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Neighborhood Watch News

Hi Neighbors,

Summer is here and many of you are planning vacations. Remember that the Block Captains have a Vacation Watch Form that you can complete for your time away from home. Deputies Polk and Thomas will keep an eye on your home during this time.

National Night Out is in the final stages of planning with many exciting and fun things to do. This will be August 1, 2006, Tuesday, 6:00-9:00 P.M. at the Clubhouse and across from it at the Lake. Food will be catered by James Coney Island, refreshments will be on hand and dessert will be available. The pool will be open with additional lifeguards on duty. There will be moonwalks for the kids and the Harris County Deputies Reserve Unit will be available to fingerprint the children. Motorcycle officers will be with us with their bikes and we are planning to have firefighters and their engines. We are looking into having a helicopter just for viewing. Door prizes will be awarded, so sign in and obtain your tickets at the clubhouse. More details later but be sure to reserve that date to meet new neighbors from other streets that you may not know.

We hope this will be the most successful event for our community ever.

Block Captains are still needed to help on the following streets: Harvest Dale, Timberland Trace and Wortham Blvd. Please help our existing block captains by volunteering.

Have a safe and fun summer.

Marie Trascher

Neighborhood Watch Chair

Wortham Villages Signs Guidelines

Our community has two signs, each with two sides, available to post community related messages. One is located near the pool clubhouse on Wortham Boulevard and the other is at the Wortham Ridge and North Eldridge streets intersection Each side can accommodate a maximum of twenty characters per line, including spaces, for a total of 100 characters on five lines. Keep in mind that many sign requests want to identify specifics by using only a few characters per line as "attention grabbers". Selecting this scheme obviously reduces the total quantity of letters that can be posted. Also, Phyllis Giblin and Fred Trascher, our sign caretakers, have the option to edit requests for brevity and content. Requests via E-mailings are preferred but phone requests are also accepted. However, E-mails provide Phyllis and Fred with a record of the content, especially those containing event times and dates sensitivity. At least a one-week notice is encouraged with the more advance notice provided the better. And a "first come first served" order will be honored, unless superceded by board request, due to important community announcements.

See IMPORTANT NUMBERS on Page 2 of this Newsletter on how to reach Fred and Phyllis. We trust these guidelines will aid sign requestors and help the caretakers to better serve the community.



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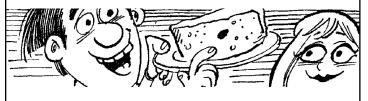
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www.worthamwhitesharks.com

Did You Know?

It was once customary to bake a cake with a bean in it on January 6th. Whoever got the slice with the bean was believed to have good luck all the rest of the year.







Vacation Bible School June 5 - 9th

Jersey Village Baptist Church, 16518 Jersey Dr., is having Vacation Bible School on June 5–9 from 9:00 a.m – noon. VBS is a free week filled with fun activities for children who have completed PreK (4 years old by 9/1/05) to 5th grade (completed). This year's theme is "Trek North to the Artic Edge: Where Adventure Meets Courage". Registration forms are available at www.jvbc.org or at the church office. For more information call 713.466.6102. All are welcome!

Vacation Bible School June 12 - 16th

Join us at the Jersey Village Church of Christ, located at 8810 Jones Road for a FREE VBS experience June 12-16 from 9-12.

Your children will have a "Royal" time as the Theme is King of Kings. Ages Pre K through Grade 5 (Fall '06) are invited.



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2006 Pool Schedule, Hours of Operation

April 29th through May 21st

Mondays through Fridays Closed

Saturdays* 10:00 am to 8:00 pm Sundays 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm

• - Saturday May 13, 2006 pool will not open until 2:00pm due to swim meet

May 25th through 31st

Thursday, May 25th	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Friday, May 26th	10:00 am to 10:00 pm
Saturday, May 27th	2:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Sunday, May 28th	12:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Monday, May 29th (Memorial Day)	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Tuesday, May 30st	4:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Wednesday, May 31st	10:00 am to 9:00 pm

• - Saturday May 27, 2006 pool will not open until 2:00pm due to swim meet

June 1st through August 8th

Mondays	4:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Tuesdays	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Wednesdays	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Thursdays	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Fridays	10:00 am to 10:00 pm
Saturdays	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sundays	12:00 pm to 9:00 pm
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• - Saturday June 10 and 17, 2006 pool will not open until 2:00pm due to swim meet

August 9th through September 4th

Mondays		4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesdays		4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Wednesdays		4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Thursdays		4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Fridays		10:00 am to 8:00 pm
Saturdays		10:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sundays		12:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Exceptions:

Monday, September 4th (Labor Day) 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

September 9th through 17th

Mondays through Fridays Closed

Saturdays 10:00 am to 8:00 pm Sundays 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm

A Herstory of WOW

By Reschele Lawrence



What began as a baby sitting coop many years ago, has evolved into one of Wortham's premiere social organizations. Under the leadership of Suzanne Jones, and the presidents that came before her, it served its purpose by getting moms together to make new friends and switch off babysitting duties.

Barb Ramage-Thornton took Mom's Club one step further. She turned MOM upside down and created WOW. This opened the organization up to all women in Wortham. Barb organized the Spring and Fall Markets so the Women of Wortham could display their talents and sell their wares. She also provided activities for kids during Christmas and gathered goods through WOW for the Mission of Yahweh, a haven for homeless and abused women and children (www.missionofyahweh.org). Since moving from Wortham in December, she has been greatly missed.

WOW is still evolving today. WOW can become whatever the Women of Wortham need it to be. If it needs to become more focused on family, it can. If women need a night out to relax and de-stress for a few hours, WOW can provide that. If you're a new member of the Wortham community, we welcome you to our neighborhood and extend the invitation to join us in June at the next WOW meeting. Let's take WOW to a new level. I challenge the Women of Wortham of come out, meet the current members of WOW and join the group. I've built life-long friendships with the awesome women I've met through the organization and I want that for each of you. Ladies, consider yourselves challenged!

WOW will be held at Karen Costa's house (11106 Lark Brook Lane) Tuesday, June 20th, at 7pm. There will be a \$10 Summer Gift Exchange and special gifts for all WOW ladies who bring a friend.

Please bring your favorite appetizer or dessert to share. I can't wait to make new friends!







Neighborhood Recreational Facilities Corner

By Rick Anderson

Continuing on from my May article here is an update of what is going on with the recreational facilities we have in Wortham Villages. These facilities include the pool, clubhouse, tennis courts and playground areas. Several things have been accomplished over the last few months for the facilities.

The swimming pool season is well under way and the pool officially opened on April 29, 2006 with our annual Pool Opening Party. We had a great turnout, good food and lots of fun for the whole family. We had several door prizes to hand out and we would like to thank the following businesses or individuals for donating prizes; La Madeleine, McNeil's Creamery, Piccomolo, Echo Lane Management, Sierra Resources LLC, Kroger, Chick-fil-a, Carrabas, Rachel's Hallmark, Jocelyn Sciatino (Wortham resident), Margo Horton (Wortham Resident) Gary Green Realtors, and Greater Houston Pool Management.

I also want to thank the members of the Recreational Facilities Committee who helped put this event together. They are: Bea Robertson, Cindy Byrnes, Bob Paziteney, Jean Otto and Michael Patrick. We also had several volunteers who helped setting up and during the event that we want to thank. We want to add our thanks to Greater Houston Pool Management who provided staff and coordinated all the games for the kids during the party. We look forward to doing it again next year.

The board of directors, once again as a courtesy, handed out pool tags for the residents in late April. If you were not able to pick up your tags at those times, you will need to contact Crest Management to get your tags.

Again, we are still looking for new members of the Recreational Facilities Committee to help us as we continue to look at ways we can effectively maintain, utilize and upgrade our facilities. I have been notified by three residents who are willing to help and I am looking for more. If you are interested please contact Rick Anderson at 281-890-4878 or email to rick_anderson@efiglobal.com. We had our first meeting in early April and will have another as the summer progresses.

Have a great month at the pool.

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Congrats to Wortham's Youth Tennis Team

The Wortham tennis team in the 8-11 age division won third place this spring season. The kids played every Wednesday after school. This is the first season for the kids on the team and they tied for third place. Way to go Wortham! On the tennis team: Jack Sommer, Klye Anderson. Erika Holum, Chase McShane, Jordan Parker, Julia Byrne, and Tristan Mayne, substitute Brady Sommer; team manager, Donna Sommer. For any kids interested in playing on the team in the fall, please contact Donna Sommer at djsommer@aol.com. Tennis matches start right after Labor Day.



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Check out the Art Gallery

This special summer Student Invitational Exhibition, set June 6 through July 20, features the work of Cy-Fair College's advanced credit and continuing education students. A reception is set for 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. June 8 in the Center for the Arts Gallery, located at 9191 Barker Cypress. Call 281-290-5273 for gallery hours and information.

Free Summer Film Class begins June 7

The Cy-Fair College Summer Film Series is a continuing education course called Film Appreciation. The series is presented at no charge. A professor at the college hosts each film and an in-depth discussion after the movie. The Summer Series will start June 7 at 7 p.m. with "The Apartment," the first of four films from Hollywood director Billy Wilder. The rest of the series has great variety with a foreign

musical, comedies and dramas from 1968-2001. Registration is available at all the film events. All films are shown at the Barker Cypress campus in ART 102. For information, call 281-290-3257, e-mail robert.obrien@nhmccd.edu or visit http://faculty.nhmccd. edu/robobrien/Film Series.html.

Add a Little L.I.F.E. to Your Summer

The Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Cy-Fair College Branch Library (Room 131.) Programs range from cooking and gardening tips to music, painting and woodworking lessons to cultural topics such as calligraphy and a Japanese Tea Ceremony, to geography, politics and history programs. Call the library at 281-290-3213 for monthly L.I.F.E. program information or check the library web page online at http://cfclibrary.nhmccd.edu.

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Families of hundreds of school-aged children in the Cypress/ Northwest Houston area are depending on CAM to assist them with necessary school supplies for their children. These start-up supplies can be impossible to fit into an already strained budget. Your donations of pocket folders with brads, washable markers, large & small packages of manilla paper, large & small packages construction paper, writing tablets, spiral notebooks and pencil boxes would be greatly appreciated.

Operation Jobs offers networking, counseling and resume writing as well as interview and job search techniques for unemployed and underemployed persons in the community. Beginning in the spring, Operation jobs also helps college students find summer jobs in order to offset high college tuition costs. If you are an employer and will be hiring students for the summer or a job seeker looking for employment, please call Loretta Nixon at 281-955-5895.

CAM's Angels' Attic Resale Shop is open to the public and carries a wide variety of household items, clothing, and furniture, as well as, craft items and new jewelry. Your donations of gently used clothing, household items and furniture stock this beautiful resale shop and help support the ministry work and food pantry at CAM.

Donations of peanut butter, jelly, snack foods, presweetened drink mixes, pasta, Spaghetti O's, and cold cereal will feed families with children home from school for the summer: The Food pantry can also use shampoo, bar soap, and toilet paper. Of course meat is a luxury; therefore, hot dogs, hamburger and chicken are always appreciated.

Donations can be made Monday through Wednesday from 10AM – 6PM and Thursday through Saturday from 10AM – 3PM.

If you need further information, please give us a call at 281-955-7684 and ask for Kelly or Lisa.

Did You Know?



Most light planes are capable of taking off or landing in 90-degree crosswinds that are less than 20 percent of the airplane's power-off stall speed.

New York and Vermont lead the United States in maple syrup production but the Canadian province of Quebec produces more maple syrup than all 50 states put together.



Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- 1. Tack
- 5. Giant
- 9. Philippine dish with marinated chicken or pork
- 11. Journalist's question
- 12. Tiny insects
- 13. Cut of beef
- 14. School group
- 15. South
- 17. United States
- 18. Bottle need
- 20. Upset
- 22. Cow's chow
- 23. Year (abbr.)
- 24. Computer makers
- 27. Brews
- 29. Sleep disorder
- 31. Parent teacher groups
- 32. Strong rope fiber
- 33. Bend
- 34. Decorative needle case

DOWN

- 1. Incline
- 2. Change
- 3. Small particle
- 4. Compass point
- 5. Night bird
- 6. Body snatcher
- 7. Cultivate
- 8. Volcano
- 10. Change into bone
- 16. Musical productions
- 18. Canadian prov.
- 19. Palladium (abbr.)
- 20. Many
- 21. Perfect
- 22. Captain (abbr.)
- 24. Institution (abbr.)
- 25. Swain
- 26. African country
- 28. Fast plane
- 30. Pastry

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- · Burn calories and keep weight down

Get ready

A walking program is simple to start. All you need are comfortable clothes and shoes. Layer loose clothing, keeping in mind that exercise elevates the body's temperature. Shoes specifically designed for walking are best.

Every workout should begin with a brief warm-up and a few simple stretches. Walk around the house or in place for a few minutes to get the blood flowing to the muscles before you attempt to stretch them. Although walking primarily works the major muscles of the legs, don't forget to stretch your back, shoulders and arms. This will help to loosen up any tension you may be carrying and make your walk more enjoyable as well as more effective.

Get moving

Beginning walkers can make their workouts less strenuous by limiting how fast and far they walk. Keep in mind the following:

•Walk short distances

Begin with a five-minute stroll and gradually increase your distance.

·Forget about speed

Walk at a comfortable pace. Focus on good posture, keeping your head lifted and shoulders relaxed.

•Swing your arms naturally

Breathe deeply. If you can't catch your breath, slow down or avoid hills.

•Be sure you can talk while walking

If you can't converse, you are walking too fast.

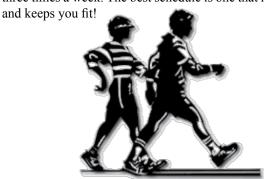
Get fit!

Walking is one fitness activity that allows you numerous options. Once you have reached a point where you can walk a few miles with relative ease, you can start to vary the intensity.

Walking hills, in addition to increasing your cardiovascular endurance, is a great way to tone the legs. Concentrate on lengthening your stride or increasing your speed. And don't forget to reward yourself after each workout with a few minutes of relaxing stretches to help prevent sore muscles.

Listening to lively music while you walk is also a great way to energize your workout. But if you wear headphones, keep the volume down and watch out for traffic that you may not hear.

Keep track of your progress. Many experts recommend that you walk a minimum of 20 minutes a day. But there are no hard and fast rules. Fit walking into your schedule whenever you can. That may mean two 10-minute walks each day, or even hour-long walks two to three times a week. The best schedule is one that keeps you walking





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1-18—HOUSTON: Joseph Havel: A Decade of Sculpture 1996-2006 During this decade, Havel focused on transforming domestic fabric items into sculptures. The Caroline Wiess Law Building, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. 713/639-7300

1-Jul. 2—HOUSTON: Contemporary Kiln-Glass: A Survey of Works from the Bullseye Collection, 1980 to the Present Experience spectacularly vibrant colored glass created for art and architecture through fusing, blowing, torch work and casting. Houston Center for Contemporary Craft. www.crafthouston.org 713/529-4848

1-Jul. 16—BEAUMONT: The Big Big Picture Show Artist Paul Manes' large-scale paintings and drawings are of subjects ranging from airplanes to collections of precariously-stacked empty bowls. Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

1-Aug. 20—HOUSTON: Frank Stella 1958 Bringing these works together for the first time, the exhibition tracks the many changes of a young painter experimenting with the wide array of styles and formal possibilities available at a vital juncture in American art history. The Menil Collection. www.menil.org 713/525-9400

3-Jul. 9—GALVESTON: Gary Faye — Still Lifes Features color photographs. Galveston Arts Center. www.galvestonartscenter.org 409/763-2403

3-Jul. 9—GALVESTON: Sedrick Huckaby —Portraits & Quilts & Merrilee McCommas — Word Play Galveston Arts Center, 2127

Strand. www.galvestonartscenter.org 409/763-2403

4-Sep. 14—HOUSTON: The Architecture of Gee's Bend Quilts Exhibition examines in detail the basic structural patterns that appear to form the foundation of Gee's Bend quilt making. The Audrey Jones Beck Building, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. 713/639-7300

8, 10-11, 16-18—HOUSTON: Don Quixote Ends the Houston Ballet season. The idealistic, eccentric Quixote goes on a quest in search of his ideal woman Dulcinea. Wortham Theater Center. www. houstonballet.org 713/227-2787

9-11—TEXAS CITY: Funfest Enjoy arts & crafts, food, entertainment, amusements, barbecue cook-off, Star Search, tennis tournament, fun run and more. Nessler Park. www.texascitychamber.com 409/935-1408

10—ALVIN: Police & EMS Bike Patrol Challenge Watch police and EMS officers compete. Browse vendor booths. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. National Oak Park. www.alvintexas.org 281/585-3359

10—CLUTE: Brazosport Art League Gallery Opening: Paint-In Show Center for the Arts & Sciences. 979/265-7971

10—CORPUS CHRISTI: C-101 C-Sculptures Enjoy sand sculpting, sand volleyball, live music and more. Padre Island. 361/289-0111 10—DACOSTA: Volunteer Fire Department Annual BBQ & Auction Sons of Hermann Hall. 361/575-2959

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10—EAST BERNARD: 16th Annual Czech Kolache Klobase Festival Offers plenty of music, dancing and lively entertainment with bands and entertainers. Includes arts & crafts, plate lunch, hamburgers, raffle prizes, cake walk, kid games, plenty of kolaches for sale and family fun. 979/335-4827 or 979/335-7907

10—KATY: Kid's Day Includes hands-on activities, contests and entertainment. Bass Pro Shops at Katy Mills Mall. 281/644-2203 10—PASADENA: Owl Prowl Enjoy a moonlit walk through the woods while looking for owls and listening for fascinating night sounds. Hours are 8 to 10 p.m. Armand Bayou Nature Center. www. abnc.org 281/474-2551

10—PORT ARTHUR: Nighttime Alligator Count & Marsh Tour Take a ride in some awesome bottomlands alligator habitat and census the alligators. Hours are 8:30 to 10:30 p.m., weather permitting. Reservations required. Tony Houseman State Park and Wildlife Management Area. 409/866-4742

10-11—GALVESTON: Carolyn Ehman School of Dance The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894

10, 24—PASADENA: Guided Canoe Trips Meet at Bay Area Park for a leisurely morning of wildlife watching, wetland education, relaxation and fun. Travel is about 3 miles round trip. Reservations required. Armand Bayou Nature Center. www.abnc.org 281/474-2551

11-ALVIN: 13th Annual Tour de Braz Bike Ride Offers five

historical and scenic rides from which to choose. Begins at 7 a.m. Alvin Community College, 3110 Mustang Road. www.alvintexas. org 281/585-3359

11—PORT ARTHUR: Alligator Spotlight Count Take a boat trip and census the alligators. Hours are 8:30 to 10:30 p.m., weather permitting. Reservations required. J.D. Murphree Wildlife Management Area. 409/736-2551 ext. 23 or ext. 25

11—SANTA FE: Bert Wills Blues Hours are 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Haak Winery, 6310 Ave. T. www.haakwine.com 409/925-1401

11-17—VICTORIA: Victoria Bach Festival Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts and other venues. E-mail: info@ victoriabachfestival.org • www.victoriabachfestival.org 361/570-5788

11, 25—DALLAS: National Safety Month Operation Lifesaver Weekend Includes lecture and multimedia presentation. Age of Steam Railroad

12—FULTON: Music at the Mansion Begins at 7 p.m. Fulton Mansion State Historic Site. 361/729-0386

14—SAN BENITO: El Second Weensdee Enjoy an oral history series on conjunto music. Begins at 7 p.m. The Narciso Martinez Cultural Art Center. 956/361-0110

15-Aug. 3—NASSAU BAY: Summer '06 Open Juried Exhibition Features juried works by area artists in all media. The Arts Alliance Center at Clear Lake, 2000 NASA Parkway. www.taaccl.org 281/335-

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16—BEAUMONT: Jefferson Theatre Presents a Juneteenth Celebration www.jeffersontheatre.org 409/835-5483

16—HARLINGEN: Golden Palms Dinner Theater Reservations required. Golden Palms Retirement & Health Center. www. goldenpalmsrgv.com 956/389-4014

16—VICTORIA: Country Opry Community Center Annex. 361/552-9347

16-17—INGLESIDE: Skinny Water Adult Fishing Tournament Includes amateur two-man team division; children's tournament; Calcutta; spot pot; and largest redfish, trout and flounder pots. Cove Park. www.inglesidetxchamber.org 888/899-2906

16-17—OYSTER CREEK: Creekfest Oyster Creek Municipal Park. 979/233-0243

16-17—PORT ARANSAS: Powderpuff Fishing Tournament Women only. Woody's Sport Center. 361/749-5252

16-18—BEAUMONT: Southeast Texas Wakeboarding Wakeboard Competition Riverfront Park. www.beaumontcvb.com 409/880-3749

16-18—GALVESTON: The Jubilee Banjo Band The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894

16-18—WHARTON: Juneteenth Celebration Riverfront Park. 979/532-1862 or 979/531-0916

17—BAY CITY: Market Day More than 100 vendors sell handmade crafts, homemade jellies and more. Courthouse Square. www. visitbaycity.org 800/806-8333

17—BEAUMONT: Juneteenth Blowout Celebration www. beaumontcvb.com 409/880-3749

17—CORPUS CHRISTI: Juneteenth Celebration Commemorates African-American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement. Includes guest speakers, musicians, dancers and food. Heritage Park. 361/883-0639

17—EDNA: Juneteenth Fun & Games Enjoy horseshoes, volleyball, sack races and more. Begins at 2 p.m. Lake Texana State Park. 361/782-5718

17—EL CAMPO: Ricebelt Antique Tractor Show & Pull Features antique tractors, antique engines, machinery and harvesting equipment. Includes demonstrations, first-time peddle tractor pull, craft show and more. E-mail: sherry_rrprint@sbcglobal.net 979/543-9498

17—HARLINGEN: Blues on the Hill Features blues music with several bands participating. Hours are 6 to 10 p.m. McKelvey Park, 1325 S. 77 Sunshine Strip. 956/216-5950

17—PORT ARTHUR: Garage Sale Bob Bower Civic Center. 409/985-8801

17—PORT NECHES: Trade Day on the Avenue 409/722-4023

18—SANTA FE: Sweet Mama Cotton Hours are 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Continued on page 15)

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19—GALVESTON: Juneteenth Includes a ceremony and parade to commemorate the end of slavery in the south. 409/744-1491

19—PORT ARTHUR: Juneteenth Celebration Includes a pageant on Friday, lecture series on Saturday, gospelfest on Sunday and parade on Monday. Downtown Port Arthur. 409/982-8040 or 409/985-7768

23—GALVESTON: Dance Tree The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894

23-24—WHARTON: Freedom Fest Riverfront Park. 979/532-0927 or 979/532-0134

23-Jul. 1—WHARTON: The Wizard of Oz Presented by The Community Theatre of Wharton. 979/282-2970

24—BEAUMONT: Beaumont Enterprise Garage Sale Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Beaumont Civic Center. www.beaumont-tx-complex. com 409/838-3435

24—KEMAH: Classic Car Show See automobiles from the 1920s through the 1970s. Kemah Boardwalk. www.kemahboardwalk.com 281/334-9880

24—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Moody Clinic Classic Bay Fishing Tournament 956/542-8504

24-25—CORPUS CHRISTI: Seashore Marketplace Includes arts & crafts vendors from around Texas, specialty displays, live bands and more. On Padre Island. www.seashoremarketplace.com 361/779-6989

24-25—GALVESTON: Bonnie Sisco School of Dance The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894

25—SANTA FE: Prime Time Band Hours are 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Haak Winery, 6310 Ave. T. www.haakwine.com 409/925-1401

30-Jul. 1—BEAUMONT: Kidmunity Presents Its 4th-7th Grade Production www.beaumontcommunityplayers.com 409/842-4664 30-Jul. 1—HUGHES SPRINGS: Hometown Fourth & BBQ Cook-Off Includes crafts, "no motor" parade, and a Lone Star Barbecue Society-

30-Aug. 5—GALVESTON: 1776 Musical follows John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Richard Henry Lee and Thomas Jefferson as they attempt to convince the members of the Second Continental Congress to vote for independence. Island Etc. 409/762-3556

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\$150,000-169,999	3	0	0	1	0	1
\$130,000-149,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
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