442,754
1,320,132	1,357,699	40,048,388
74,733	-	755,889
22,177	123,888	1,655,253
-	-	837,802
25,349	-	3,389,506
1,338	-	2,341,413
-	-	83,598
12,992	-	558,523
645,367	-	2,623,430
220,200	3,335,347	3,361,711
14,568	3,324	3,507,381
312,949	-	7,584,873
42,937	-	579,526
62,880	-	1,274,438
-	-	10,256,017
-	-	16,414,499
-	-	11,843,669
-	-	2,852,474
38,507,614	-	38,507,614
-	-	8,925,909
-	-	552,481
41,263,236	4,820,258	160,746,327
(39,550,928)	(60,528)	(38,303,573)
781,936	-	26,075,000
25,000	-	781,936
-	-	25,000
-	-	2,211,997
-	-	3,943,747
-	-	(25,000)
-	-	(27,990,783)
-	-	(3,943,747)
-	-	(280,557)
806,936	-	797,593
(38,743,992)	(60,528)	(37,505,980)
74,171,227	772,161	132,990,882
\$ 35,427,235	\$ 711,633	\$ 95,484,902

Exhibit C-2

Barbers Hill Dayton Press

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ROUND-UP

Santa on the Bay

The Beach City Volunteer Fire Department will escort Santa Claus around Beach City.

-Friday, Dec. 6: Starting at dusk on Cedar Point Road and continuing north until Bay Place Subdivision.

-Saturday, Dec. 7: Starting at dusk in North Point Subdivision and continuing north until the last stop at Texana Street.

This is also a good opportunity to donate canned or packed food to the local food bank.

Goss Memorial Library events

These are the events taking place at the Sam and Carmena Goss Memorial Branch Library the week of Monday, December 9, 2019.

•Tuesday, December 10 - 10:00 am, Baby & Me (ages 0-24 mos)

•Tuesday, December 10 - 4:30 pm, Movie Day showing Dora and the Lost City of Gold, refreshments will be served (all ages)

•Thursday, December 12 - 5:00 pm, Teens Ugly Sweater Cookie Contest (ages 12-18)

•Friday, December 13 - 10:00 am & 2:00 pm, Storytime (ages 0-5)

•Friday, December 12 - 2:00-4:00 pm, Carols, Cocoa & Coloring (ages 18 & up)

•Library Fundraiser: Let us wrap your gifts for you while you help a good cause! Bring your unwrapped gifts 16"x12"x11" or smaller to the library and we will wrap them for you for just \$2.00 per gift. Wrapping paper will be provided or you can bring your own if you wish. Every Tuesday & Thursday 10 am - Noon beginning Tuesday, November 19 - Thursday, December 19. Call Sam and Carmena Goss Memorial Library, Mont Belvieu at 281-576-2245.

Baytown Christmas Parade

The 2019 Baytown Christmas Parade, December 5, 2019, 6:30 p.m. (line-up at 5:30 p.m.) Parade registration until November 25 at the Baytown Community Center, 2407 Market St., 77520. Info: 281-420-6597.

Dayton Spirit of Christmas Celebration

Saturday, December 7, 2019, all day at Community Center, 801 S. Cleveland, Dayton, TX 77535.

Christmas on the Hill Parade

Mont Belvieu's most beloved holiday tradition, the Christmas on the Hill Parade, enters its 11th year. Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. along Eagle Drive. This year's parade will feature a new route.

Free Photos with Santa

CRCU presents free photos with Santa and toy drive, December 11, 2019 at Mont Belvieu Branch from 2 pm - 6 pm. Please consider a donation of new unwrapped toy to help with their annual toy drive.

Sheriff Brian Hawthorne announces re-election bid

Last week Sheriff Brian Hawthorne announced that he has filed for Re-Election to be on the ballot for a third term with the Chambers County Republican Party.

Brian Hawthorne is a career law enforcement professional having spent more than 28 years with the Texas Department of Public Safety - Highway Patrol and the last 7 years as the Sheriff of Chambers County.

Under Sheriff Hawthorne's leadership, the Chambers County Sheriff's Office has matured into a modern day law enforcement organization with many new programs. Some of these programs include Crime Scene Investigators, Evidence Tech-



Sheriff Brian Hawthorne

nicians, School Safety Deputies, Marine and Environmental Deputies, along with deputies that specialize in Mental Health crisis stabilization.

Sheriff Hawthorne is on

record as a strong proponent of the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution and the right to keep and bear arms. He is also an active member of the Barbers Hill Lions Club, Bridgehaven Child Advocacy Center, the Winnie-Stowell Noon Optimist Club and currently serves on the Board of the West Chambers County Chamber of Commerce. He is professionally recognized by his peers as an authority in legislative matters and currently serves as chairman of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas Advisory Committee to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement and he is the

See Re-Election, Page 6

Beach City Mayor recognizes volunteers



THANKS FOR THE HELP -- Saturday morning I went out to pick up some litter along FM 2354 in front of my house before my weekly trip to the dump and soon had unsolicited help. Thanks to Ed Cashat and Fred Woodson for your BEACH CITY SPIRIT! -- Mayor Jackey Lasaster

Beach City Volunteer of the Year

"I am proud to announce that the 2019 Beach City Volunteer of the Year is Johnny Eversole. Johnny was selected by the City Council at last Tuesday's Council Meeting and will be honored at the January WCCC annual banquet. Johnny currently serves as the BCVFD President. He joined the department in

2014 and has had a significant impact on the department since joining. Johnny is a leader in the Barrow Ranch community and is part of the core group that manages the successful Annual Poker run/Car show. Thank You Johnny for all you do to benefit Beach City!"

Mayor Jackey Lasaster

Pilot Club of Baytown 2019 Deck the Halls Christmas Tour of Homes, Dec 7th and 8th

The Pilot Club of Baytown, in the spirit of Christmas, has invited homeowners to showcase their beautiful homes in a "Deck the Halls", Christmas Tour of Homes.

The 2019, 8th Annual, "Deck the Halls" Christmas Tour of Homes is Saturday, December 7, and Sunday, December 8, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Pilot Club of Baytown and homeowners are excited to showcase homes on the tour again this year. Four families have opened their beautiful homes decorated for the holiday season in support of the Pilot Club's efforts to fund service projects in our community for the coming year.

Generous homeowners are:

- Dr. Dean & Gena Hutto from Baytown
- Wes & Kathy Winn, from Baytown
- Shane & Kathi Clausen from Baytown Baytown
- Glenn & Stephanie Lemelle from Mt. Belvieu.

A donation of \$20/person allows a tour of all four homes to be visited on either day.

Pilot members volunteer to assist in the homeowners



Dr. Dean & Gena Hutto - 412 S. Burnett Dr., Lakewood, Baytown



Shane & Kathi Clausen, 2 Del Oro Ct., Tia Del Oro, Baytown



Wes & Kathy Winn, 414 S. Burnett Dr., Lakewood, Baytown



Glenn & Stephanie Lemelle, 4418 Sunrise Rd., Sellers Station, Mt. Belvieu

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Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital recognizes two nurses as DAISY award winners

BAYTOWN — (December 3, 2019) — Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital recognized Hunter Brooke Ware and Kathryn Zavala as winners of the November 2019 DAISY Awards.

The DAISY Award is part of the DAISY Foundation's program to recognize the "super-human" tasks nurses perform every day. Community Resource Credit Union serves as the sponsor of the DAISY Award program at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital.

Hunter Brooke Ware, an emergency department nurse, and observation unit nurse Kathryn Zavala, were recognized as the November DAISY Award winners. The DAISY Award is part of the DAISY Foundation's program to recognize the "Super-human" tasks nurses perform every day. Community Resource Credit Union serves as the sponsor of the DAISY Award program at Hous-

ton Methodist Baytown Hospital.

Ware was recognized by a patient under her care for having "an exceptional bedside manner" and her skills as a teacher, motivational speaker and therapist.

In her nominating letter, Zavala received praise for being extremely attentive to her patient's needs and her great exhibiting great teamwork in collaborating with fellow nurses.

The not-for-profit DAISY Foundation is based in Glen Ellen, Calif., and was established by family members in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, who died in 1999 at the age of 33 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon auto-immune disease. The care Barnes and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique means of thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their pa-



Daisy Award Ware



Daisy Award Zavala

tients and patient families. Each month, a nurse is selected by a nursing committee to receive the DAISY Award.

At a presentation in front of the nurse's colleagues, physicians, patients, and visitors, the honorees receive a certificate commending them for being an "Extraordinary Nurse." The certificate reads: "In deep appreciation of all you do, who you are, and the incredibly

meaningful difference you make in the lives of so many people." The honorees are also given a beautiful sculpture called A Healer's Touch; hand-carved by artists of the Shona Tribe of Zimbabwe, Africa.

One day while Barnes was in the hospital, he asked his family to bring him a Cinnabon cinnamon roll plus enough for all the nurses in his unit. With the help of Cinnabon's parent company, FOCUS Brands, the DAISY Foundation carries on this tradition by serving Cinnabons to all

the nurses in the award recipient's unit in thanks for everything they do for their patients and families. Bonnie Barnes, president and co-founder of the DAISY Foundation, stated, "When Patrick was critically ill, our family experienced first-hand the remarkable skill and care nurses provide acutely ill patients every day and night. Yet these unsung heroes are seldom recognized for the super-human work they do. The kind of work the nurses at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital are called on to do every day epitomizes the purpose of the DAISY Award."

Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital is proud to be among the hospitals participating in the DAISY Award program. Nurses are heroes every day, and given the current national nursing shortage, the DAISY Award plays an important role in letting our nurses know their work is highly valued.



Social Security Matters

by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor
Association of Mature American Citizens

Ask Rusty – Can I Increase My Benefit by Withdrawing from Social Security?

Dear Rusty: I'm 67 and have been collecting Social Security for a couple of years now but I want to increase my benefit. Will you please explain what Social Security's Form SSA-521 is for? Would it benefit me as a retiree to be able to gain more on my monthly benefits? Where and how could I request or access this form? Signed: Seeking Answers

Dear Seeking: Social Security's Form SSA-521, Request for Withdrawal of Application, is used when someone has applied for Social Security benefits and later decides they do not want to collect their benefits after all. The form can be submitted within 12 months of the start-date of your benefits, and if approved will require that all benefits which have been paid to you, or on your behalf by Social Security - including Medicare premiums, withheld taxes and any benefits (including those paid to your spouse or any other dependents on your record) - are fully reimbursed to the Social Security Administration. It might be used, for example, by those who claim prior to their full retirement age, perhaps because they become unemployed and need the money, and then later become employed again. Or it might be used by someone who applies for benefits early but later simply change their mind and now wants to delay claiming to increase their benefit amount. This form is how someone can initiate the "do over option" that you sometimes hear Social Security pundits speak of. It essentially "wipes the slate clean" with Social Security, but it cannot be used by someone who has been collecting benefits for more than one year and it cannot be used more than once in your lifetime.

From what you have told me, the Request for Withdrawal of Application Form SSA-521 will not work for you. However, there is another way you can increase your Social Security benefit. Since you have already reached your full retirement age you can now request that Social Security "suspend" your benefit payments so that you can earn "delayed retirement credits" (DRCs). If you

suspend your benefits, you'll earn DRCs at the rate of 2/3rds of 1% per month you delay (8% per year of delay), and when you eventually restart your benefits the amount will be higher (how much higher depends upon the number of months your benefits have been suspended). You can earn DRCs up to age 70, so you should not wait beyond age 70 to restart your benefits. But beware, because there's a catch to suspending your benefits - your spouse, or any other dependent, cannot collect benefits based upon your work record while your benefits are suspended. And if your Medicare Part B premium is deducted from your Social Security payment, you'll need to make special arrangements to pay that Part B premium directly to Medicare.

If you decide to suspend and allow your benefit to grow, you will need to contact Social Security directly, either via the general number (800.774.1213) or by contacting your local office (find it at www.ssa.gov/locator). You may ask Social Security to suspend your benefits either verbally or in writing. So, if you have found that you don't need your Social Security benefit at this time and wish to allow it to grow, and you understand that anyone else collecting on your record cannot get benefits while you are not collecting, then suspending your benefits and restarting later would give you the higher benefit you are seeking. Your benefits will restart automatically the month you turn 70.

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Hegar transfers excess revenue into rainy day, highway funds

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Nov. 25 announced the transfer of \$3.33 billion into the State Highway Fund and into the Economic Stabilization Fund, commonly known as the Rainy Day Fund.

Each fund received more than \$1.66 billion, or 50% of the total transfer. The transfer amounts are based on crude oil and natural gas production tax revenues in excess of 1987 collections. If either tax generates more revenue than the 1987 threshold, an amount equal to 75% of the excess is transferred, according to an agency news release.

In November 2014, voters approved a constitutional amendment allocating at least half of these severance taxes to the Rainy Day Fund, with the remainder going to the State Highway Fund for use on non-toll highway construction, maintenance and right-of-way acquisition.

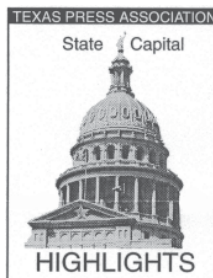
Patrick appoints committee

Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick on Nov. 26 announced his appointment of a committee to review the history and procedures for the placement of art and other decor in the historic Texas Senate Chamber.

Sen. Bryan Hughes, R-Mineola, will serve as chairman of the committee. Members appointed include Sens. Paul Bettencourt, R-Houston; Donna Campbell, R-New Braunfels; Borris Miles, D-Houston; Beverly Powell, D-Burleson; Charles Schwertner, R-Georgetown; and Kirk Watson, D-Austin.

According to the State Preservation Board, the chamber's two brass chandeliers have been in place since 1890 and 15 historical Texas paintings were hung in the room before 1915. Also, a portrait of Stephen F. Austin by an unknown artist behind the lieutenant governor's desk

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling



dates from circa 1836, making it one of the oldest pieces in the Capitol.

In the announcement, Patrick mentioned that in 2015, he resumed the annual practice of placing a Christmas tree in the historic chamber after many years with no tree.

Disaster funds: Plan set
Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush on Nov. 21 announced the release of the state's action plan detailing the distribution and eligible uses of some \$4.3 billion in Community Development Block Grant Mitigation funds.

The funds, coming from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, are to be used to assist Texas communities with mitigation projects, addressing risks within the areas impacted Hurricane Harvey and floods in 2015 and 2016.

"Hurricane Harvey was a storm of historic proportions with more than \$100 billion in property damage and immeasurable disruption to the lives of Texans," Bush said. "Many communities in Texas have faced repeated flooding...With this action plan, the General Land Office will prioritize large-scale projects to maximize available infrastructure funding to im-

prove the resiliency of Texas homes, businesses and infrastructure from future storms."

Grant to enhance Lifeline

Dr. Courtney N. Phillips, Texas Health and Human Services executive commissioner, on Nov. 26 announced the agency is receiving a two-year grant of more than \$3 million from the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline's State Capacity Building Initiative.

The goal is to increase the state's capacity to provide free, confidential emotional support and services to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. Grant funds will be used to assist Texas call centers in answering more calls from residents, reducing wait times and connecting them to local treatment facilities, support and nearby crisis or emergency service centers, Phillips said.

Health and Human Services plans to contract with four local mental health authorities to implement the grant in March 2020: The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD, Integral Care (Travis County), MHMR of Tarrant County and Emergency Health Network in El Paso County.

Antitrust claims resolved

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Nov. 25 announced that his office has reached a settlement with T-Mobile resolving the state's antitrust claims against the proposed merger of mobile wireless telecommunications service providers Sprint and T-Mobile.

According to an agency news release, the agreement is designed to prevent the New T-Mobile from increasing prices for wireless services on Texans for five years after the merger is complete.

Also, it commits the New T-Mobile to:

—Give all Texas customers access to T-Mobile limited data rate plans at a cost far below what is currently offered in the industry;

—Commit to provide 5G wireless broadband coverage to areas where most Texans live, including most portions of the state within the next three years and to expand that 5G coverage dramatically within the next six years; and

—Offer Texas residents that are currently employed by Sprint and T-Mobile substantially similar employment with the New T-Mobile.

THE POSTSCRIPT By Carrie Classon

"Transatlantic Turnaround"

My husband, Peter, and I are returning from Spain by boat. The whole idea started when Peter read a book about the sinking of the Lusitania.

"That sounds like fun!" Peter told me, as he read.

"Death at sea?" I asked.

"No, the part before that!" Peter clarified.

Peter thought the idea of a cross-Atlantic ship sounded fun and romantic. He began investigating transatlantic trips and once Peter starts investigating a thing, it's as good as done.

Peter discovered that a number of cruise lines reposition their boats from the Mediterranean to the Caribbean in the fall and back again in the spring. Some of these trips are quite reasonably priced. As the boat has to be moved anyway, the cruise line would rather the boat was filled with paying customers. Besides, they figure they'll make it up during the long days at sea when passengers have nothing better to do than gamble and shop. In our case, they figured wrong.

Peter and I are generally opposed to organized activities. Peter falls asleep immediately at anything that seems intended to be educational. We both dislike gambling. We don't participate in raffles, shop on a whim, or willingly pile into vans with strangers. Our idea of a perfect day is spent doing a lot of reading, a little exercising, and eating too much. The best part is simply watching the vast ocean as it passes.

Peter is due for a little pampering after spending a month in our historic little house in Frigiliana. Peter has had his fill of "historic" and "little," particularly since he discovered the two so frequently go hand-in-hand. Peter spent a month getting his head banged on historically low ceilings and climbing up steep little antique stairs to get to the bathroom in the middle of the night. Peter is ready for a major dose of modern convenience after all that historic charm.

"Look!" Peter says, on our first night here, "a bathroom on the same floor as our bed!"

"Yes, dear," I reply.

"And doorways tall enough so I don't need to stoop!"

The boat is nothing if not easily accessible. It stands to reason, I guess, but folks who have nothing to do but cross the ocean by sea are not a young crowd. They settle into their rooms for two weeks and don't need to move their luggage for the duration. Some of them look as if they are staying for good. They decorate the outside of their doors with magnetic falling leaves or Christmas decorations or their name accompanied by cheerful greetings. It reminds me a bit of a retirement home—which, given the age of the clientele, is not far from the truth.

At some point—in the middle of the Atlantic, more than 1200 miles from land in all directions, the ship will do a full 360-degree turn. They do this, the captain informed us, to check and adjust the accuracy of the ship's compasses. This seems quaint to me in an era of computer navigation and GPS, but apparently it is still done, and I can see why it might be a good idea.

I know there are times when a slow, 360-degree turnaround is the very thing I need to check my own internal compass. To do this slowly, deliberately, when the conditions are ideal—this strikes me as an important bit of housekeeping for both transatlantic boats and lives.

It might not be strictly necessary. But it's always nice to know with some degree of certainty that I am headed in the right direction.

Fill next time,
Carrie

Carrie Classon's memoir, "Blue Yarn," was released earlier this year. Learn more at CarrieClasson.com.

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Northside Baptist Church Christmas Program

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey—

1. Is the book of Bethlehem in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who prophesied, "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son"? John the Baptist, Zechariah, Isaiah, Andrew
3. Which "Caesar" ordered all the world to be taxed, causing Mary to travel to Bethlehem while expecting the baby Jesus? Julius, Tiberius, Claudius, Augustus
4. In which month of the Virgin Mary's pregnancy did the angel Gabriel visit to inform she would give birth? 1st, 3rd, 6th, 9th
5. From Luke 2:34, who prophesied to Mary that this Christ child is set for the fall and rising again of many? Melchior, Simeon, Cyrenius, Felix
6. What is the city of David called? Nazareth, Dothan, Beersheba, Bethlehem

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Isaiah; 3) Augustus; 4) 6th; 5) Simeon; 6) Bethlehem

Northside Baptist Church of Highlands will have their annual Christmas Program on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 6pm. Led by Gene Littlejohn, music will include Ava Ariaga, Karen Bascom, Sarah Stanley, Patricia Brockinton, Ray Walker & Footprints. Afterward there will be food & snacks in the Fellowship Hall. Northside will also be singing Christmas Carols

each Sunday at 11am & 6pm during the month of December. Northside is located at 317 Barbers Hill Road, Highlands, TX 77562; nsbhighlands.org. Pastor David R. Brumbelow invites everyone to join in celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ.

"There is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." -Luke 2:11

May Community Center December events

• Celebration of Trees Open House
 Friday, December 13, 2019, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Entertainment by Calvin and Trish Gainey from the Liberty Opry, refreshments, children create holiday crafts, play in the snow, bring you camera for pictures with Santa, tour the decorated trees. We will have you vote on your favorite tree decorated by our May Center Classes!

• Breakfast with Santa
 Saturday, December 14, 2019, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Come eat pancakes and sausage with Santa, play in the snow and make a Christmas craft. A \$3 per person suggested donation is requested. Please call the May Community Center for reservations, 713-274-2434.

• Blood Pressure/Sugar Check
 Tuesday, December 17 at 9 a.m. Keeping a healthy lifestyle means

keeping blood pressure and blood sugar in check.

• December Christmas Luncheon
 Wednesday, December 18, 2019 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Come join us for pot roast, mashed potatoes, green beans and dessert. Our entertainment will be our very own Belles and Beaus Choir! Suggested \$5 donation. Call or come by to sign up for our luncheon.

May Community Center will be closed on December 24th and 25th for Christmas Holidays.

May Community Center is a Precinct 2 Community Center located at 2100 Wolf Road, Huffman 77336. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information regarding classes or other Center programs please call (713) 274-2434.

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 • St. Matthew Baptist Church, 119 Fidelity, Houston, TX. 713-674-0062.
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New Pct. 2 Veterans Service Center opens



On Tuesday, November 19, 2019, Commissioner Adrian Garcia opened the former V.V. Ramsey Community Center as the V.V. Ramsey Veteran Services Center for Precinct 2, located at 16003 Lorenzo St. in Channelview, TX. Garcia remarked that "Harris County has the second largest number of veterans in the U.S." Assisting Garcia was Heather Ramsey Cook, granddaughter of Ramsey, and members of Ramsey's family. For over two decades, the Precinct 2 Veteran Services Department has proudly provided assistance to US military veterans and family. Services include assistance with healthcare, transportation, pensions, compensation filings, death pension claims, burial benefits, and grave markers. For more information, call 713-274-9570.

Christmas Tour of Homes,

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homes being visited. Typically, a minimum of four Pilot members assigned per home to ensure security. We always want our homeowners to feel at ease. Proceeds go to Pilot Club of Baytown, Projects & Operating Budget, for service activity within the community for the Pilot Year 2020-2021.

Tickets for the Christmas Tour of Homes are available from any member of the Pilot Club of Baytown and may be purchased from the following business locations.

-Baytown Historical Museum, 220 West DeFee
-Designs by Carolyn, Halls Carpet Haus, 1415 North Pruett

-Kathy Young's Merle Norman, 407 West Baker, Ste J
-Heritage Interior Designs, 2609 West Main Street

The donations to the Deck the Halls Christmas Tour of Homes, along with the Annual Yellow Rose Gala held in the Spring, allow the Pilot Club to support needed projects for the Baytown community in the coming year. Following are some projects supported by Pilot.

Community Service Projects -

Houston Methodist San Jacinto Cancer Center, Bay Area Homeless Shelter, Baytown Special Rodeo, Eddie Gray Wetlands, New Horizons, YMCA Youth, Habitat for Humanity, Love Inc., Women's Storybook Project, Pick Me Ups, and Relay for Life.

Health & Safety Division Projects - Lifeline, Chinquapin School Fire Extinguisher Service, American Diabetes, Beauty Will Rise, Emma's Hugs, Special Olympics, Pregnancy Resource Center, Texas District Pilot Club Traumatic Brain Injury Camps, Project Graduation for high schools, Alzheimer's Association, Houston Methodist San Jacinto Stroke Education, and Lee College Nursing Scholarship.

Education Division Projects include - Lee College Foundation Scholarships Program, Chinquapin Scholarship Fund, Baytown Symphony program, Sterling Municipal Library, Baytown Communities in Schools, Goose Creek Education Foundation, Story Book Christmas, D.A.R.E., Monica Boyd Literacy Foundation, Lee College Educational & Opportunity Center, BrainMinders Program to teach Elementary students to protect their brain, Art League for Education of Traumatic Brain Injured individuals, "When Sean Speaks" Powerful Message of danger mixing alcohol with driving to local high school students, Scholarships Awards for graduating

high school seniors of GCCISD high schools.

Patriotism Division Projects - One Hundred Club Survivor's Fund, Veterans Memorial Activities, Decorate Christmas tree at Baytown Historical Museum Contest, Sponsor patriotism essay contest for all GCCISD 5th graders, activities for Police Memorial, Participate in War Memorial activities, Bay Area Heritage Society, American Legion - Boys State, and American Legion Auxiliary - Girls State, Project Blue, City of Baytown Police.

International Relations Division Project Activities - Prepare Seafarers Boxes for Seamen away from home for holidays.

Annual Walk to End Alzheimer's - Plan and coordinate Baytown Walk - 2019 pledges & contributions total \$50,000 to date. The Walk was held on October 12, at Bayland Park, however, donations to a Pilot Club member or online can be made until mid December at <http://act.alz.org/baytown>.

For more information about the Tour of Homes or the Pilot Club and information about becoming a member, contact Judy Wheat at 281-424-7838 or www.pilotclubofbaytown.org.

ments, along with the Department of Public Safety who have all helped in keeping our county safe and a wonderful place to live." said Sheriff Hawthorne.
Sheriff Hawthorne will continue to be a Sheriff that is always on the job and approachable to all the citizens of Chambers County.

DPS reminds Texans to stay vigilant, report suspicious activity

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding Texans to stay vigilant and report any suspicious behavior or activity they observe to law enforcement. With today's threat environment, advanced warning and information can mean the difference between life and death. Texans are urged to report suspicious activity to their local law enforcement or through the iWatchTexas program, a system that captures and connects potential criminal, terroristic or school safety-related threats in Texas.

"We urge Texans to always pay attention to their surroundings and use the iWatchTexas program to report anything unusual they might see," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "This suspicious reporting system has already proven successful in leading to law enforcement action that very likely prevented criminal activity. We are committed to deterring and, when possible, preventing mass casualty attacks from taking place in our state. The public's vigilance and tips could very well be the key to helping law enforcement prevent

the next attack."

Included in the governor's executive orders following the mass shootings in El Paso and Odessa is Order No. 4 — to increase the public's awareness of the value of suspicious activity reporting.

The iWatchTexas mobile app is designed to make it quick and easy for the public to report suspicious activity in Texas, including criminal, terroristic or school safety-related threats. All reports are confidential, but there's the option to provide contact information so officials can follow up with any additional questions. Reports should take less than five minutes to complete. The iWatchTexas app is free and available on iTunes and Google Play. The public can also submit a report at www.iwatchtx.org or by calling 1-844-643-2251. If there is an emergency, call 911 immediately.

Things that could be reported via iWatchTexas include:

- Written or verbal comments or implied threats of violence through words, images or other expressions;
- Praising past success-

ful or attempted mass casualty, active shooter or school attacks;

- Statements or images indicating ideology connected to acts of violence;
- Preparing and/or sharing a martyrdom or last will video or statement;

- Strangers asking questions about building security and procedures or taking photos or video of these security features;

- A briefcase, package or other item that's been left behind where it shouldn't be;

- Vehicles left in non-parking zones;

- Chemical smells or fumes that are unusual for an area;

- People requesting sensitive information, such as security plans, blueprints or a person's travel schedule when they shouldn't have it;

- Purchasing supplies that could be used to make a bomb or weapons; or

- Purchasing uniforms without the proper credentials.

If you see something, say something. It's far better to report something and be wrong than to stay silent and wish you had spoken up when your instincts told you something was suspicious.

Opticom,

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co-worker, "Why doesn't he just use the button they all have to change the light?"

The answer is: the button did not exist. And, before we go any further — it is best to yield to emergency traffic; ambulances, fire trucks and law enforcement. If possible, pull over to the right to let them pass, don't obstruct the emergency traffic, the life you save could be precious to you.

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Opticom communicates with Harris County Traffic Controllers via ethernet while TXDOT intersections are connected via standard input. The Opticom equipment therefore provides a soft preemption to Harris County traffic controllers.

Re-election,

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vice chairman of the association's influential legislative committee.

Sheriff Hawthorne and his wife, Heather (County Clerk) reside in Beach City and they have 4 adult children and one perfect grandson.

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4. ROXANNA & ISMAEL OCHOA AT 10822 EAST FREEWAY IS WANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO OPEN UP A TATTOO PARLOR AT THAT ADDRESS.

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Channelview ISD will hold a public meeting At 7:00 PM, December 17, 2019 In the Board Room, CISD Administration Building, 828 Sheldon Road, Channelview, TX 77530.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Channelview ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters of Administration for Docket No. 480060; Estate of J. ROBERT HEERING Deceased; In Probate Court No. 1, of Harris County, Texas, Deceased, were issued on November 18, 2019.

E. CAROLYN HERRING

The residence address of the administrator is in Harris County, Texas. The mailing address is:

c/o Weston Cotten 5223 Garth Rd. Baytown, TX 77521

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this December 2, 2019

Weston Cotten

by WESTON COTTEN Attorney for the Estate

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters of Administration for Docket No. 477966; Estate of REBA A. PARKER Deceased; In Probate Court No. 1 of Harris County, Texas, Deceased, were issued on November 14, 2019.

CHARLES EDWIN RAYBURN

The residence address of the administrator is in Harris County, Texas. The mailing address is:

c/o Weston Cotten 5223 Garth Rd. Baytown, TX 77521

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this December 2, 2019

Weston Cotten

by WESTON COTTEN Attorney for the Estate

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Notice of Draft Federal Operating Permit and Acid Rain Permit

Draft Permit No.: O4153

Application and Draft Permit. SJRR Power LLC, 5850 San Felipe St Ste 601, Houston, TX 77057-3070, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an initial issuance of Federal Operating Permit and Acid Rain Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O4153, Application No. 29212, to authorize operation of the SJRR Power Peaking Facility, a Fossil Fuel Electric Power Generation facility. The area addressed by the application is located at 18511 Beaumont Hwy in Houston, Harris County, Texas 77049-1220. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application. You can find an electronic map of the facility at: <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.881944&lng=-95.111388&zoom=13&type=r>. This application was received by the TCEQ on June 26, 2019.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas 78753; the TCEQ Houston Regional Office, 5425 Polk St Ste H, Houston, Texas 77023-1452; and the North Channel Library, 15714 Wallisville Rd, Houston, Texas 77049-4608, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The draft permit and statement of basis are available at the TCEQ Website:

www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice

At the TCEQ central and regional offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference, may be reviewed and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the TCEQ central office file room at (512) 239-2900.

Public Comment/Notice and Comment Hearing. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit.

A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the permitted area may request a notice and comment hearing. The purpose of the notice and comment hearing is to provide an additional opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. The permit may be changed based on comments pertaining to whether the permit provides for compliance with 30 TAC Chapter 122 (examples may include that the permit does not contain all applicable requirements or the public notice procedures were not satisfied). The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is received within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The hearing request must include the basis for the request, including a description of how the person may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the application area. The request should also specify the conditions of the draft permit that are inappropriate or specify how the preliminary decision to issue or deny the permit is inappropriate. All reasonably ascertainable issues must be raised and all reasonably available arguments must be submitted by the end of the public comment period. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time, and location for the hearing.

Written public comments and/or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ and be received within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

Mailing List. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

Information. For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Education Program, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for SJRR Power LLC by calling Mr. Gerardo Manalac at (713) 400-7662.

Notice Issuance Date: November 12, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES APPEAR IN THE HIGHLANDS STAR CROSBY COURIER, AND THE NORTH CHANNEL STAR. CALL 713-266-3444 FOR MORE INFO.

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We will publish your Card Ad in our Christmas Editions Dec. 12 and 19
For Details call 713-266-3444

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Screenings to Identify Disabilities

CISD Special Education department provides screenings for children with suspected disabilities in an effort to identify every student with a disability who lives within the district's boundaries. Crosby ISD is committed to providing excellence in education to all students, and the screenings are designed to help identify children who may qualify for the district's special education programs. Eligible students with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 can be provided with services to ensure their successful participation in school. These services and supports may be provided through Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act. Special education services are also available starting at birth for eligible children who have a visual and/or auditory impairment.

If you know a child who may be challenged with a disability, please contact the Crosby ISD Special Education office at 281 328-9200, Extension 1108. If the child is already a student in Crosby ISD, please contact the counselor at the child's school. The counselor will be happy to assist you.

The special education personnel will coordinate efforts to evaluate the student and, if eligible, ensure that the student is provided with supports and services needed to benefit from instruction.

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Santa in Highlands,

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Highlands Rotarians served VERY hot chocolate all evening.



Crowds lined up for cookies and hot chocolate in front of the Highlands Fire Station.



Families lined up to have their children talk with Santa. Long lines lasted for hours.



Randy O'Brien and Lanelle McKay were seen helping at the cookie table.



Decorated tree by Hopper Primary school.



Decorated tree by Highlands Rotary.



Miss Highlands Haley Maxey, and Jr. Miss Aubrey Bird..

Harris County Bus Service,

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for a three-year period. If ridership levels are high enough, Harris County Transit Services will request more funding to continue the routes beyond the three years.

Harris County Transit bus routes have served the East Harris County Com-

munity since 2008 with the launching of routes in Baytown, a service that now includes La Porte, McNair Barrett Station, Crosby and the Highlands because they are outside the Metro service area. The proposed new routes will expand Harris Coun-

ty Transit by an estimated 50 percent.

Project Partners are Harris County Transit Services, Harris County Precinct 1, Harris County Precinct 2, Harris County Community Services Department, Metro Transit and METRO.



Healing Chronic Wounds in Baytown — Faster

Houston Methodist Wound Care Program at Baytown offers the latest technology in wound care, including hyperbaric oxygen therapy for rapid healing.

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Independence Plaza 1, Suite 119
4201 Garth Rd.
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May Community Center events

•Christmas Bunco
Wednesday, December 11, 2019 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Come to the May Community Center for our Christmas Bunco and play a gift wrapped exchange! Suggested \$3.00 donation. Brunch will be served! Please call or come by the center to sign up at May Community Center.

•Advanced Spanish
Wednesdays at 9 a.m. Participants are given an opportunity to practice grammar and sentence structure by discussing current events in this free weekly advanced Spanish class.

•Knitting
Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Does learning to knit have you all in knots? Participants need to bring a U.S. size 8 knitting needle and worsted weight yarn (any color).

•Quilting
Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. Take this opportunity to quilt, share ideas, and enjoy the fellowship of other quilters. Quilters of all experience levels can attend these sessions.

•Dominoes and More Dominoes!
Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Enjoy a friendly game of dominoes and meet players with similar interest.

•Canasta
Wednesdays at 3 p.m. Come for an enjoyable afternoon of cards.

•Pickle ball
Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Pickle ball is all the craze in the US and now it's coming to May Community Center! Played on a court similar to tennis and with a paddle similar to ping pong – Pickle ball! Dress in comfortable attire; no experience necessary. Equipment is provided.

•Craft Class
Thursdays at 10 a.m. Please call the center at 713-274-2434 to find out what the scheduled craft is for this day. Supply list and suggested donation may be required.

May Community Center, 2100 Wolf Rd., Huffman, TX 77336, 713-274-2434.



Harris County Transit and METRO have partnered together to provide Services in Channelview, Cloverleaf & Sheldon!

¡Harris County Transit y METRO se han asociado para proporcionar servicios en Channelview, Cloverleaf y Sheldon!

New service in your area will begin on December 2, 2019!
Complimentary rides will be provided until January 31, 2020!

¡El servicio nuevo en su área comenzará el 2 de diciembre de 2019!
¡Se proporcionarán viajes de cortesía hasta el 31 de enero de 2020!



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If you are hearing or visually impaired and need special accommodations, please contact Harris County Transit @ (832) 927-4950. Visit our website @ www.harriscountytransit.com
Si usted es oyente o discapacitado visual y necesita adaptaciones especiales, por favor contacte a Harris County Transit al (832) 927-4950. Visita nuestro sitio web @ www.harriscountytransit.com



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DEMONSTRATION PROJECT ROUTES with
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