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# SATURDAY



### **Aldine Noon Optimist HOBY** presentation

Aldine Noon Optimist Club will present Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Training (HOBY) where students from Aldine ISD will share their experiences at the leadership workshop. November 8, 2017 at 12:00 noon at East Aldine Management District, 5333 Aldine Mail Rt., Houston, TX 77039.

### Citizenship Workshops

Lone Star College-Greenspoint Center Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017 4:00 pm, 250 N. Sam Houston Parkway, Houston, TX 77060 (pre-registration required. 281-799- 9076) St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Sat., Nov. 11, 9 a.m., 501 Tidwell Rd., Houston 77022

### Aldine Community Veteran's Day Parade

The Community of Aldine will hold a Veteran's Day Parade on Saturday, November 11, 2017, 8:00 a.m. Stage Time by Jeds. 10:00 a.m. Start Time, For questions, please call Joey Garamillo: 832-998-5320 and Steven Adame Sr.:

# **ASTRO**nomical!

# City celebrates World Series Win

Wednesday night, when the Houston Astros defeated the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 7th and final game of the World Series, winning 5-1.

To fully enjoy the victor

ry, the city shut down on Friday and held a parade through the city streets, culminating in a presentation and speeches of acco-lades on the steps of Houston City Hall. Police Chief Art Acevedo estimated that over 500,000, and perhaps as many as 1 million persons lined the streets as the Astros team, riding fire trucks, went down the parade route. The Houston ISD school district cancelled all classes on Friday, and students went to the parade.

The series itself set or tied many records, includ-



HOUSTON MAYOR SYLVESTER TURNER waves with pride, as the Houston Astros ride a fire truck through crowded downtown streets, in a victory parade after winning the 2017 World Series.



A crowd of Astros fans estimated at over 500,000 lined the parade route Friday in downtown Houston, as the team riding on a fire truck proceeded to city hall.

ing longest game (5-1/2 hours in a slugfest in the fifth game) and most home runs (25) in a series. Every-one agreed it was one of the most exciting and enter-taining baseball playoffs in

See Houston Astros, p5

# East Aldine District is recognized for CERT training

(Harris County, TX) The Harris County Citizen Corps Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program has reached a milestone of 30,000 trained members with the graduation of its latest students from the East Aldine District and Humble. The final exercise and graduation will take place on Monday, October 30th at 7 p.m. at the Harris County Fire and Sher-iff's Training Academy, 2318 Atascocita Road in Humble, Texas.
The East Aldine District

class is made up of 42 students from Benjamin O.
Davis High School, ages 16 to 18. These students are also members of the Health Occupations Students of America and are avid volunteers in their community. The Humble class is composed of 21 students, mostly teachers, a nurse, a mother and son.



Participants learning fire safety in one of the many CERT classes East Aldine hosted.

"The CERT program teaches skills that ultimately make our communities stronger and better prepared," said Harris County Judge Ed Emmett. "These students' commitment is admirable. They are showing great responsibility by preparing them-selves and their families

for emergencies.

The program is a Harris County Citizen Corps initiative and is coordinated through the Harris County Office of Homeland Se-& Emergency curity

> See East Aldine Recognition, Page 8

# **ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 7th**

# Aldine ISD Board of Trustees on ballot

Harris County voters will go to the polls this Tuesday, November 7th. Only a few candidates are on the ballot, suggesting a low turnout to be expect-ed. Locally, Aldine ISD is electing new trustees, in some areas of the county there is a City of Houston election to approve five propositions having to do with bond sales to finance city obligations, and statewide there is an election to approve seven propositions

for various purposes.
Aldine ISD will hold a trustee's election on Tues-day, November 7 for Positions 3, 4 and 5. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on November 7.

Rose Avalos holds the Position 3 seat and is runlos is a retired educator

resided in the Al-dine comsince she was two months

of age. Steve ESPARZA

M e a d holds the Position 5 seat and is running unopposed. Mr. Mead, owner of Com-ponent Sales and Service, has resided in the Aldine community for more than

Connie Esparza holds the Position 4 seat and is being opposed by Barry

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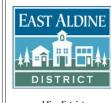
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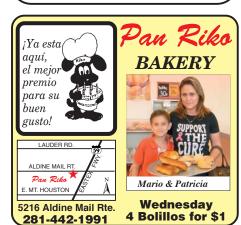
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### NEWS SCHOOL

# Aldine ISD students attend Career and Technical Education Expo



The youngsters learned about CTE programs the District offers that will help them

Gearing up for the next school year, the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Department recently hosted a CTE Expo at the M.O. Campbell Educational Center to show students what the District has to of-

Several technical clubs and classes from across the District had booths and demonstrations for middle school students. The Expo showcased the District's CTE class options to encourage enrollment for the following school year. Everything from cooking to nursing was up for display providing information to students about their top-

Ben Ibarra attended the event. As the principal of Dr. Archie L. Blanson CTE High School set to open in fall 2018, he and his staff shared information about the campus programs and how to apply for admis"I think it (Expo) went really well," said Ibarra. "These are the kinds of classes that prepare students for actual work after high school."

Middle school students

talked to campus representatives including current CTE students from the various high schools. CTE students also provided presentations There were also students from extracurricular clubs present. The event gave middle school students a strong sampling of the different career preparation opportunities they can experi $ence\ in\ high\ school.$ 

Classes like automotive, animation, welding and robotics were some of the student favorite booths at the expo. Some of the programs offer real-time job experience. Classes and clubs like FCCLA, DECA, JROTC and many others also held booths and demonstrations for students.

"A lot of the programs are gearing students toward certification," said Franklin Higgins, director CTE. "If they get fully certified, they're on top of the list of potential hires for businesses.'

Eighth graders combed the expo searching for that program that sparked their interest. The annual expo, Higgins added, showcases what the schools have to offer students aside from traditional classes and activities.

"We hope the students gain a lot of knowledge, said Higgins. "The expo can lead toward classes students want to take and help them discover the

kind of career they want." According to Higgins CTE can be an integral part of every student's education so they can graduate from high school globally competitive for work as well as prepare them for post-secondary education.

# Mendel Elementary students learn to say "NO to drugs"



Students at Mendel Elementary (4th grade) learned about saying no to drugs and kicked off The annual Chicken Club Meeting. Students took the pledge Not to do

Ms. Tillman the school counselor sponsors the Chicken Club.



HPD Officer Gustavo Adame, Coach Nigro, HPD officer J. Arnold and Ms. Tillman attended the C.H.I.C.K.E.N (Cool, Honest, Intelligent, Clear-headed, Keen, Energetic and Not Interested in Drugs) Club meeting

# Remington College thanks Veterans for service with free haircuts in November

Campus also offers free services for canned food donation

Houston, Texas - (October 30, 2017) – Remington College is reaching out to the community by offering free salon services through its Cosmetology program.

Veterans Day is November 11, but during the whole month, veterans can get a free service at the Webster and Greenspoint campus salons. This includes a haircut, shampoo & set thermal style, makeup application or facial.

"It's one way we can express our gratitude for service," explains Frankie Jobe, Webster campus President.

Remington College is also working to help stock the shelves of local pantries just in time for the holiday season. Anyone can bring in a can of food or

other non-perishable food item to receive a free haircut, manicure or pedicure. The donation drive runs throughout the month of November as well.

Both offers are available until November 30, 2017. One offer per visit and offers cannot be combined.

The Salon at Remington prefers customers call ahead to make an appointment; just like they would at his or her regular salon, but walk-ins are welcome. To schedule an appointment at the Webster Salon, call 281-554-1790. To schedule an appointment at the Greenspoint Salon, call 281-885-4490

Greenspoint Salon 11310 Greens Crossing, Suite 300, Houston

> Monday-Friday 9:50 am - 11:15 am and

Monday-Thursday 12:20 pm - 1:30 pm

The Remington College Cosmetology program teaches students the art of hair, skin and nail care through traditional classroom instruction and hands-on training in The Salon at Remington, which allows students to work

with real clients. For more on the Remington College Cosmetology Program, visit remingtoncosmo.com

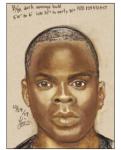


# Suspect sought in robbery

Houston Police Department's Robbery Division need the public's assistance identifying the suspect responsible for a Robbery - Bodily Injury. On Friday, October 13,

2017, at approximately 5:21 a.m., a black male suspect robbed the victim in an apartment complex lo-cated in the 13000 block of Northborough Drive in Houston, Texas. During the incident, the suspect entered the victim's apartment through the front door and punched her in

The suspect took the victim's property and fled the



Forensic sketch artist composed a drawing of the suspect.

location through the apartment's back door in an unknown direction of travel

Suspect #1 Black male, dark complexion, 25 - 35 years old, medium build, 5'10" to 6'00.

Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$5,000 for information leading to the charg-ing and/or arrest of the suspect in this case. Information may be reported by calling 713-222-TIPS (8477) or submitted online

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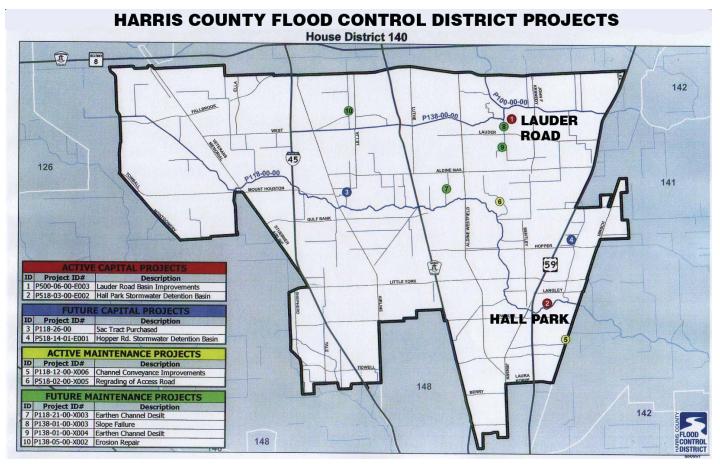
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# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



The Harris County Flood Control District has compiled a preliminary list of \$74 million in priority repairs for Harris County's bayous, creeks and other drainage infrastructure in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, according to a recently completed county-wide assessment that is expected to eventually top \$100 million. The Flood Control District has verified approximately 500 additional repair projects totaling more than 150 channel miles across Harris County's 22 watersheds. This map shows active and future projects.

# Rep. Green on Ryan-McConnell Tax Plan: middle-class families will be hurt, wealthy will win

WASHINGTON, DC — Congressman Gene Green released the following statement on the release of the Ryan-McConnell tax

plan:
 "From what I've read so far, it's clear that the president and the Republican majority want to cut tax deductions for middleclass families to pay for tax cuts for the wealthy and corporations.

It's alarming that the plan will eliminate the deduction for personal casualty losses, which will be a big blow for many hurricane Harvey victims whose homes were damaged after one of the largest disasters in Texas' history. It's even more alarming that taxes for the smallest earners will increase from 10 per-

cent to 12 percent while the tax brackets for high earners stay the same. And for those who graduated college and are paying off their student loans debt, the tax plan will eliminate the student loan interest deduction.

It's estimated that the GOP plan will save the bottom 80 percent of earners between \$50 and \$450 in taxes per year, but that it saves each person in the top 1 percent of earners an average of \$129,000 a year. For people at the very top, the tax cuts are enormous. It's also not clear to me where the money to pay for these tax cuts will come from, and how we will continue to pay for infrastructure and social services when we add so much to the deficit with this plan.



Overall, I am not confident my constituents will be better off with this plan. There's more to learn about the details of this bill, but once we receive a score from the Congressional Budget Office we'll know more about the impacts of this bill."

# State Sales Tax Revenue totaled nearly \$2.5 billion in October

(AUSTIN) — Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said today that state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.46 billion in October, 6.9 percent more than in October 2016.

"Sales tax revenue growth was led by receipts from the mining and manufacturing sectors," Hegar said. "Most of the other economic sectors, such as wholesale trade, retail trade, services and restaurants, also grew moderately compared to last year. In addition, Hurricane Harvey does not appear to

have had a significant net effect on state sales tax revenue."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in October 2017 was up 5.2 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 58 percent of all tax collections. Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes, motor fuel taxes and oil and natural gas production taxes also are large revenue sources for the state.

In October 2017, Texas collected the following revenue from those taxes:

• motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$450.1 million, up 13.7 percent from October 2016. Those collections were boosted by the purchase of vehicles to replace cars damaged by Hurricane Harvey;

• motor fuel taxes — \$311.1 million, up 4.2 percent from October 2016; and

• oil and natural gas production taxes — \$288.6 million, up 28.9 percent from October 2016.

# Harris County FINAL HARVEY Debris Pick -Up

Please have all HARVEY DEBRIS out on the curb by November 5, 2017. FINAL Harvey Debris pick-up will be during the week(s) of November 6th and November 13th, 2017.

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### OPINION PAGE

# What the power of the Supreme Court means to you

(NAPSI)—From health care to civil rights, from abortion to marriage, the Supreme Court and its nine appointed members affect every major area of insightful new book by best-selling author and Senior U.S. District Judge Ted Stewart explains just why that happened. The book shows the evolution of the Court's vastly expanded interpretation of law and illustrates the power of judicial review to make sweeping, often unforeseen changes in American society, decades Safter decisions are handed down.

Told through seven the historical narrative into the legal basis for each decision and examines the far-reaching effects. Stewart explores such intriguing issues as the Court's role in sanctioning racism, why a nation founded by devout men and women banned religion from the public arena, and why justices can raise taxes, manage school districts and generally work their will.

Each chapter presents an easy-to-read brief on the case and explains what the decisions mean and how the Court ruling, often a 5 4 split, had long-term impact. For example, in Lochner v. New York, a widely accepted turn-of-the-20th-century New York State law limited excessive overtime for bakery workers. That law was overturned by the Court clause of the Constitution. The very same

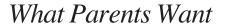
precedents, Stewart points out, were used by the Court 70 years later and expanded to a new right to privacy in Roe v. Wade, making abortion legal in the nation.

A thought-provoking and easily accessible read, "Supreme Power: 7 Pivotal Supreme Court Decisions That Had a Major Impact on America" (Shadow Mountain) also examines how the Court became so su-preme and unexpectedly influential in American society and considers whether this was the intent of our Founding Fathers.

In an endorsement of the book, Jason Chaffetz said, "As a former congressman and Chairman of the Over-sight and Government Reform Committee, I saw again and again how the balance of power has been tilted much too far toward the judicial. This important book addresses the imbalance with powerful examples that are easily understood and very informative. Everyone should read it."

With such issues as voting rights, free speech, religious freedom, immigration, taxes and search and seizure coming before the Court the ideas the book provides can be more important to understand than ever.

You can find it where books are sold, including Amazon and Barnes & Noble, and online at ww.shadowmountain.com.



(NAPSI)—As the current administration shines a spotlight on school choice, families around the country are opening their minds to new educational opportu-

Many states are inspired by Indiana's taxcredit scholarships and school voucher program, which, a recent EdChoice and Hanover Research study discovered, are not only popular, but also increase parental involve-ment in their children's

Indiana is home to the nation's largest, single statewide school voucher program. Vouchers give parents the freedom to choose a private school for their children using all or part of the public funding set aside for their children's education.

# **Key Findings**

Here's what the survey found:

- The vast majority of parents are somewhat or completely satisfied with the state's voucher and tax-credit scholarship programs.
- ullet Sixty-one percent say they communicate with teachers and participate in school activities more and 55 percent say they volunteer or perform community service more
- $\bullet$  Parents value the opportunity to choose a school they believe is a better fit for their child Parents also value the freedom to choose a neighborhood.
- Private school parents are significantly more likely than district school parents to report satisfaction with their children's current schools.
- Of the students who have left school choice programs, most have done so because they graduated or program

restrictions rendered them ineligible. Few if any leave because they're unhappy with the program or their schools.

- $\bullet$  More than a third of parents who never had a child in the programs were unaware of them.
- Most parents whose kids are not participating in the programs would if they qualified or if the award amount fully covered tuition and
- On average, three-fifths of parents using the programs found it somewhat or very easy to find their children's

Many parents and educators believe all families deserve the opportunity to choose the best educational fit for their children, regardless of their income or zip code.

That's the idea behind EdChoice, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to advancing full and unencumbered educational choice as the best pathway to successful lives and a stronger society. "Indiana is a national leader when it comes to the way our programs operate and the number of students we're able to serve, but we've still got work to do making sure families know these programs are available to help their students," said Robert Enlow, the group's president and CEO. "Parents want options, and we need to do a better job letting them know those options are out there."

# Learn More

For more information on school choice, visit www.edchoice.org. To see the entire report, go to www.edchoice.org/ WhyINParentsChoose



# Paxton asks high court to approve court-drawn House maps

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton on Oct. 27 filed a brief urging the U.S. Supreme Court to reverse a lower court ruling that required nine of the state's 150 House districts to be redrawn.

In September, the U.S. Supreme Court temporarily stayed the federal district court's ruling. That allowed Texas to continue to use the existing maps while the redistricting case remains pending.
Candidate filings for the

2018 elections begin next month. Early primary voting begins in February.

'We're eager for the Su preme Court to review all the facts in this case, which are clearly on our side," Paxton said. "The portion of the House redistricting map invalidated by the lower court is the map the same court drew and approved in 2012 before the Legislature adopted it in 2013. It's been used in the last three election cycles in Texas, and there is no sound reason for that to

In a separate ruling, the Supreme Court also temporarily blocked a lower court ruling that invalidated two of Texas' 36 congressional seats. Paxton filed a brief on Oct. 17 asking the high court to reverse the district court's ruling in that case.

# Speaker won't run

again House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, on Oct. 25 announced his decision not to seek re-election in November 2018.

Straus is almost halfway through his record fifth consecutive two-year term as speaker.

The chamber will elect a new leader in the next regular legislative session, which begins in January 2019. State Reps. John Zerwas, R-Richmond, and Phil King, R-Weatherford, are the first two members to declare their intentions to run for the leadership post. Zerwas is chair of the state budget-writing House Committee on Appropriations. King chairs the House Committee on Homeland Security and Public Safety.

Straus has been noted as a consensus builder, able to

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# STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling



bring Democrats and Republicans together in decision-making processes. His "big tent" style has overwhelmed challenges to his leadership and to his parliamentary abilities in moving certain bills through the process while slowing others, such as the "bathroom bill," last

Gov. Greg Abbott released a statement follow-Straus's announcement, saying: "Joe Straus has served with distinction for both the people in his district and for the Texas House of Representatives. I thank Speaker Straus for his service and for his commit-ment to the State of

# Interim charges

**posted** Speaker Straus on Oct. 23 released the full list of 230 House interim charges, assigning almost every committee at least one charge related to the state's recovery from Hurricane Harvey. The charges are to be studied and discussed leading up to the next legislative session

Committees will focus on Hurricane Harvey's impact on public health, the juvenile justice system, agriculture and the state's

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for legislation addressing the issues

Straus also created the Select Committee on Opioids and Substance Abuse in which lawmakers will study the prevalence and impact of substance abuse and substance use disorders in the state. Rep. Four Price, R-Amarillo, will serve as chair of the select committee and Rep. Joe Moody, D-El Paso, will serve as vice chair.

# **Update: Hurricane**

recovery
Since Hurricane Harvey
hit Texas in late August, federal and state agencies, local governmental bodies, volunteers and private property owners have been hard at work to return to normal the many stricken areas of the Lone Star State.

As of Oct. 26, according to information posted by the state-run Commission to Rebuild Texas, \$5.83 billion in federal funds had been provided directly to Texans. That amount includes FEMA grants to households, National Flood Insurance Program claims payments and SBA disaster loans.

Also, some 882,935 individual assistance applications were received FEMA's deadline to register for individual disaster assistance is Nov. 24 for the residents of 41 desig-

nated counties. And, as of Oct. 27, some 51,416 individuals were taking advantage of FE-MA's Transitional Sheltering Assistance. Some 145,737 individuals were counted as having visited Disaster Recovery Centers for assistance as of Oct. 26

### Youth vote is encouraged

Rolando Pablos on Oct. 25 issued a proclamation designating the first Friday of the early voting period as

# Three easy ways to improve your life

(NAPSI)—Your health, wealth and happiness may be improved if you heed these three helpful hints to ease and enhance your life:

- 1. Studies show money effectively motivates weight loss. So many individuals, couples, friends, families and employee groups turn to HealthyWage.comthe leading provider of money-driven diet challenges. It provides cash prizes, social and expert support, tools, resources, and goalsetting and tracking technologies. Over 200,000 participants have collectively lost over 10 million pounds, earning over \$5 million in cash prizes for their pound-shedding
- 2. Those ready to retire can avoid finan-cial strife with the Amazon.com-listed book "20 Retirement Decisions You Need to Make Right Now." It covers key financial decisions for the critical period transitioning from work to retirement. These decisions—many permanent-will affect your financial security for decades.
- 3. Excessive sweating—a serious medical condition called hyper-hidrosis—affects approximately 4.8 percent of the popula-tion and can lead to serious practical, social and emotional consequences. The International Hyperhidrosis Society provides support, resources and expert perspective to those struggling with this condition and others who hate to sweat. Its website, www.SweatHelp.org, offers education; treatment, insurance, and clinical trial information; a physician finder; a useful award-winning blog; and sweat-management product dis-



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"The state of Texas is committed to ensuring that civic participation remains a cherished tradition among all Texans, particularly those of the youngest generation," Pab-

More than 800 Texas high schools committed to assisting their eligible students in registering to vote, an effort supported by secretary of state's 2017 High School Voter Registration Initiative.

Early voting ends Nov. 3 for the Nov. 7 Uniform Election. More information can be found at www.votetexas.gov/

# SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

# TCU, OU meet in elimination game in Big 12: Cowboys prepare for life without Ezekiel Elliott

It's going to be an interesting November in the Big 12 and for Texas two professional football teams As the Big 12 season winds down there are two key games this week end that could determine who plays in the Big 12 title game on Dec. 2 at AT&T Stadium in Arlington. On Saturday, Oklahoma State travels to Ames, IA to face the surprise team of the league, the Iowa State Cyclones, while TCU visits Norman to take on Oklahoma. The winner of those two games remains alive in the hunt for a post in the Big 12 championship game, while the losers can make plans to play in the Texas Bowl or some other meaningless post-sea-

watch and is no fluke. Head coach Matt Campbell has led his team to a win at Oklahoma and ended TCU's undefeated season two weeks ago with a gritty 14-7 victory in Ames. The Cyclones will have their hands full with Mike Gundy's high-scoring Cowboys, but ISU has defied all of the experts thus far, so you never The Sooners know they can't afford

the Big 12 title and they will have their hands full with a desperate TCU team that is in the same position In the NFL, the Texans will play their second game without right tackle Duane Brown, who was traded to Seattle on Oct. 30. Houston only had Brown for one game, ironically against Seattle two weeks ago, after he returned to the team following a hold out as he sought a new con tract. Rookie quarterback Deshaur Watson survived and thrived without him and should be OK going forward. Things might not be OK for the Cowboys as a judge in New York upheld the NFL's six-game suspension of star running back Ezekiel Elliot, who won't return until Dallas' Week 15 game at Oakland. Losing Elliott, who rushed for 413 yards and five touch downs in his last three games, will be a big blow to the Dallas offense, but they still have quarterback Dak Prescott and decent backup running hacks in Alfred Morris and Darren McFadden. Still, losing Elliott at this point of the season could put a crimp in the Cowboys' post-season plans. The District 16-6A season also concludes this weekend as Nimitz, Mac Arthur, Eisenhower and Davis battle for a playoff berth. Westfield and Spring are in the driver's seat, while Dekaney, MacArthur, Nimitz, Eisenhower and Davis battle for the third and fourth playoff spots in the final weekend of the season. schedule, let's review last week's record. A 9-3 week upped the season record to 64-45 (59%). Now, onto this week's game

MacArthur at Dekaney - Andy Garza's Generals picked up a key league win two weeks ago when they upended Davis, 21-14. That win kept their playoff hopes alive. They take on a Dekaney team that has turned its season around after a slow start. My pick, MacArthur 16, Dekaney 14 Spring vs. Nimitz - Richard Slater's Cougars won their first three league games then dropped two straight (they lost to Westfield and Eisenhow er), which means they needed to win one of their final two games (they played Davis on Nov. 3) to secure a playoff spot. Spring is a quality opponent with one league loss heading into last weekend's games. Look for the Cougars to get their running game going against the Lions. My pick, Nimitz 24, Spring 21 Davis at Westfield – James Shower's Falcons dropped a tough one two weeks ago to MacArthur and probably need to win out to land a playoff spot. They face a stern test on Friday

team that is rolling. My pick, West-field 30, Davis 24 Aldine vs. Eisenhower - It's been a tough year for Hank Semler's Mus-tangs and they would like nothing more than to close out the season on a high note over the Eisenhower Eagles. Kerry Bamburg's team picked up a big win two weeks ago with their 16-13 victory over Nimitz to keep their playoff hopes alive. My pick, Eisenhower 26, Aldine 14

Notre Dame at Miami - Back in the

night when they face a Westfield

day (the 80's) this was one of the nastiest rivalries in college football The trash-talking Hurricanes were the kings of the college game and were not shy about letting others know about it. Miami would routinely route the Irish that was until Lou Holtz arrived and turned the Irish into one of the best programs from the late 1980's until the mid 1990's. Both programs had some rough times over the last 20 years but both have seen resurgence in their respective programs. Notre Dame should enter this game with one loss, while the Hurricanes hope to be undefeated (they played a tough Virginia Tech team last week). The winner of this game remains alive in the College Football Playoff (CFP) hunt, while the loser will be consoled with a New Year's Day bowl. The Irish are rolling behind quarterback Brandon Wimbush (1,006 yards passing, 10 TDs; 529 yards rushing, 11 TDs) and tailback Josh Adams (1,169 yards rushing, 9 TDs). Two weeks ago in their 35-14 win over a very good North Carolina State team, Adams



rolled for 202 vards and one score The Hurricane are led by quarter-back Malik Rosier (2,071 yards passing, 17 TDs). They have five receivers with 207 yards receiving or more and 14 touchdowns. Look for ND's ground game to be the difference maker in this one as Brian Kelly's team keeps its CFP hopes alive. My pick, Notre Dame 26, Miami 23 Oklahoma State at Iowa State - The Cowboys take their high-scoring offense to Ames to face an Iowa State team that is this year's surprise team in the NCAA. Two weeks ago, Oklahoma State won at West Virgin ia, 50-39, as quarterback Mason Rudolph (2,866 yards passing, 22 TDs) and wide receiver James Washington (45 receptions, 1,005 yards, 8 TDs) led the way. OSU played without starting running back Justice Hill who was injured early in the game, but backup J.D. King filled in well as the Cowboys got out to a big lead then held on for the victory. lowa State's defense was the star in its 14-7 win over TCU keeping the potent Horned Frog offense without a touchdown (TCU scored its only points on a kickoff return). ISU has had a great season and will go bowling, but I think the Cowboys have just too much firepower for the Cyclones to deal with come Saturday. My pick, Oklahoma State 34, Iowa

TCU at Oklahoma – Speaking of TCU, Gary Patterson's team knows it can't lose another game if it hopes to play for the Big 12 title and they will face a stern test against an OU team that is in the same position. Look for TCU quarterback Kenny Hill (1,863 yards, 15 TDs) to play much better than he did against Iowa State. The Sooners have a pretty fair signal caller themselves in Baker Mayfield (2,628 yards, 23 TDs), who is also a Heisman Trophy candidate. Mayfield could secure a trip to New York with a big day against a very good TCU defense. Two weeks ago, the Sooners rolled to a 49-27 win over Texas Tech. TCU should have success against a suspect OU defense, but look for Mayfield to make one or two more plays down the stretch as the Sooners eek out a close win. My pick, Oklahoma 34, TCU 30 Georgia at Auburn - The No. 2 ranked Georgia Bulldogs face a

dangerous Auburn team, but thus far, Kirby Smart's team has been up to the task all season long. The Bull-dogs are in control of their own desti ny and are pretty much assured of winning the SEC East and landing a berth in the SEC title game on Dec. 2 in Atlanta. Georgia has been rolling behind a strong running game led by Nick Chubb (765 yards rushing, 9 TDs) and Sony Michel (629 yards rushing, 8 TDs). Their production has taken a lot of pressure off of true freshman quarterback Jake Fromm (1,263 yards passing, 13 TDs). fense, so he will be counting on Chubb and Michel to loosen things up so he can make plays down field The Tigers are led by quarterback Jarrett Sidham (1,728 yards passing 8 TDs) and running back Kerryon Johnson (723 yards rushing, 14 TDs). This is the sort of test that Georgia needs if it hopes to knock off the king of the SEC, Alabama, in the SEC title game. My pick, Georgia 26,

Houston at Los Angeles Rams -Texans rookie quarterback Deshaun Watson takes his act to Hollywood to take on the surprising Rams and he hones the critics like his work. Two weeks ago, the amazing first-year pro had another huge day when he threw for 402 vards and four touchdowns against a very good Seattle defense. The Texans lost a 41-38 heart breaker in Seattle, but Watson and wide receiver DeAndre Hopkins (8 receptions, 224 yards, 1 TD) certainly did their parts to pull off the upset. This week, the Texans face another tough NFC West team in the Rams, who won five of their first seven games and have been one of the surprise teams in 2017. Second year quarterback Jared Goff (1,719 yards passing, 9 TDs) has blos-somed under first-year head coach Sean McVay's tutelage and running back Todd Gurley (627 yards rushing, 5 TDs; 27 receptions, 293 yards, 3 TDs) looks like he did two years ago when he burst on the scene as a rookie and rushed for more than 1,100 yards with 10 touchdowns

fense, but Watson has been tested against some of the best thus far and has come through with flying colors. Look for another big day from the rookie QB, but look for Gurley to be the difference maker in this one as the Rams look to keep pace with the Seahawks in the NFC West race. My pick, Los Angeles Rams 31, Houston

the Falcons in a key game for both

teams. Both teams need this game to remain in the hunt in their respec-

tive division races and in the Wild

Card hunt. Dak Prescott will have to put the team on his shoulders now that Ezekiel Elliott is out until Week 15. He has the talent to do so, but he will need help from his receiving corps and the offensive line. Atlanta, the defending NFC champs, have been up and down this season but picked up a big road win two weeks ago against the Jets. That win could be just what Dan Quinn's team need ed to go on a late-season run. Atlanta quarterback Matt Ryan has been inconsistent thus far, but should have a big day against a young and inexperienced Dallas secondary. Look for Julio Jones to get untracked (one touchdown in his team's first sever games) in this one as the Falcons picked up a key November victory. My pick, Atlanta 34, Dallas 30 New England at Denver – The Patriots travel to Denver for a Sunday night encounter against a reeling Denver team. To say the Broncos have issues at quarterback would be an understatement. Two weeks ago in their 29-19 loss at Kansas City, quarterback Trevor Siemian threw three interceptions and was ineffective for a second straight week.
There is talk that he will be replaced by Paxton Lynch, but that might not be enough if the offensive line doesn't improve. The Broncos will rely on their stout defense to slow Tom Brady (2,541 yards passing, 16 TDs), but if the offense does not pick up the slack, it's going to be a long night in the Mile High City. My pick. New England 26, Denver 17 Miami at Carolina - Week 10 concludes on Monday night with the Dolphins pay a visit to the Panthers in Charlotte. Two weeks ago, the Dolphins were embarrassed on national TV when they were pum meled 40-0 by Baltimore on Thursday Night Football. It could be anoth er long night in prime time this week if the Miami offense plays like it did against the Ravens. If Jay Cutler is still sidelined with a rib injury, backup QB Matt Moore will again get the call, which will be just fine with the Carolina defense. Two weeks ago in

their 17-3 win at Tampa Bay, the

Panther defense forced three turn

for another big night from the Panther defense in this one. Offensively look for quarterback Cam Newton (1,841 yards passing, 10 TDs) to make plays with his arm and legs as he leads Carolina to a Monday night victory. My pick, Carolina 32, Miam

# Houston Astros,

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Both teams played outstanding baseball. The Dodgers had won 104 games in the regular season, and the Astros 101.

Astros George Springer was voted Most Valuable Player, hitting 5 home

In the World Series, the teams split the first six games, alternating wins and heightening the dra-ma. But the Astros prevailed in the final seventh game, with George Springer starting the scoring in the first inning, and the team leading throughout the next nine innings. The final 4 innings were pitched by Charlie Morton, holding the Dodgers to no runs after one earlier run. Festivities continued af-

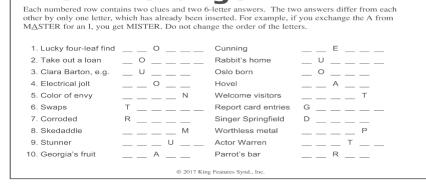
ter the final victory, with romance the theme. Shortstop Carlos Correa pro-posed to Daniella Rodriguez, 2016 Miss Texas USA, on camera. Ace pitcher Justin Verlander left for Italy to marry su-permodel Kate Upton.

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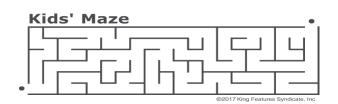
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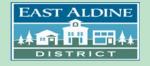
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# East Aldine Recognition,

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Management. It is an extensive eight-week emer-gency preparedness course taught by emergency man-agement professionals and first responders. The training makes students proficient in safety basics they can use in their homes, schools, workplace and

communities.
"The Harris County Citizen Corps CERT program is one of the best in the nation, leading the way through dedicated volunteers," added Judge Emmett. "These trained volunteers are, and will continue to be, essential partners in disaster preparedness, response and recovery.

The CERT program teaches disaster preparedness and basic response skills in fire safety and suppression, search and rescue tactics, and disaster medical operations. CERT volunteers are trained to respond safely, responsibly, and effectively to emergen-cy situations, but they can also support their commu-nities during non-emer-

gency events as well. The Harris County Citizen Corps membership includes 30,000 trained volunteers involved in 274 Community Emergency Response Teams; 21,984 volunteers from 24 Volun-

teers in Police Service agencies; 4,165 volunteers from the Medical Reserve Corps; 6,137 volunteers from the 351 neighborhoods participating in the USAonWatch program; and 24 Fire Corps pro-

The CERT program's success is due in large part to its partnership with the City of Houston, first re-sponders, non-profit agencies, community organizations and all its volunteers.

To join Harris County Citizen Corps, or for more information about the CERT program go to harriscountycitizencorps.org.

# Nov. 7th Election,

Ward, II. Ms. Esparza, a retired educator, has resided in the Aldine community for 37 years. Mr. Ward, a college professor, has resided in the Aldine community for 37 years.

At the September 19 Board meeting, Aldine ISD Trustees approved canceling the special election for the Position 6 seat because Dr. Kimberley Booker is running unopposed for the seat. Dr. Booker is elected to the Position 6 seat. Dr.

ruary 2017 to fill the unexpired term of former Trustee Merlin Griggs. Additional voting and

polling information can be www.harrisvotes.com.

### Booker was appointed to the Position 6 seat in Feb-

# Investigation into shooting at Eastex Freeway

Houston police are investigating the shooting of a man that occurred at 18005 Eastex Freeway (North U.S. Highway 59) about 3:30 a.m. on November 2.

According to HPD Major Assaults Unit Officers M. Barrow and R. Watson Zachary Godbold, 26, and another man were exiting a night club when they were confronted by a male suspect. The men got into an altercation and the sus-

pect produced a gun and pointed it at one of the men. Godbold managed to wrestle the gun from the suspect, struck him with it several times and then tossed it to the side. The suspect retrieved the gun and, while backing toward his vehicle, fired a shot and struck Godbold in the leg. The suspect then fled the scene in a red minivan. Godbold was transported by HFD paramedics to an area hospital in stable condition.

The suspect is described only as a dark-skinned Hispanic male, about 5 feet 6 inches tall with a slim build. He was wearing a red button-down shirt and blue jeans and was accompanied by a Hispanic female dressed all in black.

Anyone with information in this case is urged to contact the HPD Major Assaults Unit at 713-308-3600 or Crime Stoppers at

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# **East Aldine District NEWS REPORT**

# Report to the Community on the Town Center **Construction Progress**

On-site construction of three of the major projects in the East Aldine Town Center has commenced, as shown in these photos. They include the BakerRipley complex, the Harris County 9-1-1 Call Center, and an access road and utilities through the site. Future construction will include the Lone Star College and Aldine ISD Early College, the East Aldine offices, commercial and shopping facilities, and outdoor landscaping features.



Drone Aerial photo showing BakerRipley structural steel, and roadwork through the site. (Drone photo courtesy EV 1 Productions).



BakerRipley steelwork as seen from Aldine Mail Route.

The Aldine Town Center is intended to reflect the needs and character of the East Aldine community. Moreover, it is an economic development catalyst designed to enhance the skill sets and business opportunities of area residents and to introduce a new standard in local commercial development.

Major features of the Town Center:

- Over \$100 million in public and private investment.
- Roughly 300,000 sq/ft. of commercial and institutional space,
- 100,000 sq/ft. of commercial retail and office space.
- 80,000 sq/ft. Lone Star College East Aldine campus, including an early college high school.
- 50,000 sq/ft. of facilities for BakerRipley, including an innovative "maker space" to assist in skill and business support for the East Aldine community.
- Over 25,000 sq/ft. 9-1-1 call center for Harris County to replace the
- aging downtown facility. • 25,000 sq/ft. new facility for the East Aldine District
  - An amphitheater and community green for 1,500 people.
- · Stormwater detention that serves as a large scale passive green
- Splashpads and children's play areas.
- Roadway and trail access to Keith-Wiess Park.

The East Aldine District has taken a multi-faceted approach toward economic development that includes regular outreach to local businesses and pursuit of new business. As a major component of that effort, in 2013 the district purchased 61 acres along Aldine Mail Route for development of a commercial and institutional core for the community.



Aerial view showing finished design of the BakerRipley complex, with the 9-1-1 Call Center in the background.



Plan of the Town Center shows all the buildings and landscape features planned for the site.