





HURRICANE HANNA GOES SOUTH

If you are reading The Seabreeze, most of you live on the Gulf Coast (with the exception of the Rubber Knife Gang in Sikeston, Missouri). This time of year, we all sit on pins and needles every time a storm enters the Gulf of Mexico. Not only do we worry about the hurricanes destroying a whole community like we had seen in Ike, but we also have to watch out for coastal flooding.

Hurricane Hanna started as a Tropical Storm on July 24th and became the season's first hurricane early on July 25th. The eye of the hurricane passed over Port Mansfield, Texas later that day as a high-end Category 1 hurricane. Port Mansfield is 360 miles away from San Leon, but the Galveston Bay area began seeing tidal surges two days before landfall. At the North Jetty on the Bolivar Peninsula, the tide almost covered the jetty and the boat ramp was completely underwater. In San Leon, the tidal surge could also be seen at boat ramps, ditches, and submerged piers. The right side of a hurricane is always considered the dirty side of the storm. The dirty side of the storm contains rain and thunderstorms known as outer bands. The outer bands can range from a few miles to tens of miles wide and 50 to 300 miles long.

There's nothing like coastal living, but we must be vigilant during hurricane season. A storm hundreds of miles away can still affect us.



North Jetty at Port Bolivar

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Something good on every page!



ATTEMPTED ATTACK ON SAN LEON MONUMENT

An attack on the monument to the San Leon Black Ninja dog was narrowly averted by some quickthinking members of the American Legion last month. On July 22nd, the good folks at our American Legion were serving their dinners benefitting the Sons of the American Legion as they do every Wednesday night. At approximately 7:30 p.m. one of the members, we'll call him Jody Ward, stepped outside to get some fresh air. As he stood on the balcony looking at the American flag that flies out front and thinking about what a mess our country is in right now, he heard a commotion downstairs. Mr. Ward cautiously went down the stairs and was astonished to see a large number of agitators surrounding the Black Ninja Dog statue. The mob had tied ropes and straps around the tail and neck and were heard to be shouting, "Bring it down! Bring it down!" Mr. Ward then went to alert the Command-

er of the Legion. The Commander rallied the men and urged those with a License to Carry to go to their trucks and get ready to defend the Black Ninja Dog. As the bad luck would have it, the men had recently had an outing to the firing range and upon retrieving their firearms, discovered they had no ammo. As there has been a shortage of ammo in stores lately, they called upon Carla, a/ k/a High Sheriff for back up.

High Sheriff Carla was well supplied with ammo, but was working at the Sunset Lounge selling beer TO GO. Goose and



Black Ninja Dog monument and resting place. Photos by RJ Greer

Nanner, being the patriots that they are, told High Sheriff Carla to take off and resupply the men. By the time High Sheriff Carla arrived with provisions, the men of the American Legion had been able to disperse the mob by waving work boots and job applications at them. This seemed to really scare them and they took off never looking back.

The statue commemorates the death of the notorious Black Ninja Dog that plagued our community for many years by darting out in front of vehicles, usually very late at night, and causing the vehicle to end up in a ditch. Fortunately, no fatalities and very few serious injuries were associated with the Ninja Dog's nefarious activities.

It's a shame that other statues and monuments don't have a community like San Leon that will protect the importance of a tribute to something, even if they don't agree with it. Vandalism and destruction of property is never the answer.

New Mural In San Leon by Galveston Artist

If you've driven down Bayshore Drive near 12th Street lately, you must have noticed the mural that has been

painted on the metal building on the corner. It was painted by artist, Justin Lopez. The mural features both an American and Texas Flag against a tropical background.

Check out Justin's Facebook page and see some of his awesome projects at Art Works by Justin Lopez.





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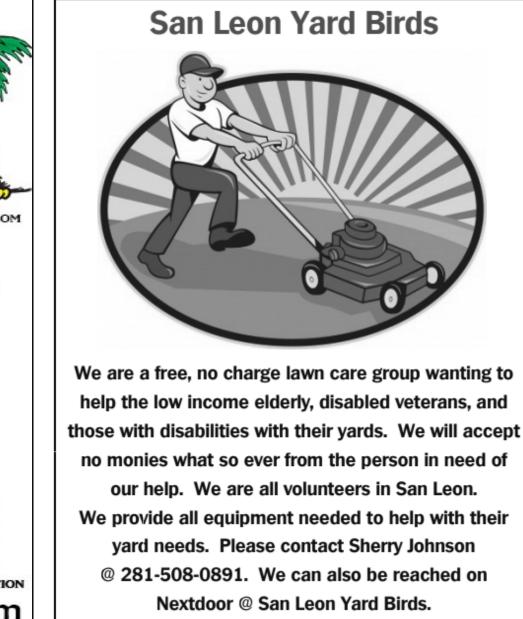
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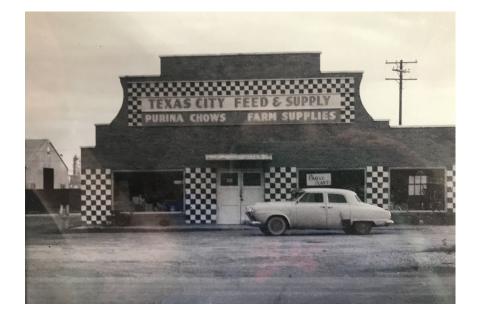
From time to time, the SeaBreeze News likes to check in with our fantastic advertisers. This month we dropped in to see what was going on at Texas City Feed & Supply located at 2031 Texas Avenue in Texas City. Texas City Feed & Supply was opened in the early 1930s and in the 1940s moved to the current location. New owners Jane and Rusty Schaper had owned and operated the Schaper Dairy in Galveston until it closed in 1978. They took over the feed store and worked there until their son, Gary Schaper,

in Galveston until it closed in 1978. They took over the feed store and worked there until their son, Gary Schaper, and son-in-law, Kevin Schirmer took over.

There was a steady stream of customers on a Wednesday afternoon while we were visiting. Customers asking about everything from chicken feed and dog food to pesticides and plant food. Gary is very knowledgeable about all the products in the store and always has "just the thing" you need. Besides, Gary, we met Okie who is also working in the store most days. Okie is super friendly and started working at the store after finding out that retirement just wasn't for him. Another member of the staff is Dingo, a beautiful blue heeler dog. Dingo's original owner was a longtime employee of the feed store, Terry Bell. When Terry sadly passed away, Dingo came to live and work with Gary. When he's not napping in the office, Dingo will come out and say hi.

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Texas City Feed & Supply sometime in the early 1950's.

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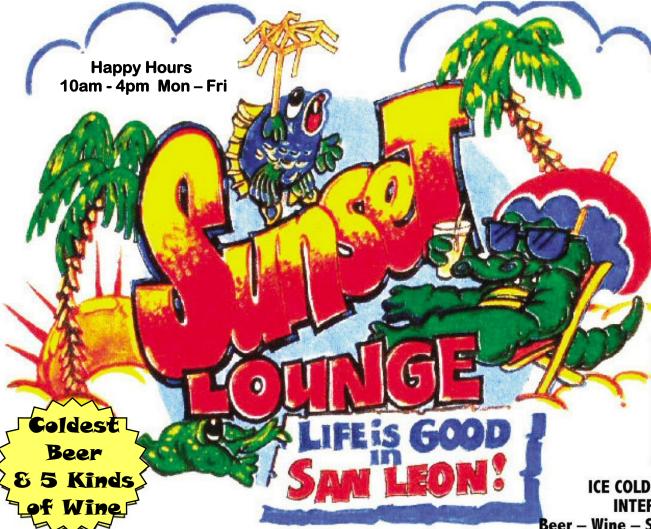
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Dear Editor,

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Signed, Offline in Kemah

Dear Offline,

Unfortunately, at this time The Seabreeze News is not available online. We are working on a solution, but as of the time this paper goes to print, we are not yet online again. Please stay tuned!

Dear Editor,

I read the Dear Steve's Wife Training School Tip of the Month in the last issue and I have to say that in the past when my husband has asked me to do chores such a painting the house, I have been adamant that that's a man's job. Well, my mind has been changed. I never thought about it in terms of my husband's happiness, comfort, and enjoyment. I feel I have been selfish and not pulling my weight. I now have several projects on my to-do list. The first one was cleaning and re-stocking the beer fridge, so there is always a cold one on hand for my husband and his friends when they're sitting around drinking beer. Thank you so much for enlightening me. I look forward to your upcoming projects.

Signed, I've Seen the Light in San Leon.

Dear Seen the Light,

Glad you're finally on board. Happy to help.

Dear Editor,

Whatever happened to the Murder Hornets? I was led to believe we would be experiencing an invasion of them earlier this summer. I have my traps prepped and ready to go, but no hornets! What gives?

Signed, Bug Lady in Bacliff

Dear Bug,

Wow, kind of a weird hobby but we like to keep our readers informed so here goes. The Murder Hornets that were scheduled for the beginning of June were bumped for Hurricane Season. They were then pushed back again for the rioters and looters. Most recently, they have been rescheduled due to the coin shortage. Should The Seabreeze News obtain any further information on these flying assassins, we will be sure to update you.

Dear Editor,

Why can I not buy firearms or ammo? I have been to what I will call the "Big Box" stores that sell firearms and ammo and they have a very little selection and why are the prices so high?

Signed, Locked and Loaded in League City

Dear Locked,

There are a few reasons that firearms and ammo are hard to find. People are having to work from home and are watching the news about all the rioting and are stocking up just in case.

Another reason for the shortage is that we are in an election year. People want to have home protection before the election in case there is a change of President. I own guns and I think responsible, lawabiding citizens should be able to protect their home and family. There are two businesses that advertise in The Seabreeze News that will be happy to help you get what you're looking for, Easy \$ Cash Pawn & Jewelry in Bacliff and Third Coast Ordnance in San Leon.

Dear Editor,

I am new to the area, having recently moved from Oklahoma with my wife, our son and his wife, and their 6month-old son. The hurricane season is a whole new conversation in our home. Is there any advice you can give us?

Signed, New Kids on the Bay.

Dear New Kids.

My best advice is to watch the news and if they say to evacuate...EVACUATE! Sitting out a hurricane is no fun once the power goes out and the beer gets hot. First responders will not come and get you during a storm. You will be on your own. From personal experience, take I-10 West. There's a very large Bucee's at Exit 632 in Luling. It's a great place to stop. It has clean restrooms, good snacks, cold beer, and as an extra bonus, you can get all your Christmas shopping done early.

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The weather has been so undecided it's hard to plan a fishing trip but if you can stand the heat and dodge the rain, there are fish to be caught.

Vibrio vulnificus is in the warm water and usually around marinas - stagnate water. If you have any cuts or scratches, stay out of the water as vibrio is very dangerous and moves fast as it is a flesh eating bacteria.

I carry a spray bottle of water with a little bleach in it. Simply spay a cut or scratch with it. My brother some years back had a small nick on his arm and almost died. If you would like pictures of your catch in the paper, send to theseabreeze2020@gmail.com

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DEAR STEVE'S WIFE TRAINING TIPS FROM A GRADUATE



Well, if you're reading this, welcome back to another Dear Steve's Wife Training Tip from a Graduate. This month's topic is "Back to Basics."

I certainly enjoyed hearing from several of y'all after last month's tip. Both soon-to-be-better wives and a few soon-to-be-happier husbands sent in some opinions.

It seems I may have started out with a bit of an advanced lesson. I mean, I was in training with Dear Steve himself for over 15 years and painting a house may be a far cry for some of you sissy girls. So, I am going to try hard to get back to basics. This is hard for me because I passed this portion of training back in 2005, but here we go.

Ladies, like the old saying goes, there are two ways to a man's heart. One starts in the kitchen and the other, well... this is a family paper and some things you are just going to have to figure out on your own.

Let us start with a direct quote from Steve himself. Now, listen up because this was a real important part of Steve's wife training, "Any decent women should have her ass out of bed by 5 a.m. and be cooking breakfast." And he emphasized, and I quote, "A woman needs to have herself fixed pretty and dressed sexy at all times for her man."

Now, ladies, I know some of you might think 5 a.m. is a little early to be up cooking breakfast, much less be all fixed up and dressed sexy. Maybe it is, maybe it is not. It all depends on what time your man must walk out that door. Some of you may need to get up a little earlier to accomplish this task so practice good time management. Timing is critical!

Now, let me think back. Oh yes! This is especially important! Just before you wake your husband up, be sure you have his coffee made just the way he likes it. Have the coffee and a copy of the Seabreeze News ready for him in the bathroom.

As a practicing graduate, I can assure you, if you master all these tasks, you will start your husband's day off with a smile.

Again, please let me know how your progress is going and do not forget to grab a paper next month. We will talk about how to properly greet your husband when he comes home from work.

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- He looked up at me and said 'I am NOT Happy!'
- So I said, 'Well, which one ARE you then?'... That's how the fight started.

A redneck was walking home late at night and sees a woman in the Shadows. "Twenty dollars," she whispers.

Bubba had never been with a hooker before, but decides what the heck, it's only twenty bucks, so they hide in the bushes and get started.

They're in there for only a minute when all of a sudden a light flashes on them. It's a police officer.

"What's going on here, people?" asks the officer.

"I'm making love to my wife!" Bubba answers, sounding annoyed.

"Oh, I'm sorry," says the cop, "I didn't know."

Bubba says, "Well, neither did I, 'til ya shined that light in her face!"

Q: How many men does it take to open a beer?

A: None. It should be opened by the time she brings it.

A blonde, brunette and redhead woman decided to compete in the Breast Stroke division of the English Channel swim competition. The brunette came in first, the redhead second. The blonde finally reached the shore completely exhausted. After being revived with blankets and a drink she remarked, "I don't want to complain, but I'm pretty sure those other two girls used their arms.

One recent Sunday, a young boy arrived to his Sunday school class late. His teacher knew that the boy was usually very prompt and asked him if anything was wrong.

The boy replied no, that he was going to go fishing, but that his dad told him that he needed to go to church instead. The teacher was very impressed and asked the boy if his father had explained to him why it was more important to go to church rather than to go fishing.

To which the boy replied, "Yes, ma'am, he did. My dad said that he didn't have enough bait and beer for both of us."

A man walks up to the bar with an ostrich behind him, and as he sits, the bartender asks for their order.

The man says, "I'll have a beer" and turns to the ostrich. "What's yours?" "I'll have a beer too" says the ostrich.

The bartender pours the beer and says "That will be \$3.50 please," and the man reaches into his pocket and pays bartender with the exact change for payment. The next day, the man and the ostrich come again, and the man says "I'll have a beer," and the ostrich says "I'll have the same."

Once again the man reaches into his pocket and pays with exact change. This became a routine until late one evening, the two enter again.

"The usual?" asks the bartender. "Well, it's close to last call, so I'll have a large Scotch" says the man. "Same for me" says the ostrich.

"That will be \$7.50" says the bartender. Once again the man pulls exact change out of his pocket and places it on the bar. The bartender can't hold back his curiosity any longer.

"Excuse me, sir. How do you manage to always come up with the exact change out of your pocket every time?" "Well," says the man, "several years ago I was cleaning the attic and I found this old lamp.

When I rubbed it a Genie appeared and offered me two wishes. My first wish was that if I ever needed to pay for anything, I just put my hand in my pocket and the right amount of money will be there."

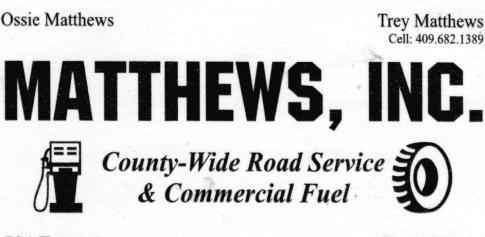
"That's brilliant!" says the bartender. "Most people would wish for a million dollars or something, but you'll always be as rich as you want for as long as you live!"

"That's right! Whether it's a gallon of milk, or a Rolls Royce, the exact money is always there," says the man. "That's fantastic!" says the bartender. "You are a genius! ... Oh, one other thing sir, what's with the ostrich?" The

man replies

"Oh, my second wish was for a chick with long legs."

Me: Alexa what's the weather this weekend? Alexa: It doesn't matter – you're not going anywhere.



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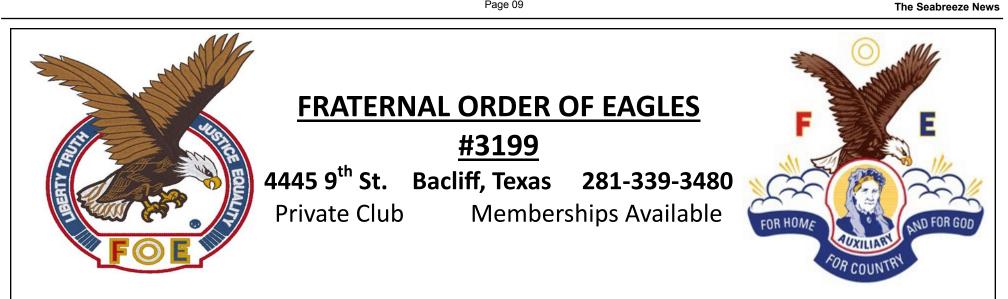
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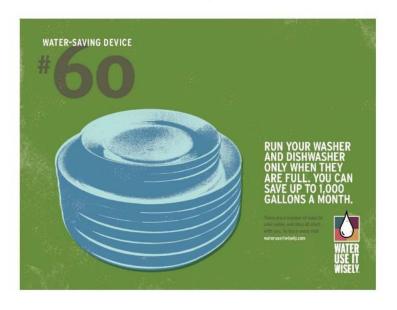
Nearly half of the 50 miles of infrastructure in our water distribution system is 2" lines. These lines are restricted on the number of taps we can have based on State statutes, which sometimes puts us between a rock and a hard place when residents want to develop in an area that's already at capacity. However, we're in the process of applying existing funds from our 2017 bonds towards improving those lines, so we'll soon be able to address some of the areas where we've been receiving multiple requests for service!

Property Address Reminder

Part of San Leon's rate order requires that all residential and commercial buildings in the district have the property address posted on the building. The letters and numbers used to mark addresses should be at least three inches high and should be placed on the building so they are visible from the street. This is to the residents' benefit as well since any EMS responders will be better able to locate your property in a timely fashion. <u>Dates to Remember</u> August 4 – Coast Guard Birthday August 7– Purple Heart Day August 18, 6:30 PM Monthly District Meeting

The District will be evaluating state and local recommendations to determine whether this month's meeting will be held in person or virtually; keep an eye on our website and social media as we get closer.

Conservation Tip of the Month



Don't forget! The MUD meetings are open to the public & are held on the third Tuesday **(note the new day!)** of every month at 6:30 PM. Agendas can be found three days before the meeting at the MUD office or online at <u>www.slmud.org</u>

Catch Of The Month









- A. Tanner visiting from Oregon with his first red.
- B. Peggy catches a rainbow trout in Arkansas.
- C. Mike with a very nice brown.
- D. Capt. Brad & Capt. Keith caught this Southern stingray on live sand trout & Shiner Bock at the Galveston Jetties.

E. First Responder Dan with a flat fish on a well-deserved day off.

F. Huggy with a redfish caught while playing hooking from SHS duties.

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San Leon Celebrates Independence Day

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UPDATE FROM SAN LEON MUD

In early June, it came to our attention that a complaint was filed against the San Leon MUD with the Galveston County Sheriff's office. As the investigation has recently concluded, we wanted to inform the community of the allegations and the facts surrounding them.

On May 26th, Phillip Haskett and David Jetelina filed a complaint alleging the District was complicit with manipulating a government record and using public funds for personal advertisement. We fully cooperated with the GCSO, providing all relevant documents to them and meeting with the Criminal Investigation Division detective several times throughout the course of the investigation.

After extensive investigation, the CID detective met with the Assistant District Attorney to review the details of the case on July 16th. The ADA advised there was no evidence of a criminal offense or any evidence to suggest a criminal offense was committed. The ADA then advised that, as there were no charges to file, the case should be closed.

In the interest of transparency, we wanted to provide the public with some additional disclosure and discussion of the facts surrounding the allegations.

Public meetings are required to have their agenda posted in the public at least 72 hours in advance. The District initially posted the agenda for our May 20th regular meeting on May 13th. We amended the agenda to include "Discuss Pending or Threatened Litigation" under Executive Session and reposted it on May 15th at our regular locations in the community as well as with Galveston County. The county confirmed the amendment via email and maintained the original certification date in their files, a common practice per the Galveston County Deputy Clerk.

The second charge pertained to a Letter to the Editor authored by Joe Manchaca as well as one of the Community Updates the District publishes monthly. Both publications addressed factually some concerns that had been brought up by the community. While the District did pay for the Community Update, no political sway was leveraged, and by the very nature of Letters to the Editor no funds were expended in the publication of the letter.

The District remains committed to open and fair governance. We have compiled the public documents from this investigation into one document for the benefit of the community; it can be viewed on our website, https://slmud.org/, under "Agenda, Documents & Info". Any concerns or questions can be brought to the District Manager or voiced during the Public Comments portion of our monthly meeting.



Check back here next month for a schedule of GLVI programming.



David Lee Collins of Bacliff TX passed away on July 15, 2020. He was survived by his son David Lee Collins Jr., his brother Jody Collins and sisters Gwen Collins and Lou Lauhon. He also leaves behind nieces,

nephews, step-children, stepgrandchildren, and a partner that he loved and adored for many years ,Vicki Martino. David was a shrimper for many years and his wishes were to be cremated and returned to the water.



June Marie White, 83, resident of San Leon, Texas passed away July 12, 2020, in League City, Texas. She was born January 25, 1937 in Cleveland, Texas to parents, Irl G. Hammer and Marjorie E. Townsend Hammer. She is survived by her daughters, Terri Benyi and Susan Bromley, two grandchildren, and also five greatgrandchildren

SAN LEON CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING

The San Leon Cemetery Committee meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at the American Legion Post 291 at 7:00 p.m. Anyone who would like to make a donation to the cemetery may send a check to: San Leon Cemetery, 2433 Avenue A, San Leon, Texas 77539. Donations are used for upkeep of the cemetery and are greatly appreciated.



San Leon Cemetery—Archway to Old Section & Gazebo

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Bradley Cook (40)



July 15 – Arrested for Criminal Trespass and Resisting Arrest. 111 Jackson Street, Bacliff. 39 + previous arrests.

April Drey (50)



July 27 – Arrested on 3 felony charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance at 4718 Oleander, #A Bacliff. 15 previous arrests.



July 9 – Arrested for Failure to ID at 412 Broadway, San Leon. 36 previous arrests.

Glen Davis (61)

July 22 – Arrested on felony charges of Theft of Material

Alum/bronze/copper/brass at

809 29th Street, San Leon. 40

previous arrests.

Larry Clarke (50)



July 24 – Arrested for Felony Indecency w/child Sexual Contact, 938 12th Street, San Leon. 7 previous arrests.

Charles Combs (24)



July 8 – Arrested for Unauthorized use of Vehicle at 1701 E FM 646, Bacliff. 23 previous arrests.

Timothy Pullen (30)



July 21 – Arrested for DWI 3rd+, Unserved Bond Condition Hold and Unauthorized use of vehicle at 4311 Highway 146, Bacliff. 6 previous arrests.



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Where?s the Fish Tour 2020

The Where?s the Fish Tour is brought to us by Keith Mercado who is searching for the best saltwater fishing in the South. Keith is the owner of Kemah Coach Graphics and Promotional Products, located at 600 9th Street in Kemah. Keith recently wrapped up the somewhat memorable tour and filled us in on how it went.

By Alicia Courville, Keith Mercado, and Debi Hart

On Saturday, June 27, 2020 we headed out of Kemah, TX and thought how cool it would be to trailer our little CraigCat starting in Galveston, hugging the Gulf coast, stopping at every back road bait camp and boat ramp we could find, with no true itinerary other than to meet local people and businesses and ask one question . . . "Where?s the Fish." We boarded the Galveston/Bolivar Ferry, dea cool place to drop your boat in the water, fish, or just walk down the Jetty itself. We saw many people pulling wagons and coolers towards the end hoping for that one dream catch.

We left the North Jetty and headed for Sabine Pass. Now remember, we had no itinerary and no clue what we would find along the way. We googled Sabine Pass and followed the arrows. This drew us to a Public Boat ramp that was full of activity with people loading and unloading their boats. Instantly we started inquiring, "Where?s the Fish?" We decided to unload the Cat and find some cool fishing spots. This ramp was two miles from the Gulf Coast and we were told of stops along the way to wet a line. Unfortunately, the Cat had other alternatives. After paddling for an hour we were towed in.

We decided to attempt to continue our journey in the hopes that the Cat only had a minor fuel problem, setting our sights on Hackberry, LA. Lucky for us, we made the right choice, because we got to interview a legend guide, Capt. Cajun Phil Broussard. While in Hackberry we decided to give the Cat one more chance and launched her in a small waterway, but as luck would have it, she simply wasn't up for the task.

Unfortunately, our beloved Cat needed a re-

build and we had to leave her in Iowa, LA. The show had to be postponed for two long weeks. We put the Cat in the hands of Power Implements and anxiously awaited for her to be restored. Power Implements did a fantastic job and we

were soon on our way for the second leg of the Where?s the Fish Tour 2020. We would like to thank Will at Power Implements for getting the Cat out so quickly so we could continue our tour.

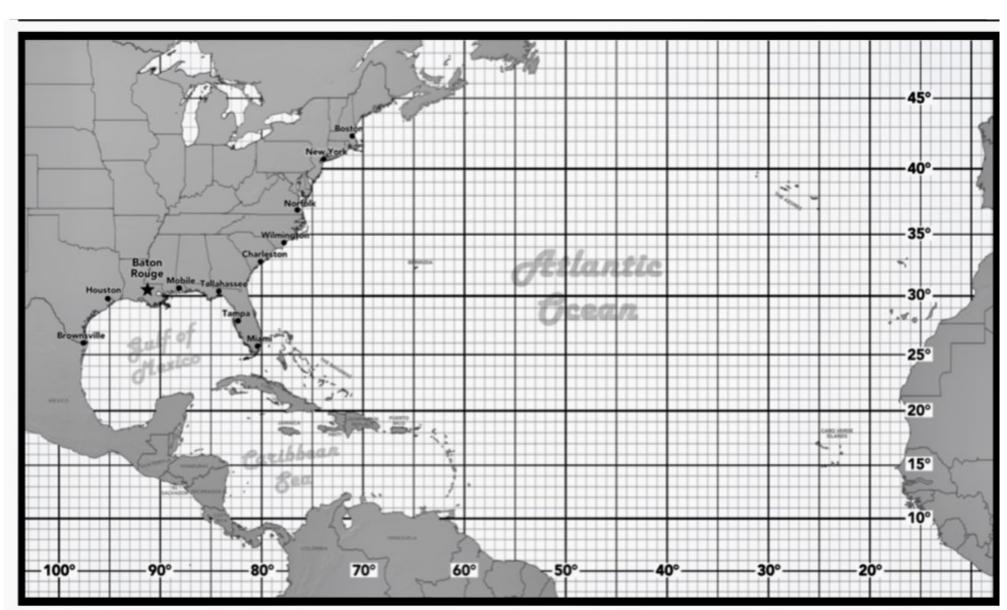
So you have a better idea of the type of vessel we were trailering, Google "CraigCat". This boat has been just about everywhere in, and around, the Galveston waterways. Though she can handle some rough water, she is not a great rough water vessel, but we watch the wind and find a boat ramp that is up pending on which side you board, with the North Jetty being our first stop. What against a strong wind and take her out every chance we get. In other words, we find a spot that has calm waters.

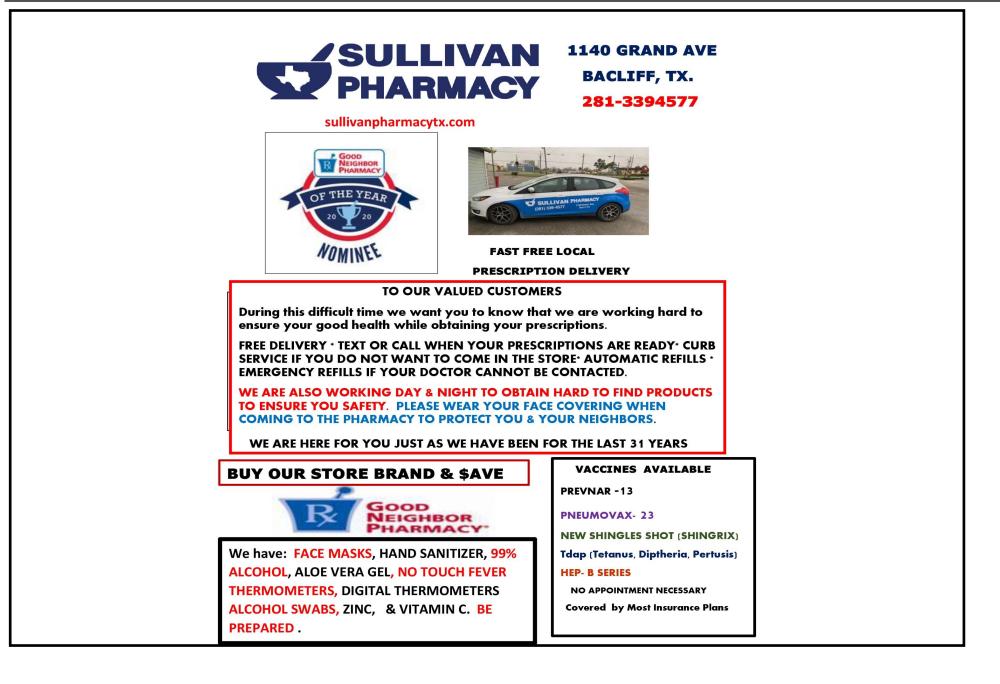
> Off we go again and now we are headed to Cameron, LA, but along the way decided to make a stop in Grand Chenier to try our luck on the Mermentau River. This is quite a unique river to fish simply because one side is freshwater, while the other end is saltwater. This means you could actually stay in the middle of

the river and catch both salt and fresh water fish. Remember, no itinerary and no clue where to stop and fish so we had to be sure there was a Hotel/Motel, or some place we could stay the night. Being that we were traveling such remote areas, several places we stopped to fish either had limited choices, or did not have a place where we could stay. Luckily, we found a cool little place to eat that evening called Anchors Up Grill, in Cameron, LA. We interviewed the family who own the business. They told us of a place we could stay.



The next morning we continued our journey down remote back roads and discovered so many really cool places, off the map, with boat ramps, or landings as the locals called them, to fish and meet local people, and the businesses they run. All we met had a deep passion for not only fishing, but their community, their way of life, as well as the businesses they run or own. Over the course of this journey we also made stops in Morgan City, fishing at Morgan City's Bayou Beouf Locks, Grand Isle LA, Shell Beach, LA, Fort Pike/Rigolets Marina, which is just North/Northwest of New Orleans, Baton Rouge, and Breaux Bridge/ Henderson, LA. Basically we fished the Gulf of Mexico.







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