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Over the past twenty-nine years, thousands of children have graduated from the Safetytown Program and now their children are benefiting from this program as well. A huge thank you to two very dedicated individuals, Barbara Franklin and Lucy Pendon, who have Co-Chaired this program for twenty-nine years and the other Safetytown Council members for hosting another successful event.



This comprehensive safety-education program for children, who will enter the first grade, was held in Lake Jackson at Ney Elementary from June 5th through June 15th with approximately 235 incoming 1st graders attending and included 3 bi-lingual classes from Brazosport I.S.D.

Many thanks to the Council members who have contributed so much time and effort to the success of this program! We believe that the lessons learned in this program have helped our children live healthier lives in a safer environment.

We appreciate the outstanding efforts of the 2017 Safetytown Council:

Chairs: Barbara Franklin & Lucy Pendon

Registration: Abby Bundick

Facilities & Community Services: Smokey Roye

Equipment Logistics: Ray Garza

CAER & T-Shirts: Tabitha Ray

BISD/Bi-Lingual: Denise Babb

Supplies: David Landsborough, Mike Coburn and Steve Elbert

Hospital Auxiliary: Mary Ann Strouthwolf

Directors: Mary Bouche

Administrator: Sharon Hill

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Chairman's Message.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank two very dedicated volunteers Barbara Franklin & Lucy Pendon. These two ladies have Co-Chaired the Safetytown Program for twenty-seven years and we appreciate their devotion to this program and their commitment to the safety of our children.

I also want to thank George P. Bush, Texas Land Commissioner, who was the guest speaker at our June 8th membership luncheon. He was gracious enough to arrive early to meet with several officials to address the issues concerning Brazoria County. He was well informed about these projects so it turned out to be a very productive meeting. We appreciate his time and interest.

The Chamber has recently updated their phone system and their e-mail addresses. Please make a note of the following e-mail addresses to make sure you have the correct information. Sandra Shaw: sandra@brazosportchamber.org; Donna Hargraves: donna@brazosportchamber.org; Edith Fischer: edith@brazosportchamber.org; Kristy Cours: kristy@brazosportchamber.org and the Chamber: chamber@brazosportchamber.org.

The Chamber is currently conducting a membership drive. If you know a business that is not a Chamber member, please contact Donna at the Chamber office so that she can send them a prospect packet. As always, shop with Chamber members FIRST!

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the joint Legislative Session Wrap-Up Luncheon on Thursday, September 7th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Central Brazoria County Business Park, 4001 Technology Drive, Angleton. This luncheon is Co-Sponsored by the Angleton and Brazosport Chambers of Commerce. Another event that you will not want to miss is the Brazoria County Transportation Summit Co-Sponsored by The Economic Development Alliance for Brazoria County and The Brazoria County Council of Chambers. It will be held on September 27th from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Dow Academic Center. Reservations can be made by contacting The Alliance at garyb@eda-bc.com.

Our sixth annual "Experience Brazosport" magazine has gone to print and will soon be available for distribution. This full-color magazine features recreational, dining and historic opportunities in Brazosport. Please stop by the Chamber office to pick up your copy or view it on-line at www.Brazosport.org.

Sincerely,

David Winder
Chairman of the Board
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New Members

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Carolann Peters, 800-510-3111
www.bacoda.org
Non-Profit Organization

Beach Front Deck Bar & Grill
750 Bluewater Hwy., Surfside Beach
Bob Petty, 979-730-3002
Restaurant

Beach Front RV Resort
750 Bluewater Hwy., Surfside Beach
Bob Petty, 979-824-2990
RV Resort

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David Galloway, 979-248-5201
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www.business.comcast.com
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www.KGAllenLaw.com
Attorney

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Janice Annette Goodrum, 979-529-9454
www.paristex.com
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Monica Delgado, 979-258-6890
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Judge Randy Smith
1018 Old Angleton Road, Clute
979-799-5129
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www.senditswift.com
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Susan Parker, 281-931-9832
www.triconprecast.com
Precast Concrete Supplier

UrbanEve
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LaShawnda Hall, 979-480-9000
www.myurbaneve.com
Hair Salon & Boutique

Woodlake Nursing & Rehabilitation
603 E. Plantation, Clute
Lisa Stephens, 979-265-4221
www.woodlakenursingcare.com
Homes/Nursing

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Ribbon Cuttings



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101 Plantation Drive, Lake Jackson
Stephen Smith, 979-297-3203
www.facebook.com/tsaltahair
Hair Studio & Boutique



Lake Jackson Chiropractic & Rehab Center
209 Parking Way, Ste. B, Lake Jackson
Lauren Woodard, 979-292-8032
www.ljchiroandrehab.com
Chiropractor & Rehab Center



Taco Cabana
310 This Way, Lake Jackson
Gabriel Cortez, 979-258-6359
www.tacocabana.com
Restaurant



**BACH—Early Childhood Intervention
“Buster's Kids”**
120 E. Hospital Drive, Angleton
Patty Swords, 979-849-2447
www.bacheci.org
Organization

Ribbon Cutting



Pronto Insurance
97 Oyster Creek Drive, Lake Jackson
(inside H-E-B)
Monica Delgado, 979-258-6890
www.prontoinsurance.com
Insurance Agency

Ground Breaking



Fort Velasco Trail

The Fort Velasco Trail will be developed in Surfside Beach and include a Fort Velasco replica near city hall.

L To R: Brazoria County Commissioner Dude Payne; Sheree Muzny; Nat Hickey; Surfside Beach Alderwoman Peggy Llewellyn; Surfside Beach Mayor Larry Davison. For more information:
www.FortVelasco.org

Brazosport Professionals Network

Many thanks to Curtis Swisher, Brazosport College, for hosting the Foundations of Leadership workshop at the Brazosport Professionals Network May meeting. Also thanks to Co-Sponsors First State Bank of Clute & Plantation Park Apartments.



Guest Speaker Curtis Swisher with Meredith King, True to Life Ministries and BPN Co-Chair



Thanks to our panel members (L to R) Brian Garrett, Tom's Pawn Shop; Shannon Whitley, Sport Clips Haircuts Lake Jackson; Tim Keefe, Tim Keefe-State Farm Agent & Jason Cordoba, Cordoba Law Firm, PLLC

Meredith King, True to Life Ministries & Brazosport Professionals Network Co-Chair, moderates the panel discussion on the "Best Business Practices" at the June BPN meeting.



Membership Luncheon

Membership Luncheon with guest speaker George P. Bush, Texas Land Commissioner

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L to R: Nancy Wollam, Representative Dennis Bonnen's Office; Judge Jack Brown; George P. Bush, Texas Land Commissioner; Joe Ripple, Brazoria County Flood Plain.



Thank you to The Dow Chemical Company for sponsoring the luncheon. Thank you BASF, Brazosport ISD, CHI St. Luke's Health Brazosport, Integrity Mortgage Group, Brazoria County Shoreline Task Force and TDECU Business Services, for being table sponsors.

*Thank
YOUS*



James Lupo, Massage Heights, for the gift bags. Pictured are Sandra Shaw, Brazosport Chamber President & CEO and James Lupo, Massage Heights



Meredith King, True to Life Ministries, for hosting the June Brazosport Professionals Network meeting.



Nancy Moreno, Chick-fil-A, for the delicious new BBQ Chicken Bundle. Pictured are Nancy Moreno, Chick-fil-A and Sandra Shaw, Brazosport Chamber President & CEO.

Many Thanks to our Building Donors

Our “Retire the Debt” building campaign is an on-going campaign until the building note is paid in full. We will continue to list our donors in future publications. The following are the donations received since 2011 to date. We are so grateful to these members for their contributions to the Chamber as well as the community.

\$2,500:

Freeport LNG

\$1,100:

The Dow Chemical Company

Gulf Coast S&S

Leo Martin Chevrolet

\$925:

Gordon & Nancy Wollam

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BASF Corp.

\$750:

American Realty

CHI St. Luke's Health Brazosport

\$650:

Corky & Vicki Melass

\$600:

Dr. Perry Mueller

\$550:

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Kid's Way Clinic

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Brazosport CAER

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Nalco

Shintech

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\$451:

Comfort Suites

\$450:

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Art & Lynn Vandaveer

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Killum Pest Control

\$250:

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Brazosport Leadership Class of 2015

Brown's Auto Sales

Great American Title

Kitty's Purple Cow

McDonough Engineering

Merrill Lynch

Commissioner Dude & Debra Payne

SI Group, Inc.

State Farm Insurance—George Franklin

David & Renee Winder

\$200:

Angleton Decorating & Upholstery Center

Clute Pawn & Jewelry

Dairy Bar

Freeport Welding & Fabrication, Inc.

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TJ's Lube

Tom's Pawn

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Luycx Plumbing

Mejia Industrial Supply

Judge Matt Sebesta

Texas Crewboats

\$125:

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Brown Hearing Centers

Creskide Village Healthcare

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Dottie Duby

Em-Print Company

Payroll Vault

Red Wing Shoe Store

Total Safety U.S., Inc.

Wal-Mart Super Center

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Mayor Joe Rinehart

\$25:

Brazosport Corporate Housing

Judge Jack Brown

Eubanks & Company 2

Red Snapper Inn

NEWS *from our* Members

If you have any news about your company, please email this information to donna@brazosportchamber.org, so we can include it in our newsletter.



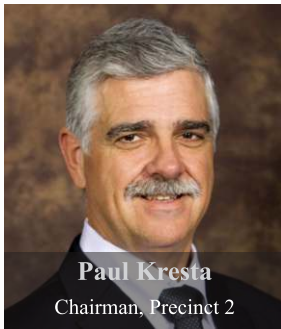
BASF SITE IN FREEPORT RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE, COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND SAFETY!

The Texas Chemical Council (TCC) recognized BASF Corp.in Freeport for continuous improvement in community outreach, emergency response, environmental performance and safety. The site received the Excellence in Caring for Texas award, along with the Distinguished Safety Service award, and the Zero Contractor Incident award at the 2017 awards banquet in June.

“These awards recognize the efforts of our employees who operate our sites safely and efficiently, always keeping our community and our customers in mind.” said Chris Witte, BASF Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Freeport site. “It is because of their efforts that we have been recognized by the Texas Chemical Council.”

Congratulations to BASF for these well-deserved awards.

NEWS *from our* Members



Paul Kresta
Chairman, Precinct 2



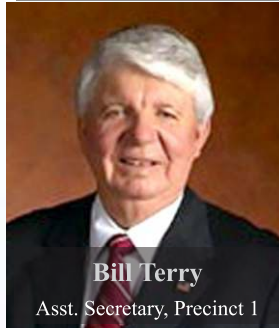
Shane Pirtle P. E.
Secretary, Precinct 1 (at Large)



Rudy Santos
Commissioner, Precinct 4



John Hoss
Vice Chairman, Precinct 1



Bill Terry
Asst. Secretary, Precinct 1



Ravi K. Singhanian
Commissioner, Precinct

PORT FREEPORT COMMISSION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

During the June 9th Port Commission Meeting, Commissioners unanimously elected Paul Kresta Chairman of the Port Commission. John Hoss will serve as the Port Commission Vice Chairman. The other officers are as follows: Shane Pirtle, Port Commission Secretary; Bill Terry, Port Commission Assistant Secretary; Rudy Santos, Port Commissioner and Ravi Singhanian, Port Commissioner.

Paul Kresta has served on the Port Commission since 2009 and is a life-long resident of Brazoria County. Employed by Phillips 66 since 1978, Kresta holds the position of Shift Superintendent and for 28 years has been in the private ranching business. Kresta served on the Board of the Brazoria County Fair Association for 25 years, contributed over 20 years to the Brazoria County Cattlemen's Association as a member of the board and had served as president for two years. Kresta stays involved in other community organizations. Kresta has been married to Peggy Kresta since 1983 and has four children and one granddaughter.

As the newly elected Chairman, he looks forward to leading the Port Commission. Chairman Paul Kresta stated, "I would like to congratulate each Commissioner on their newly elected positions. Port Freeport's growth has created an exciting environment, and I look forward to working with the Port Commission and staff in furthering the Port's strategic objectives and achieving new successes."

WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF OUR 2017 TASTE OF THE TOWN SPONSORS!

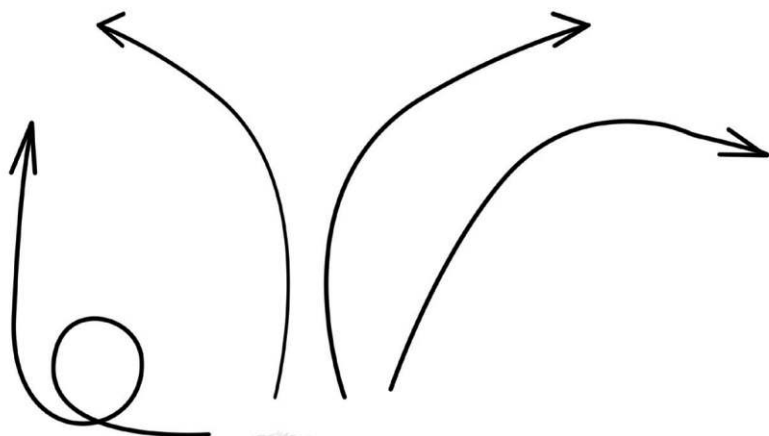
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