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REGISTER FOR THE ULTIMATE SUMMER CAMP

Summer isn't summer without the Ultimate Slammin' Summer Camp! During four, two-week sessions, children have the opportunity to learn and have fun all summer long. From April 1- April 30, residents can register their children, ages 6-12, for the summer camp that meets Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Webster Recreation Center and Texas Avenue Park.

During each session, campers will go on one field trip, such as Moody Gardens, Kemah Boardwalk, Putt-Putt Fun House, or Main Event. Other days will be filled with arts and crafts, cooking, games, educational activities, and more. Kids learn about city government and even get the opportunity to explore the Webster Police Department and step inside a patrol car (pictured above).

Registration per session for residents is $75 for the first child and $65 for each additional child. Go to cityofwebster.com to download the registration form or visit the Recreation Center at 311 Pennsylvania Avenue to register.

Contact Recreation Manager Bryan Morgan at 281.316.4137 for more information.

WE ARE WEBSTER

MICHAEL BROWN

In 1990, what started as a part-time internship for Webster Business Owner Michael Brown, quickly developed into a career and full-time passion.

As a Clear Creek High School student in search of an avenue to venture before graduating, Brown began visiting aerospace contractors in the Webster area. He knew he wanted to explore the technology world, but was not having luck finding an opportunity.

With the help of his teacher, he found himself at the doorstep of Steve Lieber & Associates, Inc. (SLA).

Steve Lieber founded the company in 1987 to provide systems for navigation, positioning, and surveying, manufactured by prominent companies he partnered with. They included terrestrial and satellite radio-navigation systems, like the NAVSTAR Global Positioning System (GPS). As new satellite systems are deployed up to present day, they are incorporated to help complement GPS. When combined overall it is considered Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS).

"Not only do we provide GPS/GNSS hardware, but we also sell satellite correction signals, that broadcast all around the world from satellites," Brown explained. "Applying these corrections in real-time to our GPS/GNSS receivers result in a 10 cm or better position resolution worldwide, 24/7".

By the time he graduated high school, he had a full-time position with the company. He studied Computer Science at San Jacinto Community College for a while but got so deep into what SLA did that he did not finish his degree. In 2004, he purchased the company from the founder, Steve Lieber, and became the sole owner.

Lieber's original clients were focused on Houston oil and gas companies using GPS to survey the land. But since that time, SLA has expanded, and their clients now extend all across the globe.

From aerospace to agriculture, SLA provides innovative solutions for a variety of customers in various fields. From the U.S. Department of Defense, NASA, Boeing, and Lockheed Martin, to Ford, General Motors, Apple, Google and SONY, SLA has made its way into a multitude of industries and applications.

Brown has enjoyed an exciting career that has provided opportunities to travel and perform cutting-edge tests and data collection with customers around the world.

He has raced around tracks collecting data for NASCAR to help his client create pointers for those watching a race on television. His systems have been aboard various NASA research platforms, and he provided equipment that helped orient an imaging system in the nose cone of a plane, acting as an eye in the sky during a shuttle's return to flight.

Since the SLA consumers are all over the world, Brown has the freedom to have his office wherever he wishes. So, why did he choose Webster?

"Webster is pro-business and really looks out for the business people," he said. "We are a small company, and it just makes sense to pick Webster. This area has grown, and when we had the opportunity to purchase a stand-alone building in Webster, I couldn't pass it up. Webster was an easy choice for SLA originally due to the business development and proximity to our oil and gas market, and it remains a dominant area for aerospace contractors with NASA and Ellington Field just down the street from our office."

SLA is a small business with Michael Brown serving as President, Ashley Brown as CEO/Treasurer and Rob Rose who manages the daily operations and has been with the firm for 20 years.

Although the company is small in terms of employees, it is large in terms of the business it brings into Webster each day. It is making a difference in not just the community, but in the world.

CITY HALL CONNECT

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

During his second year of studying pre-law at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Community Development Director Derhyl Hebert had a realization. He didn't want to be a lawyer. He wanted to be an urban planner.

After just one Urban Planning class, Hebert was hooked. Before graduating from college in 1982, he began working part-time with the Lafayette Regional Planning Commission as Staff Planner and was later hired full-time after graduation.

Soon he was introduced to city government and began working for the City of Morgan City, LA.

Hebert made a move to Texas with his wife, Paula in March of 2006, but it was not until 2008 that he joined the City of Webster family.

"I would always pass by (Webster City Hall) and say 'That would be a great place to work,'" he recalled.

Just as he was beginning to get comfortable in his new position, Hurricane Ike hit, causing chaos in and around Webster. Hebert found a silver lining in the midst of chaos, as he was able to get to know the emergency responders and directors at the City quickly as they worked for the residents' protection.

The group took shelter and served the City from the Webster Police Department for four days as the storm passed.

Since then, Hebert has kept busy overseeing the many pieces that make up the entire community development puzzle. Twelve employees work within the department in the Building Division, Recreation Division, Geographic Information System (GIS) Section, and the Planning Section.

His department is also in charge of several resident programs and special events. The Recreation Division plans the Easter egg hunt, summer camp, senior events and more.

On a daily basis, Hebert along with staff, consult with architects, builders, citizens, developers, engineers, and surveyors on proposed residential and commercial projects within the City.

When he isn't working, he and his wife spend their time traveling around the U.S. visiting their family, children, and grandchildren, and spending time outdoors. Hebert enjoys fishing, golfing, and hunting.

The Webster Community Development Department has many roles and responsibilities within the City, and with Derhyl Hebert leading the way, the City has a bright future.

CITY COUNCIL CONNECT

2017 GENERAL ELECTION CANCELED

Webster Mayor Donna Rogers and Council Member Position 6 Martin 'Marty' Graves were up for re-election in May of 2017. However, the candidates were unopposed, and during the City Council Meeting on March 7, the election was canceled.

Council approved a resolution declaring unopposed candidates in the May 6, 2017 General City Election elected to office; canceling the election.

Mayor Donna Rogers and Council Member Position 6 Martin 'Marty' Graves will be sworn in during the City Council Meeting on May 16, 2017. The new terms will expire in May of 2020.

Hop on over to the Webster Easter Egg Hunt

Peter Cottontail will be at Walnut Park on Saturday, April 15 for the annual City of Webster Easter Egg Hunt!

The hunt begins promptly at 10 a.m. at Walnut Park, 400 North Walnut Street. **It is recommended that the community arrive early!**

This is a free event for children up to 10 years of age. There will also be a senior division at the same time. Prizes will be awarded for special eggs.

Following the hunt, Peter Cottontail will be at the Park Gazebo for children to visit and take photos. Call 281.316.4137 for more information.

Because of fast-growing water demand in our region, Galveston Bay is at risk of losing the levels of freshwater it needs to support a healthy habitat for fish, shellfish, and other important wildlife species that depend on it.

Water conservation is one of the most effective ways to combat this – and now, Bay-area residents have a chance to win while conserving.

As part of an effort to conserve our regional water supply, Galveston Bay Foundation (GBF) is launching the Water Wise Bay Cities Challenge, a friendly water conservation competition designed to engage residents from 20 cities located in the southeast Houston area.

The goal of the Water Wise Bay Cities Challenge is to encourage residents to take the pledge to conserve water at gbwb.org/water-wise-bay-cities-challenge/.

The three cities with most pledges in relation to their population size will win the challenge. Additionally, one resident from each winning city will be selected through a random drawing and will receive a prize. Prizes include Moody Garden family passes, Artist Boat Eco-Art Kayak trips, and more.

The Water Wise Bay Cities Challenge will end on May 10, 2017, at 12 p.m. and GBF will recognize winning cities and residents at its Bay Day Festival on Saturday, May 13, 2017, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Kemah Boardwalk in Kemah, Texas.

Represent the City of Webster by pledging to conserve water today!

Water Wise Challenge

pledge to conserve water

WEBSTER WANTS **YOU** TO JOIN THE CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Each year the City of Webster Fourth of July Celebration gets bigger and bigger, with more vendors, visitors, and activities. There is no doubt that the 2017 celebration will be bigger and better than ever, but we need your help!

The City's Celebration Committee meets once a month starting in March, and if necessary, more frequently closer to the event. Committee members then attend the celebration and hand out beads to excited patrons, and make sure the show is executed according to schedule.

Residents are invited to join the committee and bring new, fresh ideas to the table for the 2017 celebration. A meeting will be held on April 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the Webster Recreation Center, 311 Pennsylvania Avenue, and everyone is welcome! Contact Mary Fox at 281.316.4108 for more information.

Webster Public Works crews have already taken steps to protect the community against mosquitoes. Prevention activities began in March and will be adjusted as the mosquito population increases.

LUMBINI PLAZA OPENING SUMMER 2017

Noon & Mirch Restaurant (Cuisine of India Clear Lake) opened as a family-owned dining establishment in 1989 with a mission to serve authentic and flavorful Indian food free of preservatives and additives. The owner, Monica Nanda, strived for the restaurant to become the ultimate destination for lovers of Indian cuisine.

"We have succeeded through the support and inspiration provided by guests enjoying their dining experience," said Nanda.

During the summer of 2017, the business will relocate to their new home at 505 East NASA Parkway, in Webster (adjacent to Mamacita's Mexican Restaurant).

"We are excited to be moving into Lumbini Plaza, which is currently in the construction phase, and will occupy 50 percent of the new retail center," she said.

The new plaza is an 11,400 square foot restaurant/retail center fronting NASA Parkway. There will be four additional commercial spaces, along with Cuisine of India.

"We remain a family-owned restaurant, and our new home is intended to enhance the guest's dining experience," Nanda explained. "Food is a continuous source of inspiration for our executive chef and the kitchen team and remains at the center of their universe."

SHORTCUTS THROUGH PARKING LOTS

MESSAGE FROM WEBSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Who doesn't like taking shortcuts to save time during their commute? We certainly do. However, cutting across or through a private parking lot to avoid having to wait at a signal light is not only illegal but also very dangerous.

The law states that a vehicle may not cross a sidewalk or drive through a driveway, parking lot, or business or residential entrance without stopping the vehicle. A vehicle also may not cross or drive in or on a sidewalk, driveway, parking lot, or business or residential entrance at an intersection to turn right or left from one highway to another highway.

Webster Police Department has received numerous complaints of vehicles taking shortcuts from the tenants in the Marina Gate Shopping Center which is located on the northeast corner of Egret Bay Boulevard and East NASA Parkway.

Between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Webster Police Officers stopped approximately 18 vehicles for this violation and issued warnings.

The department hopes to gain voluntary compliance with the law through education but will start writing citations if necessary.

WISHING YOU AN

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EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 16, 2017

THE CITY OF WEBSTER OFFICES WILL CLOSE AT 12:30 P.M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 13 FOR GOOD FRIDAY AND THE EASTER HOLIDAY. CITY OFFICES WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, APRIL 17.

YARD OF THE MONTH IS BACK!

Spring has sprung, so pull out your shovels and start up those lawn mowers because Yard of the Month judging is back!

Extra planning could get your yard noticed by the judges and featured on the Webster social media pages and in the newsletter.

Judging takes place from April-October with particular criteria that qualify a home or business for an award. Yards are judged in four categories amounting to 100 points. The categories are project creativity, overall design, technical merit, and planting.

Regularly mowing your lawn, and planting some flowers will not get you a Yard of the Month award on its own. Creativity, functionality, and suitability are assessed as well, and award-winning landscapes complement the structure while showing originality.

So start planning, and maybe your yard will be a winner this year!

SWING OVER TO THE SPLASH PAD!

STARTING IN APRIL

Your little sluggers can cool off at the Webster Splash Pad starting in April!

Located at Texas Avenue Park, 17100 Texas Avenue, the splash pad offers the community a fun atmosphere to let kids run around and cool off from the summer heat.

Resurfacing of the splash pad began in March, and crews are aiming for the splash pad to open by April 1.

Visit the City of Webster Facebook page for updates.

ATTENTION WEBSTER SENIORS!

If you are looking for a way to become involved in the City and meet other residents, here is your chance!

The City of Webster invites seniors in the community to a night of fun and games. Join your neighbors for a light meal and conversation. Stay a while and play a game of "42", Pinochle, Farkle, Spinner, or whatever may interest you.

Game nights are held on the second and fourth Friday of every month from 6 p.m.- 9:30 p.m. at the Webster Recreation Center, 311 Pennsylvania Avenue.

City of Webster Recreation Manager Bryan Morgan also schedules monthly senior day trips to destinations around the Houston area. The outings are open to any senior interested, and requests for trip ideas are always welcome. Contact Recreation Manager Bryan Morgan at 281.316.4137 or bmorgan@cityofwebster.com for more information.

REGISTER FOR REGROUP

When a crisis threatens the community and every second counts, it is critical that the residents are quickly alerted of danger. Webster officials can issue evacuation orders, instruct people to shelter-in-place and more from the new Regroup Mass Notification program.

"This program saves time and ensures that citizens have the ability to take steps to get out of harm's way," explained Webster Emergency Management Director Joe Ferro. By visiting the City's website, cityofwebster.com you can register for the emergency notifications. By registering you can receive notifications by e-mail, text message, or phone call. Residents are urged to sign up as soon as possible.

Regroup Mass Notification

IF YOU SIGNED UP FOR NOTIFICATIONS UNDER OUR PREVIOUS SERVICE, YOU MUST SIGN UP AGAIN!

▼TWO MINUTE TUESDAY

Each Tuesday, take two minutes to tidy up your property. Pick up trash and debris, and pull any stray weeds. Remember...two minutes CAN make a difference!

This is a voluntary program for all residents and business owners of the City of Webster and is designed to promote community pride.

For more information, visit cityofwebster.com or call 281.332.1826.

▼MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14. Treat your mom to a sweet treat or a shopping spree as a fun day out in Webster!

Post your Webster Mother's Day photos on Facebook using the hashtag #WebsterWeekend, and you could be featured on one of our social media pages!

WebsterWay MONTHLY NEWSLETTER APRIL 2017

GET E-MAIL AND TEXT UPDATES WHEN THE LATEST ISSUE OF WEBSTER WAY NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE ONLINE! SIGN UP BY VISITING THE PUBLICATIONS PAGE OF CITYOFWEBSTER.COM.

▼MEETINGS

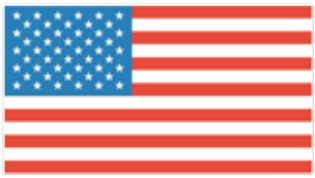
The Webster City Council will have regular meetings on **Tuesday, May 2 and Tuesday, May 16 at 6 p.m.** in the Council Chambers, 101 Pennsylvania Avenue. The Webster Economic Development Corporation will meet on **Tuesday, May 9 at 6 p.m**. in the Council Chambers.

Special meetings may be added, and meetings may be canceled if there are no agenda items. Check cityofwebster.com for meeting information.

▼HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The City of Webster Offices will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

Offices will reopen on Tuesday, May 30.



▼#WEBSTERRESCUES

The best things in life are rescued! Visit the Webster Animal Shelter at 855 Magnolia Avenue Monday-Thursday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 7 a.m.- 11 a.m to check out the Webster animals looking for a forever home.

If your pet goes missing, visit the Webster Facebook Page. Animals found in the City are regularly posted.

Contact Webster Animal Control Officer Amanda Trover at 281.316.3700 for more information.

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April 2017

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2	3 **Webster Aerobics** *Mon. & Wed. 6:30 p.m..- 7:30 p.m*	4 **City Council Meeting** *6 p.m.*	5	6	7	8 **City Council Strategic Planning Session** *9 a.m.*
9	10	11 **Webster Economic Development Corporation Meeting*** *6 p.m.*	12	13 **City Offices Close at 12:30 p.m.**	14 **City Offices Closed** **Senior Game Night** *6-9:30 p.m.*	15 *Easter Egg Hunt* *Starting at 10 a.m.*
16 *Happy Easter!*	17 **AARP Tax-Aide Ends**	18 **City Council Meeting** *6 p.m.*	19	20	21	22 *Happy Earth Day!*
23	24 **Webster Tae Kwon Do** *Every Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday*	25	26	27	28 **Senior Game Night** *6 p.m.- 9:30 p.m.*	29 **Webster Aerobics** *Every Saturday 7:30-8:30 a.m.*
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