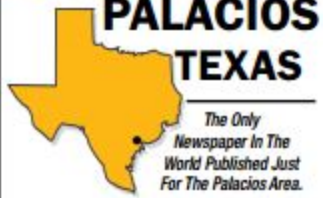


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**Joe Diaz at
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Joe Diaz (JD) will be ministering the Word of God at Living Word Church, located at 1405 12th Street in Palacios on Sun.(Aug. 2) beginning at 10 a.m.



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Pelicans soak up early morning rays.....

DOZENS of Palacios' iconic brown pelicans were catching some early morning sunshine as the feathered fish eaters gathered to perch on a pier along East Bayshore Drive. (Beacon Photo by Ryan West)

PISD hires TASB to head search for new superintendent

BY ALYSSA WILSON GARCIA
Palacios Beacon

The Palacios Independent School District has hired the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) search firm to help in the hunt for its next superintendent.

TASB will be responsible for recruiting possible candidates to the district as it seeks a replacement for Vicki Adams, who is now with Hillsboro ISD. Its work will come at a cost of about \$6,800.

TASB was one of two final contenders of a pool of approximately six candidates, in which responded to the PISD's request for proposals (RFP). Fountainhead Educational Services and TASB were invited to the PISD Board of Trustees special called meeting last Thursday and both gave similar presentations.

Overall TASB, as well as Representative Marian Straus, was recognized by the

The tide may be turning Palacios' search for a new superintendent

Palacios Beacon Early Files

10 YEARS AGO-2005

Area students were named to the Dean's List at the University of Houston-Victoria for the spring semester were Wendy L. Hecht of Palacios (Bachelor of Science Interdisciplinary Studies), David Lucio of Markham (Bachelor of Science), and Michelle L. Hickl and Casey L. Malone both of El Maton (Bachelor of Science Interdisciplinary studies).

15 YEARS AGO-2000

The 37th Annual St. Anthony's Catholic Church's Blessing of the Fleet and Shrimporree activities took place Aug. 5-6.

Matagorda County Hospital District announced that Wagner General Hospital would no longer offer emergency room or hospital services as of September 1.

Eleven members of the Palacios FFA traveled to Corpus Christi to attend the State FFA Convention. They were Joe Rodriguez, Jessica Evans, Katie Kurtz, Stephanie Franzen, Katy Shulze, Andy Beard, Kyle Tanner, Michelle Beard, Kelli Frankson, Mandy Benner and Elisha Flores. While there, Kate and Kayla Tanner received the Lone Star Farmer Degree and Stephanie Franzen, candidate for the Star Chapter Farmer Degree was also recognized.

In the Texas Press Association's 2000 Better Newspaper Contest held in Arlington among Division 1 weekly papers from across the state, the *Palacios Beacon* took first place for Sports Coverage and Photography.

Ezra Olson, son of Edwin and Linda Olson of Palacios, was serving a two year mission in the Sofia, Bulgaria Mission representing the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

20 YEARS AGO-1995

A key Senate Appropriations subcommittee approved a total of \$20 million in the energy and water appropriations legislation for continued erosion control work along the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway canal at Sargent Beach in Matagorda County.

The 33rd Annual Shrimporree and Blessing of the Fleet was held the weekend of August 6.

25 YEARS AGO-1990

The unemployment rate in Matagorda County continued to exceed the 10% level in June according to the labor force estimates released by the Texas Employment Commission.

Advancing further than any previous Palacios Little League team, Palacios All Stars reached the District 11-12 year old tournament in Sweeny.

Marine Private Keith A Blackwell, son of Terrell and Maxie Blackwell of Palacios, completed the Automotive Organizational Mechanics Course at Marine Corps Service Support Schools at Marine Corps Base Camp in Lejeune, North Carolina.

30 YEARS AGO-1985

The Bama Shrimp Company had its formal opening. They had begun a unique "instant quick freeze" (IQF) process to preserve the freshness and quality of shrimp for shipment to its final destination.

Palacios was gearing up for its Third Annual FishFest Tournament.

40 YEARS AGO-1975

James Gibson, Howard Gibson, Bennie Orsak, Hardy Christmas and Kenneth Hamlin, volunteer fireman in the Palacios Volunteer Fire Department, attended the 46th Annual Texas Fireman's Training School on the Texas A&M University campus.

Meeting in special session, the Palacios ISD Board of Trustees appointed John J. Louderback to the principal's post at Central Elementary replacing Elizabeth Sisson.

Russell M. Brhlik and Rebecca Lynn Robinson of Palacios and Lillian Lyn Zemanek of Tidehaven were named to the spring semester Dean's list at Sam Houston State University.

50 YEARS AGO-1965

Building permits totaling \$85,000 for the residences of David O. Dawson and Dr. E. Smith were approved by the city council.

Van E. Kirkpatrick was hired as band director at Palacios High School.

55 YEARS AGO-1960

Residents of Matagorda County Water Control and Improvement District No. 5 (Blessing) voted on a \$165,000 bond issue to furnish a waterworks and sanitary sewer system.

Bay City Warehouse and Storage of Bay City was high bidder for Matagorda County's first bale of cotton. The 584 pound bale, raised by Harold Hunt, brought 39 cents a pound.

60 YEARS AGO-1955

Ralph P. Newsom was named to the Board of Matagorda County Navigation District #1 by the County Commissioners Court.

The 50th anniversary meeting of the Intracoastal Canal Association of Louisiana and Texas was held in Victoria.

A hearing to determine the advisability of establishing a Water Control and Improvement District in Precinct 3 was held before the three-man State Board of Water Engineers in Austin.

65 YEARS AGO-1950

Locally, 646 bales of cotton had been ginned.

A food handler school, sponsored by the Texas State Department of Health and the Matagorda County Health Unit, began at city hall.

70 YEARS AGO-1945

The 15th annual W.M.U. camp closed after the large tent used for general services was wrecked by a wind and rain storm.

A large delegation from here attended the 40th anniversary of the Intracoastal Canal Association in Victoria.

75 YEARS AGO-1940

80 bales of cotton had been ginned at the local gin, the first bale of the season was ginned on July 17.

>>> The Price Hardware store moved from the building at the corner of Fifth and Commerce. <<<

80 YEARS AGO-1935

Nine troop trains arrived at Camp Hulen for the annual two weeks training of the Texas National Guards.

A fishing party out with Skipper Clyde Le Compte made a catch of 56 trout at Half Moon Reef.

85 YEARS AGO-1930

A display of fireworks on South Bay celebrated the bringing of natural gas in Palacios.

The Texas National Guards were here for their annual training. 500 officers and 6,000 men were at Camp Hulen.

90 YEARS AGO-1925

4,000 South Texas Methodists were attending an encampment here. Bishop Sam Hayes was the speaker.