

FORT BEND HOUSTON SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD 41 NEWS



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Carl David Evans, Chasewood

We are asking for your support and help to do something positive for our youth and communities. We are hosting the FBHSN SIGNIFICANT GALA, A BLACK TIE EVENT! The proceeds from ticket sales of this event will allow us to give scholarships to a number of youth in our communities. We are asking each community to buy one table. The table will seat 8 residents and the cost is \$500.00. The tickets are \$50.00 each. If you buy a table and a ½ page ad to show your community support or advertise your community the cost is \$600.00. Would you support us? Contact Mike Ballare at 281-437-9410.

If you cannot attend you can show your support by purchasing or helping to sale an ad or table. *You may want to congratulate one of the recipients.* These are the details:

- FULL Page: \$300 Title Sponsorship \$10,000
- HALF Page: \$150 Catering Sponsorship \$5,000
- Quarter Page: \$75 Catering Sponsorship \$5,000
- Business Card: \$25 Program Book \$2,500
- Table \$600 & HALF Page

We are hosting our first Significant Gala on Saturday, February 24, 2018, from 6:30 PM- 12:00 AM at The Fountain of Life, 14083 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77045, and **Rev. William A. Lawson**, has accepted our invitation to attend the Gala as the recipient of the Legacy Award. Our focus is, "Making Dreams A Reality" which is also the Gala's theme.

The purpose of the Significant Gala is to give special recognition to those individuals who have made significant contributions by devoting their time and service to the communities of Fort Bend Houston Super Neighborhood Council 41. These contributions to our communities have made them great and safer places in which to live. Proceeds from the Gala will also help to award five or more graduating high school seniors with proceeds for college scholarships or vocational training.

Advertising or ticket sales contact Mike Ballare at 281-437-9410. If you should have any questions I can be reached at 713-927-5703 or cdevan2001@yahoo.com
Carl David Evans, FBHSN, President

Moving Forward Together

FT. BEND HOUSTON SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL 41
PRESENTS

DARE TO DREAM

Annual Significant Gala

SATURDAY FEB 24

6PM - 12AM

A BLACK TIE AFFAIR

HOSTED BY
JONATHAN MARTIN
FOX 26 NEWS
& GENEVA TAYLOR

SOUNDS BY
DJ CRUZ & JAZZ MAN

CONGRESSMAN AL GREEN
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
TEXAS' 9TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
SPECIAL GUEST

REV. WILLIAM LAWSON
FOUNDING PASTOR OF
WHEELER AVENUE
BAPTIST CHURCH
AWARDEE

DR. GARY BLEDSOE
PRESIDENT, TEXAS NAACP
& ACTING DEAN, THURGOOD
MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

FOUNTAIN LIFE CENTER
14083 MAIN ST., HOUSTON, TX 77035

TABLES \$500.00 INDIVIDUAL TICKETS \$50.00

Honorees

"Legacy Award - Rev. William A. Lawson"
Briargate - Barbara Blue
Chasewood - Earnie Lee Walker, Lester W. Johnson, & Carl David Evans, CIA - Nettie Clark
Clark Spring Rental Community - Collista Franklin
Green Valley Estate - Bishop Herbert Cage
Hunters Glen 4 - Linda Campbell
Meadow Crest - Sharon Jefferson
Quail Glen - Patrick Smith
Quail Run - Marilyn Thomas
Ridgegate CIA - Rogers Petty & Annie Smith
Ridgemont HOA - Reggie Lewis

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to All Honorees!



Each year beginning on February 1, an entire month of events are planned nationwide honoring the history and contributions of African Americans.

The theme for Black History Month in 2018 is "African Americans in Times of War" honoring those brave men and women who served their countries in the armed forces, especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice while defending the American ideals of freedom and democracy.

During World War II, for example, more than 2.5 million black men registered for the draft and one million served as draftees or volunteers in every branch of the armed forces.

A decade before the first glimmers of the American civil rights movement, most black men were assigned to segregated combat groups.

Even so, more than 12,000 black men who served in the segregated 92nd Division received citations or were decorated for "extraordinary heroism" on the battlefield.

The 92nd Infantry Division (92nd Division, WWI) was a segregated infantry division of the United States Army that served in both World War I and World War II. The division was organized in October 1917, after the U.S. entry in World War I, at Camp Funston, Kansas, with African American soldiers from all states. In 1918, before leaving for France, the American buffalo was selected as the divisional insignia due to the "**Buffalo Soldiers**". This nickname was given to the Negro Cavalry by Native American tribes who fought in the Indian Wars. The term eventually became synonymous with all of the African American regiment. The "Buffalo Soldiers Division" divisional nickname was inherited from the 367th Infantry, one of the first units of the division organized.

Buffalo Soldiers originally were members of the 10th Cavalry Regiment of the United States Army, formed on September 21, 1866, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Although several African American regiments were raised during the Civil War as part of the Union Army (including the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry and the many United States Colored Troops Regiments), the "Buffalo Soldiers" were established by Congress as the first peacetime all-black regiments in the regular U.S. Army. On September 6, 2005, Mark Matthews, the last living Buffalo Soldier, died at the age of 111. He was buried at Arlington National Cemetery

The 92nd Infantry Division whose men were used primarily as support troops in the First World War, was the only African American infantry division to see combat in Europe during World War II, as part of the U.S. Fifth Army, fighting in the Italian Campaign. The division served in the Italian Campaign from 1944 to the war's end.

Perhaps more famously, the **Tuskegee Airmen** also became legendary for their heroic feats, and in total received a Distinguished Unit Citation, several silver stars, 150 distinguished flying crosses, fourteen bronze stars, and 744 air medals.

At war's end, recognition of the African-American contribution to the war effort would eventually lay the groundwork for the civil rights protests of the 1950s and 1960s.



The theme for Black History Month 2018 honors "African Americans in Times of War" like the legendary Tuskegee Airmen, who were highly decorated for their service in World War II.



Officers of the 367th Infantry Regiment, 92nd Division, on the Western Front, presumably in 1918.

Tuskegee Airmen — 1941 – 1945



The Tuskegee Army Air Field became the vital center for training African Americans to fly fighter and bomber aircraft.

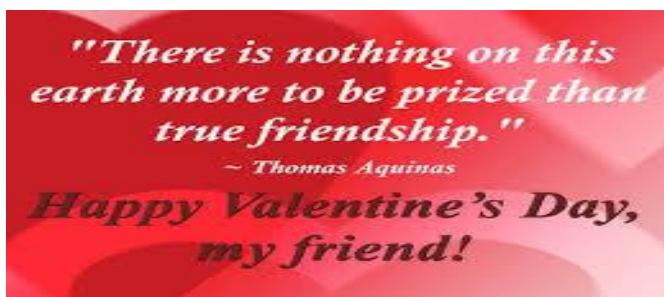
In 1941, the U. S. Army Air Corps (predecessor to the modern-day U.S. Air Force) was a segregated part of the military. With World War II near at hand, it was decided to offer training to African Americans as pilots and mechanics. The new air base at Tuskegee, Alabama, became the center for the training program of black air personnel. First with the 99th Fighter Squadron and later with the 332nd Fighter Group, African Americans made their contribution to the war effort, serving in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy during the war. Called the "Tuskegee Airmen," these airmen made a pioneering contribution to the war and the subsequent drive to end racial segregation in the American armed forces.

On The Home Front — Noel F. Parrish

At segregated Tuskegee, Parrish offered inspired leadership for the training of black pilots and airmen. A career Army Air Corps pilot, Noel F. Parrish took a keen interest in promoting black involvement in military aviation. In the late 1930s, he befriended Cornelius Coffey and admired the flying program of his Challengers Air Pilots' Association in Chicago.



Lt. Col. Parrish took command of Tuskegee Army Air Field in 1941 and oversaw the training of airmen for black fighter and bomber squadrons. He held that post throughout World War II. Parrish did much to make the Tuskegee program a success. He provided enlightened leadership and promoted high morale among the cadets at a time when the armed forces remained segregated. As base commander, Parrish made sure the program was fair and evenhanded, which enhanced morale among the cadets.



Into Combat — Benjamin O. Davis Jr.

Davis led the Tuskegee airmen during World War II in air combat over North Africa and Italy and long-range bomber escort missions over Nazi Germany.

The story of the Tuskegee Airmen is linked directly to the life and career of Benjamin O. Davis Jr. The son of an Army general and a 1936 graduate of West Point, Davis was a member of the first class of five cadets to earn their wings at Tuskegee. He was selected to lead the new 99th Pursuit Squadron, the Army Air Corps' first all-black air unit.



Davis led the 99th and later the 332nd Fighter Group in Europe during World War II. His inspired and disciplined leadership played a major role in the Tuskegee Airmen's success. Under Davis, the 332nd escorted American bombers in missions over the Mediterranean and central Europe.

After the war, Davis continued his military career in the newly independent and integrated U.S. Air Force. He achieved the rank of lieutenant general and played a key leadership role during the Korean and Vietnam wars.

Linkwood Williams

Linkwood Williams, a civilian flight instructor, at the Tuskegee Army Field in World War II.



Lieutenant Lee A. Archer

A native of New York City, Archer became one of the most proficient pilots in the 332nd, being highly regarded for his skill, aggressiveness, and gallantry in air combat.



Charles Hall

Hall was from Brazil, Indiana. He downed an FW-190 while on an escort mission on July 21, 1943. This marked the first air victory for the United States by a black airman in the European Theater.



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Are you Ready for Change in Fort Bend County? Feb. 20-



DEIRDRE DICKSON-GILBERT
Your Candidate for
Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
A FRESH FACE, A FRESH START | 6, 2018 Primary Election

We are living in a time of great change, a change in our local government, and a change in our political environment. We must, as a community, demand integrity from elected officials who are responsible for our well-being. We must possess the courage to change things that should be change. We must stand up for those who can't stand up for themselves. I am convinced that until people are placed before politics, before the tradition of scratching backs, returning favors, and working only for the benefit of those who share views, opinions, lifestyles, cultures, and practices, integrity and ethics as scales of justice will remain simply a catch phrase, and liberty and justice will remain in the hands of a few.

Pol. Adv. Paid for by Friends of Deirdre Dickson-Gilbert, Kurt E. Gilbert Treasurer

Fort Bend Houston and Southwest Houston Strategic Planning Meeting Attention All Community Leaders

February 17, 2018

9:30 am – 4:00 pm

HCC @ Missouri City Campus

1600 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, TX 77489

Councilmembers from Missouri City and Pearland, Pastors and people who are concerned please attend.

Any questions, please give me a call, I can be reached at 713-927-5703 or cdevan2001@yahoo.com
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MAJOR CONCERNS for Strategic Planning:



Upcoming Southwest PIP Meeting

[Sergeant Michael Ortiz](#)

Houston Police



SUBURBAN HOUSTON FORT BEND ALUMNAE CHAPTER- DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
AND
RHO BETA BETA CHAPTER OF OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.
presents

Affairs of the Heart

2018 HEART HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:00 AM
9:00AM-1:30 PM
PINNACLE CENTER
5525 Hobby St, Houston, TX 77053

FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS *** VENDORS**

Interactive discussions on topics including

- H.I.S. Heart: Symptoms of Heart Disease in Men You Should Not Ignore
- H.E.R. Heart: Facts about Heart Health in Women You Should Know
- Nutrition: Nutritional Recommendations for the Healthy Heart
- Exercise: Yoga Demonstrations from Life Love Laughter Yoga

TO PRE-REGISTER VISIT:
<https://form.jotform.com/PPDSHFBAC/affairsoftheheart>

MORE INFO CONTACT
Healthylifestyles.SHFBAC@gmail.com

Hello Southwest Houston! This is just a quick reminder about our February PIP Meeting. Be sure to mark your calendars for Tuesday, February 20 at 7pm. It will be held at the NEW HPD Southwest Division located at 13097 Nitida. Have a great day!

Ridgegate C. I. A. Annual Election of Officers

February 26, 2018

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

The Ritz at Ridgegate

5855 W. Ridgecreek

Homeowners ... can't stay for the meeting and election of officers? No problem, complete your proxy, sign it and drop it off for the meeting. This will help us meet quorum.





Houston Police Department, Mental Health Division is now on Nextdoor!



The Houston Police Department's Mental Health Division (MHD) is now on Nextdoor(.com). The Mental Health Division continually strives to accomplish the mission of providing professional, humane and safe responses to individuals with behavioral health problems, and to the homeless. Our purpose is to develop and oversee the department's strategies for responding to individuals in serious mental health crisis and to provide guidance in the area of training, policy, and procedure. Our components include the Crisis Intervention Response Teams (CIRT), the Crisis Intervention Training Unit, the Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), Chronic Consumer Stabilization Initiative (CCSI), Boarding Home Enforcement, Mental Health Investigations, Crisis Call Diversion Program (CCD), and the Senior Justice Assessment Center (SJAC). Details on these programs are available at www.HoustonCIT.org

NORMAL COLLECTION SCHEDULE RESUMES MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018



Public Information Solid Waste Management Department, Public Information, City of Houston

Place GREEN CART at the curb between 6 p.m. the day before and 7 a.m. on the scheduled collection day. "B Week" collection will begin the week of Monday, January 22, 2018. "A Week" collection will begin the week of Monday, January 29, 2018. For more information about SWMD and our services, visit us at www.houstonsolidwaste.org, "LIKE" us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/houstonsolidwaste>, follow us on Twitter @HoustonTrash, or call 3-1-1, the City of Houston's Customer Service Helpline.

Unfortunately, we do not have a timeframe when the Heavy Trash will resume. We are working the second pass and it will move at a slower pace than the initial pass due to the inconsistency of impacted residents in starting and completing their property remediation. However, you may place out smaller limbs that are three feet and bundled during your garbage service day. We will post Heavy Trash updates on our website, please visit <http://www.houston.tx.gov/solidwaste/index.html> Thank you, SWDWORKS—Director's Office The Solid Waste Management Department provides solid waste service to the citizens of Houston through the collection, disposal and recycling of discarded material in a manner that is safe, efficient, environmentally sound and cost-effective. *Locate your garbage, heavy trash, recycling and holiday schedules, as well as other valuable Solid Waste Management Department information on our website at <http://www.houston.tx.gov/solidwaste/> or by contacting the City of Houston's Helpline 311 (713-837-0311).

HEAVY TRASH PICK-UPS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED BY THE CITY OF HOUSTON UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!



The *PINNACLE* Senior Center



**Where the 'Highest Points' of Development,
Achievement & Services are Provided to
Senior Citizens of Fort Bend County**

Alert Minds ▪ Healthy Bodies ▪ Joyful Spirits

Greetings, Pinnacle Patrons!

Please see the calendar link and friendly reminders of events scheduled for **February 2018**. February is Heart Health Awareness Month! February is also Black History Month.

On February 14th, from 12:30 -3:30pm, seniors will be treated to a Valentine's Day District K Luncheon sponsored by Council Member Larry Green at the Red Rooster. **You must RSVP for the event.** You can call the front desk at [832-471-2765](tel:832-471-2765) and add your name to the RSVP list.

On February 24th from 9am to 1:30pm, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Rho Beta Beta Chapter & Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Suburban Houston-Fort Bend Alumnae Chapter, will host its annual, **"Affairs of the Heart" 2018 Heart Health Symposium**. Registration begins at 8am and you may pre-register at:

<https://form.jotform.com/PPDSHFBAC/affairsoftheheart>

Interactive discussions on topics such as H.I.S.-Symptoms of Heart Disease in Men you should not ignore, H.E.R.-Facts about Heart Health in Women you should know, Nutrition-Recommendations for the healthy heart and Exercise-Life, Love, Laughter Yoga demonstration. Tell a friend, invite a neighbor, bring a loved one and take advantage of the expertise that will be available at this event. There will be free health screenings and vendors. This is a community event.

Every Tuesday from 9:30-10:45-Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services and Courtney Bryant will hold a, "Move for Better Balance" Tai Chi for arthritis class. Tai Chi is one of the best forms of fitness for seniors.

There is a plethora of events and workshops happening at the center in February so check out the **calendar** and plan to attend those that interest you. Please see highlighted dates and events below: There is something for everyone. Come on out! For the calendar of events go to:


www.fortbendcountytx.gov

- Departments
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Pinnacle Senior Center
- Programs and Activities
- Event
- Programs and Activities Schedule

Wala! View the event calendar each month!

Key Dates & Activities

February 14th-Council Member Larry Green's Senior Valentine's Luncheon. Must RSVP to the front desk
February 15th-Bow-Making w/John Frazier 9am- Please bring your own satin ribbon
February 15th-Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services presents: Financial Couponing w/Leticia 11am
February 24th-"Affairs of the Heart" 2018 Heart Health Symposium Registration at 8am Event 9am-1:30pm Classes cancelled for the community event
February 28th-February Birthday Celebration at Noon

Happy Valentine's Day  from the staff at the PINNACLE! It's the "happy" place to be for fitness, wellness, information and FUN!

Houston Food Bank
Stretch your
grocery budget



**Wednesday
of the Month**

**The Houston foodbank can help!
call 832-369-9390**



9 AM – Noon

We can help you apply/renew:
SNAP (Food Stamps)
TANF (Temporary Assistancess)
Children's Medicaid/CHIP
Other services/resources

Food distribution open to the community!
PLEASE ... BRING YOUR OWN BAGS

We are reaching the *pinnacle* of success for seniors who are living and aging well in Fort Bend Houston.

**Always working within our power, potential, passion
and purpose! The Pinnacle Power Team**

Kind regards,

Sonya

Sonya M. Santee

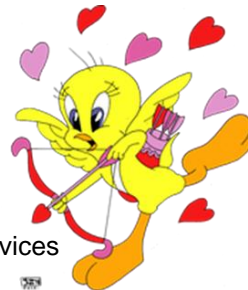
Facilities & Programs Manager
The **PINNACLE** Senior Center
5525 Hobby Rd-C

Fort Bend County Health & Human Services

832-471-2765 (Office)

832-816-9540 (Cellular)

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READ ALL ABOUT IT!

January 26, 2018

Mayor Sylvester Turner
901 Bagby Street
Houston, Texas 77002

SUBJECT: Low Income Tax Credit Housing (LIHTC)

Dear Mayor Turner:

The Fort Bend Houston Super Neighborhood Council 41, in consultation with our Strategic Planning Committee, and in discussions with various neighborhood designated representatives and stakeholders, have decided to provide tentative support for the proposed Court Lofts Low Income Tax Credit Senior Housing Development, located near the (South East Corner) SEC of Court Rd. and S. Post Oak Rd., Houston, Fort Bend County.

We have met with the developer to express our concerns about the development and solicited their support in being a good business partner after the facility is built. We asked that they support the goals and objectives of the Fort Bend Houston Super Neighborhood Council and they have agreed to all of the items listed under "Developer". We would also like to ask your personal help by supporting our Strategic Planning goals by agreeing, in principle, to work with us to ensure that the items we have listed under "City of Houston" are completed. We have previously identified all the items to Council Member Green for his consideration. We are requesting your support because we know that you "Love Fort Bend Houston" and that you want the very best for Fort Bend Houston.

DEVELOPER:

1. Super Neighborhood 41 will have input regarding all aspects of building design; façade, fencing, lighting, security and amenities.
2. Decorative Retention Pond.
3. 50/50 mix of Brick and Hardieplank Siding on all sides of the Building.
4. Developer will materially support Super Neighborhood 41 programs; seniors, youth, scholarships, and educational and vocational training programs, during the duration of their ownership of the property.
5. Wrought Iron Decorative Fencing.
6. Developer or developer representative attend monthly Super Neighborhood 41 meetings to provide updates on construction to the community.
7. Once property is occupied, management will attend monthly Super Neighborhood 41 meetings to provide community updates.
8. Install an emergency alert button (Red Button).

CITY OF HOUSTON:

1. That all infrastructure, sidewalks and streets within a 1-mile radius of the facility be repaired, if required.
2. That the City expedite the approval process for the proposed Edison Performing Arts Center Development on West Fuqua.
3. That the City actively pursue and use all of its economic tools to attract quality businesses and amenities to the Fort Bend Houston area; i.e., quality grocery stores, restaurants.
4. That the City address flooding in the area and clean ditches at least twice a year.
5. That the City improve major neighborhood streets; South Post Oak, Chimney Rock, West Fuqua, Blue Ridge Road, West Ridgeway, and Hillcroft, Park Manor.
6. That the City improve Blue Ridge Park by replacing worn out equipment and enhancing the parks appearance (indoor swimming pool, tennis courts, covered basketball courts).
7. That the city approve and build hike and bike trails behind the communities of Chasewood and Briargate, connecting them with the existing trail on Hillcroft and W. Orem.
8. That the city install traffic control signals at Carey Chase and the Fort Bend Toll Road.
9. Street improvements for all streets (Blue Ridge, Hillcroft, Chimney Rock, Park Manor) leading to FM 2234.
10. Sidewalks leading to all community schools, specifically Blue Ridge Elementary School.

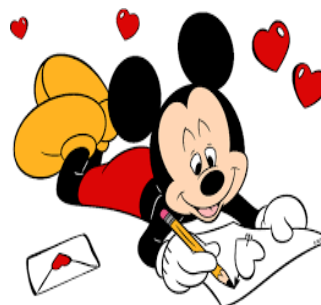
We would like to say that we are not opposed to affordable housing for seniors in our area. We are currently working on a master plan for our community and the residents in our community have clearly voiced their support of our strategic planning process and goals for community sustainment and revitalization and we are asking for your personal support in helping us achieve our objectives. If you have questions, I can be reached at 713-927-5703.

Again, thank you for your continued support of our community.

Respectfully Moving Forward Together,
Carl David Evans
FBHSN President

cc: Houston City Council Members

(This letter was also sent to Councilmember Larry V. Green, Esq.)



Remodeling?

Be sure to read your Deed Restrictions and contact your Home Owners Association. Know what constitutes a violation before you get work done.