



Liberty

Church of Christ



Bryant Perkins,
Minister

Join us this Sunday for Bible Classes for all ages at 9 a.m. and stay for Worship at 10 a.m.

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We meet Sunday night at 5 p.m. and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

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We meet at 3201 North Main Street and have a parking space just for you.

We'd love to see you soon. We've saved you a seat!

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Frankly Speaking –

Wisdom from Ben

by Frank Jordan

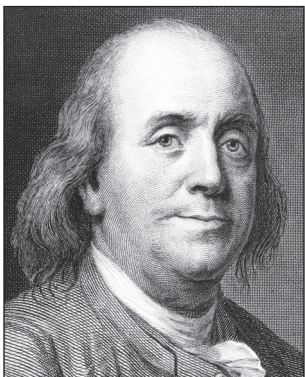
Benjamin Franklin, a celebrated forefather of this great nation, accomplished much, but some of his most cherished contributions were his American tenets of wisdom that remain as relevant today as when spoken:

- Work as if you were to live a hundred years. Pray as if you were to die tomorrow.
- When in doubt, don't.

- Never confuse motion with action.
- Take time for all things: great haste makes great waste.
- A place for everything, everything in its place.
- Time is money.
- In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes.
- Guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days.
- A penny saved is a penny earned.
- They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.
- You may delay, but time will not.
- If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead, either write something worth reading or do things worth writing.
- There are three faithful friends – an old wife, an old dog,

and ready money.

- Rebellion against tyrants is obedience to God.
- Most people return small favors, acknowledge medium ones and repay greater ones – with ingratitude.
- Your net worth to the world is usually determined by what remains after your bad habits are subtracted from your good ones.



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

- Never leave that till tomorrow which you can do today.
- The U.S. Constitution doesn't guarantee happiness, only the pursuit of it. You have to catch up with it yourself.
- By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.
- Three can keep a secret, if two of them are dead.
- Honesty is the best policy.
- Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.
- Lost time is never found again.
- Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.
- All mankind is divided into three classes: those that are immovable, those that are movable, and those that move.
- I wake up every morning at nine and grab for the morning paper. Then I look at the obituary page. If my name is not on it, I get up.
- He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else.
- Well done is better than well said.
- A man wrapped up in himself makes a very small bundle.
- Wise men don't need advice. Fools won't take it.
- I guess I don't so much mind being old, as I mind being fat and old!
- We must, indeed, all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately.
- I didn't fail the test, I just found 100 ways to do it wrong.
- Hide not your talents. They for use were made. What's a sundial in the shade?
- If you would be loved, love, and be loveable.
- I saw few die of hunger; of eating, a hundred thousand.
- Energy and persistence conquer all things.
- To lengthen thy life, lessen thy meals.
- God helps those who help themselves.

Raywood School Supply Giveaway Sat.

RAYWOOD - Pre-register now for Raywood's School Supply Giveaway, hosted by Doris Lang Ministries. The event will be held Sat., July 18, in the Raywood gym from 12-1 p.m.

Children, ages 5-18, will receive free school supplies and student hygiene packs; child must be accompanied by an adult to participate. Families

may receive a free bag of groceries. As always there will be fun and games for the kids, an amazing children's presentation, themed decorations, and door prizes for the parents.

Supplies are limited to first come, first serve, while they last. To pre-register, call 512-762-2610 or email dlangministries@yahoo.com.

Spindletop Boom Days author at SHC

LIBERTY - The Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center (SHC), part of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC), presents an evening with author and historian Paul Spellman discussing his work, Spindletop Boom Days, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6. As part of the event, Center staff will offer a special viewing of historic images and records related to the oil industry in Southeast Texas. Spellman's book will be available for purchase with the opportunity for the author to sign copies for guests after his talk.

Using first-person narratives, Spellman recreates the daily life of those involved with the discovery of oil at Spindletop in 1901, a moment that echoed throughout Southeast Texas and the nation. Spellman explores the industry innovations and human experiences resulting from the area's oil boom, including stories of characters such as former Texas governor Jim Hogg and oilmen Walter and Jim Sharp, David Beatty and Joseph Cullinan.

Dr. Spellman is retired after 33 years teaching Texas and American history at the college level. He has degrees from Southwestern University, University of Texas-Austin,

Southern Methodist University, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi and his PhD from the University of Houston. He is a member of the Texas State Historical Association and the Texas Historic Commission, the Fort Bend Historic Commission and the Western Writers of America. He has published 15 books and numerous articles on Texas history.

This event is free and open to the public at the Sam Houston Center, located at 650 FM 1011 in Liberty. No registration required. Contact the Center at (936) 336-8821 or samhoustoncenter@tsl.texas.gov for more information.

Summer Reading Program continues at Liberty library

LIBERTY - The library is excited to welcome back, The Dinosaur George Museum, a traveling dinosaur museum and gift shop, on July 28 from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the Liberty Center. The museum will round out the Liberty Municipal Library's Summer Reading Program 2026, "Unearth a Story." There is no cost to attend. If you have not participated in the summer reading program, there is still time to sign up and participate. There are still programs on the way this summer.

Children: The animals are coming to town at 2:30 p.m. on July 9 with Wild Things Zoofari in the Liberty Center. Introducing Mad Hatter, with his take on bubbles, on Thursday, July 16, in the Liberty Center at 2:30 p.m. Take a breather and relax with movies on July 25 from 10

a.m. to 4 p.m. in the theater in the Geraldine D. Humphreys Cultural Center. Make sure to turn in time logs to qualify for top reader and prizes by July 25.

Teens (ages 13-18): Bring extra clothing, expect to get wet on July 10 at 2 p.m. with water slide, water balloons, and some water guns. For extra fun bring your own water guns. Relax with Jurassic movies on July 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the theater with the Jurassic World Trilogy. Smash Bros. Tournament will round out the program on July 24 at 2p.m.

Adults (ages 18+): Dinosaur Safari, a City-Wide Scavenger Hunt will take place through July 11. Get ready for the Dino Hunt with laser tag on July 17 at 6 p.m. Jurassic Trivia, Dinosaur trivia with a twist, will round out the program on July 24 at 6 p.m.

Registration and library cards are free to Texas residents. Sign up online or come into the library to sign up for reading fun and excitement. The children's program is for ages 0-12, the teen program is for ages 13-18, and the adult program is for ages 18-plus. We look forward to seeing you this summer as we "Unearth a Story."

The Liberty Municipal Library is located at 1710 Sam Houston Street, inside the Geraldine D. Humphreys Cultural Center. Library hours are Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call the library at 936-336-8901. Follow the library on Facebook about upcoming events at <https://www.facebook.com/LibertyMunicipalLibrary/>.

TRNWR Moth Night Out this Saturday evening

Trinity River National Wildlife Refuge will be hosting its Annual Moth Night Out Event, Saturday evening on July 18, 2026, as part of National Moth Week events occurring across the country. Interested folks will meet at the Refuge Headquarters building at 8 p.m. to see and photograph some of the moths documented around the building's security lights. This year Stuart Marcus will again do a PowerPoint Presentation on moth biology with many photos of moths seen at the refuge. Those of you that are Texas Master Naturalists can receive AT from the presentation. Black lights and mercury vapor lights will also be used.

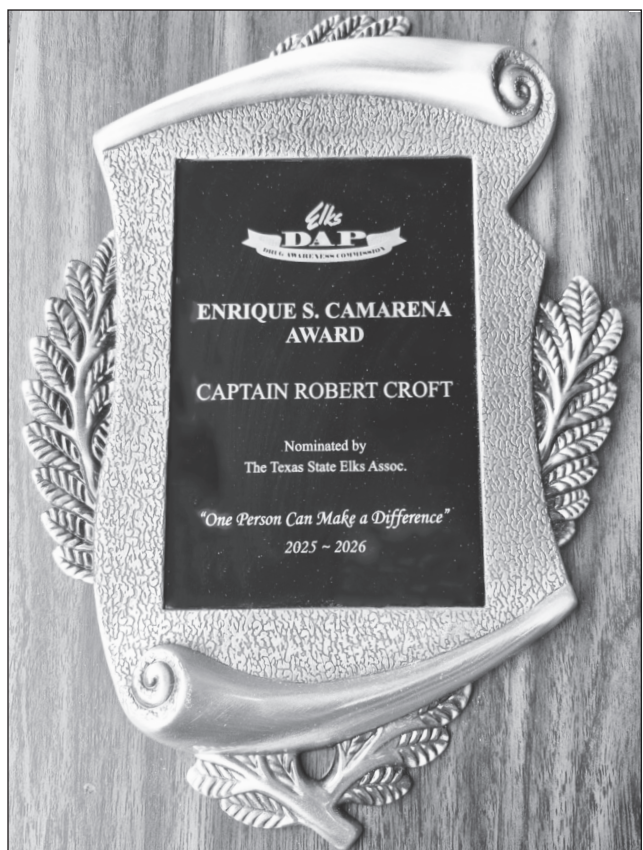
National Moth Week provides a much-needed spotlight on moths and their ecological importance as well as their incredible biodiversity. National Moth Week offers everyone, everywhere a unique opportunity to become a Citizen Scientist and contribute scientific data about moths. Numerous organizations around the world have partnered with National Moth Week and are supporting the event. Through partnerships with major online biological data depositories, National Moth Week participants can help map moth distribution and provide needed information on other life history aspects around the globe.

Trinity River National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters building is located at 601 FM 1011, Liberty, TX. It is directly across the street from the Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center.

Call the Refuge office at 936/336-9786 for more information. All ages are in-

vited, but we will be here until late in the evening. It will also be hot and muggy.

Hope to see many new faces, especially children, on July 18th.



Deputy Constable Croft receives award

Liberty County Pct. 4 Constable Robby Thornton is pleased to announce Deputy Constable Robert Croft has received an award in recognition of his efforts in narcotics enforcement through the years.

On Sat., June 6, Captain Croft received the Enrique "KiKi" Camarena Award from the Texas Elks State Association in Mesquite, Texas. Croft was selected from several officers that were nominated from across the State of Texas.

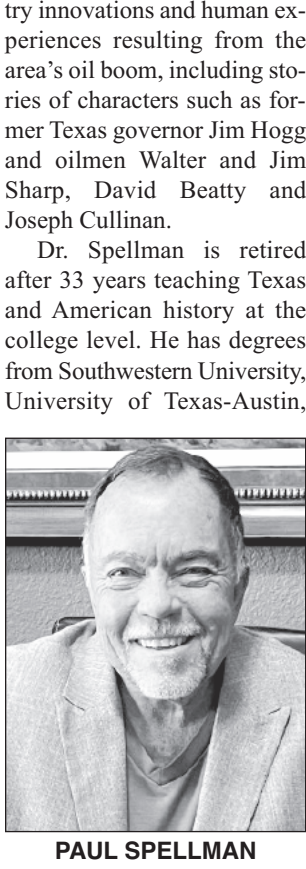
Captain Croft has 36 years of experience in law enforcement, most of which has been in the field of narcotics enforcement. He has been with the Pct. 4 Consta-

ble's Office since 2013 and oversees narcotic operations. Each year, the "KiKi" Camarena Award is presented to outstanding law enforcement officers who have made significant contributions in the field of drug prevention and education.

The award commemorates DEA Special Agent Enrique "KiKi" Camarena who was killed in the line of duty in 1985 by Mexican cartel members.

Constable Thornton stated, "I'm proud that Captain Croft was nominated and received this prestigious award. Captain Croft continues to oversee narcotic investigations for the department and is a great asset to this department and the citizens of Liberty County."

Dayton VFD asking for bottled water



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The Sam Houston Center is a component of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and serves as the official regional historical resource depository for the 10 Southeast Texas counties of Chambers, Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Newton, Orange, Polk, San Jacinto and Tyler. The Center's primary mission is to collect, preserve and provide access to historically significant state and local government records and publications of the designated region and secondarily to serve as a library of Texana and genealogical resources.

The Texas State Library and Archives Commission provides Texans access to the information needed to be informed, productive citizens by preserving the archival record of Texas; enhancing the service capacity of public, academic and school libraries; assisting public agencies in the maintenance of their records; and meeting the reading needs of Texans with disabilities. For more information, visit www.tsl.texas.gov.

LIBERTY COUNTY - In a community effort to provide Dayton firefighters with much needed hydration during the very hot summer months, the public is encouraged to bring bottled water or Gatorade and drop them off at the Dayton VFD Station #1 at 1001 Bill Moreau Dr. Your donation of bottled water helps our firefighters say hydrated and our community stay strong during emergencies, training and long days of service. The hard working volunteer men and women who protect your lives and property greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness.

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