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Republicans For A Democrat?

In Galveston County a strange but understandable phenomena has begun. Staunch Republicans have stated their support for a local candidate running on the Democratic ticket. It is actually not surprising that this involves the race for Sheriff between Jimmy Fullen and Mark Salinas. Jimmy Fullen won the Republican primary over the much better qualified and respected candidate Ray Nolen. That outcome was primarily due to the Galveston County political machine and a local billionaire supporting Jimmy and the fact that Jimmy's record came out rather late in the campaign.

TCOLE, Texas Commission On Law Enforcement, which is the authority that licenses law enforcement in the State Of Texas came out after the primary and said that Jimmy Fullen should not be a licensed law enforcement officer in the state. Without a license to be a cop, Jimmy is ineligible to be Sheriff or hold other law enforcement jobs. The catch is that there is a process of appeals and etc. that Jimmy is entitled to that will drag out the process for months before he is either stripped of his license or is allowed to retain it. In the meantime, the election will occur with Mark Salinas, a Democrat and Jimmy Fullen, a Republican on the ballot. While straight ticket voting is no longer a thing in Texas, the voters may instinctively choose the R for Sheriff, particularly after they recoil understandably from the D running in the presidential race.

EPP expects and encourages all the likely Republican voters to learn about the choices in this very important race and choose their next Sheriffresponsibly. EPP has met with Mark Salinas and he comes across as a rational, decent guy who just happens to be a Democrat. Galveston County deserves a Sheriff it can be proud of, one that doesn't refer to large populations in the county as "cockroaches" and one who will focus on the good citizens of this great county over the opportunity for photo ops at the border. Your vote, your choice, please vote and vote responsibly.

CERT Academy 2024-3 Jamaica Beach City Hall

This training is completely free of cost!
The training dates and times are as follows:

Friday, Sept. 13 - 6:30 to 10 pm

Saturday, Sept. 14 - 8:30 am to 5 pm

Sunday, Sept. 15 - 1:00 to 5 pm

Friday, Sept. 20 - 6:30 to 10 pm

Saturday, Sept. 21 - 8:30 am to 5 pm, Graduation Drill in Afternoon



The location of this training will be at the Jamaica Beach City Hall, 16628 Termini-San Luis Pass Rd., Jamaica Beach, 77554.

You need to attend all the class session and times to complete the academy. Some missed time can be made up by turning in an outline of the material missed in class, but you cannot make up the work on Saturday, September 21st in the afternoon. If you must miss the class and drill on the 21st, it can only be made up with another CERT Academy in the near future.

All materials will be provided for you, and you will receive emergency supplies and personal protective equipment.

You are welcome to bring snacks and drinks to class with you.

Minors, 13 and older, are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult or parent.

https://galvestontxcert.samariteam.com/

Community Emergency Response Team

• The CERT Program educates citizens about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help.

CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community. All citizens are encouraged to take the CERT training. There is no requirement to join the active CERT team. Our philosophy is that a trained citizen is a better-prepared citizen.

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TDEM ISTAT

Click on the QR Code above to download the iSTAT app and to watch videos on how to use the app. This is the system used to report damages to the State of Texas after a tropical system!

San Leon MUD News

San Leon MUD has voted to terminate the contract Texas Pride for trash collection services effective October 1. A new company had not been selected as of press time, but EPP will announce that choice in the next issue. Ongoing problems with Texas Pride and stated contract violations per the board were the basis for the early termination of the contract.



Counting Down To Election Day

By the time you read this, it will be less than 70 days until our presidential and other elections. Time is running out to get registered to vote. If you think your vote doesn't matter, consider that only 4 votes was the margin that passed a 250 million dollar bond issue for College of the Mainland that your tax dollars will be paying for for decades. That is one quarter of a billion dollars that was approved by the number of voters often found in only one family.

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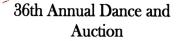
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Chicken Continental

1/3 cup all-purpose flour salt and freshly ground black pepper or Lawry's seasoned salt, to taste 1 broiler-fryer chicken (3 lbs.), cut up 4 tbsps. (1/2 stick) butter 1 can (10.5 oz) cream of chicken, celery, or mushroom soup 2 1/2 tbsps. finely minced onion 1 tbsp. finely chopped parsley 1 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. celery flakes 1/8 tsp. dried thyme dash of freshly ground black pepper 1 1/3 cups Minute Rice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Combine flour and salt and pepper in a resealable plastic bag. Add chicken pieces, afewatatime, and shake to coat.

Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat. Add chicken and cook until browned on both sides. Transfer chickentoabakingsheet. Add chicken soup, onions, parsley, salt, celery flakes, thyme, pepper and 1 1/3 cups water to chicken drippings in skillet. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly.

Spread rice in a shallow 1 1/2 qt. casserole. Reserve 1/3 cup soup mixture. Pour remainder over rice and stir to moisten. Place cooked chicken on rice. Pour reserved soup mixture over chicken. Bake for 45 minutes.

Makes 4 servings.



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Make America Great Again! -- Sounds Like A Good Thing!

At least half the country wants fuel, affordable electricity, groceries and more. Many and perhaps most want to be able to choose and afford their own appliances, vehicles and light Making America great bulbs. doesn't mean that America is bad now, it just means that it can be even greater when the people have the freedom to make their own decisions and companies that are profitable are congratulated not vilified. EPP says MAGA is a good thing and being against the concept is very strange indeed.

Publisher's Note: If you have ever earned a good living working for an unprofitable company you just might be a CEO with a golden parachute. If you have ever made a good profit working for poor people you just might be villain or a government subsidized "help" organization.

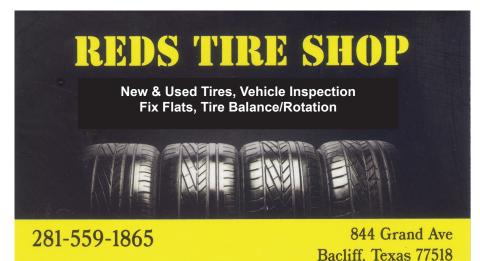


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Bacliff MUD News

Bacliff MUD residential customers can expect to see a \$2 increase the fire protection part of their water bills starting at the first of next year. Subject to TCEQ approval, the MUD board voted to approve the fire department request for the first increase in years that was made necessary by rising costs that all are surely aware of. EPP supports this increase and recognizes the value of the the men and women who volunteer to improve the safety of the community. Given their unpaid and potentially dangerous and threatening work, keeping them well equipped is the right thing to do.



fixurpet.com

Support their organization if you can and use their services if you need to. Fix Ur Pet is located in Santa Fe and provides low cost services for dogs and cats. Check them out on their website. EPP can confirm that they are a good group doing good things for the communities they serve.





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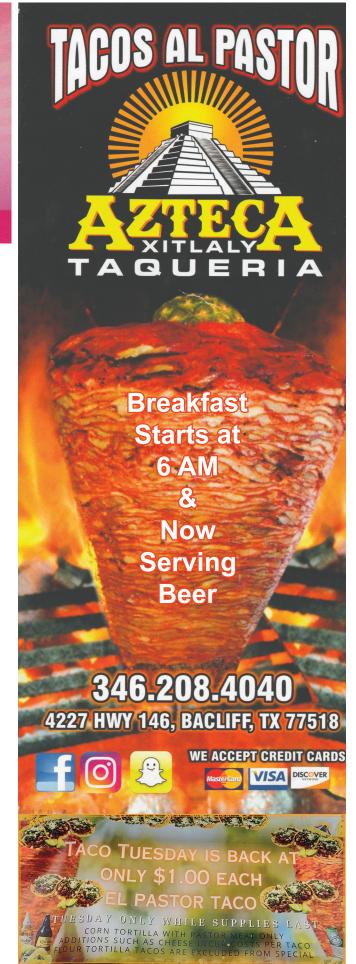




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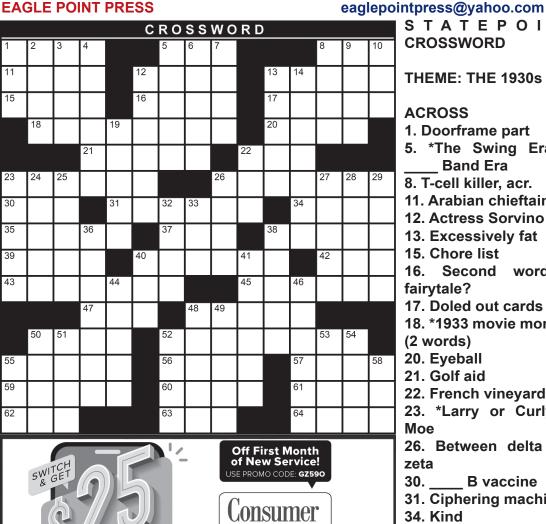


Report Streetlight Outages

Follow this link to report a streetlight outage with Centerpoint Energy:

https://slo.centerpointenergy.com/ customerslo.aspx.

You will need the pole number and address or cross streets as well as some personal information. If you choose, they will send you email updates on the repair status. It is easy and helps keep our neighborhoods safer.





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> **SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD** AND SUDOKU ON PAGE 7

STATEPOINTDOWN **CROSSWORD**

THEME: THE 1930s

ACROSS

1. Doorframe part

5. *The Swing Era or 6. **Band Era**

8. T-cell killer, acr.

11. Arabian chieftain

12. Actress Sorvino

13. Excessively fat

15. Chore list

fairytale?

17. Doled out cards

18. *1933 movie monster 14. *Cole Porter's "Begin (2 words)

20. Eyeball

21. Golf aid

22. French vineyard

23. *Larry or Curly or 24. 9 a.m. prayer

26. Between delta and "Porgy and Bess" zeta

30 B vaccine

31. Ciphering machine 34. Kind

35. Black and white 32. Big-ticket cookies

37. _ 38. Fender

consequences

39. Light beige

40. *First white chocolate 40. 1990s negation manufacturer

42. Grasp

43. Elbow room, to a 46. Angry stare ship (2 words)

45. Teenagers' emotions a.k.a. Ardennes Offensive

47. Belly

48. East Indian pepper

50. Buzzing pest

52. *Prairie crisis (2 "Machine Gun" Kelly words)

55. Change, as in U.S. one

Constitution

56. "If all fails..."

57. Solomon-like 59. Boatload

60. Lab gel

61. Enthusiasm

62. Finale

63. Grazing land

64. Blood vessel network

1. Blue Angel

2. In a frenzy

3. Calf-length skirt

4. Ford option

Two-footed mortar support

Shoemaker without shoes, e.g.

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7. *Al Capone's Chicago Outfit, e.g.

8. Mend, healthwise

9. Small island

10. Doctor Dolittle, e.g.

16. Second word in 12. *Shenyang (China) in 1931

13. O in B.O., pl.

the

19. Dashboard windows

22. Accounting title 23. Oxfords and loafers

25. *George Gershwin's

26. Discharge

27. Ding-a-__

28. Eightsome

29. Egg holders

33. Tank filler

*a.k.a. The bender Rascals (2 words)

38. Brightest star

Cygnus

41. Second of two

44. Beat the Joneses

48. Battle of the

49. Test format

*Bureau **50**. Investigation agent,

51. Smart but awkward

52. *FDR's New

_ E. Coyote **53**.

Law school 54. test

acronym

55. Expert

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San Leon MUD Update



August is National Water Quality Month!

Just try to imagine what life would be like without easy access to clean water. There would be no fountains to quench your thirst when you're out on a hot day. No more pools, and no more lakes and rivers clean enough for recreational activities. No more drinking water straight from the tap, or even filtering it through your Brita. Our lives would be totally different, and not for the better. National Water Quality Month reminds us to take a moment to consider how important these water sources are not just to humans, but also to the other inhabitants of these ecosystems. By thinking about the little things that you do on a daily basis that could have a negative effect on water quality, you'll be one step closer to making a difference. Visit www.nationalwaterqualitymonth.org for tips on how you can help preserve and protect our natural resources.

Dates to Remember

August 20, 6:30 PM Monthly District Meeting

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Starting September 1st

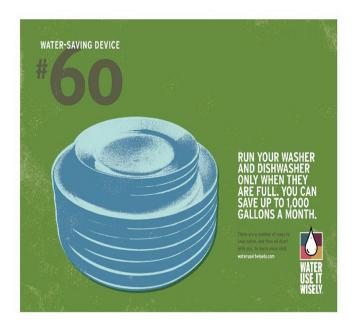
Monday - Thursday

7:30am to 12pm then 12:30pm – 5pm We will be closed for lunch *Friday*

7:30am -11:30am

Additional phone number for office: 281-339-5041

Conservation Tip of the Month



The MUD meetings are open to the public & are typically held on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM. Agendas can be found three days before the meeting at the MUD office or online at www.slmud.org

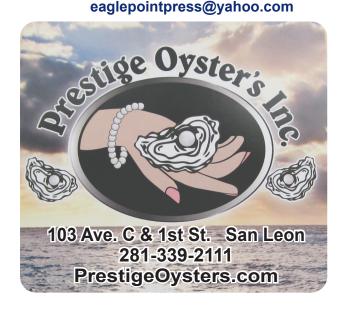


This week's Galveston **County Animal Resource** Center Pet of the Week Remy.

Meet Remy (A035774) a 1 year and 7 months old Pit Bull mix who's full of energy and love. She's happiest when she's playing with her dog friends or splashing around in the puppy pool. Treats are favorite reward after a fun day of play. Remy's got a sweet and friendly nature that makes her a joy to be around. She's ready to find a loving forever home where she can share her playful spirit. If you're looking for a loyal and lively companion, Remy's your girl!

Videos of the Pets of the Week can be viewed on www.facebook.com/ garcpets and www. youtube.com.

Remy will be available for \$42.50 from Tuesday Aug 20th - Aug 24th, 2024. Pets of the week adoptions include rabies vaccination. neuter and spay or microchip. For more information call 409-948-2485 or visit www. gchd.org. These and other pets are available at the Galveston County **Animal Resource Center,** 3412 25th Ave N. Texas City, TX. 77590.





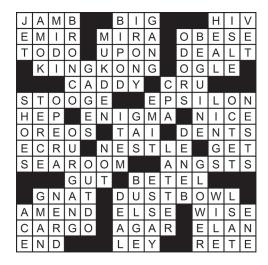
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It's Hotter In There

While the summer heat is at its worst right about now, the temperatures were much higher during this joint training session with Bacliff VFD and San Leon VFD. Exposure to the high heat encountered when a raging fire is lit inside a mostly sealed shipping container provides an opportunity for the firefighters to get "comfortable" in an environment they will be exposed to when called upon to enter a structure fire. Additionally, a class on wildland firefighting was a part of this training exercise to enhance the understanding of the characteristics and methods of dealing with vegetative based fires.

With both these local departments relying on volunteers to respond in times of need, the working relationship between the two departments is critical to meeting the manpower and equipment demands that may arise. Future joint training events will further enhance the teamwork that was evident at this literal hot box activity. Both departments and likely every volunteer department can always use more people. Consider joining your local department, the training is free, the pay is non-existent, but the satisfaction of saving lives and property and the gratitude of the community is priceless.

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2 Ranch



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MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY -**FRIDAY:**

11 AM - 9 PM

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2 PM - 9 PM



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The County of Galveston

Road and Bridge Department Seawall Maintenance Department Bolivar Peninsula Beach Maintenance Fleet Service Department Lee Crowder, Road Administrator Office 281-534-4152

Unincorporated Galveston County FEMA Road Side Storm Debris Pick-Up

Galveston County Road and Bridge's Department will start the 2nd and final pass the week of August 19, 2024.

IT MOST LIKELY WILL TAKE WEEKS TO REMOVE THE REMAINING DEBRIS FROM RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. COUNTY CREWS WILL NOT MAKE A THRID PASS TO REMOVE DEBRIS FROM BERYL.

Below are FEMA requirements all property owners must follow:

- ONLY DAMAGE FROM BERYL IS ELIGIBLE FOR REMOVAL. Broken tree limbs, down trees, broken fences, and damaged siding. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE TREE TRIMMING OR PRUNING.
- Separate your trash bins/bags away from any vegetative or storm debris. Garbage cans, and bags will be serviced by regular scheduled garbage service. BAGGED leaves and branches are ineligible to be picked up
- Separate yard and vegetative waste from storm debris (such as fencing) and place in separate piles road side of ditch (NOT in the street).
- Please bundle small branches when possible. Large tree limbs do NOT need to be bundled. Vegetative waste will not be removed from private property, it must in the ROW. This may take more than one stack along roadside.
- Crews cannot enter private property, this includes private drives, RV parks and gated subdivisions
- Debris from unimproved land is ineligible.
- For Questions Please Call Galveston County Road and Bridge 281-534-4152

Spillway Park Lighting Update

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6 Ranch

During a recent assessment of lighting at Spillway Park, EPP noted that there are still only two of the four parking lot light fixtures operational on the lone parking lot light pole. This represents a many months long ongoing failure of the parks director/destroyer Julie Diaz. She clearly has no shame when it comes to the safety of the community that uses this potentially wonderful park. EPP went a little further and discovered that there are nine area/security lights located around the park of which one is functional and that is seemingly unintentional as it also burns during daylight hours. It has been reported in these pages with accompanying photos the difference in lighting between Spillway Park and Carbide Park where the parks department is headquartered. Some have begun to suggest that Julie Diaz is simply refusing to do her job in the Bayshore (and elsewhere) to stick a thumb in the eye of the Eagle Point Press for daring to bring these issues to the public. While that is not confirmed, it would certainly justify her dismissal from a position that has duties she is clearly unwilling or unable to perform. The community can count on EPP to keep the focus on the terrible state of so many of our Galveston County Parks. EPP will be soon reporting on the failing and failed lighting at the

relatively new 64 acre park located off of 10th Street in Bacliff. Ф **Julie Diaz Galveston County Director of Parks Cultural Services'** Let her know what you think.... Phone: (409) 934-8101 **Email:** julie.diaz@galveston.co.tx.us