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he Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce has hired Mr Bill Allen as President and CEO Allen, read about Mr.Allen on page 21.

Our Spotlight story by Kathie Platt features Larry Lawson, a native Southeast Texan, that attended Lamar. Mr. Lawson went on to start and sell several businesses and was recently named a Horace Alger Award

recipient. The third such award winner from Lamar University! His story is on pages 28 & 29.

Also, in this issue, we continue our look at local Beaumont companies that have been in business for 50 years or more. Do you remember going to Manning's Texas on Wheels skating rink when you were a kid? Well, Manning's is still going strong and celebrates their 65th anniversary! The Manning family still owns and operates the skating rink, read their spotlight story on pages 6 & 7.

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in China, Texas is also celebrating their 100 year anniversary, see page 17.

This issue's Special Report on pages 18 & 19 features the Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce's Navigating the Neches Legislative Tour. This event brought a number of Texas Legislators and staff members to Beaumont and Southeast Texas to learn important facts about the importance of Southeast Texas energy production, our 38 plants and refineries, our coastal restoration efforts, the significance of our waterways and ports!

Be sure and read the article about ShaylaZ's Skincare on page 36. With over 20 years of clinical experience, Shayla is a licensed esthetician and owner of ShaylaZ's Skincare. She believes in holistic and individualized approach to treatments. Shayla also offers FIT Bodywrap infared body treatments, this phenomenal treatment skin can transform your body, aid in pain relief, detoxification, weight loss, relaxation and even skin rejuvenation. Don't miss this article!

Once again, we made it to Bayou Country Superfest, for the second year in a row, it was held in the New Orleans Superdome. This years' line-up included: Midland, Kacey Musgraves, Little Big Town and headlined by George Strait. If you enjoy Country music and you've never been to Bayou Countryfest, plan your 2019 Memorial Day weekend in the Country and go enjoy some of the top Country music artists.

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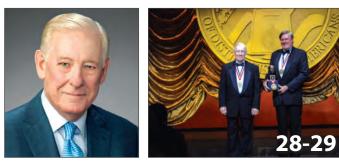
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MANNING'S TEXAS ON WHEELS Roller Rink Turns 65 Years Old

By Joy Wooley

S ixty-five years ago Evelyn Manning told her husband Charles, that she wanted a washing machine. He told her she could have one if she could figure a way to earn the money to pay for it. He then left for work. His work took him all over Southeast Texas and Southwest Louisiana, this time he would be gone for two weeks.

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During his absence, Evelyn looked for a way to earn money for her washing machine. She became fascinated by a traveling skating rink and began dreaming of owning one. She met with the owner of the traveling rink and negotiated a deal to buy his rink, tent, and stock and barrow. When Charles came home, Evelyn surprised him

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They got a truck and trailer, loaded up the skating rink and as Charles' job sent him to Louisiana, Evelyn and the

with their new business.



skating rink went with him. The people of the small towns loved having the rink and business was good. But Evelyn's dream didn't end there.

After traveling for ten years, Evelyn negotiated a deal with the owners of the Gateway Shopping Center to set up her skating rink on the edge of their property. It was located under a big top tent and across from the Pig Stand II on College Street. This was a favorite place for the twenties and under to cruse in their cars and it made perfect sense as a way of attracting customers.

Five years later in 1968, Evelyn wanted to build a permanent roller rink. The Manning's chose the present location on College Street and changed the business name to Manning's Texas on Wheels Roller Skating Rink.

Driving to the new rink was way out of town at that time.

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Offering roller skating birthday parties was one way that the Manning's used to bring skaters to their rink. All American children of the 1950s through the 1980s considered having a skating roller rink birthday party as a rite of passage. Beaumont children weren't any different.

Today Manning's Texas on Wheels Roller Skating Rinks are located in two places, one in Beaumont , and the other called Texas on Wheels Spinning Wheels is in Orange. Both rinks offer Birthday and Private Party packages, a concession stand. Pizza, Ice Cream Cups and unlimited refills of drinks are included in all party packages. Chris Creason, Evelyn's grandson said, "My grandparents loved to skate together."

"My Grandmother is quite a lady with a good head for business. Nothing can stop her from getting what she wants, back then or now and yes, she got her washing machine."

When asked about special celebration plans, Chris said, "We haven't gotten all the plans worked out." His wife, Tonia said, "We will have cake, free skating, and a few other surprises, but we really haven't decided on anything else, but it will be big."

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Beaumont, Texas – The Lamar University coaching staff entered the 2017 season with 57 new players on the roster. With so many fresh faces, it would be understandable for fans to still be a bit unfamiliar with some players. We wanted to provide an early look at some players fans should become familiar with in the years to come.

From the viewpoint of the

current LU upperclassmen, the Cardinals narrowed the list down to eight players that fans should keep an eye on in 2018. The list consists of eight players including four on each side of the ball. The breakdown of players by position are two defensive backs, a running back, a receiver, a quarterback, a defensive end, a linebacker and an offensive lineman. The list includes:

- Kirkland Banks WR, So.-1L
- Stephon Cooper OL, Jr.-TR
- Abel Daily LB, Fr.-RS
- Jordan Hoy QB, Jr.-TR
- Cameron Houston DE, So.-1L
- Andre Mulinax DB, So.-1L
- Stanley Norman DB, Jr.-TR
- Myles Wanza RB, So.-1L

Our coverage will begin on the offensive side of the ball with two players who asserted themselves among the league's top freshmen last year in Banks and Wanza. Banks played in all 11 games last year earning six starts, and left his imprint on the Cardinals' offense. The team's third leading receiver a year ago, Banks also carried the ball 23 times for 197 yards and completed a touchdown pass for good measure.

Wanza is a similar story to Banks – a prized recruit during the 2017 class – Wanza played in nine games and finished second on the team with 365 rushing yards (4.6 pc) and







two touchdowns. Despite his rookie status, Wanza worked his way onto LU's depth chart due to his speed and big-play ability. Another player who received healthy praise from the upperclassmen came on the offensive line, in the form of junior college transfer Stephon Cooper. A goal of head coach Mike Schultz since his arrival has been to bulk up Big Red's offensive front. Cooper is part of the fulfillment of that promise.

A 6-1, 280-pound center from Perkinston, Miss., Cooper comes to the Golden Triangle after a

standout career at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. A powerful individual even during his high school career, Cooper guided his prep squad to a state powerlifting title by finishing second overall.

A player who will directly benefit from Cooper's success is transfer quarterback, Jordan Hoy. One of the top additions on the most recent National Signing Day, Hoy transferred to LU from Old Dominion. He signed with ODU after a junior college career that saw him earn SCFA Player of the Year honors. Hoy is another signal caller who has the ability to make plays with his arm or feet.

Two defensive backs took center stage according to Cards on the offensive side of the football, one who joined the roster prior to the 2017 season (Andre Mulinax) and a prized recruit from the most recent signing class (Stanley Norman).

A transfer from Cerritos College, Norman originally signed with Arizona State out of high school following a prep career that saw him earn Army All-America honors in his final three seasons and play in the U.S. Army All-America Bowl.

Mulinax proved himself as one of the team's top young prospects through hard work over the course of the past season. A late signee

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prior to the 2018 season, Mulinax played in seven games during his rookie campaign recording five tackles, including one for a loss.

Another member of Schultz's first LU recruiting class, Daily redshirted during the 2017 season gaining valuable experience as a member of the Cardinals' scout team. Daily came to LU as a strong athlete, but has improved in that area during the past year, and impressed his teammates with his work ethic and aggressive nature.

The final player that received healthy praise from teammates was Houston product Cameron Houston. The former Westfield High School standout played in nine games during his rookie season recording 17 tackles, including two for losses and a sack.





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MUSEUM **OF THE** GULF COAST -JEWEL OF PORT ARTHUR

By Micah Leigh

• ach month throughout the year, visitors d from 33-40 States, and 8-20 foreign countries visit the Museum of the Gulf Coast in Port Arthur. Comments range from "I can't believe this is here", to "This is amazing! There is so much to see!" to "We will definitely come back. We are surprised that there is so much information here." With 39,000 square feet of displays, make sure to set aside some time to see it all. After an orientation film in the theater, explore the first floor where you will learn about the history of the Texas/ Louisiana Gulf Coast through paleontology and biology, Civil War skirmishes, the evolution of the petrochemical industry, even pictures of a whale that washed up at the seawall! An entire room is designated to the maritime industry and the story of the Texas Navy.

fame grace the walls. From actors such as G.W. Bailey of "Police Academy" fame to Francis Fisher, "Titanic", and Evelyn Keyes of "Gone with the Wind", to Oscar winning choreographers and costume designers, to award winning photographers, the wall is impressive beyond measure.

An entire room is dedicated to Robert Rauschenberg from Port Arthur who became an internationally famous painter and graphic

artist whose early work anticipated the pop art movement.

In the Music Hall, over 60 singers and songwriters are profiled including such local greats as Janis Joplin,



Tracy Byrd, Mark Chesnutt and "Jivin" Gene Bourgeois. Music plays from a jukebox full of songs Ly Wayne

Toups, B.J. Thomas, the Winter Brothers, and Archie Bell. Sheet music of famous songs is displayed in cases around the room, along with instruments that belonged to big names in the music and entertainment industry.

In May of this year, three new musicians were inducted: Don Rollins. Fine Arts Director for Vidor ISD who wrote "It's 5 o'clock Somewhere" for Jimmy Buffet and

Alan Jackson, Smiley Lewis from Dequincy, deceased, famous for his rendition of "I Hear You Knocking", and Charles Brown of Baytown, also deceased, known for "Please Come Home for Christmas." With Cajun, pop, rock and country to choose from, one can easily spend several hours in this room alone.

Next door is the Sports Hall of Fame. Over 60 sports legends representing football, basketball, golf, wrestling, boxing and

weightlifting are highlighted here. Names such as Jimmy Johnson, James "Bubba" Busceme, Bum Phillips, Babe Didrikson Zaharias, and Jamaal Charles... their stories and accomplishments are here to teach and inspire.



"This museum opened in 1994 and was made possible by the efforts of the Port Arthur Historical Society Board under the leadership

of President, Dr. Sam Monroe," says Tom Neal, Executive Director since October, 2016. "We host busloads of school children from throughout the region and our last Family Fun Days event drew over 500 people. This museum has something for every member of the family to enjoy. We are in the process of installing interactive kiosks in each area that will be even more fun and informative at the touch of a button."

Temporary exhibits change throughout the year. Recently, an exhibit called "Betting, Booze and Brothels" drew large crowds, some who remembered a wilder time Beaumont/ Port Arthur and what lead up to the James



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Commission findings in the 1960's that brought an end to brothels and gambling. The exhibit was based upon the book by the same name available in the museum gift shop.

"We encourage folks to become members of the museum. For a nominal fee, membership includes free admission year- round to the museum and to the Pompeiian Villa, invitations to special events and receptions, our newsletter and special discounts", says Neal. "And your membership helps support efforts and improvements in the museum. Things are always being changed and updated."

For more information about how to support the museum or how to nominate someone for induction into the Halls of Fame, visit www.museumofthegulfcoast.org.

Located at 700 Procter Street, museum hours are Monday -Saturday 9am-5pm. Closed Sundays and holidays. Admission: Adults \$6,



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TIME TO PUT EXCESS CASH TO WORK?

ou'll always want to base your investment decisions on your own needs and goals. But there may be times when you might consider adjusting your portfolio because of risks and opportunities. Now may be one of those times.

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Here's some background: In recent months, the Federal Reserve has raised short-term interest rates several times, and given its generally favorable outlook on the economy, it has indicated it may continue bumping up interest rates gradually over the next year or so. The Fed doesn't control long-term interest rates, but these rates often follow the lead of short-term movements. However, longer-term rates haven't yet risen as much as shorter-term ones, which means the difference between short- and long-term rates is relatively small, historically speaking.

This doesn't mean you should make drastic changes to your portfolio. You still need to stick with the asset allocation that's suitable for your situation, which typically involves owning a certain percentage of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks, and a certain percentage of fixed-income securities, such as bonds. However, if you do have space in the fixed-income part of your portfolio, you may find the higher interest rates offered by short-term bonds and certificates of deposit (CDs) to be attractive. To take advantage of this opportunity, though, you will need to have the cash available to invest. Some people hold too much in cash, waiting for interest rates to rise, or as protection against the risk of a market decline. But holding excess cash involves its own risk - the risk of not investing. So, if you have your cash needs covered, you may want to consider investing any excess cash.

To determine if you are holding excess cash, you'll need to review your entire cash situation. For example, do you have enough cash, or cash equivalents, to create an emergency fund of three to six months' worth of living expenses? This fund can be vital in helping you pay for things like a major car repair or an unexpected medical bill without dipping in to your long-term investments. And, of course, you need enough liquidity to provide for your lifestyle, including your regular spending needs - your mortgage, utilities, groceries and so on. Also, you may want to set aside enough cash for a goal you want to reach

in the next year or so, such as a vacation. But if you have taken care of all these needs and you still have excess cash, you may want to consider putting this cash to work, possibly by investing in short-term fixed-income vehicles now being issued at higher interest rates.

And keep in mind that regardless of where interest rates are going, bonds and other fixed-income investments can offer some key benefits to investors. In addition to providing a source of regular income, these types of investments can help reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio. While bonds can, and will. fluctuate in value. they typically can provide more stability to your portfolio and tend to behave differently than stocks over time.

After years of historical lows, short-term rates are have risen to levels that are more attractive to investors. Take the time to review your situation, perhaps with the help of a financial professional, to determine if taking advantage of these rates may be appropriate for you.

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The seven sorrows are: The prophecy of Simeon The flight into Egypt The loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple Mary meets Jesus on the way to Calvary Jesus dies on the Cross Mary receives the dead body of Jesus in her arms *Jesus is placed in the tomb.*

The 100th anniversary celebration is Saturday, September 15th from 10 am -5pm. Mass will be celebrated at 10am followed by the feast of our Lady of Sorrows. There will be festivities and activities for children throughout the day. Former members are encouraged to attend. For more information, the church website is: ourladyofsorrowschina.com or call 409-752-3571.



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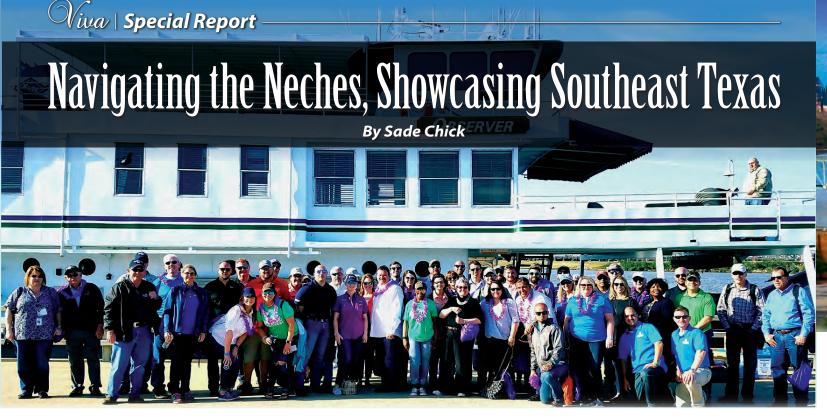
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hat do Golden Triangle Days in Austin and Navigating the Neches have in common?

Both are legislative events that are collaborative in nature and show folks in Austin what we're all about here in Southeast Texas!

Golden Triangle Days in Austin (GTDA) is an event that takes place every other year, when the Texas Legislature is in session. It is organized by the Beaumont, Orange and Port Arthur Chambers of Commerce and engages professionals from across the region. The goal of the event is to bring a delegation of approximately 250 Southeast Texans to Austin to advocate for issues that are important to the area, which typically include workforce development, education, healthcare, economic

development and transportation, among others. Navigating the Neches is the reverse of GTDA. Instead of bringing a delegation of Southeast Texans to Austin while in session, we invite state legislators and staff members to Southeast Texas in the interim.

Navigating the Neches, a three-day legislative event organized by the Beaumont, Orange and Port Arthur Chambers of Commerce, made its debut April 18-20, 2018. The goal of the event was to invite state legislators and staff members to our region to gain a better understanding the strategic and economic significance of Beaumont, Port Arthur and Orange, Texas.

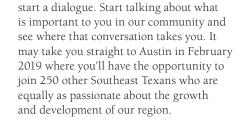
Throughout the event, the group focused on three main topics: coastal restoration, industry and health care. Attendees had the opportunity



to tour the Sabine-Neches waterway with subject matter experts who are well-versed on the impact industry in Southeast Texas has on the nation; kayak the marshes that are key links in shrimping and fishing industries; bird-watch in an area that's home to more than 350 different species; and visit Lamar University, where they were treated to a host of demonstrations including a first-hand look at the resources the region has available to deploy during catastrophic events. Approximately 25 offices and agencies were represented and the planning committee took that opportunity to engage with our elected officials, to create a foundation on which we can build so decisionmakers in Austin are aware of the resources this region provides to the nation and the world. If one legislator left Southeast Texas thinking, "Wow, Southeast Texas has an unprecedented amount of growth headed their way and it would be wise invest time and resources into this region," we have made progress.

While we rely on legislators to share our message, it is also important that we as a community remember to do our part; that we remember to have meaningful discussions relating to the importance of landside and maritime infrastructure improvements, of developing our future workforce so we can hire local, and of promoting economic development efforts that ensure our future workforce has job opportunities that align with their skill sets. There is a myriad of topics we can take on as a community to ensure we continue to grow and thrive, and the best part? You can be directly involved in the process. As a challenge, I'd like to encourage you to

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Summer is the season of bright, sunny days, vibrant blooms, and happy beach vibes - and summer fashion is following suit!

The latest sun-drenched styles are fun, fresh, and rich with color. Bold, poppy solids, rainbow motifs, color-blocked designs, and unexpected combos (think sky blue and tomato red) are heating up summer attire. Make waves in your wardrobe with the latest hot-weather trends:

RESORT WEAR – Think splashy, pulsating colors and swirly prints drenching maxi dresses, flowy skirts, and linen pants.

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SUN SHINE – It would be an understatement to say sequins in all colors are everywhere. For a different sparkle, go for iridescent paillettes (round, hanging sequins - think mermaid), which add a modern summer vibe to absolutely anything wearable.

SEA OF FLORALS – Summer wouldn't be hot without florals - and this season doesn't disappoint with its eclectic array of vibrant tropical prints adorning shift dresses

By Michelle Armstrong

and maxis to the sheer loveliness of pastel A-line dresses and wide leg pants.

BEACH CHIC – Surf's up everywhere with swimwear that goes from sand to street just by adding a flirty skirt and sheer top. Not into wearing your bikini as part of your daily look?

You can still sport the beach vibe by pairing a blue and white stripe nautical top with white pants. And speaking of sport....

SUMMER SPORT – We've returned to Dad-tastic sportswear with the reemergence of the shell suit (aka track suit). Rock it with high heels for a night out or opt for



the sporty, exaggerated tread-sole sneakers for a relaxed day look.

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FRINGE – This fun embellishment is swishing across everything from halter dresses and handbags to tankinis and earrings.

FULL PLUME – Yes, feathers are flying and adding whimsy to the most basic summer pieces – even sandals and jeans!

FLIRTY FEMININITY – Tiered ruffles lend a fun, playful vibe to all things summer including cotton tops, skirts and swimwear – and in a plethora of upbeat colors and prints.

Also trending are polo shirts with an infusion of bold patterns, outfits emitting an 80's vibe, gingham print clothing, power suits in pastel shades, and boho chic (earthy tones) basics.

ACCESSORIES

Complete these summer looks with the season's freshest accessories:

Straw Bags – Whether you prefer a bucket bag with colorful flamingos or a raffia clutch with nautical stripes and gilded hardware, straw bags have the magical ability to lend a touch of casual cool, with a nod to the bag's beachy origin, to any outfit.

Kitten Heels – These subtly stylish heels lend a ladylike touch to any outfit (think boyfriend jeans) – AND you can still run in them!

> Hot Metal – Gold collar necklaces provide the ultimate finishing touch to any look even a tee!

Sea Clearly – Colorless (and almost-colorless) is the new black! Translucent cuffs, chunky

clear heels, and plastic totes are just the beginning (I'm going to opt out of this trend if clear swimwear hits the scene)!

Belt Bags – These hands-free carryalls are now worn in inventive ways: slung around the neck, cross-body and, of course, as a bum bag.

Also trending are shoulder duster earrings (spirals to flowers), statement sun hats (think



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big), snakeskin anything, cross-body bags (updated 70's

vibe), graphic and also vintage-inspired bags.

The diversity in this summer's hottest looks is ultimately cool, as such variety affords almost everyone the opportunity to experiment with some of the trends. While trends are current and exciting, remember that true style incorporates pieces (classic or trendy) that reflect your individuality and personality. No matter your style selections, you've created the perfect outfit if what you' inspires confidence in wonderful, beautiful you!

Feel free to email me with any comments or questions at michelle.armstrong55@gmail.com!



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The Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce announced that Mr. Bill Allen has been selected as the new CEO / President. Mr. Allen has extensive Chamber, Economic Development, as well as corporate experience. Bill Allen was chosen from a field of over 75 candidates. He will start his duties with the Great Beaumont Chamber on Monday, September 3rd.

After graduation from Northwood University, with a BBA in Accounting, Mr. Allen continued

his education at Northwood and earned a MBA from the Richard DeVos School of Business. His work career included working as a controller for William M. Mercer, Inc, plus several positions with Xerox Corporation. Additionally, he served as vice president of sales acceleration and director of operations for Colliers International/Institute Commercial Group.

Bill Allen started his Chamber career as executive director of the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce in Royal Oak, Michigan. During his four year stint there, the Royal Oak Chamber was recognized as one of the top four chambers in Michigan!

In 2010, Allen was President of the Las Cruces, New Mexico Chamber of Commerce and the Las Cruces Chamber Heritage Foundation. Under his leadership, the Chamber grew to over 900 members and was the only four star accredited chamber in New Mexico.

In 2015, Allen was named president of the Midland Business Alliance in Midland, Michigan. The Midland Business Alliance was an umbrella organization, which included the Midland Area Chamber of Commerce and the Midland Tomorrow project, which was the county's economic development organization.

Mr. Allen stated "I have a great deal of experience advocating for the business community on a federal, state and local level, but building relationships with the local elected officials is truly where a chamber can be relevant to its community's growth. I feel the main focus for chambers of commerce going forward is to understand that change is required for them to remain relevant. My work on the board of Chamber Executives has given me great contacts within the industry to use as a sounding board when considering change whether that be in programming, branding, within the advocacy or inclusion/ diversity."

The staff at the Greater Beaumont Chamber was given the opportunity to meet the final two candidates and Bill Allen was the unanimous choice, as he was with the Board of Directors.

The Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce is excited about starting a new era under Bill Allen's leadership.



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Greater Beaumont Chamber names 2018 Spindletop Award Winner

Trans Global Solutions has been named the Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce Spindletop Award Winner. The Spindletop Award was established in 1999 to recognize area businesses for outstanding corporate citizenship and overall impact on our community. Factors considered in the process are history in the community, overall impact on the economic, collaboration with other businesses and governmental entities, economic development of Southeast Texas and an overall reputation as an outstanding organization. Past recipients include:

1999 Exxon Mobil 2000 Entergy 2001 Christus St. Elizabeth Hospital 2002 Conn's 2003 Hibernia Bank 2004 American Valve & Hydrant 2005 Beaumont Enterprise 2007 Baptist Hospital 2008 Steinhagen Oil 2009 Market Basket 2010 Mason Construction 2011 AT&T 2012 Munro's 2013 Coburn Supply 2014 Ritter Lumber 2015 Port of Beaumont 2016 Classic Southeast Texas 2017 Cheniere & Golden Pass LNG

Trans Global Solutions was started in 1975 in Port Arthur. The original company was called Econo-Rail Corporation and was started by Bill and Dick Scott; they started the business with \$3500 and a pick-up truck. The company built their reputation on safe work practices, reliability and quality workmanship.

Econo-Rail continued to grow and expanded their services to include loading and unloading rail cars, railroad right-of-way maintenance, railroad design and construction, rail car storage, locomotive repairs, contract switching, and locomotive leasing. As the company continued its growth, more services were added, including bulk material handling; from deep- water terminals and barge services to contract operation of bulk terminal services for industrial clients: Exxon Mobil, Shell, Mitsubishi, Conoco Phillips, Valero, Cemex etc. This lead to international expansion with Mitsubishi and Cementos Mexicanos, as the company became a provider of railroad and bulk material logistical services.

In March 2000, the Scott family felt that Econo-Rail had outgrown its name and Trans Global Solutions, Inc. was formed. Trans Global Solutions (TGS) provides transportation, railroad and civil construction services internationally. TGS offers construction services that include civil and sitework, engineering, design and project management. They also offer locomotive leasing, track maintenance, rail car storage, third party switching, terminal development and terminal services. TGS also works with industrial, chemical, plants, refineries, steel mills, crude by rail and ethanol terminals, pulp and paper mills, auto ramps, railroad contractors, ports, third -party switching services, mines, grain silos, fertilizer terminals, cement plants, rock quarries among many others.

TGS specializes in all aspects of railroad construction, earthwork and infrastructure for municipalities, utilities, industrialpetrochemical facilities, as well as site development for both public and private sector clients. The TGS construction division has more than 400 pieces of heavy equipment.

The continued growth of Trans Global Services has been aided by the leadership of Bill Scott as CEO and his sons, Will and James. Will is President of Sales and Business Development, while James is President of Construction and Maintenance.

Trans Global Solutions will be recognized at the Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce's Spindletop Award Celebration and Annual meeting on Tuesday, October 9th at the Beaumont Civic Center. The keynote speaker is Governor Greg Abbott.

For additional information on sponsorship opportunities including table sales, contact Mike Simpson, Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce, 409-838-6581.

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An Update From The Chamber

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LIT Brings Home Gold and Bronze Awards at SkillsUSA National Competiton

eaumont, TX - Lamar Institute of Technology proved to have some of the most skilled students in the nation by bringing home gold and bronze medals from the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference on Friday, June 29.

LIT's (Anthony) Dillon Adams placed first in Prepared Speech to earn the gold medal in Louisville, Ky. This contest required students to deliver a five-to-seven-minute speech on a common theme established by SkillsUSA. Adams' speech on the topic, "Champions at Work, Job-Ready Day One" wowed the judges, earning him the spot as the nation's best.

The team of Nereyda Diaz, Rebeca Martinez

and Syed Habib displayed how exceptional the Criminal Justice: Crime Scene Technician program is at LIT by garnering the bronze medal in Crime Scene Investigation at SkillsUSA. The team processed a crime scene, wrote a report, drew the crime scene sketch and marked its evidence on its way to the Bronze. Six faculty advisors: Dr. Tom Noyola, General Education and Developmental Studies Department Chair Dawn Katz, Weldon Jacobs, Darrell Grissom, Lauri Arnold-Calder and John McKeehan also attended this weeklong event.

"Our medal winners did a tremendous job representing LIT with poise, professionalism and mastery of their

trade," Katz said. "Year after year I'm humbled to witness all the hard work, dedication and resilience demonstrated by our students. It's great to work with an administration that is student-focused and supports our SkillsUSA team."

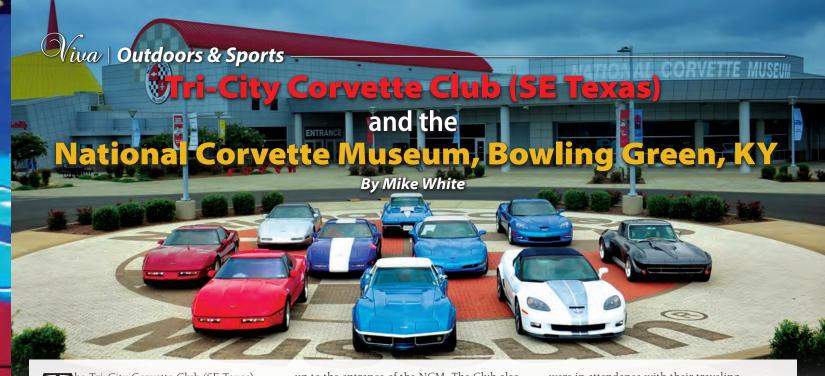
Other national competitors included: Ryan McClelland, Welding; Joseph Mosley, Electronics Technology; Roy Moore, Telecommunications Cabling; Cecilio Lopez, Customer Service; and Ray Leidinger, HVAC.







For more information, please contact: Rhonda Mitchell, LIT 409.880.2292



The Tri-City Corvette Club (SE Texas) serves Corvette enthusiast in Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange and surrounding areas. The Tri-City Corvette Club (SE Texas) up to the entrance of the NCM. The Club also visits the NCM every two years and enjoys the museum as well as the road tours through the Kentucky countryside visiting places like Lincolns' Birthplace,

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The National Corvette Museum not only preserves the legacy of America's Sports Car, but provides a place for Corvette enthusiast, and all others, to meet and share their common love of America's Sports Car.

The Corvette is an exciting legend produced only in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The Museum features over 80 Corvettes in periodic settings, including mint classics, one-of-akind prototypes and modern-day wonders of engineering and design. Displays continually rotate so no two visits are the same. You can round out your visit with a souvenir from the Corvette Store, grab a bite to eat in the Corvette Cafe, and race over to the NCM Motorsports Park to spectate or take a lap!

The Tri-City Corvette Club (SE Texas) supports the National Corvette Museum in numerous ways. One hundred percent (100%) of the Clubs members are also members of the National Corvette Museum. The Club supports the museum through the purchase of the Annual NCM Parking Lot Banner program and by purchasing sidewalk bricks leading The Tri-City Corvette Club (SE Texas) is sponsored by Moore GM in Silsbee, Texas.

The Club had it's 24th Annual Tri-City Corvette Club/ Moore GM Corvette Car Show held in the parking lot of Parkdale Mall over by Buffalo Wild Wings. Over 150 Corvettes and participants of all ages, were in attendance. Corvette participants came from as far away as Charlotte, NC and Myrtle Beach, SC.

The public was invited to come out and view all the Corvettes and talk with the owners. The National Corvette Museum were in attendance with their traveling Corvette Store merchandise ranging from caps, shirts, jackets coffee and drink cups to all types of Corvette material.

For more information visit the websites of the Tri-City Corvette Club (SE Texas) at www.tricitycorvetteclub.com and the website of the National Corvette Museum at www.corvettemuseum.org.

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LARRY LAWSON AWARD WINNER OF THE 2018 HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS AWARD

By Kathie Platt

n April 7, in the chambers of the United States Supreme Court in Washington, with Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas presiding, twelve newly elected, highly distinguished Americans became Horatio Alger Award recipients. Included in this elite roster was Larry Lawson, a highlysuccessful businessmanentrepreneur-philanthropist from Southeast Texas and the fourth Lamar University alumnus so far to be inducted into this Who's Who of Most Distinguished Americans.

"I'm very humbled and proud to receive this honor and to become a member of this select group," Lawson said. "It's still unbelievable that I've been tapped

to be a Horatio Alger Award recipient."

Lawson's five nominators, all HAA members, lead by lead nominator Dr. Jack Gill, were always confident that Lawson deserved membership in this very prestigious group of high achieving Americans.

"There have been only 700 members elected since the beginning of this organization seventy years ago, ten per year," Gill said. "It's amazing roster includes three Presidents, five secretaries of state, founders of every major company you every heard of, actors, aviators, astronauts. Half of them are household names, unlike Larry and I who had our success in the private sector, but who are well-known in the scientific and medical communities." Those who are inducted into Horatio Alger receive far more than the honor of association with so many other great Americans.

They also receive a commission to continue to exhibit the leadership that has so far distinguished them and to pass the torch to the next generation. Notably, Horatio Alger is the nation's largest provider of need-based scholarships.

Dr. Jack Gill, HAA '99, presents

award to Larry Lawson

"We put out 18 million dollars last year to fund over 4000 scholarships around the country," Gill explained. "We have multiple different scholarship programs including a prestigious national scholarship program, which provides a full ride package for about 100 scholars; over 3000 state scholarships; and numerous other special scholarship programs. How truly special it is that Larry has been elected a member of this prestigious organization and is the fourth one from the Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange area to be named a Horatio Alger Award recipient."

Tom Harken, who founded the Casa Ole Mexican Restaurant chain, (and who passed away in July 2013) was the first from Southeast Texas to receive the Horatio Alger Award in 1992. Jack Gill (legendary Silicon Valley venture capitalist) became the second in 1999, followed by R.C. Slocum (legendary football coach from Orange, the winningest football coach in A&M History), and now Larry Lawson.

"What is so unusual," Gill said, "is a school Lamar University's size having so many members of the Horatio Alger organization and all from the Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange area (OR: Golden Triangle?). All the more reason why Larry is so special and so deserving."

Horatio Alger recipients are not only distinguished for their unique contributions and leadership in business, science, industry, engineering, the arts, or government, they are equally recognized for their strength of spirit in overcoming personal adversity and humanitarian contributions.

"On April 7, I was inducted along with eleven others, including Rob Lowe and Reba McEntire. All of us came from humble beginnings. My father owned Lawson's Garage in Bridge City, Texas. None of us were born with a silver spoon in our mouths," Lawson said. In fact, as a young boy Lawson was struck down by a physical disability at first thought to be polio, but later diagnosed as a rare bone disease. "I was crippled as a child and wore leg braces waist down for five or six years. I couldn't play sports and was made fun of. But I turned to music instead and excelled. Eventually I

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came through my adversity and was very successful in the music business, and later in the medical industry," Lawson explained.

Lawson's mild manner belies the breadth and depth of his accomplishments over the past six decades. His remarkable career began by attending Lamar University as a Music and Accounting major from 1963 to 1967 on a music scholarship. Just short of graduation he leapt at the chance to record his first album with his rock band, The Clique. The six-man band from Port Arthur soon reached the top 100 on the Rock Music chart, signed with Scepter Records (New York), and later with White Whale (LA). "We had three songs make it into the top twenty and sold five million albums." In 2008 The Clique was inducted into the Gulf Coast Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, joining the Winters Brothers and Janis Joplin. "We were one of the most successful rock bands to come out of the Houston area until ZZ Top in the early 1970s," Lawson reminisced.

Desiring greater career stability, however, in 1969 Lawson left behind his rock band and the music industry, forever changing the trajectory of his career. He became a hospital sales rep for Johnson & Johnson in Houston, and later, the #1 sales rep for Deseret Medical (Salt Lake City). Over the next ten years Lawson proved that he was a natural medical business visionary and serial entrepreneur. In fact, he discovered, "Starting companies was my life's calling and I've remained in the medical device business ever since!"

In 1981 Lawson founded MESCO, a medical supply company exporting to hospitals in Mexico, Central America and the Middle East. From 1983-1989 Lawson became Founder and Principal of Life Med Technologies; from 1990-1992 he built the Medical Division of SYSCO Corp.: 1992-1998 he founded Lawson Medical Associates; 2000-2004 he founded Diagnostics Monitoring Associates; followed by eCardio INC 500, 2004-2014. In fact, eCardio, a cardiac arrhythmia monitoring device company, became one of the fastest growing high-tech growth companies in America winning the Fast Tech 50 and the Inc. 500 awards in 2009. eCardio was distinguished for "finding innovative solutions to problems ... and inventing products we soon discover

we can't live without" (Jane Berentson, editor, Inc. 500, 2009). President Larry Lawson also received recognition that year as Ernst & Young's LLP Entrepreneur of the Year in the Health Sciences category. His meteoric achievements in medical tech were further noted when he received the Houston



Larry Lawson receives Horatio Alger Award for Distinguished Americans, 2018

Technology Center Lifetime Achievement Award (HTC) in Health Sciences in 2017. Never one to rest, Lawson sold eCardio to Merck & Co. in 2014 as he moved on to perhaps his greatest calling yet: Investing in the next generation of hightech entrepreneurs as a venture capitalist.

"I'm heavily involved with the Texas Medical Center's Accelerator Program, TMCx, providing leadership to startup companies. I work with 100s of start ups. I'm on the board of at least a dozen companies and the chairman of half as many. I'm really energized by what I do," Lawson said. "Since 2014 I've also been involved with the GOOSE Society of Texas (Houston's leading Angel Investor Group), alongside co-founders Dr. Jack Gill (Cofounder, Vanguard Ventures) and Rod Canion (Co-founder, CEO of COMPAQ Computers)." As an Angel Investor in the "Super Angel" Group, angelMD; along with Resolute Venture Partners, and the GOOSE Society, Lawson helps provide funding and mentorship to numerous startup companies in life science, energy, and emerging technologies.

In addition to his entrepreneurial investments, Lawson's philanthropy includes scholarships and funds to schools, universities, and living centers for the handicapped. Recently, Lawson donated a planned gift of \$1,000,000 to Lamar University's Science and Engineering

Department for the continued research and development of medical technology. He was one of five alumni donors providing funding for ten new faculty fellowships in the College of Engineering. He also provides scholarships in science and engineering, and serves on the advisory board of Lamar's new Center for Innovation and Commercialization Entrepreneurship (CICE) (pronounced see see). Notably, in 2012 Lamar University awarded Lawson an Honorary Doctorate. That same year he received the Texas Governor's Award for Entrepreneurship, followed by Lamar University's Legacy Foundation Award in 2014. In addition to his music endeavors while an undergrad at Lamar, Lawson was also a cheerleader, (1965-1966), along with cheerleading partner, Janie Nosek Phelan. This year Lawson and Phelan will be honored as the grand marshals in Lamar's Homecoming parade.

Lawson's advice to recent college graduates and future entrepreneurs is "Find your creative niche. Immerse yourself in whatever it is you love, learn everything you can, give it all you've got, and you will most likely succeed. Failure is a part of the business. Most fail before they ever make it big. You're navigating new territory, so you've got to be prepared, and creative, because you will be challenged by many obstacles and opportunities. But for every negative, you can find a positive. Always exercise character and integrity. Work together as a team. And be generous. You will be miles ahead of your competition. I never hesitated in sharing equity and it always paid off."

Among the words of support offered by his nominators to the committee considering Larry Lawson for the 2018 Horatio Alger Award, generosity was a constant theme: "His philanthropic endeavors are both deep and wide" (Terry Giles, Giles Enterprises); "He uses his experience to help make this world a better place" (Art Ciocca, The Wine Group); "Devoted humanitarian" (Bernard A. Harris Jr., The Harris Foundation); "He has been very generous in helping others by giving back" (R.C. Slocum, Retired Texas A&M Head Football Coach). What better legacy than this?

The Horatio Alger recognizes Perseverance, Integrity and a Commitment to Excellence, qualities Larry Lawson has fervently displayed through overcoming adversity and a long, fulfilling career. How does he continue to turn visions into realities? Lawson shares this: "Have God in your life. Seek His wisdom and direction, and you can't go wrong with your career . . . or with your life."

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Choosing Low Maintenance Plants for Gardens

By Liz Baessler

N ot everyone has the time or energy to be in the garden every day, and that's okay! Just because you can't devote a lot of effort doesn't mean you can't have a beautiful garden. In fact, if you just plant smart, you can save yourself a lot of extra work. Keep reading to learn more about easy care gardening and plants and flowers that require little maintenance.

Easy care gardening isn't just about choosing from a list of low maintenance plants. It's also about understanding your gardening environment and working with it. Plenty of plants grow wild in your area, and they don't get any maintenance. You just have to figure out what they're doing right.

First of all, good low maintenance plants for gardens are the ones you only have to

plant once. Perennials and annuals that self-seed should come back every spring without you having to lift a finger. Just make sure that they're able to make it through the winter where you live – a warm climate's perennial is a cooler climate's annual.

In a similar vein, look into plants local to your area. If it grows wild, you know it can survive the winter. You also know that it tolerates your climate's heat, rainfall, and soil quality.

Another thing to think about is the setup of your garden. You probably have some parts that are shadier and some sunnier, maybe some sandier and some loamier. Match your plants to their requirements when you plant them, and you'll spend less time later making up for it. Similarly, group plants with the same water needs near each other. If all your thirsty plants are in one spot near the hose, you'll have a much better time watering. To make things even easier on yourself, install a drip irrigation system – it's actually healthier for the plants and it saves you a lot of work.

If you follow these rules, there are a lot of plants you can grow without too much trouble. If you'd like somewhere to start, though, here are some good choices:

For sunny spots: Geraniums, Peonies, Daffodils, Day Lilies, Butterfly weed.

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Can Millennials Move On and Up?

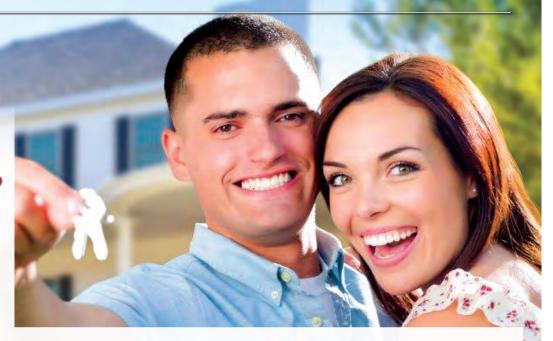
By Suzanne De Vita

s the biggest cohort of homebuyers, millennials are exercising influence in the market in unprecedented ways. They are at the center of demand for housing-built-up after many moved back in with their parents, and now releasing slowly, but surely, as the crash fades from memory. In fact, the majority of Power Brokers in RISMedia's 2018 Power Broker Report & Survey believe millennials are their most auspicious opportunity this year.

There are factors, however, that could keep a lid on the millennial move-out. According to Freddie Mac's monthly Insight, recently released, the amount of households led by young adults is down 3.6 percent from 2000-attributable to costly homes and stagnating wages. From 2000 to 2016, earnings grew just 1 percent for young adults; by comparison, home prices grew 29 percent. According to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), in March, home prices were up 5.9 percent year-over-year. Analysts at Freddie believe the gap is too great to ignore. They posit that affordability constraints are the cause of more than onequarter of the decline in the formation of households by young adults-and If the climb in costs persists, there could be dire implications for the market. For millennials, even an incremental rise could stall them: A 1 percent hike in home prices cuts the likelihood millennials will head up their own household by 5 percent. (A 1 percent increase in income, inversely, ups the odds 3 percent.)

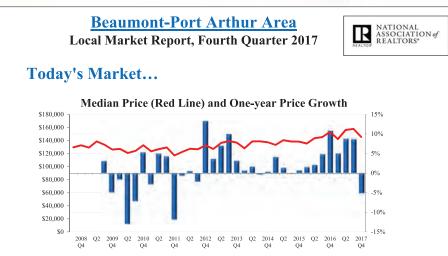
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"Housing costs are a major factor holding back young adult household formations," says Len Kiefer, deputy chief economist at Freddie Mac. "Our research results indicate that 28 percent of the decline in young adult household formation is due to housing costs. If housing costs continue to rise, we could see about 600,000 fewer households over the next decade." Another factor? Timing. The catalysts (conventionally) for forming a household-



aging, children and/or marriage—are not occurring as quickly. Comparing young adults in 2000 and 2016, data on fertility and marriages is lower now than it was-and according to realtor.com® research, "family needs" are the biggest millennial motivator for a purchase.

If conditions improve for millennials, Freddie forecasts an additional 19-21 million households by 2025. The alternative, the analysts believe, could have critical consequences for homeownership, investing and overall wealth.

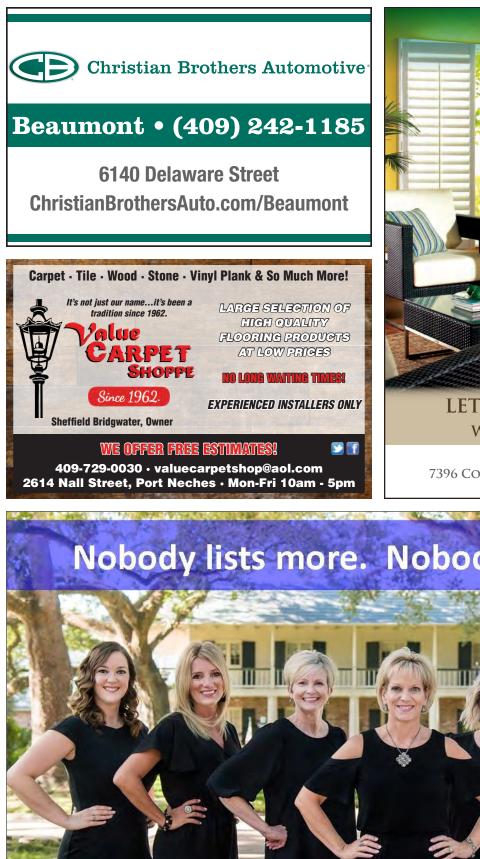


Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Beaumont	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2017 Q4)	\$145,400	\$246,567	Year-over-year price growth swung	
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2017 Q4)	-5.1%	5.4%	negative this quarter after growing last quarter	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2017 Q4)	5.9%	18.8%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$8,100	\$38,933	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the trend of positive price growth after the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$12,600	\$76,700		
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$12,800	\$65,800	recession	

	Beaumont	U.S.		
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$424,100	\$636,150	Most buyers in this market have access to government-backed financing	
FHA Loan Limit	\$275,665	\$636,150		
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	34%	not comparable	government-backed mancing	
Note: limits are current and include the changes made in December 2016.				

Local NAR Leadership

The Beaumont-Port Arthur market is part of region 10 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Louisiana and Texas. The 2018 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 10 is Scott Kesner.





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ften we do not provide ourselves the mental and physical care that we need and deserve, not realizing the effect that our stressful lives have on our bodies. While we may be well acquainted with the occasional massage, the idea of stepping foot in a skin salon and spa is a mysterious and unknown territory that we may never allow ourselves to experience. Hear this: try it out. You will not be disappointed with these affordable treatments to soothe your mind and body.

With over 20 years of clinical experience, Shayla Zuzukin, licensed Clinical Aesthetician and owner of ShaylaZ Skin Care, takes a holistic and individualized approach to skin care by tailoring each treatment to the needs of her clients. Focused on improving skin vitality and wellness on a cellular level, Shayla utilizes the best techniques, technology, and products available. When setting up an appointment with Shayla, ask about her age-defying treatments, problematic skin pigmentation remedy, scar treatment, and home skin regimen.

"I started my business in order to help people feel better about themselves, and I get to see that passion blossom after every client I treat," Zuzukin said. "I use vast inspirations from all over—¬from my travels around the world to seek better understanding of skin care treatments from workshops and trade-shows that get me thinking about new treatment possibilities for my clients."

Walking into ShaylaZ Skin Care you will be welcomed to a tranquil and clean atmosphere where Shayla will treat you as if you are her only client that day. To get the same level of luxury treatment anywhere else, one would have to go to Houston to experience the full line of award-winning equipment from Bio-Therapeutic and Fit Body Wraps that Shayla offers right here in Beaumont.

"The newest addition to the studio is the Fit



Body Wrap, and I'm really excited about what it's doing for my clients," Zuzukin said. "The benefits include detoxification, weight loss and cellulite reduction, pain relief, skin rejuvenation, and relaxation. among others. Every person that's tried it has gotten hooked with the results they're seeing and feeling for weeks after the treatments. Come by and try it out!"

ShaylaZ Skin Care offers high-tech services such as the LED HD Hyaluronic System that uses different colored LEDs to address many types of needs from fine lines to blemishes. The hyaluronic masque mimics the body's natural hydrator to bind moisture and revitalize the skin with improvements even days after the treatment.

"LEDs are often misunderstood, but when used in combination with the services I provide, they make a lasting impact on the quality of your skin. I take a close look at your skin type, build a light profile that will work best for your face and neck, and then sit back and watch as your skin erases years of damage and neglect," Zuzukin said.

Shayla graduated from Houston's Institute of Cosmetology & Aesthetics in 1998 with her Aesthetician's license and has since worked under the care of high-end physicians, plastic surgeons, and med spas in Houston and Beaumont. The salon owner has medical experience in the field, comes referred by several physicians in the area, and utilizes intuitive techniques to make sure the client gets the most out of their treatments.

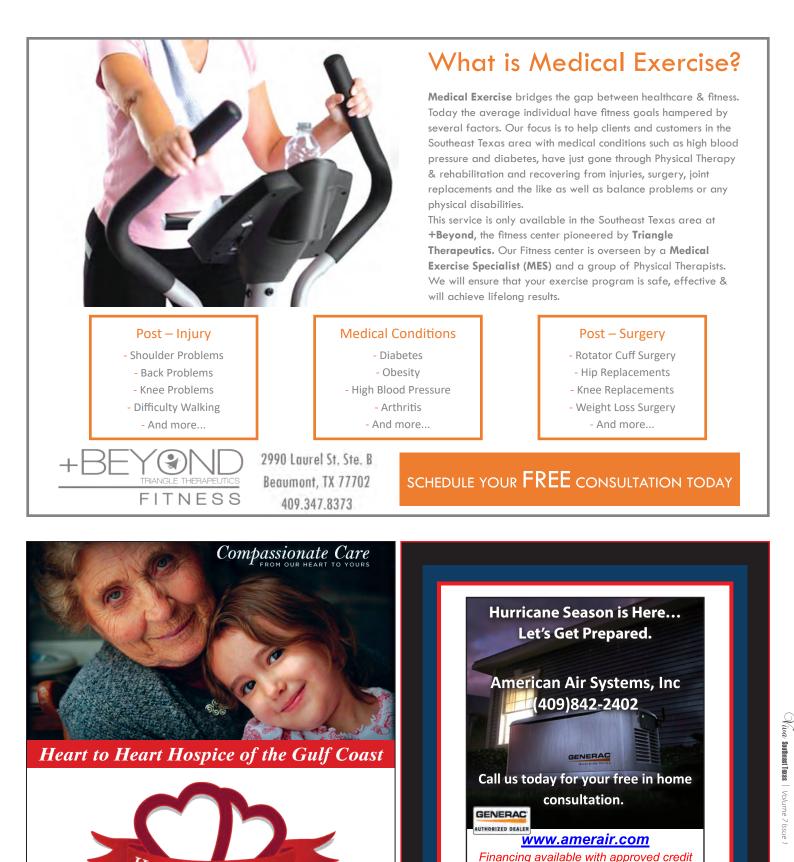
"I really enjoy what I do and how I get to help people every day. People in the area are starting to come around to the idea that taking care of ourselves isn't something that's only reserved for the elite," Zuzukin said. "The treatments I offer are affordable, which allows you to come back regularly. It's important to me that my clients are comfortable coming in without feeling like it's a burden on their wallets."

She's excellent at diminishing signs of sun damage, acne scarring, and wrinkles. Her approach to skincare is multi-focal offering services such as facials, chemical peels, laser treatments, micro-current, waxing, make-up services and more.

"Imagine spending some time with me and walking out feeling and looking younger and more energized than you have in years. That's what I get to do for people every day and nothing else makes me happier," Zuzukin said.

Shayla's passion is helping people to feel comfortable and confident in their own skin, leading to a happier person radiating with inner beauty. Her goal is to form a lasting and personal relationship with you and to promote healthy skin care practices for all of her life-long clients.

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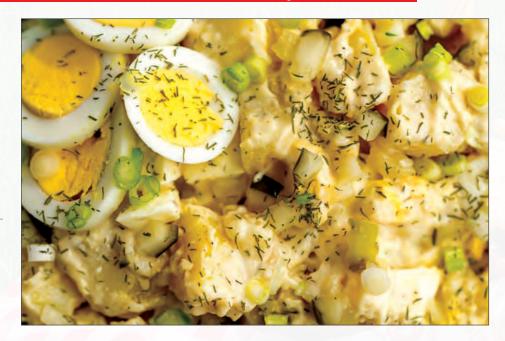
Southern Potato Salad Recipe

Ingredients:

3 pounds boiled potatoes peeled and cubed 6 boiled eggs chopped 1 medium onion diced 4 medium dill pickles diced 1 cup mayonnaise ½ cup yellow mustard ¼ teaspoon salt

Instructions

1. Combine all ingredients together and mix until well-combined and creamy. Add more mayonnaise and mustard depending on tastes. Yield: 12 servings



Kickin' Crab Salad

Ingredients:

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½ cup real mayonnaise¼ cup prepared Ranch dressing2 tsp fresh lemon juice½ tsp seafood seasoning(i.e. Old Bay or similar)½ tsp lemon pepper½ tsp garlic salt¼ cup diced red bell pepper

1¹/₄ cup diced green or poblano pepper 2 green onions, finely chopped 1 rib celery, finely diced 1 lb jumbo lump crab meat, picked over to remove shells Few dashes hot sauce

Instructions

- 1. In a medium-size bowl whisk together the mayonnaise, Ranch dressing, lemon juice, seafood seasoning, lemon pepper and garlic salt.
- 2. Fold in the red and green pepper, green onion and celery.
- 3. Gently fold in the crab meat and add hot sauce to your taste.
- 4. Chill thoroughly and serve with crackers, garlic crostini, or make into lettuce wraps. Yield: 1 pound



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Old Fashion Ice Box Cookies

Ingredients:

- 1 and ¼ cup butter, room temperature 1/2 cup granulated sugar 1/2 cup firmly-packed brown sugar 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract 2 ¹/₂ cups all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon baking soda ¹/₂ cup coarsely chopped walnuts

Instructions

- 1. In a large bowl, cream butter, sugar, and brown sugar until light and fluffy; stir in eggs and vanilla extract.
 - Add flour, salt, and baking soda; stir until well blended.
- 2. Stir nuts into cookie dough.
- 3. Shape cookie dough into a 2-inch wide logs, wrap in wax paper or plastic wrap, and refrigerate at least overnight. When it is rolled up, twist the ends tightly. Dough may be stored in the refrigerator for several days before using.
- 4. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease cookie sheets.

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- 6. Bake 10 minutes or until light brown. Remove from oven and cool on wire racks. Yield: 5 dozen

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Messina Hof Hill Country

By Michelle Mele

e have all noticed a burst of color with the Bluebonnets and other wildflowers but if you happen to be passing through Fredericksburg or the High Plains, you have also noticed the vineyards coming to life in the last few weeks as well.

Grape vines go through a one-year life cycle that begins in the spring with what is knows as budburst. The buds on the vine are embryonic shoots, containing all of the year's worth of leaves, tendrils and grapes already predetermined within it. For this reason, the vine's buds are very delicate in the spring and vineyard managers must keep an eye on any spring frosts or hailing rains that could damage buds, leading to diminished grape yields for that year. Following budburst, the vines go through a rapid growth of leaves and shoots, thanks to the carbohydrates that have been stored in the vine's roots throughout the previous winter. This rapid growth will continue until the vine begins to flower, where the leaves will then be mature enough to use photosynthesis to nourish the vine on their own. Vineyard managers will train the vine to the trellis, if used, and the focus is on providing adequate water and nutrients to support this

early growth. As the vine starts to flower, it is important that the vine has plenty of sunlight and warmth and the least rain possible, so that it does not interfere with pollination or cause damage to any of the delicate blossoms before they can become berries. The flowers of a grapevine are interesting in that they are "perfect flowers", meaning they actually pollinate themselves, without the use of bees! As the flowers pollinate, they turn into tiny, hard bright green berries. As the summer wears on and the berries ripen, they increase in size and change from bright green to golden or purple. This change is called versaision and it is during this time in which the grapes develop their flavor and tannins. This is the time when most vineyard managers will limit the water the vine receives to gently stress the vine into allowing its survival instincts to kick in and focus on ripening grapes rather than growing additional shoots and leaves.

In the Texas Hill Country, harvest comes sooner than most other wine regions due to the high temperatures, usually from late July through August. During this time, it is

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preferable to have dry conditions, so as not to dilute the grapes, making a less flavorful wine as well as promoting the growth of mold. Vineyard managers will work with the winemaker in deciding on how and when the grapes will be harvested. Texas is known to have sudden rises of temperature as well as sudden rain, therefore making it critical that picking crews are ready to work as soon as possible. Harvest is an intense time in the vineyard for both workers and the vines. In the fall, the leaves begin to die and drop away from the plant and the limbs begin to turn rigid, getting ready for winter dormancy where they rest and await next spring.

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Aug 14th - 15th 2018

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\$20, \$24, \$35, \$51 (Gold Circle), \$125 (V.I.P.) • Ford Park Event Center • 5115 Interstate 10 S Beaumont, TX • (409) 951-5400

Aug 15th 2018

High On Honky Tonk 7pm • Downtown Event Centre 700 Crockett St • Beaumont, TX (409) 838-3435

Aug 16th 2018

Big Thicket Canoe Trip 10am • Big Thicket National Preserve • 6102 FM 420 Kountze, TX • (409) 951-6700

Aug 18th - 19th 2018

Ultimate Kids Expo

11am - 8pm • \$7 Gen Admission Beaumont Civic Center• 701 Main St Beaumont, TX • (713) 714-2166

Aug 18th-Dec 29th 2018 Beaumont Farmer's

Market

8am - 11pm • Free • Beaumont Athletic Complex • 950 Langham Rd Beaumont, TX • (409)838-3613

Aug 21st 2018

A Tasting For Some Other Place

5pm - 7pm • Beaumont Civic Center 701 Main St • Beaumont, TX (409)838-3435

Aug 23rd 2018

Heritage Happy Hour 5:30pm • 7:30pm • FREE for Beaumont Heritage Society Member; \$10 admission Temple Emanuel • 1120 Broadway St • Beaumont, TX (409)989-0348

Aug 30th 2018

Jazz at the Lake 5:30pm • Free • Downtown Event Centre • 700 Crockett St Beaumont, TX • (409) 838-3435

Aug 31st - Sept 2nd 2018 EATBMT Restaurant

Week • (409) 880-3168

Sept 6th - Dec 6th 2018

First Thursday on Calder 5pm - 9pm • Katharine & Company 1495 Calder Ave Beaumont, TX • (409) 833-9919

Sept 8th 2018

2018 Golden Triangle Heart & Stroke Walk 8am - 3pm • Free Event

The Great Lawn • 700 Crockett St Beaumont, TX • (409) 838-3435

Sept 8th 2018

5th Annual Neches River Rally

8am - 2pm • \$30 for adults, \$10 for 12 & under until August 20 Collier's Ferry Park • 5390 Pine St Beaumont, TX • (409) 543-7967

Sept 8th 2018

Spindletop Roller Girls 7pm • Beaumont Civic Center 701 Main St • Beaumont, TX (409) 838-3435

Sept 15th 2018

Beaumont Craft Beer Fest 2pm • Downtown Event Centre 700 Crockett St • Beaumont, TX (409) 838-3435

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The Symphony of Southeast Texas: "New York, New York, Jass Meets Classics" 7:30pm • Julie Rogers Theatre 765 Pearl St • Beaumont, TX (409) 892-2257

Sept 21st, 2018

MAZE Featuring Frankie Beverly 8pm - 11pm • Ford Park Entertainment Complex 5115 Interstate 10 S • Beaumont, TX (409) 951-5400

Sept 22nd, 2018

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12pm - 5pm • Lamar University 4400 SML King Jr Parkway Beaumont, TX • (409) 880-7011

Sept 27th 2018

Big Daddy Weave with Brandon Heath 7pm • \$20 • Nederland Performing

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Sept 28th & Oct 3rd- 6th

Texas Rice Festival 2018 Winnie-Stowell Park 1410 Rice Festival Ave Winnie, TX 77665

Sept 29th 2018

Beaumont Walk To End Alzhiemer's 8am • The Great Lawn 700 Crockett St • Beaumont, TX (409) 838-3435

Oct 2nd

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Oct 4th, 2018

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Oct 11th, 2018

United Way Hometown Huddle: "Celebrity Chef Chili Cook-Off" 5:30pm - 9pm • The Event Centre 700 Crockett St • Beaumont, TX (409) 838-3435

Oct 13th 2018

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Michael Wolf, Chairman of the Beaumont A&M Club's Classroom Teacher Awards Program announces the following honorees of the Club's 2017 Outstanding Teacher Awards:

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A ccording to Michael Wolf, the recipients will be presented their awards Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 6:30 P.M., when the Beaumont A&M Club holds its 59th Annual Classroom Teachers Award Program and Dinner in the Culotta Hall of St. Jude Catholic Church 6825 Gladys. Each honoree will receive a check for \$200.00 from the John K. Mattingly Memorial Fund, a Certificate of Recognition, and an engraved silver tray from the Beaumont A&M Club.

Michael Wolf reports that the classroom teachers named above were chosen by their colleagues for exemplary performance in the teaching profession, and the Beaumont A&M Club is privileged to honor them. This annual ceremony is a tribute to the many excellent classroom teachers who have chosen as their profession the education of our community's youth. It is intended to recognize innovative and results-oriented teachers and to raise public awareness of the importance of effective and committed teachers.

Keynote speaker at this year's program will be Rev. James R. Fuller, Ph.D., Senior Pastor of the Calder Baptist Church.

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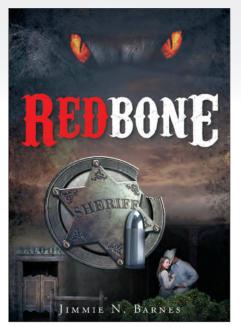
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Jimmy Barnes is a local Southeast Texas musician. Jimmy says. "For years I had this song rolling around in my head. While writing the song, the song grew into a book."

Redbone is a story about a young man's journey into a dark and sinister world while searching for his deceased grandfathers friend and bloodbrother to learn of a legend only known by the two men. The search leads Tim Jones to Arizona. After meeting James Mathew Trinton, Tim learns of a battle between good and evil that happened almost a hundred years ago. Tim learns that Redbone was a supernatural werewolf gunslinger and the devil's main instrument for killing lawmen in the frontier West. Redbone would appear from out of nowhere, dressed in all black, with blood red handled Colt 45's and riding a huge, menacing black stallion; he would laugh hysterically after being shot, then would shoot his victim in the



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After learning that James Trinton and his grandfather killed Redbone by making silver bullets from James' father's sheriff's badge, after Redbone killed his father. Tim is alarmed to find out that Redbone's son is on the prowl, looking to avenge his father's death and that the peace and safety is coming to an end. Tim Jones realizes that he alone can fight the horror about to confront the world!

And now the story begins....read the rest of the story. Redbone by Jimmy Barnes can be purchased at Barnes & Noble bookstores, online at Amazon.com or Apple ITunes store. You can personally meet Jimmy almost every Thursday night playing with Britt Godwin's band at Mackenzie's Pub at 29 Dowlen Rd. in Beaumont.



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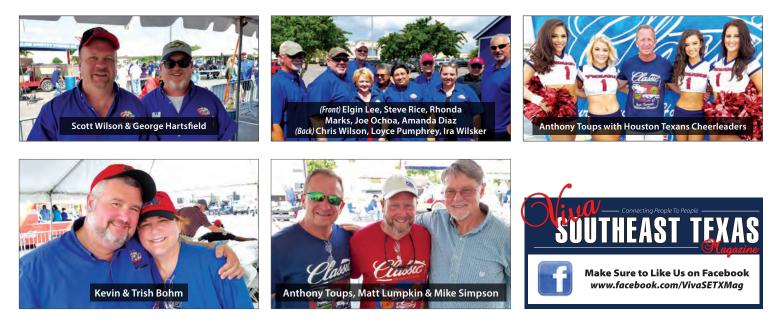




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