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Court OK's Reinvestment Zones, Tax Abatements

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY
 The Waller Times

On Wednesday, May 6, the Waller County Commissioners Court met at 9 a.m. at the Waller County Courthouse. Present were Commissioners Jeron Barnett, Justin Beckendorff, Russell Klecka and John Amsler and County Judge Trey Duhon presided.

In a first order of business, the court approved a reinvestment zone for National Glass Brokers, LLC and FHL Properties, LLC, and authorized Judge Duhon to sign the order establishing the reinvestment zone. At the same time, the court also approved a tax abatement agreement for the aforementioned corporations.

The reinvestment zone consists of five and a half acres on which a 30,000 sq. ft. warehouse will be constructed for National Glass Brokers, LLC. According to Vince Yokom, Director of Waller County Economic Development, National Glass Brokers is a small auto glass distributor that sells auto glass in 30 states. The business is expected to have eight employees and will contribute approximately \$217,000 in taxes to Waller County over the next 10 years.

After a contentious debate, the court approved a one year contract to renew the law firm Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP for collection of delinquent taxes.

Commissioner Amsler addressed the court about the problematic relationship between the Tax Assessor-Collector, Ellen Shelburne and the Brandon Perdue Law Firm. In fact, the relationship had become so contentious that District Judge Albert McCaig has been used as an intermediary between Shelburne and the tax attorneys.

Amsler praised Shelburne and her 28 years as serving Waller County as the Tax-Assessor Collector without any scandal or complaints, and noted that she was an expert in her field and a well-respected member of the community.

"Mrs. Shelburne should have some say-so as to whom she works with on a daily basis," Amsler stated. He added that the firm in question was hired by the prior court under what he deemed were politically motivated circumstances, since Perdue Brandon had made campaign contributions to some members of the court.

Commissioner Klecka asked if any current members of the court had received contributions from this

firm, and County Judge Trey Duhon readily admitted that he had, but that he would not compromise his integrity for \$500.

"It is the Commissioners Court who has been given responsibility to hire a tax firm, and I have used a deliberate, methodical process in making my choice," Duhon said.

Documents on the current firm presented to the court stated that Perdue Brandon have made a 14% increase in the amount of delinquent taxes collected. In addition, the firm uses advanced technology as well as phone collections in the process of collecting tax

debt, which is an improvement over the prior firm.

When asked if the working relationship between the tax firm and her office had improved, Shelburne stated, "We're talking." However, Shelburne feels that over the last year she has been treated with disrespect.

Duhon stated that with the success of the current tax attorneys, he was reluctant to upset the apple cart.

"No one should be treated with disrespect. That is

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Professional storyteller Karen Lowry (right) visited Roberts Road Elementary on Friday, April 24 to share the story of Pecos Bill and Lightning with students. The second-grade students were captivated by the tall tale of the toughest, fastest, strongest man that ever lived with a rattlesnake rope and a mountain lion horse who chased the fastest horse he had ever seen from Mexico to Canada and back in three minutes flat. After the story, the students and Lowry imagined their own tall tale, and Lowry encouraged the students to write their own story in class. She stressed to the students that telling the truth is very important, but sometimes exaggerating can be fun. The activity taught students several important concepts as they enjoyed the exciting tale. WISD Public Information.

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Waller Residents Elect New Council; ESD Tax Rejected

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOUREY
 The Waller Times

On Saturday, May 9, the election for City of Waller City Council took place at the Waller ISD Boardroom from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Five candidates were on the ballot and the three with the most votes would win a seat on the council.

A total of 412 residents of the City of Waller participated in the election. Candidate Mike McCormick, in his second bid to win a seat on the city council, won with a total of 94 votes. Incumbent Sidney Johnson, having served one term, regained his seat with 89 votes, as did incumbent Dwayne Hajek with 78

votes. Incumbent and long-time council member Roger Frey lost his bid for re-election, receiving 77 votes. Former long-time council member Rick Dalton, also lost his bid to regain a seat, receiving 74 votes.

New council members will be sworn in at the Waller City Council

meeting on May 18.

The Waller-Harris Emergency Services District lost its attempt to gain a 1% local sales tax from unincorporated areas serviced by the district. A total of 298 votes were cast, with 99 voting for the proposition, and 199 voting against the additional tax.

City of Waller Plans Spraying of Pesky Mosquitos

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOUREY
 The Waller Times

In the City of Waller, the Superintendent of Public Works, Gene Schmidt, is responsible for mosquito control within the city limits.

According to Schmidt, the State Department of Agriculture regulates the chemicals used in mosquito spraying, and yearly inspects the records of the city to see if spraying is in compliance with regulations.

Schmidt stated, "The city cannot just go out and spray because residents complain. Spraying can only take place if diseased mosquitoes are identified in the area or the infestation of the pests is extremely heavy."

Schmidt noted that he tests ditches and grassy areas, but also relies on Harris County Mosquito Control Surveys to determine both the type of mosquitoes in the

area, and how heavy the population.

"Weather also plays a role in when the city can spray," Schmidt added. "If the wind is over 5 knots or if there has been rainfall, spraying will be delayed because the spray would dissipate and not be able to settle as needed."

At this time, Schmidt emphasized that the mosquitoes in the area are of the pesky variety and that diseased mosquitoes have not yet been detected.

"Avoid standing water if you want to cut down on the mosquito population. A lot of mosquitoes are bred in dog water, flower pots, and bird baths," Schmidt said.

At this time, the mosquito truck is experiencing maintenance, and Schmidt expects spraying to take place in the city by the end of the month.

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Waller Wonders - God bless our police officers

By NANCY ARNOLD



In communities across the country, Friday will be dedicated in various ways to recognize those officers who died defending their community.

We don't really think much about the duties of a police officer ... unless we need them, of course ... and then we want them NOW!

When you look out the window of your home and see one of our Waller Police Department vehicles slowly driving down your street, don't you feel a certain comfort knowing that our community is monitored and that your safety is assured?

Moreover, when you see one of our black-and-white united rushing down your street, you know that they are hurrying to help one of your neighbors. Again, there's comfort in that, because next time they could be hurrying to your aid.

The median annual pay for police and detectives in 2012 was only \$56,980, according to the

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (<http://www.bls.gov>). That agency goes on to make the understatement: "Police and detective work can be physically demanding, stressful, and dangerous. Police officers have one of the highest rates of injuries and illnesses of all occupations. Working around the clock in shifts is common."

Boy, that just barely introduces the story, and it certainly doesn't tell it. Police officers play a central role in our law enforcement system. If we've watched movies or TV shows about the police, we already know their first order of business is to "serve and protect." We don't often think about what those words mean.

A police officer serves the community by helping us during a crisis or an emergency - say a natural disaster. They protect us by issuing tickets to dangerous and careless drivers (even though sometimes that driver may be us!). They protect us by arresting people who are engaged in dan-

gerous and illegal activities ... maybe breaking into our home or business, or assaulting someone - maybe even us! They are our guard dogs!

We may not think of our police officers as being involved in our community, but they are. In Waller, some members of our police department also serve on our fire department. Big deal, you say. Well, yes, it is a big deal. Our fire department is a volunteer one, and many of our members may work outside the city during the day. Fires don't really operate by a clock, so when a firefighter is needed during the day, the firefighter under that helmet may well be a police officer keeping you and yours safe from fire's devastation. After the fire is out, he will wash up, climb back into his patrol unit, and continue his job to keep you safe in other ways.

Police officers are an important element of our society, and they must be educated, well-

trained, honest, courteous, respectful, and compassionate. We don't want or need bullies wearing a police uniform, and Waller is extremely lucky in having the right kind of officers. Developing and molding the police department takes time, and Waller Police Chief Phil Rehak has certainly earned his place in Waller by virtue of assembling a team of highly trained officers - and he makes sure they train constantly. His men (he doesn't have any women officers right now, but he has had) are required to maintain their proficiency and their physical fitness. A testament to his solid reputation and professionalism is that outside agencies request his assistance frequently. Waller has become well-known for our police department, thanks to him, which also reflects well on our city.

By the way, did you know that Chief Rehak was once a Federal Air Marshal? Check out their duties! "Federal Air Marshals

must operate independently without backup, and rank among those Federal law enforcement officers that hold the highest standard for handgun accuracy. They blend in with passengers and rely on their training, including investigative techniques, criminal terrorist behavior recognition, firearms proficiency, aircraft specific tactics, and close quarters self-defense measures to protect the flying public."

Chief Rehak has a lot more law enforcement credentials than just being an Air Marshal, of course, but I gotta tell ya ... Waller is very lucky to have a police chief with his strong law enforcement background... blessed, really.

From an administrative standpoint, the chief is outstanding as well. In order to build and keep a fleet of reliable police vehicles, he applies for, and gets, grants from various agencies to

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In 1962, President John F. Kennedy and both houses of Congress proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, and to include the calendar week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week to "pay special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others."

Supreme Court Decision Will Again Impact American Culture

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY



of an illegal abortion. Rather, she gave up her baby for adoption. Roe was merely a pawn behind the powers pushing for the legalization of abortion, and in an ironic twist of fate, McCorvey is now actively pro-life.

Roe v. Wade is the single most destructive ruling (along with Dred Scott) in Supreme Court history, resulting in the deaths—a virtual holocaust—of nearly 57 million babies.

Here's the irony about the Roe v. Wade decision. The "Due Process Clause" found in the 14th Amendment is one of the Reconstruction Amendments that sought to rectify the pre-Civil War Supreme Court ruling of Dred Scott, which denied black Americans personhood. In fact, it was the 14th Amendment that finally ascribed humanity and personhood to black Americans. Yet, in a perversion of justice, this same amendment was used to strip away humanity from the unborn. The amendment states, "Nor shall any State deprive any person of its life, liberty, or property without due process of law."

A right to kill unborn life was

culled from the very words that forbid the taking of a life.

The result? The impact on society has been devastating, from rampant abortions, fatherlessness, exponentially higher STD's, increased poverty among women and children, and for the economy, a vast expansion of the welfare state. Roe v. Wade radically changed American culture, and not for the better.

This summer, the Supreme Court will again wield its power to determine the future of American culture when it rules on gay marriage. Their determination may alter a society forever in ways not yet known.

The evolution of same-sex marriage, has occurred at an astonishing pace. It was only in 2012 that, for the first time, two states, Maine and Maryland, and by a narrow margin, approved gay marriage by popular vote. In the rest of the states, the legalization of gay marriage was entirely based on actions by the courts.

President Obama is the first president in our history to openly support gay marriage, even though during his first campaign he had firmly supported the idea that marriage was between one man and one woman.

Unfortunately, the premise for gay marriage is based on a false assumption about what marriage is, which is more than just two people who live together and wear rings. As a natural institution, marriage preexisted any laws made by man. Mankind's survival depended on the natural law. Marriage is an intimate community of love, a covenant by which man and woman establish for themselves a partnership for life, and for the procreation and education of their subsequent offspring.

So why, after millennia of non acceptance, is gay marriage set to become legitimate nationwide?

Americans, especially younger ones, have long been following a trend of not valuing marriage at all. Over the last 40 years, adultery has increased exponentially, even to the point of having websites that service the idea. No fault divorce is the rule and divorce is rampant. Absentee fathers and mothers are abundant in our society, and unmarried pregnancies are almost as common as giving birth in wedlock. Cohabitation outside of marriage is the rule of the day.

Think back to the 1960's when illegitimacy and cohabitation were rare. Young people may laugh, but it was scandalous to tell one's parents that you intended to "live together" without getting married. No one I knew would attempt such a conversation, not only because of our parents, but because we believed it was against the laws of God.

In the 1960's and 70's, many rejected societal norms and asked how a woman having a baby out of wedlock with an unmarried man could hurt their neighbors. Forty years later we know.

The results are in and they have had a devastating effect on the family. Marriage is at the lowest rates in history, and today's marriages exhibit massive instability. Fatherless children abound, as well as increased rates of domestic violence and poverty, in addition to a vast expansion of welfare state expenses.

Our secular culture is denying the Church's teaching and Biblical truth about marriage—that it exists solely between a man and a woman and was established by the Creator at the beginning of human history for the procreation and upbringing of human lives.

Our nation is denying the precepts of God. George Washington warned 226 years ago in his first inaugural address that "religion and morality are indispensable supports to America's health." He went on to add, "It would be improper to omit in this first official act my fervent supplications to that Almighty Being who rules over the universe and that His benediction may consecrate to the liberties and happiness of the people of the United States a government instigated in dependence on the Almighty."

Does this sound like a nation founded without God and moral precepts? No. Yet our nation, for the last 40 years, has driven God out of government, schools, and virtually from our culture. We've exchanged God for the idols of fame, money, pleasure, and self-will, but have gotten little happiness from the exchange, as Americans' development of a dependence on psychotropic drugs demonstrates.

Children are the pawns in this societal experiment called "gay marriage". Proponents of same sex marriage believe that love is all children need, but this assumption is naively simplistic and denies the complex nature and core needs of human beings.

Just because you want something to be true, you cannot make it so. According to decades of research, the ideal family structure is a two-parent, male/female parent family which allows children to thrive psychologically, mentally, and physically. In fact, several grown children of gay couples, testified before the Supreme Court about the hardships on their lives growing up, especially missing having the opposite sex parent.

If not allowing same-sex


marriage is discriminatory, then disallowing polygamy, or other marital arrangements would also be discriminatory. The emotional and psychological ramifications of these assorted arrangements on the developing psyche and sexuality of children would be disastrous.

The codification of gay marriage into federal law will also affect all ministers, priests, and busi-

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CALH to Hold Garage Sale
The Citizens Against the Landfill in Hempstead (CALH) will hold its May Garage Sale on Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days. Donations are being accepted from Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Interested residents can also support the sale by supplying baked goods which can be delivered fresh on either sale day. The event will be held at Schwarz Hardware in Hempstead. For more information, visit CALH online at www.StopHwy6Landfill.com.

Waller Masonic Lodge Holds Garage Sale
Waller Lodge #808 will be holding their annual garage sale on Saturday May 16 beginning at 7 a.m. - rain or shine. Promoters say there will be something for everyone and priced just right. The lodge is located across the street from Melanie Smith library on Main Street in Waller.

Sky Lakes Community Garage Sale Set
The Annual Community Garage Sale for Sky Lakes Subdivision (Penick St. & FM 362) has been set for Saturday, May 16, 2014 with a rainout date for Saturday, May 23, 2015. The sale begins at 8 a.m. Many homes will be participating.

CALH to Hold Public Meeting
Citizens Against the Landfill in Hempstead (CALH) is holding a Public Information Meeting on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hempstead Theater. Topics on the agenda will include updates on legal matters, the contested case hearing, finances and fundraising, along with a segment called "Some Truths about Green Group Holdings/Pintail Landfill LLC". For more information, visit CALH online at www.StopHwy6Landfill.com.

WISD to Host DSBDC Meeting May 27
Waller ISD will host a District Site-Based Decision Making Committee Meeting on Wednesday, May 27 at 4 p.m. in the Waller ISD Administration Building Board Room, located at 2214 Waller Street, in Waller. An update from the Superintendent, and the District's self-assessment and overall rating evaluation of House Bill 5 2015 Community and Student Engagement Evaluation is on the agenda. All meetings are open to the public; parents and community members are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 936-931-3685.

Waller County Fair Broiler Order Date Set
The meeting to order Broilers for the 2015 Waller County Fair will be held on Wednesday, May 27 in the Barbara Carpenter Building at the Waller County Fairgrounds at 7 p.m. For further information, please contact Misty Huebner at 832-643-4192.

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Jury Sentences Man to 55 Years in Prison

On Friday, May 1, 2015, a Waller County jury sentenced Ronnie Joe Gregory to 55 years in prison for the May 20, 2013 murder of Kenneth Louis Herring. The trial was held in the 506th District Court, Judge Albert M. McCaig, Jr. presiding. According to Waller County District Attorney Elton Mathis, the jury deliberated for about one hour before reaching its decision on the defendant's punishment. The same jury took only 10 minutes to convict Gregory of Herring's murder on Thursday, April 30, 2015.

According to Mathis, the

facts at trial showed that Gregory was angry at his wife for having a relationship with Herring. Gregory and his wife had been separated for over a year when the shooting occurred, Mathis said. On May 20, 2013, Gregory went uninvited onto property belonging to his wife's parents. There he found Herring and his wife sitting on the porch of her parents' house. Without a word, Gregory raised a rifle and fired a shot at Herring. After Herring fell to the floor of the porch, Gregory reloaded the single-shot rifle and fired a fatal second shot into Herring's back as he lay on

the porch. Gregory was later apprehended by Katy Police at his mother's home in Katy. Upon his arrest he admitted to shooting Herring to one of the arresting officers, according to the DA.

First Assistant Criminal District Attorney Warren Diepraam and Assistant Criminal District Attorney Sean Whittmore represented the State of Texas. During closing arguments on punishment, Whittmore stated that the defense of sudden passion was ludicrous and that the killing was nothing more than a cold execution carried out by a jealous husband.

Diepraam asked the jury to assess a punishment in between 40 and 60 years given the callous, calculated nature of the crime as well as the defendant's criminal history. Members of the victims' family, including his teenage daughter, were present throughout the trial, and the victim's sister testified in punishment.

Gregory will have to serve at least 23 years before being eligible for parole. Mathis stated that "the citizens of Waller County can rest assured that the District Attorney's office will fight for justice for crime victims and our community."

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Hempstead Seniors Enjoy Breakfast Tradition

By LAURIE BETTIS
HISD Public Information

It has been a tradition for many years for the Hempstead High School senior class to take their class photo on the steps in front of the Waller County Courthouse. Another HHS tradition has been the Senior Breakfast hosted by the First United Methodist Church each year.

On the morning of April 28 following the group photo, HHS seniors were treated to sausage and pancakes that were cooked and served by volunteers at FUMC. According to the volunteers, Al Culberson has been the one responsible for helping sponsor and organize the senior breakfast for the past 35 years.

Following the meal, Rev. Katy Ware, pastor at FUMC, introduced the guest speaker for the event. Rev. Jackie Collins, Campus Pastor at the University of Houston, talked to the seniors about the journey they were about to begin. She encouraged the students to know that they each have a gift and should try to use that gift to find the profession that is right for them. She ended



Seniors at Hempstead High School enjoyed a sausage and pancake breakfast in their honor hosted by the First United Methodist Church of Hempstead. The breakfast is an annual tradition for seniors at HHS. HISD Public Information.

her talk telling the seniors, "We celebrate with you and we bless you as you begin your journey."

The theme of the breakfast each year is "Strength for the Journey" and each senior receives a hand pump flashlight that has the scripture from Joshua 1:9 on it to remind them that God is with them wherever they go and to be strong and courageous on their journey.

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Click It or Ticket Campaign Comes to Waller

By **CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY** The Waller Times

The Waller Police Department will be joining state and local law enforcement agencies across the nation in the 14th annual “Click It or Ticket” campaign from May 18-31. Every day, unbuckled motorists are losing their lives in motor vehicle crashes, and as we approach Memorial Day weekend and the summer vacation season, the Waller Police Department wants to make sure that people are doing the one thing that can save them in a crash, buckling up.

“Everyone can make the simple decision to buckle up. The choice can change your life or the

life of someone you love,” stated Waller Police Chief Phil Rehak.

If the deadly consequences are not enough to motivate seat belt use, fines and court costs can total up to \$200. In Texas, the law requires everyone in the vehicle to be buckled up, including back seat passengers. During this campaign, the Waller Police Department will take a no-excuses approach to seat belt law enforcement, writing citations day and night.

In 2014, 2,587 motor vehicle crashes occurred in Texas in which unrestrained vehicle occupants sustained fatal or serious injuries. Wearing a seat belt helps keep occupants from being

ejected in a crash and increases chances of surviving by 45 percent.

The “Click It or Ticket” campaign, combined with enforcement, is credited with motivating millions of motorists to always use their seat belts. Only 76 percent of Texans used seat belts when the campaign started in 2002. Today, 9 out of 10 Texans buckle up.

The National Highway Safety campaign in Texas estimates that since its inception, the “Click It or Ticket” campaign in Texas has resulted in 4,319 fewer traffic fatalities while preventing 72,926 serious injuries and saving \$16.7 billion in related economic costs.

According to Rehak, the bottom line is that seat belts save lives.

“If these enforcement crackdowns get people’s attention, and get them to buckle up, then we’ve done our job,” stated the Chief.

The Waller Police Department encourages everyone to wear their seat belts and to use proper child safety equipment at all times. The focus of the campaign is to increase the public’s awareness of the dangers of not buckling up and to remind them to get in the habit of buckling their seat belts and to ensure their passengers are properly restrained.

Seat belts save lives.

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fund all or most of the cost. He then trades in the old vehicles while they still have value, rolling that money back into the department. Amazingly, he’s also gotten police gear – and even police officers! – through grants!

Without a strong police department in our community, the criminal element would be free to rob you and me, break into

our homes and businesses, steal whatever and whenever, assault us, commit rape, sell drugs, especially to our children, even murder. Bottom line, the community would be lawless and unsafe. It certainly isn’t a place where you and I would want to live! No one wants a Barney Fife responding to a call for help with his one bullet in his shirt pocket; at least I don’t!

So, during National Police Week, take the time to say “thank you” to a police officer. Stop by the Waller Police Department on Farr Street to tell several police officers – and the chief – how much you appreciate them. At the very least, drop a thank-you card by the office. Let our officers know you are proud of them and the work they do on your behalf – day and night.

Then, on Friday, May 15, display the United States flag at half staff (by presidential proclamation) as a tribute to those we can no longer thank in person, only in memory.

Here are some websites and Facebook pages to learn more about police work and the Waller Police Department:
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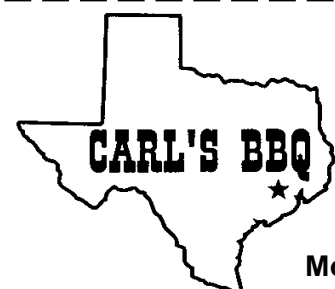
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Happy birthday to my sister Betty Kay Hart and to her son, my nephew, Thomas Hart, who was her “special” birthday present all those years ago.

Celebrating a wedding anniversary next week will be Coy and Joan Pitchford, Lloyd and Chelsey Lee, Matt and Dawn Stahman, Scott and Kelly Hataway, Gordon and Tara Niebergall, Alyssa and Frank King, Larry and Robi Smith, Tony and Corryn Phillips, and Buddy and Michelle Gray.

If you’re reading this on Wednesday, you still have time to take your pets to get their vaccination at a special price of only \$10 per animal. The annual City of Waller Rabies Clinic is today from 1:00-4:00 at the Waller Volunteer Fire Station at 612 Walnut. That’s on the south side of the railroad track, about three blocks up. Be kind to your animals and get them vaccinated.

Until next week ...

Contact Nancy at arnoldn@msn.com, or mail news items to her at P. O. Box 282, Waller 77484.

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Lionel Ward Receives Semper Fidelis Award **COURT** Continued from page 1A

By LAURIE BETTIS
HISD Public Information

Lionel Ward, a junior at Hempstead High School, recently received The "Semper Fidelis" Award for Music Excellence. Sgt. Brian Fratus, a recruiter with the United States Marine Corp. presented the award to Ward during the annual band banquet held on Friday night, May 1.

Each year, the Semper Fidelis award is presented to a student who displays traits that the Marine Corps considers essential to being a good leader: endurance, knowledge, unselfishness, dependability, enthusiasm and loyalty. Award recipients are not necessarily the most outstanding musicians, but rather a student whose leadership qualities have contributed to the success of the band program.

Ward, a percussionist, is both an excellent musician



Lionel Ward, a junior at Hempstead High School, recently received The "Semper Fidelis" Award for Music Excellence. Pictured (l-r) are HHS Principal Eric Mullens, Ward, Sgt. Brian Fratus and Band Director Ronald Walker, Sr. HISD Public Information.

and a leader in the Hempstead Band program. He will compete in the State Solo & Ensemble Contest on May 25.

The "Semper Fidelis" award for Musical Excellence

is presented by the United States Marines Youth Foundation, Inc. and the Marine Corps League in recognition of diligence, dedication and musical excellence as a performing

high school bandsman and soloist. The program recognizes deserving students and works towards keeping the Arts alive in our schools.

not acceptable," Duhon stated. "I believe the differences have improved over time and that a better working relationship has begun."

Finally, after further discussion, commissioners voted 3-2 to approve a one year extension of the current law firm Perdue Brandon. Judge Duhon, and Commissioners Beckendorf and Barnett voted to approve the contract while Commissioners Klecka and Amsler were opposed.

In further business, the

court recommended the approval to accept the roads within Willow Creek Farms, Section 7, into the County Maintained Road Log. However, Judge Duhon and commissioners determined to revisit the current ordinance noting that with the exponential growth expected in the near future that the county does not have the necessary equipment available to maintain concrete roads, which are now causing massive and costly problems in Harris County.

Anna Waters Receives John Philip Sousa Award

By LAURIE BETTIS
HISD Public Information

Anna Waters, a senior at Hempstead High School, recently received the John Philip Sousa Award recognizing her achievements in the high school band program. HHS Principal Eric Mullens (left) and Band Director Ronald Walker, Sr. (right) presented the award to Waters during the annual band banquet held on Friday night, May 1.

Waters, a euphonium player in the Hempstead High School Band, joined the band program in the 6th grade. She has proven to be an excellent musician earning a division one at the regional solo and ensemble contest the past two years and making the All-Region Band for the past three years.

The Sousa Award, created in 1954, recognizes outstanding dedication and superior mu-



Anna Waters recently received the John Philip Sousa Award recognizing her achievements in the high school band program. Shown is HHS Principal Eric Mullens (left) and Band Director Ronald Walker, Sr. (right), who presented the award to Waters during the annual band banquet held on Friday night, May 1. HISD Public Information.

sicianship. Waters received a special desk piece, pin and certificate. Her name was also en-

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Community Christian Academy Celebrates 20 Years

Community Christian Academy (CCA) celebrated its 20th anniversary on April 11 at the KC Hall in Hempstead. CCA was overjoyed at the community response as evidenced by the attendance and public generosity to their dinner and live auction.

The auction consisted of items and articles that were both made and donated by community members and businesses.

"We were blessed to have so many contribute their time, talents and treasures from organizing the event, our auctioneer, to procurement of the merchandise," stated Julie Sechelski. "Further, we so appreciate those of you who just came to fellowship with us and recognize our contribution to the community. Thank you so much!"

Sechelski stated it was heartening to host ex-students from the past two decades that were in attendance. "Our theme was to reflect on the past, how far we have come and to contemplate some past school events and memories whilst reconciling them with some iconic national events that were occurring at the time," she said.

Current students sang select songs lead by choir director Mike Owen. Teachers who taught for 20 years were also recognized.

"We are truly blessed with dedicated staff, parents and community members who share our vision for the com-

munity. Our motto is school-house (skul haus), four walls with the future inside; our credo is TEAM, Together Every-

one Accomplishes More. You folks blend both making our future bright," Sechelski said.



Two Waller High School students are heading to the University Interscholastic League UIL Academic State Meet after competing on April 24 and 25 at the UIL Regional Academic Meet. The UIL Regional Academic Meet was held at Magnolia High School. Jacob Hart won first place in Computer Science, with the team of Jacob Hart, Jacob Powers and Thomas Miller winning second place. Emma Pollard won second place in Literary Criticism and also competed in Social Studies. Both Jacob and Emma will be headed to the UIL State Academic Meet held at the University of Texas on May 26. Cassidy Kelly and Kennedi Hendrix competed in Poetry Interpretation; Alex Barboza and Trader Cheney in News Writing; and Hope Sitton in Headline Writing. Pictured are the participants who competed at the UIL Regional Academic Meet on Saturday, April 25. WISD Public Information.

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ness owners who refuse services for a gay wedding. In states where gay marriage has been legalized, Christian businesses are already under attack. Some even suggest that churches should lose their tax-exempt status for their stance on gay marriage. This is unbelievable since it is the church's view that has millennia of social precedence on its side, whereas, gay marriage is barely a bleep historically in the history of mankind.

Also, keep in mind other ramifications of making gay marriage equal to heterosexual marriage. What if, in a heterosexual marriage, a spouse leaves to engage in a homosexual relationship? Then the children of the heterosexual relationship would by law be required to live with and have visitation rights in the ex-spouse's new homosexual marriage. Homosexuality would be equal to heterosexuality. Marriage would never be the same.

It has been a mere decade that gay marriage has been legal at all. In fact, even well into the 1990's, homosexual relationships were outlawed. During this time, the media has heavily pushed the idea, incorporating gay couples into many TV shows. However, it is important for everyone to remember that TV is not reality.

It remains to be seen whether the traditional definition of marriage will be allowed to stand, at least on a state-by-state basis. On April 28, the Supreme Court heard oral arguments on both sides of the issue. According to statements made by the justices, the court is split on the issue and the outcome will be a close decision. Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Anthony Kennedy appear to be the

swing votes.

But be forewarned. Today, we see the disastrous repercussions of Roe v. Wade. Reality is a harsh teacher. The grownups experiment and the children pay the price.

And so our society, especially the children, will reap the consequences of the Supreme Court's decision on gay marriage in future generations. It is a "supreme" irony that a court, which still opens with, "God save the United States and this honorable court", denies the very laws of the God the court calls upon in its prayer.

As the Bible states in Genesis, "God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."

Yet, like the people of ancient Israel, our nation has revolted against God and as when

the prophet Elijah cried out to his people, Americans should heed his same cry, "Choose ye this day whom you shall serve, as for me and my house, we shall serve The Lord."

It is a choice we all must make.

Author's Note: The Supreme Court will release its decision on gay marriage this June. To express your opinion on this matter, you may write (emails are not accepted) to the court at: The Supreme Court of the United States, One First Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20543. Use the salutation Dear Chief Justice John Roberts, or for associate justices, "Dear Justice [last name]."

Contact Carrie at gidget2114@gmail.com for any questions or comments on her columns.

Obituary

CUNNINGHAM - WILLIAMS



Funeral Services for Ms. Corinthia N. Cunningham-

Williams "Nikki" age 22 of College Station, TX are scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 16, 2015 at Royal High School, 34499 Royal Rd., Brookshire, Texas 77423 with Rev. F. Rollins Eulogist.

Visitation will be held at the school on Saturday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. with burial in Brookshire Cemetery Brookshire, TX.

Ms. Corinthia "Nikki" a Student at Texas A & M passed away on May 3, 2015. Final arrangements are entrusted to the care of Gooden Funeral Home, 1716 Avenue E Rosenberg, TX 77471. PH: 281-342-9169



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING DESIGNATION OF REINVESTMENT ZONE 1-TA CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF WALLER CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 2214 WALLER, WALLER, TEXAS ON THE FOLLOWING DATE AND AT THE TIME SPECIFIED:

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY AS A REINVESTMENT ZONE FOR THE CITY OF WALLER:

Being a tract containing 6.50 acres of land situated in the H. Hedgeperth Survey, Abstract Number 139, Waller County, Texas; Said 6.50 acres being a portion of a call 44 acre tract of land recorded in the name of Robert G. Smith in Volume 255, Page 623 of the Waller County Deed Records (W.C.D.R.); Said 6.50 acres being portions of Blocks B, C, K & L and intervening portion of Castle Street, abandoned by ordinance No. 139 of the City of Waller and recorded in Volume 271, Page 145 of the W.C.D.R., of South Side Addition, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 19, Page 112 of the W.C.D.R.; Said 6.50 acres being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows (bearings are referenced to the Texas Coordinate System of 1983, South Central Zone, based on GPS observations):

COMMENCING at a 5/8 inch iron rod found at the intersection for the Southwesterly right-of-way line of Washington Street (60-foot width) with the East right-of-way line of F.M. 362 (100-foot width), and said point being the Northwest corner of a call 3.906 acre tract of land recorded in the name of Gladys Schiel, as General Partner (G.P.) of the W&G Schiel Family, Ltd. in Volume 1328, Page 338 of the W.C.D.R.;

THENCE, with said East right-of-way line, South 02 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 454.71 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING** and Northwest corner of the herein described tract, same being the Southwest corner of said 3.906 acres, and from which point a found 5/8 inch capped iron rod bears North 02 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West, a distance of 0.90 feet;

THENCE, departing said East right-of-way line of F.M. 362 and with the South lines of said 3.906 acres, a call 1.00 acre tract recorded in the name of Walter M. Schiel, Jr. in Volume 1067, Page 427 of the W.C.D.R., a call 0.25 acre tract recorded in the name of Gladys Schiel, as G.P. of the W&G Schiel Family, Ltd. in Volume 1328, Page 313 of the W.C.D.R., a call 0.750 acre tract recorded in the name of Schiel Enterprise Inc. d/b/a Hometown Hardware in Volume 692, Page 308 of the W.C.D.R., a call 0.509 acre tract recorded in the name of Emilio Reyes in Volume 1224, Page 652 of the W.C.D.R., and a call 0.491 acre tract recorded in the name of William Richard Manuell in Volume 1157, Page 357 of the W.C.D.R., North 88 degrees 34 minutes 40 seconds East, a distance of 917.95 feet to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod set in the West right-of-way line of "B" Street (60-foot width) for the Southeast corner of said 0.491 acre tract and the Northeast corner of the herein described tract, from which point a 1/2 inch iron rod found for the Northeast corner of said 0.491 acre tract bears North 02 degrees 16 minutes 20 seconds West, a distance of 200.05 feet;

THENCE, with said West right-of-way line of "B" Street, South 02 degrees 16 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 308.37 feet to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod set for the Southeast corner of the herein described tract, from which point a 1-1/2 inch iron pipe found for the Southeast corner of a call 0.248 acre tract recorded in the name of Maurice R. Dumas, Sr. and Laura B. Dumas in Volume 374, Page 729 of the W.C.D.R. bears South 02 degrees 16 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 152.45 feet;

THENCE, departing said West right-of-way line of "B" Street and through and across aforesaid 44 acres, South 88 degrees 34 minutes 40 seconds West, a distance of 918.65 feet to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod set in the aforesaid East right-of-way line of F.M. 362 for the Southwest corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE, with said East right-of-way line of F.M. 362, North 02 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West, a distance of 308.36 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING** and containing 6.50 acres of land.

I, do hereby certify that the above notice of a Public Hearing of the City of Waller, Texas City Council was posted in a place convenient to the general public in compliance with chapter 551, Texas Government Code, on May 6, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

*/s/ Cynthia Ward
Cynthia Ward, City Secretary*

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING UNSAFE STRUCTURES CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF WALLER CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 2214 WALLER, WALLER, TEXAS ON THE FOLLOWING DATE AND AT THE TIME SPECIFIED:

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE CONDITIONS THAT EXIST ON THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES CONSTITUTE AS UNSAFE STRUCTURES:

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Address: 2814 Bois D' Arc Waller, TX 77484
Legal: S858900 WALLER-COLLEGE ADDITION BLK 11 LOT 1
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Geo ID: 858900-011-001-000

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Also Known As - 2802 Bois D' Arc Waller, TX 77484
Legal: S858900 WALLER-COLLEGE ADDITION BLK 11 LOT 4
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Geo ID: 858900-011-004-000

All persons having an interest in this matter may attend the hearing and give testimony and evidence, which will be given due consideration by the City Council. Call 936-372-3880, Gene Schmidt, for questions regarding this notice.

I, do hereby certify that the above notice of a Public Hearing of the City of Waller, Texas City Council was posted in a place convenient to the general public in compliance with chapter 551, Texas Government Code, on May 6, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

*/s/ Cynthia Ward
Cynthia Ward, City Secretary*

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL OF AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT

PERMIT NUMBER: 19134

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Watco Companies, L.L.C. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to Air Quality Permit Number 19134, which would authorize modification to a Railcar Repair and Coating Facility located at 17000 Premium Drive, Hockley, Harris County, Texas 77447. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 26, 2014. The existing facility will emit the following air contaminants: organic compounds, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, hazardous air pollutants, and particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit because it meets all rules and regulations. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Houston regional office, and the Melanee Smith Memorial Library, 2103 Main Street, Waller, Harris County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Houston Regional Office, 5425 Polk Street, Suite H, Houston, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. **You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below.**

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Because no timely hearing requests have been received, after preparing the response to comments, the executive director may then issue final approval of the application. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the Commissioners Integrated Database (CID).**

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. When they become available, the executive director's response to comments and the final decision on this application will be accessible through the Commission's Web site at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Once you have access to the CID using the above link, enter the permit number for this application which is provided at the top of this notice. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=30.0244&lng=-95.865&zoom=13&type=r>.

MAILING LIST. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Watco Companies, L.L.C. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. John Betz, Senior Scientist at (512) 394-0823.

Notice Issuance Date: May 1, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Nellie Sue Charleston, Deceased were issued on the 28th day of January, 2015, in Cause No. P15-006, pending in the County Court at Law of Waller County, Texas, in Probate, to Craig Charleston, as Independent Executor.

All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present same within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to Brian A. Mills, Creighton, Fox, Johnson & Mills, PLLC, P.O. Box 5607, Beaumont, Texas 77726.

DATED this 28th day of January, 2015.

*/s/ Craig Charleston
Craig Charleston,
Independent Executor of the Estate of
Nellie Sue Charleston, Deceased*

CAT ADOPTION

We are looking for a new home or homes for 11 feral cats - spayed/neutered - to work in your barn, warehouse or business. The homes must be safe and the owners must be willing to feed and care for them. Adoption papers are required as they will be placed by non-profit rescues - the adoption is free; but, a donation to cover care will be appreciated; but not required. Please contact 4paws farms 832-428-4313 or Waller Community Feral Cats Project - 281-630-6226 (please leave a message).

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LEGAL / PUBLIC NOTICES

WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF REVISED COUNTY ELECTION PRECINCTS

The Commissioners Court of Waller County has entered an order, dated April 29, 2015, adopting revised county election precincts 417, 418, 419, and 420. The county's election precincts must be redrawn in order to comply with Chapter 42 of the Texas Election Code and to insure that suitable polling places are located in each county election precinct. Some county election precincts and polling places must be changed to ensure that suitable accessible public accommodations are available within each election precinct.

A brief description of the changes to the election precincts is included with this notice.

The order of the Commissioners Court adopting revised county election precincts and a map showing the new election precincts and the location of all polling places is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the County Clerk's Office in the Waller County Courthouse, 836 Austin Street, Hempstead, Texas 77445 Monday through Friday from now until June 29, 2015. You may also call Dan Teed, Waller County Elections Administrator at 979-826-7643 if you have any questions.

*Para informacion en Español, llame a Maria Vargas
(979-826-7711)*

Brief Explanation of Changes to Waller County Election Precincts

Existing Election Precinct 418 was expanded to take in Census Block 4001 (Geo ID 484736802004001) from existing Election Precinct 417 in order to provide a suitable building for a polling place for Election Precinct 418. The location of the new polling place in Election Precinct 418 is 32159 Morton Road.

Existing Election Precinct 417 was reduced by Census Block 4001 (Geo ID 484736802004001) given to existing Election Precinct 418 in order to provide a suitable building for a polling place for Election Precinct 418.

Existing Election Precinct 420 was expanded to include recent annexations by the City of Katy generally located between I-10 to the south, Business Highway 90 to the north, Igloo Road to the west, and the existing City Limits of Katy to the east.

Existing Election Precinct 419 was expanded to include recent annexations by the City of Katy generally located between Morton Road to the north, Franz Road to the south, Bartlett Road to the west, and the existing City Limits of Katy to the east.

Existing Election Precinct 418 was reduced in areas recently annexed by the City of Katy generally located between I-10 to the south, Business Highway 90 to the north and Igloo Road to the west; and generally located between Morton Road to the north, Franz Road to the south, Bartlett Road to the west, and the existing City Limits of Katy to the east.

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 - ACRES: Fenced, lightly restricted, Ag exempt. Easy access to Hwy. 6.....\$10,111/ac.
 - 35 ACRES: Near Waller on Mathis Rd. Unrestricted. Some flood plain. Several building sites.....\$7,850/ac.
 - 36 ACRES: in north Waller County. Pond, large trees & choice homesites. Unrestricted.....\$11,000/ac.
 - 39 ACRES: NW Waller County. Secluded at dead-end of road. Fenced, well, 1,500 sq. ft. metal building, 12'X12' well house, large pond & pad for homesite. Trees & pasture\$10,750/ac.
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- BRUSHY CREEK:** 3-2 manufactured home on 0.459 acre lot with large shade trees. Easy acces to Tomball, Magnolia & Waller.....PENDING.....\$85,000
- HEMPSTEAD:** 3-3 all brick home on 2.5 lots. Wood, floors, formals, plantation shutters, sunroom, gameroom, crown molding & fireplace. Needs some TLC.....\$162,500
- MALLARD CROSSING:** 2 story 3-2-2 on corner lot of a cul-de-sac street. Spacious open floor plan, privacy fenced back yard w/ covered patio, kennel w/shelter & tastefully landscaped. Located in Hockley with easy access to Hwy 290 & the Grand Pkwy.....\$179,000
- PINE GROVE:** One story 3-2-2 brick on 1 acre in nice country subdivision with restrictions. Large rooms & well landscaped. Community water. Near Waller.....PENDING\$215,000
- HEMPSTEAD:** Nice brick 3/1.5/3 home on 5 unrestricted acres. New aerobic system, scattered hardwoods, small pond and plenty of pasture.....PENDING.....\$223,000
- CHARMING:** Remodeled 2-3 (possibly 3-3) farm house on 5 acres in Pine Ridge. Spacious with large kitchen, beamed ceilings, wood floors & nice deck for outdoor living. Large shade trees. So much character!.....PENDING\$225,000
- WALLER:** Recently remodeled 3-2-2 home on 2.3 fenced acres. Property includes workshop, well house & old barn. Easy access to I-10 & Hwy 290.....PENDING\$279,000
- PARK-LIKE:** Adorable 3-2 home w/4-carport on fenced 4.38 acres. Wonderful wrap-around porch, island kitchen, gameroom & back patio. Workshop, barn, covered stalls, lighted riding area & scattered beautiful live oaks. On FM 362 w/easy access to Hwy 290 & Grand Pkwy.....PENDING\$329,000

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- 38.5 ACRE RANCH:** Near Hempstead. Nice 3-2 metal exterior home w/large back porch. Barn, arena & x-fenced pastures. Ag exempt.....\$499,000
- WALLER:** Gated 13 acre ranch with 3-2.5 custom home. First floor has 3,179 sq. ft. with too many extras to list. Separate entry unfinished 2nd floor is framed for 2 bedrooms, media room, great room w/firelace, & plumbing roughed in for kitchen, utility room & 2.5 baths. 36X60 Morton building/barn, RV parking, pond, pasture & fenced.....PENDING.....\$674,900
- 35 ACRE RANCH:** on Hwy 6 north of Hempstead in Grimes County. Gated w/3-2-2 rock home with metal roof, high ceilings, study & rock fireplace. 6-Stall barn, 3 pastures & loafing shed. Ag exempt & unrestricted. Low taxes.....\$1,300,000

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- 0.92 ACRE:** City of Brookshire. Commercial or residential. City utilities.....PENDING.....\$62,000
- 1.5 ACRES:** Just 1 block north of I-10 in Brookshire. Zoned commercial.....\$1.95/sq. ft.
- 4 ACRES:** on FM 2920 across from Harlan's shopping center. Rapidly developing area. Excellent commercial location. City utilities. Near US Hwy 290.....\$5.00/sq. ft.
- 30 ACRES:** Commercial corner on Kickapoo right off US Hwy 290. Freeway on/off ramps on east & west side of inter-section for easy access.....PENDING.....\$2.00/sq. ft.
- 450 ACRES:** Excellent for residential or light industrial development in Katy. 1.5 miles north of I-10 & 15 miles from the energy corridor.....PENDING.....\$30,000/ac.
- HISTORIC BUILDING:** on 12th Street in Hempstead. Approx 1,500 sq. ft. Great location with high visibility.....\$105,000
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- SEALY:** Prime commercial location. 0.332 acre on 36 (Meyer St.) between I-10 & Hwy 90 next to auto parts store. Currently has older 3-2-2 home on the property.....\$350,000
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4450 4-2.1-2 Brick home, two story, nice large corner lot with large shade trees.....\$199,900



4452 3-3.1-3 Ranch style home with circle drive, fruit trees, workshop, cross fenced, recent roof, ag exempt.....\$479,900



4428 3-2-2 Brick home, recent roof, formals, large kitchen on 2 lots.....PENDING.....\$107,500



4441 3-2.1/2 Two story home on two and a half acres with mature trees, large island kitchen, gated entrance.....\$499,000



4449 Commercial building on 2 acres with Hwy frontage, all equipment included.....\$495,000

SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

- 4359 1-1-1 Brick home in Hempstead.....\$69,000
- 4375 3-2 Home in town with a smaller home also on property.....\$65,000
- 4391 5 Small homes on 3 city lots, investment potential.....\$250,000
- 4428 3-2-2 Brick home, recent roof, formals, large kitchen on 2 lots.....PENDING.....\$107,500
- 4440 3-2-2 Brick home, sunroom, large living with fireplace, formal dining, large kitchen on over an acre.....\$230,000
- 4441 3-2.1/2 Two story home on two and a half acres with mature trees, large island kitchen, gated entrance.....\$499,000
- 4450 4-2.1-2 Brick home, two story, nice large corner lot with large shade trees.....\$199,900

COUNTRY HOMES AND ACREAGE

- 4374 10 Acres in subdivision, deed restrictions, Waller ISD.....\$470,000
- 4386 160 Acres with lots of frontage, water well, FM frontage, could be divided.....\$2,486,820
- 4411 Lots in City of Waller, corner property, scattered trees, recently cleared.....\$27,900
- 4421 Beautiful 97 acres, brick home, barn, pond, scattered trees, close to Hwy. 290.....\$2,764,500
- 4422 Corner lot in Hempstead, additional lots available.....\$6,000
- 4423 Two lots in Hempstead, city utilities available.....\$12,000
- 4431 5 Acres, frontage on 2 roads, close to town, some restrictions.....\$79,500
- 4432 Unrestricted lot, commercial or residential, community water.....\$165,000
- 4433 4-3-2 Brick home with 2 fireplaces, on 4 acres with pond.....\$265,000
- 4435 4-3-2 100 Acres, large scattered oaks, ag exempt, community water available.....\$1,200,920
- 4437 3-2-1 Home, open floorpan, island kitchen on 4 acres, beautiful scattered trees.....\$225,000
- 4448 40 Acres, Hwy 290 visible frontage, currently in ag use.....\$1,006,000
- 4449 Commercial building on 2 acres with Hwy frontage, all equipment included.....\$495,000
- 4451 42.5 Acres, scattered trees, corner property, can be divided.....\$638,640
- 4452 3-3.1-3 Ranch style home with circle drive, fruit trees, workshop, cross fenced, recent roof, ag exempt.....\$479,900

COUNTRY HOMES AND ACREAGE

- 4088 80 Acres, barns, storage shed, lake, beautiful land.....\$2,258,760
- 4267 9 Acres, FM 2920 frontage, excellent development location.....\$1,300,000
- 4275 9+ Acres, Tomball area, ag exempt, FM 2920 frontage.....\$750,000
- 4276 318 Acres, Peek Rd in Katy, excellent location.....\$11,130,000
- 4309 Three lots with city utilities, curbs, close to schools and shopping.....\$35,000
- 4349 388 Acre horse ranch with rail fencing, FM frontage, barns, stables, 8 acre lake, large irrigated hay field, additional ponds, main home shaded by large oaks, additional home on property.....\$4,225,000
- 4360 Corner lot in city with utilities.....\$4,500

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