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New Conn Brown Harbor Revised Mission Emphasizes Public Service

With the opening of the new Harbor Patrol building at Conn Brown Harbor, (CBH) and the recent \$5 mil infrastructure improvements, comes a fine tuning of an already successful CBH mission. In addition to assisting visitors and businesses, the new Harbor Patrol Officer, Jack McCarty, will have more of a presence on the water (see pic below). These patrols on the CBH land and waters will help provide additional safety and security for businesses and visitors. This dept. is under the direction of the Aransas Pass Police Dept. Conn Brown Harbor is an Aransas Pass jewel and has been part of the City's past shrimping history. Now it serves as a popular fishing destination for people from around the state and nation.

"Customer Service is our mission citywide and at Conn Brown Harbor, this new approach toward service, safety and security should make Aransas Pass even more of a destination for the state and nation."





Historic Sign Honoring Vets and the Military At Conn Brown

Blue Star Memorials are seen in cities all over the United States. Thanks to the Aransas Pass Hibiscus Garden Club, there now will be one here. Blue Star Memorials honor veterans and our military. It will be located at Harbor Point Park at Conn Brown Harbor and will have a small landscaped area built around it. Pictured below are (L to R) Jack McCarty, Conn Brown Harbor Patrol Officer; Gary Edwards City Manager; and Fernando Quintanilla, Public Works Director. The Public Work Department soon will erect the sign and construct the landscaped area.

Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman is Named

For the first time in over a decade, the City of Aransas Pass Planning and Zoning commission has a new Chairman. He is Herb Lancaster, a local businessman. Herb owns the H. Lancaster Company, located at 260 E. Goodnight, which specializes in handmade original wood furniture made by local artisans.

The Planning and Zoning Commission is an important citizen committee. It deals with most of the planning and zoning issues presented to the City before the matter goes to the City Council. It is fair to say that a Planning and Zoning Commission, which is statutorily recognized, is one of the critically important city committees. There are nine citizen members of this board, plus one City Council liaison member. Planning and zoning also oversees the City's comprehensive plan.

The City of Aransas Pass is appreciative of the citizens who volunteer to serve on all of its boards and commissions. If you are interested in serving on one of the several volunteer panels, contact the City Secretary for an application at 361-758-5301 ext 1103.





Ironman At the Aransas Pass Aquatic Center

Congratulations to Aransas Pass resident Jerry Kline! Jerry trained for two and a half years at the Aquatic Center in preparation to compete in the Ironman Triathlon competition in Woodlands, Texas. After a couple of event cancellations because of COVID, Jerry finally competed on October 9th and placed overall 256th of 1,200 competitors.

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New Community Enrichment Director Hired

Kaylynn Paxson is the new Community Enrichment Director, replacing Sarah Lee, who retired in September. Kaylynn comes to Aransas Pass with an exceptionally strong background in the marketing, food, beverage and entertainment industries where she also managed property operations, budgets and equipment. In one position she also served as the post-hurricane intervention person. This involved dealing with employee morale and facility issues. She also oversaw a significant restoration of company sales. Kaylynn has a background in strategic planning. She was a 2018 SPARKi Award nominee where she was recognized for excellence in advancing the Coastal Bend Tourism industry. She has been on the Board of Directors for the Padre Island Business Association. Kaylynn has a BA degree in political science and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Texas A&M Corpus Christi and is working on her PhD in Policy Administration.

*You're Invited To
The City of Aransas Pass
8th Annual*

Fall Feast

A Thanksgiving Gift to Aransas Pass Residents

Thursday, November 18th at 5 PM

Aransas Pass Civic Center

Dine In or Take Out

Free Turkey Dinner for Aransas Pass

Residents Only (must show ID)

One Plate Per Person

