

Zeller set to start second term as Victoria County Judge

by Peter Moralez

On January 1, 2019 Ben Zeller will start his second term as Victoria County Judge. He ran unopposed in the past election. He is both the Chief Budget Officer and the Chief Administrator and is responsible for overseeing Victoria County's \$59 million annual budget, as well as attracting new investment and business growth to Victoria County.

Zeller was raised in Victoria and attended University of Houston – Victoria where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Texas A & M University - San Antonio. He was named 2018 Young Alumnus of the Year for outstanding professional accomplishments by University of Houston - Victoria, as well as the Texas A & M – San Antonio's 2018 Distinguished Alumnus for professional reputation and distinguished professional accomplishments.

"Since my youth I have always had a passion for public policy, and even though Victoria County Judge was the first elected position I sought in 2014, I had many years of budgeting experience while working in private industry."

Zeller worked in the financial sector at Wells Fargo Bank, and then for Texas Dow Employee's Credit Union (TDECU), where he served as a senior loan officer. He also served on the State Republican Executive Committee.

He says one of the most challenging budgeting issues for Victoria County is unfunded mandates imposed by the Texas Legislature. "Forty percent of the county's budget is spent on addressing unfunded mandates," Zeller said. "It is a constant struggle to deal with these costs and I am doing all I can to fight unfunded mandates."

Zeller said, "One of the ways to combat these spiraling costs is to band together with other Texas counties to fight to lessen these

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Victoria County Judge Ben Zeller. *Contributed photo.*



Hector Gutierrez. *Contributed photo.*

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Hector L. Gutierrez, formerly of Farmers Insurance, has expired his contract with Farmers and de-

veloped an independent insurance agency known as HLG Insurance of Texas. He and his agency have been serving clients since 2002 in Victoria, Texas and the surrounding Crossroads region as one of the original bilingual agencies.

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The passing of a local hero

by Dr. Peter B. Riesz, MD

One of our local veterans, a real hero, passed away quietly on December 9, 2018. His name is Laddie Frank Yanda. He was born on March 13, 1925 on the family farm in Shiner, Lavaca County, Texas. He graduated from Shiner High School in 1942. He was called to active duty in the Army during June of 1943. He was sent to Camp Barkley near Abilene, Texas for basic training of 17 weeks. At the end of this time he was assigned to the medical section of the 90th Infantry Division at Camp Barkley. He would go into intensive training to be a Medical Corpsman. During early December 1943 the entire division was entrained and moved to western Pennsylvania. They were being prepared for travel to Europe. In late December 1943 the division moved to Camp Shanks on the Hudson River just above New York City. After a few days they moved by ferryboat to the docks in New York harbor and boarded the SS Aquatania. She sailed on January 2, 1944 with 8,000 troops aboard. They arrived at Glasgow, Scotland on January 11, 1944 and were sent by train to a base near London. Their training continued but with more intensity. He had been assigned as a medical corpsman to the 29th Infantry Division. After a short time they moved to Plymouth near the southern coast of England. Training was intense except for 1 day when the whole division was shipped to London's Wimbledon soccer stadium to watch a football game between the 29th Division and a Canadian team. He was soon transferred to the 116th Regiment, which was scheduled to be one of the lead units of the coming D-Day invasion. Field maneuvers continued as they gradually moved closer and closer to the coast. The every day backpack he wore contained a trenching tool, miss kit, blankets, shelter half of a tent, raincoat, and personal effects. As a medic he wore a red cross on his armband but no markings on his helmet. On his web belt he carried a canteen, small first aide pouch, and two large medical corpsman treatment bags. The unit received a letter of encouragement from General Eisenhower and they all suspected the invasion was to be very soon. In late May they moved to Weymouth on the coast. On June 5, 1944 they would board a vessel called an LCI (landing craft infantry). It carried about 150 men and their equipment. They soon moved out into the English Channel. It was June 6, 1944. The sea was rough and seasickness was common. It was too rough to land from the LCI so, at 7:30AM, they loaded into smaller LCVP and proceeded to the shore. They would be in the first wave of the Omaha Beach invasion on Normandy. They were scheduled to step ashore on the beach at a spot code named Easy Green Beach. By this time the weather was much calmer. When they unloaded the water was only knee deep. Shelling was heavy from both sides and the noise was intense. As he crossed a narrow beach he slipped on a row of slippery stones known as shingles. He fell, cracking the stone in a class ring he wore. The only protection they had was from smoke caused by grass fires on the landing area, which were started by the shelling and other gunfire. He immediately began to treat our wounded of which there were many. The wounded would be loaded onto the LCVPs that brought them in and taken back to England for further treatment. On June 7 they would move off the beach toward the interior. They passed through the E-1 or Vierville-sur-Mer draw. The attacks were now well organized. They were at rest that day and watched the 2nd Division land and move through their position and head deeper into the countryside. Their advance continued and they moved in the direction of St. Lo. They had to endure constant mortar fire and sniper action. This would create many wounded for Laddie to treat. On July 11, 1944

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U.S. Army medic Laddie Fran Yanda. Photo by Dr. Peter B Riesz, MD.

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Janie Ortiz Martinez retires after 36 years of service



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by Peter Morales

On October 31, 2018 Janie Ortiz Martinez officially retired after 36 years of service in the Victoria Office of the Attorney General, Child Support Division (AG). She has been the supervisor in that office for the past 28 years.

The Victoria office encompasses a 10-county region including Victoria, Aransas, Beeville, Calhoun, Colorado, Dewitt, Goliad, Jackson, Lavaca and Refugio.

“I was honestly ready to step down,” Martinez said. “I was fortunate to have a wonderful career with the Attorney General’s office but I was looking forward to the next phase of my life.”

Although Martinez began her career with the AG in 1982, she has been with the State of Texas since 1980. “I was working as a temporary employee with what was then called Texas Workforce Commission,” she said. “By 1980 I was hired as a full time employee.”

The Child Support Division of the AG’s office is responsible to insure that the dependant children

involved in either divorce or separated cases throughout the state receive the benefits they have been awarded. Whether that is financial support, health insurance, visitation benefits, or a combination of those based on the court or hearing orders.

“5,000 to 18,000 cases annually,” Martinez said. At one time we had as many as 32 workers in the office. That has now been trimmed to approximately 23 employees with recent cutbacks, making our jobs more complex.”

In the years that Martinez serve, she has seen a distinct change in many facets of the decisions handed down by either a judge or a resolution specialist.

“Thirty plus years ago financial support orders were assessed primarily against the male parent, as well as custody normally going to the female parent,” she said. “Nowadays, I would say that custody is almost to a 50/50 measure, and financial support is also reaching total parity.”

Even with those dramatic changes in orders, I feel that in many cases male parents feel that they’re being either slighted or made to pay more than their fare share. But that’s not the case at all,” she said. “What we are interested in is making sure that the children involved in these decisions receive whatever they are entitled too.”

In 2016, Martinez was named “Supervisor of the Year” at the Statewide Child Support Managers’ Conference in Dallas. She was selected for the award based on recommendations from her peers and supervisors with a particular focus on her willingness to

go over and beyond her duties to serve the children of Texas.

“As far as I’m concerned, it has always been about the children,” Martinez said. “I think It’s sad

that we have to work so diligently to make sure that parents involved in cases that may very well determine if the child or children of their union will have an equal

opportunity to survive, thrive and flourish. I was very proud to serve and to give those children a voice.”

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Noticias del Mundo

FRANCIA - La Fiscalía afirma que el autor del atentado de Estrasburgo es un joven de 29 años. Cherif Chekatt, que se había “radicalizado” tras arrastrar un largo historial por delitos comunes, con hasta 27 condenas a sus espaldas en Francia, Alemania y Suiza. Según un testigo, gritó “Alá es grande” durante el ataque. Chérif Chekatt., equipado con un arma de fuego y un arma blanca, realizó un recorrido con el que sembró el pánico en

tres puntos distintos de la ciudad, entre ellos las inmediaciones de un mercado navideño. En este ataque resultaron 2 personas fallecidas y 13 personas heridas.

BRASIL - Más de 200 mujeres han denunciado por acoso sexual al gurú espiritual brasileño João de Deus, que se hizo internacionalmente famoso al tratar con celebridades y políticos como el expresidente brasileño Lula da Silva o la modelo Naomi Campbell



Presidente de México Andrés Manuel López Obrador. *Contributed photo.*

MEXICO - los mexicanos han convertido los primeros días del Gobierno de Andrés Manuel López Obrador en obsesivo tema de ocupación. No hay manera de escapar de la interminable polémica en los medios, en el transporte público o en las charlas familiares:

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ESTADOS UNIDOS - El ex abogado de Trump Michael Cohen va a la cárcel por 3 años. Michael Cohen pasó de ser el abogado personal del presidente Trump a ser condenado y estar arrepentido

por mentirle al Congreso. Cohen asumió la responsabilidad por los delitos por los que a sido condenado.

Frente al pleno del Senado, el líder de la minoría demócrata, Chuck Schumer, le reiteró al presidente Trump que no habrá un muro dentro de los gastos del Gobierno.

RUSIA - Este miércoles la portavoz de la cancillería de Rusia describió a Maria Butina como una “presa política” y acusó a Estados Unidos de haberla torturado tras imputarle haber actuado como agente del Gobierno ruso sin registrarse en el país. A penas el martes, el presidente de Rusia, Vladimir Putin, dijo que no sabía quién era Butina.

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by Officer John Turner

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ing knowledge of the Victoria Police Department through lectures and hands-on practical exercises. All classes are taught by local law enforcement officers with the Victoria Police Department and Victoria Sheriff's Office.

Some of the classes, include building searches, in which you will be given an opportunity to search and clear a darkened building. You and your partner will enter the building armed only with your flashlight and sidearm and attempt to find and arrest any criminals hiding inside. Another class will place you and a partner in a potentially deadly force situation. You will be armed with weapons loaded with paint pellets and presented a scenario. You'll interact with one of our wonderful actors and be forced to make a decision, shoot or don't shoot. This one may seem a bit stressful but don't worry, you'll have a second or two to make your decision.

Other hands-on classes include handcuffing, fingerprinting, field sobriety tests, traffic stops and everyone's favorite; firearms. Yes, for those who participate in the entire program, we conclude with a trip to the range where you will have the opportunity to operate

several different firearms used by police. You can then pit your skills against those of your fellow students in a friendly competition. There are also demonstrations by our S.W.A.T. team and K-9 officers as well as a live Taser demonstration (yes, you will get to see, first hand, the effects of a Taser on one of the brave volunteers currently in training to become police officers).

The classes cover all areas of police work and give you the opportunity to ask questions of the professionals who do this job every day.

Individuals who apply for the Civilian Police Academy must be at least 18 years of age and pass a background check.

The Civilian Police Academy is part of the Distinguished Citizen series of classes offered by the city which also include the Citizens Academy and the Civilian Fire Academy.

John Turner is a Crime Prevention Officer with the Victoria Police Department. For further information on the Civilian Police Academy he may be contacted at 485-3808.

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Clarissa Molina integró su corona a la ex Miss Venezuela, quien también resultó ganadora del premio Chica People NBL gracias a sus



Chiquinquirá Delgado y Javier Poza. Contributed photo.

votos. Yaritza Owen la hondureña, quedó como segunda finalista. Para mi Yaritza era quien merecía esa corona, es una mujer bellisima aparte de ser muy profesional.

Mira Quién Baila- 'Mira Quién Baila' ya tiene fecha de regreso y ¡con sorpresa! Conducido por Chiquinquirá Delgado y Javier Poza, el reality que comenzará el primer domingo del 2019 a las 8/7 Pm Centro, será una edición espe-

cial que se hará en Estados Unidos, y que se llamará 'Mira Quién Baila, All Stars'. La incógnita es, ¿por qué se llama 'All Stars'? Aunque Univision aun mantiene en incógnita ese detalle, se dice que es posible que participen algunos de los famosos que han llegado a la final y no han ganado, como sucedió con el antecédente 'Nuestra Belleza Latina'. No te lo puedes perder,

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CHARLANDO, from pg. 6
Pedro Moreno y Chyno son 2 de los famosos que competirán en mira quién baila.

Ángela Aguilar- Ángela Aguilar derrochó el talento que heredó de su padre Pepe Aguilar cantando

‘La Llorona’ en los Latin Grammys el 16 de Noviembre. No cabe duda que a su corta edad esta joven tiene mucho talento. Tremenda interpretación de esta joven cantante.

Jennifer Lopez- refresa a la pantalla grande en la película Second

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estrena este 21 de Diciembre en cines.

Angélica Rivera- Ahora que Angélica Rivera ya no es primera dama de México, muchos se preguntan si volverá a la actuación. Según Televisa Espectáculos, la actriz mexicana ha recibido propuestas para regresar a la televisión.

Su último papel en una telenovela fue en Destilando amor en el 2007 junto a Eduardo Yáñez. ‘La Gaviota’ —como la bautizaron sus fanáticos por uno de sus más memorables personajes en la pantalla chica—a mi si me gustaría verla nuevamente en telenovelas. Es muy buena actriz.

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A year of growth at the Food Bank in 2018

by Meridith Byrd

What a year 2018 has been! We began the year surveying the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey and trying to determine the best way to grow and expand our services. Countless businesses, organizations and individuals donated generously to the Food Bank and we



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were exceptionally mindful of putting the money to good use.

Purchase of new delivery trucks

We received nearly one million dollars from the Justin J. Watt Foundation hurricane relief fund; a large portion of the money was used to purchase two new refrigerated delivery trucks, which are essential to our operation because we transport food to pantries throughout eleven counties and a range of 10,000 square miles. Our old trucks each had over 300,000 miles on them and had begun to break down repeatedly, putting an enormous strain on the Food Bank's budget and effectively giving us less money to spend on food that we could otherwise be providing.

Repairing hurricane damage at food pantries

Some of our partner food pantries were damaged badly enough in the hurricane that they were forced to close temporarily. With the support of the JJ Watt and Tepper Foundations we were able to assist these pantries with funds to help them repair the damage and return to serving their clients.

Enrolling more kids in the backpack program

Children who receive free breakfasts and lunches at school are eligible for enrollment in our backpack program, which provides kids with four meals and two snacks to take home for the weekend. The number of children needing these services rose sharply after Hurricane Harvey. The funds we received have allowed us to significantly expand the backpack program, even doubling the number of children enrolled at some schools.

Addition of three-monthly food distributions

In addition to supplying food to pantries, the Food Bank also conducts mobile food distributions,

which are like a drive-thru. Clients pre-register and then drive to the designated location, where Food Bank staff and other volunteers load bags of food into their cars. As of summer, 2018 the Food Bank conducted monthly mobile food distributions in five communities. We have since begun additional distributions in Palacios, Refugio and (as of January) Goliad, for a total of eight mobile distributions each month.

Named one of the 40 best Food Banks in America

In November we were ranked number 23 in a list of the top 40 food banks in America by 24/7 Wall Street, a financial news and opinion website. 24/7 Wall Street compared food banks using data gathered by the charity-rating website Charity Navigator and based its rankings on the organizations' accountability, transparency, and financial health as well as the percentages of money collected spent on programs and services versus administrative costs.

The Food Bank of the Golden Crescent is proud to boast a Charity Navigator rating of 96.9 (out of 100), earning a coveted four-star status. Charities with a rating of over 90 are described as exceeding industry standards and outperforming most charities in their cause, and we are committed to maintaining our exemplary rating.

2018 was a year of growth for the Food Bank in so many ways. We are proud to have weathered the storm (literally and figuratively), expanded our reach, and helped to feed more people than ever before in our 30-year history.

Meridith Byrd is the Director of Community Engagement for the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent. She also manages the Victoria Farmers' Market. Contact her at 361-218-9246 or mbyrd@feedingamerica.org.

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Contributed art.

by Santiago Raya

Believe it or not it's Christmas-time again. I usually use this platform to get on my soapbox and talk about what's not happening the way I want it to happen. But right now I'm in a more personally reflective frame of mind.

God willing, this will be my 60th Christmas to celebrate. With the passing of each year Christmas has always been special to me. In my early years, it was all about the gifts. What was going to be under the tree for me? As I got a little older, I remember my Dad throwing a few dollars my way and then he would take me to the store, before there were malls, and let me buy gifts for my brother and sisters, and especially my Mom.

Where I was raised the stores he would take me to were either Gimbels or Boston Store. I look back on those innocent days of my youth and remember the happiness my Mom would show when she opened whatever trivial gift my dollar or two could afford. She would act like it was the greatest gift since sliced bread, and maybe to her, it really was.

As I look back on those days I can't help but to remember to my Dad it was always all about Mom. He would always say, "Don't worry about me get something for your Mother."

As I got older, it became abundantly clear to me that that the way to make my Dad happy, was to make my Mom happy. It's funny because it was always the smallest things that would make my Mom happy.

Things like cleaning my room, doing the dishes for her, trying not to fight with my siblings or even that cheap \$2 bottle of perfume I got for her for Christmas, which I'm sure smelled horrible!

I guess little by little one of the key lessons I learned from my father was that age-old lesson; it's better to give than receive. As a kid I couldn't grasp that, I mean what could be better than a bunch of gifts under the tree with my

name on it?

But you know what, after years and years of hearing my Dad repeat his adage to me I started to file it away with all the things he taught me from his years of experience and see the value in each one of those lessons. Like my Mom, to him it was the little things that mattered the most, and those were the keys to learning the bigger lessons.

This year I'm going to take out that mental box of lessons and dust them off and really reflect on all the blessings that have come my way and be truly thankful for all that I have and all that I have received.

May God bless and keep all of you this holiday season. Take the time to count your blessings and be truly thankful. Merry Christmas.

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PERMISO de CALIDAD DE AIRE NÚM. 6141A

SOLICITUD Union Carbide Corporación, ha solicitado a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ, por sus siglas en inglés) para una enmienda a y renovación de un Permiso de Calidad de Aire Núm. 6141A, lo cual autorizaría el funcionamiento continuo de la operación y la modificación de un(a) planta de Polietileno en el USS Seadrift Operaciones ubicado por el camino 7501 del estado 185 Norte, en la ciudad de Seadrift, en el Condado de Calhoun, Texas 77983. Este enlace a un mapa electrónico de la ubicación general del sitio o de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=28.516388&lng=-96.768055&zoom=13&type=r>. La instalación establecida y/o las instalaciones relacionadas emitirán los siguientes contaminantes atmosféricos: monóxido de carbono, óxidos de nitrógeno, compuestos orgánicos, partículas que incluyen partículas con diámetros de 10 micrones o les y 2.5 micrones o les, y dióxido de azufre.

Esta solicitud se presentó a la TCEQ el día 2 de noviembre del año 2018. La renovación del permiso será emitida junta con la enmienda. Esta acción de otorgamiento de permiso también incluye la incorporación de las siguientes autorizaciones previas o cambios previos a instalaciones autorizadas relacionadas con este permiso. Las razones para cualquier cambio o incorporación, hasta el punto de que puedan ser incluidos en el permiso renovado, pueden incluir las mejoras en los controles operacionales en la planta o la capacidad de asegurar la aplicación de la ley para el permiso. La solicitud estará disponible para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, la oficina regional de la TCEQ en Corpus Christi y en la biblioteca del Condado de Calhoun, por la calle 200 West Mahan, en la ciudad de Port Lavaca, en el Condado de Calhoun, Texas, empezando el primer día de la publicación de este aviso. El expediente de cumplimiento normativo de la planta, si existe alguno, está disponible para su revisión en la oficina regional de la TCEQ en Corpus Christi.

El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud cumple con los requisitos administrativos y llevará a cabo una revisión técnica de la solicitud.

COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS/REUNIÓN PÚBLICA Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos, solicitar una reunión pública, o solicitar una audiencia de lo contencioso a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial en la dirección que se encuentra más abajo. La TCEQ tomará en cuenta todos los comentarios públicos para desarrollar la decisión final sobre la solicitud. **La fecha límite para presentar comentarios públicos es 30 días después de que se publique el aviso en el periódico.**

El propósito de la reunión pública es proporcionar la oportunidad de hacer comentarios o preguntas sobre la solicitud. Si el director ejecutivo determina que existe un importante nivel de interés público con respecto a la solicitud o si lo solicita un legislador local, se llevará a cabo una reunión pública sobre la solicitud. Una reunión pública no es una audiencia de lo contencioso.

Si sólo comentarios se reciben con respecto a la solicitud, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con el aviso de la acción del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, serán enviados por correo a cualquier persona que presente comentarios o que se encuentre en la lista de envío para esta solicitud.

Si se presenta a tiempo una petición para audiencia, el director ejecutivo completará la revisión técnica y emitirá una decisión preliminar sobre la solicitud, y se publicará y se enviará por correo un Aviso de Solicitud y Decisión Preliminar a aquellas personas que se encuentren en la lista de envío para esta solicitud. El aviso incluirá el plazo final para entregar comentarios públicos.

Al cumplir el plazo final para comentarios públicos después de cualquier Aviso de Solicitud y Decisión Preliminar que se requiera, el director ejecutivo tomará en cuenta los comentarios y preparará una respuesta para todos los comentarios públicos pertinentes materiales, o significativos. Si se reciben comentarios, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, se enviará por correo a cualquier persona que haya presentado un comentario público o que se encuentre en la lista de envío para esta solicitud.

OPORTUNIDAD PARA UNA AUDIENCIA DE LO CONTENCIOSO Usted puede solicitar una audiencia de lo contencioso. Una audiencia de lo contencioso es un procedimiento legal, parecido a un juicio civil en el tribunal de distrito del estado. A menos que se presente una solicitud para una audiencia de lo contencioso dentro de 30 días de este aviso, el director ejecutivo puede autorizar la solicitud. Una audiencia de caso impugnado sólo será otorgada a base de cuestiones debatidas de hechos relacionadas a intereses que son pertinentes y materiales a las decisiones de la Comisión con respecto a la solicitud. Además, la Comisión sólo otorgará una audiencia sobre cuestiones que usted u otros hayan presentado durante el período público de comentarios y que no hayan retirado.

Una persona que puede estar afectada por emisiones de contaminantes atmosféricos de una instalación tiene derecho a solicitar una audiencia. Si se solicita una audiencia de lo contencioso, debe presentar lo siguiente: (1) su nombre (o para un grupo o una asociación, un representante oficial), dirección, número de teléfono de día y número de facsímil, si lo tiene; (2) el nombre del solicitante y número del permiso; (3) la declaración “[yo/nosotros] solicitamos/solicitamos una audiencia de lo contencioso”; (4) una descripción específica de cómo se vería afectado adversamente por la solicitud y las emisiones atmosféricas de la instalación de manera que no es común para el público en general; (5) la ubicación y distancia de su propiedad con relación a la instalación; y (6) una descripción de cómo usa la propiedad, lo cual podría ser afectado por la instalación. Si la petición la hace un grupo o una asociación, deben de identificar el miembro o los miembros que tienen derecho a solicitar una audiencia y los intereses que el grupo o la asociación busca proteger. También puede presentar los ajustes que propone hacer a la solicitud/permiso que satisficieran sus preocupaciones.

Si se registra a tiempo una petición para audiencia, puede que se dé aviso adicional. Después del cierre de todos los períodos aplicables de comentario y de petición, el director ejecutivo enviará la solicitud y cualquier petición para audiencia de lo contencioso a los comisionados de la TCEQ para su consideración durante una de las reuniones programadas de la Comisión. **Si se concede la audiencia, el tema de la audiencia estará limitado a cuestiones debatidas de hechos relacionadas a intereses pertinentes y materiales de preocupaciones de calidad atmosférica que se hayan planteado durante el período de comentarios.** Cuestiones tales como valores de propiedades, ruido, seguridad de tráfico y zonificación no están dentro de la competencia de la Comisión para abordar en este proceso judicial.

LISTA DE ENVÍO Además de presentar comentarios públicos, puede solicitar que le incluyan en la lista de envío para recibir futuros avisos públicos sobre esta solicitud específica enviados por correo de la Oficina del Secretario Oficial, al enviar una petición por escrito a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial de la TCEQ a la dirección que se encuentra más abajo.

INFORMACIÓN Comentarios públicos por escrito o solicitudes para una reunión pública o una audiencia de lo contencioso se deben entregar a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, o por el Internet al www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html. Tenga en cuenta que cualquier información de contacto que proporcione, incluyendo su nombre, número de teléfono, dirección de correo electrónico y dirección física, se convertirá en parte del registro público de la Agencia. Para más información sobre esta solicitud para permiso o sobre el proceso de permisos, puede llamar sin cobro a la Oficina de Asistencia al Público al 1 800 687 4040. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. Puede encontrar información general sobre la TCEQ en el www.tceq.texas.gov/.

Se puede obtener información adicional también de Union Carbide Corporación, P.O. Box 186, Port Lavaca, Texas 77979-0186, o al llamar a Señor Kyle Lofland, Environmental Specialist, al número (361) 553-3399.

Fecha de Expedición: el día 6 de diciembre del año 2018

HERO, from pg. 2

he was advancing on the front line.

He had just finished patching up a soldier who had been wounded by a potato masher or hand grenade. An enemy shell hit one of a nearby tank. A large piece of shrapnel from this shell hit Laddie in the chest. It had tremendous force and took his breath away. He knew he was out of action. He made his way on his own to a nearby treatment area where they began treatment by draining blood from his chest cavity. He was evacuated by C-47 from a nearby airfield and admitted to the 160th General hospital. He was in and out of consciousness for the next ten days. He had chest tubes in place and was constantly having blood drained from his chest. He gradually improved and required less treatment. While there, the Queen Mother visited the hospital.

In September he was moved to a rehabilitation hospital along the west coast. Here they were to decide whether or not he could be returned to active duty. In December it was determined he could not return to duty so on September 23; 1944 he boarded the Liberty ship USS General Richardson for the trip home. Arriving in New York City harbor in January 1945 he was sent to Hammond General Hospital in Modesto, California. He was allowed to spend the 30 days leave he had accumulated at home in Shiner, Texas.

On returning to Modesto he would begin 18 months of intensive treatment at 5 different hospitals. This included the removal of 3 of his ribs in order to rest his lungs. He rapidly improved with this treatment and was finally discharged from Brooke General Hospital in San Antonio, Texas on January 5, 1947. He was credited with two years, six months, and 17 days of service in the USA and one year and 2 days of Foreign Service.

On returning home he was employed by a local bank for the remainder of his life. He passed away quietly at home on December 9, 2018. He was buried, surrounded by family and friends, in the Victoria Memorial Park Cemetery on December 14 with full military honors provided by the Victoria County Veterans Council.

Thus ends the saga of a real American hero.

La Cocina de Tia Yole



Bacon wrapped pork medallions. *Contributed photo.*

BACON WRAPPED PORK MEDALLIONS

8 slices bacon
1-tablespoon garlic powder
1 teaspoon seasoned salt
1 teaspoon dried basil
1 teaspoon dried oregano
2 pounds pork tenderloin
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons olive oil

Preheat an oven to 400°F (200°C)

Place the bacon in a large, oven-safe skillet, and cook over medium-high heat, turning occasionally, until lightly browned and still flexible, 6 to 7 minutes. Drain the bacon slices on a paper towel-lined plate. Remove any excess bacon grease from the skillet. Combine garlic powder, seasoning salt, basil, and oregano

in a small bowl. Set aside.

Wrap the pork tenderloin with the bacon strips securing with 1 or 2 toothpicks per strip of bacon. Slice the tenderloin between each bacon strip to create the medallions. Dip both sides of the medallions in seasoning mix. Melt butter and oil together in the same skillet over medium-high heat. Cook each medallion for 4 minutes on each side.

Place skillet into the preheated oven and bake until the pork is no longer pink in the center for about 17 to 20 minutes. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center should read 145°F (63°C). Makes 6 servings.

CHIVE AND GARLIC MASHED POTATOES



TATOES

4 to 6 pounds Yukon gold potatoes, peeled
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
1-cup heavy cream
½ stick (¼ cup) unsalted butter
4 cloves garlic, lightly crushed
3 sprigs fresh thyme
2 tablespoons chopped chives

Put the cut potatoes into a large pot, cover them with cold water, and add a large pinch of salt. Bring to a boil and simmer until the potatoes are fork tender, about 20 to 30 minutes. Drain well. Meanwhile, in a small pot heat the cream, butter, garlic, and thyme. While the potatoes are still warm, press them through a potato ricer or food mill into a bowl. Stir in warm cream a bit at a time, straining out the solids, until the potatoes are fluffy. Season with salt and pepper and gently fold in the chives. Serve immediately. Yields: 6 to 8 servings.

HERBED BROCCOLI SPEARS

1-pound fresh broccoli, cut into spears
1 medium tomato, chopped
1 garlic clove, minced
½ teaspoon onion salt
¼ teaspoon dried basil
¼ teaspoon dried oregano
1-tablespoon olive oil or vegetable oil

Place 1 inch of water and broccoli in a saucepan. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 5-8 minutes or until crisp-tender. In a skillet, sauté the tomato, garlic, onion, salt, basil and

oregano in oil for 1 minute or until heated through. Drain broccoli; top with tomato mixture and stir gently. Yields: 6 servings.

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ZELLER, from pg. 1

expenditures. Victoria County belongs to both the Texas Association of Counties and the Commissioner's Association of Texas. Zeller is a board member for both associations.

Unfunded mandates are defined as a statute or regulation that requires a local government to perform certain actions, with no money provided for fulfilling those requirements.

He also serves as a board member on the Texas I-69 Alliance, Victoria Business and Education

HLG, from pg. 1

ultimately resulting in a more personalized service delivered to each of our clients," says Hector. "It is because of my commitment to best serve our clients that this change became a necessity."

Gutierrez is joined by his wife, Erma (Esmeralda) Gutierrez, who was previously with the agency since 2009 after retiring from Victoria College, and Marie Saldana, who has been with the agency since April of 2017 after retiring from Texas A&M - San Antonio. Both are licensed insurance agents, graduated from UHV, and take great pride in serving their community.

Hector was born and raised in Victoria County and served as an active Marine graduating high school from Bloomington High School. After leaving the service, he began a career working for a finance company before transition-

MARTINEZ, from pg. 3

people gathered at the Catholic War Veteran's Hall on South Main

Coalition, Victoria Economic Development Corporation, Victoria County Juvenile Board, and the Victoria Rotary Board.

With respect to attracting new business to Victoria Zeller said, "I work hand-in-hand with the Victoria Economic Development Corporation (VEDC) to showcase all that Victoria County has to offer new businesses interested in potentially investing here."

In addition to the acreage available in Victoria County, Zeller said that the Port of Victoria is an incredible asset. "Even though we have deep water ports available in

ing into selling life insurance with New England Life.

A few years later he joined his family in launching a new business called Ventura's Tamales. In 2002, Hector decided to leave the family business when an opportunity arose to become a licensed Farmers Insurance Representative. He and his firm have been assisting the community in serving their insurance needs ever since.

Hector has always taken a special interest towards life insurance because he dislikes seeing the struggles families suffer with when a loved one is lost. Gutierrez takes pleasure in being able to provide a safety net to these families. "It provides the time that you need to get back on your feet," says Hector. "So many people are grieving because their loved one passed away, and I hate to see people worry about the little things like bills after the death of a loved one".

to honor Martinez with a meal and night of dancing. "I was really surprised by the turnout; so many people took time out from their

Houston and Corpus Christi, we are fortunate to offer port access to companies that can utilize a shallow water port and that area is ripe for expansion."

Zeller is an 8th -generation Texan. "I have an ancestor who scouted the unsettled lands of Texas in the early 1800s named William Smothers," he said. Smothers later returned to Texas with Stephan F. Austin as one of the original 300 settlers in Texas.

Zeller is married and has three children, and is an active member of Parkway Church in Victoria.

HLG Insurance of Texas is a multi-line insurance agency, providing personalized insurance coverage for families and businesses throughout the Victoria area and the rest of Texas. Their services include Auto, Home, Life, Commercial, and Medicare Supplements Insurance.

Besides being bilingual, Hector and staff take pride in explaining the coverages to their clients in great detail to develop a clear understanding of each individual policy.

They also offer an open door policy to non-clients and clients encouraging them to come see Hector L. Gutierrez if they have any questions regarding their current or prospective insurance policies.

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busy schedules to come and celebrate with us. I am very thankful and honored," Martinez said.

Merry Christmas



Commissioner Danny Garcia
and Family


