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# — IN THE STARS

## **EVENTS**

## SAT. SEP. 11 Rotary Washer Tournament

The Highlands Rotary Club will hold their Annual Washer Board Charity Tournament on Saturday, September 11 from 1 pm to 5pm at Charlie's Ice House on N. Main Street. Twoperson teams are welcome, \$50 entry fee, with three cash prizes for winners. Call 281-426-3558 for information to enter the tournament.

#### TUE. SEP. 14 Wisdom of Preplanning

Seminar
Sterling-White
Funeral Home will hold
a Free Dinner and
Educational Seminar at
7:00pm at Teapot
Depot in Highlands.
See details on Page 3,
or call 281-426-3555
for information and

# Community members concerned about new "Permitless Carry" law

Commissioner Garcia moderates discussion with law enforcement

Harris County Commissioner Adrian Garcia led a discussion last Wednesday, September 1 on the concerns surrounding the new law. The panel consisted of law enforcement officials and domestic violence advocates, among others.

cials want people to make sure they understand the law before doing anything that could put themselves or others in danger. 'Make sure that you un-

Law enforcement offi-

Make sure that you understand the law and make sure you get trained to use that weapon,' Harris County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Toquica said."

With permit-less carry officially going into effect September 1, the state's record shows loosening weapon restrictions only make living in Texas more



Participating in the on-line discussion were (L-R) Houston Police Department Executive Assistant Chief Larry Satterwhite, Pct. 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia (a former Harris County Sheriff), and Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Edison Toquica. The public was invited to call in with their views also.

dangerous

The event was held September 1 which marks the official beginning of legal permit-less public carry of weapons in Texas. Permit-

less carry allows anyone, including untrained individuals, to purchase a gun and walk the streets without having any experience

time previously in their

The discussion centered around both data (see below), as well as powerful

permit-less carry will make Harris County residents less safe. In addition, Garcia listed a partial list of pre-empted actions that cities and counties might previously consider enacting that are now expressly prohibited by state law.

"It's bad enough that the state is using the notion of 'safety' in passing dangerous laws that have proven to make life for Texans more dangerous. They also stop us from taking local measures to address violence," Commissioner Garcia said in his remarks.

The list of prohibited county government measures Commissioner mentioned includes (but is not limited to) the following:

--HARRIS COUNTY CANNOT Mandate safe storage of weapons in vehicles

--HARRIS COUNTY CANNOT Ban weapons in public spaces including parks, community centers, libraries, and government facilities (such as the Tax

Continued. See Permitless

## From Crosby Superintendent Patterson



SUPERINTENDENT PAULA PATTERSON

Hello East Harris County and Crosby ISD families,

We hope you had a safe, healthy, and relaxing Labor Day holiday. I would like to start by thanking everyone who donated items to the school collection drive to benefit our friends, families and neighbors in Louisiana who are just starting to rebuild after Hurricane Ida. Crosby's generosity never ceases to amaze me.

Crosby ISD is marking nearly a month back in school. The energy in our district is proving how crucial it is to have children back in class, learning in person. We're so happy to provide them a sense of normalcy during

Continued. See Superintendent, page 5

## Huge Refinery vessel moved thru Highlands

HIGHLANDS – Residents and drivers were surprised last Saturday morning, September 4, at about 2:00 am, to see a huge refinery vessel being transported through town on Main Street.

Police, utility trucks, and escort vehicles made up a parade of sorts, as they slowly proceeded down Main Street, lifting traffic lights, and moving power lines and street lights that were obstructing the clearances required for the huge vessel

Traffic was closed on both the northbound and southbound sides of Main Street for about an hour as they headed for La Port and the refinery that would receive the vessel.

Several hours later, and miles from Highlands, they passed over the Fred Hartman bridge in Baytown, and also brought traffic to a standstill, at about 4:30 in the morning.

Eventually they turned on to Highway 225 and exited Sens Road in LaPort.



 $\label{thm:moving through Highlands on Main Street, in front of Foodtown.}$ 

## School heads to hold public forum Sept. 17

The community is invited to join a virtual Back to School Panel presented by Lake Houston Area School Districts Update on Friday, September 17, starting at 8:30 a.m.

Local school superintendents will be among six area district leaders invited as special guest speakers. Superintendents include Paula Patterson of Crosby ISD, Dr. Benny Soileau of Huffman ISD, Dr. Elizabeth Fagen of Humble ISD, Kristi Shofner of New Caney ISD, Dr. King Davis of Sheldon ISD, and Dr. LaTonya Goffney of Aldine ISD.

The discussion will center on new schools and initiatives this school year, what came out of the legislative session, and more.

Details to Join: Click on the link to preregister to receive details on how to join virtually: https://bit.ly/3t1uXXR.

The event is sponsoring by Vestpro Residential Services and W Insurance.











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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of 80.0500 per 8100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Harris County Emergency Service District No. 12.

 PROPOSED TAX RATE
 \$0.0500 per \$100

 NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE
 \$0.0498 per \$100

 VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE
 \$0.0515 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 Service District No. 12 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 Service District No. 12 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 Service District No. 12 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 21, 2021 AT

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Harris County Emergency Service District No. 12 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 Service District No. 12 at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned

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:

William B. Anders Larry Helgesen David W. Proctor Frank Staley

AGAINST the proposal:
PRESENT and not

PRESENT and no 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 Service District No. 12 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Emergency Service District No. 12 this year.

	2020	2021	Change	
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.0500	\$0.0500	increase of 0.0000, or 0.00%	
Average homestead taxable value	\$145,124	\$158,775	increase of 13,651, or 9.41%	
Tax on average homestead	\$72.56	\$79.39	increase of 6.83, or 9.41%	
Total tax levy on all properties	\$1,739,980	\$1,751,386	increase of 11,406, or 0.66%	

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Harris County Emergency Service District No. 12 at 713-274-8000 or tax.office@hctx.net, or visit www.hctax.net for more information.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.0500 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50.

ey Service District 703, 30.

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.0500 per \$100

NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$0.0461 per \$100

VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE \$0.0478 per \$100

DE MINIMIS RATE \$0.0535 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 Service District No. 50 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 Service District No 50 may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minim rate for Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50 exceeds the voter-approval rate for Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50.

The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 20, 2021 AT 6:00 PM AT 1210 Dell Dale Ave., Channelview, TX 77530.

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 Service District No. 50 adopts the proposed tax rate, the qualified voters of the Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50 may petition the Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50 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 Service District No. 50 will be the voter-approval tax rate of the Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50.

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

Benjamin Ballew

Alma Cedillo

OR the proposal: Jim Owens
Michael Burr
Brenda Biggers

AGAINST the proposal: PRESENT and not

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 Service District No. 50 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50 this year.

	2020	2021	Change increase of 0.0000, or 0.00%	
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.0500	\$0.0500		
Average homestead taxable value	\$123,287	\$136,879	increase of 13,592, or 11.02%	
Tax on average homestead	\$61.64	\$68.44	increase of 6.80, or 11.03%	
Total tax levy on all properties	\$3,029,448	\$3,398,623	increase of 369,175, or 12-19%	

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Harris County Emergency Service District No. 50 at 713-274-8000 or tax.office@hctx.net, or visit www.hctax.net for more information.

## NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN

#### PERMIT NUMBER 96417

APPLICATION. BDM Metal Coaters, LLC, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 96417, which would authorize continued operation of the Metal Coil Abrasive Blasting and Surface Coating located at 13855 Industrial Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77015. 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 application. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.752889&Ing=-95.179732&zoom=13&type=r. The existing facility is authorized to emit the following air contaminants:

carbon monoxide, hazardous air pollutants, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less and sulfur dioxide.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on August 10, 2021. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Houston regional office, and the Pleasantville Neighborhood Library, 1520 Gellhorn Drive, Houston, Harris County, Texas beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Houston regional office of the TCEO.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant

not previously emitted. The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

PUBLIC COMMENT. You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** You may request a contested case hearing.

The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues submitted during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a

contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you 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 below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at <a href="https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/">www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/</a>, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. 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. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program 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 from BDM Metal Coaters, LLC, P.O. Box 24745, Houston, Texas 77229-4745 or by calling Mrs. Crystal Santos, Admin & Projects Supervisor, at (713) 400-2308.

Notice Issuance Date: August 13, 2021



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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, 2021

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

"We welcome the opportunity to care for you

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## Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 213-A will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2021 on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 12:00 PM at the offices of Coats Rose P.C. located at 9 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1000, Houston, TX 77046 and also by call-in at 1 (877) 746-4263, participant code: 2750357#. 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: James Coursey, Meredith Schaffer, W. Fritz Maxwell, Enrique Guajardo AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None ABSENT: Jacob Saour

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.

Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	* Last Year \$1.45000 /\$100 Adopted		This Year \$1.45000 /\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)		\$0.00000 /\$100 0.00%	
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$0.00		\$231,474.00
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0.00		\$0.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$0.00		\$231,474.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$0.00		\$3,356.37
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$3,356.37 0.00%	

## 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 8 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 voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

\* There were no residential homesteads on either January 1, 2020 or January 1 2021, therefore the tax that would have been imposed on a residential homestead of \$0.00.

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.

Should you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact the tax office at 281-482-9216.

The Property Tax Assistance Division at the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts provides property tax information and resources for taxpayers, local taxing entities, appraisal districts and appraisal review boards.

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Desserts of The Week: Strawberry 4 Layer & Bread Pudding \$3.95 each

TUESDAY: Chicken Pot Pie, Garden Salad & a mini muffir

Family Meal \$46.00 & Single \$10.95

WEDNESDAY: Mississippi Pot Roast over mashed potatoes, topped with carrots & fresh Green beans, Served with rolls & cupcakes Family Meal \$55.00 & Single \$12.50

THURSDAY: Stuffed Bell Pepper Casserole, Corn, Garlic Bread & Chocolate 4

Layer Graham cracker Trifle

Family Meal \$49.00 & Single \$11.95

FRIDAY: Bacon Cheeseburger tator tot casserole, garlic bread & apples dusted with cinnamon and sugar

Family Meal \$43 00 & Single \$10 95

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## Permitless Carry Concerns,

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Assessors offices)

-HARRIS COUNTY CANNOT Force background checks on weapons purchased in county facilities such as convention

-HARRIS COUNTY CANNOT Require licens-

-HARRIS COUNTY CANNOT Disallow weapons at performance spaces (such as Wortham Center, Miller Outdoor Theater and Discovery Green)

"It's clear that we are on our own. Harris County. Texas state leaders, beholden to fears of primary challenges are more con-cerned with their political future than you being able to go to your kids' ballgame without fear of being shot," said Commissioner Adrian Garcia as he closed out his

Representatives from local law enforcement agencies expressed their concern for the new reality that almost anyone they interact with could be carrying a weapon legally.

When you carry a gun, you are taking on a huge responsibility because you are suddenly capable of taking another life in the blink of an eye. Even with all the training those of us in law enforcement receive, we often make splitsecond decisions that are second guessed and closely scrutinized," said Harris County Sheriff's Office

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Chief Deputy Edison Toquica, "sometimes, peace officers with the best training still make poor decihave life-long consequenc-

Houston Police Department Executive Assistant Chief Larry Satterwhite focused his comments on encouraging the public to educate themselves about permit-less carry and remarked that HPD still suggests weapons training, even though that's no longer required.

"We are asking for gun responsibility so that guns

don't fall into the hands of a criminal," said Satterwhite Area non-profits that

are focused on the issue of public safety in attendance included the gun safety group, Moms Demand Action. They focus its efforts on helping businesses keep weapons out of their establishments, should they choose to do so. "We can minimize the impact of this deadly law by helping business owners stop people from carrying loaded handguns with no background check and no safety training in their establishments.'

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## Crosby Superintendent,

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these challenging times. There's nothing more important to us than keeping our students and staff members safe and focused on classroom instruction.

Since my last letter to the community, we've testing site behind Crosby High School. We realized families in our Crosby communities could not find a testing site that was close, free or easily available. Since August 27th, hundreds of people have been tested. The testing site is open seven days a week, 9am-7pm. Anyone is welcome to be tested, insured or not. I hope this community ser vice brings some peace of mind as we enter the fall

Last month, the Crosby ISD Board of Trustees voted to approve a special leave policy for COVID-19 cases among staff. For employees who miss work after a positive COVID-19 test, the district will provide days for half of the time an employee is out, up to 5 days. The Board approved the special leave, as a gesture to say 'Thank You' to our dedicated and determined

Next week, we launch a new awards program called "Cougar Excellence." We'll honor the best among Crosby ISD students and staff, from children who demonstrate Crosby values at each campus to the teachers. bus drivers and cust ans who go above and beyond each day. We want their contributions – during classes, on the ride home, in the evenings and after school - to be celebrated.

We have a full schedule

of athletic events coming up. Crosby High School varsity football team stitutional hosts their first home game of the season on September 10. This is our first home game since becoming 2020 state finalists. Crosby's volleyball and tennis teams are also hosting matches September 10. At Cougar Stadium and at all our sporting events, you'll see firsthand what makes our Crosby/Barrett Station communities so great: hard work, a sense of purpose and achievement. I'll be in the stands tomorrow night, and I hope to see you there too.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Explanatory Statements for the November 2, 2021 **Constitutional Amendment Election** 

#### Proposition Number 1 (HJR 143)

HJR 143 proposes a constitutional amendment expanding the circumstances in which a professional sports team charfoundation may itable conduct raffles to raise money for the foundation's charitable purposes. The proposed amendment would allow professional sports team charitable foundations of organizations sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association or the Women's Professional Rodeo Association to hold charitable raffles at rodeo

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "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 Number 2 (HJR 99)

HJR 99 proposes a constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to authorize a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area within the county and to pledge for repayment of those bonds or notes increases in property tax revenues imposed on property in the area by the county. The Texas Constitution gives the legislature the power to authorize an incorporated city or town to issue such bonds or notes but does not expressly give the legislature the power to grant that same authority to counties. The proposed amendment which time the person's also provides that a county license to practice law has that issues bonds or notes not been revoked, suspendfor transportation improveed, or subject to a probated ments may not pledge for suspension. the repayment of those bonds or notes more than 65 percent of the increases in ad valorem tax revenues each year, and a county may not use proceeds from the bonds or notes to finance the construction,

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a county to finance the development or redevelopment of transportation or infrastructure in unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted areas in the county.'

operation, maintenance.

or acquisition of rights-of-

way of a toll road.

#### **Proposition Number 3** (SJR 27)

SJR 27 proposes a conamendment barring the State of Texas or a political subdivision from enacting, adopting, or issuing a statute, order, proclamation, decision, or rule that prohibits or limits religious services. The proposed amendment would apply to religious services, including those conducted in churches, congregations, and places of worship, in the state by a religious organization established to support and serve the propagation of

a sincerely held religious belief.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit this state or a political subdivision of this state from prohibiting or limiting religious services of religious organizations.

#### **Proposition Number 4** (SJR 47)

SJR 47 proposes a con-

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inal Appeals, a justice of a court of appeals, and a district judge. The proposed amendment provides that a person is eligible to serve on the Supreme Court if the person, among other qualifications, is licensed to practice law in Texas: is a resident of Texas at the time of election; has been either a practicing lawyer licensed in Texas for at least ten years or a practicing lawyer licensed in Texas and a judge of a state court or county court established by the legislature for a combined total of at least ten years; and during that time has not had the person's license to practice law revoked, suspended, or subject to a probated suspension. The same eligibility requirements would apply to a judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals and to a justice of a court of appeals. The proposed amendment further provides that to be eligible for appointment or election as a district judge, a person must be a resident of Texas; be licensed to practice law in Texas; and have been a practicing lawyer or a judge of a court in Texas, or both combined, for eight years preceding the person's election, during

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment changing the eligibility requirements for a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of criminal anpeals, a justice of a court of appeals, and a district judge.'

#### **Proposition Number 5** (HJR 165)

HJR 165 proposes a constitutional amendment allowing the State Commission on Judicial Conduct (SCJC) to accept complaints or reports, conduct investigations, and take any other authorized action with respect to a candidate for a state judicial office. Currently, the Texas Constitution only permits the SCJC to take such actions as to persons holding a judicial office.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing additional powers to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct with respect to candidates for judicial office."

## **Proposition Number 6**

(SJR 19)

SJR 19 proposes a constitutional amendment es

tablishing that residents of certain facilities have the right to designate an essential caregiver with whom the facility may not prohibit in-person visitation. The proposed amendment would apply to a nursing facility, assisted living facility, intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability, residence providing home and community-based services, or state supported living center. The proposed amendment also would authorize the legislature to provide guidelines for these facilities to follow in establishing essential caregiver visitation policies and procedures.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment establishing a right for residents of certain facilities to designate an essential caregiver for in-person visitation.'

#### **Proposition Number 7** (HJR 125)

HJR 125 proposes a constitutional amendmen permitting a person who is 55 years of age or older at the time of death of their spouse who is receiving a limitation on school district property taxes on their residence homestead on the basis of a disability to continue receiving the limitation while the property remains the surviving spouse's residence home-

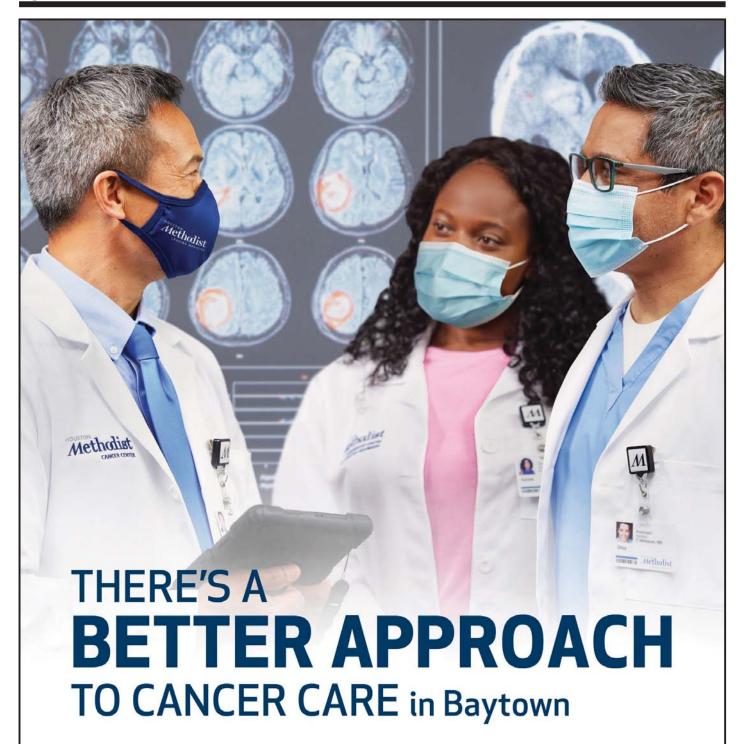
The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow the surviving spouse of a person who is disabled to receive a limitation on the school district ad valorem taxes on the spouse's residence homestead if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of the person's

#### **Proposition Number 8** (SJR 35)

SJR 35 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the United States armed services who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty. The Texas Constitution provides a property tax exemption to the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services who is killed in action, but the current exemption does not include members of the military who die during their service due to injuries sustained that are not combat-related.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "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 duty."

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# Eagles open season with new, familiar faces

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Mont Belvieu native

serves aboard USS Iwo By Stephanie Fox, Navy Office of

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# BARBERS HILL FOOTBALL

By BOBBY HORN JR.

MONT BELVIEU-A new era in Barbers Hill High football began Aug. 27 when the Blue and White charged into Eagle Stadium to face Katy Paetow in their season open-

Fans welcomed a new face to the sidelines in Athletic Director and Head Varsity Coach Carl Asbeck. Asbeck came to Barbers Hill in June to fill a vacancy left by Tom Westerberg. Asbeck previously served at Cedar Park, where he compiled a 71-10 record including a state championship in 2015. His team was also a state finalist in 2020.

"It's been awesome," Asbeck said of the community's support since his family arrived at Barbers Hill. "They have welcomed me and my family and made us feel at home." His wife Audra is a nurse with a district and their daughter plays volleyball at the high school.

Asbeck said that he was excited about the team that will take the field this

He said they have a strong core of returning starters on both the offensive and defensive lines who will be able to help the newer players adapt to the added pressure of playing on Friday night.

Anchoring the offense will a familiar face in second year starting quarterback Brent Holden. "He is an outstanding athlete and well-rounded player," Asbeck noted. Holden is also a member of the 2020-2021State Championship baseball team, where he posted a 7-0 record on the mound.

Holden will be joined by returning running back Garrett Hagler. "He (Hagler) had a great fall camp. He is a talented kid."

On the defensive side of the ball, last year's District 21-5A Newcomer of the Year Theron Pierre will be back at corner.

Asbeck said that Eagle fans can expect to see a lot of high-flying action as he brings an offensive system that will be a 65/35 pass to run ratio. "It's going to be a little air raid and a little run and shoot," he added, noting that Hagler is not



CARL ASBECK

only an effective runner but had great hands.

He said that he could not be happier with the way the team has responded in preparing for the season, noting that it is often challenging when a new coach steps in to take the

"I've got nothing but praise for them (the players)," he said. "They show up at six in the morning, they stay after school. They have a great attitude and they have been working hard.

Last year the Eagles fin-

ished with a 6-5 record, 5-2 in district which earned them third place and a bidistrict playoff spot.

Asbeck knows this season's district opponents will not be pushovers. Last year's district leader, Nederland, was 9-3 on the season, going three deep into the playoffs. Crosby was 12-4, advancing to the state finals. Nederland and Crosby each posted a 6-1 district record, but Nederland won the face to face, putting Crosby in second place.

Both teams are expected to bring back starters from last year's squads.

While Port Neches-Groves and Texas City struggled last year (posting 5-6 and 4-6 records respectively) Asheck said that they had young teams and he expects more out of them this year. "There is no one on the schedule that you could point to and say, 'that's a win'." Even Dayton, who was 0-10 last year could upset their opponents. "When you play with a lot of youth, anything can happen."

The Eagles were unable to avenge last year's 21-20 loss to Katy Paetow, losing their home opener 41-20.

This week the team hits the road, traveling to Port Arthur-Memorial with Houston Heights following next week. Both games will have 7 p.m. kickoffs.

After an off week on Sept. 17, they open their district campaign at home against Kingwood Park. This will be a Thursday night game, also kicking off at 7 p.m. (Sept. 23).

All other games will be

gin at 7:30 p.m. Their next home game will come Oct. 1 against Crosby. During the game this year's inductees into the Hall of Honor will be recognized.

They will then travel to Port-Neches Groves. The Blue and White will return to Eagle Stadium Oct. 15 to face Santa Fe for the Homecoming Game. Then they will travel east to Nederland.

The Eagles final home game will the Battle of 146 against Dayton for Senior Night. Barbers Hill closes out the regular season at Texas City.

## Pro wrestling returns to Dayton

By BOBBY HORN JR.

DAYTON— Wrestling action came to Dayton this month with the stars of Reality of Wrestling 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.

Booker T. Huffman is a 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 To tal 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



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Coronary artery disease occurs when the arteries of the heart become narrow and harden, which can lead to blockages and blood clots. Several factors, including genetics, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, poor diet, physical inactivity and smoking may contribute to the disease. Muppi-

BAYTOWN - (August di said recognizing the 27, 2021) — Heart disease presence of risk factors and symptoms is crucial in avoiding a medical emergency such as a heart at-The Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates more than 600,000 Americans die of heart disease each year and over 15 million have been diagnosed with coronary artery disease the most common type of heart disease. In Texas, an estimated 1.5 million people are living with the disease. Muppidi emphasizes that many lives are lost each year due to complications from undiagnosed heart disease.

"Angina, whose symptoms include chest pains with exertion or after having a meal or after exposure to cold, is the most commonly reported symptom of coronary artery disease, but symptoms can vary from patient to patient." Muppidi said. "For example, in some female and diabetic patients, the typical pattern of angina is



not experienced, and chest pains may be replaced by symptoms such as arm, neck and shoulder pain, shortness of breath, nausea, or episodes of sweating.

Muppidi said being mindful of lifestyle behaviors, such as improving your diet, maintaining a healthy weight, and managing conditions like diabetes, high blood pressure and high cholesterol, is the best strategy for avoiding

"Recognizing their risk

primary care physician regularly to get screened for medical conditions that may lead to the disease is the most important thing patients can do," Muppidi said. "If patients have symptoms, I recommend scheduling a stress test and following up with their primary care physician, especially if there's a family history of the disease."

Coronary artery disease treatment options include medications to help lower cholesterol levels and high blood pressure and surgery to insert a tiny device called a stent to open blocked arteries.

"The spectrum of the disease presents itself differently for many people. It could signal its presence with a heart attack in people who weren't aware they had any blockage," Muppidi said. "Seeing your doctor before any problems arise is a very good idea.'

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