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Dear Residents,

Summer is coming to an end and the new school year is about to start again. Our August calendar is filled with many events in our community such as school events, movie nights, and the new interactive, Candytopia! Make sure you don't miss out on these amazing back to school and community events.

There are many great sports programs such as taekwondo and soccer in our community. Make sure to read our articles about these programs for an exclusive special they are offering for only Spring Valley residents.

In this issue, we feature our amazing photographer, David Postma. Without David our magazine would not feature amazing photos capturing unforgettable moments. Thank you, David, for all that you do for our magazine and our community.

As we say goodbye to summer, let's look forward to this new school year. It's a new beginning for our children and let's make them well prepared to take on the new year. Read our back to school article in preparation for the new school year.

HERE'S TO AN EXCITING NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

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MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LEGACY By Lidia Herrera

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In its earlier years, MHS was considered a flagship school because of its high standards, high ability, and achieving students whom 98% attended college.

In the early eighties, MHS became part of an urban community with a sudden increase in diversity and a growing number of at-risk students. Faculty had to develop skills to cope with these changes.

Today, MHS serves over 2,200 students from a variety of neighborhoods such as Piney Point Village, Hunters Creek Village, Spring Valley Village, Hilshire Village, Hedwig Village, and Bunker Hill Village.

MHS has received a couple of awards such as TAKS Gold Performance Award, the

Texas ACT Council's College Readiness Award and the Just 4 The Kids High Performing School Award. Memorial High School was also awarded five stars by Texas Monthly magazine.

MHS has many successful award-winning sports, arts and academic programs such as the football team, tennis team, band, choir, drill team, club hockey team, club lacrosse, and so many more.

A couple of notable alumni is Koby Clemens (Pro Baseball Player Sugarland Skeeters), Michael Dell (Founder and CEO of Dell), Jeffery Hildebrand (Founder Hilcorp Energy Company), David Fahrenthold (2017 Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and author) and so many more.

Memorial High School has served our community for many years to pave the way for our children and future generations.

CANDYTOPIA By Lidia Herrera

Welcome to Candytopia Houston, where colossal candyfloss constructions meld with a tantalizing taffy twistedness!

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By Lidia Herrera

little easier.

BACK TO SCHOOL ESSENTIALS

A new school year is around the corner meaning you will

soon be school shopping for yourself or your children. Here

are a couple of tips to make your school supply shopping a

1. Correct Grade List: Having the correct grade list will

make your shopping go by smoother and faster when you

2. Coupons: Look out for manufacturer and store coupons

from office supply brands like Bic, Kleenex, Post-It, etc. You

can also find coupons in magazines like Parenting, Sunday

3. Shop at the Dollar Store: Save a couple of dollars and

shop name-brand school supplies at the dollar store. Bonus:

Bic has manufacturer coupons that you can use at the dollar

store on items marked \$1....most of the time you get a freebie!

know exactly what supplies you need to buy.

newspapers, and store's weekly ads.



different candy items throughout the experience including chocolate truffles and bags of gummi bears.

Candytopia is a limited engagement, meaning it will only be in our community for a couple of weeks. If you want to experience the marvels of Candytopia Houston, reserve your tickets today!

Candytopia Houston is located at 7620 Katy Fwy Building 3B, Suite 360 Houston, TX 77024. For more information visit showclix.com/event/ candytopiahouston.

4. Paint Supplies at Michaels/Jo-Ann: Michaels and Jo-Anns always have some sort of sale for art supplies. Make sure to get your markers and paint supplies at these stores!

5. Tax-Free Weekend: You can save a couple money by shopping during Tax-Free Weekend. Texas tax-free weekend is August 9-11...just in time before the 1st day of school!

6. Reward Points from Drug-Stores: Whether it's CVS or Walgreens, make sure to use your reward points on school supplies.

7. Sunday & Monday: The best day to shop for supplies is on Sunday and Monday because supplies will run out quickly.

8. Price-Matching: Target, Office Depot/OfficeMax, and Staples are a couple of stores that allow price matching, so you can get the best value for your supplies.

9. Download Store Apps: The Target app gives you access to Cartwheel offers like percentage off certain departments (school supplies).



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- Buy pencils at Staples when they're \$0.05.
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5TH ANNUAL HOUSTON ASTROS GEORGE SPRINGER ALL-STAR BOWLING BENEFIT KICK OFF PARTY

By Lidia Herrera | Photos by Daniel Ortiz



It was a home run as SAY: The Stuttering Association for the Young opened its 5th season in Houston with the Houston Astros George Springer All-Star Bowling Benefit Kick Off Party on Monday, June 10, 2019. Co-chair Lara Bell welcomed more than 40 supporters to the hot new restaurant, yet to open - Ouzo Bay in the River Oaks District. Guests wined and dined to celebrate the upcoming main attraction – the 5th Annual George Springer All-Star Bowling Benefit, which will be held on Thursday, June 27, 2019 from 7 to 10 p.m. at Bowlmor Houston.

Right off the bat, guests enjoyed delicious cuisine, cocktails and fine red and white wine while getting a sneak peek of Ouzo Bay and Loch Bar before the two new concepts open their doors to the public. Elevated Mediterranean hors d'oeuvres from Ouzo Bay included spinach pie bites, lamb meatballs with tomato sauce and feta, and charcoal grilled octopus tossed with sweet onions and red peppers in a red wine caper vinaigrette. Wine pairings from the Greek-inspired restaurant included Zafeirakis Limniona, Gavalas Assyrtiko and Parparoussis Petite Fleur. From the seafood tavern, Loch Bar, guests enjoyed an impressive oyster selection, tuna poke with avocado, cucumber, radish red onions and scallions, and shrimp cocktail. Wine pairings included Southold Red Blend, Slo Down Chardonnay and Veuve Clicquot.

Bell stepped up to the plate and expressed why Camp SAY is close to her heart and how it has helped so many young and brave people who stutter. Bell encouraged the crowd of fans to load up the bases and join Co-Chair Melissa DeAyala, Junior Chair Matthew DeAyala and Honorary Co-chair Dr. Carolyn Farb, h.c. for a memorable evening of bowling with Springer, fellow Astros and other professional athletes and local celebrities. David Hall with Atlas Restaurant Group scored a run with the team as he introduced guests to two unique dining experiences and invited them back for another hit.

Sonia Soto was a lucky fan as the raffle winner of a signed baseball by Houston Astros' Ryan Pressly. Blanca Beltran knocked it out of the park as the raffle winner of two tickets to an upcoming Houston Astros game.

George Springer, a Houston Astros Outfielder, 2017 World Series Champion and MVP, is a person who stutters and is the national spokesperson for Camp SAY, a life-changing and empowering summer camp for young people who stutter. The annual benefit supports the George Springer Kids Fund. All of the proceeds from the George Springer All-Star Bowling Benefit will help send children from all socio-economic backgrounds to the George Springer MVP Camp Say day camp in Houston and Camp SAY, a life-changing summer camp for kids and teens who stutter.

The event will take full swing with a cocktail reception followed by bowling fun with fellow Astros and celebrity lane captains, with an open bar and dinner. The Bowling Benefit will also feature sports-themed items, experiences, and memorabilia in a silent auction.

To join Springer for his All-Star Bowling Benefit, visit www.say.org/springer.

Celebrating the victory at the kick off party included: Christine and Steve Johnson, Blanca Beltran, Sonia Soto, Roseann Rogers, Leisa Holland Nelson, Cheryl Byington, Juan Beltran, Megan Cardet, Amy Dukes, Debbie Elias, Dawn Gunther, Rob Todd, Sophia Medina, Erin Rosemond Medina, and Rod Windham.





DAVID POSTMA: *Capturing Moments that Last a Lifetime*

By Lidia Herrera | Photographs by David Postma/Genesis Photographers

A photo can capture a moment in time that is forever still; a moment that captures a memory that will eventually fade but a photo will never.

For David Postma, his photography career is rewarding because it allows him to help people have fun and document people's happiness.

David Postma's photography career has spanned for more than 40 years. His passion for photography lead him to change career paths and pursue his dream of being a photographer.

David was born in Houston and grew up in the Spring Branch area. He graduated from Spring Branch High School and received a Photography Degree from Houston Community College.

David and his wife, Samarie Postma met in the 1980's at Bellaire West Baptist Church while they sang in their choir together. Samarie's brother, Elbert Murphy is a minster and was traveling from Arizona to Missouri for an annual church conference, but he had a layover in Houston's Hobby Airport. Both David and Samarie decided to go to the airport so Elbert could marry them. They married on July 13th, 1986 at Gate 6 with their best friend, Cathy present.

Samarie is originally from Amarillo and moved to Houston in the 1970's to work as a certified dental assistant. Later in her career, she became an oral maxillofacial surgical nurse. After an accident with her hand, she was forced to an early retirement and began assisting David with his business. She later retired from the business and stayed full time at home with their son, Joshua.

The Postmas have six children in total. Samarie has five grown girls from a previous marriage and with David, they adopted Joshua.

Joshua was 13 years old at the time when they adopted him. Now he is 21 and attending college with plans to become a chiropractor.

Their family also consist of their three dogs. A Labrador named Mike and two rescued dogs, a mutt named Heinz and a bull-boxer named Roxy.

David began his career in the Oil and Gas industry by managing a paleontology lab. In this lab, he was able to determine the environment in which a company can drill. He worked about 10 years in this field, then he changed career paths due to a downturn in the mid 1980's.

In 1977, David established Genesis Photographers as a part-time business and in 1991 officially dedicated himself full-time to photography. David has shot for business events, golf tournaments, corporate meetings, conferences, corporate awards, charity galas and many more events.

His business has evolved over time to be mainly business photography, but he still enjoys more personal photography. What draws him to photograph events is being outside of a studio, and photographing people enjoying an activity or each other, as well as celebrating personal moments and capturing those memories in a more lasting way that can be shared for generations.

In particular, he didn't want to have a studio filled with Styrofoam props for photographing babies and graduates. He wanted to shoot things out in the world, specifically in his subject's world with places and things that are meaningful to the people in the photographs.

"I have been photographing things for over forty years. It is like Mr. Rogers' neighborhood; I enjoy going into new places and meeting people I otherwise would never have met," said David. Taking a picture has changed over the years and David has adapted his business to the changes.

"When I became a full-time photographer, everyone used film. You had to work hard for the perfect image and everything I did was so much better than what amateurs could accomplish," said David. "Now that amateur equipment is so much better with the rise of digital technology; amateur photography has gotten more prolific. Due to photo editing software, making people look younger and thinner is much easier than it used to be."

Although there is an advantage with new technology that makes taking a picture more convenient, David also thinks there is a disadvantage.

"While the equipment is better now, people aren't necessarily better at creating a good picture," said David. "There are two things hurting the industry right now. One is the idea that a picture is 'good enough.' This thought is lowering our standards. And two is that photos are not special when everyone has a camera all of the time."

As a professional photographer, David believes that a good photo can be achieved with understanding the equipment and the art of photography.

"Composition and lighting are two things that cannot be accomplished by equipment alone. These are skills gained by education and experience in photography that can't be faked, even with the best smart phone on the market," said David.

Professional photography is important to David and he thinks that photography isn't as valued as it use to be.

"Photos are not cherished as much as they used to be. It was a thrill to find a black and white photo of your grandparents in the attic," said David. "But with so many images being taken today, and being kept on a computer or phone, they aren't preserved like they used to be. There is not the heritage of photography to be passed down or discovered by future generations."

David hopes that photography won't fade away and instead be valued by future generations.

"I would like to see our culture value and archive pictures in a way that can be discovered by future generations. My fear is that we will lose an entire collection of images because they are only saved on a laptop somewhere. I would love to see us continue to print on archival paper so the images will last and not fade away like our memories."

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HOUSTON ASTROS' GEORGE SPRINGER'S 5TH ANNUAL ALL-STAR BOWLING BENEFIT

By Lidia Herrera | Photos by Todd Parker, STP Images & SAY.org



George Springer and SAY: The Stuttering Association for the Young hit the ball out of the park at the 5th Annual George Springer All-Star Bowling Benefit held on Thursday, June 27, 2019, at Bowlmor Houston. Springer along with fellow teammates, local celebrities, Co-chairs Lara Bell and Melissa DeAyala, Junior Chair Matthew DeAyala, Honorary Chair Dr. Carolyn Farb, h.c., and over 400 fans raised more than \$250,000. Proceeds from the event will send children from families-in-need to Camp SAY, a two-week life-changing summer camp for young people who stutter, as well as support the Houston George Springer MVP Camp SAY this weekend, serving over 125 local kids who stutter. Springer, a person who stutters, hosted the Bowling Benefit to provide financial assistance and ensure that children from all socio-economic backgrounds have access to Camp SAY.

During a VIP pre-game celebration Taro Alexander , founder of SAY, led with a "Hype" – a call-and-response pep rally with Springer and guests forming a huge circle of support around all of the kids who stutter. Alexander continued with the inspiring story of his experience as a person who stutters and how Camp SAY is changing lives because every voice matters. Springer, the national spokesperson for Camp SAY, stepped up to the plate to voice his support for young people who stutter. He began stuttering as a child and understands the challenges, so he welcomed the kids in attendance and all kids who stutter to join his team and to discover their own unique voice.

The event was in full swing when Noah Cornman, Executive Director of SAY, welcomed the crowd and cheered them on to provide every young person who stutters access to Camp SAY. Brogan Walters, a Camp SAY kid delivered an inspiring speech, followed by a special performance by Isabella Negron, another Camp SAY camper who encouraged the crowd to get excited to bowl and raise funds for Camp SAY. The evening was in honor of Jake Kenyon Shulman and William Wilson.

DJ Senega provided the tunes for guests to hit the lanes for dancing and bowling with Springer, celebrities and young people who stutter. The silent auction provoked friendly competition, but everyone came together to cheer Springer and the celebrity lane captain roster, which included: KTRK's Greg Bailey, Former Houston Dynamo Brian Ching, CultureMap Columnist Ken Hoffman, Johnny (Bravo) Holloway, Walton & Johnson Radio Show Host Steve Johnson, CW39's Sharron Melton, KTRK's David Nuno, and KHOU's TV Anchor Ron Trevino.

Loading up the bases at the event in support from the Houston Astros were Springer's teammates: Michael Brantley, Justin Verlander, Jose Altuve, Robinson Chirinos, Alex Bregman, Carlos Correa, Wade Miley, Collin McHugh, Gerrit Cole, Josh James, Brad Peacock, Tony Kemp, Jake Marisnick, Myles Straw, Lance McCullers, Tyler White, Max Stassi, Will Harris, Coach Gary Pettis , Coach Brent Strom , Astros Owner Jim Crane .

The 2nd Annual George Springer MVP Camp SAY in Houston is Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 28-30, 2019, for young people who stutter. The free life-changing day camp allows kids and teens the opportunity to meet new friends who stutter and participate in exciting activities that help build confidence. On Friday, June 28, 2019, all the campers and their families joined George for a meet-andgreet. Afterwards, they joined SAY for the Houston Astros vs. Seattle Mariners evening game. During MVP Camp SAY on Friday and Saturday, June 29-30, 2019, the day camp programing includes a special screening of the featured length documentary "My Beautiful Stutter." Which Springer is an Executive Producer along with fellow SAY friend, Board Member and actor Paul Rudd.

Star players in the game for the bowling event included: Raeann and Randy Bates, Mano DeAyala, David and Cheryl Sue Rabke, Kimble Sagrera, Jan Koehn, Kevin Gee, Beth Wolff, Roseann Rogers, Christine Johnson, KRBE Freddy Cruz, Laurette Veres, KPRC Lainie Fritz, Dawn Gunther, KHOU Matt Musil, Valerie Sweeten, Allen Brivic, and Guy Yount.

The event was made possible by the generous support of the exclusive radio and outdoor media sponsors: SportsTalk 790AM, who broadcasted live from the bowling event, iHeartMedia Houston, and Clear Channel Outdoor.

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17TH AND 18TH CENTURY:

• The very first public school opened in 1635 was the Boston Latin School. This school was created for sons of certain social classes to prepare them for leadership positions in church, state, or the courts. This school is the nation's oldest public school.

• Early public schools taught virtues of family, religion, and community instead of academics like math or reading.

• During 1600's and early 1700's in the South, public schools were not common and only affluent families paid tutors to educate their children.

• After the American Civil War, public schooling in the South became common during the Reconstruction Era.

• Christian Wolff developed Faculty Psychology, a doctrine holds that the mind can best be developed through "mental discipline" or tedious drill and repetition of basic skills ad the eventual study of abstract subjects such as literature, languages and philosophy. This influenced American education in the 19th century and beyond.

• Thomas Jefferson authors Bill 79: "A Bill for the More General Diffusion of Knowledge," which is a comprehensive plan for public education. This bill eventually passed in 1796 as a revised bill "An Act to Establish Public Education."

• Noah Webster writes A Grammatical Institute of the English Language which consisted of a spelling book, a grammar book and a reader. These books were used throughout the US.

19TH CENTURY:

• In 1801, James Pillans invents the modern blackboard.

• In 1817, The Connecticut Asylum at Harford for the Instruction of Deaf and Dumb Persons opens as the first permanent school for the deaf.

• 1836, the first William Homes McGuffery's readers are published. Theses readers become the most influential textbooks in the 19th Century.

• Massachusetts enforces the first mandatory attendance law in 1852. All states by 1918 enforce the law.

• In 1856, the first kindergarten is started in Watertown, Wisconsin by Margarethe Shurz.

• In 1857, The National Teachers Association, now National Education Association is founded in Philadelphia by 43 educators.

• After the Civil war ends, much of the southern educational institutions are destroyed so many schools closed. This devastation left the public education more behind than the North.

• In 1867, The Department of Education is created to help states establish effective school systems.

• In 187, George Peabody fund 2-million dollars to aid public education in southern states.

• Southern schools suffer once again with the Panic of 1973 when the economic depression reduced revenues for education.

• In 1876, The Civil Rights Act is passed, banning segregation in public schools.

20TH CENTURY:

• In 1902, a youth program called 4-H becomes a national program for positive youth development.

• In 1909, Indianola Junior High School is the first junior high school to open in the US to improve high school graduation rates.

• In 1919, The Progressive Education Association is founded with the goal of reforming American education.

• In 1919, all states have laws providing funds for transporting children to school.

• In 1926, The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) is first administered.

• The Great Depression affects the public education resulting in schools closing, teacher layoffs, and lower salaries.

• In 1931, Alvarez vs the Board of Trustees of the Lemon Grove (Cali.) School District becomes the first successful school desegregation court case. School districts were forbidden from placing Mexican-American children in a separate "Americanization" school.

 In 1935, Congress authorizes the Works Progress Administration. Its purpose was to put the unemployed to work on public projects, including the construction of hundreds of school buildings.

 In 1939, Frank W. Cyr organizes a national conference on student transportation resulting in the adoption of standards for the nation's school buses, including the shade of yellow.

 In 1939, the first IQ test was given based on how far subjects; scores differ from the average score of others who are the same age.

• World War 2 begins, outing a hold on school construction as men quit school and leave their work to enlist.

• In 1957, Federal troops enforce integration in Little Rock, Arkansas as the Little Rock 9 enroll at Central High School.

• In 1959, the ACT test is first administered.

 In 1963, Coral Way Elementary School starts the first bilingual and bicultural public school in the US as a large umber of Cuban children immigrant to Miami after the Cuban Revolution.

• In 1965, The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is passed to provide federal funds to help low income students.

• In 1965, Project Head Start, a preschool education program for children from low income families begins. Today it is the longest-running anti-poverty program int eh US.

• Lyndon Johnson signs the Immigration Act of 1965, leading to an increase of Asians and Latin Americans immigrating to the US. This made America's classrooms much more diverse.

• In 1972, Texas Instruments introduces the firs electronic hand-held calculators, the TI-2500 Data Math.

• In 1975, The Education of All Handicapped Children Act is passed and requires an appropriate and least restrictive school setting for all handicapped children.

• In 1975, The National Association of Bilingual Education is founded.

• In 1977, Apple Inc., introduces their first successful personal computers which lead to computers being used in schools.

• In 1982, Madeline C. Hunter's book, Mastering Teaching is published, and it is used greatly used by teachers throughout the country.

• In 1983, a report by the National Commission on Excellence in Education published, A Nation at Risk. This led to a reformation in public education and teacher training. It also introduced the study of computer science in high school.

• In 1986, Changes in teacher education and the teaching profession are recommended by the Holmes Group and Carnegie Forum on Education.

• In 1990, The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) becomes a law, prohibiting discrimination against those with disabilities especially in education.

• In 1990, Teach for America is founded.

• In 1991, the smart board (interactive white board) is introduced in classrooms.

• In 1993, The Massachusetts Education Reform Act required common curriculum and statewide test. This led to other states to follow and create their own state tests.

• In 1994, The Improving America's Schools Act (IASA) is passed and includes increased funding for bilingual and immigrant education, provisions for public charter schools, drop-out prevention, and educational technology.

• In 1994, CompuHigh Whitmorte is the first online high school.

• In 1998, The Higher Education Act is amended and reauthorized requiring schools to produce "report cards".

21ST CENTURY:

 In 2001, No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) is passed. It mandates high-states student testing, holds school accountable for student achievement levels, and provides penalties for schools that do not make adequate yearly progress toward meeting the goals of NCLB.

 In 2003, The Higher Education Act is again amended and reauthorized, e panding access to higher education for low and middle income students, providing additional funds for graduate studies, and increasing accountability.

• In 2009, The American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 provides more than 90-billion dollars for education, nearly half of which goes to local school districts to prevent layoffs and for school modernization and repair. It includes the Race to the Top initiative, a 4.35-billion-dollar program designed to induce reform in K-12 education.

• In 2014, President Barack Obama signs the 1.1 trillion dollar bipartisan budget billion January 17. The bill restored some, but not all, of the cuts to federal education programs that resulted from sequestration.

• In 2014, As schools open this fall, a demographic milestone is reached: minority students enrolled in K-12 public school classrooms outnumber non-Hispanic Caucasians.

• In 2014, The Minnesota State High School League adopt a policy allowing transgender students to join female sports teams.

• In 2015, This latest version of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) replaces No Child Left Behind and allows more state control in judging school quality.

• In March 14, 2018 Due to many recent school shootings, thousands of students across the national walk out of class-rooms on demanding changes in gun laws.

• In March 24, 2018 Hundreds of thousands of students from across the nation join the March for Our Lives protest in Washington, D.C. as well as other cities.

• In April 20, 2018 becomes National Walkout Day as students continue to protest gun control. It is the 19th anniversary of the Columbine High School shooting tragedy.

• In 2018, Hundreds of educators and former educators run for office int eh mid-term elections in hope of changing the education system.

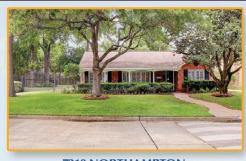
• In 2018, Many teachers across the nation are going on strike for pay increase and school funding.

• In 2019, A couple of states across the nation are increased teacher's salary.

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