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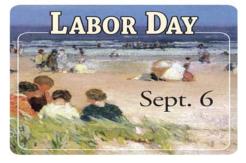
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#### MONDAY



### Special Election For Constitutional Amendments

AUSTIN - Governor Greg Abbott has issued a proclamation setting Tuesday, November 2, 2021 as the special election day for eight proposed constitutional amendments in Texas.

The eight proposed constitutional amendments on the ballot are:

PROPOSITION 1: The constitutional amendment authorizing the professional sports team charitable foundations of organizations sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association or the Women's Professional Rodeo Association to conduct charitable raffles at rodeo venues.

PROPOSITION 2: The constitutional amendment authorizing a county to finance the development or redevelopment of transportation or infrastructure in unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted areas in the

PROPOSITION 3: The constitutional amendment to prohibit this state or a political subdivision of this state from prohibiting or limiting religious services of religious organizations.

PROPOSITION 4: The constitutional amendment changing the eligibility requirements for a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of criminal appeals, a justice of a court of appeals, and a district

PROPOSITION 5: The constitutional amendment providing additional powers to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct with respect to candidates for judi-

PROPOSITION 6: The constitutional amendment establishing a right for residents of certain facilities to  $\ designate \ an \ essential \ caregiver \ for \ in-person \ visitation.$ 

PROPOSITION 7: The constitutional amendment to allow the surviving spouse of a person who is disabled to receive a limitation on the school district ad valorem taxes on the spouse's residence homestead if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of the person's death.

PROPOSITION 8: The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed or fatally injured in the line of

#### Sterling White offers Free Dinner and Preplanning Seminar

Sterling-White Funeral Home will hold a Free Din-ner and Educational Seminar at 7:00pm on Tuesday, September 14 at Teapot Depot in High-

The Seminar will provide valuable information about final arrangement planning, financial considerations, and more. You will learn about funerals, cemetery and cremation planning, and gain the peace of mind by understanding all your op-

See details on Page 3, or call 281-426-3555 for information and reservations.

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tions. Seating is limited, please call now.

may never have needed help before and they don't know where to turn," said Dr. Adrienne Holloway,

"We want them to know we have resources and we are

Tenant eligibility for the Texas Emergency Rental Assistance Program relies on the ability to provide a copy of the lease agreement, a household income at or below 80% of area median income and proof that financial hardship is a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Most importantly, this program requires landlords register their property to enable tenants to participate. Landlords may be able to recover up to six months of rent (dat-

ing back to April 2020). The service area is unincorporated Harris Counand allows for neighborhoods with coop-

Park, Galena Park, Humble, Jacinto City, Katy, La Porte, Morgan's Point, Seabrook, Shoreacres, South Houston, Tomball and Webster. Residents within the cities of Houston, Baytown and Pasadena are not eligible for this program; however, funding may be available through other programs such as the Community Development Block Grant – Cares Act – COVID-19 – Emergency Assistance Program that is disaster-based and will assist with electric, gas and water utilities if residents are financially or medical-

CSD Resource Naviga-

ticipating landlords to canvass apartment complexes

to reach eligible residents. Since the program's inception in February, CSD has assisted 220 households using \$1.37 million (as of August 27) out of the \$2.6 million approved by the Commissioners Court at the end of January. The Texas Emergency Rental Assistance Program is made possible by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Tenants and landlords are encouraged to contact a Resource Navigator to assist with eligibility at 832-927-4955 hrc@csd.hctx.net. You also may visit: https://bit.ly/ CSD-covid-rental-assis-

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# Rotary sets 9/11 for Washer Tournament

#### Benefit event returns with Patriotic theme

HIGHLANDS - Rotarians are practicing their washer throwing tech-niques in preparation for the upcoming 14th Annual 3-Hole Washer Board Charity Tournament, to be held next Saturday, September 11th at Charlie's Ice House. Charlie's is at 906 N. Main Street in Highlands, and the tourna-ment starts at 1:00 pm sharp, lasting until about 5:00 p.m.

This year the proceeds from the charity event will benefit Polio worldwide, in a Rotary program known as Polio Plus.

This event has become a city-wide tradition, with two person teams coming from various clubs around the Rotary 5890 District,



Hole Washer Board Charity Tournament, In this photo they demonstrate throwing techniques that will be used in the tournament on Saturday, September 11th. 50 teams of two players will compete for prizes, and bragging rights. The Charity event this year will honor Patriot Day "We Will Never Forget 9.11", and benefit

as well as local Highlands folks, to compete for brag-ging rights and the three top positions in the double elimination tournament. Teams are also expected from North Shore and Baytown clubs. The public is invited to field a team, also. You are welcome to come and watch if you don't play, and there will be refreshments, and live and silent auctions.

It is expected that about 50 teams will compete in the tournament. Entry fee is \$50 per team.

To enter a team, please come to Charlie's prior to 12:30 on Saturday. For more info, contact Denise Smith at niecy1616 @gmail.com, or Patricia Scott at plscott1957

## Voter Regulations bill passes, Abbott ready to sign controversial legislation

Greg Abbott today issued a statement following the passage of Senate Bill 1, which Republicans say will protect the integrity of elections in Texas:

"Protecting the integritv of our elections is critical in the state of Texas, which is why I made election integrity an emergency item during the 87th of our elections by making

AUSTIN - Governor Legislative Session. I thank Senator Brian Hughes, Representative Andrew Murr, Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick, and Speaker Dade Phelan for stepping up to ensure that this bill made it to the finish line during the second special session. Senate Bill 1 will solidify trust and confidence in the outcome

it easier to vote and hard- authorizing poll watchers to signing Senate Bill 1into law, ensuring election integrity in Texas.

Senate Bill 1 creates uniform statewide voting hours, maintains and expands voting access for registered voters that need assistance, prohibits drivethrough voting, and enhances transparency by

to observe more aspects of the election process. The bill also bans the distribution of unsolicited applications for mail-in ballots and gives voters with a defective mail-in ballot the opportunity to correct the

See Page 2 for status of all bills in Special Session.

## **AVOID EVICTION**

# Rent Relief available from Harris Countu

#### Money available for Residents **Facing Eviction**

HOUSTON - (August27, 2021) — The Harris County Community Services Department has funds available for emerncy rent relief for tenliving in unincorporated Harris County who are financially affected by COVID-19. The deadline to apply for aid was just extended to

"People who find themselves in a bind right now ticipate, including Deer ly affected by COVID-19.

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## Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The Harris County MUD 50 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2021 on September 23, 2021 at 6:00 PM at 12900 Crosby-Lynchburg Barrett Station, TX 77532 or you may join via teleconference at 346-248-7799, meeting ID 923 7775 0835. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.



For the proposal: Martin Lemond Elyard David
Alice Dangerfield Andrew Sonnier

Against the proposal:

Present and not voting:

Absent: Daryl Johnson

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year		This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.990000/\$100 Adopted		\$0.940000/\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$- 0.050000	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		-5.05%	
Average residence homestead appraised value	\$98,616		\$111,025
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0		\$0
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$98,616		\$111,025
Tax on average residence homestead	\$976.30		\$1,043.64
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if			
proposed tax rate is adopted(+/-)		\$67.34	
and percentage of increase (+/-)		6.90%	

If the proposed combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate requires or authorizes an election to approve or reduce the tax rate the Board of Directors of Harris County MUD 50 proposes to use the tax increase for the purpose of maintenance & improvements.

#### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voterapproval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

# UPDATE ON BILLS MOVING THROUGH THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION

**Report by State Representative Mayes Middleton** 

The Texas House has been racing to pass all of the Governor's priority bills since re-establishing quorum last week. Here's where everything stands so far:

#### **PASSED BY THE HOUSE AND SENATE:**

SB 1: The Election Integrity Bill

SB 7: The "13th Check" for TRS Beneficiaries

SB 8: Immediate Homestead Exemption Upon Purchase of a Home

SB 12: Extends School Tax Rate Compression to Provide Over 65 Exemption

SB 13: Adjusts Election Filing Deadlines Ahead of Redistricting

#### **MOVING IN THE LEGISLATURE:**

SB 2: Protecting Girls' Sports

SB 3: Banning Critical Race Theory in Public Schools

SB 4: Regulation on Abortion-Inducing Drugs, Preventing Mail-Order Abortions, and Requiring Reporting for Injuries from Drug-Induced Abortions SB 6: Stopping No-Cash Bail for Certain Crimes

SB 14: Prohibition on Local Governments Imposing Onerous Employment Policies on Employers

HB 20: Protecting Texans from Social Media Censorship

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.0300 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2.

 PROPOSED TAX RATE
 \$0.0300 per \$100

 NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE
 \$0.0297 per \$100

 VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE
 \$0.0308 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 14, 2021 AT 1:00 PM AT 14418 Beaumont Highway Houston, TX 77049.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Directors of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal: Sonya Anderson Charles Anthony
Buster Gates Earl Skank
Johnnie McClelland

AGAINST the proposal: PRESENT and not voting: ABSENT:

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 this year.

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.0300	\$0.0300	increase of 0.0000, or 0.00%
Average homestead taxable value	\$140,516	\$153,340	increase of 12,824, or 9.13%
Tax on average homestead	\$42.15	\$46.00	increase of 3.85, or 9.13%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$1,444,276	\$1,498,433	increase of 54,157, or 3,75%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 2 at 713-274-8000 or tax.office@hctx.net, or visit www.hctax.net for more information.



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#### Harris County Public Health Opens New Sheldon ISD Stadium and Dick Graves Park Vaccination Sites NRG Park's last day of operation set for August 25th

Houston – Due to the increase in demand for COVID-19 vaccinations, Harris County Public Health (HCPH) is announcing two important changes to better meet the vaccination needs of Harris County residents.

MASS VACCINATION SITE AT SHELDON ISD OPENS TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021

Open six days a week. Closed every Tuesday (Will be operational today)

Hours of operation 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Address: 11411 C. E. King Parkway, Houston, TX 77044

Vaccine operations will take place in the parking lot and HCPH will have the ability to provide 1,500 vaccinations per day.

THE COMMUNITY VACCINATION CENTER CURRENTLY LOCATED AT NRG PARK WILL TRANSFER TO DICK GRAVES PARK ON REED ROAD EFFECTIVE THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 9091

Open six days a week. Closed every Monday Hours of operation 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Address: 2000 Reed Rd, Houston, TX 77051

HCPH will have the ability to provide 3,000 vaccinations per day and provide COVID-19 testing.

Due to the recent rise in first dose vaccinations, appointments are encouraged and residents can schedule through vacstrac.hctx.net or call 832-927-8787. While HCPH will have some availability for walk-up vaccinations, those opportunities will be limited so we recommend residents call or sign up in advance.

Currently all HCPH vaccination sites are participating in the \$100 cash card vaccination incentive. If you are a Harris County resident and receive your first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine between August 17th and August 31st, you will receive a \$100 cash card. For more information, please review our announcement release.

Face coverings will be required for individuals seeking a vaccination and we urge residents to take additional COVID-19 prevention measures such as maintain social distancing, staying at home as much as possible and continue regularly washing their hands.

Parents must accompany their children, ages 12-17, to be vaccinated or children must bring a consent form signed by their parent or guardian. Consent forms can be found via vacstrac.hctx.net and 12 to 17-year-olds are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine. Adults over the age of 17 can choose from 3 vaccines: the one-dose Johnson & Johnson and the multi-dose Pfizer or Moderna vaccines.







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## **KELSEY-SEYBOLD ANNOUNCES 27th CLINIC LOCATION**

#### The new North Channel Area Clinic will expand access to coordinated, evidence-based care

HOUSTON (March 9, 2021) - Kelsey-Seybold Clinic announced plans today to build a 7,500-squarefoot clinic in The Shops at Stone Park in the North Channel area. The new North Channel Clinic represents another significant investment in Kelsey-Seybold's plan to bring comprehensive care closer to area residents and their families

Kelsey-Seybold Clinic – North Channel will be located at the northeast corner of Beltway 8 and Wallisville Road, at 5820 E. Sam Houston Parkway North, Houston TX 77049. This new location is expected to open for patient care in the summer 2021.

"We have many patients who live in and around the North Channel area who have to drive to our clinics in Baytown, Humble, and Pasadena. We believe our patients, and other residents in the area, would benefit from having a convenient Kelsey-Seybold Clinic near their home. school, and place of employment," said Victor Simms, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.P., Chair, Clinic Planning Committee, and Chief of Internal Medicine,

Kelsey-Seybold Clinic. "We are all looking forward to greeting new and current patients at our new location in North Channel a few months from now."

The new North Channel clinic will continue Kelsey-Seybold's expansion of coordinated, evidencebased care in the ship channel area, in an area that is currently underserved with limited options for primary care. Patients will have access to an on-site laboratory, X-ray, and up to four primary care providers, with an extensive referral network for Kelsey-Seybold specialists in Summer Creek and Pasadena.

"Kelsey-Seybold's growth into the North Channel area demonstrates our commitment to patients living in and around the area," said John Lyle, Vice President, Operations, Kelsey-Seybold Clinic.

The new Kelsey-Seybold Clinic – North Channel location was designed by architects at Powers Brown Architecture. United Constructors has been named the general contractor

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.030000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6.

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.030000 per \$100

NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$0.025842 per \$100

VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE \$0.026761 per \$100

DE MINIMIS PATE \$0.033752 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 may

adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 exceeds the voter-approval rate for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for

Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Harris County Emergency

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 9, 2021 AT 6:00 PM AT 911 Hollywood Houston, TX 77015.

ices District No. 6 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year

The proposed tax rate is greater than the voter-approval tax rate but not greater than the de minimis rate. However, the proposed tax rate exceeds the rate that allows voters to petition for an election under Section 26.075, Tax Code. If Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 adopts the proposed tax rate, the qualified voters of the Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 to require an election to be held to determine whether to reduce the proposed tax rate. If a majority of the voters reject the proposed tax rate, the tax rate of the Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 will be the voter-approval tax rate of the Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 will be the voter-approval tax rate of the Harris County Emergency

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal:

Danny Naramore Margie Buentello Theresa Parker Dennis Murray Roger Hamilton

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:
ABSENT:

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 this year.

	2020	2021	Change	
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.026000	\$0.030000	increase of 0.004000, or 15.38%	
Average homestead taxable value	\$148,951	\$162,858	increase of 13,907, or 9.34%	
Tax on average homestead	\$38.73	\$48.86	increase of 10.13, or 26.16%	
Total tax levy on all properties	\$916,073	\$1,079,455	increase of 163,382, or 17.84%	

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 6 at 713-274-8000 or tax.office@hctx.net, or visit www.hctax.net for more information.

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# **OBITUARIES**

#### JOHN EDGAR SAUSAGE, JR.

John Edgar Sausage, Jr., age 46, was born December 6, 1974 in Houston, Texas and left this earth to be with his heavenly family on Thursday, August 26, 2021 in Houston, Texas surrounded by his family

A native Houstonian, John's family lived in the Cloverleaf community until 2019 when they moved to the Atascocita area. He attended Pyburn Elementary, Galena Park Junior High, and Galena Park High School, and graduated in 1997 from North Shore High School.

John enjoyed life, North Shore football games, the Houston Rodeo, the circus, Broadway musicals. country music and concerts, his Lee College class, the Baytown ARC group, the Special Olympics, holidays, and family time together.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Joseph Sausage, Valearie Raines Sausage, Cora Fussell Murchison, and Char-



ley Murchison; aunts, Lena Sausage Goodson, Patricia Sausage Kocurek, Mary Stephenson; and uncle, H.R. (Hank) Stephen-

Left to cherish John's memory are his father, John Edgar Sausage, Sr.; mother, Betty Murchison Sausage; brother, Craig Hopper; sister, Tracy Hopper; nephew, Kyle Herrington; uncles, Charles Murchison and wife Judy, Terry Murchison and wife Ranae; aunt, Christine Sausage Drozd: cousins, Darryl Murchison, Sheryl Lemman and husband Don, Lynn Schreck and husband Tom, Wendi Lindsey and husband Jeff, Kelly Hollier and husband Patrick, Jacob

Rodriguez, Troy Rodriguez and wife Karen, Jacob Schreck and wife Katie, Will Schreck, Luke Lindsey, Leo Hollier, Austin Hollier, Ella Lindsey, Hannah Hollier and Morgan Hollier, and many other family and friends.

The family invites

you to join them for a visitation on Tuesday August 31, 2021 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M Funeral services for John will be available for viewing via livestream and are to be held in the chapel of Carter-Conley Funeral Home at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, September 1, 2021. A funeral procession will then depart for a 1:00 P.M. graveside service at San Jacinto Memorial Park under the direction of Carter-Conlev Funeral Home.



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#### ALVIN JOHN KEYES

Alvin John Keyes of Highlands, Texas passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 22, 2021. Mr. Keyes was born in Plantersville, Texas on March 14, 1935. He is preceded in death by his parents, James Francis and Anastasia Nora Keyes two brothers, James Keyes and Clifford Keyes; three brothersin-law, Jerome Rucka, Ted Cashion, and Thomas Huskey, and sisters-in-law Barbara Huskey and Wilma Keyes

He is survived by his wife, Martha Keyes his five children, Debra Schield and husband Randy, Susan Keyes and wife Kelly, David Keyes and wife Tracy, Jill Powell and husband John, and Lara Brown and husband Robert; grandchildren Sarah Schield, Emily Brown, Jennifer Minson and husband Brian, Holly Powell, Rachel Brown, Beth Powell, Ethan Keyes, Rebecca Brown, Jake Powell, and Payton Keyes; great-grandchildren Blair and Luca: his siblings Leo Keyes (Ruth), Emanuel Keyes, Theresa Cashion, Betty Rucka, Norman Keyes (Linda) and many other relatives and friends.



Alvin served in the army in Japan during the time of the Korean conflict. He returned to Highlands to work at Armco Steel in Pasadena. When Armco closed, he opened a dirt yard in Highlands with his brother-in-law Thomas Huskey, then closed it to run the Snak Shak in Highlands which he renamed Martha's Snak Shak after his wife. Alvin and Martha ran the Snak Shak until 1994 when they sold it to its current owner.

Alvin was a long time member of St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church in Highlands, having attended the parish since before the current building was erected in 1966. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus for over sixty years and served multiple times as Grand Knight.

Alvin was a loyal friend and an attentive son and husband, but perhaps his greatest success was as a father and grandfather. He gave his children and grandchildren unconditional love and support. He was funny and kind and happiest when his children were home around him. He is missed more than words can express

The family expresses their gratitude for the care given by the staff at Swan Manor and Faith Community Hospice.

A visitation for Alvin will be held from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, with the recitation of the Rosary at 7:00 pm on Monday, August 30, 2021 at Sterling-White Funeral Home Chapel, Highlands, Texas, Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00am on Tuesday. August 31, 2021 at St Jude Catholic Church, Highlands, Texas. Interment will follow in Sterling-White Ceme-

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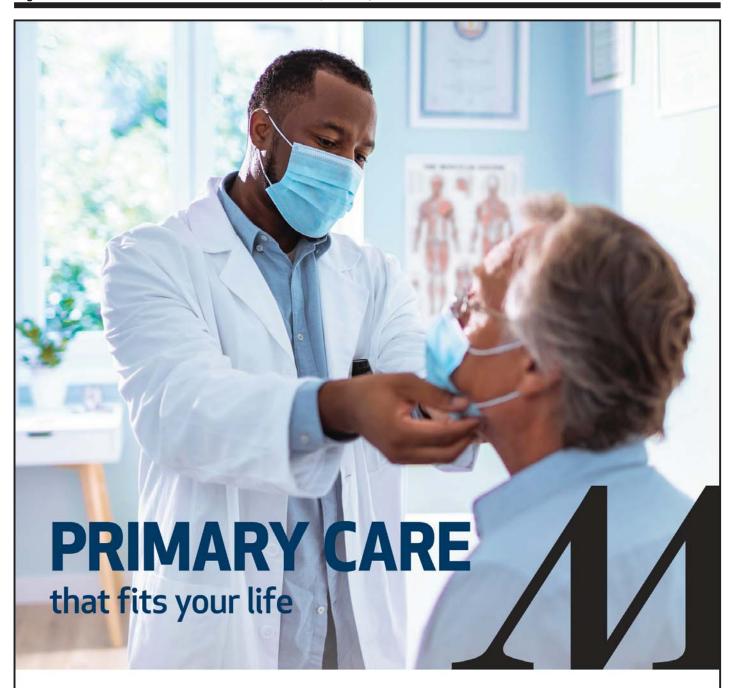
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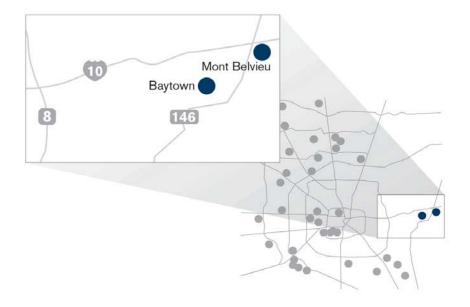
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BARBERS HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 9600 Eagle Drive, Mont Belvieu, TX 77523

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE - RFP #22-002

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Proposals will be accepted until 10:00 AM on Friday, September 17 2021. Proposals will be opened at 10:15 AM on Friday, September 17, 2021.

The school district reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, waive any formalities and/or technicalities in the proposal and award the contract to the best proposal that serves the interests of the district. The district may negotiate with vendors that submit viable proposals. 33-2t THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF JACINTO CITY WILL MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 AT 6:00 P. M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 10301 MARKET STREET FOR THE PURPOSE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ANTICIPATED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022.

This proposed budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$ 156,070, which is a 4.5 percent increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$74,910.59.

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### ON THE $\mathbf{HILL}$

#### Pro wrestling returns to Dayton

By BOBBY HORN JR. DAYTON— Wrestling action comes to Dayton this month with the stars of returning for an afternoon of high-flying, slamming and brawling excitement

Professional wrestler and promoter Booker T and Reality of Wrestling presents ROW LIVE! at the Dayton Community Center, 801 S. Cleveland, on Sept. 5 at 4 p.m. Doors open at 3

two-time inductee in the World Wrestling Entertainment Hall of Fame (in 2013 as an individual wrestler and in 2019 with brother and tag-team partner Stevie Ray for their work as Harlem Heat). Wrestling for the WWE, World Championship Wrestling (WCW) and Total Nonstop Action (TNA) Wrestling organizations, Huffman

won 35 championships. Huffman said that he will bring stars from across the country for the event. Clips from the event will also be filmed for the organization's tv show.

ROW was last in Dayton this past May, performing during the Inaugural DayGaCom.

Advance tickets are available online at realityofwrestling.com until 8 a.m. on Sept. 4. After that they will be sold at the door. Tickets purchased online will be e-mailed to the customer during checkout. If a ticket is marked "out of stock" then

that section is sold-out Tickets are \$15 for children \$20 for adults

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## **Barbers Hill ISD faces grooming** issue on First Day of school

36 Students in violation of dress code

BY BOBBY HORN JR.

MONT BELVIEU-Last year the Barbers Hill ISD came under fire for its dress code, specifically its hair grooming policy when senior classman De Andre Arnold was placed into inschool suspension after district officials stated that his dreadlock-style hair violated the district's policy on length.

The district was accused of racism, with Arnold's family claiming that he was targeted because of his ethnicity.

According to Jami Navarre, the district's Director of Community Relations, on Aug. 18 when school resumed 36 students were found in violation of the policy.

The district's Student Handbook states in it's "2021-2022 Barbers Hill ISD Dress and Grooming Code - Secondary." Male students' hair must not extend below the top of a t-shirt collar or be gathered or worn in a style that would allow the hair to extend below the top of a t-shirt collar, below the evebrows, or below the ear lobes when let down." Navarre said that 36 students identified were at the high school violated this policy.

The written policy does have separate categories based on the students ethnicity. Navarre said that the ethnic



breakdown of those who were placed into in-school suspension until the issue could be corrected were 22 "White", 12 "Hispanic" and 2 "Other."

Despite the number of students found in

violation on the first day of school, Navarre said that she does not believe that this was the result of a mass protest against the policy, noting that on the second day of school just eight students were found in violation.

Since the district is only offering a "traditional learning platform," Navarre said, students may not opt for a "remote learning" option if they disagree with the policy.

The district gives parents and caregivers the option of filing for a "religious" or "medical" exemption for the grooming policy. "We absolutely have an exemption form for families to complete," Navarre said.

ership make the final decision on exemptions."

As of press time, the agenda for the September meeting of the Board of Trustees has not been set so it is not known if the board will take up the issue of the grooming policy at that time.
On Aug. 17, 2020, Ar-

nold's family has filed a lawsuit against the district, the school board as a whole and board members  $individually, among \, others \,\\$ on behalf of K.B Arnold, an underclassman who was also told to cut his hair in order to conform to district

Navarre said that "we are not at liberty to discuss" ongoing litigation. She added that she is not aware of any lawsuits that have been filed related to the Aug. 18 incident.

Hair length is not the only area where male and female students are under

District policy states that "Students shall wear shirts, blouses and other types of tops that are appropriate to the learning environment and consistent with the Dress Code. For female students, the design of the top should preserve modesty. Low cut necklines are unacceptable. All tops must cover and not reveal undergarments. No spaghetti straps or strapless tops will be allowed. Tank top straps must measure at least 2 inches in width. For male students, sleeveless or open-arm t-shirts, or muscle shirts are not permitted. Shirt sleeves must have a hem."

Also, female students may wear visible piercings on the ear. Male students are banned from wearing earrings. No student is allowed to wear gauged plugs and/or other objects

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> No advance notice of this closure was given to members of Chambers County Commissioners Court.

The decision to abanduties was made solely by Mrs. Hutter and is di-

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called meeting to discuss this issue with legal council at 2:30 p.m. For more information,

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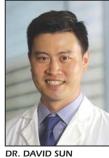
 $BAYTOWN - (August \quad ically, \ that's \ when \ they$ 20, 2021) — Thousands of joint pain sufferers in the U.S. are finding relief thanks to new techniques and technological advances that make hip replacement surgery one of the most common orthopedic

surgical procedures. First introduced in 1960, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality reports more than 450,000 total hip replacements are performed each year in the U.S. Dr. David Sun, a general orthopedics and adult joint reconstruction specialist with Houston Methodist Orthopedics and Sports Medicine at Baytown, says the procedure is recommended for patients struggling with pain that limits everyday activities, such as walking or bending that may be caused by osteoarthritis. rheumatoid arthritis, previous injury or infection in the hip joint. It works to not only relieve pain, but

also to improve mobility. "When patients can't do schedule an appointmen to see if they are a candidate for hip replacement surgery," Sun said. "I only consider doing hip replacements in patients who cannot perform their activities of daily living, such as putting on shoes and socks or going up and down stairs without pain."

Sun offers what's called a direct anterior total hip replacement. "It's a relatively new technique for replacing a worn hip that minimizes down time and speeds recovery with minimal hip precautions after surgery," Sun said. "Patients recover much faster than with the traditional posterior hip approach from the back of the hip.

Direct anterior hip replacement is a minimally invasive surgical technique that involves a three- to four-inch incision on the front of the hip that allows the joint to be replaced by moving muscles aside along their natural tissue planes. Sun says this approach often results



DR. DAVID SUN

in quicker recovery, less pain and more normal function after surgery, and allows patients to return to daily activities shortly after surgery with a reduced risk of dislocation.

Hip replacement surgery has traditionally been viewed as a procedure performed in older patients, but Sun says advances in implant construction and materials make it an option for younger patients as well.

"The actual implants themselves have improved

five to 10 years. Because the implants are lasting longer, patients who are 50 to 55 years old who want to maintain their lifestyle without significant inhibitions may be candidates for the procedure. In the past, the implants would not have lasted long enough and the younger patient would be faced with possibly having to undergo a second procedure at some point," Sun said. "Now, implants wear as little as 0.1mm per year."

Previously, implants lasted about 10 to 15 years. but they are now lasting around 20 to 25 years. In addition to the smaller incisions utilized in direct anterior hip replacement, access to improved pain management and physical therapy protocols help patients get back on their feet quicker and with less pain.

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