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We're going biblical on you this week everybody...right from the beginning - Genesis 1. God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water" and that's how we got our Island.

And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon *the face of the deep.* Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. Then man decided to improve on God's work and invented Daylight Saving Time and saw that it was pretty good too but not quite good enough to extend beyond November 6 when darkness will extend to the face of the deep and school kids waiting for the bus in the shadows and rather than light a candle most of their parents will curse the darkness.

It is one of life's great mysteries that even as we set our clocks back an hour earlier it seems to both get light later and dark earlier. While the origin of Daylight Saving Time may be shrouded in mystery its effects are not as we fall back and as the Hippy Dippy Weatherman predicted we will have continued darkness until dawn. So does that mean on November 6 we go to Daylight Wasting Time?

JFK Bridge lanes

As Island commuters make their way OTB in the darkness of early Decem ber they will do so on only two lanes – one in each direction - since as we mentioned in this space last week and can confirm this week plans call for the JFK Bridge to be reduced to two lanes at the end of Hurricane Season for repairs to the structure. So we won't have to worry about hurricanes, only about getting stuck in the eye of a traffic jam through Spring Break 2023 when things will get back to normal. The good news is that unless something changes the work will be complete by then as we get ready for Hurricane Season 2023. To quote Emily Letilla, "It just goes to show it's always something."

And then there's this...

The good news is that Election Season is winding down and this year the language seems to be more charged than ever Around The Island. We will just say this about that and let it go; it is popular among the political class this cycle to include language in ads of various office holders that they "lowered your taxes." They did not. Some try to tiptoe around the facts by saying they lowered your Tax Rate and that is mostly true. But what they are leaving out is that lowered your Tax Rate by say 4% while our property values went up by 12% meaning the property tax check we write - and the amount of revenue they transfer from private to public hands – went up by 8%. So while the Large Print giveth, the Small Print doth taketh away. As we have said here before if you shake the hand of an office holder who claims they lowered your taxes count your fingers.

La Posada

This is a helpful reminder that La Posada season is just around the corner with the kickoff party on December 1 and lighted boat parades on December 9 and 10. If you have a dingy or a dreadnought throw some lights on it and get out there and La Posada everybody. It's a happy time of year on our little sandbar. In the meantime stay on the sunny side and say hello if you see us Around The Island.

Funding The Island's Future

Island Tax Increment Refinance Zone extended through 2042 pending city council approval

By Dale Rankin

Funding the growth on Padre Island took a sweeping, twenty-year step forward Tuesday as members of the Board of Directors of the island's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #2 (TIRZ #2) voted to renew the zone through 2042. A final vote is scheduled for the Corpus Christi City Council on November 15, but the TIRZ #2 board which voted unanimously for the extension Tuesday includes all nine members of the

The current TIRZ #2 was founded to fund the construction and maintenance of Packery Channel in 2002 and was set to expire on December, 31, 2022 which would have left the City of Corpus Christi with no de-

The first two days of Early Voting in

the November 8 General Election

ballots across the county with 887

of those at the Island Presbyterian

Church on Padre Island, the fourth

The two-day total is 7.6% of the

212,969 registered number of voters

saw a total of 12,088 voters cast

By Dale Rankin

highest total.



Much of the water exchange bridge currently under construction on SPID was paid for with funds from TIRZ #2

fined way to maintain the jetties and keep the channel dredged without annual outlays by the city council. The TIRZ #2 board, consists of all of the Corpus Christi City Council

Early Voting continues through November 4

days was at the Deaf and Hard of

Hearing Center, 5151 McArdle

Veterans Memorial High School

Courthouse with 958. The Ethel

had 866. The Port Aransas Com-

with 1233, and the Nueces County

Eyerly Senior Center in Flour Bluff

munity Center saw 351 voters in the

first two days of voting. Precinct 19

which includes Port Aransas as well

as voters north of Packery Channel

Road, with 1567, followed by

members, Precinct 4 Nueces County Commissioner Brent Chesney, and Nueces County Judge Barbara Canales, Sylvia A Tryon Oliver, Nueces County Hospital District and Dr. Laurie Turner, Del Mar College. The four taxing entities who pledge funds to the TIRZ #2 account each determine what percentage of their tax revenues they will remit to the TIRZ #2. The Nueces County Commission voted in early October to pledge 75% of tax from new growth to the TIRZ #2 fund in beginning years of the twenty-year extension, reducing that number to 50% as the twenty-year period draws to a close. It will be up to the city council to determine what percentage of city funding will be dedicated to the

TIRZ cont. on A4

in Corpus Christi city elections has

In the last non-presidential Gen-

eral Election in November, 2018 a

total of 94,838 votes were cast in

Nueces County with 4657 of those

cast by Island voters. According to

records from the Nueces County

Clerk's office since that time the

number of registered Island voters

has increased by 900 voters from

3307 registered voters.

How much Money is in the TIRZ #2 Account?

\$14.4 million came in but committed

\$5,333,079 income in 2022 as of September 1

\$9.6 million committed to financing projects, include Water Exchange

Bridge \$4 million available for dredging Packery Channel

\$1.5 million for interest payment on original Packery Channel bonds (will be paid off in December, 2022) \$9 million in open balance (uncommitted) by end of 2022

2022 TIRZ #2 Funds January 1 -September 1

\$4.4 million beginning 2022 balance \$5.3 million revenue to September 1

Expenditures 2022 through September 1

\$1.6 million debt services on origi-

nal Packery Channel bonds

TIRZ #2 Projects 2022

\$6.8 million Park Road 22 Water Exchange Bridge

in the county. The highest turnout who and south of the Port Aransas across the county in the first two City Limits who are eligible to vote Vote cont. on A4



The defending Regional 15-5A Champion Flour Bluff Hornet Football team is currently 3-0 in district play. Offensive lineman Dylan Shaw (6'4" 300 lb) will be on the Texas Tech Red Raider team next year. Recent grad offensive lineman Johnny Dickson (6'3" 310 lb) is currently on the Virginia Tech Hokies football team. The last regular season home game is Friday, October 28th 7 pm and can be watched streamed online.

A little Island history

Shorty was a candy maker turned commercial fisherman in the Laguna Madre. Shorty's name was Opie Hughes and he was originally from San Antonio back in the 1930's where he had a candy shop. Shorty made all kinds of candy including Mexican style candy. He also made the original O'Henry candy bar. It was very similar to the Baby Ruth candy bar.

age. Her dad was from Mexico and

Shorty the Candy Maker

By Bobbie Kimbrell

Every once in a while Shorty would take a vacation and come to Flour Bluff and fish off the old Don Patricio Causeway and he liked fishing so much he sold the candy shop and moved to Flour Bluff and started commercial fishing. Before he sold the candy shop, he played a lot of pool in the pool hall next to his shop and that is where he met his girlfriend. Her dad owned the pool hall and she helped him there and learned how to play pool at an early

her name was Maria Elena Zapata

and she was so good at pool Shorty would take her to other pool halls hustling pool where she made a lot of money. Shorty had never been married and before he could marry Elena she died from tuberculosis. That's when Shorty sold out and moved to Flour Bluff.

A rap-top Lincoln

After Shorty had used up most of the money from the sale of the shop he started living in his car. It was a rag-top Lincoln Zephyr. Shorty caught a lot of trout and redfish and sometimes drum fishing off the old causeway. Nelsons Fish Market on North Beach near Nueces Bay had a fish box with bars of ice in it for the fishermen to ice their fish in and sent a truck to pick up the fish about every other day. The fish box was located on the shoreline where the causeway started at the Laguna

One day the market put in a new icebox and gave the old one to Shorty.

eight feet long and four feet wide. Shorty moved the icebox a few yards from the old one, put a mattress in it and started sleeping in it. The open part of it faced the lagoon with a cool breeze blowing into it in the summer months. He fastened a tarp to the top and put an eight foot two-by-four on the bottom to hold it down with it rolled up on the top during the day and closed during the night or rainy weather. Shorty cooked most of his meals on an open campfire using mostly driftwood for fuel. There was a small general store about fifty

It was made of plywood and was

Shorty also made sourdough bread and kept a small ball of it to start the next batch the next day. Shorty bought a lot of cheese and would

what he needed for cooking.

yards from where the causeway

started across the lagoon that sold

groceries, cow feed, dead bait, and

beer. That's where Shorty bought

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<u>By the numbers</u>

Where is the money coming from for the new Bob Hall Pier?

As the boundaries of the Island Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #2 were extended southward this week to include Padre Balli Park we take a look at the source of the \$28 million for the new Bob Hall Pier The TIRZ #2 funds are not part of the funding for the pier but \$2 million was approved for improvements at Briscoe King Pavilion. The following is a breakdown of funding for the new

\$18 million from certificates of obligation which is bonded indebtedness at 2% interest.

\$6 million from insurance proceeds from a lawsuit filed by Nueces County for Harvey damage.

\$2.3 million from unused funds from other county projects, the original source was certificates of obligation.

\$2 million from the American Rescue Plan passed by the federal government for Covid recovery. \$1 million from the discretionary funds of Precinct 4 County Commissioner Brent Chesney and \$1 million from discretionary funds from Judge Barbara Canales.

\$1.75 million from the Texas General Land Office with another \$5 million expected to pay for a flyover walkway from Briscoe King Pavilion.

\$1.5 million from a grant from Texas Parks and Wildlife - pending. October 27, 2022 Island Moon



Overland America Corp is a new jeep rental business that has opened on the Island this month to help customers enjoy the entire shore of the Padre Island National Seashore. Zach Porter started his business in the Black Hills of South Dakota for the trails there. There are different type of vehicles to choose from starting at \$200 for four hours and they can be rented for up to three weeks. They have camping trailers available that fit 4 - 6 people, with kitchen, shower, king size bed, awning and more that start at \$155/day. The business is located at the three story Executive Suites building at 14725 SPID near the former Dragonfly building. For more info call 361-676-1964 or visit their web site.



There is a \$500 million entertainment project coming with a five year expected finish coming but, unfortunately, that is all I know at this time. Stay tuned.

The Flour Bluff Hornets Volleyball team became the undefeated District Champions



Shorty's in Port A will feature Joe King Carrasco on Halloween night on Monday. The last evening of fun before the building is moved to Alister and Beach Street is a Locals Party on the next day Tuesday, November 1st.

Texas Sealife Center is having a turtle release on Sunday, October 30th 11 am in front of the seawall parking lot.

There is a new "Water Crossing" sign on Park Road 22 between Whitecap and the Water Exchange Bridge. Not sure why you need to know you are crossing a bridge that goes over water since that is pretty much what a bridge does. We have signs on the Island warning about possible ice on bridge but this is a first. I googled and found images of "low water crossing" and "water buffalo crossing" so I find this interesting.



Padre Island Baptist Church is hosting a Community Fall Festival on Sunday, October 30th 4 - 6:30 pm. There will be hayrides, three-legged races, pie eating contest, cake walk, face painting, live music, food and more. Admission is free.

Real Life Church is hosting a Fall Fest on Saturday, October 29th 4 - 7 pm at the Island in the Son Church on Hwy 361. There will be a bouncy house, obstacle course, trunk-or-treat, food truck and costume contest.

Howl-O-Ween is the theme for this month's Padre Island Poker Run on Thursday, October 27th 6 - 9 pm. It will be a dog costume party that benefits Save a Mutt.

Halloween Trick or Treat streets to take your

kids to is Eaglesnest and Hawksnest. For years many of the residents on these streets go all out making their front lawns look spooky and handing out a ton of candy.

Trunk or Treat will be held at the Beach Bum Cart Rental parking lot next to the Seashore Learning Center on Monday, October 31st 5 - 7 pm. This is a free family event and there will be lots of candy. The dunkees in the Dunk Booth will be Hardknocks owner Rod Lewis, Island Italian owner Tony Tagliaferro, Wade in the Water owner Wade and Kiwee with Beach Bum Cart Rental. The cost is \$3 for three balls, \$5 for six balls and \$10 for the push lever.

A Halloween Sip N' Shop will be held at Island Wellness & Nutrition on Saturday, October 29th 10 am - 2 pm. They are located at the Pelican Plaza.

Third Coast Theater in Port A will host Larry Joe Taylor on Friday, November 25th and Ray Wylie Hubbard on December 16th & 17. The tickets sell out early for these singers so now is the time to buy. The concerts are BYOB.

Wind & Wave Watersports are having a Kayak Demo Day on Saturday, October 29th 10 am - 4 pm. There will also be paddleboards.



Skydive South Texas on Mustang Island has a Freaky Friday Discount of \$209 every Friday. Call 945-5867 or visit their web site.

Singer/songwriter Stevie Start will be at Island Italian on Friday, November 4th and 18th.

Early voting is at the Island Presbyterian Church until November 4th and in the first two days they have had 887 voters. That was the 4th most in the 24 places to vote citywide.

The old Sonic property is owned by Sonic and is currently for rent at \$5000/month.

Taste of the Island 1st place winner was Doc's Seafood & Steaks. The dishes presented were the Korean BBQ Pork Belly Burger with a Fried Egg, Garlic Serrano Cabbage, The Waterline's Ahi Tuna Poke Bowl with fresh veggies and Mango with Cucumber Wasabi and Teriyaki Drizzle and an Orange Glazed Shrimp and Sweet Soy Pork Sandwich with Garlic Serrano Cabbage.



The Island Moon classified ad starts at just \$12 for 25 words and 20 cents/word after. The ads are often referred to when readers need a home repair or other services. Call Arlene at 834-1382 or send an email to moonclassad@twc.com. Deadline is Tuesday at noon each increase.

Second Bridge to the Island- Our State Representative, Todd Hunter, has reached out to the Texas Legislator to begin a dialog or study of a second bridge to the Island. Islander Ted Mandel is organizing an advisory committee to present Islander views to Todd Hunter. The damage to the Sanibel Island causeway in Florida will be the motivation to undertake a study of the need for a second way on and off our Island. Sanibel Island is home to 6,500 full time residents.

Random Stuff

This one is worth repeating - baseball caps and visors get cleaned the best in the dishwasher especially if you spray stains with Oxiclean first

When it comes to coastal issues

RE-ELECT JUDGE Barbara Canales



Is a leader and champion for environmental, fiscal, and coastal infrastructure issues

- Delivered \$28.33MM full funding for Bob Hall Pier plus \$1.75MM
 from Texas General Land Office for parking lot.
- Represented Nueces County to secure \$20MM Hurricane
 Harvey Insurance Settlement to rebuild I.B. Magee and Padre Balli
 Park Offices.
- Negotiated with U.S. Fish & Wildlife to build Horace Caldwell Observation Deck creating one-of-a-kind outdoor beach classroom (\$1 MM); thereby saving Mikel May's.
- Advocated for/received GOMESA funds for living shoreline to avoid erosion at Packery Channel Nature Park (\$3.8MM).
- Leading charge to extend TIRZ #2 so Island tax revenues pay for Island projects. This is funding for a better Pavillion, and more.

GET INFORMED: DON'T BELIEVE OTHERS' FALSE CAMPAIGN RHETORIC

My opponent's FAKE NEWS:



- 1. Connie says I "botched" COVID; but State/Local Health Care Leaders, along with Seniors, applaud Judge's delivery of vaccines and treatments.
- 2. Connie says Balli Park given away and Gulf Shores development jeopardized; but Island Moon reports neither in "jeopardy." Use your eyes and common sense: Park is open today, and development on-going.
- 3. Connie claims I "raised your taxes," but Brent Chesney says "It's significant that [tax rate] went down. It's a big deal!"(Judge Canales praised by Chesney in non-election year).
 4. Connie TV ad claims \$30,000 is pay-for-play politics; but Caller-Times exposed Connie's lie: the contribution "didn't come from whom Scott implied it did."

CONNIE'S NEGATIVE, FALSE ATTACKS DON'T DESERVE YOUR VOTE.

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Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor,

I am writing to let the Island Moon know the information presented in the article was incorrect on our newest hire Mr. Chris Riggins.

This article was written was by Ronnie Narmour in the "Three Chords and the Truth" section from October 20, 2022.

This information for this article may have been

obtained from a KIII article that was miscommunicated. We were not contacted directly about the information given but are always happy to help when needed.

I would like to clarify the facts if you are able to correct the information given for the public: The City of Port Aransas and Port Aransas

Tourism Bureau & Chamber of Commerce

are two different entities that work closely together. The Port Aransas Tourism Bureau & Chamber of Commerce has hired Mr. Chris Riggins, his

has experience in tourism, and he does have a degree from Texas A&M. He does not work for the City of Port Aransas on Short Term Rentals

title is Destination Stewardship Manager. He

- He does not have any enforcement
- capabilities. He does not investigate complaints,

nor does he respond or have anything to do with the Short-Term Rental hotline listed.

His job is to:

- Collaborate with community partners to advance opportunities that seek to find harmony between quality of life for residents and a strong visitor economy while protecting our cultural and natural resources.
- Ensure we're educating visitors on best practices and local rules and regulations so that they may enjoy Port Aransas safely and responsibly.
- Work with research and marketing agencies to evaluate the effectiveness of the Respect Our Island Home campaign and identify opportunities to improve and expand this campaign. (We do have public workshops scheduled for November 2 &

The City of Port Aransas operates the listed phone/hot line through a third party STR compliance company. They have also hired (or are in the process of hiring) additional code positions to support the STR community. In addition, the city has a new Assistant City Manager, but you would need to contact the city directly for their information.

I enjoy reading the Island Moon and like to hear of everything happening in the area. Let us know if you ever have a need for more information on the tourism industry in Port Aransas. The Port Aransas Tourism Bureau and Chamber of Commerce is always happy to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Rhonica Stuart

Operations Specialist

Port Aransas Tourism Bureau & Chamber of



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Hello Island Boaters,

The La Posada Foundation in conjunction with Toys for Tots is once again putting on this year's Island Lighted Boat Parade. We can't help noticing all the power and sailboats along our canals that would be excellent additions to this year's Lighted Boat Parade. The Friday night Parade, December 9th, will be televised on KRIS 6 at 7:00. The Saturday Parade, December 10th, starts at 6:00.

decorating party on December 3rd at the Padre Island Yacht Club. The club is located on the west end of Whitecap. Gates open at 10:00. Decorating help from the US Marines representing Toys for Tots and experienced boat decorators will be available. Many Christmas boat decorating tips are also available on You-

The La Posada Foundation is hosting a boat

Tube. Types of lights, how many for the size boat, and power sources are all out there. Now is the time to start making your decorating

We sure hope you'll be part of this wonderful Island Christmas tradition. The Parade registration form is printed in certain editions of the Island Moon or can be picked up at either Ace, Island Market, or Hardknocks where they can also be dropped off. Then decorate your boat and attend the Parade Captains meeting on December 5th. There is no entry fee.

Have a Great Holiday Season,

La Posada Parade Co-Captains

Ann Aylesworth 305-609-4694, Bob Corbett 254-722-6131

BBB Tip: Political scams expected to increase as midterm elections near

An election's approach always seems to turn up the emotional heat across the nation, and the United States 2022 midterm elections are no exception. On Nov. 8, Texas voters will have an opportunity to decide who will lead their local communities and the Lone Star State into the future. As the election nears, voices arguing for or against key issues are loud and persistent, often fueled by emotional appeals and passionate support. While political campaigns often include unsolicited contact as part of a legitimate outreach effort, bad actors also capitalize on peoples' passion to trick them into divulging personal information or providing financial contributions. It is a common tactic for scammers to prey

on emotion and exploit vulnerabilities when people deeply care about an ongoing situation or issue. This can often be seen by the frequency of charity and fundraising scams following a natural or manmade disaster. As generous donors look to contribute to ease the suffering of those affected, scammers seek to exploit their kindness for their own benefit. In the political arena, people often participate in polls and surveys because they want their voices to be heard, and scammers use that desire to build trust and steal personal information. Other citizens who want to be involved often donate to the political campaign of their chosen representative because they believe their donation will go to improving their country or community, and scammers are more than willing to take advantage of their beliefs for Elections, by their very nature, are polarizing.

It is easy to get swept up in the emotional wave and take risks that you might otherwise avoid. While it is important for the governed to be informed and engaged with the election process, it is equally as important to remain aware of scammers that use elections to initiate contact and steal from the public. BBB provides the following tips to help

identify some common political scams as the midterm election approaches.

Check your email

During general and midterm elections, it can seem like once a candidate or political party gets your email address, you hear from them every time you check your inbox. They may claim they need your help or want to know your point of view through a poll or survey. To support their efforts and make an impact on the future, the email often asks for a donation, a response or certain information about your political beliefs and demographics. Campaign email is often one of the best ways

to communicate with voters who do not have the time to answer a phone call or attend a political rally. However, scammers also can sign up to receive these communications and will mimic their appearance and language. Polls, surveys or donation requests that appeal to your passion, beliefs and desire to take action may also be an attempt to steal your personal information or gain access to your

If you have signed up to receive communications from a political campaign, those emails should come from a specific email address associated with the representative. Take the time to check the address of the sender and pay close attention to the domain and subdomain. For example, a generic email address for a political campaign may be 'info@RepresentativeForState.org,' which a scammer may change to 'info@StateForRepresentaive.com.' Before you donate or give personal information, research the organization that reached out, and be wary of people who try to rush you to make a decision. Be especially careful of emails with links.

users to a spoofed version of a candidate's website or installs malware on your device. If you want to receive more information or visit a site, it's better to type the official website address into your browser. You can also hover your mouse over hyperlinks and compare the web address that pops up with the legitimate When fraudsters give you a ring

Phishing emails might include a link that takes

Candidate's campaigns often canvas their supporters by phone to help determine what voter's key issues are for an upcoming election. Unfortunately, scammers often do the same thing in an attempt to obtain personal information or money. Criminals pretending to be affiliated with your party or candidate might try to scam you over the phone by asking you to answer survey questions, donate funds or offering to help the victim register to vote. Scammers entice their targets to share personal information such as their Social Security number, birthdate or address in exchange for a prize or gift card, which no legitimate canvasser will ever do.

Smishing is like email scamming, only mes-

Trickery by smishing

sages are sent via text. Citizens might receive a message that looks like it came from a trusted source, inviting them to participate in a poll or make a donation by following a provided link, QR code or phone number. Scammers also have been known to spoof phone numbers and caller IDs, making it even more difficult to distinguish between a legitimate outreach attempt and fraud. Just like phishing scams, con artists use smishing to get passwords, account numbers, Social Security numbers or other data. They may also ask personal questions which seem harmless at face value but can be used to answer security questions for your online accounts.

Another type of scam happens when con artists send a text about a problem that doesn't exist. For example, an individual might get a text that looks like it came from their bank, asking if they made a donation to a candidate, organization or party with a prompt to reply "yes" or "no." If the person replies no, the scammer calls them and asks for their account login, numbers or password to investigate or dispute the transaction. The person feels fear and an urgent need to act, so they might not think twice about giving up sensitive informa-

There's also the text-your-vote scam. Con artists send text messages urging people to text their vote rather than voting in person or by mail. When voters believe them, they don't show up to vote, and their chance to participate in elections is lost.

Midterm election cybersecurity tips

- See prizes as a red flag. Know what pollsters don't need. They might ask for demographic information or what party you most align with, but they don't need personal information like birth dates, social security numbers or financial information. No state offers
- Don't answer unknown numbers. Con artists can't trick you if they can't get in touch.

voter registration by phone.

- Listen to your gut. If something seems off, protect yourself. If in doubt, check with your local election office. Don't provide information in re-
- sponse to an unsolicited message. Do report suspicious activities
- to BBB's Scam Tracker.

Padre Island Real Estate Activity October 1 – October 15

Interior Lot Homes Sold

14905 Dasmarinas Drive 13926 Lighthouse Drive 13929 Jacktar Street 15226 Caravel Drive 33 Interior Lot Homes Listed From \$355,500.00

to \$785,000.00 Waterfront Homes Sold

15214 Main Royal Drive 13742 Cayo Cantiles Stret 13730 Hawksnest Bay Drive 27 Waterfront Homes Listed From \$484,995.00

to \$2,950,000.00 Interior Condominiums/Townhomes/Duplexes

<u>Sold</u>

14721 Whitecap Blvd. #364 14802 Whitecap Blvd. #108 14202 Encantada Avenue #604 15114 Boca Grande Drive 15011 Beach Walk Loop

46 Interior Condominiums/Townhomes/Duplexes Listed From \$207,000.00 to \$895,000.00

Waterfront Condominiums/Townhomes/Duplex

<u>Sold</u> 15209 Leeward Drive Unit B2 19 Waterfront Condominiums/Townhomes/Du-

plexes Listed From \$127,000.00 to \$1,490,000.00

Waterfront Lot Sold 13762 Tajamar Court

\$9,000,000.00

Interior Lots 23 Interior Lots Listed From \$39,000.00 to \$300,000.00

18 Waterfront Lots Listed From \$250,000.00 to

Commercial Lots

23 Commercial Lots Listed From \$150,000.00-\$3,000,000.00

The Ballot

When voters go to the polls this election they will notice some changes. The first is a state-mandated change which removes non-contested races for state and county offices from the main ballot. Instead a list of unopposed candidates already "elected" is included in a separate section and no votes are cast in those races. Here is a partial list of candidates and bond issues which have Island impact:

Flour Bluff ISD

(The Flour Bluff school district constitutes 43% of the property taxes on Padre Island. It is run by a seven- member board elected on staggered terms. The board chairperson is elected by the members of the school board. Four seats are on the ballot this time along with a 12.8% tax increase which must be *approved by voters)*

Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees Place 2 (uncontested)

Jim Needham

Place 3

David R. Gerlach

Nicole Dowd (Incumbent) Place 4 (Uncontested)

Shirley Thornton Place 5

Nicole R. Peters (Incumbent)

Jeanie Blankenship Paluseo

Flour Bluff ISD Order of Voter-Approved

Tax Rate Election

Vote yes or no

Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$.9986 in Flour Bluff ISD for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 12.8 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the district for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$4,191,105.

<u>City</u>

Mayor Paulette Guajardo John Wright

At-Large City Council

(Vote for one, two, or three. Top three finishers

take office – no runo<u>f</u>fs) Jim Klein

Mike Pusley (Incumbent)

Rene Cervantes

Michael Hunter (Incumbent) Nancy Vera

John Martinez (Incumbent) Rachel Caballero

John Garcia

Council Member District 4 Dan Suckley (Only candidate on the ballot)

City Bond Propositions Vote for or against each set of bonds

Editor's note: Island property owners will pay about 10% of the debt service on each of these bonds through property taxes.

Proposition A Streets

The issuance of bonds for designing, demolishing, constructing, renovating, improving, reconstructing, restructuring, extending and making permanent street, sidewalk, drainage and any related improvements in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$92,500,000 and levying a tax in payment thereof, with priority given to the following:

Editor's Note: This ballot item contains a list of about thirty street projects. The following are the only projects listed on Padre Island or in Flour Bluff.

Beach Access Road, generally from State Highway 361 to beach

Flour Bluff Drive, generally from Yorktown to Don Patricio

Proposition B Parks and Recreation

The issuance of bonds for designing, demolishing, constructing, renovating, improving, expanding and equipping park and recreational facilities in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 and levying a tax in payment thereof, with priority given to the following:

Bill Witt Park Aquatic Facility Construction Oso Golf Center Clubhouse

Holly Road Railroad Trestle to Trail (Flour

Greenwood Sport Complex Improvements

North Beach Eco Park

Park Recreation Masterplan Improvements for Cole, Commodore, and St. Denis Parks. (Editor's note: This item includes \$1 million for

design of a community center at Commodore Park, the only Island item on the list) **Proposition C Public Safety**

Editor's note: None of the project listed in this tranche of bonds are on Padre Island or in Flour Bluff

The issuance of bonds for designing, demolishing, constructing, renovating, improving, expanding, upgrading and equipping public safety facilities in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 and levying a tax in payment thereof, with priority given to the following: Corpus Christi Fire Station #8

Corpus Christi Fire Station #10 Corpus Christi Fire Department Resource

Corpus Christi Police Substation - Far South

Corpus Christi Police Substation - Annaville (Calallen) **Proposition D Libraries**

Editor's note: Padre Island does not have a city library

The issuance of bonds for designing, demolishing, constructing, renovating, improving, expanding, upgrading and equipping public libraries in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 and levying a tax in payment thereof, with priority given to the following:

La Retama Central Library Renovation

County

Nueces County Judge Connie Scott (R)

Barbara Canales (D) incumbent **County Clerk**

Kara Sands (R)

Ruell Ector Guana (D) District Judge 117th Judicial District

Susan Barclay (R) Celina Lopez Leon (D)

District Clerk

Anne Lorentzen (R)

Maria C (Kina) Ventura (D) **State Senator District 27**

(No incumbent)

Adam Hinojosa (R) Morgan LaMantia (D)

Governor

Greg Abbott (R) Beto O'Rourke (D)

Mark Tippetts (Libertarian)

Delilah Barrios (Green Party)

Lieutenant Governor

Dan Patrick (R) Mike Collier (D)

Shanna Steele (Libertarian)

Commissioner of the General Land

Dawn Buckingham (R)

Jay Kleberg (D) Alfred Molison, Jr. Green Party Attorney General

Ken Paxton (R)

Rochelle Mercedes Garza (D)

Mark Ash (Libertariana0

Commissioner of Agriculture Sid Miller (R)

Susan Hays (D)

Railroad Commissioner

Wayne Christian (R) Luke Warford (D)

Jaime Andres Diez (Libertarian) Hunter Wayne Crow (Green Party)

Comptroller of Public Accounts Glen Hegar (R)

Janet T. Dudding (D)

V. Alonzo Achevarria-Garza (Libertarian)

<u>Federal</u>

U.S. Representative

Michael Cloud (R) Maclovio Perez Jr. (D)

Uncontested races

(No votes cast) Todd Hunter (R) State Representative District

Brent Chesney (R) Nueces County Commis-

sioner Precinct 4

Duncan Neblett Jr. (R) Justice of the Peace Precinct 3

David Loeb Del Mar College District Board of

Regents District 2 Libby Averyt Del Mar College District Board

of Regents At-Large

What is a TIRZ and how does it work?

TIRZ stands for "Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone." TIRZs are governed by Chapter 311 of the Texas Tax

Code. A TIRZ is not an additional tax. Instead, it establishes a base tax value for a designated geographic area tabulated when the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone is created, in the case of Padre Island that base tax value was the property located around Packery Channel before its construction and the commercial zone along SPID since the establishment of the TIRZ #2 in 2002. After the second reading to confirm Tuesday's vote it will now also include Padre Balli Park (\$2 million for improvements to Briscoe King Pavilion) and Packery Channel Park. It also includes improvements in the Whitecap project which will have an investment of \$850 million in new investment over the next ten years, and the Padre Harbor project (Lake Padre) which will have \$700 million in new investment over

Think of the area inside the TIRZ #2 as a snapshot of in time of development present in 2002 – that is the base value. Property tax levied on new construction since then and going forward inside the zone will be earmarked for improvments inside the zone's boundaries rather than going to the city or county's general fund.

Leg- islation adopted by the State of Texas in 2011 broadened the eligible uses of a TIRZ which now include:

- Public infrastructure that benefits the zone
- Public improvements that benefit the zone
- Capital maintenance of public infrastructure/improvements within the zone
- Programs or other projects that benefit the zone
- Reimbursement to private parties that make improvements to benefit the zone but would not occur "but for" creation of the zone

Vote from A1

7873 to 8773. In that same 2018 election voters across the county voted at 46% while voters on Padre Island voted at 60%, numbers which have remained relatively consistent for two decades

Early voting continues through November 4 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on weekdays, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday October 29. The only Early Voting location on Sunday, October 30, is at the Nueces County Courthouse from noon to 6 p.m. Voters do not have to cast their ballot in the precinct in which they are registered, votes can be cast at any Early Voting site.

Convenient Early Voting sites for Islanders are as follows: Island Presbyterian Church 14030 Fortuna Bay Drive

Ethel Eyerly Senior Center

654 Graham Rd. Flour Bluff

408 N. Alister St. Port Aransas

Port Aransas Community Center

TIRZ from A1

TIRZ #2 fund. The City of Corpus Christi and Nueces County

provide the majority of the funds paid into the TIRZ #2 account and as an acknowledgment of the county's crucial role part of the Tuesday vote was to add two county-appointed seats to the thirteen-member board. The board also voted to remove a seat held until Tuesday by the Flour Bluff school district which no longer participates in TIRZ #2 funding.

The board also voted Tuesday to extend the boundaries of TIRZ #2 southward to include Padre Balli Park and also pledged \$2 million for long-needed improvements to Briscoe King Pavilion. Nueces County Judge Barbara Canales suggested to the board that rather than oblige the full \$2 million in ready cash bonds could be used which would allow that money to be used for other projects. That decision will be made by the TIRZ #2 board at a later date. The board also voted to move the TIRZ #2 boundary northward to include the countyowned Packery Channel Park where design

work is underway for the construction of a new shoreline to prevent erosion along the channel.

All motions made at Tuesday's meeting will

be taken to City Council as an ordinance with

public hearing and first reading on November 15, and second reading on December 6. Future meetings will be scheduled after the first of the year to continue discussions about the amendments to the project and financing plan, the contribution amount and possible funding caps, possible participation by the Del Mar College District, additional boundary modifications, and composition of the TIRZ #2 board and to amend the budget for FY2023. But Tuesday's vote means the deadline for extension of the TIRZ #2 has met the requirements under state law through 2042.

At a meeting of the TIRZ #2 board in November members will discuss whether to pledge funds for reimbursement to the developers of the Whitecap project now under construction.

History from A1

sometimes buy a whole big wheel of cheese that would last for months. Shorty never drank much but after a day of fishing with a can pole on the causeway Shorty would drink a couple of beers before hitting the sack. He also kept a fifth of whiskey that he nipped on if the winter was weather was nipping at his ears and always offered a drink to his many friends. Shorty was well-liked and had a friendly appearance and he was also a good story teller. At that time were was rent cabins at the causeway and most of the kids hung out and played around the store.

Never met a man he didn't like

Shorty liked kids and would give all of them nickels, dimes, and quarters to buy candy because he knew they had no money. Shorty was a lot like humanitarian Will Rogers who got killed in a plane crash in Alaska; he never met a man he didn't like. Sometimes Shorty would put out a short trotline waded out from the shore. The trotline only had about ten to twelve hooks in it placed about five feet apart. It was a high line above the water and tied to a cedar stake jabbed into the bottom. He baited the trotline with perch that he had caught with a push net at night. He put the shrimp he caught in a wooden live box made of apple boxes and used the shrimp to fish for trout the next day fishing from the causeway.

Shorty caught a lot of big sow trout on the trotline. Shorty used New York trough hooks only for the trotline. After the Intracoastal Canal was completed from Flour Bluff to Port Isabel in the late 1940's about half the commercial fisherman moved to Port Isabel because if was open season in the winter months for fishing with gill nets, so Shorty moved there also. He acquired a school bus to live in and fished a trotline from the shore. After Shorty turned 65 he retired on the old age pension and moved back to Flour Bluff.

He lived in a small cabin at the Red Dot Bait Stand when it was on the Intracoastal Canal near the JFK Bridge. He gave his address as the Sportsman's Store on SPID and got the owner Eddie Packer to co-sign for his check. Shorty had smoked all his life then came down with emphysema which did him in which ended his candy and sourdough making life. Shorty was also a great cook and introduced me to the first roasted mullet roe and turtle soup that I had ever eaten. A lot of the food that he cooked in a Dutch oven had a distinctive flavor.

And that is the history of Shorty.



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Senior Moments



Senior Moments Special to The Island Moon
By Dotson Lewis
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B-17 Flying Fortress-Part 2

USAAF Operations Over Europe

Dotson's Note: The Army Air Corps, renamed United States Army Air Force (USAAF) on 20 June 1941, used the B-17 and other bombers to bomb from high altitudes with the aid of the then-secret Norden bombsight, known as the "Blue Ox", which was an optical electromechanical gyrostabilized analog computer. The device was able to determine, from variables put in by the bombardier, the point at which the aircraft's bombs should be released to hit the target. The bombardier essentially took over flight control of the aircraft during the bomb run, maintaining a level altitude during the final moments before release. Thanks to Peter Bowers and Richard Williams for the facts contained in this report and to the USArmy Signal Corps for the photos.



B-17 Nose Detail

The USAAF began building up its air forces in Europe using B-17Es soon after entering the war. The first Eighth Air Force units arrived in High Wycombe, England, on 12 May 1942, to form the 97th Bomb Group. On 17 August 1942, 12 B-17Es of the 97th, with the lead aircraft piloted by Major Paul Tibbets and carrying Brigadier General Ira Eaker as an observer, were closely escorted by four squadrons of RAF Spitfire IXs (and a further five squadrons of Spitfire Vs to cover the withdrawal) on the first USAAF heavy bomber raid over Europe, against the large railroad marshalling yards at Rouen-Sotteville in France, while a further six aircraft flew a diversionary

The operation, carried out in good visibility, was a success, with only minor damage to one aircraft, unrelated to enemy action, and half the bombs landing in the target area. The raid helped allay British doubts about the capabilities of American heavy bombers in operations over Europe.

raid along the French coast.

Two additional groups arrived in Britain at the same time, bringing with them the first B-17Fs, which served as the primary AAF heavy bomber fighting the Germans until September 1943. As the raids of the American bombing campaign grew in numbers and frequency, German interception efforts grew in strength (such as during the attempted bombing of Kiel on 13 June 1943), such that unescorted bombing missions came to be discouraged.

The two different strategies of the American and British bomber commands were organized at the Casablanca Conference in January 1943. The resulting "Combined Bomber Offensive" weakened the Wehrmacht, destroyed German morale, and established air superiority through Operation Pointblank's destruction of German fighter strength in preparation for a ground offensive. The USAAF bombers attacked by day, with British operations, chiefly against industrial cities, by night.



Boeing B-17F Radar Bombing Through Clouds: Bremen, Germany, On 13 November 1943

Operation Pointblank opened with attacks on targets in Western Europe. General Ira C. Eaker and the Eighth Air Force placed highest priority on attacks on the German aircraft industry, especially fighter assembly plants, engine factories, and ball-bearing manufacturers. Attacks began in April 1943 on heavily fortified key industrial plants in Bremen and Recklinghausen.

men and Recklinghausen.

Since the airfield bombings were not appreciably reducing German fighter strength, additional B-17 groups were formed, and Eaker ordered major missions deeper into Germany against important industrial targets. The 8th

Air Force then targeted the ball-bearing facto-

ries in Schweinfurt, hoping to cripple the war effort there. The first raid on 17 August 1943 did not result in critical damage to the factories, with the 230 attacking B-17s being intercepted by an estimated 300 Luftwaffe fighters. The Germans shot down 36 aircraft with the loss of 200 men, and coupled with a raid earlier in the day against Regensburg, a total of 60 B-17s were lost that day.

A second attempt on Schweinfurt on 14 Oc-

tober 1943 later came to be known as "Black Thursday". While the attack was successful at disrupting the entire works, severely curtailing work there for the remainder of the war, it was at an extreme cost. Of the 291 attacking Fortresses, 60 were shot down over Germany, five crashed on approach to Britain, and 12 more were scrapped due to damage – a loss of 77 B-17s. Additionally, 122 bombers were damaged and needed repairs before their next flights. Of 2,900 men in the crews, about 650 did not return, although some survived as prisoners of war. Only 33 bombers landed without damage. These losses were a result of concentrated attacks by over 300 German fighters.



B-17G Of The 384th Bomb Group on The Bomb Run

Such high losses of aircrews could not be sustained, and the USAAF, recognizing the vulnerability of heavy bombers to interceptors when operating alone, suspended daylight bomber raids deep into Germany until the development of an escort fighter that could protect the bombers all the way from the United Kingdom to Germany and back. At the same time, the German night fighting ability noticeably improved to counter the nighttime strikes, challenging the conventional faith in the cover of darkness. The 8th Air Force alone lost 176 bombers in October 1943, and was to suffer similar casualties on 11 January 1944 on missions to Oschersleben, Halberstadt, and Brunswick. Lieutenant General James Doolittle, commander of the 8th, had ordered the second Schweinfurt mission to be cancelled as the weather deteriorated, but the lead units had already entered hostile air space and continued with the mission. Most of the escorts turned back or missed the rendezvous, and as a result, 60 B-17s were destroyed.

A third raid on Schweinfurt on 24 February 1944 highlighted what came to be known as "Big Week", during which the bombing missions were directed against German aircraft production. German fighters needed to respond, and the North American P-51 Mustang and Republic P-47 Thunderbolt fighters (equipped with improved drop tanks to extend their range) accompanying the American heavies all the way to and from the targets engaged them. The escort fighters reduced the loss rate to below 7%, with a total of 247, B-17s lost in 3,500 sorties while taking part in the Big Week raids.



B-17C At Hickam Field December 7, 1941

Dotson's Other Note: By September 1944, 27 of the 42 bomb groups of the 8th Air Force and six of the 21 groups of the 15th Air Force used B-17s. Losses to flak continued to take a high toll of heavy bombers through 1944, but the war in Europe was being won by the Allies. And by 27 April 1945, 2 days after the last heavy bombing mission in Europe, the rate of aircraft loss was so low that replacement aircraft were no longer arriving and the number of bombers per bomb group was reduced. The Combined Bomber Offensive was effectively complete.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: The weekly Veterans Round Table meetings are on Tuesdays 9-11AM. All veterans, their families and anyone interested in veterans' activities, are invited. The meeting location is at Del Mar College, Center for Economic Development, 3209 S. Staples. (Across from Ray High School). Also, the Veterans Radio Round Table is on the air on KEYS AM 1440 & 98.7 FM, 8 – 10 a.m., Saturdays. Please listen and call in or text. The listener/text line is: 361-882-5397...It's your two hours, please let us hear from you.

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Stuff I Heard on the Island



Sometimes you have one of those moments where you look past the trees and suddenly see the forest. An accidental epiphany. I had one this week.

A \$500 million entertainment venue...

I was at city hall on Tuesday to attend the meeting of the board of the Tax Increment Refinancing Zone #2 as the future of our island unfolded in about two hours. The board voted to renew the TIRZ #2 through 2042 which is a great thing for us and to have done otherwise would have meant impending doom. The course of current affairs on Padre Island was the subject; \$850 million over ten year on the Whitecap project, \$700 million over twelve years for the Lake Padre development, and \$500 million over five to seven years for an entertainment venue...wait a minute...what was that last one?!

I inquired after the meeting to make sure there was no misunderstanding and in fact the third project is not part of the first two; it is something new. So I got on the phone and while I don't know any details yet it seems there is a project in the wind involving a "big player" who has visited our island on more than one occasion looking to invest. I can't think of any empty land hereabouts that is big enough to play host to an "entertainment venue" of that size but it seems there is something in the wind...that's a pretty big old Margaretville ya'll. In the course of human events there are buyers and there are tire kickers, we'll let you know which category that one falls under as things progress but I'm told an announcement may be imminent.

Who will help us make the bread?

But the forest that I saw when I heard about that project had been lost among the election season trees. As Moon founder Mike Ellis used to say, "There are many people who will help us eat the bread but who will help us make the bread? It sent me in the direction of two items which are on the ballot now before voters.

Bonds

The first is the city bond election which in total would allow for the floating of \$125 million in bonds. There are two Island items on the ballot which total about .8% of that total but the cost to Island taxpayers will be somewhere in the nature of \$12million to \$15 million. One item is the construction of a new and much needed beach access road along State Highway 361, the other is \$1.5 million for the designing of a much needed community center on The Island. So at the end of the day there is a lot of Island bread being eaten without much help in making it. The location for the prospective community center is Commodores Park which may or may not meet with the approval of Islanders, but the problem is that no one on The Island has been asked for their opinion and that includes the Island Strategic Action Committee and District 4 City Councilman Greg Smith. Given the pushback when it was announced

that a new beach maintenance building was going up at Commodores Park it seems like a good idea to get some feedback from Islanders before we spend seven figures to design it. It seems like if our Island bread is going to be eaten we should at least have a seat at the table.

The school district

Also on the ballot is a request by the Flour Bluff school district for 12.8% more of Island bread in the form of a tax hike which comes out to \$4.1 million with almost \$3 million of that coming from Island pockets. Almost half of the property tax paid by Islanders goes to the district but over the years Island taxpayers have largely gone about their business without paying much attention to the goings on at FBISD Board of Directors. In fact this is the first time in many years there have been contested races for board seats with four on the ballot and only two contested. A few years ago when Island candidates ran for the board those already on the board and their supporters ran on a platform with the slogan, "Keep the Bluff for the Bluff." While I'm not exactly certain what that meant it sure seemed that the presence of Islanders on a board where Islanders produce well over half the tax revenue was not particularly welcome. This is a board where over the years members resigned so that the remaining board members could appoint new members who then ran as incumbents and in fact a check of current board members finds that three of the seven were appointed and not

I have met with district officials and gone over the numbers and there is no doubt that there are funding problems but when those problems eventually go away the 12.8% tax hike will not and if asking Island taxpayers for more money is the solution this time the obvious question is whether it will be the solution next time as well, and if in fact maybe the management that led to the need for a 12.8% tax hike is really the problem

The underlying question is what the board has in mind if the tax increase is turned down. Without an election they could have had an incremental increase that is now off the table and if the tax increase on the ballot is voted down the problems it was designed to address will remain and that leads us back to the question of whether the management that didn't see the crunch coming before it needed a \$4.1 million fix is really the problem.

It seems that from the city which passed a tax hike, Nueces County which also passed a tax hike, and the school district which wants a tax hike bigger than both of the others everybody wants a bite of Island bread. But at least city officials this week extended the Island TIRZ and stood up for us on Short-Term Rentals, and County officials have worked to rebuild Bob Hall Pier and for improvements at Briscoe King Pavilion so they have helped us make the bread. So far I haven't seen any such efforts to reach out to Islanders from the school district.

Instead they just want more Island bread.

Halloween at the Back Porch in 2012











School Stand Moon October 27, 2022

The Island Outdoors On the Rocks Backwa



By Jay Gardner

The Conrad Blucher Institute (CBI) celebrated their 35-

year anniversary last Friday down at the Art Museum, and I wouldn't have missed it. The CBI was started by the Blucher family who were the first surveyors in the area back in the 1850's. Semi-recently, Conrad Blucher was the County Surveyor until the 1950's, and in 1975 transferred the family's estate to Corpus Christi State University, and the CBI was born. The institute was geared towards training surveyors and innovative research and is located on the TAMUCC campus.

These days, the CBI is still involved in training surveyors for the next generation but has taken innovation to a whole 'nuther level. They maintain a system of water level monitoring stations along the coast that is tied into the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) website that I continually refer to. They do subsurface and hydrographic surveys and monitoring. Dr. Philippe Tissot is infusing weather data with artificial intelligence to predict cold stunning events, which is some serious cutting-edge research. Our buddy Dr. Mikey Starek is pushing the boundaries of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) that gathers aerial imagery, topographic data, vegetation types, and just about everything else you can imagine utilizing drones. I mean some cool stuff! Check out their website. Some of you loyal readers know that I worked for the Texas Coastal Ocean Observation Network (TCOON) back in the day helping with water level monitoring stations, but also monitoring the salinity levels in the Nueces

River and Nueces Bay. This was/is the SALT

program in conjunction with the city, Texas

Parks and Wildlife, Texas Commission on En-

vironmental Quality (TCEQ), the Texas Water

Development Board (TWDB), and of course

our friends at the Coastal Bend Bays and Estu-

aries Program (CBBEP). The main goal was to

calibrate and maintain a set of salinity meters from Labonte Park all the way to the Nueces Causeway. This measures the freshwater gradient and reach of the releases from Choke Canyon/Lake Mathis which corresponds to the relative health of the estuary.

The results of the initial years of the study, in coordination with the other resource agencies, determined that instead of just blindly dumping water over the spillway willy-nilly, we learned to time the releases. All estuarine organisms and some saltwater species depend on freshwater for certain stages of their lives for a variety of reasons, one being protection from predators who don't necessarily like freshwater. The timing of the freshwater releases is also critical for reproduction, as many of our species spawn in the spring and fall. So it's more effective to release water at those times than say the middle of summer, where it both evaporates and does the least good. Sorry for all the science, but this is critical to maintaining a healthy estuary and bay system for us and future generations. Congrats to all CBI alumni and future generations of researchers and surveyors, and here's to another 35 years! Salud! Ok, switching gears, the TIRZ #2 committee finally met after an 8-month hiatus this past week and started to get things back on track to get the renewal to the finish line by the end of the year. I'm sure Dale will cover a lot of the main twists, but there is another TIRZ meeting supposed to be scheduled next week to finally approve the funds for, among other things, the Island Mobility Plan. The agenda item referenced a STUDY, but we already have the data; we need a PLAN. The new Whitecap Preserve will help with mobility, but you loyal readers already know that.

Alright folks, sorry about all the names and abbreviations, but sometimes the scientist in me comes to the surface. There will be lots more to write about next week, and the political season is so hot that the marshmallows roast before you even get them on the stick. Y'all drop me a line at tarponchaser@mail.com and we'll see you next week On the Rocks.



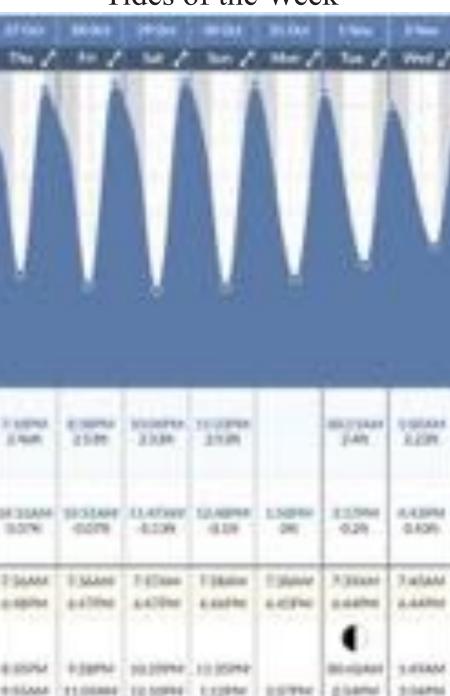
Backwater Adventures

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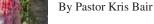


Speckled Trout are getting ready for their FALL SPAWN! I landed this nice fish in three feet of water just after this last cold front on a DOA 5.5 jerk bait, Key lime.

Tides of the Week



Unruly Seniors



Today's Facebook meme is titled "12 Commandments for Seniors." It piqued my curiosity—I mean, after all—why should I

need any more commandments?

So I read them. Number 1 is "Talk to yourself. There are times you need expert advice."

I've been giving advice for years, but that

doesn't make me an expert. It just makes me someone who can't keep her mouth shut.

Number 2 says that the phrase "In style"

means "the clothes that still fit."

I have no patience anymore for style.

find that superfluous.

I have no patience anymore for style, and I haven't since I was a Senior--in college. Which was 50 years ago. I'm "built for comfort, not for speed," and so is my wardrobe. Number 3 is about anger management, but I

There isn't much that makes me really angry, except to come home with a load of groceries only to find the kitchen counter covered with residue from the GP's (Great Provider's)

foraging.

That does trigger my anger, but I learned years ago to manage it, though I gave up trying to manage him about two days after we got

married.

Number 5 is "Your people skills are just fine.

Tolerance for idiots needs work."

Huh? As I've gotten older, I've found it easier to ignore the idiots and just do my own thing

I don't "tolerate" them. I vote. Which I've already done this week.

Number 6 says, "The biggest lie you tell yourself is "I don't need to write that down; I'll remember it."

Sigh. But where did I put the paper I wrote it on?

Number 7: "Even duct tape can't fix stupid—but it sure does muffle the sound."

This is not true. Duct tape can fix anything. "Duck Tape" is a different story.

Number 8 says, "Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for 10 minutes, then come out three sizes smaller and free of wrinkles?"

No.

We have inadvertently tried the dryer method with the cat that snuck into it and the kid that turned it on for a joke.

This does not work. This will not work. This is an idiot's idea and we're going to ignore it. Number 9 notes, "Lately you've noticed people your age are so much older than you." Reluctantly, I must admit that this is true. But

like the rest of these "commandments," it's not a commandment. It's an observation.

Number 10 states "Growing old should've taken longer."

I couldn't wait to get old. And yes, I would've been glad to be able to put off the hip replacements and the impending knee surgeries, not to mention the arthritis and the joint pain and the thin skin and the multiple pills to keep me going.

But I've always longed to be able to pull my glasses down on my nose and righteously glare over them at idiots with no fear of reprisal because I am clearly a Little. Old.

Even idiots know to "Never Hit Your Grandma with a Shovel," a song favorite from my childhood.

Which brings us to the 11th Commandment, "Aging has slowed you down but it hasn't shut you up."

It's true. See Commandment Number 1,

And finally, the 12th one: "You still haven't learned to act your age and hope you never

I have to admit old age is not for the faint of

But if learning to "act your age" means not being open to more learning, I do hope I never

Whoever wrote this list of "commandments" just could not stop, adding this codicil at the bottom: "One for the road means 'going to the bathroom' before you leave the house.

This can be written as a commandment. Go to the bathroom before you leave the house. Every time.

Do not pass Go. Do not collect \$100. Go to the bathroom (sometimes the Porta Potties don't have TP!) before you go to the final Island Presbyterian Church beach worship service for this year—Sunday, 8 a.m., at the end of Whitecap. Bring a chair, your breakfast beverage, pets on leashes, and help us celebrate Reformation Sunday.

Or be re-formed with us in our sanctuary at 10 a.m., Fortuna Bay and Gypsy. You can also livestream or Zoom that service on Facebook (be sure to Like us!) or from our website. Nursery provided, as well as Sunday School for kids.

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Nature Notes

Have a Batty Halloween!

By Celeste Silling



Common Vampire Bats Photo by Michel Viard

It's the spookiest time of the year, and I've been seeing a lot of bat decorations around. This has got me thinking about our winged mammal friends, who often do not get the credit they deserve! Bats, despite their association with Halloween, are not scary at all. In fact, they play very important roles in our ecosystem.

Bats are important pollinators, delivering pollen from plant to plant and helping many species reproduce. This helps us grow crops and keep our habitats healthy. Bats also play a very important role in pest control. The vast majority of bats eat insects or invertebrates in one form or another. This includes mosquitos, flies, moths, spiders, flying ants, midges, and even scorpions. Some bat species are specialists, only going after certain prey insects, and others are opportunists that will eat any bug they can catch. Because they can eat hundreds or even thousands of insects per night, bats are incredibly helpful to farmers and anyone else who wants to keep the pest population down.

Most bats eat just fruit, nectar and/or bugs, but because this is a Halloween article, I must address the blood sucker in the room... Vampire Bats! There are only three species of blood-sucking bats in the world and all live in Central and South America (not Transylvania). The Hairy-legged Vampire Bat and the White-winged Vampire Bat feed mainly on the blood of birds. But the Common Vampire Bat feeds on the blood of mammals, and is the best known of the three.

The Common Vampire Bat feeds at night and targets

animals like cows, pigs, and horses. This bat has excellent hearing, and can hear its prey breathing. Once it has located its prey, the bat lands on the ground and crawls onto the leg of the animal. It uses heat sensors in its nose to find a spot where the blood is close to the surface, then make a very small incision with its teeth. Anticoagulants in the bat's saliva prevent the blood from clotting, so the bat can have a nice stream of blood as it feeds for about 20-30 minutes. The cut is so small and painless, the sleeping animal usually doesn't even notice that it's been visited by a vampire.

While Texas isn't home to any vampire bats, we can boast that we are the battiest state in the country! Texas is home to at least 32 of the known 47 American bat species and we have the largest bat colony in the world at Bracken Cave Preserve near San Antonio. Houston itself has two large bat colonies under the Watonga Bridge and the Waugh Drive Bridge, and the huge evening emergences of these colonies are something to behold!

If you are lucky enough to see a bat or a colony of bats, there is some bat etiquette that you might want to follow. First, don't shine any bright lights at the bats or make loud noises. We don't want to disturb them in their hard work of pest control! Second, give the bats space and don't touch any that you might find on the ground. This is for the safety of both the bat and yourself. Instead, stand still and listen for the little squeaks and flaps of these cool critters. With any luck, you'll have a very batty Halloween!

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		7:30 PM	Live Auction	Hard Knocks Bar & Grill	
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Sunday	December 4	5:00 PM	Land Parade	Briscoe Pavilion	
Friday	December 9	7:00 PM	Boat Parade	Packery Channel	
Saturday	December 10	6:00 PM	Boat Parade	Caravel Boat Ramp	
Sunday	December 11	8:30 AM	Breakfast for Marine	s & Load Toys – PIYC	
Monday	December 12	6:00 PM	Awards Presentation	n PIYC	



Going Native

By Ed Proffitt Put up or shut up - native vs exotics

Every now and then someone pops up to challenge the idea that native plants are "better" than non-native (hereafter "exotic") ones. Today, I'll give you a small helping of the kinds of facts and professional opinions that I pile upon my classes' plates. The scientific, natural resource management, and urban landscaping literature has debated this topic ad nauseum and will likely continue to do so for some time. Plenty of people offer their opinions. The arguments go like this: Pro – native plants are "better" for biodiversity because they're evolutionarily adapted to local conditions; and, Con – exotic plants are "better" for urban and semi-urban landscapes because these systems can be harsh environments and professional landscapers can select the plants that are likely to perform best in (for example, dry environments, even if they're non-native to the area). There is actually some truth in both statements, but let's see what some recent scientific literature says.

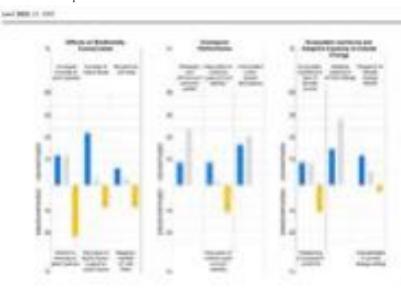
Golivets and colleagues (2018) published an excellent article that addressed one aspect of this question in the very prestigious journal Ecology Letters. One oftenstated assumption has been that exotic species are strong competitors "suppressing" native species. Their findings reviewing 192 other peer-reviewed papers challenged that notion. They found that in pair-wise competition trials, exotic plants tended to better "tolerate" competition from native species because of strong adaption to the typical environmental conditions (recall, they'd been selected by gardener experts to be tolerant to such conditions). Thus, this is why they often "won" in competition trials. Examples exist, however, of strong "suppression" competitors, for example Brazilian Pepper and Australian Pine (both found on our Island!), but the large majority of species did not take this tact. Regardless, however, of the specific ecological mechanism -- note that many if not most exotic species DID indeed outcompete the natives in these trials.

Another enlightening article by Catarina Archer de Carvalho (don't you just love that name!) et al. (2022) in the journal Land reviewed many aspects of the "controversy" concerning use of native vs exotic plants. Their literature review included over 100 articles that could be analyzed statistically. Some reviewed papers opined that exotic species should be maintained especially in urban land-scapes because these species had been selected

by landscape experts to prevail in the typically harsher conditions of urbanized areas. They say that without using exotic plants, that overall plant diversity would decline in urbanized areas in the future because many natives were not as well adapted to the urban conditions. On the other side, many (most, really) scientists believe that native species are better adapted to provide "ecosystem services" (things that benefit humans like food, and carbon sequestration, and reduction of erosion) and "ecosystem functions" (like supporting food and pollinator species, healthy microbes in the soil, and many chemical reactions necessary to sustain the ecosystem). And, that loss of native plants from combined effects of global change, pollution, and replacement by exotic plants in landscapes will lead to future wide-spread collapses of biodiversity and functions/services in many sites around the

But, what does the scientific evidence say? Exotic species do indeed perform as well or better than natives in many urban environments. But, on balance, they have substantial negative effects as well on local biodiversity, ecosystem services, and ecosystem functions while native species do not. Further, native species provide more longerterm benefits because of their evolutionary adaptations to the "local" environment (physical, chemical, and native neighbor species). On balance, de Carvalho et al. (2022) conclude that native species provide many benefits but have few, if any, NEGATIVE effects and thus in net are highly preferred to non-natives even (when those species provide some benefits). In the example figure I snipped from their paper, note that bars above the mid line indicate benefits (of native and exotic species) while bars below the line mean adverse effects. There are both some benefits and adverse effects of exotics, but only benefits of natives!

These are just a brief outline of extensive research by the authors of both studies, and I do them a disservice by just a cursory coverage. I blame Dale's word limit (just kidding, Dale). I invite you to track down these papers (Google Scholar will work) and check the many details on your own. You can impress folks at the next party you're invited to (but note, may be the last party you're invited too, ha). Thus, I stand by my statements in previous columns, we need to keep Going Native!







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Best World Series Game



Dotson's Note: The 1986 World Series was the championship series of Major League Baseball's (MLB) 1986 season. The 83rd edition of the World Series, it was a best-of-seven playoff played between the National League (NL) champion New York Mets and the American League (AL) champion Boston Red Sox. The Mets won the series four games to three to claim their second World Series title and first since 1969. Thanks to Bill Morgan, Jack Buck, Bob Costas and Sparky Anderson for the facts contained in this report and to Bill Morgan for the photos.

1986 World Series Game 6 Part 1

The series returned to Shea Stadium for Game 6, with the Mets facing elimination. Bob Ojeda, the winner of Game 3, returned to the mound for New York. The Red Sox countered with their ace Roger Clemens, who despite the team's victory in his Game 2 start did not factor into the decision as he was pulled from the game in the fifth inning.



Roger Clemens

In the first two innings, Boston took a quick 2–0 lead on RBI base hits from Dwight Evans and Marty Barrett. The Mets tied the score in the fifth inning on a single from Ray Knight and a run-scoring double play by Danny Heep, in his last at-bat as a Met.

After the Mets left the go-ahead run-on base in the sixth, the Red Sox came to bat in the top of the seventh against New York reliever Roger McDowell. Barrett started off the inning by drawing a walk, then advanced to second on a groundout by Bill Buckner. Jim Rice then hit a ground ball to third that Knight misplayed, putting runners on the corners with one out. McDowell then got Evans to ground out to the left side, but since Boston had called for a hit-and-run, the Mets were unable to convert a double play and get out of the inning; Barrett scored on the groundout to give the Red Sox the lead. The Mets avoided further damage, though, as Rice was thrown out at home after trying to score from second on a single by Rich Gedman for the third out.

In the top of the eighth, McDowell walked Dave Henderson to start the inning. After Spike Owen laid down a sacrifice bunt, advancing Henderson to second, the pitcher's spot was due next. Although Clemens had struck out eight Mets batters and had only allowed one earned run to this point in the game, manager John McNamara decided to call for a pinch hitter. Despite having power hitting veteran Don Baylor on his bench, McNamara chose to send up rookie Mike Greenwell as he felt the matchup against McDowell favored him. Greenwell responded by striking out on three pitches. After intentionally walking Wade Boggs next, McDowell walked Barrett to load the bases. Jesse Orosco came in to face Buckner, inducing a first-pitch fly out to end

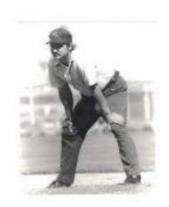
It was initially said that Clemens was removed from the game due to a blister forming on one of his fingers, but both he and McNamara dispute this. Clemens said to Bob Costas on an MLB Network program concerning the 1986 postseason that McNamara decided to pull him despite Clemens wanting to pitch.



John McNamara

Regardless of who was telling the truth, McNamara had been warming closer Calvin Schiraldi in the bullpen for some time and brought him in the bottom of the eighth inning for a potential two-inning save. Pinch hitter Lee Mazzilli led off the inning with a single. Lenny Dykstra then reached on an attempted sacrifice to put two runners on. Wally Backman followed with another bunt to move Mazzilli and Dykstra into scoring position, and Schiraldi intentionally walked Keith Hernandez to load the bases for Gary Carter. Schiraldi ran up a 3-0 count on Carter, but Carter swung at the next pitch and flied to left, deep enough to score Mazzilli and tie the game. With Dykstra now on third, Darryl Strawberry stood in with a chance to drive in the go-ahead run, but flied out to end the inning.

After the Red Sox failed to score against Rick Aguilera in the top of the ninth, the Mets came up with a chance to win the game. Knight started the inning by drawing a walk off Schiraldi. Mookie Wilson was then asked to lay down a bunt to try to move the runner up to second. The bunt landed directly in front of home plate and catcher Rich Gadman had a play at second and threw there to try and get the lead runner. His throw was high, however, and pulled shortstop Owen off the base long enough for Knight to slide in safely. Owen, Barrett, and McNamara argued that second base umpire Jim Evans made the wrong call, with McNamara saying he could not have seen Owen's foot land back on the bag, but television replays showed that Knight's hand touched just before Owen got his foot back down.



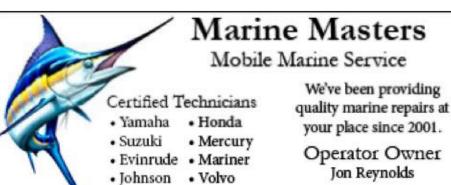
Jim Evans

With a runner now in scoring position and still nobody out, Howard Johnson came on to pinch hit. Mets manager Davey Johnson had been expected by the Red Sox to call for a bunt in order to move Knight to third base, where he could score on a deep fly ball, but the play was not called and Johnson struck out. Schiraldi then got Mazzilli out on a fly ball to left, failing to advance Knight to third, and followed that up with another fly out off the bat of Dykstra to end the inning and move the game to extra innings.

Dotson's Other Note: All of you Moon Monkeys now have a chance to let us baseball nuts know your choice of the best World Series game of all time. I will give you two weeks to let me know your choice before I reveal the final results of this most important race. You are invited to join us on Tuesdays at the Veterans Round Table at the Del Mar College, Center for Economic Development 9-11 AM. All are welcome and the coffee and donuts are free! You might even learn something. Questions/comments and or Letters to the Editor are welcome. My Email: dlewis1@stx.rr.com and Phone: 530-748-8475.

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A True Story



By Andy Purvis

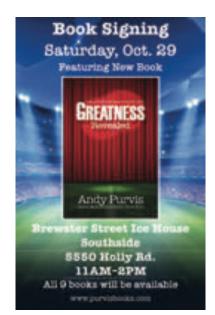
Pitcher Gaylord Perry was a master of making hitters look foolish. Over his 20-year career on the mound, Perry became the first pitcher to win the Cy Young Awards in both the National League and American League. He also won over 300 games. As a five-time All-Star who played for the San Francisco Giants, Cleveland Indians, San Diego Padres, Texas Rangers, Atlanta Braves, Kansas City Royals, Seattle Mariners, and New York Yankees, he is best remembered for how bad he made hitters feel in the batter's box. Most everyone during his era knew that Perry was using an illegal substance on the baseball to throw a "spitball," but none could ever prove it. Perry was checked over and over by umpires throughout his career, but was never caught. Perry knew that the very suggestion of his throwing a spitball gave him a mental advantage over hitters, so he toyed with his opponents. Before every pitch, Gaylord entered into a routine of touching his fingers to the bill of his cap, then wiping them across the hair behind his ears, and then touching his fingers to different parts of his uniform, all the spots where Vaseline or some other substance could be concealed. This routine drove managers and hitters crazy. Often after striking out on a pitch that moved like a spitter, opposing batters would yell at Perry as they stomped back to the dugout in anger. For all of Perry's success on the mound, he hardly made a mark at the plate, becoming one of the worst hitting pitchers of his era. In 1963, as a rookie for the San Francisco Giants, Perry was asked about his hitting. Gaylord jokingly mentioned to a member of the press, "They'll put a man on the moon before I hit a home run." Amazingly, on July 20, 1969, just a few hours after Neil Armstrong became the first man to set foot on the moon, Gaylord Perry hit the first home run of his career, In 1983, Perry retired with 314 career wins,

placing him in the top 20 in baseball history. He struck out 3,534 hitters and threw one no-hitter in 1968. Gaylord Perry was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1991. He also finished with only one lifetime home run. A true story!

Andy Purvis



I got to meet Gaylord Perry in August of 1994. He signed a book for me.



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Hardknocks Sports Bar and Grill was the location for our luncheon on October 14, 2022. As always Rod's team did an amazing job serving chicken stir fry, mixed vegetables, homemade fried rice, salad, and a signature dessert. We had 74 reservations for lunch.

November's meeting is important to our club. The slate of officers for 2023 is presented. This luncheon will be devoted to our silent auction. This is a big fundraiser for our club so please help us by coming and bidding on items. Lots of auction items were brought to the Octobers meeting and there are some beautiful baskets and fun things. Please bring cash or checks for items.

The Octobers Scholarship basket was donated by JoAnn Enoch and Jayne Farmer and was

50/50 and received \$160.00! Birthday Ladies were Nancy Horsley, Judy

won by JoAnn Holden. JoAnn also won the Washam, and Leora Pimentel.

There were several visitors at the lunch, and we hope to see them again.

The Scholarship basket for November will be donated by the Hooked-on Books book club. Our next PIE meeting will be held on Friday, November 11th at 1130 at Hardknocks Sports Bar and Grill. There will be a Board meeting before beginning at 10 am. If you are interested in getting information about joining PIE please contact Deborah Packer at Deborah@ Deborahpacker.com.

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Three Chords and the Truth

On the local front...



Dia de los Muertos Festival is this Saturday in downtown CC.

We have finally made it to the end of October which can only mean one thing... HAPPY HALLOWEEN EVERYBODY! I love Halloween. It's right up there with the Fourth of July and St. Patty's Day. I think I just like dressing up in a gnarly costume every year and me and my Mermaid Gal have plenty to choose from this year since Brenda Barnett, aka: the Potter on Cotter, gave us her collection of masks and wigs before she moved to New Mexico. They are very sick and twisted! This Saturday is also the Dia de los Muertos aka: The Day of the Dead, and there will be a festival in downtown Corpus. Plus, there's a Head Bangers Ball at Brewster Street Downtown and of course the USS Lexington will host their annual "Haunting on the Blue Ghost". Just Google "Halloween Port Aransas" and you'll see all the cool event's happening around our island. All the bars are on board with costume parties and the *Port* Aransas Community Theater will have a free Haunted House nightly from 7-10 going now until Halloween. This event goes to benefit the Project Graduation for PAHS Seniors. Also, the VFW will be selling pumpkins this Saturday. And there's plenty more spooky fun out there. Trick or treat y'all!

Scattered shots...



Triptonite played Shorty's last Saturday.

Me and my Mermaid Gal did a little bar hopping last weekend in our trusty old golf cart. We caught Triptonite's first set at Shorty's last Saturday. Listen closely. These guys are really good. It's rowdy and loud and full of twists and turns and deserves the moniker Psychedelic Jam Band. Their guitarist David Wirth is really talented. He pics that axe like he was born with it in his hands... fast and clean. And their lead singer, Hank Harrison, is the right guy for that job. To say he's engaging is an understatement. Can you say **star quality**? The whole band is beyond great from keys to skins, these cats have got it going on. Later we also caught Crosstown **Expressway** at *Bron's*. They have the talented services of Chris Zavala on keys, but he plays one of those hand held deals that looks like he's playing a guitar. I liked that band and will try to check them out again. Oh, and earlier in the day I drug out my faithful Moon Monkey for the WORLD FAMOUS BELT SANDER RACES and lost miserably but did get to see my pal Coach Jim Dugan at a fairly close vantage.

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Chris Zavala with Crosstown Expressway played Bron's last Saturday. Photo by Pam Felder

COLD BEER

is Shorty's last week in their present location and they've got a big send off planned. On Thursday they have Selfie (of course) and I'm sure as shootin' that will be an explosive event. They've occupied that Thursday slot since 2014. On Friday they have the "Greatest Bar Band in History of Man" with the incomparable Toman Brothers and on Saturday it's our old pal Todd Dorn and the Sea Drifters. These two bands have been solid, once a month players at Shorty's for many years and deserve to play this historic time at Shorty's. Also on Thursday, check out Michael Amos at Island Wine. On Friday it's the forever tropical **Dunebillies** at the Gaff, Back Pew Revival at Treasure Island, Bron's has Brad Ethridge early and Dreaming in **Color** later... that's a darn good show. On Saturday expect a wild night of debauchery, complete with props. We've got Raeanne **Reed** at *Bron's*, the **Groove** will play *Treasure* Island. Coach Dugan's at the Gaff, Janelle Shetters is at Island Wine, Reba McIntire is at the American Bank Center. And on Monday, Halloween proper, Shorty's will have the King of Tex-Mex, Joe King Carrasco. Joe is everywhere. He's a man on the move and has been for decades. He lives in France now... enough said. I've been knowing JKC and his family for a long time and have mucho respect for him. He's one of the players that made Austin the "Live Music Capitol of the World". I watched him stage dive at an Auditorium Shores concert onetime years ago. There had to be 10,000 people there. I watched him play and sing on the outstretched arms all the way to Sandy's Frozen Custard and back. He was up in the air for at least 20 minutes. And on Tuesday, November 1 Shorty's will throw a last time "Local's Party".

In the way of music we have options. This



The Groove will play Treasure Island on Saturday.

Ooops...

Well it looks like I didn't do my homework quite well enough in last week's Three Chords column regarding Chris Riggins and his new position with the Port Aransas Tourism Bureau & Chamber of Commerce and I've been corrected by Rhonica Stuart, the Operational Support Specialist with the Chamber. Here's the correct skinny on Chris and his new job... He doesn't work for the City of Port A and does not have any enforcement capabilities nor does he investigate complaints or have anything to do with the Short-Term Rental hotline listed. Ooops. His job is to collaborate with community partners to advance opportunities that seek to find harmony between quality of life for residents and a strong visitor economy while protecting our cultural and natural resources. Also, his job is to ensure that the chamber is educating visitors about local rules and regulations and to work with marketing and research agencies to evaluate the effectiveness of the "Respect Our Island Home" campaign. Miss Stuart went on to explain, "The City of Port Aransas operates the phone/hot line number I list through a third party compliance company." She also explained that the City of Port Aransas operates the phone number I gave through a third party STR compliance company and they are in the process of hiring an additional code positions to support the STR community. I want to thank Miss Stuart for this correct

information. Maybe I should stick to music. ISI And, that's the truth ISI



Joe King Carrasco will play Shorty's on Halloween. Photo by Miles Merwin.





Jim Dugan played the Gaff last Saturday. Photo by Mark Wysoki

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Ty Dietz @ Packery Bar Michael Burtts @ Angry Marlin New Ends @ House of Rock Dial-Ups, Falco Duo @ Rockit's\ Hair America @ Brewster Downtown Bottles & Bandits @ Brewster Southside Ruben Limas @ Blackbeard's JonMikael MREZ @ Riley's Pub

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Michael Burtts @ Brewster Southside Robin Blue @ Scuttlebutts Ruben Limas @ Salty Dolphin Brian Winfrey @ Blackbeards Alonzo Cruz, Ejay Red Feather, John Cortez @ Packery Bar Halloween Party @ Pelican Lounge

Sunday, October 30 Jim Dugan, Ty Dietz @ Shorty's David & Barbara Brown @ Island Wine Tumble Dry Low @ Bernie's Billy Snipes @ Scuttlebutt's Downtown Eli Brown @ BUS Buddy Cortinez @ Packery Bar Michael Burtts @ Salty Dolphin Jerry Ward @ Pelican Lounge Michael Burtts @ Pier Damn Right Duo @

Halloween, October 31 Joe King Carrasco @ Shorty's Bubba Flex @ Bron' Ruben Limas @ Blackbeard's Mike Perez @ Scuttlebutt's

Tuesday, November 1 Open Mic @ House of Rock Billy Snipes @ Doc's Open Jam @ Rialto Theater AP Chuck Almarez @ Blackbeard's

Wednesday, November 2 Riptide @ VFW Open Mic w/ Jay Springer @ Island Wine Dave's Duo @ Katz 21 Ruben Limas @ Blackbeard's

Thursday, November 3 W.A.S.P., Michael Schenker, Armored Saint @ Concrete Street Downtown Eli Brown @ Red's at Palmilla Lucy Morrison @ Blackbeard's Ruben Limas @ Island Italian Eli Brown @ Red's at Palmilla Acoustic Open Mic @ Rockport Little Theater

Friday, November 4 Wilder Blue @ Third Coast Theater Jered Clark @ Virginia's Disney on Ice @ American Bank Center







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Island Moon B12 October 27, 2022



Mike and Kristi Britt on the hills of Chianti in Tuscany, Italy.



Rocks National Forest. Martha, an Island reader, hikes the Red Rocks Nat'l Forest, NV with the Island Moon. Thank you for your hard work to make the Island Moon such an interesting read.



Olfactory O'clock

By Chris Jordan

Just as there is a connection between food and place, so there is a connection between food and time. A memory of food can be among the most compelling memories we experience. Our food pasts can wrap us in a comfy blanket of experiences with family, friends, and loves. But the recollection of food can also be environed by unfamiliar custom, disconcerting climes, and the dubious presence of strangers. Smell triggers memory and memory triggers smell - either way, suddenly you are very much then. For me, the then is invariably some time in the 1970s.

The very earliest smell memory I have is of my grandmother making french fries. She had a fabulous Nesco Fryryte Model 140 D Deep Fat Fryer. Mum (as I called her) had bought the thing new in the 50s and she had definitely not ever changed the grease in it. When she fired it up, the whole house was permeated with the smell of potatoes past and not-quiterancid lard. There was a nice brown patina of sticky, congealed grease over this contraption's entire surface, even a good ways down the length of the cloth-wrapped power cord. Gross. After much smoking, popping, steaming, and splattering, there was eventually a pile of limp, brown, soggy, greaseful, sad french fries. To my culinary misfortune, somehow Mum's eccentric food notions prohibited both the changing of fryer oil AND the use of ketchup.

At the time, all of my extended family lived on San Antonio's Southside. My mom would load me into a stroller and we'd walk quite some distance to a marvelous mall precursor, McCreless Shopping City. Most folks called the place "Big M" because - well - there was a GIANT letter M in the parking lot. Big M had a Luby's Cafeteria and if you've ever been to a Luby's, then you already know about the smell generated by salads with egg, macaroni and cheese, roast beef, fried fish, liver and onions, various mushy vegetables, mashed potatoes, too many gravy choices, gelatin-based objets d'art, banana cream pie, and church ladies. I never got out of there without a piece of candy and some cheek-pinchin'. After a morning of shopping and the requisite Luby's lunch, Mom and I would usually ride a smelly, dieselpowered bus back home. Good times. To this day I have a perverse affinity for the smell of diesel exhaust.

My banjo-pickin' grandfather, whom I called Daddo, came out of retirement for the umpteenth time to play antique music with a piano player at Shakey's Pizza Parlor. Though it was called a parlor for reasons I cannot explain, Shakey's was not fancy. It was basically a beer hall with picnic tables and a stage. Each time Daddo performed, our entire extended family would attend to fill-up on pizza, draft beer, ragtime, and memories. We'd walk in the door en masse and I remember breathing deeply through my nose to get a hit of toastie pizza crust, pepperoni, and stale beer. As the night progressed, strangers would sit

with us. They were curious and had to know: who were these crazies that all looked alike and applauded too loudly? Being a tot of about four years, I would dance at the bottom of the stage and - although I did not in fact exactly have tap shoes - I made do with a pair of white patent leather dress shoes with a polished brass buckle on top. Pat Boone didn't have anything

My father was a businessman and wore a suit and tie to work. Sometimes I'd go to "work" with Dad. Spoiler alert: there wasn't much work happening. We'd go to his or a crony's office for a while in the morning and at least they'd talk about business. Then Dad and I would make an early matinee movie. There was a distinct "boys night out" vibe whenever it was just Pop and I. Dad always made me promise not to tell mom about anything we did. We'd see R-rated movies like Blazing Saddles. I was five. After the movies, we'd reconvene for scotch with the boys Ron, Mac, and Wally. Ron was a tobacco-chewing pig farmer, Mac was a six-foot-five athletic heart throb that cursed incessantly, Wally talked in a whisper and had to pee all the time, and together with my Dad they were a fearsome foursome most afternoons for golf somewhere in The Greater San Antonio Area. They'd venture as far north as the private club at Fair Oaks Ranch and as far south as the muni in Divine. No course was safe from these reprobates. I, a tiny child, steered the cart from my father's lap. This may seem unseemly but it was for the best. If the grown-ups drove, the cart ended up on its side, in a water hazard, or both. Though in a seated position my feet did not reach the pedals, I could drive the cart myself by standing on the floorboard. This came in handy when the boys ran out of Lone Star on the back nine. After all the sport, drinking, gambling, and profanity, we would go to the boys' favorite bar for some more sport, drinking, gambling, and profanity. The Little Darlin' was a dive that - upon entering assaulted my nostrils with BYOB, cigarettes, and cheap perfume: a heady melange that was redolent of vice. The boys would shoot pool and maybe get in a scuffle with some bikers or cowboys. I would play pinball and if you could sniff past the peccadilloes and stale popcorn, there was some frozen toaster oven pizza to be had. I was having a helluva good time and couldn't wait to tell Mom all about it.

Mum, Daddo, Mom, and Dad are all long gone. I don't know about my dad's friends. The Little Darlin' is still around - well sorta: it's called The Thirsty Turtle now. I went in there a few years ago and the smells made me think of Ron, Mac, and Wally. I ordered a pizza and shot some pool with a hippie. Before I left, I looked around one more time but none of my dad's boys were there unless Wally was in the men's room.



The Island Moon traveled to Red Simply fantastic.



Dave Evans and Melina

Mastrojohn took the Moon fishing

in Belize.

playing Led Zeppelin in Selena Auditorium. Concert was planned for October 2020 and happened finally October 22. What a treat! Fantastic! The Island Moon was with me on my phone. Evelyn Pless-Schuberth



Islanders Trish Fort and Linda Walsh with





Punny Pots vendors at the Padre Island Farmers Market. Photo by Mary Craft



Foreign Exchange students Elena from Italy and Kajsa from Norway are students at Flour Bluff, and living on the Island. Photo by Mary Craft



Work around Lake Padre continued this week. No finished drawings of the project have been released. Photo by Augs

Sudoku

Sudoku answers are not available. Play at your own risk! Going Easy On You...

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Knuckle-Cracker

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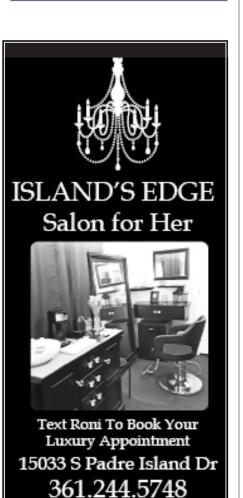
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Moon Crossword

Crossword Solution on classifieds page

Police Blotter October 18-October 24

JFK Causeway

14000 block Packery Pointe 3 p.m. October 19

Suspicious Person

11800 block SPID 1 p.m. October 24

11800 block SPID 4 p.m. October 22

13500 block SPID 3 p.m. October 21 13500 block SPID 3 p.m. October 19

Traffic

18 Traffic Stops

13500 block SPID 5 p.m. October 21 Crash

Crimes against Property

Cobo de Bara/Carlos Fifth 6 p.m. October 22 Trespassing 14400 block SPID 10 a.m. October 22 Dumping 14500 block SPID 4 a.m. October 22 Criminal Mischief \$750-\$2500

15200 block SPID 3 p.m. October 20 Theft of Service 14300 block SPID 6 p.m. October 19 Trespassing 14400 block Compass 10 p.m. October 18 Theft \$2500-

\$30,000 15700 block Gypsy 4 p.m. October 24 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle

13900 block Fortuna Bay 9 a.m. October 23 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle 15400 block Salt Cay 2 p.m. October 22 Burglary

13700 block Eaglesnest Bay 8 p.m. October 18 Reckless

Disturbance

Violation

Damage or Destruction

13700 block Primavera 10 p.m. October 24

Whitecap/SPID Noon October 23 14100 block Cabana North 2 a.m. October 23 Public

Intoxication (two counts)

13900 block Blackbeard 10 p.m. October 22 Noise Ordinance

Violation 13500 block Carlos Fifth 8 p.m. October 22 Noise Ordinance

13500 block Carlos Fifth 7 p.m. October 22 Noise Ordinance

Violation 14100 block Jackfish Noon October 22

14600 block SPID 6 p.m. October 20 Pursue Suspect

Suspicious Person

14200 block SPID 3 a.m. October 21 13700 block Primavera 9 p.m. October 19

Traffic

117 Traffic Stops

13900 block Windjammer 6 p.m. October 20 Crash

15400 block SPID 2 p.m. October 20 Hit and Run

14200 block SPID 1 p.m. October 18 Hit and Run 15700 block Gypsy Noon October 21 Parking Violation

13700 block Eaglesnest Bay 1 p.m. October 19 Crash

SPID/East gulf side

Crimes against Person

14900 block Whitecap 10 p.m. October 21 Injury to a Child/

15800 block SPID 6 p.m. October 21 Assault

Crimes against Property

15000 block Leeward 1 a.m. October 23 Fraudulent Use of Identifying Information/Burglary of a Motor Vehicle 11500 block Gulf Beach October 19 Unauthorized Use of a

Motor Vehicle 11500 block Gulf Beach 3 p.m. October 18 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle

10600 block SH 361 10 a.m. October 22 Burglary

La Concha/Access Easement 5 p.m. October 21 Unauthorized

Use of a Motor Vehicle

6300 block SH 361 7 a.m. October 21 Burglary 10600 block SH 361 9 p.m. October 21 Failure to Identify/

Burglary of a Building

Suspicious Person

11500 block Gulf Beach 9 p.m. October 21

Traffic 48 Traffic Stops

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Crossword Solution





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Monday: Bartender | Wait Nite ISLAND!

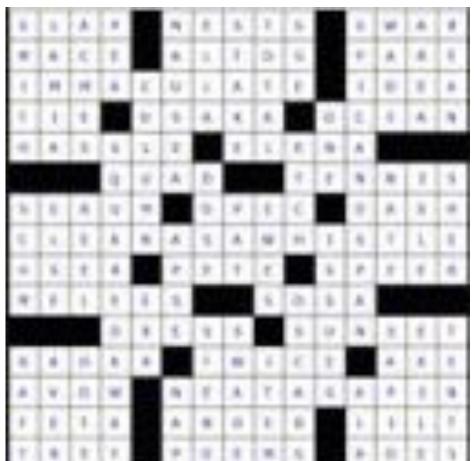
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PIPOA News by Marvin Jones, President



News you can Use

As always, let me have your thoughts. You can reach me at marvin@ pipoa.net or call me at 469-231-3485. You can also call the Padre Isles Property Owners Association (PIPOA) office with any questions you have at 361-949-7025.

It has been another quiet week at the PIPOA.

Board Meeting- The PIPOA Board meeting conducted on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, provided the following presentations and discussions. The Board voted to increase the amount of compensation paid to members that provide electricity for the aerators in the

Doctor Russell Miget gave a report regarding canal water testing. Water testing primarily deals with the oxygen level of the water. According to Doctor Miget, the oxygen level in the canals is and has been adequate for a number of years.

The boat ramp sticker committee gave a report regarding their meeting and possible amendments to the sticker and towing policy. The committee will be meeting again to discuss additional issues. The consensus seems to be that a single permit sticker placed on the inside of the vehicle with a registration number assigned to a particular vehicle may be the best option. Stay tuned as the committee will work its way through the fine points of boat ramp parking.

The Board discussed sealing the cracks in the boat ramps. The underwater ramps have various cracks and crevices. Sealing them with epoxy will extend the lifespan of the underwater ramp. The Board also discussed striping parking spaces on the boat ramp parking lot.

The Board voted to retain Election Trust to distribute ballots, count the votes, and report the results of the March 2023 Board Election. Election Trust is the company that has managed the election process for the past couple of years.

The Executive Director, Gary Klepperich, presented the Board with a preliminary draft of the 2023 Budget. The Board will study the proposal, make refinements if necessary, and approve the budget at the December 2022 Board meeting.

The Cobo De Bara Boat ramp continues to have non-PIPOA members using this boat ramp for picnics, partying, and fishing. A member resident adjacent to the boat ramp reported she had fishing lines, lures, and other items on her back deck. Furthermore, she had an individual (uninvited) walk through her garage and knock on her inside door, asking if he could reclaim the fishing tackle from her back deck. The Board is exploring ways to provide additional security at this boat ramp.

Halloween- Halloween is coming up on Monday, October 31st. The kids will be out trick-or-treating. Please be careful when driving through the neighborhoods. The ghosts and goblins are difficult to see at night.

Towing- Over the weekend, three vehicles

and one trailer were towed from the boat ramps. You can purchase your vehicle and boat trailer stickers at the PIPOA office located at 14015 Fortuna Bay Drive. The vehicle sticker is \$5.00, and the trailer sticker is \$10.00.

Board Meeting- The next PIPOA Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 5:30 pm at the Padre Island Baptist Church located across from Whataburger. All PIPOA members are invited to attend.

La Posada- December 9th will be the boat parade on the North canals, and December 10th will be the boat parade in the South canals. For a full listing of dates and events, go to the La Posada Facebook page.

Marvin Jones, PIPOA President











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