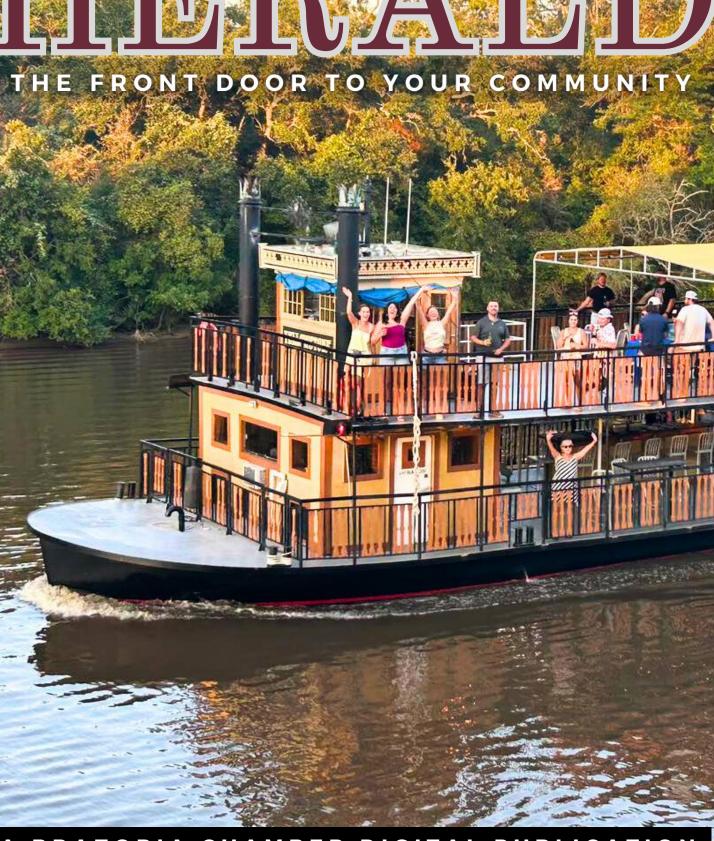
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WELCOME

We want to welcome you to
The Brazoria Herald magazine, A
Brazoria Chamber of Commerce
digital publication. This magazine
will serve as a monthly newsletter
for our community. We hope to
tell the local stories of our
members, small businesses and
get the local monthly news and
events to our surrounding area.



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Saturday, June 14th

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Over 15 teams will do Upper and Lowers

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Brazoria 40th no name festival

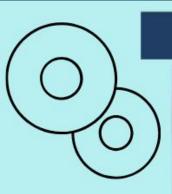
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Brazoria 40TH No Name Festival



13TH & 14TH

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FRIDAY

BBQ COOKOFF

50/50

- DUTCH OVEN6PM
- CHEF'S CHOICE7PM
- PEPPER EATING 7:30PM

Jail Break

Washer Tournament7PM

KARAOKE8PM 10PM



SATURDAY

VENDOR MARKET 9AM-5PM
PETTING ZOO 11AM-5PM
FREE KID ACTIVITIES 11 AM-5PM
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CORNHOLE IN GYM
 BOARDS OPEN AT 1PM
 BAGS FLY AT 2PM
Jail Break
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Whether you're going for a casual dinner and seafood nachos or a dinner cruise on the San Bernard River you can expect nothing less than great memories being made. Tucked back off the road is a local hidden gem and cuisine staple for Brazorians and anyone else who has been let in on the secret. Established in 1983, Dido's Restaurant has been serving up classic American dishes, beautiful sunsets, and bits of country charm. Fresh seafood and unique flavors are just a few reasons to add this destination restaurant to your local bucket list. River Rendezview, Dido's & the Yellowstone is located on the beautiful San Bernard River just 60 miles south of Houston.

River Rendezview DIDO'S & THE YELLOWSTONE



They are a destination restaurant that includes a Bed & Breakfast that can accommodate up to 27 people, a Rustic Event Center and a large screened patio overlooking the San Bernard River that can accommodate up to 300 people for special events.

You don't want to miss out on their themed dinner cruises, Holiday boat parades or my favorite the boudain egg rolls.

Join them in June for the Big Kahuna Fathers day cruise or a more Family friendly historical cruise. July starts with a bang for the annual Independence Day boat Parade, July 5th. The 3 hour cruise includes patriotic entertainment and appetizers served throughout the cruise.





River Rendezview DIDO'S & THE YELLOWSTONE

That's not all in July, they have the South by Southwest dinner cruise featuring a mouthwatering Southwest inspired dinner and live entertainment.

August, they will host another South by Southwest dinner cruise on 8/9 plus three more sunset cruises, 8/15, 23, and the 31st. September features the semi-annual ladies only cruise, wine tasting & tapas cruise plus the regular sunset and 5 course dinner cruise.

"We enjoy hosting numerous senior groups from Houston, weddings, birthday celebrations and my favorite, the "Last Sail before the Veil" rehearsal dinners," Owner Nancy Kanter said.

You can follow them on Facebook at River Rendezview, Dido's & the Yellowstone.

Plan your trip now or order your food for Take-Out. Online ordering is also available through our website or Door Dash.

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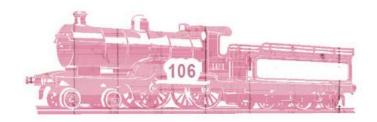
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JULY 7 - 11, 2025 9:00 AM - 12 NOON

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

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Science

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THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Hands-on Experiments Hands-on Experiments

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Student, Teacher, and Volunteer registration will be completed via the QR Code.

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For more information:

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979-798-8362 (ext.3)

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Earl and Zenia Shipp



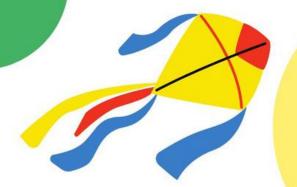






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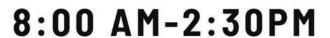




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Columbia-Brazoria ISD Academic Calendar 2025-2026



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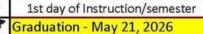
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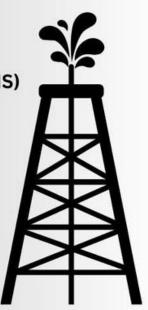


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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING TEACHING POSITIONS:

2025-2026

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- Each camper must sign up by June 6th to receive a shirt
- · Each camp is run by the CBISD Volleyball coaching staff
- · Each athlete will learn fundamental skills
- Cost for each camper is \$45.00
- Online Registration only at CBISD.com
- · Bring a water bottle, we will have water stations available to refill
- · Wear athletic shoes, shorts, t-shirt, tie your hair back





Email ALYSSA LAKER alyssa.laker@cbisd.com

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WHO & TIME

FOR ALL 2025
UPCOMING 9TH
GRADERS
8:00 -10:00 AM

WHERE



INFORMATION

- The camp is run by the CBISD Volleyball coaching staff
- The camp is FREE
- Online Registration only at CBISD.com
- Bring a water bottle, we will have water stations available to refill
- Wear athletic shoes, shorts, t-shirt, tie your hair back
- This is not required for tryouts, but a great opportunity to showcase your talent and knock some rust off
- · Tryouts are August 1st





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- Black History
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Contact:

Rentals - rentals@brazoriahf.org President - David Jordan - 979-824-0455 More Information: www.brazoriahf.org













Brazoria Heritage Foundation Museum

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Visit the office called the B-Tel Room, that has many past telecommuncation items and receive your stamp!











June 1st - July 31st 2025

SUMMER READING





How to sign up:

- ~ Stop by your local BCLS branch ~ Download the free Beanstack app
- ~ Visit bclstx.beanstack.org

Join us this summer for special events and earn prizes for reading.

Registration starts June 1st.

Go to mybels.org/src in May for information on programs, prizes, and more!

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BRAZORIA LIBRARY

The Brazoria County Library System is excited for their next Summer Reading Challenge, which strives to keep kids learning, having fun and offering plenty of opportunities to win a variety of prizes over the break.

Special events for all ages will take place through June and July, in addition to the fan favorite normally scheduled events such as Storytimes, Book Clubs and Tangled Up events.



No matter the media type, any method of reading is counted towards the reading challenge. Paper logs can be found inside the library, or readers can track their reading through the Beanstack app.

"It's incredibly rewarding to be a part of their growth through stories, activities, and shared experiences." Youth Specialist Heather LaPointe said. "Watching them develop and knowing we've contributed to that process is truly fulfilling."







JUNE 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9	Reading Magic Show John O'Bryant 11:00 a.m. @ BHF Ages 6-11	Stor ytime Van Gogh's Starry Night 10:30 a.m. Ages 3-5	Movers & Shakers 10:30 a.m. Ages 0-3	Teen Lock-In 6:30-9:00 p.m. Ages 12-18	14
Texas A&M Chemistr y Road Show 2:00 p.m. @ BHF Ages6-11	Chalk the Lot 11:00 a.m. General Interest	Pollock's Splatter Paint 10:30 a.m. Ages 3-5	Movers & Shakers 10:30 a.m. Ages 0-3	20	21
23	Planetarium 2:00 p.m. @ BHF Ages 6-11 Blood Drive 2-5 p.m.	Stor ytime Picasso's Shape Art 10:30 a.m. Ages 3-5	Movers & Shakers 10:30 a.m. Ages 0-3	27	28 Water Balloon War Brazoria vs WC First Capitol Park 1:00 p.m. General Interest
30	BCLS can help you		Summer Read	ding Challenge	

LEGO Club 2:00-4:00 p.m. General Interest

Discover the Great Outdoors

You can find more information about gardening and horticulture on mybcls.org under Research Room.



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BRAZORIA BRANCH LIBRARY

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JUNE 2025

School Age Events

Summer Reading Kick-off Party Tuesday, June 3rd from3:00-5:00 p.m. Join us in kicking off the summer reading challenge with a fun glow-in-the-dark party! We will have FREE snow conesfor those who sign up for the reading challenge. Reading Magic Show withJohn O'Bryant Tuesday, June 10th at 11:00 a.m.

Location: Brazoria Heritage Foundation

Come watch the famous magician, Mr. John
O'Bryant, who gives a magnificent
performance you won't want to miss.

Sponsored by: TDECU Texas A&M Chemistry Road Show Monday, June 16th at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Brazoria Heritage Foundation

Join us for a scientificadventure about the wonders of chemistry. See how ordinary objects turn into an exciting and fun learning experience.

NASA Planetarium byHouston Space Center Tuesday, June 24th at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Brazoria Heritage Foundation Hey space explorers!

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Get ready for an out-of-this-world adventure inside the Planetarium! Bring your curiosity and imagination—we're taking a trip across the galaxy, and YOU'RE invited!

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Business Hours

Sunday	Closed	Curbside Hours
Monday	10 a.m 6 p.m.	12 p.m 5 p.m.
Tuesday	10 a.m 8 p.m.	12 p.m 5 p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m 6 p.m.	12 p.m 5 p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m 8 p.m.	12 p.m 5 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m 6 p.m.	12 p.m 5 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m 6 p.m.	12 p.m 5 p.m.

General Events

Tangled Up - Crochet Saturday, June 7th at 4:00 p.m.

Whether you are a crochet master ora beginner, there is a spot for you! Come share ideas, current projects, and more.

Chalk the Lot

Tuesday, June 17th at 11:00 a.m.

Let's turn pavement into a masterpiece! Join us for a vibrant community art event where creativity meets the concrete! Grab some chalk, bring your imagination, and help us transform the parking lot into a colorful canvas.

Teen Events

Teen Lock-in -Must Pre-Register Friday, June 13th from6:30- 9:00 p.m. Get ready to have a fun creative blast!

We're turning the library into your personal art haven. Come unleash your inner artist with us.

Adult Events

First Thursday Book Club Thursday, June 5th at 4:00 p.m.

Looking to connect with fellow book lovers, discover amazing reads, and enjoy great conversation? Join us for our monthly read,

Small Great Thingsby Jody Picoult .

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2016 Miss Brazoria Pageant Queen debuts new children's book







Miss Brazoria Pageant Coronation 2016

Sydney Horak, is a Miss Brazoria Alumni (Pageant Queen 2016) and currently a graduate student at Texas A&M University pursuing dual bachelor's degrees in Business Honors and Accounting, along with a master's degree in Management Information Systems. She is earning certificates in Internal Audit and Energy Accounting. On campus, she's involved with Aggie Women in Business, Mays Business Fellows, the Student Advisory Board for Disability Resources, and serves as a Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Ambassador.

SYDNEY HORAK

"This book was part of my Signature Work project for the **Business** Honors program, combining passion for storytelling and social impact to address misconceptions about disability. I wrote, illustrated, and published it myself, and the process was emotional, healing, and deeply rewarding. My goal is to help every person with a disability feel seen, valued, and empowered, while also opening the eyes of ablebodied individuals to the reality that disability can touch anyone's life," Horak said.





Horak stated that the No Name Pageant, gave her the opportunity to connect with other incredible young women, share her story, and grow tremendously in confidence. She believes that through pageantry she learned how to articulate her passions and be impactful. opened the door to connections forming bonds with women of all walks of life. She enjoyed the encouragement and sisterhood that was built within a supportive community. Pageants are not just about an external recognition but forcing you to step outside your comfort zone, learn confidence and communication.

Her new children's book "I Am Just Me" encourages kids to embrace who they are. It is written from the perspective of a young girl who uses a wheelchair and is learning to see her own value and strength.

Thank you to Smitty's General and Pottery for hosting the May Business Breakfast







Brazoria Chamber of Commerce

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Business Breakfast







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201 S. Main St., Brazoria, Tx 77422

June 18th at 8:30 AM for

Brazoria City Hall & Brazoria Police Department

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Brazoria Chamber of Commerce, meet

& mingle breakfast

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PORT FREEPORT CELEBRATES 25TH ANNUAL TAKE-A-CHILD FISHING TOURNAMENT DURING CENTENNIAL YEAR



Port Freeport Executive Director and CEO Phyllis Saathoff, along with the Port Commissioners, awarded 1st through 3rd place prizes to the winners of the blue fins and yellow fins divisions at the tournament.

FREEPORT, TX (May 14, 2025) – On Saturday, May 10, 2025, Port Freeport proudly hosted the 25th Annual Take-A-Child Fishing Tournament (TACFT) at Freeport Municipal Park. This year's tournament held special significance as it coincided with Port Freeport's Centennial celebration, marking a century of service and commitment to the community.

"On behalf of the Port Commission, I would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to our sponsors and volunteers for making this annual tradition a cherished event that local families eagerly anticipate each year," said Port Commission Chairman Ravi Singhania. "This event, now in its 25th year, brings our community together in a manner that uplifts and inspires everyone."



The event welcomed approximately 327 young anglers across Brazoria County and surrounding areas. With families, friends, and volunteers in attendance, total event participation reached nearly 700 people. As part of the entry process, attendees donated 659 pounds of canned goods, benefiting the Brazoria County Dream Center and supporting local families in need.

Children were divided into two age categories: Blue Fins (ages 3-8) and Yellow Fins (ages 9-14). First, second, and third-place winners were recognized in each category. Winners received trophies and prizes, including laptops, Visa gift cards, and backpacks. Every registrant received a commemorative T-shirt and backpack filled with goodies and had the chance to win one of more than 200 door prizes.

This year's young anglers brought in an impressive total of 794 fish during the weigh-in. Port Freeport would like to thank everyone who attended and congratulate this year's winners:

Blue Fins Category (Ages 3-8): First Place – Raeven Salinas, Second Place – Oaklee Strother & Melanie Gonzalez, Third Place – Rone Diranowski

Yellow Fins Category (Ages 9-14): First Place – Ilyan Cantu, Second Place – Mckenzie Mouton, Third Place – Gunner Strother & Brayden Roaro

"Celebrating 25 years of the Take-A-Child Fishing Tournament during Port Freeport's 100th year makes this event especially meaningful," said Phyllis Saathoff, Executive Director/CEO of Port Freeport. "Seeing our youth connect with the outdoors and each other through fishing is a tradition we are proud to uphold, thanks to the dedication of our sponsors, volunteers, and community partners."





Special guests at the event included sponsors and community partners who volunteered their time at the bait and goodie stations and assisted with event operations. Among the highlights were the Dole Fresh Fruit mascots Bobby the Banana and Penelope the Pineapple, the Texas Roadhouse mascot Andy the Armadillo, and Chick-fil-A's "Eat Mor Chikin" Cow. Southern Cool Shaved Ice offered delicious snow cones, while Texas Port Ministry and First Baptist Church of Freeport provided face painting for the kids.

The United States Coast Guard shared important water safety information, and Coastie the Safety Boat was on hand. LJA Surveying also handed out kid-friendly items and snacks. The Freeport Historical Museum shared details about summer events and showcased impressive displays, including Tiger and Bull Shark jaws, as well as an original Megalodon tooth, along with some freebies. DJ Ken provided music throughout the event to keep everyone entertained.

Port Freeport extends its sincere appreciation to the volunteers and sponsors who helped make the 25th Annual TACFT a success. Sponsors for this year's event included:

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Looking ahead, Port Freeport remains committed to fostering community engagement and youth enrichment through events like the Take-A-Child Fishing Tournament. The port looks forward to building on this success and creating even more memories in the years to come.

Mark your calendars: The 26th Annual Take-A-Child Fishing Tournament will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2026, at Freeport Municipal Park from 8 AM to 12 PM.

Port Freeport is a leading port in the export of crude oil and natural gas liquids and ranks nationally as 6th in chemicals, 14th in total foreign waterborne tonnage, and 26th in containers. A 2022 Economic Impact Study by Texas A&M Transportation Institute revealed that, nationally, the Freeport Harbor Channel generates 266,300 jobs and has a total economic output of \$157.3 billion. Port Freeport serves Alliera, Atlantic Container Lines, AMPORTS, BASF, Chiquita Fresh N.A., Dole Fresh Fruit, The Dow Chemical Company, Enterprise Products Partners, ExxonMobil, Freeport LNG, Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc., Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Glovis, Grimaldi Lines, Hoegh Autoliners, Kirby Marine, Liberty Global Logistics, Linde, MEGlobal, NYK RORO, Phillips 66, Riviana Foods, Inc., Sallaum Lines, Tenaris, U.S Department of Energy, Volkswagen Group of America, and Vulcan Materials Company.





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SEP 17 DEASON CONSTRUCTION 8:30AM - 10:30AM

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