

# THE TIMES

NEWS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF BRIDGELAND

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## SHREDDING DAY

Both the MUD #149 and WCID # 157 have been responding to citizen concerns raised in the May 2018 election. Sponsored by The MUD #149 and Republic Waste, the First Shredding Day was held in Bridgeland on June 23rd, where over 81 Bridgelanders filled 2/3rd of the largest shredder truck available. Many thanks to our Bridgeland volunteers, MUD #149 Board Member Radney Poole, Nikki Daraphet, Wil Armstrong, Kay Burkhalter and Republic Waste volunteers. Many thanks to Nikki Daraphet who took photos for PR about our Shredding Event. We all looked "tres chic" in our safety vests. (haha) It was a very hot, sunny and humid day. Your MUD #149 Board Members are Bob Thomas, Chair, Radney Poole, Vice Chair, Ed Conger, newly elected members Shea Thielen 281-384-2881 or SheaThielen@gmail.com and Sandy Kalab sandy.kalab@sbcglobal.net

On June 14, WCID #157 held its first ever monthly Board meeting in Bridgeland, which was well attended by our residents. The WCID Board all provided their phone or email addresses as contact information.

So if you see a problem or have a problem with flooding, drainage or our lakes give them a call.

On July 3 the WCID #157 Board held a Q&A meeting with Bridgeland Resident. A meaningful and productive dialogue was conducted for over an hour. Thank you Bridgelanders for your attendance and input! Your WCID #157 Board Members are Chair Keith Nystrom, keithnystrom@yahoo.com, Vice Chair Cameron Dickey, camerondickeywcid@yahoo.com , Shane Bueno 909-214-3697, James Motejzik, and Dave Redburn, redokie798@gmail.com

Both Boards are working interviewing vendors to provide the best website with the cost to be shared between the two boards. You asked for more transparency, easy communication, and more accountability

from your Boards. Your Boards are doing what you ask! The last issue raised by Bridgelanders is lower taxes, which is a tough balancing act between lower fees and secure sustainable water, sewage, flood control, garbage services, healthy lakes, park maintenance and law enforcement security. Tax rates will be set in October 2018.

Note: The opinions in this article are solely those of Kay Burkhalter



Left to right: Barbara Nussa of Republic Services; L. Govea of Republic Services; Kay Burkhalter, Bridgeland; Bob Smith of Pro-Shredder; Wil Armstrong, Bridgeland; Nikki Daraphet, Bridgeland

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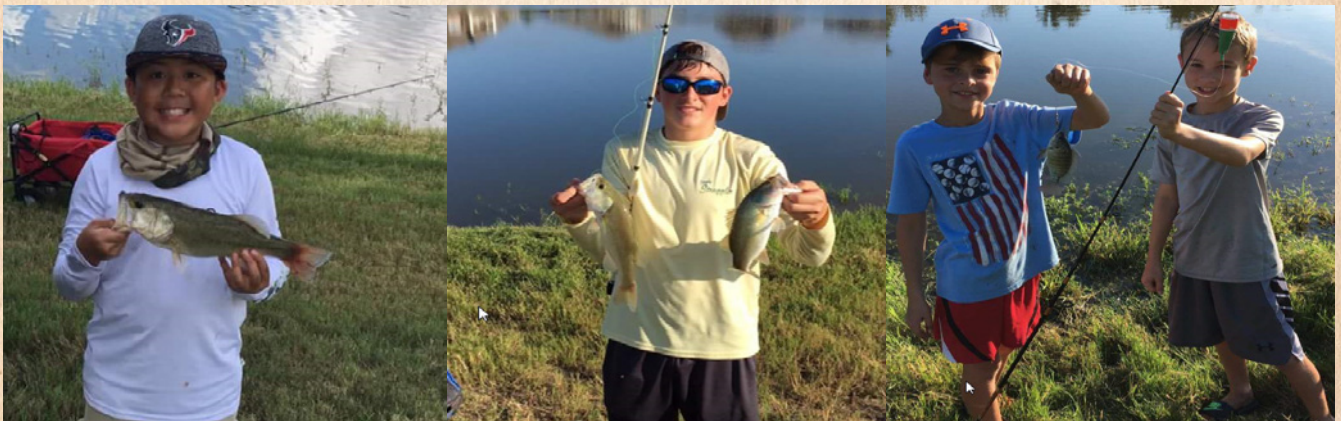
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Being born in India, I never imagined I would move as a married immigrant to Pennsylvania, in the USA in 2009. I flew miles away from India to witness this New World, which was different in its culture, food, accent, climate, and language. I soon discovered that I was stepping into a new world of opportunities, beliefs, and learning. The first success in my journey was at Pennsylvania State College where I was hired as full-time data entry operator. I

enjoyed the Arts Group at Pennsylvania State College and established my own business in art, crafts, and home decorating.

When my husband got an opportunity to move to Houston and Bridgeland, I was excited but at the same time knew I had to start over. So in 2017, I joined the Bridgeland Leadership program, which teaches residents about the Bridgeland Community. As a part of the Bridgeland Leadership service requirement, I began to lead the

Bridgeland Art's group along with another friend, Judy Ruhlin. We found the passion for Art in Bridgeland and I began re-establishing my art business. Because I also work full time as a data processor and as a wife and mother of two it's a fresh breathe of air to take in live in Bridgeland and experience its wonderful residents

I finished my master's degree in Enterprise Architecture at Pennsylvania State University through an online program. In December 2017, I received my graduation certificate and it was a divine experience for my entire family to witness the whole ceremony.

My husband and I are fortunate to have friends who helped us on our journey. My journey has been possible because of my visas. Being a green card holder for the last five years gave me the confidence to dream and support my fellow beings and prepare for citizenship. In the spring of 2018 in a very special ceremony and moment, my husband and I received our American Citizenship. We can now call the USA our motherland. We now hope to be able to encourage and guide others to achieve their vision and be happy in this special land of opportunity, the USA.

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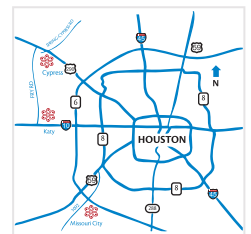
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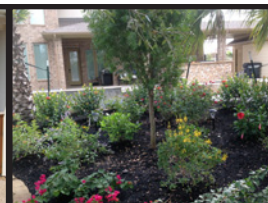
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The Second Bridgeland Community Fun Run/Walk, open to everyone, will be held October 20, 2018 @ 8am at the Bridgeland Festival Park in Cypress, TX. The event will include a 5k walk/run and a children's 1k run/walk @ 9 am in Bridgeland, along with booth vendors, food trucks, entertainment and a costume contest for the children. The children's walk is open to strollers and wagons. Each participant are encouraged to have sponsors, who pledge a contribution for every mile run or walked on behalf of our service men and women. Special prizes will be awarded to those who meet certain fund levels. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place trophies will be awarded for winners of the 5K and children's costume contest. To register to run/walk go to [bridgelandrunforheroes2018.eventbrite.com](http://bridgelandrunforheroes2018.eventbrite.com)

Who are your military heroes, George Washington, General Patton, Louis Zapperini, the Bengazi defenders, Marcus Luttrell, Chris Kyle, your father, your mother, your best friend, or someone who died in action for our freedom? This October 20, 2018 let us run/walk in honor of our heroes, so that we may never forget their sacrifices for our country.

All proceeds will benefit The Bridgeland Community Support Veterans, Inc. by raising funds to 1.) Build a \$1.5 million dollar Veterans Memorial in the Bridgeland Community in Cypress, Texas, 2.) Support immediate needs for Veterans in the community and 3.) Continue our Veterans Memorial Day & Veterans Day Festivals.

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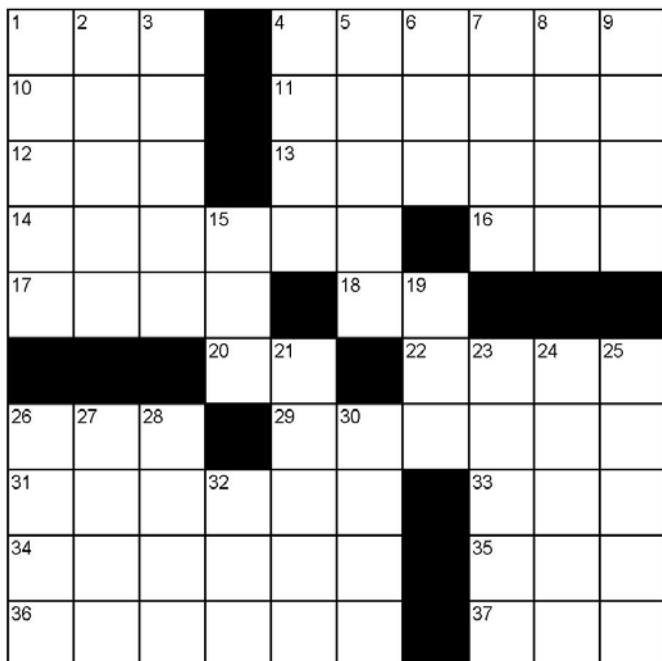
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4. Tennis player Andre
10. Reverence
11. Gamin
12. Battle of nations
13. Contenders
14. Citizen of Libya
16. Received
17. Eye infection
18. Doctor (abbr.)
20. Quiet!
22. Lazy
26. April (abbr.)
29. Islands off of Portugal
31. Baby's sock
33. Cereal
34. Gives a lift
35. South southeast
36. Ticklish spot
37. That girl

### DOWN

1. Cries
2. Wait for
3. Bowler hat
4. Nimbus
5. Labor
6. Air Cushion Vehicle (abbr.)
7. Thick carpet
8. Farm building
9. Institution (abbr.)
15. Okay
19. Rio de Janeiro
21. Island
23. Waste matter
24. What you need to walk the dog
25. Sugar-free brand
26. Syrian bishop
27. Shoddy
28. Part of a house
30. Enjoyment
32. Cooking measurement

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\$451,000--\$499,999	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	3	1	3
\$351,000--\$450,999	13	6	4	12	3	9	9	9	7	16
\$276,000--\$350,999	18	7	6	1	6	6	7	14	19	9
\$231,000--\$275,999	3	3	5	5	1	0	7	3	6	5
\$201,000--\$230,999	1	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	1
\$200,999 and below	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>
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