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"Almost always, the creative dedicated minority has made the world better."

—Martin Luther King, Jr.

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President's Message

There comes a time that a community must come together to fight for its values. That time is now. As a community, we are faced with a threat to our values. For the last several weeks, we have had conversations with HEB about the proposed Joe V's Smart Shop to be located on W. Fuqua at Beltway 8. We feel that we deserve a better grocery store since several years ago, HEB visited the community and informed us that the company planned to build a HEB on the site. Our objection to the Joe V's Smart Shop is that it is in predominately black and brown communities, in fact, 83% . See the black and brown percentage make-up in the com-

munities in which it is located:

7755 W. Belfort- 68%
612 N. Victory- 76%
12035 Antoine-65%
12009 N.W. Freeway-35%
56609 Uvalde-65%

Are there Joe V's Smart Shops in Bellaire, Midtown, Tanglewood, Memorial, the Heights, Midtown, Montrose, Upper Kirby, Sugar Land, Pearland, The Woodlands? No! Why not?

Please attend the Update Meeting Friday, April 17, 6:00 P.M., at the Fountain Life Center, 14083 S. Main at Hillcroft.

*Until next month,
Linda*

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 13-Hiram Clarke Storefront Crime Prevention Meeting 7:00 P.M. at the Storefront, 4363 W. Fuqua. The speaker will be

April 16-South Houston Concerned Citizens' Coalition Meeting 7:00 P.M., Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center. The speaker will be a representative from the Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD).

April 17-Community Update Meeting on Joe V's, 6:00 P.M., FountainLife Center, 14083 S. Main at Hillcroft

April 23-Free Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrar Certification Training 6:00 P.M. at the FountainLife Center, 14083 S. Main.

April 25-Willow Waterhole 2015 Musicfest, 11:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M., Willow Waterhole Park, 5300 Dryad (Enter Dryad from Chimney Rock Road). Professional artists include Zydeco Dots, Conrad

Johnson Big Blue Sound, Bayou City Brass, Kyle Turner, Joe Carmouche, Nobody's Fool, Crossroads, Corey Stoot, TKOh!, Luther & the Healers, La Tribu, and area school bands. For more information, visit WillowWaterhole.org
May 2-Neighborhood 101 Workshop: In's and Out's of Neighborhood Protection Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center, 9:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M. RSVP: 832-393-3016.



Council Member Larry Green addresses the audience at a community meeting March 24, 2015.



*“Your beliefs
become your
thoughts, Your
thoughts become
your words, Your
words become your
actions, Your
actions become your
habits, Your habits
become your values,
Your values become
your destiny.”*

—Mahatma
Gandhi

School Round-Up

Almeda Elementary: April 18-Saturday Tutorials 9:00 A.M.-Noon; **April 20-** STAAR Testing: Grade 5 Math; **April 21-** STAAR Testing: Grades 3-4 Math; **April 22-** STAAR Testing: Grades 3-4 Reading; **April 25-** Pre-K Registration 9:00 A.M. -1:00 P.M.

Grissom Elementary: April 17-College Day; **April 20-** STAAR Testing: Grade 5 Math, Pre-K Assessment; **April 21-** STAAR Testing: Grades 3 & 4 Math; **April 22-** STAAR Testing: Grades 3 & 4 Reading, Grade 5 Science; **April 24-** College Day; **April 29-** Early Dismissal 12:30 P.M., No Tutorials; **May 4-12-** IOWA/Logramos Testing

Hines-Caldwell Elementary: April 20- STAAR Math-Grade 5, **April 21-** STAAR Math Grades 3 & 4; **April 22-** STAAR Reading Grades 3 & 4, STAAR Science Grade 5; **April 30-** Pre-K registration (siblings and zoned students only) 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.; **May 4-12-** Iowa/Logramos Testing (Grades 1-5); **May 12-** STAAR Reading Retest Grade 5; **May 15-** Field Day Pre-K-Grade 2

Hobby Elementary: April 14-Honor Roll Celebration 8:30 A.M., Family

Science Night 5:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.; **April 16-** PAC Meetings 8:30 A.M. & 3:30 P.M.; **April 17-** Teacher of the Year Banquet; **April 21-23-** STAAR Testing; **April 21-** Field Lesson: Oil Ranch- Kindergarten; **April 30-** Hobby Sped Special Olympics; **May 4-8-** Teacher Appreciation Week
Martin Luther King ESC: April 24- Week of the Young Child: College Bound Day, College Cheer/Chant Pep Rally; **April 30-** STEM Project-Butterfly Release; **May 1-** Parent Meeting 8:30 A.M. -Transition to Kindergarten, STEM Project-Lemonade Day-Parent Involvement; **May 5-** Cinco de Mayo Celebrations -KMLK News and Classroom Activities; **May 7-8-** Cap and Gown Promotion Pictures, PAC Fund-raiser
Montgomery Elementary: April 21- STAAR Testing Grades 3 & 4 Math; **April 22-** STAAR Testing Grade 3 & 4 Reading, **April 23-24-** Make-Up Testing

School Round-Up Continued

Windsor Village Elementary: April 14-Pre-K and Kindergarten Round Up 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.; **April 15-** Pizza with the Principal (Honor Roll), **April 20-** STAAR Math-Grade 5; **April 21-** STAAR Math Grades 3 & 4; **April 22-** STAAR Reading Grades 3 & 4, STAAR Science Grade 5; **April 24-** Field Day (Pre-K -Grade 5); **May 4-7-** Parents' Scheduled Lunch Dates with Students: May 4 (Pre-K & Grade 4, May 5 (Kindergarten & Grade 2), May 6- (Grades 1 & 5), May 7- (Grade 3)
Billy Reagan K-8: April 15- World's Finest Chocolate Sales; **April 17-** EOY I-Station, PTO, Fri-

day Sales; **April 20-** STAAR Testing Math (Grades 5 & 8); **April 21-** STAAR Testing Math (Grades 3, 4, 6,7); **April 22-** STAART Testing, World's Finest Chocolate Sales; **April 24-** PTO Friday Sales; **April 28-** Grade 8 Assembly 8:30 A.M.; **April 30-** Spring Pictures; **May 1-** PTO Friday Sales

Do You Know Your Rights?

Gift Cards

“New rules for gift cards went into effect August 22, 2010.”

- They are as follow:
“Money on gift cards cannot expire for at least five years from the date the card was purchased, or from the last date any additional money was loaded onto the card. If the expiration date listed on the card is earlier

than these dates, the money can be transferred to a replacement card at no cost.”

- “Inactivity fees can be charged only after a card hasn’t been used for at least one year, and you can be charged only once per month. But you may be charged a fee to buy the card or replace a lost or stolen card.”

- “The expiration date of a card must be clearly disclosed on the card, and fees must be clearly disclosed on the card or packaging.”

If you have problems or complaints, call 1-877-FTC-Help for retail gift cards, and for cards issued by banks, call 1-800-613-6743.

*Information taken from the Federal Trade Commission Consumer Information.