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Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership (BAHEP) is a member-driven organization that provides leadership to stimulate regional economic development and employment in a range of industries such as aerospace engineering, biotechnology/bioscience, specialty chemicals and plastics, and information technology and communications. BAHEP partners with 270 member companies, 13 cities, Galveston County, Harris County and the Port of Houston Authority in southeast Texas to foster economic vitality through regional collaboration.

Commercial / Office / Industrial Development

What a banner year it's been for the industrial sector! Check out 2013's notable deals --

- **Frontier Logistics** has a new 600,000 SF facility in the works on 46 rail-served acres at 225 RailPort, a new master-planned industrial distribution complex in **Pasadena** on SH 225 at Beltway 8. \$50 - \$70 million project.
- **Kaneka North America LLC** will expand its CPVC (Chlorinated Polyvinyl Chloride) line to double the capacity at its plant in **Pasadena's** Bayport Industrial District. \$50 million expansion project. 10 – 12 new jobs.
- **Celanese Corporation and Mitsui & Company Ltd.** announced plans to build a new methanol production plant in **Pasadena's Bayport** Industrial District. \$800 million investment.
- **Kuraray America Inc.** has a new polyvinyl alcohol plant underway in **La Porte** on Bay Area Blvd. 100 new jobs.
- **Kuraray America Inc.** is expanding its plant in Pasadena, an ethylene-vinyl production facility. Additional 15 employees.
- **Silver Eagle Distributors'** new \$25 million, 400,000 SF distribution facility on SH 225 at Beltway 8 is under construction on approximately 50 acres in **Pasadena**.
- **Linde North America**, an industrial gas producer, announced an expansion for its **La Porte** operations. After the expansion and the addition of a new liquefier, Linde will produce liquid oxygen, nitrogen and argon. \$200 million expansion project. Additional 50 employees.
- **Noltex** broke ground on an expansion project in **La Porte's** Battleground Industrial District. \$180 million investment. Up to 25 new jobs.
- **Lubline**, a manufacturer of lubricants and additives used in the oil and gas industry, will open a new manufacturing facility on 30 rail-served acres in **Pasadena's** Bayport South business park on Red Bluff Road. \$60 million facility. 30 new jobs.
- **WIKA Process Solutions LP**, a world market leader in industrial measuring instruments, purchased 13 acres at **Pasadena's** Park 225 Business Park, southeast corner of Beltway 8 and SH 225 for its new hub location -- 87,900 SF, two-story building.
- **Plant Maintenance Services** purchased 18 acres on Genoa Red Bluff Road in **Pasadena** to build an 80,000 SF office and manufacturing facility. It is a contracting company that provides corrosion protection and refractory solutions for multiple industries in the field. More than 150 new jobs.
- **Holman Boiler Works** leased a 24,000 SF at **Bayport North** Industrial Park II. The Dallas-based company serves customers in steam-intensive markets including food processing, refinery,

petrochemical, utility, gas processing, energy, packaging, environmental, healthcare, education and government. More than 100 jobs.

- **Gulf Winds International** is building a \$14 million, 180,000 SF warehouse in **Seabrook** between SH 146 and Old 146.
- **Teadit North America** is building its headquarters operation, a 110,000 SF office/warehouse, in Bayport South Business Park on Red Bluff Road in **Pasadena**.
- **Intercontinental Terminals Company**, an affiliate of Mitsui & Co. began construction of a \$150 million tank terminal/ship docking facility on 180 acres in **Pasadena**.
- **Rentech Nitrogen Partners** is building a \$30 million power generator at its **Pasadena** facility.
- **Kinder Morgan Energy Partners L.P.** plans to build nine new storage tanks on 20 acres adjacent to its existing **Pasadena** terminal on the Ship Channel – a \$106 million investment.

The Houston Area Safety Council opened its new 65,000 SF LEED-certified training facility at 5213 Center Street in **Pasadena**. This is the first phase of development on the 34 acres ... lots of room for future development! HASC trains more than 1,600 people every day.

Recent industrial news ...

A 77,000 SF spec building is under construction at FM 646 and Ohio Street in **League City**. The office/warehouse plans include 11,550 SF of office and 65,450 SF of warehouse space.

Control Solutions, Inc. is adding a 120,000 SF facility for warehouse operations in **Pasadena's** light industrial district, the northeast corner of Red Bluff Road and Genoa Red Bluff Road.

Gulf Coast Pipeline Services has new corporate office and production facilities underway at 1301 Dickinson Avenue, just south of FM 646, that include an 8,000 SF office, a 12,000 SF warehouse, and a 4,000 SF maintenance shop.

Your ideas are needed

NASA's Johnson Space Center is looking for bold ideas for collaborative development to mature technologies required for NASA's future missions and to enhance life on Earth.

As a means to accelerate technology development and strengthen commercialization of federally funded research and development, JSC is looking to partner with other public agencies, private companies and academia on the development of broadly applicable technologies.

Co-development can take the form of collaborations, knowledge sharing and exchange of services. These partnerships have broad applications within industries including defense, energy, medical, advanced manufacturing, oil and gas, robotics, sub-sea exploration/production, first responders, aerospace and others.

These partnerships benefit not only NASA, but provide collaborators with access to JSC's facilities and expertise and the opportunity to grow or sustain their activities through technology development. A link to the 26 individual technology co-development opportunities is here:

<http://www.nasa.gov/centers/johnson/partnerships/codevelopment.html#UrHFGb>

Read more here: <http://guidrynews.com/story.aspx?id=1000057367#sthash.szZduAlQ.dpuf>

Bay Area Houston's healthcare industry continues to grow: 2013 highlights ...

- UTMB's \$82 million expansion at its Specialty Care Center at Victory Lakes is well underway between the **League City** Parkway and FM 646. The 142,000 SF expansion is expected to create between 175 and 210 new fulltime jobs. About half of the jobs will be in nursing and the rest in roles such as radiology, physical therapy, surgery, admitting, billing and lab support.
- Medistar purchased three properties in **Houston** totaling nearly 130,000 SF at the corner of Gemini Street and Buccaneer Lane to redevelop as a new medical project -- a skilled nursing unit, a long-term acute care center and a medical office building.
- Kelsey-Seybold Clinic started construction on a new three-story medical office building, 55,000 SF, at **Baybrook** Passage.
- Nearly 10 acres on the southeast corner of SH 3 and Medical Center Blvd. in **Webster** were purchased for a 45-bed rehabilitation hospital and medical office building. Medistar and Dallas-based Cobalt are partnering on this project. More than 250 jobs are expected.
- Medistar and Surgical Development Partners have a new hospital underway in **Webster** – 373,000 SF Bay Area Regional Medical Center - a \$160 million facility that is expected to open next March.

The nine-story hospital will have 104 beds with room to grow to 176.

- Kelsey-Seybold Clinic opened its new 36,400 SF medical facility at 5001 E. Sam Houston Parkway in **Pasadena**.
- Clear Lake Regional Medical Center recently completed its \$92 million expansion in **Webster**. This project included a newly constructed 155,000 SF three-story tower and 90,000 SF of renovations.
- Abbott Laboratories will purchase IDEV Technologies Inc., a medical device company headquartered in **Webster**, for \$310 million.
- Houston Methodist will acquire a majority stake in **Nassau Bay's** CHRISTUS St. John Hospital. The 178-bed facility could eventually expand by 50 percent, according to one report.
- Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital in southeast **Houston** unveiled its new 14,500 SF 'state-of-the-art' center which includes a *da Vinci Si Surgical System* for robotic-assisted, minimally invasive surgery.
- UTMB expects completion of its \$438 million Jennie Sealy Hospital in Galveston in 2015 and operational in 2016. This facility will feature 310 patient rooms.
- UTMB will build a \$42 million expansion of its existing research facilities at 11th and Strand in Galveston. The new six-story 93,000 SF facility will include two floors of research support facilities, one floor of mechanical space and two floors of space for future laboratory expansions. The school expects construction to begin by March 2015 and take two years to build. Read more: [Galveston County Daily News](#) and the [Bay Area Citizen](#).

Recent lease transactions

- 175,000 SF – An undisclosed tenant has leased at **Pasadena's** Bay Area Business Park.
- 5,350 SF – Paragon ER **Webster** leased at Bay Area Square on West Bay Area Blvd.
- 4,902 SF – Jo Tankers leased at 455 E. Medical Center Blvd. in **Webster**.
- 3,400 SF – Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Anderson Properties leased at 457 Bay Area Blvd.
- 3,341 SF – Kuraray America Inc. leased additional space at 2625 Bay Area Blvd. -- Two Corporate Plaza, for a total of 21,788 SF. *BAHEP member Studley – Derrell Curry represented the tenant.*
- 2,572 SF – Webster MDT Financial Advisors leased at 455 E. Medical Center Blvd. in **Webster**.
- 2,519 SF – Nations Reliable Lending LLC leased at 1560 W. Bay Area Blvd.
- 1,100 SF - Nexus Med, Inc. has leased in the Hughes Court Professional Building, 3828 Hughes Court, in **Dickinson**.

Recent sale transactions ...

- Park Underwood LLC purchased 90 acres from Duke Realty LP in **Bayport North** Industrial Park II. It will develop the tracts into finished lots for sale or build-to-suit.
- Medistar closed on three properties: 1045 Gemini, 16840 and 16850 Buccaneer. Two are 40,000 SF office buildings and the other is a 49,000 SF laboratory. *BAHEP member Studley – Derrell Curry handled the transaction.*
- Ricksue Investments purchased a 10,000 SF facility on 1.5 acres on SH 146 in **La Porte**. The property will be used as a showroom/warehouse for Hammelmann Corporation which provides pumps for the oil industry.
- The Preston Group, a process and loan review consulting firm that works with financial institutions and certified developers, has purchased a 5,000 SF building on FM 517 to relocate to **Dickinson**.

Now Open

Arkitektura has opened its construction company office and warehouse at 3815 Venze Street in **Dickinson**.

Retail / Hospitality Development

2013's retail highlights ...

- Nordstrom Rack is coming to **Webster** in the spring of 2015; a 31,000 SF store will open in Baybrook Square.
- H-E-B plans a 98,000 SF store on the southeast corner of **League City** Parkway and South Shore Boulevard.
- Sears Outlet opened a 33,494 SF store at the Clear Lake Center in **Webster**, southwest corner of NASA Parkway and the Gulf Freeway.
- Bombshells (restaurant) will open in **Webster** at 803 E. NASA Parkway near the corner of El Camino Real. This will be the second Texas restaurant; the other is in Dallas.

- The Fresh Market is coming to **Baybrook Village**. The 24,000 SF grocery store will open next year at 1507 W. Bay Area Blvd.
- Masa Sushi Japanese Fusion restaurant will build a new restaurant at the corner of FM 518 at Hunters Lane in **Friendswood**.
- Quaker Steak & Lube, specializing in chicken wings, and Galveston-based Olympia Grill specializing in Greek cuisine and seafood will open in **League City** near Victory Lakes Drive in the City's entertainment district.
- El Tiempo Cantina will open a 10,776 SF restaurant at 20235 I-45 in **Webster**
- Salata, known as the next generation salad bar, is coming to **Nassau Bay Town Square**.
- Bubba Gump Shrimp Co. opened at the **Kemah** Boardwalk. The 39-restaurant chain is known for its iconic locations in major cities across the globe.

What retail stores and restaurants would you like to see in Bay Area Houston? Let us know!

Recent real estate deals –

- 15,000 SF – Harbor Freight Tools leased at Point NASA Shopping Center, NASA Parkway and I-45 in **Webster**.
- 12,500 SF – Value Home Furnishings leased at the Village Real Shopping Center at NASA Parkway and El Camino Real in **Webster**.
- 8,400 SF – West Star Asian Buffet leased at 16602 El Camino Real.
- 8,300 SF – Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Gary Greene leased space at **Nassau Bay Town Square**.
- 5,900 SF - Allegiance Bank leased at 2200 NASA Parkway in **Nassau Bay**. Approximately 9,000 SF remains available.
- 1,500 SF – European Wax Center leased at FM 2094 and Hwy 146 in **Clear Lake Shores**.

Calling all history buffs! Have you seen the new website for the San Jacinto Museum of History? www.sanjacinto-museum.org Pretty cool ... check it out!

Princess Cruises' new service began in November at the Port of Houston Authority's Bayport Cruise Terminal in **Pasadena**. Planned are 27 departures for the season. The cruise line will offer two additional seasons (50 sailings) through 2016. Norwegian Cruise Line is also set to sail from the cruise terminal beginning in 2014, with a total of 75 calls over three cruise seasons.

Coming Soon

Dickinson – Genesis Salon and Boutique at Dickinson Crossing Shopping Center on FM 517 near FM 646; Little Caesar's at FM 646 and FM 517

If you "LIKE" us on Facebook, you'll get updates and the latest news about restaurants and retail openings in the area. Just a suggestion! 😊

Now Open

Dickinson – Buddy's Gun Works, a fire arms sales and gunsmith shop, has opened at 2512 Termini Street
Houston – AMOCO Federal Credit Union's Clear Lake branch at 2585 Bay Area Blvd. next to Tommy's Restaurant Oyster Bar

Aldi opened at 3100 FM 528 (NASA Parkway).

NOTE: Please feel free to pass this e-newsletter along to others who would enjoy it, and remember to credit Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership for this information.

Residential Development

2013's residential highlights

---The Reserve at Clear Lake City – Trendmaker Homes revealed plans for the new 372-acre community in **Houston** off Clear Lake City Boulevard at El Dorado Boulevard. The first phase, 165 lots, will be delivered fall

2014.

---A new subdivision is in the works for **Friendswood**. Proposed by DR Horton is 'Georgetown', a 380 acre site on FM 528 close to Mandale Road.

---The Commons at Seabrook, a 416-unit luxury multi-family project will be built on SH 146 north of Seabrook Circle.

Residential news from City of **Dickinson** –

- The City is currently working with a developer and the owner of Pine Forest Apartment complex on the east side of I-45 off FM 517 to demolish and reconstruct the entire complex at a value of \$20-22 million.
- On the west side of I-45 along FM 517 Section 2 of Bayou Lakes near Cemetery Road – 58 lots - Brighton Homes has built on 16 lots in the last 9 months - \$180's - \$260's ... Section 3 of Bayou Lakes, 80 to 120 lots, is under preliminary design ... Section 3 of Bentwood at Bay Colony near FM 646 - 68 lots - GreenEco has built on 64 lots in the last 18 months - \$180's to \$210's.
- Section 3 of Bayou Park - 49 lots - Brighton Homes is currently building on 8 lots - \$290's - \$500's.
- Section 2 of Forest Cove Subdivision, a 52-lot custom home development that has 38 lots available. 8 new construction permits in the last six months for this subdivision - \$325's - \$450's.

Infrastructure News and Everything Else!

Beginning April 24th, United Airlines will start a new daily nonstop flight between Houston and Munich from Bush Intercontinental Airport. Starting March 30, it will start its second nonstop flight to Tokyo from Bush. United also launched a new domestic flight from Houston to Atlantic City.

Construction started on Southwest Airlines' new \$156 million terminal at **Hobby Airport**, a 280,000 SF facility for international flights to Mexico, the Caribbean and some Central and South American cities. Completion is expected late 2015. Read more here: <http://www.houstonchronicle.com/business/article/Southwest-to-break-ground-for-international-4854968.php#/0>

Ellington Airport update:

- Completion is expected soon for the \$50+ million Coast Guard headquarters building at Ellington Airport. The 117,000 SF facility will house more than 300 Coast Guard personnel.
- The Lone Star Flight Museum is scheduled to open in 2015. The museum is relocating from Galveston.
- Southwest Airport Services broke ground on their seventh hangar at Ellington. The \$2.5 million, 40,000 SF building will have room for eight or nine corporate jets, plus offices. The facility should be ready for planes in the new hangar by the end of the summer and the building's offices completed by year-end.
- More than 600 acres are ready for development at Ellington Airport.

City news and city opportunities ...

Friendswood - target markets include retail, health care, general commercial, office, and light industrial uses

Economic development contact: Karen Capps, Economic Development Director. 281.996.3250

- West Ranch, SWC of FM 518 and West Blvd. 14+ acres at the entrance to the 766-acre master planned community. More than 1,300 homes are planned.
- FM 518 downtown development/redevelopment opportunities – includes already approved special downtown mixed-use zoning. Special incentives include all city-related development fees are waived for downtown, zero lot lines, 70 foot building heights, residential allowed on upper floors.
- FM 528 at Blackhawk Blvd. 134 acres. Bank-owned property for sale—zoned for mixed-use development.
- FM 2351, just one mile west of I-45:
 - Clearwood Business Park – Office/warehouse build-to-suit +/- 1.85 acre site, freestanding

- buildings – 5,000-8,000 SF, stone facades, 16-20' clear height, retail pad site also available.
- 300 acres of undeveloped commercial and industrial zoned land available along the NW side of FM 2351 at Beamer Rd served by a new 12-inch waterline, 8-inch sanitary sewer gravity line, a lift station, and corresponding 8-inch sanitary force main.

Kemah – target markets include retail, tourism-related, general commercial, office park

Economic development contact: Rick Beverlin, City Administrator. 281.334.1611

- Retail and restaurant opportunities along FM 518 and SH 96 /League City Parkway in Kemah - ranging from build-to-suit to pad sites.
- Kemah's commercial tax base continues to grow alongside major anchors such as The Kemah Boardwalk and Super Walmart.
- Planned infrastructure improvements including an expanded/grade separated SH 146, and a transportation center/park & ride (both funded) and associated pedestrian/bicycle infrastructure will enhance mobility and access to this regional destination.

Webster – target markets include retail, medical, new-tech, aerospace, entertainment, hospitality/tourism, and professional office

Economic development contacts: Betsy Giusto, Director of Economic Development, or Karen Coglianese, Economic Development Specialist. 281.332.1826

- Baybrook Gateway, SEC of Bay Area Boulevard and I-45 - 1,549 SF to 28,278 SF.
- Point NASA Shopping Center, 1020 West NASA Parkway, NEC of I-45 and NASA Parkway - 11,000 SF.
- Village Real Shopping Center, 961 NASA Parkway, NWC of NASA Parkway and El Camino Real - 1,000 SF to 3,200 SF.
- Clear Lake Center, SWC of I-45 and NASA Parkway, has two restaurant spaces available: 4,000 SF and 5,500 SF.
- Bayway Village II, 20801 Gulf Freeway - 1,500 SF to 17,895 SF.
- Bay Area Square, 100-160 West Bay Area Boulevard - 1,485 SF to 4,500 SF.

Nassau Bay - Target Markets include Retail and General Commercial

Economic development contacts: Chris Reed, City Manager, or Mary Chambers, Community Development Director. 281.333.4211

- Nassau Bay Town Square, a 31-acre mixed-use development. Already complete is a 125-room Marriott Courtyard, 73,000 SF of retail, 102,000 SF Class A office building, and 313-unit multi-family complex. Under construction is 20,000 SF City Hall/Conference Center.
- Several pad sites available along NASA Parkway across from Johnson Space Center
- City is positioned for redevelopment opportunities.

Pasadena – target markets include manufacturing, hospitality and tourism, restaurants, medical, general commercial

Economic development contacts: Paul Davis or Lou Ann Nolan. 281.477.1511

- 99 acres next to city convention center on Fairmont Parkway. City would like to see a hotel (200+ rooms), conference center and entertainment venue on that site.
- 52,000 SF space at a former Academy store, corner of Beltway 8 and Spencer Highway. High traffic count and visibility.
- For office, distribution and manufacturing, there is up to 180,000 SF available at Bay Area Business Park (bldg.2) in the industrial district, 353,500 SF at Carson Commerce Center on SH 225 and build-to-suit land at Park 225, SEC of SH 225 and Beltway 8.
- Remaining available land in the industrial district: 3,400 acres.

La Porte – target markets include retail, restaurants, mixed use, suburban office, residential, and industrial

Economic development contact: Scott Livingston, Economic Development Coordinator. 281.470.5016

- 8.5 acres city-owned bay front property adjacent to Sylvan Beach. Perfect for a waterfront restaurant row!
- 300 acres city-owned municipal airport may be razed and developed for new mixed-use development including retail, restaurants, single family residential, and some office.

- 234 acres on Bay Area Blvd. for commercial (retail / mixed-use) development including restaurants and back office.
- 94 acres on the NEC of SH 146 and Wharton Weems for mixed use or a mix of retail and single family residential, restaurants and back office development. Fronts both SH 146 and the Bay Forest Golf Course.
- 41 acres on the NWC of SH 146 and Wharton Weems with long frontage on SH 146. Best uses are retail, restaurants and/or back office development.
- 7 acres on SH 146 (former car dealership) on east side of SH 146 north of Main St. for restaurant row development.
- 30 acres on the SWC of SH 146 and Fairmont Parkway for retail, restaurant, and back office and/or mixed use development.
- 5 acres on the SEQ of SH 146 and Fairmont Parkway for restaurant and/or retail development.
- The City has attracted billions of dollars of new investment as a result of fracking and natural gas extraction, anticipated expansion of the Panama Canal, expansion of the Port of Houston's two terminals, and the opening of the Bayport Cruise Terminal. Dozens of sites ranging in size from fewer than 5 acres to 300 acres are available, and the community is prepared to offer incentives to enterprising retailers, restaurants, and/or developers.

Dickinson - target markets include retail, hospitality, health care, general commercial, office

Economic development contact: Julie Johnston, City Administrator or Angela Forbes 281.337.2489

- Dickinson Economic Development Corporation owns approximately 45 acres on Hughes Road just east of I-45. And, the City of Dickinson owns approximately 3.5 acres of property on SH 3 just south of FM 517 –formerly the DISD administration building.
- More development opportunities:
 - 65 acres of land on south side of FM 517, just west of Country Club Drive, formerly a country club with approximately 1,660' of frontage on Dickinson Bayou.
 - 5304 FM 517 East, 34 acres of land on south side of FM 517 with frontage on Dickinson Bayou.
 - 1555 FM 517 West, approximately 40 acres of land on south side of FM 517 with approximately 680' of frontage on Dickinson Bayou.
- A 2,100 SF professional office building near FM 646 and FM 517 is currently in design.
- Highway 3 Corridor development/redevelopment opportunities – includes already approved special mixed-use zoning. Special incentives include Façade Improvement Program through Dickinson Economic Development Corporation for renovations to existing commercial structures that meet the program requirements, residential allowed on upper floors, 4 floors or a maximum of 60 foot building heights.
- The City of Dickinson has revised its Economic Development Program to incorporate additional flexibility in developing incentive packages on a per-project basis.
- The City of Dickinson has issued an RFP to redesign the City's website, so be looking for a fresh look with lots of information available at the click of a button!
- Watch for the announcement in January of the headliner for the 2014 Red, White & Bayou Crawfish and Texas Music Festival. Date is Saturday, May 17, 2014!

League City - target markets include retail, office, corporate office or back office for aerospace and energy, tourism, agribusiness, recreation, medical and medical-related

Economic development contact: Owen Rock, Economic Development Manager. 281.554.1000

- The economic development department is actively recruiting unique restaurants and entertainment venues for the city's entertainment district.
- Also recruiting medical and high tech companies to the City.
- Working with the developers of Pinnacle Park to attract new business to the 100+ acre tract between SH 96 and FM 646 along the Gulf Freeway.
- City has given a green light for a \$2.76 million swimming pool to be built at Hometown Heroes Park. It will be Z-shaped with two 25-meter long sections and a 50-meter section with eight lanes each.

Clear Lake Shores – target markets include restaurants, retail, office, recreation

Economic development contact: George Jones, City Administrator. 281.334.2799

The city's Town Center along FM 2094 / Marina Bay Drive near SH 146 recently broke ground. The master plan encompasses a nine-acre area with all new roads and shared city-provided public parking. Zoned for

mixed use, this area is pedestrian friendly and ready for development. Waterfront sites and vacant or under-utilized buildings are available that provide excellent settings for restaurants and small retail among already thriving dining establishments.

Seabrook – target markets include office, restaurants, retail, medical, tourism/hospitality

Economic development contact: Paul Chavez, Economic Development Director. 281.291.5600

- The Waterfront District, also known as The Point, is currently undergoing major improvements to the infrastructure and roadways to accommodate brand new redevelopment. Several parcels will open up for development once construction of the improved roadway and utilities area are completed in mid-2014.
- Sites along NASA Parkway and northern section of SH 146 are available for lease or sale to developers who are seeking to tap into Seabrook's tourism market.

Taylor Lake Village – target markets include restaurants, retail, office, hospitality/tourism

A tract of land on the NEC of NASA Parkway and Kirby is available for redevelopment. The building that was on the site has been demolished. The city would welcome a mixed-use project!

EI Lago – target markets include restaurants, retail, office, hospitality/tourism

A 6.7-acre waterfront site on Clear Lake is available for development. A mixed-use project would be ideal!

Education news

- University of Houston-Clear Lake, in collaboration with San Jacinto College, received a \$1.1 million grant from the National Science Foundation to establish the "Collaborative STEP: Bridges to STEM Careers Program. The goal of the five-year technology alliance is to increase the number of students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields. Student participants will design and develop a Cyber Center website and learn about emerging technologies such as robotics, mobile apps, computer forensics, cyber security and cloud computing. To learn more, call 281.283.3865.
- ITT Technical Institute **Webster** Campus now offers Associate and Bachelor degrees in Industrial Engineering Technology and Software Development.
- University of Houston-Clear Lake now offers a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree beginning in the fall of 2014. The program will allow RNs to sharpen their managerial and leadership skills and to advance as nurse managers in healthcare organizations. Read more here: <http://www.guidrynews.com/story.aspx?id=1000056825>
- San Jacinto College unveiled its state-of-the-art science and allied health training facility at the South Campus location on Beamer Road. Eight science and allied health programs are housed in the 155,000 SF building. Science programs are biology, chemistry, physics and geology. Allied health programs include vocational nursing, associate degree nursing mobility, pharmacy technology and the physical therapy assistant program.

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