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Court hears financial audit report for 2014

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY
 The Waller Times

On Wednesday, September 30, the Waller County Commissioners Court met in regular session at 9 a.m. at the Waller County Courthouse. County Judge Trey Duhon conducted the meeting also attended by Commissioners John Amsler, Russell Klecka, and Justin Beckendorff. Commissioner Jeron Barnett was unable to attend due to his daughter's participation in events at the Waller County Fair.

The court heard a presentation of the 2014 Financial Audit for Waller County by outside Auditor, Lewis Crain of Rutledge, Crain and Company, PC. According to Crain, the county added to its reserves, despite a difficult year.

Crain also stated that the county's pension liability will rise on financial documents, due to a more accurate reporting system. Discussion ensued of the future possibility of going to a 401K type pension for future employees.

County Auditor Alan Younts stated, "The county is working diligently to address pension liability problems, and has already taken steps to alleviate additional liabilities to the county."

According to the audit, the General Fund added \$2,014,364.00 to the fund balance in 2014, making the total fund balance for the county \$14,171,039.00 as of 12-31-14. The Road and Bridge Fund lost \$510,831.00 in fund balance, leaving a balance of \$711,145.00. For Capital Projects, the county issued \$5,000,000.00 in bonds in 2014 and \$2,055,006.00 remain in the balance as of 12-31-14. These funds are

restricted for approved capital projects. Other government lost \$23,603, leaving a total fund balance of \$1,935,708.00 (this includes all grants, debt service, and special revenue funds).

In other business, the court authorized the County Judge to publish a Notice of Election for the Local Option Election, involving the sale of alcohol, and the Constitutional Amendment Elections to be held on November 3.

The court also voted to enter into a joint election agreement with Waller ISD, who will hold a bond election for the district on November 3.

At the request of the Elections Administrator Dan Teed, the court approved rental of two U-Haul trailers for up to four days to haul election equipment to the polling places for branch early voting and election day sites, for a low cost of \$18.95 per day per trailer.

John Amsler, Commissioner Pct. 1, in opposition to a 5% county-wide salary increase passed by a majority of the Commissioners Court, sent an official letter to both Joan Sargent, Waller County Treasurer, and Alan Younts, Waller County Auditor, asking that his \$2,925 salary increase - as well as the \$600 travel allowance increase - be withheld from his check received for services as Pct. 1 Commissioner of Waller County.

According to Amsler's request, the sums should be withheld in 12 equal payments and those sums donated to the general fund, as set forth in Section 152.002. Commissioner Amsler has made several public statements during Commissioners Court stating his opposition to a salary increase.

Fill The Boot campaign successful

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY
 The Waller Times

On Saturday, September 19, the Waller Volunteer Fire Department held its annual Fill the Boot campaign in support of Muscular Dystrophy.

Seven firefighters, situated on both the north and south intersections of US 290 and FM 362, collected donations from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. According to Assistant Fire Chief Dwayne Hajek, a total of \$3,626.79 was raised and the entire amount was donated to MDA.

The Fill the Boot campaign began six decades ago, to support MDA's services locally and nationally, including supporting clinics staffed solely with specialists in muscle diseases and sponsoring summer camps for children affected with a muscle disease.

Founded in 1950, MDA is a voluntary health agency working to defeat more than 40 neuromuscular diseases through worldwide research. The association's programs are entirely funded by private contributions.



Pictured are six of the seven members of the Waller Volunteer Fire Department who volunteered their time on September 19 to collect donations for the annual Fill the Boot campaign. The group collected \$3,626.79 for MDA. Submitted photo.

2015 Waller County Fair Jr. Livestock Auction
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Grand Champion Steer, Parker Wilson, Double H Ranch, \$11,000.



Grand Champion Heifer, Parker Wilson, Double H Ranch, \$11,000.



Grand Champion Scramble Heifer, Michael Payten, Edmonds Insurance, \$8,000.

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Local author uses Hempstead setting

Joyce Richards Case and her husband, Jerold Case, are former owners of The Promise Land ostrich ranch in Kenny, Texas. Hempstead is the setting of a new series of novels by Joyce whose mother was raised in the area. Her parents were married in Hempstead in 1928. The author calls The Prichard Family series "fiction wrapped around fact."

Henry and Ida Richards, Joyce's parents, established several weekly newspapers in Texas. In the 1950's they published The Houston West Side Reporter, cited by the

Texas Press Association as the largest paid circulation weekly newspaper in the state. During that time, they also published The Waller Herald, and The Katy Express.

Joyce began writing a column for The Reporter at age 14 and worked in the front office after school. She also ran the Addressograph machine on press nights. After her marriage, she raised a family and pursued a modeling career in California. With her three

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Waller Wonders - *It's elementary, my dear Watson ...*

By NANCY ARNOLD



why it is important to educate ourselves about why it is necessary to pass the November 3 Waller ISD bond referendum.

Along with several dozen of my fellow citizens, I had an incredible opportunity to learn – in depth – about the Waller Independent School District. How big it is. How many schools – and students – we have. How much we grow every year. What facilities we have. What facilities we need. And how little it will cost to address all of that.

The Waller ISD covers 328 square miles. To compare, the Cy-Fair ISD covers 186 square miles. Our district population is about 30,000. We have eight schools: one high school (built in 1998), two junior high schools, and five elementary schools. The surrounding school districts include Cy-Fair; Tomball; Magnolia; Royal; Katy; Navasota, and Hempstead.

Okay, now that you have the layout fixed in your mind, know that we have almost 6,600 students in those eight schools, taught by 405 teachers. That's a 16.8 to 1 student/teacher ratio. Our high school graduation rate is 98.4%, compared to the Texas

average of 88.3%. Bottom line – we have a pretty terrific school system.

But it is a really crowded school system. In 2007, when we had our last school bond referendum, we had 5,180 students. By 2024, conservative estimates are that we'll have over 12,000 students. We add about 1,200 students every 2-3 years, and there's no sign that will slow.

We're okay – for now – with the upper level schools. However, our elementary schools are bursting at the seams. Jones Elementary, built in 1956, has room for 305 students. It has 358. Roberts Road has room for 584; it has 620. Fields Store, with 675 seats, has 700. Holleman has 807 students, 41 students over capacity. The newest, Turlington Elementary, has room for 800 students, and it already has 802.

The bond will replace the 59-year-old Jones Elementary with an 800-capacity, technologically modern school. Waller ISD does not own the Jones campus; we just lease it from Prairie View A & M University. No other Texas university has an elementary school on its campus. We can't make capital improvements to the facility, and Prairie View's growth

creates problems for them and for Waller. The new school would be built near Prairie View, keeping with Waller's vision for neighborhood schools.

Roberts Road, in Hockley, is experiencing explosive growth, but is still a solid facility. The bond would finance an expansion of 15 additional classrooms to accommodate 330 more students.

Portable buildings. No one likes them, but they serve a purpose. For the near-term, they will address student growth in the elementary schools for about 3-5 years. Each portable building holds 44 students in two classrooms. Three portables are already in place at Jones, Fields Store, and Turlington. The bond will pay for those and six more, for a total of nine, at a cost of \$80,000 each.

Then there's land. It ain't getting any cheaper; in fact, if you priced land six months ago, you'll pay more to buy that land today. As Daddy used to say, "They aren't making any more dirt." We need to grab some of that dirt while there's still dirt to be grabbed. This bond will buy land for two elementary schools, one junior high, and one high school. That will

take care of our land needs for maybe 5-10 years.

Back when dinosaurs roamed the Earth (with apologies to my classmates), I went to high school in the old, OLD high school building. Ceilings were 20 feet high, and all classrooms had high windows that required a long pole to open and close them. No screens. Just fresh air, augmented by slowly-turning black ceiling fans. If we were lucky, we got to sit by a window where we could feel a little air.

Not today. Buildings don't have windows, and air conditioning is vital. Some of our HVAC systems are 30+ years old; they don't even make parts anymore! Just last week, a unit went out at Schultz Junior High and the students had to stay out on the covered porch until 10 a.m. because it was so stifling in the building. Part of the bond money will replace HVAC and electrical components in Roberts Road Elementary, Schultz and Waller Junior Highs, and Waller High School.

Okay, we've drifted away from the elementary schools a bit, but I think you can see how important passage of this bond is. I'll pass along

some more of my incredible education next week, but first, let me tell you how this educational opportunity came along.

Back in the spring, almost 70 ordinary citizens gathered at the high school cafeteria, warily wondering what we had gotten ourselves into. The 57 of us who signed on really are ordinary citizens, women and men of all ages, working/not working/retired, parents and grandparents or not. We had doctors, lawyers, but no Indian chiefs that I know of. The one thing we had in common is that we are ALL taxpayers ... ordinary tax payers, just like you.

Over three months and 1,368 hours, we listened to statistics and poured over maps, charts, and graphs. We heard from financial advisors and bond experts. We learned how much money one or two cents in taxes would generate. We climbed into school buses and toured schools (now THAT was an experience!). We heard presentations and more presentations from very dedicated district staff members. We argued. We questioned. We discussed. We

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You may recall, as I did, that phrase by the famous – and fictional – detective Sherlock Holmes. Turns out he DIDN'T say it, although he would exclaim "elementary!" often as he set about solving a mystery.

However, Holmes did say, "Education never ends, Watson. It is a series of lessons with the greatest for the last." (*The Adventure of the Red Circle*)

Indeed, education never ends, and it is through education that civilization grows and achieves. That's

Philadelphia, The Pope and a Pilgrimage to remember

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY



and a quick plane change in Denver, we finally arrived in the City of Brotherly Love. And indeed it was a joyous reunion with family, after which we commenced to enjoy the evening together, walking to dine at the North Third Restaurant in Northern Liberties, noting as we walked, the blessedly cool weather of Philadelphia.

Long ago, the City of Philadelphia was deemed by renowned artist Gilbert Stuart to be the "Athens of America", and at the time of the American Revolution, it had become a thriving river port and the largest city of British North America. Situated between the Delaware and Schuylkill Rivers, Philadelphia is well-known for its historical sites and many museums.

To prepare for the arrival and safety of the pope, and in an unprecedented action, a five-square mile area in the heart of the city was closed to vehicular traffic. Concrete blocks cut off entry to all but bicycles and pedestrians, and Pennsylvania National Guard stood guarding each intersection.

We were quite in awe, for we have never witnessed so much security in our lives – and God Bless them – they did a tremendous job in keeping us all safe. We spotted Secret Service in their black heavily-tinted Suburbans, Homeland Security, Philadelphia PD on bicycles and on foot, National Park Police, and Park Rangers throughout the city – all working side by side, and on the streets there appeared to be more security than pilgrims.

Because of this, we were able to commute miles to and around Center City effortlessly on bicycles.

My son and his wife marveled at the absence of vehicles, which enabled us to bike four abreast down what was usually the busiest streets of the city, freed from the "tyranny of the car."

And bike we did during our stay – miles upon uncounted glorious miles, unfettered by Texas heat, feeling quite comfortable in our light jackets. Of course, there was also walking, miles of it. But the skies were blue, the air crisp and cool, and with spirits high, we could not complain.

My daughter had not yet been to Philadelphia, so we spent our first day touring the historical sights in Center City that are foundational to our freedom as Americans. For it is in Philadelphia that Jefferson wrote and the Founders signed the Declaration of Independence, pledging their "lives, fortunes, and sacred honor." It was also in Philadelphia that delegates from our struggling young nation met to write the U.S. Constitution in the hallowed halls of the original Pennsylvania State House, now known as Independence Hall.

As an added blessing, there were no crowds at these sites, and in what we deemed a minor miracle, we were first in line to Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell – still engraved with those profound words, "Proclaim Liberty throughout the land unto All the Inhabitants Thereof."

As we strolled through Independence National Historical Park, where much of our Colonial, Revolutionary and Federal-Period heritage is well preserved, we felt like we were in a time machine

which had whizzed us back to the 18th century. By touring Congress Hall, Christ Church, the original President's House, the Betsy Ross House, and Elfreth's Alley – the oldest continuous residential street in America – we caught a glimpse of the world in which our Founders lived and breathed.

Not to be missed is the state-of-the-art National Constitution Center, with its 360-degree multimedia

Kimmel Theater, bronze life-sized statues of the delegates who signed the Constitution on September 17, 1787, and a unique interactive museum showcasing the development of the Constitution and its amendments. Here we were also able to see one of the original copies of the Bill of Rights.

One cannot help but be inspired and filled with awe to be in the very spot where a few men

deemed, at great peril to themselves, to chart a course for a new kind of nation – unfettered from kings and queens, whose power lies in the hands of "We the People".

That afternoon, we ate Italian pulled pork at Philly's iconic Reading Terminal, filled with restaurants, produce markets, and shops. Tommy Dinic's counter, usually

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Planning for our journey began several months ago when my daughter, Kristin, and I heard that Pope Francis was coming to Philadelphia for the 8th World Meeting of Families.

"Mom, we should go!" Kristin suggested. Of course, unlike most pilgrims, we have a Philadelphia connection – my son, Zachary and his wife Liz – live a short hop from Philadelphia's Center City. So why not? We could experience the great joy of a reunion with family along with seeing Pope Francis.

And so it happened. After a long drive to Austin Bergstrom,

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daughters grown, Joyce worked for Continental Airlines as a Flight Attendant. She and Jerold now reside in New Iberia, Louisiana.

The amazing stories of Joyce's family never left her thoughts. She has entwined history, family events, and humorous tales into a saga of persistence over difficulties, a testimony of never giving up, and belief in a dream. Joyce said, "If an aspiration is within and grows as a talent is developed, surely God has given you a mission. Mine is the telling of a family with problems and bumpy detours, yet they overcame to establish a publishing company which gave my two brothers and their extended families a lifelong profession."

She has taken the events of her newspaper family to weave a heart rendering story of enduring love through trials and triumphs. In the first volume, Paper Dreams, the romance of Hope Davidson and Winston Prichard began at their first meeting in the office of The Hempstead News. Their courtship takes place on the weathered porch of the Davidson home under the watchful eye of Hope's strict papa. Winston shares his lifelong dream with Hope of owning a newspaper and she embraces his aspiration. His love for her is deep,

but he struggles with past secrets and present deceptions.

The first book reveals much of Winn's hidden past and Hope's strength as they begin their life together with only a couple of suitcases. Hope is a strong woman of faith who must cope with Winn's drinking binges, encounters with difficult in-laws, and extreme hardship of the Great Depression. They endure the difficulties of living in an oil boom town and the necessity of staying with Winn's critical mother while keeping a determined eye on their newspaper goal.

Hope's family in Hempstead plays a significant part throughout the series with the Prichard's frequent visits. In Pressing on with Hope, the second in the series, endearing characters are developed and amazing events toward the Prichard family further toward their dream. Volume three, Passages Between the Columns, was just released by Inspiring Voices, a subsidiary of Guidepost.

Joyce's books are available on Amazon. Her inspiring, sometimes whimsical blogs are on her website, joycerichardscase.com, and The Prichard Family on Facebook.

News Briefs

CALH plans More Than a Garage Sale

The Citizens Against the Landfill in Hempstead (CALH) are planning their next More Than a Garage Sale on Friday, October 9, 2015 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. in Hempstead. Donations can be dropped off at Schwarz Hardware at 641 10th Street from Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and on Saturday, from 9 a.m. – 12 noon. For more information, visit them online at www.StopHwy6Landfill.com.

HHS Parent Night Planned for October 12

Hempstead High School will host Parents' Night on Monday, October 12. Parents and Guardians are invited to attend from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. There will be a brief meeting in the auditorium from 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. This is an important meeting to attend. Following the meeting, parents will be able to pick up their child's progress reports and visit with their teachers.

Health Screenings Coming to Hempstead

Residents living in the Hempstead-Waller area can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Hempstead Church of Christ will host this community event on October 20, 2015. The site is located at 23100 Fm 359 in Hempstead. Screenings can check for the level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health; HDL and LDL Cholesterol levels; diabetes risk; bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis; and kidney and thyroid function. Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is also available. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Relay for Life to hold Scare Campaign

Relay For Life of Waller County will be hosting a Mile of Dollars fundraiser on Saturday, October 31. They will be collecting at the major intersections off of Hwy. 290 including FM 2920, Fields Store Road and FM 362. The fill the bucket campaign will be from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Organizers hope to put a "scare" in cancer as they raise funds to end this horrible disease. The money will benefit the American Cancer Society. Waller's Relay (the 11th one to be held in Waller) is held on the first Friday in May, which will be Friday, May 6, 2016 next year. They are currently signing up teams and accepting donations. For more information or to sponsor a team, contact Theresa Miller at 713 818-1594.

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Waller Police Department activity Sept. 23 – Oct. 1

Waller Police Department responded to 73 calls for service resulting in three incident reports. Other Officers completed nine accident reports and seven information reports.

On September 25, Officer Serges responded to investigate the report of an assault located at 40900 U.S. Highway 290. The complainant reported that he was physically assaulted by a

man who jumped out of this vehicle and struck the complainant in the face twice before jumping into his vehicle and driving away. The complainant was unable to provide and additional information. The case was forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division for further investigation.

On September 26, Officer D. Fernand responded to the 2418 block of Cherry Street for

the theft of a motor vehicle. The complainant stated that he was inside his home when he heard his dogs barking and heard the sound of his truck starting up. Complainant stated that he ran outside to find his truck gone. The case was forward to the Criminal Investigation Division for further investigation.

On September 26, Officer Serges and Officer Fernand re-

sponded to the 2905 block of Old Washington to investigate the report of Criminal Mischief. The complainant stated that he discovered that three vehicles parked on his commercial business lot had been damaged. Officer Fernand was able to recover a fingerprint from one of the vehicles. The case was forward to the Criminal Investigation Division for further investigation.

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three deep with multiple rows of customers, was remarkably easily accessible, as were all the shops that day.

Philadelphia is also home to hundreds of churches and shrines. Most notable are the Miraculous Medal Shrine, the National Shrine of St. Rita, the National Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel, and of St. John Neumann, which was just one block from my son's home. What an inspiration these men and women of God are still to the world. Their devotion to the disadvantaged and sick, and faithfulness to the teachings of Christ is what the world needs today, and it was an honor to learn of their lives and how they brought the love Jesus to the masses.

Our pilgrimage continues.

Early the next morning, we awoke to blue skies and cool temperatures, and enjoyed Philly's traditional "pour-over" coffee while planning our day. Pope Francis was to give a speech at Independence Hall that afternoon, and not knowing the size of the crowd, we set off early to find a suitable spot. Luckily for us, we were able to find a quite satisfactory location on the wide brick railing just outside of the Independence Visitor Center, allowing us visibility above the crowd. It was there we waited for at least four hours, but with the nearby convenience of the visitor center's facilities. And to us, it was well worth the wait.

Pope Francis, the 266th vicar of our church since St. Peter, came to Philadelphia to participate in the World Meeting of Families, initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1994, in an attempt to extol the value of the family and of family life during this time of its steep decline.

Pope Francis, the son of Italian immigrants, was born Jorge Bergoglio, in Argentina on December 17, 1936. To Francis, family is life, and he is known for having a special affinity for grandparents, since his grandmother, Rosa Bergoglio played a dominant and loving role throughout his childhood and early adulthood, until her death when he was a young priest.

As it turns out, our chosen perch was a great one because Pope Francis entered Independence Park in his open jeep, passing less than 30 feet from our location. It was an honor to stand near and to be in the presence of this humble man, who is striving to be a living witness of Christian values in a troubled world.

Words cannot express our feelings. Later, when we encountered a priest on our flight home, he said

the same--there are no words. We were filled with the Holy Spirit. We were inspired, I know, just as early Christians must have been when they saw St. Peter, St. Paul, or any of the Apostles enter their town.

During his speech at Independence Square, Pope Francis expounded to the crowd on the American right to religious freedom, which "transcends places of worship and the private sphere of the family and must extend into the public square."

And in his most profound statement that day, Pope Francis added, "In a world where various forms of modern tyranny seek to suppress religious freedom, or try to reduce it to a subculture without a right to a voice in the public square, it is imperative that the followers of various religions join their voices in calling for tolerance and respect for the religious rights of others."

On a side note, Pope Francis, in an act of religious tolerance, took time to visit with Kim Davis, the much maligned county clerk who has refused to sign same-sex marriage licenses, and giving her a big hug, encouraged her to stay strong. Davis, who is not a Catholic, has stated that she was greatly moved by the meeting.

Pope Francis ended his Independence Hall speech reminding Americans "to be responsible citizens, and to contribute fruitfully to the life of the communities in which you live." And as always, he then asked all present to pray for him.

For us, our day was not over by a long shot. In fact, it had only just begun. After the speech, which ended near 5 p.m., we hurriedly biked to Fairmount Park, on the banks of the Schuylkill River, the location for the nighttime concert. It seems our small group was among the lucky ones, because we never had to wait long in line to go through security, and were easily able to enter the secure area, despite not having tickets to the later events.

That night, standing near the fence along the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, we were able to again see the Pope as he paraded by to attend

the concert, kissing babies all the while, who were passed forward to him by the Secret Service.

On that cool Philadelphia night, we stood gladly on our aching feet to hear the concert, beginning with one of our favorite Christian artists, Matt Maher, followed by Sister Sledge singing a rousing rendition of "We Are Family." During that song, everyone, including hundreds of nuns from various orders, in an expression of joy, stood and danced to the music.

Other artists that performed that evening were the "Queen of Soul", Aretha Franklin and the world famous Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli. The festival concluded with testimonials from families hailing from five continents on the joys and challenges of family life. Pope Francis concluded the events by addressing the crowd at length about the importance of families, urging people to take special care of their children and grandparents.

On Sunday afternoon, in an epic show of faith, under an overcast sky, nearly one million people packed the Benjamin Franklin Parkway to hear Pope Francis officiate the final mass of his journey to America. The parkway had become an outdoor cathedral, at first a little noisy with the bustle of movement, but when mass began, a hush came over the crowd as if the city had hit the pause button.

Here gathered nearly a million people from over 100 nations to worship Jesus Christ in holy mass. We stood shoulder to shoulder from different ethnicities and cultures, some with children perched on their shoulders. In reverence, we prayed and sang as one.

In his homily, the pope spoke of the importance of strong families and the sanctity of marriage. He spoke against the pursuit of wealth that exploits humans and the earth itself. He urged help for the desperate refugees fleeing the violent conflict of the Middle East, and emphasized the necessity of religious liberty. He reminded everyone to "live your faith always. Faith is action. Be generous with your love, in heart, and in faith."

One spectator, who is not Cath-

olic, but a Baptist, said, "America needed this. We need revival. We need to show love, compassion, and caring as he has said. Today, we're all God's people."

During Communion, carrying yellow-and-white umbrellas for visibility, hundreds of priests distributed hosts to the masses, as the crowd reverently lined up singing "Gift of Finest Wheat", as well as other communion hymns. Walking in line to communion, tears streamed down my face as I thought of the wonder of so many of God's people coming together to worship in this place.

The recessionary hymn for the mass, "To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King", still reverberates in my heart. I cannot seem to get it out of my mind, which is not really a bad thing. The song was written by a German-American priest, Monsignor Martin Hellrigel in 1941 as a response to his native country's adulation of Adolph Hitler and his false doctrine. Part of the lyrics read: "To Jesus Christ our sovereign King, who is the world's salvation, All praise and honor do we bring and thanks and adoration. Christ Jesus, Victor! Christ Jesus, Ruler!, Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer."

Leaving our nation on Sunday evening, aboard Shepherd One to return to Rome, Pope Francis humbly addressed the crowd, thanking America for its hospitality and law enforcement for their protection and finally asked all who listened to remember to pray for him, too.

More than anything, my experience reminded me of the need to strongly live out our mission for Christ in this world. I truly felt the power of the Holy Spirit, and I know my family and I will never forget our special pilgrimage. It was truly a time of blessing for us.

The day ended with our long bicycle ride back to my son's home, where we enjoyed the rest of our time together--mom, daughter, son, and daughter-in-law--drinking coffee and reminiscing about the past and speaking with greater hope about the future.

Love will keep us together. Contact Carrie at gidget2114@gmail.com for any questions or comments on her columns.

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Joyce Richards Case wraps fiction around fact in her heartfelt Christian novels with the setting in Hempstead

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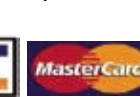
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National 4-H Week in Texas proclaimed

On September 16, the Waller County 4-H Council officers and 4-H Ambassadors presented a proclamation to Waller County Commissioners Court. This proclamation recognizes 4-H youth for their citizenship, leadership skills and their involvement in the community, and designates October 4-10, 2015 as "National 4-H Week in Texas."

The Waller County 4-H Council officers and Ambassadors received a gracious and warm welcome from the court. A presentation was delivered by local 4-H members, describing 4-H and how it has touched their lives and the lives of others involved in the 4-H program.

John Philip Jones, Waller County 4-H Council Chairman and a 4-H Ambassador, provided an overview of 4-H history and development as well as the 4-H Wildlife & Fisheries project and the Meat Science project. Additionally, he spoke about 4-H leadership and community service.

Avery Carpenter, County Council Vice-Chairman, presented about the 4-H livestock judging contest opportunities. 4-H Ambassador Joe Franklin presented about



Waller County 4-H members joined Waller County Commissioners Court in Proclaiming October 4-10 as National 4-H Week in Texas. Shown are (l-r) Jeron Barnett, Commissioner Pct. 3; Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Pct. 4; Catherin Franklin; Waller County Judge Trey Duhon; Avery Carpenter; John Philip Jones; Russell Klecka, Commissioner Pct. 2; John Amsler, Commissioner Pct. 1; Samantha Franklin; Joe Franklin; and Joshua Williams, Waller County Extension Agent. Submitted photo.

the 4-H Shooting Sports project, Ambassador Catherin Franklin presented about the Clothing and Textiles project; and Ambassador Samantha Franklin presented about the Public Speaking project. Toby Carpenter, County Council Secretary, was also present.

The Commissioners Court approved the proclamation designating October 4-10 as "National 4-H Week in Texas" and commended the 4-H Youth and Development program and all of the volunteers who make this program a success.

To close out the celebration of National 4-H Week in Waller County, Waller County 4-H invites the community to participate with

4-H, in partnership with Waller County Judge Trey Duhon and the Commissioners, in the One Day 4-H commemorative bur oak tree planting to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Texas A&M Forest Service. This event will take place on October 10 at 3 p.m. at the site of the new Prairie View Community Center.

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disagreed and we agreed.

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For members of my tribe, the "mature" voter, our taxes won't change at all. For that reason alone, we should vote FOR the bond. We also shouldn't forget that the kids

we're educating today will be the ones taking care of us as we age. I sure want those people to have the best education possible, you betcha!

Next Tuesday, October 14, there's an information meeting at the Hockley Community Center at 4:30, and another at the Waller High School at 7 p.m. On October 15, there's one at Jones Elementary at 7 p.m.

More are scheduled across the district, and I'll tell you where and when next week – and share with you a bunch of other stuff that \$71 million will cover.

Light the candles next week for Susan Ellison Windham, William Gunderson, Cynthia Powers,

Nancy Evans, Les Turpin, April Schmidt, Johnnie Wayne Braun, Gabrielle Ingram, Carol Paben Tesch, Alex Marsh, Vonnie Avila, Tommy LaBorde, Rowdy Haack, Avery Huber, Masson Starr, Ida Moore, Rhett Calder Loewe, Chance Christian Hoffart, Douglas Schmidt, Jessie Hooper, Sonia Hargrave, Sara Ediger, Savannah Sheffield, Bill Knapheide, Ashley Theiss, Tracy Albert Hans, Milton Dawson, Teresa Wilson, Lisa Boettcher, Shelby Barrett, Tony Grichar, Jr., Rose Mellman Arthur, Angela Sodalak, Heather Hooper, Kassie Kersh, Michelle Berstein, Michelle Lee, Jose Peralta, and Marla Cook.

Hard to believe, but Wilson

Dominguez is celebrating his first birthday! When he starts talking, he will call Stephen and Elizabeth Hart Dominguez Daddy and Mommy. You can bet that Don Hart is already teaching the boy how to say PaPa. For chocolate chip cookies, though, Wilson knows to ask Grandma (aka Betty Hart)!

Anniversary wishes for Mark and Jan Pinter, Ben and Holly Bennett, Matt and Michelle Strong, Delmiro (Ray) and Shannon Villanueva, Ron and Betsi Radenz, and David and Jane Wilkinson.

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Hempstead ISD took time prior to Friday night's game against the Crusaders on September 18 to recognize future athletes and cheerleaders at the annual Pee Wee Night. Following the recognition of over 80 youth from the Pee Wee football teams and cheerleading squads, the Varsity Bobcats took time to share high fives as they headed into the locker room prior to kick-off.

The young players and cheerleaders lined the field with a victory line for the Bobcats to run through as they came out of the tunnel before kick-off. The young fans were not disappointed as the Bobcats finished the night with a 34-29 victory over Concordia Lutheran.



Varsity Bobcats high five pee wee football players as they headed into the locker room before kick-off Friday night, September 18. HISD Public Information.

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Nelda Pearl Morris Petty passed away peacefully, with a smile on her face and song in her heart, September 18, 2015 - 9 days before her 94th birthday. She was born September 27, 1921 in Mountain View, AR to Montie Hubbard and Montie Artimsa Morris. Nelda attended high school in Ada, Oklahoma and graduated in 1937 from El Reno H.S., El Reno, Oklahoma with valedictorian honors. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree at the University of Oklahoma in 1941. Upon graduation, she was recruited by Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, OK and worked in the credit department. On November 8, 1942, she married her college

sweetheart, Elijah Edward Petty; they were married for 67 years. During WWII, Nelda followed her husband, who was in the Army, to Brownwood, Texas and then Tucson, Arizona where she worked at the University of Arizona. While her husband served in the Pacific Theater during WWII, Nelda lived in Denver, Colorado with her parents and worked in the purchasing department at a military contractor that installed the Norton Bomb System on B-17 and B-29 Aircraft. After her husband was discharged from the Army, they returned to Norman, Oklahoma where she worked for the University of Oklahoma while her husband finished his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering in 1948. For the next sixty plus years, Nelda was a homemaker and supported her husband in his career endeavors and entrepreneurial pursuits while mentoring two children. She and her family lived in Sherman, TX., Jacksonville, Ill., Sao Paulo, Brazil, Kankakee, Ill, Decatur, Ill, Mt. Zion, Ill and in 1988, she and her husband moved to Houston, Texas and then partnered with their son and daughter-in-law in a commercial cow-calf ranching

operation outside of Hempstead, Texas where she lived until July 2014 when she relocated to The Heritage Assisted Living Center in Tomball, Texas. Nelda was an accomplished pianist and organist and served as the organist in most of the churches where she was a member. She became fluent in Portuguese while living Brazil, and she and her husband traveled extensively to Europe, the Middle East, Mexico, Central and South America.

Nelda is preceded in death by her parents, Montie H. and Montie A. Morris, her beloved husband, Elijah Edward Petty, and her sister Jemetta Morris Hacker.

She is survived by her son, Montie Curtis Petty (OU-'73) and wife Deborah, Hempstead, TX, her daughter Vicki Ann Petty Kygar (OU-'84) and significant other Robert Weatherall, Ft. Worth, TX, sister-in-law, Nora Belle Reed, many nieces and nephews, and her companion dog, Mei Ling.

A memorial service will be held at the family ranch at a date yet to be determined.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Nelda's caregivers at the ranch: Lita Sierra, Cindy Dieringer, Lori Day and Ivy

Jo Nigh; all the loving and caring staff at The Heritage Tomball Assisted Living Center and Compassionate Care Hospice.

If you are interested in making a tribute to celebrate Nelda's life, the family suggests making a donation to: Boys & Girls Country, TOMAGWA HealthCare Ministries, American Diabetes Association, your local animal rescue group, or a charity of your choice.

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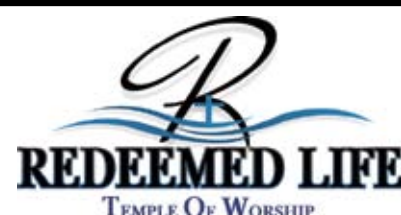
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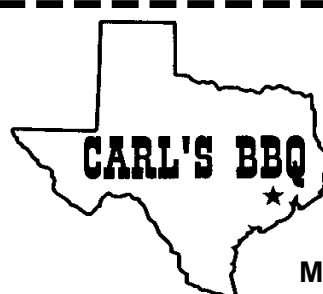
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Grand Champion Goat, Lane Alexander, Edmonds Insurance/Waller County Judge Trey Duhon, \$4,250.



Grand Champion Breeding Doe, Tristan Lampkin, Sim-Tex, \$5,000.



Grand Champion Lamb, Brooke Arnold, G&S Manufacturing, \$4,750.



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Reserve Champion Heifer, Parker Wilson, Sharon See, \$10,750.

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Reserve Champion Scramble Heifer, Alexzandra Schmidt, Top Creek Technical Services, \$7,500.



Reserve Champion Goat, Caleb Urban, Bussell & Sons, \$4,600.



Reserve Champion Breeding Doe, Callie Haack, SkyMac Ranch, \$5,000.



Reserve Champion Lamb, Dylan Arnold, BPC, \$4,000.



Reserve Champion Swine, Katie Warneke, Jim & Tracy O'Neil, \$5,500.



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2015 Waller ISD Bond Informational Community Meetings

Date	Meeting	Location	Time
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Wed. Oct. 14	Waller High School	Auditorium - 20950 Fields Store Rd. Waller, TX 77484	7 p.m.
Thurs. Oct. 15	H.T. Jones Elementary School	Gymnasium - University Dr. @ Owens Rd. Prairie View, TX 77446	7 p.m.
Tues. Oct. 20	W.C. Schultz Jr. High School	Cafeteria - 19010 Stokes Rd. Waller, TX 77484	7 p.m.

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Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on 10/23/2014 numbered 14-06-22585 on the docket of said court, and styled:

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL TEXAS, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

CHARLIE ROBINSON, RICHARD WAYNE STEPHENS, MICHAEL STEPHENS, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF LINDA A. ROBINSON, DECEASED, Defendants

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The names of the parties to the cause are as follows:

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL TEXAS, INC., Plaintiff, and CHARLIE ROBINSON, RICHARD WAYNE STEPHENS, MICHAEL STEPHENS, JOANN WEIGAND STEPHENS, ELIZABETH WEIGAND VARONA, KAREN HERARD, TIMOTHY MERCANTEL, ROBERT WEIGAND, JR., MICHAEL WEIGAND, DANIEL WEIGAND, Defendant(s)

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL, INC., its successors and assigns, as plaintiffs against CHARLIE ROBINSON, RICHARD WAYNE STEPHENS, MICHAEL STEPHENS, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF LINDA A. ROBINSON, DECEASED and any other person claiming any right, title, interest or possession in and to the property commonly known as 26285 Clark Road, Waller, Texas 77484, and legally described as:

LOT SEVEN (7), OF WEST MAGNOLIA FOREST, SECTION TWO (2), A SUBDIVISION LOCATED PARTLY IN THE GEORGE PETTUCK SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 240 AND PARTLY IN THE JAMES W. TUTTLE SURVEY, ABSTRACT 264, WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME 201 AT PAGE 445 OF THE DEED RECORDED OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS.

Plaintiff's petition is styled Wells Fargo Financial Texas, Inc. vs. Charlie Robinson, Richard Wayne Stephens, Michael Stephens and the Unknown Heirs at Law of Linda A. Robinson, Deceased. The Plaintiff seeks to enforce its home equity lien against and assert superior title to the above-described property as is more fully shown by plaintiff's petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Hempstead, Texas, this the 3rd day of September, 2015.

LIZ PRIKLE, District Clerk,
Waller County, Texas

By: Janie Derrick /s/ Janie Derrick Deputy
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COMMERCIAL

Being sold as commercial or residential property. This 3/2 home features a living room iwth a fireplace & wet bar, spacious kitchen, and a back yard swimming pool. Great location for home business.....**ASKING...\$185,000**

In The Spotlight



3/2 home on 2 city lots with a large living/dinning area, a converted 1-car garage, and a workshop. Property has beautiful mature oak trees, flower beds, concrete patio, partially fenced in the front and a chain link fence in the back. Location provides quick access to Highway 290 and puts the owner is less than a hour driving distance to Brenham, Navasota, College Station, or Cypress. Close to shopping and schools. Hempstead ISD schools. Home needs a little TLC.....**REDUCED...\$125,000**



New on the Market! Beautiful custom home on 5.46 acres in a quiet country setting with private gated entrance. Home features four bedrooms, 3.5 baths, study plus two living areas. Stainless appliances, including subzero refrigerator, Viking stove, commercial icemaker, reverse osmosis water system, two patios, double pane windows, & much more. Split floor plan with mother-in-law retreat/2nd Master off kitchen. If your looking for the country life but want easy access to the city, you have found it! Call today!.....**ASKING.....\$550,000**

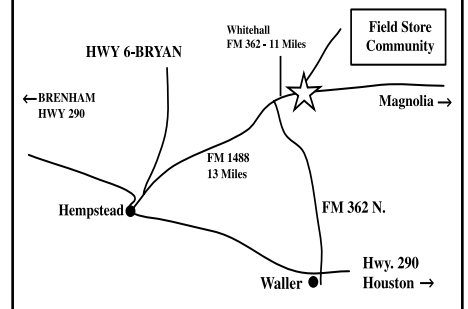
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Log Cabin: Beautiful log cabin that you must see to appreciate. Constructed using 8"D-logs of white pine - home is well insulated. Low utilities & taxes. Large wood burning fireplace. A/C replaced 2 yrs. ago. High ceilings. Beautiful wood floors. Huge metal constructed shop - well insulated w/ full bath and roll up doors.....\$298,000



Hockley: Charming wood frame home on 1.285 acres in Magnolia ISD. Very clean, well-cared for home with hardwood & laminate floors, formals and cute country kitchen with white cabinets. New aerobic septic system, A/C, furnace & electric service in 2014. Nice 24x40 detached garage/shop with concrete floor. Beautiful park-like setting with lots of shade and fenced on all sides.....PENDING...\$175,000

ACREAGE

- SMALL ACREAGE: Many tracts to choose fromCALL OR GO ONLINE.....FOR DETAILS
- 10 ACRES: Wooded tract in scenic North Waller County. Lightly restricted with community water. Waller ISD.....\$14,500/ac.
 - 10.24 ACRES: Beautiful homesite 2 miles south of 1488 with scattered trees, pond & heavily-wooded areas. Residential use only. Timber exemption, DSL, public water & electricity available.....\$21,000/ac.
 - 12.45 ACRES: Pristine heavily-wooded homesite with large pines and hardwoods. Several winding trails. Very peaceful & quiet with lots of wildlife. Public water available\$18,500/ac.
 - 15.88 ACRES: Quiet location in North Waller county, great for a new home site or for cows or horses. Access from Mellman Road\$17,512/ac.
 - 18.82 ACRES: Nice country property perfect for building a home! Pond for water for cattle or fishing...PENDING...\$13,500/ac.
 - 21 ACRES: Ag-exempt property on Old Joseph road. Quiet, secluded and heavily-wooded - a perfect retreat!\$16,000/ac.
 - 27.34 ACRES: Unrestricted acreage in Sealy, just south of I-10 on FM 3013. Electricity, well, septic & 2 ponds on property. Ag exempt.....\$16,500/ac.
 - 36 ACRES: in north Waller County. Pond, large trees & choice homesites. Unrestricted.....\$11,000/ac.
 - 39 ACRES: NW Waller County. Secluded at dead-end of road. Fenced, well, 1,500 sq. ft. metal building, 12'X12' well house, large pond & pad for homesite. Trees & pasture.....PENDING.....\$10,750/ac.
 - 40.9 ACRES: Near Hempstead. Unrestricted. More acreage available\$9,500/ac.
 - 50 ACRES: in Hockley. Heavily wooded & bordered on the south by Three Mile Creek. Approx. 85% in the flood plain. Several good building sites out of the flood plain. Peaceful with lots of wildlife.....PENDING\$7,400/ac.
 - 50 ACRES: Good sandy loam soil, fenced, water well & electricity.....PENDING.....\$11,500/ac.
 - 50.25 ACRES: Near Hempstead. Unrestricted. More acreage available\$9,500/ac.
 - 63 ACRES: Field Store Rd. & US Hwy 290 - Excellent location for residential or commercial development. City water & sewer. Rapidly growing area. Ag exempt\$1.06/sq. ft.
 - 144 ACRES: Organic Farm. Rolling, unrestricted, 4 ponds, 3 barns & working pens.....PENDING.....\$10,500/ac.

HOMES

- PRAIRIE VIEW:** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, well-maintained home complete with attached 2-car garage, built-ins and fireplace in living room.....\$130,000
- HOCKLEY:** Charming wood frame home on 1.285 acres in Magnolia ISD. Very clean, well-cared for home with hardwood & laminate floors, formals and cute country kitchen with white cabinets. New aerobic septic system, A/C, furnace & electric service in 2014. Nice 24x40 detached garage/shop with concrete floor.PENDING.....\$175,000
- COUNTRY ESCAPE:** 1,200 sq. ft. 1-1 home with 1,200 sq. ft. 4-car garage. The 2,400 sq. ft second story is unfinished. All on 3.3 acres with separate 1-1 furnished guest quarters. Nicely landscaped with covered front porch, deck, hot tub, separate BBQ area & large workshop.....\$180,000
- CHARMING:** Remodeled 2-3 (possibly 3-3) farm house on 5 acres in Pine Ridge. Spacious with large kitchen, beamed ceilings, wood floors & nice deck for outdoor living. Large shade trees. So much character!.....PENDING\$215,000
- LOG CABIN:** Beautiful log cabin that you must see to appreciate. Constructed using 8"D-logs of white pine - home is well insulated. Low utilities & taxes. Large wood burning fireplace. A/C replaced 2 yrs. ago. High ceilings. Beautiful wood floors. Huge metal constructed shop - well insulated w/ full bath and roll up doors.....\$298,000
- HOME WITH ACREAGE:** Beautiful country home on 2 acres with light restrictions. Pasture in front and behind home for extra privacy and awesome sunrises and sunsets! Lovely pool to enjoy all those hot Texas days along with oversized patio to entertain on\$340,000
- WOODED RETREAT:** Surrounded by majestic trees & park-like setting, brick home with new roof, new A/C & furnace, freshly painted inside & out, charming home sits at end of long driveway. Surrounded by woods. DSL available. Low taxes. Wildlife plentiful. Adjoining property available from 3 to 12 add'l acres.....PENDING\$395,000
- 67 ACRE ESTATE:** Tucked away in the woods just beyond the city enjoy serenity with a view. Custom home built with attention to detail, deep large porches on all 4 sides provides max outdoor living space, beautiful stone and wood work, huge master with fireplace and sitting area, 20' cathedral ceiling in living room, quality wood & slate floors, standing seam metal roof, oversize 3-car carport, landscaping with irrigation system. Low taxes as wildlife exempt in place.....PENDING\$1,250,000

MULTI-FAMILY

- TOWNHOMES:** 5-Unit townhome building in Prairie View. Each unit is a 2-2. Located less than 1 mile from Prairie View A & M campus. Built in 2009 on 1 acre with paved parking.....\$510,000

COMMERCIAL - INVESTMENT

- 0.46 ACRE:** Cleared lot in Brookshire with high visibility from 90. Zone commercial or residential. Property is in 100 year flood plain.....\$60,000
- 1.5 ACRES:** Just 1 block north of I-10 in Brookshire. Zoned commercial.....\$1.95/sq. ft.
- 4 ACRES:** on FM 2920 across from Arlan's shopping center. Rapidly developing area. Excellent commercial location. City utilities. Near US Hwy 290.....\$5.00/sq. ft.

COMMERCIAL - INVESTMENT

- 30 ACRES:** Commercial corner on Kickapoo right off US Hwy 290. Freeway on/off ramps on east & west side of intersection for easy access.....PENDING.....\$2.00/sq. ft.
- 63 ACRES:** Field Store Rd & US Hwy 290 - Excellent location for residential or commercial development. City water & sewer. Rapidly growing area. Ag exemp.....\$1.06/sq. ft.
- SEALY:** Prime commercial location. 0.332 acre on 36 (Meyer St.) between I-10 & Hwy 90 next to auto parts store. Currently has older 3-2-2 home on the property.....\$350,000
- HEMPSTEAD:** Investment opportunity - 8 houses on 8 lots. Must be sold together. All but one is currently leased...\$364,430
- HEMPSTEAD:** Established & successful ballroom/reception hall. On 11.3 acres in Hempstead. Beautifully finished. Furnished with everything you need - set up w/bookings & ready to go.....\$1,299,000

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4440 3-2-2 Brick home, sunroom, large living with fireplace, formal dining, large kitchen on over an acre.....\$212,000



4450 4-2.1-2 Brick home, two story, nice large corner lot with large shade trees.....\$196,500



4452 3-3.1-3 Ranch style home with circle drive, fruit trees, workshop, cross fenced, recent roof, ag exempt.....\$479,900



4349 388 acres, rail fencing, stables, 8 acre lake, irrigated hay field, tennis courts, main home shaded by majestic oaks.....\$4,225,000



4471 3-2 brick home in wonderful country setting, pens, barn perfect for 4H or FFA project, carport and large deck for entertaining.....\$219,500



4449 Commercial building on 2 acres with Hwy frontage, all equipment included.....\$495,000

SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

- 4359 1-1-1 Brick home in Hempstead.....\$69,000
- 4375 3-2 Home in town with a smaller home also on property.....\$65,000
- 4391 5 Small homes on 3 city lots, investment potential\$250,000
- 4441 3-2.1/2 Two story home on two and a half acres with mature trees, large island kitchen, gated entrance\$499,000
- 4450 4-2.1-2 Brick home, two story, nice large corner lot with large shade trees.....\$196,500
- 4454 Nice brick 3-2 home on corner lot with large shade trees, fireplace, hardwood flooring ...\$139,000

COUNTRY HOMES AND ACREAGE

- 4421 Beautiful 97 acres, brick home, barn, pond, scattered trees, close to Hwy. 290.....\$2,764,500
- 4422 Corner lot in Hempstead, additional lots available.....\$6,000
- 4423 Two lots in Hempstead, city utilities available\$12,000
- 4431 5 Acres, frontage on 2 roads, close to town, some restrictions.....PENDING.....\$79,500
- 4432 Unrestricted lot, commercial or residential, community water.....\$165,000
- 4435 4-3-2 75 Acres, large scattered oaks, ag exempt, community water available\$1,027,000
- 4437 3-2-1 Home, open floorpan, island kitchen on 4 acres, beautiful scattered trees\$225,000
- 4440 3-2-2 Brick home, sunroom, large living with fireplace, formal dining, large kitchen on over an acre.....\$212,000
- 4448 40 Acres, Hwy 290 visible frontage, currently in ag use.....\$1,006,000
- 4449 Commercial building on 2 acres with Hwy frontage, all equipment included\$495,000
- 4451 42.5 Acres, scattered trees, corner property, can be divided.....\$638,640
- 4452 3-3.1-3 Ranch style home with circle drive, fruit trees, workshop, cross fenced, recent roof, ag exempt\$479,900
- 4455 11+ Acres, heavily wooded, secluded, lots of wildlife, Waller ISD\$146,212
- 4469 49 Acres, end of road privacy, ag exempt, live creek\$379,900
- 4470 3 + Acres, FM frontage, Brookshire area, unrestricted.....\$124,990
- 4471 3-2 brick home in wonderful country setting, pens, barn perfect for 4H or FFA project, carport and large deck for entertaining.....\$219,500
- 4472 Commercial or residential, Hwy 6 frontage, 7 acres, with manufactured home, 2 storage buildings, 2 car carport, unrestricted\$219,000

COUNTRY HOMES AND ACREAGE

- 4088 80 Acres, barns, storage shed, lake, beautiful land\$2,258,760
- 4267 9 Acres, FM 2920 frontage, excellent development location\$1,300,000
- 4275 9+ Acres, Tomball area, ag exempt, FM 2920 frontage.....\$750,000
- 4276 318 Acres, Peek Rd in Katy, excellent location\$11,130,000
- 4309 Three lots with city utilities, curbs, close to schools and shopping\$35,000
- 4349 388 acres, rail fencing, stables, 8 acre lake, irrigated hay field, tennis courts, main home shaded by majestic oaks\$4,225,000
- 4360 Ccorner lot in city with utilities\$4,500
- 4374 10 Acres in subdivision, deed restrictions, Waller ISD.....\$470,000
- 4386 160 Acres with lots of frontage, water well, FM frontage, could be divided\$2,486,820
- 4411 Lots in City of Waller, corner property, scattered trees, recently cleared\$27,900

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