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A Great Day For Golf!

by Margie Buentello, President & CEO



The North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce's Annual Golf Tournament took place on May 19th at Tour 18. The day was filled with fun that included networking, golf, prizes, food and drinks. We want to thank all of our sponsors, volunteers and golfers.

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Friday, June 3
Monthly Luncheon
11:30 am @ SJCN,
Monument Rm., 5800
Uvalde Rd.

Speaker—Dr. Juan Carlos Rozo
Sponsored by East Houston Regional
Medical Center

Tuesday, June 14
Ambassador Meeting
11:00 am @ Storage West 5500 E. Sam
Houston Pkwy. N.,
Houston, TX 77015

NO JULY LUNCHEON

CHAMBER SUMMER HOURS

(June 6– July 31)

Monday —Thursday

8:30 am— 5:30 pm

Friday—Office closed

Friday, August 12

7:00 pm—11:00 pm @ Jacinto City Town
Center, 1025 Oates Rd., 77029
The North Channel Area Foundation's
Chamber Royale

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LyondellBasell	28 years
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10-20 Years

City of Jacinto City	16 years-
Flex Oil Services	15 years
Bates Collision Center	13 years
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Optim Energy, LLC	13 years
Dr. B.J. Westbrook	10 years

1-10 Years

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North Channel Star	3 years
Southwest Shipyard, L.P.	3 years
TopDog Fireworks Warehouse	3 years
Las Palomas Mexican Restaurant	2 years
Weaver	1 year

Thank You!



PORT BRIEFS



Galena Park ISD Maritime Graduation

Maritime graduates from Galena Park Independent School District were honored with a ceremony and dinner at the Joyce Zotz Education Center on May 3, 2016. Gilda Ramirez, Senior Director for the Small Business and Education Outreach for the Port of Houston Authority addressed the graduates as did Congressman Gene Green. Congratulations and remarks were also given by: Dr. Joe Coleman, Principal of North Shore High School; John Thomas, Maritime Instructor; Laura Mann, GPISD Career & Technical Director; Elizabeth Lalor, GPISD Assistant Superintendent for Educational and Academic Support; and Dr. Sallie Kay Janes, Associate Vice Chancellor of Continuing & Professional Development for San Jacinto College. Megan Rowan from Buffalo Marine Service told the students that they can get a job today making more than \$30,000 and after five years over \$100,000.





SENIOR HONORS LUNCHEON

The North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce is unique in that there are three public school districts in this Chamber's boundaries. Our chamber has a long tradition of supporting education. We take pride in our public schools, private schools, as well as our institutions of higher education.

On Thursday, May 12th, the top five percent of the 2016 graduating class from C. E. King High School, Channelview High School, Galena Park High School, and North Shore Senior High School were recognized and honored with a luncheon in the Monument Room at San Jacinto College North. The Keynote Speaker was Jonathan Zalamea. Zalamea is an alumnus of North Shore Senior High School, where he graduated as Valedictorian in 2008. After graduating this month from the McGovern Medical School (formerly the univer-

sity of Texas Medical School at Houston) he will begin working at the Memorial Family Medicine Residency Program in June. Zalamea gave an inspiring speech to the students.

We want to talk all of our sponsors who made this luncheon possible:

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May Educator of the Month

Dr. Danielle McGrath with San Jacinto College North is the May Educator of the Month. She is pictured with Dr. Bill Raffetto, Provost for San Jacinto College North.



The North Channel Area Chamber of Commerce's mission is to promote economic development and provide real solutions for business and community prosperity.