

# THE Current

## SHADOW CREEK RANCH

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### *What's happening In Shadow Creek Ranch?*

We hope you have enjoyed your summer! As we begin the transition into the fall and new school year, we would like to inform you of a couple of maintenance projects planned for the remainder of 2011. Over the next several months, the Association will begin maintenance on the lakes. We will notice the lowering of the lakes water levels and workers with large equipment performing routine and proactive maintenance. The landscaper will be installing the second seasonal color change. The new flowers will definitely give the community a new splash of color.

*For further updates, please visit [www.shadowcreekranchhoa.com](http://www.shadowcreekranchhoa.com)*



### *Shadow Creek Ranch Triathlon*

Shadow Creek Ranch hosted their first annual "Shadow Creek Ranch Triathlon" benefiting the American Diabetes Association on Sunday July 17, 2011. The Shadow Creek Ranch community showed a warm welcome to Athletes from all over Pearland and Houston, Texas. The organization would like to thank all volunteers and spectators for taking part in this event. For future updates and news, please visit [www.shadowcreekranchtriathlon.com](http://www.shadowcreekranchtriathlon.com)

*(More photos on Page 3)*



### Brazoria County Municipal Utility District No. 26

The District's 2010 Directors Election was held on May 8, 2010, at Nolan Ryan Jr. High School, 11500 Shadow Creek Parkway, Pearland, Texas 77584. The election resulted in the re-election of the three incumbents (Caralynn Prade, Herbert Fain, and Michael Parks) on the ballot for new four-year terms. The District holds director elections in even-numbered years and directors are elected to serve staggered four-year terms.

As a reminder, the City of Pearland operates our water and sewer system and provides garbage collection services. If you have any questions about your service, please call the City of Pearland at (281) 652-1603.

The District generally meets every first Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027. Agendas for each meeting are posted at the Emerald Village Recreation Center, 11814 N. Clear Lake Loop, Pearland, Texas 77584, and at the Brazoria County Courthouse at least 72 hours before every meeting, and the Board of Directors invites all members of the public to attend its meetings. Please contact (713) 860-6439 if you need confirmation of a Board meeting.

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## HOW TO TRIM SHRUBS



- **STEP 1:** Stand back and examine the shrub. Never start cutting until you have decided what needs to be done. Have a picture in your mind of how it should look when you are finished. Decide whether the shrub will need a heavy pruning or a light trim. There is usually more than one way to trim a shrub. Some look better kept tight with low branching while others benefit from removing the lower limbs and exposing the bark. Take a little off at a time, and stand back and look again before proceeding.
- **STEP 2:** Start by removing any dead or damaged wood. Air circulation is important; remove branches that are crossing or tangled within the shrub. Then trim back branches that are much longer than the others, but try not to cut everything the same length. Keep it natural.
- **STEP 3:** Now begin the actual shaping. If you are new to pruning, just take a little off all over; ongoing maintenance pruning will help you get to know the plant. Avoid turning all of your shrubs into round balls. Pay attention to the natural form of each shrub and improve it.
- **STEP 4:** Keep the shrub in shape. Once you feel comfortable with the shape and size of a shrub, trim it often. It is easier to clip a small branch here and there than to do a major pruning once a year.

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Signs required to enforce a new state law that restricts the use of cell phones by drivers in school zones will be up at most area schools Sept. 1, 2011. The law bans using all but a hands-free cell phone while driving in a school zone. There's also an exception that allows for calls to emergency services. Otherwise, violators can be fined up to \$200.00.

Friendswood, Manvel and Pearland city officials all expect to have signs up for the school zones in their city limits when the new law goes effect Tuesday. The Texas Department of Transportation is in charge of putting up signs for the school zone of the Alvin school district's Manvel High School, 19601 Texas 6, which is a state road.

Read more: [neighborhoods@chron.com](mailto:neighborhoods@chron.com)



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#### *WHY?*

Because we are part of "hurricane row"

**Hurricane starts:** June 1, 2011 and ends November 30, 2011. Hurricane row includes those areas that border:

- Atlantic ocean
- Caribbean sea
- Gulf of Mexico
- The eastern Pacific ocean

### EYE

The eye is the calm center of a hurricane. Don't be fooled if wind and rain stop during a hurricane. You may just be in the eye of the storm. Listen to the radio to find out when the storm has stopped.

### EVACUATE

Residents/ business communities may be asked to leave. If required to evacuate you will not be able to go back until officials approve you to do so.



### FLOODS

More people are killed by freshwater floods during a hurricane than by any other hazard. Never drive or explore flooded areas.

### HURRICAN WATCH

A hurricane is possible within 36 hours. Stay tuned to the radio and television for more information. The national hurricane center is tracking the storm and trying to predict where it might come ashore.

### HURRICAN WARNING

A hurricane is expected within 24 hours. Residents may be told to evacuate.

### STORM SURGE

Storm surge is a massive dome of water, often 50 miles wide, that sweeps across the area that the eye of the hurricane comes ashore. The stronger or larger the hurricane is the higher the storm surge. For those living along the coast, storm surge is one of the most dangerous hazards in a hurricane.

### TORNADO

What's tornado information doing on the hurricane page? Hurricanes often bring tornados with them- especially along the northeast or "dirty side" of the storm. Continue to listen to your NOAA weather radio or local news (KTRH) for tornado warnings.

### BEFORE HURRICANE MAKES LANDFALL

- Board windows
- Store/secure loose furniture, equipment
- Remove windscreens
- Clear patios/balconies
- Gates locked open
- Contractors on standby
- Verify who is staying and who is not
- Communicate with owners

### WHAT TO DO AFTER

- As soon as it is safe a mi (management company) will: assess damage
- Notify appropriate contractors to:
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### CITY REMINDERS

- Water restrictions are still in affect until further notice. Residents are asked to limit non-essential water use to the hours of 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. or 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. Odd-numbered addresses are requested to water on odd dates and even-numbered addresses are requested to water on even dates. Check your City website [www.cityofpearland.com](http://www.cityofpearland.com) for additional information.
- Weed and other Vegetation: Sec.13-17 It shall be unlawful for any owner, tenant, lessee, agent or occupant of any premises to permit any weeds, grass or brush to grown above the height of twelve (12) inches upon any premises owned, leased, occupied, or controlled by such person, or upon the unpaved portion of any street right-of way abutting said property.
- We all love our pets, but always pick up after your four-legged family members.
- Signs are a great means of communicating, but they can damage trees and sign posts. Please be mindful of City sign ordinances and do not post signs within city limits.
- Please call City of Pearland Police Department- Non-Emergency 281-997-4100 to report any vehicles that have been parked in the street for over 72-hours.

Please call 281-652-1766 if you have a complaint about code enforcement issues such as health complaints, junk vehicles, dirty swimming pools, bandit signs, dirty streets in new subdivisions, etc. Leave a detailed message and a phone number where you can be reached. The voice mails will be checked daily, and the necessary actions will be taken. Once your complaint is received an officer will investigate your complaint and will respond to you within 48 to 72 hours should you need an update.

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Saturday, September 10, 2011

Adopt a Spot trash clean-up day. (281) 652-1659



## HOOKED ON FISHING

Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 4:30 PM  
NEW LOCATION - Westside Event Center,  
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## TEXAS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, October 04, 2011

Register your block parties at [pearlandpd.com](http://pearlandpd.com)

## KPB FALL LUNCH AND PLANT SALE

Friday, October 07, 2011

## COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Saturday, November 05, 2011 at 8:00 AM

## KID FISH FEST

Saturday, November 12, 2011 at 9:00 AM

## ADVENTURE DAYS DAY CAMP

Monday, November 21, 2011

## HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Friday, December 02, 2011

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## TOYS 4 SOFTBALL

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## OLD TOWNSITE HISTORY

In 1892, William Zychlinski bought 2,560 prime acres of land surrounding the Mark Belt outpost along the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe rail line. Zychlinski platted out the original town site in 1894, and named east-west streets Walnut, Pear, Broadway, Jasmine, Plum, and Orange. The north-south streets were named Austin, Pearland, San Antonio, Washington, Texas, Sacramento, Main, Houston, Grand, Park, and Galveston. A year later, the Southern Homestead Company took over the promotion of Pearland to people in the farm-belt states. The area was promoted as having fertile land bringing people from many Midwestern states to settle in Pearland. Early on, a business district formed at the intersection of what is now Main and Broadway. Basic businesses such as a hardware store, general store, lumber yard, printing office, and a hotel served the needs of the community. A four-room wooden schoolhouse and the railroad depot also graced this burgeoning village.

The catastrophic hurricane of 1900, one of the worst natural disasters in North America, destroyed nearly all of the early town of Pearland. The population was cut by almost three-quarters, and only a third of the children returned to school after the mass exodus. To bring people back to the area, the Allison-Richey Land Company began promoting the new development of Suburban Gardens, a model community west of the railroad tracks. Fifteen years later, many new residents had moved in to re-populate the area. Many changes had occurred due to blight and weather.



1937 OIL FIELD CREW

Farmers unable to grow oranges, pears, or strawberries had to choose new staple crops. Figs became the area's new staple while cattle, hay, and family-owned dairies were growing economies. A two-story high school was completed in 1912 and roads were constructed connecting Pearland to other nearby communities.

A second hurricane blew through Pearland in 1915. The damage to the town was as disastrous as the 1900 hurricane. The top of the new high school was destroyed, and homes and businesses were scattered in little pieces across the fields and town site. The migration of people out of Pearland was also just as bad as in 1900. Both the hay and cattle industries dwindled due to these unforeseen circumstances, and the fig industry was the only one to grow due to a new processing plant in Pearland.

Modernization and infrastructure began

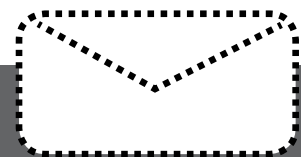
during this rebuilding of Pearland. In 1917, telephone lines were strung, and a public phone booth erected. By the late 1930s, with the discovery of oil outside Pearland and the rise in rice production, Pearland was doing well economically. Pearland became the location for dance halls and beer joints. Throughout the 1940s, Pearland slowly grew back to approximately the same population as before the 1900 hurricane. By 1949, the city took its first steps towards becoming a town with the development of the Brazoria County Water Control and Improvement District Number Three. This helped to generate the funding for a water and sewer system. In the 1950s, the Lions Club became responsible for a number of improvements, including garbage collection, sidewalk improvements, and streetlights. In 1960, with triple the 1940 population, the city now had a mayor, city council, and city marshal.

After the incorporation of the city in 1959, the City of Pearland began a slow but steady growth outward, of both land and population. The train station (originally located in what is now known as the Old Townsite area) closed, and was later moved off site in 1980. In 1987, City Hall also moved from Old Townsite, and relocated to Liberty Drive alongside the train depot. The renovated depot served as the location of the Chamber of Commerce offices until 2009, when the chamber moved to a new location.

In general, the pattern of high growth continues. As the Houston-area grows, the City of Pearland continues to become an increasingly desirable location.

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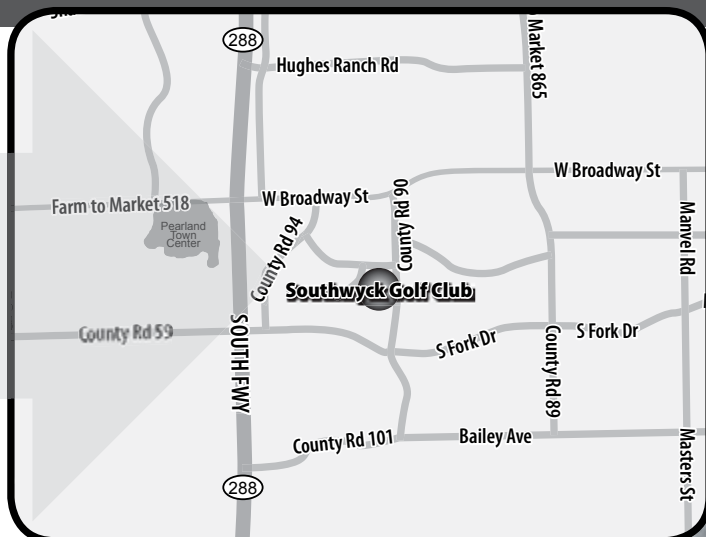
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## HEALTH BRIEFS - SEPTEMBER

### EASE YOUR CHILD BACK INTO SCHOOL

Establishing a normal school routine can be hard for children of any age after the long lazy days of summer. Dr. James H. Bray, a family psychologist and associate professor of family and community medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, offers the following tips to help make going back to school a less stressful experience for children and parents.

- Get kids into the school mode early. Many children have a summer schedule that includes staying up late and sleeping in. Kids need at least a week before school starts to get back into the school schedule.
- Develop a plan. Doing things like buying supplies and clothes, and finding out about schedules and teachers in advance, rather than waiting to the last minute, helps reduce stress for parents and kids.
- Talk with children about their fears and concerns and do some advance problem

solving and planning.-Get involved with your child's school by getting to know the teacher and discussing their expectations.

- Talk to your children about what they want to accomplish and get out of their school year. Discuss their academic and social goals, but emphasize balance.

#### **BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST SHOULD INCLUDE EYE EXAM**

Preparing for the start of a new school year? Remember to get a new backpack, paper and pencils, and get your children's vision screened as part of their back-to-school checklist.

"Poor vision can interfere with learning, school performance, participation in sports and other activities, as well as self esteem," said Dr. Kimberly Yen, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and an ophthalmologist at Texas

Children's Hospital.

Yen said if parents know that eye problems run in their family or if they suspect problems, it is especially important that their child receive eye exams regularly. All children should have their eyes examined, as part of their well-child check ups and children who exhibit no signs of visual problems should have their vision screened by age 3.

Good eye care should also include wearing protective eyewear during sports activities. Children who play basketball, baseball and racquet sports are more susceptible to eye injuries. Sports goggles can significantly reduce the likelihood of potentially sight damaging injuries. Good vision not only helps children develop in the classroom, but it teaches them the life-long value of regular vision screenings.

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### STUDENT ATHLETES' HEALTH STARTS OFF THE FIELD

Even though it is students who will be taking the field as extracurricular school activities begin, doctors at Baylor College of Medicine say parents play an important role in keeping their kids safe. Family health history, especially heart illnesses, is important information for doctors to know during an exam, said Dr. John Rogers, professor of family and community medicine at BCM.

A certain type of heart murmur and rapid heart beats can be detected during a physical, but the exam can't determine if past family members have heart problems or if anyone has died suddenly due to a cardiac problem. Being armed with that information helps doctors know whether the student-athlete should undergo an echocardiogram or ultrasound for a more in-depth examination.

Parents' knowledge of their child's previous injuries can also be helpful. Teens may downplay an injury, because they don't want it to prevent them from taking part in their favorite sport. However, a parent might remember lasting effects that will help doctors determine the severity of the injury.

Rogers said other issues that cannot be detected during a physical are light-headedness or shortness of breath that is not proportionate to the exertion level of the activity. Parents should keep an eye out for these issues and let their doctor know at the time of the physical exam.

### TEENS BENEFIT BY MAKING TIME FOR BREAKFAST

Teens who start their day without breakfast are twice as likely to have diets low in iron - a shortfall that could be hurting their grades. "Breakfast supplies more than just the energy kids need to get through the morning," said Dr. Theresa Nicklas, a professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Teens who eat breakfast are also two to five times more likely to consume at least two-thirds the recommended amounts of most vitamins and minerals, including iron."

Iron-deficiency anemia has long been known to have a negative affect on behavior and learning. Eating breakfast has been linked to improved memory, grades, school attendance and punctuality in children. In addition, intakes of other vitamins and minerals, including zinc, calcium, and folic acid, are higher among breakfast-eaters, while fat consumption is lower.

"It's important for parents to realize that the nutrients teens miss when they're allowed to skip breakfast are rarely recouped during other meals," said Nicklas, also a researcher at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center.

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## TEXAS EVENTS

September  
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**8-10, 16-17, 23-25—ARANSAS PASS:** Harvey Rialto Theater, 327 S. Commercial. <http://rialtotheater.tix.com>

**9—PORT ARANSAS:** Champagne Cruise/Mini Taste of Port A Enjoy samples from local restaurants, cruise the city harbor and enjoy live music. Fisherman's Wharf, 900 N. Tarpon. 361/749-5448

**9-10—STAFFORD: 2001:** A Quilt Odyssey Judged show of more than 200 quilts also features dolls, demonstrations, appraisals and an auction. The Stafford Centre, 10505 Cash Road. [www.qggh.org](http://www.qggh.org)

**9-11—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND:** First International SPI Fishing Tournament Sea Ranch Marina. [www.apescar.net](http://www.apescar.net) 800/657-2373

**9, 23—HOUSTON:** Bat Tours on the Buffalo Bayou Learn about how a bat sleeps, eats and contributes to the ecosystem while observing approximately 250,000 of the creatures emerging from under the Waugh Street Bridge. [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) 713/752-0314

**10—EDNA:** Grandparents' Day Celebration Includes free fishing at the day pier starting at 9 a.m. and a lesson in "fish printing" on T-shirts (bring one or buy at the event) at 2 p.m. at the amphitheater. Lake Texana State Park. 361/676-6055

**10—HOUSTON:** Boat Rides on the Buffalo Bayou The Buffalo Bayou Partnership offers 30-minute tours of the bayou on their pontoon boat. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sabine Promenade, 150 Sabine St. [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) 713/752-0314

**10—LAKE JACKSON:** Brazosport Relay Triathlon MacLean Park. [www.brazosportrelaytriathlon.org](http://www.brazosportrelaytriathlon.org) 979/297-4533

**10—PORT ARTHUR:** Mexican Fiesta Celebrates Hispanic culture with mariachi bands and food. Bob Bowers Civic Center. 409/724-6134

**10—VICTORIA:** Get Fit 5K Hours are 7-11 a.m. Riverside Park. [www.victoriatx.org](http://www.victoriatx.org) 361/485-3200

**10-11—PORT ARTHUR:** Dick Dowling Days See a re-enactment of a Civil War battle in which a small band of Confederate soldiers, led by Confederate Lt. Richard "Dick" Dowling, defeated four Union gunboats and prevented Union forces from invading Texas in 1863. Sabine Pass Battleground State Historic Site. [www.visitsabinepassbattleground.com](http://www.visitsabinepassbattleground.com) 409/866-1655

**10-16—GALVESTON:** Special Exhibit by Rosenberg Library on Galveston in 1911 Learn more about happenings in Galveston in 1911, a pivotal year in the city's history, through a presentation by the Texas History Center of Rosenberg Library. Hotel Galvez, 2024 Seawall Blvd. [www.galveston.com/galvez](http://www.galveston.com/galvez) 409/765-7721

**10, 17—LAKE JACKSON:** Xtreme Hummingbird Xtravaganza Watch the hummingbirds feed and see bird banders measure, weigh and tag the tiny birds. Bird Observatory. [www.gcbo.org](http://www.gcbo.org) 979/480-0999

**11—BEAUMONT:** Sept. 11 Memorial Concert Presented by Opera Beaumont. Lamar University's Rothwell Recital Hall. [www.operabeaumont.org](http://www.operabeaumont.org)

**11—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Chocolate Pathway to the Gods: The Sacred Realm of Chocolate in Mesoamerica Join artist Ovidio Biberga for a panel presentation, tour the Pre-Columbian ceramics and discuss the Beyond Shared Language exhibition in a gallery walk with the artist. Begins at 2 p.m. Art Museum of South Texas. [www.artmuseumofsouthtexas.com](http://www.artmuseumofsouthtexas.com) 361/825-3504

**13—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Sensational Sustainable Seafood A local chef offers seafood recipes along with wine to bring

awareness to overfishing and help people choose sustainable seafood. Texas State Aquarium. [www.texasstateaquarium.org](http://www.texasstateaquarium.org) 361/881-1200

**15-17—HOUSTON:** Contemporary Handweavers of Houston Annual Sale Includes handwoven, hand-spun, hand-dyed and hand-felted items for sale. Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, 4848 Main St. [www.crafthouston.org](http://www.crafthouston.org) 713/529-4848

**16-18—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Home and Garden Fall Expo American Bank Center, Exhibit Hall. [www.americanbankcenter.com](http://www.americanbankcenter.com) 361/826-4700

**16-18—HOUSTON:** Polish Harvest Festival Includes international food, beer garden, dancing to polish and traditional music, carnival and other activities for children. Admission is free to those in traditional Polish dress. Our Lady of Czestochowa Catholic Church, 1731 Blalock Road. [www.polishharvestfestival.org](http://www.polishharvestfestival.org)

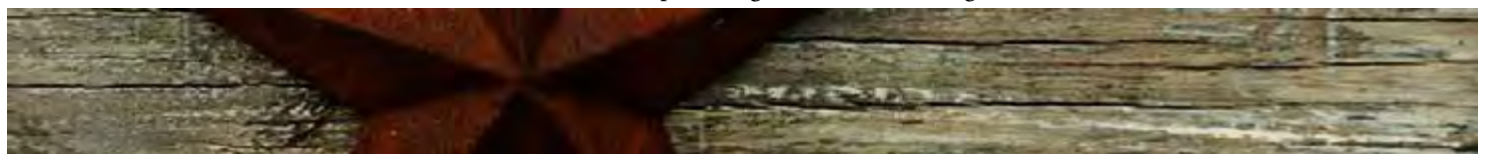
**16-Oct. 9—DICKINSON:** The Warrior's Husband When the handsome Greeks arrive on the island of the Amazons, a war of the sexes ensues. Bay Area Harbour Playhouse. [www.harbourplayhouse.com/season.html](http://www.harbourplayhouse.com/season.html) 281/337-7469

**17—GALVESTON:** Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons Begins at 8 p.m. The Grand 1894 Opera House. [www.thegrand.com](http://www.thegrand.com) 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

**17—KEMAH:** Toughest 10K Kemah Boardwalk. [www.kemahboardwalk.com](http://www.kemahboardwalk.com) 281/334-9880

**17—LAKE JACKSON:** Bird Banding The public is invited to join workers collecting data on bird populations at the Bird Observatory. Hours are 8 a.m. to noon.

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www.gcbo.org 979/480-0999

**17—LAKE JACKSON:** United In Him Festival Christian festival includes food, shopping and music. MacLean Park. www.unitedinhimfestival.com 979/299-0148

**17—LAKE JACKSON:** Youth Fishing Event Bring sunscreen, a hat, lawn chair and fishing gear for catch-and-release fishing open to guests up to 16 years old. Bring gear and bait with barbless hooks. Volunteers and staff are on hand to help first-time anglers. Hours are 10 a.m. to noon. Sea Center Texas. 979/292-0100

**17—ROSENBERG:** Hispanic Heritage Day Enjoy mariachi bands, dance performances, cultural exhibits, children's activities, food contests, art displays and

more. Downtown historic district. www.rosenbergevents.com

**17—VICTORIA:** Market Day Riverside Park. www.victoriatx.org 361/485-3200

**23-25—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Celebration of Flight Festival Birding festival is held during the peak of raptor migration. Volunteers will be on hand to show and identify the migrating hawks. Hazel Bazemore County Park. www.visitcorpuschristitx.org 361/881-1888

**23-25—CORPUS CHRISTI:** North American Wholesale Jewelry and Gift Show American Bank Center. www.americanbankcenter.com 361/826-4700

**23-25—GALVESTON:** Galveston Island Wild Texas Shrimp Festival Saengerfest Park and other locations. www.galveston.

com/shrimpfestival

**23-25—LEAGUE CITY:** Film and Video Festival Features independent films from local, regional and international artists. South Shore Harbour Resort and Conference Center. www.gulfcoastfilmfest.

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Combine oleo and flour. Brown. Add broth, tomatoets, chilies, chicken, chili powderr, cumin, garlic salt. Simmer for 1 hour. Saute onion and chips. Add to soup. Pour over cheese and avocados. Optional: Add sour cream.

*Enjoy!*

## Ingredients

- 1 Onion, chopped
- ¼ Cup oleo
- ¼ Cup flour
- 6 cans chicken broth
- 3-4 chicken breasts; cooked and chopped
- 2 - 4 oz. cans chopped green chilies
- 1 can diced Rotel tomatoes or 1 can diced tomatoes
- 2 T chili powder
- 2 tsp. garlic salt
- 1 T Cumin
- 8 Corn tortilla chips, cut up
- 2 chopped avocados
- shredded Monterey Jack Cheese

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Monday: 12pm – 8pm

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**September 5, 2011 –**

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## REFLECTION BAY DIVING POOL:

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