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### Alvin ISD School Board Election

The Alvin ISD School Board Election will be held on May 11, and the following positions are up for election this year: Position 4 held by Tiffany Wennerstrom, and Position 5 held by Eddie Martinez.

Individuals interested in running for the school board may pick up candidate packets from the Alvin ISD Central Administration Building located at 301 E. House St. in Alvin, TX, and file for election until March 1, 2013 at 4:45 p.m.

Wennerstrom and Martinez have both filed for re-election of their current positions.

To date, the only other individual who has filed to run is Nicole Tonini of Pearland. Tonini has filed to run against Martinez for Position 5.

To be eligible for election, a local school board candidate must be 1) a qualified and registered voter 2) a resident of the Alvin ISD for six months before the filing deadline (March 1, 2013), and 3) a resident of Texas for 12 months before the filing deadline.

School district trustees are elected by popular vote, and serve three-year staggered terms so that the entire board is not up for election at the same time. School board members receive no compensation.

Early voting in the school board election begins on Monday, April 29, and continues until Tuesday, May 7 at locations throughout Brazoria County.

The key roles and responsibilities of the school board are to ensure creation of a vision and goals for the district, and evaluate district success; adopt policies that guide district actions, oversee and evaluate the superintendent's progress and success; approve annual budgets consistent with the vision of the district; and communicate the district's vision and success to the community. For more information about the school board election, contact the school district offices at 281-388-1130.

### Manvel High School's CTE Department



Manvel High School's CTE Department participated in the National Ground Hog Job Shadowing Day on Feb. 1. This year marked the second year for CTE Job Shadowing Day, and it was a huge success. 131 students job shadowed professionals in varying careers such as neurosurgery at the medical center, teaching in local schools, and owners of neighborhood businesses.

Junior Shania Eaglin had the opportunity to work in the education career field that she would like to pursue in the future. She spent the day assisting the pre-k class at Sienna Kids Academy.

"I did not realize that there was so much planning that goes into one day of school," Eaglin said. "The teacher had to make sure every second of the day was mapped out so that things did not get chaotic. Honestly, I was surprised at how tired I was by the end of my day. I now have a new found respect for the teachers at my school," Eaglin said.

Meteorologist Travis Herzog at ABC 13 had senior Chandler Grimes as a shadow.

"Chandler asked a lot of great questions," Herzog said. "This is a great opportunity for the students, and I enjoyed the experience."

Grimes speaks highly of his experience with Herzog at ABC 13.

"I got to see what it is really like to be a meteorologist," Grimes

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said. "Travis Herzog attended Texas A&M, and that is where I am going next year. He was able to answer a lot of my questions, not only about the career, but also about what all it takes to get there."

Senior Julio Almarez and Junior Menna Shummie worked for a day with Bailey Architects. These students were challenged upon arrival at their job shadowing site with a Charette assignment (an architectural design project) where they were to recreate the office layout for the company, and formally present their design in front of the company in the board room that afternoon.

"My favorite part was being able to learn how architects work on a day to day basis," Almarez said. "The Charette presentation was fun, and they made us present our design in the format that they do for real projects."

Menna says that the experience wasn't what she expected going into the day.

"It was an eye opening experience; the process by which architecture projects get done is very detailed and tedious. It was very different than I had anticipated, but it gave me a new outlook for the profession and all that they do on a daily basis," Menna said.

Manvel High's CTE Department Chair, LaKisha Holloway was pleased and excited with the community's participation in the event and plans to include more and more community members in the future.

"Our goal in the Career and Technical Education Department (CTE) is to provide relevant learning experiences for our students," Holloway said. "By having a Job Shadowing Day as a learning option, our students are able to participate in relevant work experience that could help guide them in decisions about their future career goals. The community participation was amazing, and proves that the professionals in our surrounding area care about our students."

The CTE Department at MHS would like to thank all of the professionals that hosted the Manvel students for our 2013 Job Shadowing Day. We look forward to an even greater event next year.

Cutline: Senior Chandler Grimes at the ABC 13 News desk

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## Keep Pearland Beautiful

Keep Pearland Beautiful will be hosting Environmental Awareness Day at the Westside Events Center, located at 2150 Countryplace Pkwy, Pearland, Texas 77584, on Saturday March 23, 2013 from 8AM - 12PM. Come and learn about your impact on the environment and ways to be more eco-friendly through kitchen composting, other "green" practices, and city ordinances. First 100 visitors will receive a KPB kitchen compost pail.

Make a difference in your community: Please consider becoming a member of Keep Pearland Beautiful! Your generous donation and support allow us to provide valuable services and educational opportunities to the Pearland community. Together, we can make Pearland the cleanest, most beautiful city in Texas. For more information on becoming a member, please contact KPB at (281) 652-1659.

## Peace Church Pearland Hosts Easter Egg Hunt - March 30

Peace Presbyterian Church, Pearland, invites the community to its free Easter Egg Hunt and celebration at Southdown Park (next to Westside Event Center in Pearland) on March 30 from 3 to 5 PM. Children in age groups from pre-Kindergarten to 5th grade will hunt for over 1000 eggs!



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#### 2. DEVELOP CONFIDENCE & FOCUS

Tennis helps develop life skills that serve children well. Respect, self-control and determination are just a start. Tennis also teaches children to adapt and adjust to different styles of play and how to overcome mistakes. These are important life skills that help build self confidence and focus.

#### 3. CULTIVATE SPORTSMANSHIP AND TEAMWORK

One of the great benefits of tennis is that it can be both an individual sport and a team sport. This unique combination allows children to play, develop and compete in a way that best suits their ability and desires. Team practices help kids create friendships and enjoy the encouragement of a coach, all while learning the dynamics of team interaction. The individual aspect of the sport helps kids develop at their own pace and compete on an individual level. It's a winning combination.

#### 4. CROSS-TRAIN & EXERCISE THE BRAIN.

No sport tops tennis at developing hand-eye coordination, and with plenty of starts, stops and direction changes, tennis provides great cross-training for other sports. The on-court maneuvers help develop balance, agility and coordination. Plus, constantly reacting to opponents' shots keeps your mind sharp as your mind and body work together.

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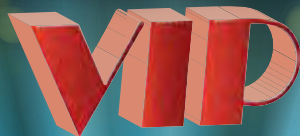
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