

EVENTS

THURSDAY 3

'Cruising for a Cause': Marine-based nonprofits based in the Bay Area of Greater Houston are invited to participate at West Marine's charity celebration as part of the store's grand opening festivities from 6-9 p.m. at West Marine Kemah, 1401 Marina Bay Drive, Kemah. Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit local charities. 713-838-8400.

Great Chefs of the Bay Area: Experience a symphony of flavors from around the world from some of the best chefs in the Bay Area from 7-10 p.m. at Hilton Houston NASA Clear Lake, 3000 NASA Road 1, Houston. Renowned chocolatier and owner of Chocolat d'Arte, Nancy Burke, will also be part of this annual event. Cost is \$60 per person or \$450 for table of eight. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Clear Lake Symphony Scholarship Fund. www.clearlakesymphony.org.

SATURDAY 5

Mariachi Sol de Mexico de Jose Hernandez: Singer extraordinaire Vikki Carr will celebrate her 50th anniversary in show business as the special guest of Mariachi

education programs and habitat preservation. Tickets start at \$125, tables from \$1,500. 281-474-2551 or www.abnc.org.

MONDAY 7

Israeli Folk Dancing: The whole community is invited to come and have a perfect way of staying fit while having fun from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Congregation Shaar Hashalom, 16020 El Camino Real, Houston. Cost is \$4 per session for CSH members and \$5 per session for nonmembers. Call 281-488-5861 or email csh@shaarhashalom.org.

Dock Concert Series: Enjoy live music on the plaza from 6:30-10:15 p.m. at Kemah Boardwalk, 215 Kipp Ave., Kemah. The concert series will kick off with Vertigo, a band that plays '80s rock music, and will run through Aug. 27. Free. 877-285-3624.

WEDNESDAY 9

Afternoon Craft: Learn how to make a handprint flower and surprise mom on Mother's Day at 4:30 p.m. at Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane, Houston. 281-488-1906 or email jcundiff@hcpl.net.



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TUESDAY 8

SAN JAC PREVIEW OPEN HOUSE 2012

Incoming college and graduate students and returnees are invited to attend to an open house that will feature information from a number of programs offered at San Jacinto College from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center of San Jacinto College North Campus, 5800 Uvalde Road, Houston. 281-998-6150 or www.sanjac.edu.

THURSDAY 10

AMERICAN BEAUTIES

The San Jacinto Corvette Club and Kemah Boardwalk present the eighth annual Corvette Show from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kemah Boardwalk, 215 Kipp Ave., Kemah. Activities start with the registration and will culminate with the awarding/silent auction and raffle at 4 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Kidz Harbor. Cost is \$50 for drag events, \$35 per event. 281-574-2432.

