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IN THE STARS

EVENTS

**FRI. DEC. 3
Crosby Football
Playoff Tickets**

To purchase tickets, go to this link: <https://lufkinisd.hometownticketing.com/embed/all>

**DEC. 2, 3, 4
CUIC Christmas
Pop-Up Shop**

The Grand Sale. Something Old, Something New just in time for your Christmas Gift List! American Legion Hall, FM2100, Crosby. See Page 3 for details on Hours, and times for FREE Admission.

**SAT. DEC. 4
Crosby Historical
Society**

2:00pm, Talk on "From Humble Beginnings" about the life of Ross Sterling. Guest Speaker Mark Stasney. At Crosby Brethren Church Fellowship Building, 5202 Church Street, Crosby.

**SAT. DEC. 4
Crosby Christmas
Festival**

FESTIVAL 1:00pm-5:00pm, Crosby Church Hwy 90, Crosby. Market, Entertainment, SANTA with photos 2pm-4pm, Petting Zoo, Hayride, more. LIGHTED PARADE 6:00pm FM2100 starting at Crosby Middle School.

**TUES. DEC. 7
Highlands SANTA
Arrival**

SANTA arrives on a Fire Truck, 5:00pm at Highlands Park and Gazebo. Hot Chocolate by the Rotary Club. Decorated Trees line the walkway.

BIRTHDAYS

- Dec 1- Andrew Guerrero
- Dec 3-Evelyn Deck
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- Dec 4-Larry Kelley
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- Dec 7-Leslie Coward
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Becky Smith
- Dec 8-Barbara Glaze
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- Dec 2-Robert & Nelda
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- Dec 11-Kevin & Sandra
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- Dec 12-Jim & Patsy
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CROSBY FOOTBALL

**Cougar win over A&M Consolidated
53-50 sends team to Semifinals**

By Gilbert Hoffman

CROSBY – The community was thrilled with the Cougar victory over the A&M Consolidated team from College Station, played last Friday night at the Cy Fair ISD stadium in Houston. Crosby won by a score of 53-50, holding on to a lead that was challenged by the Tigers in the last few minutes of the game.

The Cougars, with a record now of 11-2 overall, and 7-0 in District play, will move on to the Quarterfinals this Friday, and play Texarkana's Texas Tigers at 7:30pm at Abe Martin Stadium in Lufkin. The Texas record is 12-0 overall, and 7-0 in District



After their victory over A&M Consolidated, the team holds up the winning Quarterfinals match, in UIL 5A-D2 Region III matchup. Next the team goes plays the Semifinals against the Texarkana Texas Tigers.

play. Crosby had to stop a late drive by A&M in the fourth quarter, to hold the lead and win the game. Senior Kameron Kirkwood intercepted two passes, and scored a touchdown in the last quarter to help bring victory to the Cougars. Crosby played a strong offensive game, with a total of 500 yards gained, 316 passing and



CROSBY STARTING OFFENSIVE PLAYERS include #4 Branden Womack, #2 Luke Smith, #6 Karson Larkin, #7 Kristian Roberson, and #10 Cyrin Myles. Congratulations, and GO COUGS!

184 rushing. Four players were named for their outstanding

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Crosby Superintendent's message to the community

Hello East Harris County and Crosby ISD families,

What an exciting time to be a Crosby Cougar! I hope you had a restful Thanksgiving. December is a busy month ahead for Crosby ISD. So, let's jump right in with what's happening.

Some students are gearing up for STAAR End-of-Course testing later this month at Crosby High School. Testing will take place Tuesday, December 7 – Monday, December 13. Not all students will test; families will be notified if their student is testing.

I will convene the second meeting of the Superintendent's Cougar Council on Tuesday, December 14th. Twelve stu-



SUPERINTENDENT PATTERSON CELEBRATES COUGAR WIN WITH COACH PRIETO

dents – third grade through senior – are invited to lunch each quarter to share their thoughts about their campuses and the district. I value the unfettered opinions from whom

I consider to be our biggest stakeholders. Our first meeting brought forth several great ideas, including a weekly district-wide newsletter to inform our communities of the weekly events at each of our campuses.

I couldn't be prouder of our Crosby High School varsity football team. They are on their way to battle Texas High in the Regional championship playoff round. This season, under Athletic Director / Head Coach Jerry Prieto, is already one for the record books. The team made school history in the first playoff

round by setting two new scoring records. The Cougars defeated Houston Madison 72-36; the most points ever scored in any Crosby varsity football game and the most points scored in a playoff game. This team is also the first Crosby team to become Area and Regional Semifinal champions in back-to-back years. We've also tied the record for most consecutive wins at 11 (tied with the 2015 record). We hope to break that record as we enter the fourth round of the playoffs.

Our winter sports are also well underway. The boys' basketball team includes two starters – both of whom have scholarships to play college ball. Sean Elkinton and P.J. Hagerty are dominating on the

hardwood. In fact, during the Thanksgiving break, Hagerty scored 59 points in one game. I'm excited to see where the team takes us. The girls' basketball team also includes two starters with college careers on the horizon: Cortini and Caitlin Harris. The Crosby High School swim teams are also highly competitive this season. Springs sports are just around the corner, and we love our chances with the CHS softball and baseball teams.

Crosby ISD is looking ahead to the next academic year. We're inviting community members to share input about our 2022-2023 Academic Calendar. This

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Holiday Events, Parades, and SANTA, coming to Highlands and Crosby

CROSBY/HIGHLANDS – This Saturday Santa comes to Crosby, heralding the beginning of the Christmas season and the approach of many other thrilling seasonal events.

The season begins at Crosby Church, with a Christmas Festival sponsored by the Crosby-Huffman Chamber of Commerce. It will be held from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at 5725 Hwy 90 in Crosby. Planned events include a Christmas Market, Entertainment, an appearance



Santa with Miss Highlands at the Memorial Park in Highlands last year.

by Holly the Elf, a Petting Zoo starting at 2:00pm, a Hayride (remember them), a balloon artist and more.

You will be able to have your picture taken with SANTA and get a goody bag from 2:00 to 4:00pm. There will also be free Hot Dogs, Popcorn, and Cotton Candy for attendees small and large.

And then at 6:00pm, back in town there will be a Christmas Parade! The parade starts and finishes at the Middle School, travels up FM2100 and First Street to Wahl, and then returns.

Also on Saturday, the CUIC (Churches United in Caring) will open their Pop-Up Shop for Christmas shopping, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. It is located at the Ameri-

can Legion Hall, 14890 FM2100 near the Fairgrounds. It will also be open before that, on Thursday Dec. 2 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm, and on Friday Dec. 3 from 2:00pm to 8:00pm.

HIGHLANDS
Highlands is welcoming Santa Tuesday, December 7 at 5:00 p.m. He will arrive on a fire truck to chat with local kids about what they want for Christmas, sponsored by the Highlands-Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce and the

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★ OPINION PAGE ★

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Gary Borders



Samsung taps Taylor for new semiconductor plant

Electronic giant Samsung announced last week that it will build a new semiconductor manufacturing facility in the Central Texas town of Taylor, about 40 miles north-east of Austin. The \$17 billion investment will be the largest foreign direct investment in Texas to date and brings the company's total investment in the state to \$35 billion.

Samsung already operates a facility in Austin, its lone U.S. manufacturing plant. The deal was helped along with a \$27 million Texas Enterprise Fund grant, according to Gov. Greg Abbott's office. In addition, city, county and school district officials put together incentive packages worth of hundreds of millions of dollars, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

The project will create more than 2,000 high-tech jobs, thousands of indirect jobs and at least 6,500 construction jobs. Construction is slated to begin early next year with a target completion date in the second half of 2024.

"Samsung Austin Semiconductor has been proud to call Texas home for more than 25 years," said Dr. Sang Sup Jeong, president of Samsung Austin Semiconductor. "We are excited about our growth and future opportunities in Central Texas and appreciate the support from all Central Texas leaders."

WINTER STORM URI'S IMPACT ON PINE TREES STUDIED

The damage caused by Winter Storm Uri to the state's trees is still being assessed. While many hard-



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Gary Borders

woods whose crowns turned brown after several days of bitter cold have recovered, pine trees in East Texas are now suffering from an invasion of beetles. The beetles attack both stressed and healthy pine trees, but can only successfully invade severely stressed pine trees, such as those recovering from Uri.

"Looking back at the past nine months, the fact that these beetles are now taking center stage in the decline and death of our pine trees is inevitable," said Allen Smith of the forest service. "Uri was a major stressor of trees, and the following extended droughty conditions throughout the pine regions of East Texas added additional stress."

Standing beetle-killed trees should be removed and burned or otherwise disposed of to stop the emergence of beetles. Smith said the best-case scenario for pine trees is for a wet winter in East Texas so that trees have ample soil moisture when they start growing again in the spring.

STATE TO GET \$408 MILLION FOR CHARGING STATIONS

Texas is slated to receive \$408 million for electric car charging stations under the recently passed federal infrastructure plan and could apply for additional grants, according to The Dallas Morning News. The money comes under a Biden administration plan to shift half of passenger vehicle sales in the U.S. to electric vehicles by 2030.

The state needs more than 14,000 charging stations to support the number of electric vehicles projected to be traveling on Texas roadways by 2030, according to a 2018 report from Environment Texas. The state had just over 52,000 registered electric vehicles as of last June, according to the Morning News story.

COVID-19 CASES DROP, AS DO DEATHS

While new cases of COVID-19 are spiking again in the Upper Midwest and Northeast, the number in Texas dropped during the past week to 14,745 — down 36% from the previous week. The number of new deaths reported in Texas by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University in the past week totaled 254, down 57% from the previous week.

However, the number of hospitalizations of lab-confirmed COVID-19 patients in the state was virtually unchanged at 2,681, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

The number of Texas who are fully vaccinated contin-



ues to inch upward, with 15,838 million reported by DSHS as of Sunday. That is 54.3% of the state's total population.

Still, while noting hospitalizations are at their lowest levels in many months, officials are still cautious. "We're certainly in a better place right now than we have been in quite a while," Chris Van Deusen, spokesperson for the Texas Department of State Health Services, told the Texas Tribune. "But we are sort of starting to see things change again. And you know, if there's one thing we know about this pandemic, it's that it's going to keep changing."

Meanwhile, another variant of COVID-19 named "Omicron" has been discovered in South Africa and several other countries. Experts are concerned that the new variant may spread more aggressively than previous versions and could prove to be resistant to current vaccines.

EXPERTS URGE TEXANS TO GET FLU SHOTS

A resurgence of influenza this winter is overdue, and Texans are urged to get vaccinated.

"Flu is overdue right now," Dr. Donald Murphey, an Austin pediatric infectious disease specialist and chair of

the Texas Medical Association Council on Science and Public Health, told the Texas Newsroom.

"We should be concerned about flu returning. Flu is here every year consistently and last year, with mitigation for COVID, we didn't have a flu season at all," he said.

Murphey added that this year's flu season could be

even worse as the decline in COVID-19 cases leads to an increase in public gatherings with fewer people wearing masks. The Texas Medical Association encourages flu shots for everyone 6 months of age and older. TMA says Texans can safely get vaccinated for the flu and COVID-19 at the same time.

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ON THE HILL

Nerd Con in MB Dec. 4

Nerd Con Is Back!

The Chambers County Library System in partnership with the City of Mont Belvieu, Eastern Rim Funny Book & Vintage Con, and Nerd Fest brings back Nerd Con. Nerd Con will be a day filled with games, panels, vendors, celebrity guests, and more. The event will take place Saturday, December 4 at Eagle Pointe Recreation Complex in Mont Belvieu. Free to park and attend!

Baytown Symphony Christmas Concert Dec. 4

Baytown Symphony Orchestra (BSO), Dec. 4th, 2021, 7:30 p.m., Lee College Performing Arts Center (PAC) "Christmas in Baytown" featuring the Southeast Texas Choral Society Chorus (STCS). Music: Shostakovich's "Festive Overture," from the Nutcracker Suite, Tchaikovsky's "Pas de deux," Music R.R. Bennett's "Many Moods of Christmas" made famous by the Robert Shaw Chorale, > Disney's "Frozen," and many more holiday musical favorites. General Admission tickets are available at the PAC Box Office (805 W. Texas Ave., Baytn. at <www.lee.edu/pac>; or phone > 281.425.6255. Elementary, secondary and college students may receive free admission at the Box Office (5:00-7:30PM) before the concert. BSO's Conductor, Clarence Frank, is also the Director of the STCS.

Chambers Landfill Holiday Schedule

Please make note of the following adjusted holiday hours of operation for the Chambers County Landfill and Box Sites. Thanksgiving Day - All Facilities Closed Christmas Eve - All Facilities Closed Christmas Day - All Facilities Closed Thank you and have a happy holiday season.

Community expresses support for the Annual JDRF Gala Jan. 15th

Pilot Club of Baytown Supports JDRF Gala



BAYTOWN — (November 16, 2021) — The Pilot Club of Baytown presented a \$500 donation on Friday, November 12 in support of the 2022 JDRF Gala. The organization is a long-time supporter of the gala that benefits the JDRF's mission of supporting diabetes patients and their families by funding research into new therapies and community programs. Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital is a sponsor of the event. Pilot Club members Judy Wheat, second from left, and Carolyn Parrish, second from right, presented the donation to gala committee members Houston Methodist Baytown's Director of Business Development Laurie Terry, far right, and Rod Evans, Sr. marketing specialist. The JDRF Gala, "Wild About a Cure," is scheduled for January 15, 2022 at Houston's Royal Sonesta Hotel and features dinner, a silent auction and dancing. This year's honoree is Shane Clausen. For information on sponsorship opportunities and tickets, contact Terry at 281-420-8459, or laterry@houstonmethodist.org.

Houston Methodist Hospital Baytown

Preventing Respiratory Illness

BAYTOWN — (November 23, 2021) — With November designated as National Lung Cancer Awareness Month, Dr. Houssam Oueini, a pulmonologist with Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital, emphasizes that taking good care of your lungs can improve your quality of life and protect against respiratory illnesses.

Oueini said the COVID-19 pandemic, in addition to the seasonal flu and other respiratory illnesses that affect the lungs, has brought renewed attention to the importance of improving respiratory health and recognizing serious symptoms.

"Anyone can have mild to severe symptoms with either COVID-19 or flu. More serious complications from respiratory illness are a bigger issue for older adults and anyone who may have underlying health conditions. Yet, it's possible to experience severe symptoms at any age," Oueini said.

Monitor your symptoms if you're not feeling well:

- Mild symptoms include having a low-grade fever, nasal congestion, runny nose, sore throat, mild cough and mild body aches. What to do: Get

tested for COVID-19. Stay home and isolate yourself from others to avoid spreading illness, even if you test negative for COVID-19.

- Moderate symptoms include fever over 100.4 F, persistent cough, temporary shortness of breath and feeling like you need to stay in bed. What to do: Get tested for COVID-19 and contact your doctor about worsening symptoms.

- Severe symptoms include difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, wheezing, pain or pressure in the chest, confusion, trouble staying awake and bluish lips or face. What to do: Seek emergency medical care for severe respiratory symptoms.

Mild cases of respiratory illness can often be managed with rest, fluids and fever-reducing medicines at home. However, don't wait to see a doctor if you're in a high-risk group and experiencing worsening symptoms. Mild or moderate symptoms can quickly become severe for older adults and those who have heart disease, diabetes, cancer or chronic respiratory problems.

MANAGE YOUR HEALTH

David and Bennie Kadjar Support JDRF

BAYTOWN — (November 29, 2021) — Having grown up in Baytown from an early age, David and Bennie Kadjar nurture a deep desire to give back to the community they love.

While both Bennie and David attended the University of Texas at Austin, they returned to Baytown upon graduation to raise their family and have never left. Married for 58 years, the Kadjars are always willing to offer a helping hand to their friends and neighbors, including serving as long time sponsors of the annual JDRF Gala.

"Our support of the JDRF gala is the result of us knowing many families dealing daily with diabetes," David Kadjar said. "Juvenile diabetes is so challenging for families and can quickly deplete their resources. We hope the JDRF's research will help alleviate some of those pressures and ultimately find ways to slow the development of the disease or, better yet, find a cure."

The annual JDRF Gala, "Wild About a Cure," is scheduled for January 15, 2022 at Houston's Royal Sonesta Hotel. Featuring dinner, a silent auction and dancing, the event benefits the JDRF's mission of supporting diabetes patients and their families by funding research into new therapies and community programs. Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital is a sponsor of the event.

David, a real estate developer, and Bennie, who served as office manager in the firm until her recent retirement, have sponsored the JDRF gala since 2005. They share the belief that many families lack the resources and support systems to deal with the challenges created by juvenile diabetes and increasing awareness to those struggles is the first step toward providing help.

"The annual gala supported by the Baytown area continues to be a successful source for improving awareness, which may lead to increased funding and research that can help make life better for so many in our community," Kadjar said.

The gala has earned a reputation over the years for featuring a wide variety of unique and exciting silent auction items, most of which are provided by area residents and businesses. This year's items include group wine tasting packages, Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo tickets, group golf packages, Houston Rockets tickets, jewelry and much more. This year's honoree is Shane Clausen.

For information on sponsorship opportunities or tickets, contact Laurie Terry, Houston Methodist Baytown director of business development, at 281-420-8459 or laterry@houstonmethodist.org.



BONNIE AND DAVID KADJAR



DR. HOUSSAM OUEINI

CONDITIONS

If you have chronic respiratory conditions, such as asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), it's important to manage the condition closely with your doctor.

"There are things we are doing to reduce exposure risk for patients, including telehealth appointments and video visits," said Oueini.

Oueini recommends taking steps like getting regular exercise, quitting smoking and vaping and minimizing exposure to allergens to keep your lungs healthy.

STAY HEALTHY

"The best thing everyone can do to help protect each other is to follow recommended respiratory

practices," said Oueini.

Staying vigilant with tips, like staying home from work or school if you feel sick, practicing social distancing, getting a flu shot, wearing a mask in public and washing hands often, helps prevent the spread of illness.

LUNG CANCER SCREENING

A written order is required for all lung cancer screening procedures. Testing may be recommended if you meet the following criteria:

- Age 55-74 years
- No current signs or symptoms of lung cancer
- Tobacco smoking history of at least 30 pack-years (calculated by multiplying the number of packs smoked per day by the number of years smoked)
- Current smoker or former smoker who has quit within the last 15 years
- Have NOT had a chest CT scan in the last year

"I refer many of my patients to our Lung Cancer Screening Program to help detect lung cancer at its earliest stage when treatment options are more effective," said Dr. Greg Terry, a primary care phy-

sician with Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital. "Having access to this state-of-the-art program right here in Baytown is a great resource for my patients who don't want to leave town for their screening."

For more information on the Lung Cancer Screening Program, call 713-441-LUNG (5864) or visit houstonmethodist.org/lung-screening.

The experts with Houston Methodist Lung Associates at Baytown—Dr. Oueini, Skantha Manjunath, MD and Dr. Shawn Tittle—provide care for a wide range of respiratory conditions, such as asthma, COPD, pulmonary fibrosis and emphysema. For more information and to schedule an appointment, visit houstonmethodist.org/baytown, or call 281-428-4510.

Houston Methodist Baytown is designated as a COVID-19 vaccine hub and provides first dose shots as well as boosters for those meeting FDA and CDC guidelines. Walk-ins are welcome, but you may also schedule an appointment by visiting houstonmethodist.org/vaccine.

100oaks Event Center holds ribbon cutting and Grand Opening



The Hundred Oaks Event Center held a ribbon cutting and Grand Opening last Tuesday, Nov. 30 at their facility in Crosby. Hundreds toured the building, the adjacent chapel, and the 100 acre site with woods and reflecting pond. Above, the proud new management at the ceremony.



A large crowd turned out for the ribbon cutting, hosted by the Crosby/Huffman Chamber of Commerce. The center was formerly the Southern Lace Estates. It is available for events such as weddings, fund-raisers, and Holiday parties. Contact Vanessa Gomez at 832-497-1531 for a tour or to reserve your event. More information is available at www.thehundredoaks.com.

Holiday Events,

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Highlands Fire Dept. Free Hot Chocolate and cookies will be served by the Rotary Club of Highlands. This annual tradition goes back over 30 years.

Santa will be at the Gazebo in the Park, for pic-

tures with Santa and for children to tell him their wishes for Christmas. The Avenue of Trees, decorated by local organizations and families, will also be lit up to add to the Holiday spirit.

Message from the Superintendent,

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is the first step in the process to create next year's calendar to meet the needs of the district and our communities. Your feedback is valuable, so please take a moment to fill out this survey at: www.crosbyisd.org/calendarsurvey

December can be a month filled with the busyness of the holiday season.

I hope you can take a few moments this month to re-center and re-focus. Our staff at Crosby ISD will continue daily instruction through the end of the semester, and we'll start the new year off with renewed vigor for the high-quality instruction for which our district is known.

This is Now! Go Coogs!

Crosby Cougars win over A&M Consolidated, 53-50

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ing play: Players of the Game were Special Teams Trevor Helburg: Overall performance, Kameron Kirkwood; Defensive Player McCoy Casey; and Offensive Player Cyrin Miles. QB Cyrin Miles had a total of 351 yards advanced. He was 13 for 21 passing with 239 yards, and also rushed 24 times for 112 yards.

Also notable was a half-back pass by Luke Smith for a gain of 69 yards.

Coach Jerry Prieto said "I am proud of our guys for staying in the fight" when A&MC challenged late in the game, but the Cougars held them off.

In the first half, the Cougar offense performed well, with a number of runs along the perimeter. Kicker Trevor Helburg completed a 32-yard field goal in the second quarter. At halftime Crosby led by 39-29.

But in the second half the Tiger defense stiffened against these plays.

Although penalties hurt the Cougars in the second half, they managed two interceptions to slow the Tigers and maintain the lead.

Another outstanding play was a fumble recovery by #40 McCoy Casey, with an 80 yard return.

In the 4th quarter, Crosby scored on an 11-yard pass from Miles, and then he followed up later with a 5-yard run after Camari Parker intercepted a Tiger pass.

In the next playoff game Friday night, the Cougs will face a team that they beat last year in the Region III area round playoffs. The Crosby community looks forward to a repeat of that victory and advancing to the Semifinals.



ABOVE: The Crosby Cougars team players, coaches and staff pose after the game victory in Cy Fair stadium.

RIGHT: Quarterback Cyrin Miles and Head Coach Jerry Prieto compare notes after the winning performance in the game.

BELOW: #14 Kameron Kirkwood intercepts a Tiger pass in the 4th quarter, effectively stopping the Tiger's comeback drive and leading to the Cougars holding on to the lead and winning the game.

PHOTOS courtesy of Crosby ISD except as noted below.



Kelsey-Seybold Joins Dynamic Community, Opens Doors to New North Channel Clinic

On Aug. 23, Kelsey-Seybold celebrated the much-anticipated opening of its North Channel Clinic. Patients living nearby and residents in and around the North Channel area now have a convenient location close to home and work. The new 7,500-square-foot clinic is located at 5820 E. Sam Houston Parkway North in The Shops at Stone Park. Ample parking is available in front of the clinic.



Clinic Administrators Jackie Baker and Alvin Payne welcomed patients to the bright, modern clinic.



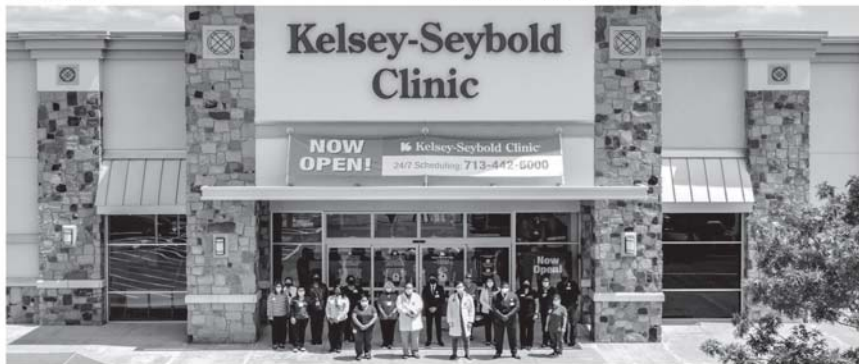
Ambulatory Services Representatives Daniella Jackson (left) and Amanda Stringer checked patients in for their appointments on opening day.



New Kelsey-Seybold Physician John Ruelas, M.D., Family Medicine, saw patients on opening day and said they all were excited to have a new clinic so close to home.



Adam Mitchell, M.D., Managing Physician at North Channel clinic, has been with Kelsey-Seybold for 13 years and is delighted to welcome new and current patients to the newly opened clinic.



Clinic staff and providers commemorated opening day at North Channel Clinic with a group photo.

Left to right: Jackie Baker, Clinic Administrator, Amanda Stringer, Ambulatory Services Representative, Febe Campuzano, C.M.A.I, Blanca Joseph, Nursing Supervisor I, Daniella Jackson, Ambulatory Services Representative, Fallon Wiggins, Nurse Supervisor II, Emma Escamilla, R.M.A. II, Terri Harwell, L.V.N., Adam Mitchell, M.D., Managing Physician, John Ruelas, M.D., Family Medicine, Cecilia Fowler, Senior Director, Ambulatory Clinics, Blanca Gutierrez, Director, Radiographic and Mammographic Imaging, Alvin Payne, Clinic Administrator, Summer Creek, Denise Gomez, Radiology Technician, Reeshemah White, Patient Service Technician II, Christopher Newton, Supervisor, Patient Service Center, and Nancy Muldowney, Radiology Supervisor.

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Barbers Hill ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., Monday, December 13, 2021 In the J. Justin Jenson Conference Room, 9600 Eagle Drive, Mont Belvieu, TX.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Barbers Hill ISD's rating on the State's financial accountability system.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Galena Park is accepting bids for the construction of the Churchill Community Center. Bids must be received by 3:00 PM on December 17, 2021 ATTN: Mayra Gonzales at Galena Park City Hall located at 2000 Clinton Drive, Galena Park, TX 77547. The City will award the contract at the regular council meeting on December 21, 2021, at 6:00P.M. The City Council reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. Respondents may obtain an electronic copy of the contract specification by emailing Mayra Gonzales, City Secretary at: mayra@cityofgalenapark-tx.gov.

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