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Splash pad contract signed

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The hot summers in Palacios for children and adults alike will soon be cooled by \$475,000 state of the art splash pad along South Bay Park.

Palacios' City Council approved the contract for the splash pad with Oasis Water Works at last week's regular monthly meeting. There is very minimal skin off the Palacios taxpayers backs for the project, as the City was awarded \$280,000 grant from the Matagorda Bay Mitigation Trust and the Ed Rachal Foundation pitched in an additional \$195,000 to increase the size and features of the splash pad.

The City will need to run a water line to the site and will cover costs of cleaning supplies. The YMCA will handle maintenance for the splash pad, as they also handle the City pool maintenance.

TIRZ Update

D.C. Dunham of The Lynn Group provided Council a recap of the prior 11 months since the inception of the City of Palacios Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 (TIRZ), from the approval of Matagorda Co. Commissioners, the participation of various taxing entities, board members seated to the first board meeting this past August.

This is truly countywide participation, not just the City," Dunham said.

The main reason for the TIRZ, according to Dunham, was to spur people to build in Beachside.

"A destination golf course was really our

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RENDERING of the splash pad bound for the lawn along South Bay, courtesy Oasis Water Works.

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PDA Trunk or **Treat Thursday** for Halloween

Palacios Downtown Association presents Trunk or Treat this Thursday, Oct. 31 from 4:30 -5:30 p.m. Stop by Main Street from 3rd to 6th St. for lots of candy and more!

National Night Out Thurs. at Railroad Park

National Night Out, a partnership between the Palacios Police Department and the community, this Thursday, Oct.31 from 5-9 p.m. at 206 6th St. All are welcome to this free event with food and games.

Fall For Jesus Festival Thurs. at FBC CLC

Fall For Jesus Festival this Thursday, Oct. 31 from 6-8 p.m.; First Baptist Church of Palacios, 202 Welch St.

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Early voting thru Fri., **Election Day Tues.**

Early voting is now under-

way for national, state and local races in the November 5 General Election. Ballots during early voting may be cast locally at the Matagorda Co. Navigation District #1 (MCND) Admin-

istration Building, located at 1602 Main St., or at the Bay City Service Center, thru Fri. (Nov. 1) from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Election Day polls will open on Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Precincts 3A, 3B and 7 will cast Election Day Ballots at the MCND#1 Admin Building, and Precincts 4 and 12 will

While the ticket is top heavy with the race for President of the United States atop the ballot, there are races up and down the local voters will have the opportunity to have their say, including a host of local races.

be voting at St. Peter's Catholic Church, located at 205 Hickory St. in Blessing.



THE Little Shark, Big Shark program of the Palacios Football Fans Club culminated its 2024 season endeavor with the Little Sharks joining their Big Shark counterparts as they ran thru the inflatable Jaws run-thru and onto the turf of Shark Stadium last Friday night. (Beacon Photo by Ryan West)

Opportunity to play Carnegie Hall for Palacios' Cordero

BY BRANDI GARCIA WEST Palacios Beacon

Our community steps forward to help our kids when they need a little boost economically; especially when these students are doing everything in their means to help themselves. Juliana Cordero, a 2024 graduate of Palacios High School and a freshman at Texas

portunity of a lifetime. She has been asked to perform 3 songs at Carnegie Hall in New York City this November along with other talented world-wide musicians. Her trip is scheduled for November 7-11 but she needs your help to get her there.

Juliana is majoring in BMTC-Music Education with future hopes to return to Palacios to become the Director of Palacios High School Band; where she wishes to teach and positively impact the students in the very rooms she was inspired and began her musical career.

Achievements and How to Support Juliana

Juliana has dedicated practice

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Taste of Palacios Seafood Festival a smash

The 2nd Annual Taste of Palacios was a huge success in downtown Palacios as folks flocked to Palacios to enjoy the tasty sensation with authentic, locally sourced cuisine of oysters and seafood prepared in various ways, live music and over 60 vendors of food, artisans, and educational fun activities for children of all ages. A tasty tradition in our lovely City by the Sea, as time slows down and the true essence of tradition comes alive.







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