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

—Martin Luther King, Jr.

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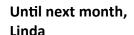
It is election season. Listed below are some important dates:

- August 24
 — the last day for candidates to file for placement on the General Election Ballot
- September 4- the first day to apply for ballot by mail
- October 19– the first day of early voting
- October 23

 the last day to apply for ballot by mail (received, not postmarked)
- October 30- last

day of early voting

There will be many forums for candidates for mayor, city council, school board trustees, and other political offices. (Please see a list of mayoral forums in this newsletter.) As voters, we must ask the hard questions, the questions that make candidates uncomfortable. We must also ask that they make a commitment to their constituents and not large donors. They will be elected to represent us, not big business. Demand that they support our interests.





Attendees at the Hiram Clarke Area Community Health Fair July 18 visit vendors



Silvestre Ocampo of ABC Dental discusses and distributes dental information at the health fair.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 20-South Houston Concerned Citizens Coalition meeting 7:00 P.M., Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center. The speaker will be a representative from County Attorney Vince Ryan's Office.

August 21-Bethel's Family Back to School Event 12:00 Noon at Bethel's Family Empowerment Center, 12660 Sandpiper August 26-27 and September 2-3-GED & ESL Registration 9:00 A.M., at Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center. Items needed for enrollment:

- 1. Photo ID (Texas ID card, passport, Visa, etc.)
- Social Security Card (document to verify Social Security Number)
- 3. \$20.00 Registration Fee (Non-refundable)

GED Classes: M-T-W 9:30 A.M.-12:30P.M. September 7-November 14, 2015

ESL Classes:

Beginning ESL-M-T -9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. September 7-November 14, 2015

Intermediate ESL— W-T 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. September 9– November 14, 2015

For more information, call 713-718-6310.



News You Can Use

Mayoral Forums Owners & Managers As ciation –September 10,

Keys to the City Forum-August 19, 2015, 6:00 P.M., at the University of Houston Student Center Theatre (Room S103), 4800 Calhoun

The Texas Voters Alliance September 4, 2015, 6:30 P.M., at the Fountain of Praise, 13950 Hillcroft The Houston Building Owners & Managers Association –September 10, 2015, 11:30 A.M., at J.W. Marriott, 806 Main

Schools

Schools in the Houston Independent School District begin August 24, 2015.

Do You Need Medical Coverage?

Call 832-393-5423 to schedule an appointment for the following eligibility ser-

vices:

- Harris Health Eligibility Program (Gold Card)
- Affordable Care Act (Obamacare)
- Medicaid
- CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)
- CHIP Perinatal
- Title V (Children & Prenatal/Post-Partum Dental Coverage)

Things to bring:

- * Proof of identification
- * Proof of residency
- Proof of income of household
- * Health Insurance
- * Immigration status/legal residency

"No change can come if those who are impacted the most by discrimination are not willing to stand up for themselves."

—Zain ab Salbi

Vinson Library Activities for August

August 19-Wii Wednesday, 3:30 P.M.

August 20-E-mail Basics 2:00 P.M.

August 25-Classic Movie 12:15 P.M.

August 26-Family Movie 3:30 P.M.

August 27-Basic Word 2:00 P.M.

Library Hours Closed on Mondays

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M.

Thursdays-12:00 Noon-

8:00 P.M.

Fridays-1:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.

Saturdays - 10:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.

Closed Sundays

Do You Know Your Rights?

Flood Damaged Cars*

Flooding has occurred in certain parts of the United States, including Houston. Vehicles damaged by flood waters can be cleaned up and sent to other states for sale, so buyers of used vehicles should be aware. Look for the following:

Look for water stains,

mildew, sand or silt under the carpet, floor mats and dashboard, and in the wheel well where the spare is located, and for fogging inside the headlights and taillights.

- Do a smell test. Odors of cleaners and disinfectants that mask mold.
- Understand the difference between a "salvage"
- * Information from ftc,gov

title" and a "flood title."

- Have your mechanic inspect the car for mechanical and electrical problems and systems that contain fluids for water contamination.
- Report fraud. Contact the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) at 1-800-835-6422 or local law enforcement.