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### A note from the editor

or many of us, the evening provides a chance for reflection. We use the time to review our daily tasks list, cross off what we have done, and prepare the next day's list. We use it to synchronize our schedules with those of others. Planning is an important ritual that helps us move forward.

We think of what we overcame, and what remains to be done. But do we celebrate where we are, or the accomplishments themselves? Not always.

Between floods, Hurricane Harvey, and the pandemic, the Katy community has seen its share of obstacles. Yet the community continues its journey to being bigger and better—the theme of this year's Best of Katy section.

One way to measure bigger is in student enrollment. The Katy Independent School District earlier this year celebrated its 90,000th student. More students, and the schools where they will attend, are forthcoming.

One way to measure better is to create a product that helps fight a national problem, that of catalytic converter theft. One local business, Torans Precision Fabricating, created a catalytic converter shield that prevents the theft of such devices.

Bigger and better. Katy-based Igloo, worked with its longtime business partner Walmart to create a new line of locally-designed and built coolers with more features.

Two major hospitals, Memorial Hermann Katy and Houston Methodist West, are expanding their respective Katy operations to provide better care for area residents.

This year's Best of Katy section shares these and other stories to celebrate how Katy residents and businesses are going bigger and better. The section also enables our readers to have their say about their favorite business and service providers in over 100 categories. All are worth celebrating. Enjoy!

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The Katy Times team congratulates the winners in the 2022 Best of Katy competition and we thank all of our community partners who sponsored this special publication.

**ON THE COVER** Downtown Katy's "pocket park," 5615 1st St., served as home to the historic Missouri-Kansas-Texas (MKT) Depot. Today it serves as the community's visitors center. The museum is open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays. | GEORGE SLAUGHTER

#### **AUTOMOTIVE**



#### **BEST CAR WASH**

- Speedy Car Cleaning Winner
- · A-1 Autoworks Second Place
- · Buc-ee's Third Place

# BEST NEW CAR SALESMAN (DEALERSHIP)

- Vinny Gopinath/Shottenkirk
   Nissan Katy Winner
- Steve Machann/Westside Lexus Second Place
- Demetris Williams/AutoNation Ford Katy Third Place (tie)
- Mark Murski/West Houston Hyundai Third Place (tie)



# Katy company creates shield to protect against catalytic converter theft

#### BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER

**NEWS EDITOR** 

Catalytic converter theft has become a nationwide issue, and one Katy company is doing its part to help stop the stealing.

Torans Precision Fabricating, 5230 5th St., developed a shield that can be installed over the converter and protects the converter from theft.

The company developed the shield last year at the request of a Texas Toyota dealership, business development manager Amanda Hernandez said.

"They reached out to us to make the part because of the thefts going on in the area," Hernandez said. "This is very problematic, and it's going on in Houston and the surrounding areas. People are losing their lives trying to prevent the thefts."

Thieves are stealing converters because the precious metals they are made of has a high street value.

"From my understanding, the metal inside it, they can receive a lot of money for it." Hernandez said. "It's just quick cash for a thief."

The top targets for converter thefts are Toyota Tundras and Toyota Tacomas. Hernandez said thieves are more likely to steal converters from these vehicles because they are higher and have four converters.

"Now, we are seeing that Ford and Dodge models, and a few others, are being targeted," Hernandez said.

Last year, the Houston Police Department said the Toyota Prius, Ford F-250 and Honda Element & CRV were popular models for thieves to attack.

Converter theft victims must replace those converters, which can run about \$5,000, Hernandez said. Time lost with the car undergoing repairs, and driving a replacement, also adds cost and headache.

The Torans-manufactured shield is made from aluminum. Shield size varies with the vehicle. For the Toyota Tundra, the boxes are 46 inches long by 37 inches wide by 5 inches high. One can either install a shield himself or ask an auto professional to do the work.

"It's very easy to install it yourself," Hernandez said, adding that the company recommends using an auto professional for installation.

The shields are available directly from the company, as well as through eBay and Amazon.

As catalytic convert thefts have become more problematic across the U.S., a Katy company has created this shield to help prevent those thefts. TORANS PRECISION FABRICATING



#### **AUTOMOTIVE**

#### **BEST NEW VEHICLE DEALER**

- · Don McGill Toyota Service Winner
- Westside Lexus Second Place
- Jeff Haas Mazda Third Place

#### **BEST OIL CHANGE**

- Christian Brothers Automotive Fulshear - Winner
- Auto Check Katy TX Second
- Smith's Auto Repair Third Place

#### **BEST PAINT AND BODY SHOP**

- · S & T Auto Body Services Inc. - Winner
- · Katy Custom Finishes Second Place
- · Caliber Collision Third Place (tie)
- Extreme Offroad & Performance Third Place (tie)

#### **BEST RV DEALERSHIP**

- Camping World of Houston Winner
- Cliff Jones RV Houston Second Place
- Ron Hoover RV & Marine of West Houston - Third Place

#### **BEST SERVICE AND REPAIR**

- Christian Brothers Automotive Katy Firethorne – Winner
- Carsport Automotive Second Place
- · Christian Brothers Automotive Fulshear - Third Place



#### BEST TIRES AND REPAIR

- · Discount Tire Winner
- NTB Second Place
- Extreme Offroad & Performance Third Place (tie)
- Old Katy Car Care Third Place (tie)

#### **BEST TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT**

- Virnau Sealy Tractor Winner
- Brookside Equipment Sales Second Place
- · Cliff Jones Third Place

#### **BEST USED CAR DEALER**

- · CarMax Winner
- AutoNation Ford Katy Second
- Westside Lexus Third Place

#### **BEST USED CAR SALESMAN**

- Vinny Gopinath/Shottenkirk Nissan Katy - Winner
- Demetris Williams/AutoNation Ford Katy – Second Place
- Mark Murski/West Houston Hyundai – Third Place

# CHILDREN& EDUCATION

#### **BEST COLLEGE**

- University of Houston-Victoria at Katy – Winner
- University of Houston Second Place
- Houston Community College -Katy Campus – Third Place

#### **BEST DAY CARE**

- Centerra Ranch Montessori
   School Winner
- Tigerland Child Care Center Second Place
- Faith West Academy Third Place (tie)
- Primrose Schools Third Place (tie)

#### **BEST LEARNING CENTER**

- Crosspoint Christian School –
   Winner
- Centerra Ranch Montessori School – Second Place
- Memorial Lutheran Preschool Katy – Third Place

#### **BEST PRIVATE SCHOOL**

- Crosspoint Christian School –
   Winner
- Centerra Ranch Montessori
   School Second Place
- Faith West Academy Third Place



Katy Independent School District officials celebrated the district enrollment reaching 90,000 students. Jenna Mohamed Elshantaf, in white shirt on left, had the distinction of being named the 90,000th student. | Katy ISD

## **Katy ISD enrollment grows to 90,000 students**

#### BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER

**NEWS EDITOR** 

In March, the Katy Independent School District reached an enrollment of 90,000 students.

Such a milestone calls for a celebration, which the district did. Jenna Mohamed Elshantaf, a first-grade student at Mayde Creek Elementary, was named as the district's 90,000th student. She was surprised to see her family, Superintendent Ken Gregorski and other district officials present her with balloons, Katy ISD swag, and a "90,000th student" T-shirt.

Jenna's mother, Asma Alhabahbeh, said she and her family were told about the district as they prepared to move to Texas from New Jersey.

"When we decided to move to Texas, friends of ours told us that Katy ISD was a great school district and it had the best schools, so that's one of the reasons why we are here," Alhabahbeh said.

Gregorski said the district continues to grow. "We can't celebrate the enrollment of our 90,000th

student without also recognizing the immense growth we're experiencing," Gregorski said. "As families continue to move to the area, it's important that Katy ISD be prepared to serve them. Thanks to our voter-approved 2021 Bond, the district is able to provide the facilities and resources needed to prepare all students for the future."

The district's northwest quadrant continues to experience robust growth, including large neighborhoods and commercial developments. This fall, the district will open Steve and Elaine Robertson Elementary, its newest school, located at 7400 Innovation Drive in the Cane Island subdivision. It is the 44th elementary school in the district. The school is named for Steve and Elaine Robertson, who retired in 2020 following a combined 64 years of service in education.

Earlier this year, the district recently opened its newest junior high school, Haskett Junior High.

The district expects to add three additional elementary schools in the next few years, as well as one junior high, one high school and a transportation and maintenance facility.

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#### **CHILDREN & EDUCATION**





Paetow Panthers players celebrate a 27-24 win over College Station in the Class 5A Division I state football championship game on December 17, 2021 in Arlington, Texas. Above: Paetow Panthers quarterback C.J. Dumas Jr. (15) delivers a stiff arm to College Station Cougars linebacker Jaxson Slanker (34) on a carry during the Class 5A-Division I state football championship game between Paetow and College Station on December 17, 2021 in Arlington, Texas. | SCOTT W. COLEMAN

# Seniors leave lasting legacy on Paetow program

BY TYLER TYRE SPORTS EDITOR

ARLINGTON - Paetow's senior class has been on a mission to win a state championship since they were in middle school.

The Panthers' seniors joined the program when they were in eighth grade, with a school that hadn't opened yet and they engrained themselves for five years in a journey to make it all worth it.

That moment that made it worth it came in December. when Paetow lifted its first ever state championship trophy after a thrilling 27-24 overtime win over College Station in the Class 5A-Division I state final at AT&T Stadium.

"These seniors who started with us in eighth grade, I'm just so happy for them," said former Paetow head coach BJ Gotte. "The school was brand new when they joined us, but they worked as hard as they could and bought into what we did. To see them finish their careers as champions is really cool."

The Panthers' state championship meant even more to the seniors because of what happened a year ago to the day of the state championship game.

On December 17, 2020, the Panthers were told that their season was over because of a COVID-19 outbreak at the high school. On December 17, 2021, the Panthers won a state championship.

Paetow's seniors were playing to leave a legacy for themselves and the senior class that had come before them.

"Today is the day that our season last year, so history repeats itself," said senior quarterback CJ Dumas after the state final. "Today we're here as state champions. Those guys last year they've supported us from the beginning. They showed up to practices and they showed up to games cheering us on and kept in contact. It's the love and support from the community that kept us going. It pushed us, anyone could have been defeated after the way last season ended, but we took it as an opportunity. We capitalized on the number of guys we were bringing back and we were strong and confident

Paetow was poised no matter the situation, whether it was an early touchdown they gave up or after the game went into overtime. Gotte credited that to the leadership that came from this year's senior class.

There was never a doubt in any person's mind on the Paetow sideline what the outcome of the game would be. Paetow was ready for the moment.

"It completely comes from senior leadership," Gotte said. "These kids, they feed off each other and we've talked to them from the very beginning about doing your best every day. We've talked about these type of moments. I talked to a couple of the guys in here when we



Paetow Panthers wide receiver Kole Wilson (11) gets a toe down in bounds on a reception during the Class 5A-Division I state football championship game between Paetow and College Station on December 17, 2021 in Arlington, Texas. | SCOTT W. COLEMAN

played Hightower the first time about how you have to earn the right to play in big games. We did that and these guys knew, you don't have to change what you do to play championship football. If you have to change that you haven't been doing your best from the jump, and they've always done their best whether it was in August or December. Every day they came out and gave their absolute best and trained to be a champion. They have confidence in each other, we had already prepared for this and that's why you got the result you got tonight."

# 'More than a coach'

Katy celebrates Loftin in final home game

#### BY TYLER TYRE SPORTS EDITOR

As Dianne Loftin walked out onto the field before Katy's game against Taylor, she was shocked at what she saw.

Loftin knew that some people would show up to celebrate her coaching in her final home game, but she didn't expect the scene she saw in the stands.

"I had no idea it was going to be like that," Loftin said. "I expected to see a few past grads and see people I knew from the area here and there, but I didn't expect to see what happened today. There were people here that graduated in 1989, in 1990 that I coached that drove from out of town and out of state and it was just an awesome thing to be a part of."

Loftin has been engrained in the school and city of Katy as much as any coach could be, joining the school in 1986 where she coached and taught students for 36 years. That time finally ran down, as Loftin retired at the end of the season. But her career couldn't go uncelebrated, and Katy faculty, former and current students and appreciative parents all came out to show how much Loftin was valued in Katy's final home game of the season.

The Katy players made sure to keep things a celebration, beating Taylor 4-0 with the third seed in playoffs already secured for the Tigers and the whole team celebrated around Loftin after the game.

"It meant so much to get this win for us and for Coach Loftin," said Katy senior midfielder Rebecca Partyka. "She always pushes and wants us to be our best and pushes us to the next level, so it was really nice to get this win for her. It was really important for all of us."

Over the course of her head coaching career, Loftin garnered 430 wins and led the Tigers to six regional quarterfinals, helping countless of young minds who came through her program and the doors of Katy High.

"She's been a huge role model for me." Partyka said. "I've been on the team for four years and she's spent so much time helping me and so many other players. She was always pushing me



Katy's head coach Dianne Loftin picks up the win in her final home game during their soccer match against Katy Taylor. | MARK GOODMAN | SPECIAL TO THE KATY TIMES

to be better and she'll always be someone I look up to."

As much as the players appreciate Loftin, it means just as much to her that she got a chance to coach them, and she couldn't describe how much they all have meant to her.

"It's been an absolute blessing being here," Loftin said. "I can't think of a better place, that's why I stayed so long. It's just been an awesome place, the people, the support, it's been fabulous."

More than anything, Loftin is grateful that she was put in a position where she could impact so many young lives.

"I truly feel like I was called to do this and to be in the position I'm in, to have the opportunity to coach all of these years and do what I love and help students, I'm just so grateful," Loftin said. "I'm grateful for the people who have supported me and taught me and mentored me since I've gotten here. Gary Joseph and Ellen Beck just to name a couple. I've worked with some amazing teachers and administrators. I can't put into words what it's meant to me and I can't imagine that I'm not going to be here. It's hard and kind of bittersweet."

# **'Like a father'**

McPherson retires after 34 years at helm of Tigers

#### BY TYLER TYRE

SPORTS EDITOR

Tom McPherson's name is synonymous with Katy high school and city of Katy.

For 34 years, McPherson has donned the red and white, leading the Tigers on the baseball diamond and helping mold young minds.

The Katy head coach was at the helm as the Tigers rose and become one of the premier programs in baseball in the state of Texas, leading the Tigers to a state runner up trophy in 2006 and numerous district titles.

But the McPherson era at Katy had to come to an end at some time, and that end point came when the Tigers' season ended against Strake Jesuit.

McPherson had announced in April he would be retiring at the season's end and although it was a very successful year for the Tigers finished with a Class 6A Region III semifinal appearance.

"It's bittersweet right now," McPherson said. "We needed one more bounce to go our way. It was a good series and the pitching by both sides was phenomenal. They kept out bats in check and that was the difference. We just couldn't get those key hits today. The last one was always going to be hard."

McPherson helped grow young players games and grow teenagers into young men for his whole career. To his players, that meant everything. "He taught me so much, he was like a father figure to me," said

> senior left fielder Jhonnatan Ferrebus. "He taught me how to hit and how to be a better player in every way. When I got here freshman year, I had a lot I needed to improve on. He helped me with that through my sophomore year and then last year I really became a different player. I was able to turn it on and he really helped me with that. If it wasn't for him I wouldn't be the player I am today." Ferrebus speaks for many Katy student athletes that grew under McPherson. During his time as a high school head coach, McPherson accumulated 891 wins while coaching

at Canyon, Levelland, Johnson City and Katy. He also had stops as an assistant at Texas Tech and Hardin-Simmons. "He was the winningest active coach in the state of Texas," Ferrebus said. "He's just a great coach, not just with winning but with developing us too. He knows how to get us ready for the next level since he coached at

(Texas) Tech. You just couldn't ask for anyone better to lead you."

With McPherson's retirement, Katy assistant coach Wes Hearne will take the reigns as head coach. But while McPherson may not be there to lead the team every day, he knows that the school and the program will always be a part of him.

"He'll get a lot out of this bunch next year," McPherson said. They're a great bunch and I can't wait to come back and watch them. It will be different, but I can't wait."

Katy's Tom McPherson looks on in hopes his team can pull through in what could be his final game as head coach before retiring during the Region III-6A Regional SemiFinals at Jersey Village, Saturday May 28, 2022. | MARK GOODMAN | SPECIAL TO THE KATY TIMES





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# SOCIAL



**BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER**NEWS EDITOR

All good things are better shared. For Jessica Merritt and her husband J.D. Merritt of Battlehops Brewing, 6801 Highway Blvd., that includes craft beer. Jessica said they celebrated her 21st birthday in a pub, and they've enjoyed attending beer festivals over the years.

"It's fun to sit around and enjoy a beer," Merritt said. When the beer is homemade, the Merritts felt, so much the better. They've been active in creating their own beers for years. They decided to create a place where people could relax, enjoy those beers, play

some games, and have a good time.

"We were brewing 12 years before we opened Battlehops," Merritt said. "We thought there was a need for a place like this. There's nothing else like this here in Texas. It's a place where you can enjoy a beer and enjoy some board games."

There are plenty of boardgames from which to choose. Merritt said they have over 500 boardgames on the shelf or available upon request. She said they are always adding new games.

When the Merritts created Battlehops, beer was the focus. As with the boardgames, customers have their choice with the beers. Battlehops has 10 on tap.

But in 2020, they added a menu with hamburgers,

sandwiches, fries and hotdogs, among other foods to give the place a more complete focus. Under a new license, Merritt said, food and merchandise must total 60% of the sales at Battlehops, with beer totaling 40%.

"We made the change out of necessity, but we are happy with it," Merritt said.

They have reason to be happy with it. This year, Battlehops was voted the winner in the Best Family Fun category, and won second-place honors for Best Date Spot, Best Place for a Birthday Party and Best Meal under \$12. This is the second year Battlehops has been voted the winner in the Best Family Fun category.

"We're really proud of that," Merritt said.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT & SOCIAL**







#### **BEST BINGO**

- Epiphany of the Lord Winner
- · No Label Brewing Co. Second Place
- Katy Elks Lodge #2628 Third Place

#### **BEST BOWLING**

- · Main Event Katy Winner
- · Times Square Entertainment -Second Place
- · Star Cinema Grill Third Place

#### **BEST DATE SPOT**

- · Pearl and Vine Winner
- Battlehops Brewing Second Place
- Anthonie's Market Grill Third Place

#### **BEST FAMILY FUN**

- Battlehops Brewing Winner
- Katy Gymnastics and Sports Performance - Second Place
- Andretti Indoor Karting & Games Katy - Third Place

#### **BEST KARAOKE**

- Wildcatter Saloon Winner
- · Katy Vibes Second Place
- Soju 101 Third Place

#### **BEST LIVE MUSIC VENUE**

- · Mo's Place Winner
- The Wildcatter Saloon Second Place
- · Central Green Willow Fork Drainage District – Third Place (tie)
- No Label Brewing Co. Third Place (tie)

#### **BEST MUSEUM**

- · Katy Heritage Society @ Katy Heritage Park – Winner
- Art Museum TX/Cinco Ranch Second Place
- · The Johnny Nelson Katy Heritage Museum - Third Place

#### **BEST NIGHT CLUB**

- Mo's Place Winner
- · Wildcatter Saloon Second Place
- Whiskey River West Third Place

#### **BEST PLACE FOR A BIRTHDAY PARTY**

- Katy Gymnastics and Sports Performance – Winner
- Battlehops Brewing Second Place
- Times Square Entertainment Third Place





#### BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER NEWS EDITOR

Midway Bar-B-Que, 6025 Highway Blvd., plans to reopen that location this summer after sustaining heavy damage from a February 2021 fire, owner Herman Mever said.

"It's been a long, hard journey to get back to where it is right now," Meyer said. "We're floating sheet rock now. Everything is coming together pretty quick now. Once we get the sheet rock up, the rest is just lipstick. The equipment has been ordered and paid for. The electrical and air conditioning are there."

Meyer said the hope is to reopen the restaurant on or about July 1, but added

that he was always skeptical about giving a date.

"We'll do something, but right now we're just concentrating on getting it complete and getting it open," Meyer said.

Even though the restaurant, long a fixture in the Katy dining scene, sustained significant damage, Meyer was able to move his business just down the street, to 6191 Highway Blvd.

"A customer of mine, he didn't want to be in the pizza business," Meyer said. "He drove by, saw everything was there. Fryers, chairs, everything you need. He said, just take it and operate your business."

Meyer said while the substitute location was too small to stay in permanently

- "we don't have the physical capacity to sit a bunch of people; it's really crowded," he said- the Midway name remains in front of the public.

"That's a big help," Meyer said. Meyer said Midway's catering business is also doing well.

"The catering business, we haven't missed a beat," Meyer said. "We can do outside catering, which we really appreciate. We try to do everything, prepare the menu the same way we always have. It's difficult to make money when you're in a small place. We're just thankful for them."

Meyer said the cause of the fire remains undetermined.

"Fire inspectors and investigators said

it started in the office, but there's nothing in the office to ignite something like that," Meyer said. "(Perhaps it was) cold nights, and several calls from utilities saying we were going to turn off the power, trying to distribute electricity. It's just a guess."

The restaurant, known before the fire for its extensive taxidermy on the walls, hopes to keep the same theme when it reopens, Meyer said. Customers have come forward to offer their taxidermy pieces, including two big elk that Meyer said his wife refused to allow in their house.

"We'll try to have the same theme, as far as décor is concerned," Meyer said. "Even the wooly mammoth."

## Foodies have more Best of Katy award-winning restaurants to consider this year

#### BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER

**NEWS EDITOR** 

In response to reader interest, the Katy Times this year added three new categories to its restaurant listings: Best Latin American Restaurant, Best Indian Restaurant, and Best Middle Eastern Restaurant.

Katy's growing number of restaurants have given area foodies plenty of tasty choices to consider across several genres.

Here's a brief overview of the winners in the newest

categories.

• Best Latin American Restaurant: Gloria's Latin Cuisine, 23333 Grand Circle Blvd., is one of three Houston-area locations. The restaurant serves Latin and Tex-Mex dishes. Santiago's Latin Kitchen and Bar, 25551 Kingsland Blvd., finished in second place. Sur Latin Peruvian Cuisine, 19901 Kingsland Blvd., finished in third place.

• Best Indian Restaurant: Tandoori Grill, 2002 North Fry Road, Suite 103, features Indian recipes, using traditional clay ovens (called tandoors) when preparing its dishes. HotBits Indian Cuisine, 25230 FM 1093, finished in second place. Kabob Korner, 557 S. Mason Road, finished in third place.

• Best Middle Eastern Restaurant: Fadi's Mediterranean Grill, 21792 Katy Fwy., is relatively new to the Katy area but there are other Fadi's restaurants in the Houston area. The restaurant serves Mediterranean and Lebanese foods. Pappa Gyros, 21910 Franz Road, finished in second place. Dimassi's Mediterranean Buffet, 22453 Katy Fwy., finished in third place.

#### **FOOD & DRINK**







# FOOD&DRINK

#### **BEST ASIAN CUISINE**

- Phat Eatery Winner
- · T Jin China Diner Second Place
- Tiger Noodle House Third Place

#### **BEST BAKERY**

- · Proud Pie Winner
- Ooh La La Dessert Boutique Second Place
- Hemu's Sweet Sensation LLC Third Place

#### **BEST BARBECUE**

- Brett's Barbecue Shop Winner
- · Midway Barbeque Second Place
- Rudy's "Country Store" and Bar-B-Q – Third Place

#### **BEST BLOODY MARY**

- · MKT Distillery Winner
- Texas Borders Bar & Grill 1093 Second Place
- Scholars and Scoundrels Third Place

#### **BEST BREAKFAST**

- · Snappy's Cafe & Grill Winner
- Harvest Kitchen & Bakery Second Place
- The Toasted Yolk Cafe Grand Pkwy – Third Place

#### **BEST BREAKFAST TACO**

- Rudy's "Country Store" and Bar-B-Q – Winner
- Torchy's Tacos Second Place
- Taqueria Tex-Taco Third Place



#### **BEST BURGERS**

- · Willy Burger Winner
- Joy Love Burgers Second Place (tie)
- Texas Borders Bar & Grill Second Place (tie)
- · Battlehops Brewing Third Place

#### **BEST CATERING**

- · Boudin Cafe' Winner
- El Jarrito Mexican Restaurant Second Place
- That's My Dog Third Place



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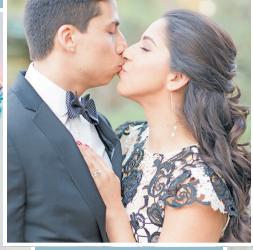
















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- · Texas Tradition Second Place
- Mia's Table Katy Third Place

#### **BEST CRAWFISH**

- · Boudin Cafe' Winner
- · Big N's BBQ and Crawfish -Second Place
- Texas Borders Bar & Grill -Third Place



#### **BEST DESSERT**

- · Proud Pie Winner
- · Anthonie's Market Grill Second Place
- · Pearl & Vine Third Place

#### **BEST FAMILY DINING**

- · Mia's Table Katy Winner
- · Local Table Katy Second Place
- · Boudin Cafe' Third Place

#### **BEST GUMBO**

- · Boudin Cafe' Winner
- · Orleans Seafood Kitchen
  - Second Place
- The Rouxpour Katy Third Place

#### **BEST HEALTHY MENU**

- · Local Table Katy Winner
- · Harvest Kitchen & Bakery -Second Place
- Salata Third Place

#### **BEST ICE CREAM/YOGURT**

- · Ritter's Frozen Custard Winner
- · Howdy Homemade Ice Cream Katy - Second Place
- Jeremiah's Italian Ice Third Place

#### **BEST INDIAN RESTAURANT**

- · Tandoori Grill Katy Winner
- · HotBits Indian Cuisine Second Place
- Kabob Korner Third Place

#### **BEST ITALIAN CUISINE**

- · Palinuro Italian Cuisine Winner
- Adriatic Cafe Second Place
- · Da Vinci Ristorante Italiano Third Place

#### **BEST LATIN AMERICAN RESTAURANT**

- · Gloria's Latin Cuisine Winner
- Santiago's Latin Kitchen and Bar Second Place
- · Sur Latin Peruvian Cuisine Third Place

#### **BEST MARGARITA**

- Ray's Mexican Restaurant Winner
- Lupe Tortilla Mexican Restaurant Second Place
- · Ambriza Third Place

#### **BEST MARTINI**

- · Anthonie's Market Grill Winner
- · Pearl & Vine Second Place
- Bar Louie Katy Third Place

#### **FOOD & DRINK**







#### **BEST MEAL UNDER \$12**

- · Torchy's Tacos Winner
- Battlehops Brewing Second Place
- Texas Borders Bar & Grill Third Place

#### **BEST MEXICAN CUISINE**

- · Ambriza Winner
- El Jarrito Mexican Restaurant –
   Second Place
- Gringo's Mexican Kitchen {Katy} –
   Third Place

# BEST MIDDLE EASTERN RESTAURANT

- Fadi's Mediterranean Grill –
   Winner
- Pappa Gyros Second Place
- Dimassi's Mediterranean Buffet Third Place

#### **BEST OVERALL SERVICE**

- That's My Dog Winner
- · Pearl & Vine Second Place
- · Boudin Cafe' Third Place

#### **BEST PIZZA**

- · MKT Pizza Winner
- · Grimaldi's Pizzeria Second Place
- Frankie's Italian Kitchen Third Place

#### **BEST RESTAURANT**

- · Palinuro Italian Cuisine Winner
- Pearl & Vine Second Place
- Anthonie's Market Grill Third Place

#### **BEST SALSA/QUESO**

- · Molina's Cantina Winner
- Gringo's Mexican Kitchen {Katy} –
   Second Place (tie)
- Torchy's Tacos Second Place (tie)
- · El Jarrito Third Place

#### **BEST SANDWICHES/SUBS**

- · Jason's Deli Winner
- Jersey Mike's Subs Second Place
- Pappa Gyros Third Place

#### **BEST SEAFOOD**

- · Boudin Cafe' Winner
- Orleans Seafood Kitchen Second Place
- The Rouxpour Katy Third Place

#### **BEST STEAK**

- · Pearl & Vine Winner
- Perry's Steakhouse & Grille –
   Second Place
- Anthonie's Market Grill Third Place

#### **BEST SUSHI**

- Sushi Hana Japanese Kitchen Winner
- Tobiuo Sushi & Bar Second Place
- Atami Steak and Sushi Third Place

#### **BEST WINE SELECTION**

- · Pearl & Vine Winner
- · The Cellar Door Second Place
- Anthonie's Market Grill Third Place

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# Hospitals expand to meet needs of a growing area



senior vice president. At left, A rendition of the forthcoming office building being built at Houston

Methodist West. | HOUSTON METHODIST WEST

BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER **NEWS EDITOR** 

More people coming to Katy means more people needing health care. Both Memorial Hermann Katy and Houston Methodist West are expanding to meet the demand.

Memorial Hermann Katy, 23900 Katy Fwy., in March announced a \$167 million expansion that will add 115,000 square feet of new and renovated service areas. This expansion includes nearly 100 beds. as well as a third professional office building. It will also include additional parking, with a parking garage.

Jerry Ashworth, senior vice president and CEO of Memorial Hermann Katy and Memorial Hermann Cypress hospitals, said the community continues to grow, and the hospital is committed to growing with it.

"However, I would like to point out that this expansion goes far beyond the addition of physical space to accommodate more patients," Ashworth said. "It is also strategically focused on growing specialtv and surgical care so that residents can depend on us to support their healthcare needs, from routine outpatient visits to complex inpatient procedures, in their own community."

Houston Methodist West, 18500 Katy Fwy., on May 6 broke ground for a \$65 million office building that will be adjacent to the hospital. Officials said the 150,000-square-foot, six-story medical office building will house orthopedics and sports medicine on the top two floors and physical therapy on the ground floor.

The project will also create 900 parking spots, along with nature spaces with walking trails and an access road from I-10 to Park Row. Officials said the building is expected to open by the end of 2023.

Kyle Stanzel, Houston Methodist West chief operating officer, said the hospital is growing with the needs of the commu-

"This project is the beginning of the next phase of expansion for the campus," Stanzel said. "We are already in the planning stages for our next period of growth, looking at how we can bring more advanced services and procedures to our patients by 2030 and beyond."

#### **BEST CHIROPRACTOR**

- Craig Nemow, DC/Chiro Dynamics Health & Wellness – Winner
- Dr Nathan Gomez/One Life
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- Dr Robert Rocque Center of Gravity Chiropractic & Rehabilitation - Second Place (tie)
- Katy Wellness Center, LLCThird Place

#### **BEST DENTIST**

- Dr. Peter Nguyen/South Peek
   Dental Care Winner
- Dr. Katie To, DDS/Center for Integrative Wellness and Cosmetic Dentistry – Second Place
- Dr. Charles A. Ray III/Dentistry by RSE – Third Place

#### **BEST EMERGENCY ROOM**

- · ER Katy Winner
- Houston Methodist West Hospital Second Place
- Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital Third Place

#### **BEST HEALTH CLINIC**

- Chiro Dynamics Health & WellnessWinner
- One Life Chiropractic Second Place
- Katy Community Health Center -Pediatrics & Adult Medicine – Third Place

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- Brock Orthodontics Second Place
- Hanis & Stevenson Orthodontics Third Place

#### **BEST PHYSICIAN**

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- Dr. Nathan Gomez/One Life Chiropractic – Second Place
- · Dr. Anil C. Odhav, MD Third Place

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- Katy Dermatology Third Place

#### **BEST URGENT CARE CENTER**

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- Next Level Urgent Care Katy Second Place
- Memorial Hermann Convenient Care Center in Katy – Third Place

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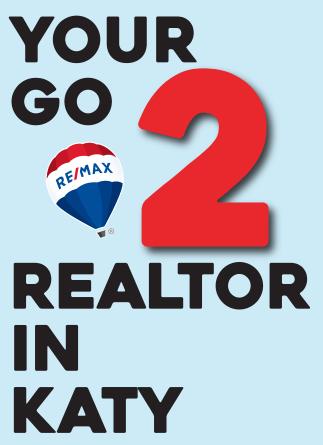
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#### LIFESTYLES

# Herbert Nunn poses with his daughter Cindy Haskett and son-in-law Bill Haskett, above. At right, Audrey Michalk poses with her son Stuart Michalk. | GEORGE SLAUGHTER

# Carriage Inn celebrates centenarians with luncheon

BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER

**NEWS EDITOR** 

The Carriage Inn, 1400 Katy Flewellen Road, is a senior living community that provides independent living, assisted living, and memory care for seniors.

It is a place that celebrates its residents, including its centenarians, which it honored in a February luncheon. If, at that particular luncheon, awards were to give an award for the further distances traveled to Katy, chances are that Audrey Michalk would receive it. She was born in the United Kingdom and grew up in Sunderland, which she said was about a four-hour drive north of London.

During World War II, Michalk was stationed in London, where she crossed paths with the future Queen Elizabeth II, who this month celebrated her 75th year on the throne.

"She was Princess Elizabeth then," Michalk said.
"She drove a truck on the base where I was. She was a very nice person, too. She's just a regular person.
No nonsense about her. She did the work she was supposed to do. We had a lot of fun. Why not? She's a very nice person."

Another resident, Herbert Nunn, came to Katy from Granby, Mo., about 40 miles from the Arkansas border. When World War II broke out, Nunn was studying accounting at the University of Missouri. But he joined the service, like so many others, and served in the Army Air Corps.

He finished his degree thanks to the GI Bill of Rights and pursued his career in Kansas before his daughter Cindy and her husband, Bill Haskett—and their daughter—enticed him to move to Texas.

The Hasketts were longtime educators in the Katy Independent School District. Last year, the Katy Independent School District named a junior high school in their honor. Katy Tiger football fans know Bill as the public address announcer for Tigers games at Legacy Stadium.

There will soon be more cause for celebration at Carriage Inn. Katja Rudyk, director of life enrichment, said another centenarian will be joining the community later this month.

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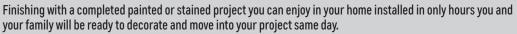




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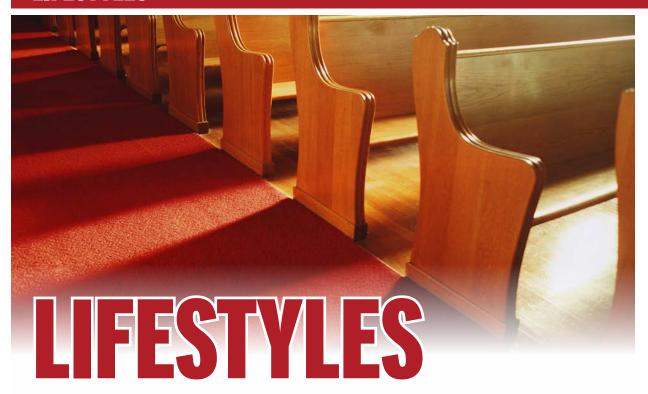
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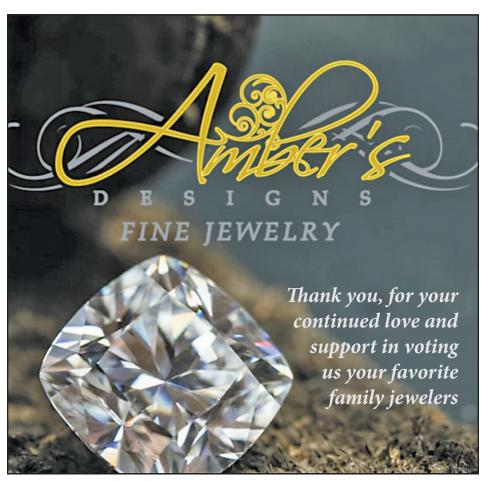






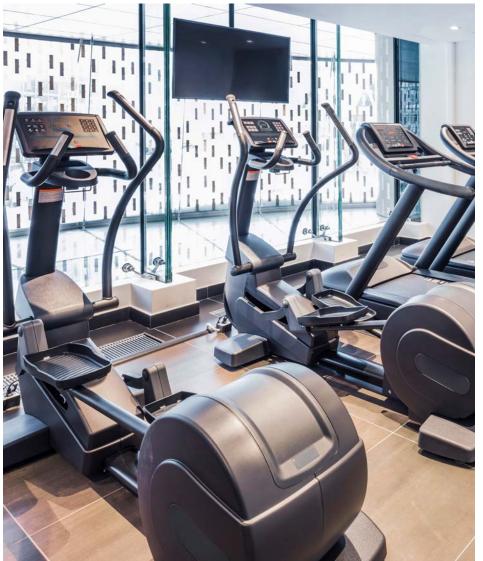


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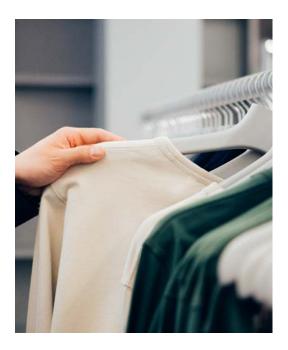
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- · Courtyard by Marriott Katy Mills -Second Place (tie)
- Residence Inn by Marriott Houston Katy Mills – Second Place (tie)
- · Hilton Gardens Katy Mills Third Place

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- Second Place (tie)
- The Legacy at Falcon Point Second Place (tie)
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#### BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER

**NEWS EDITOR** 

Katy-based Igloo and Walmart have helped each other become bigger over 40 years of business partnership. Now, a new Igloo product line will give Walmart customers better options when it comes to selecting coolers for their food and drinks.

In April, Igloo and Walmart unveiled the Igloo Overland series of coolers which is only available at Walmart stores. The series features coolers that come in four sizes: 25-quart, 50-quart, 52-quart, and 72-quart.

Coolers have a bottle opener in the lid, which is a new feature. Igloo senior product manager Meghan Harris said the coolers also have holes on the front and back sides. These holes enable a user to bungee-tie other objects, such as towels, for easier transportation.

Harris said extra-thick foam walls increase ice retention and provide better cooling performance. Coolers also feature a drainage hole, typically featured on larger coolers. Research showed that consumers wanted drainage holes on smaller coolers as well.

While the official announcement was made in April, the units have been on the Walmart shelves since March.

"I've been in multiple Walmarts recently, and they can't



DAVE ALLEN Igloo CEO and president

keep them on the shelves," Harris said.

Walmart officials cited their desire to sell American-made products at their stores. Igloo officials said the company had a \$14 million outlay and hired about 90 workers to develop this new series of coolers at the Katy-area plant, 777 Igloo Dr.

Igloo president and CEO Dave Allen said the company produces a lot of individual lines for its

customers. However, the Overland series is the largest initiative for a customer, given the investment.

Even with this exciting news for Igloo, Allen said the company has a lot of room for continued growth.

"We make plastic boxes," Allen said. "A lot of people can replicate that. You can't replicate our culture. We have a lot of authenticity for selling coolers for 75 years and that's a big part of what we've tapped into."



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The Igloo Overland series of coolers was created for sale exclusively at Walmart. | GEORGE SLAUGHTER

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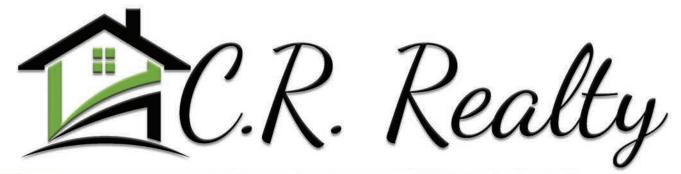
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# Fulshear florist works to grow his business, and himself

#### BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER

**NEWS EDITOR** 

Many people can remember the date, and what they were doing, when they decided to change direction in their lives. For Ace Berry of Fulshear Floral Design, 8525 FM 359 S. in Fulshear, the date was Feb. 22, 2007.

Berry was logging oil wells, most of which were in the U.S. He said his boss called him into his office.

"The boss said move to Canada, or take a layoff," Berry said. Berry considered his situation. He said he didn't really like what he was doing, but he was younger and he had a daughter in South Texas.

"I wanted to do something meaningful and purposeful with my life, and I decided I was going to do it with flowers," Berry said.

Berry returned to Texas and became a self-taught florist. He began by taking a class in Houston, and then finding other opportunities to learn his new craft. By 2011, he started looking at growth patterns in the Houston area and watched how the city was growing. In the 1940s and 1950s, he said, the city was growing east. But by the 1970s and 1980s, he said, one could see the city was growing to the west, towards Katy and Fulshear.

Ace Berry of

Design

Fulshear Floral

"Fulshear is projected to be at 100,000 people in the next five years," Berry said. "Now, it is 20,000, but you can see how fast it is growing. We are literally behind the eight ball to get the roads done to ease traffic from the growth."

But, thanks to Berry, there will be plenty of flowers and arrangements. Yet growth isn't limited to size.

"I always strive
to be better than
I was the day
before," Berry
said. "The pursuit
for perfection is neverending. Even if they are
not buying from
me, promoting flowers in
general. They
strike great
emotions in



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#### **BEST FLORIST**

- Fulshear Floral Design Winner
- Bubbles and Blooms Second Place
- Katy Flowers Third Place

people."

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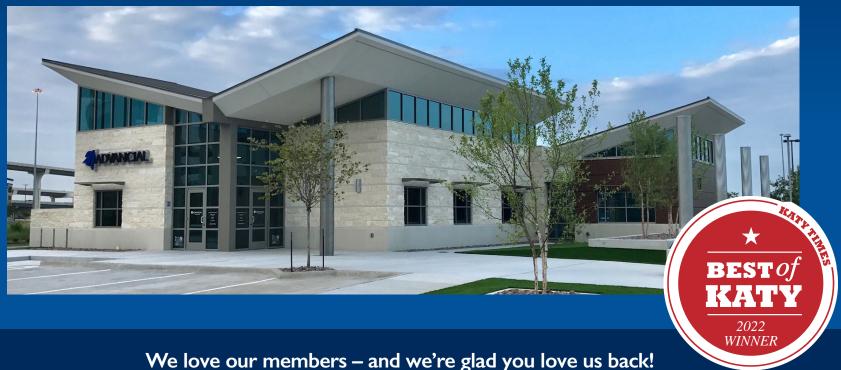
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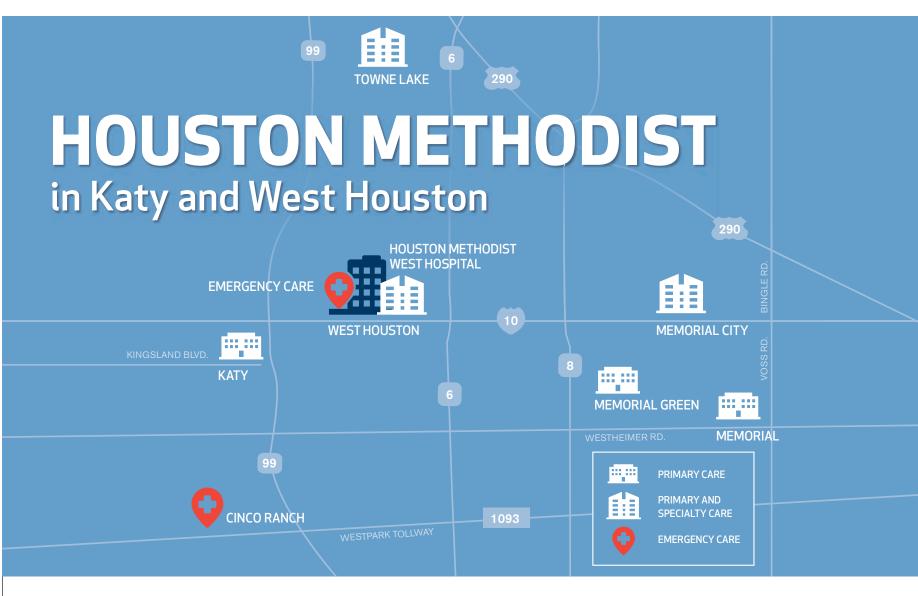
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