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COUNTY APPRAISALS
PROPERTY VALUES

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Post-Harvey
property
reappraisals
underway

By **MARISSA BARNETT**
The Daily News

» **GALVESTON**

The county's appraisal district is reassessing homes and businesses damaged during Hurricane Harvey before sending out April notices of property valuations, officials said.

Appraisers for the Galveston Central Appraisal District have so far visited about 4,500 homes damaged by Hurricane Harvey, Chief Appraiser Tommy Watson said. The district also been using mapping and data provided by cities to predict how much damage a property might have from the storm to adjust its appraisal, he said.

Hurricane Harvey made landfall on the Texas Coast on Aug. 25, causing days of heavy rain

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EDUCATION | SCHOOL SAFETY

Local educators: Arming teachers isn't good idea

By **MATT DEGROOD**
The Daily News

A national debate rages in the aftermath of a school shooting in Parkland, Fla., about how to improve school safety, but several Galveston County educators say the answer doesn't lie in arming teachers.

"At this time, the administration and

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board are not closing the door to any possible safety measure if it is in the

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JENNIFER REYNOLDS/The Daily News
Galveston County Sheriff's Office deputy Jolynn Garza and Heights Elementary School Principal Erica Allen watch students change class Friday.

HOUSING | AFFORDABILITY

Price Pressure



JENNIFER REYNOLDS/The Daily News
Holly Badman, a 10th-grade English teacher at Ball High School, and her dog, Nike, relax in the recreational vehicle they call home at an RV park on the West End of Galveston on Feb. 24.

Some isle workers
fret about rising
housing costs

By **MARISSA BARNETT**
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Holly Badman moved to Galveston from The Woodlands three years ago to be closer to the water and spend less time sitting in traffic.

After renting for two years, the 10th-grade English teacher at Ball High School started looking at houses to buy. But on her salary, and with student loans to pay off, the options were very limited, she said.

She faced a dilemma: keep "throwing away money on rent," move to the mainland and increase her commute, or get

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MEDICINE | FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

UTMB plans another round of League City expansions

By **VALERIE WELLS**
The Daily News

» **LEAGUE CITY**

The University of Texas Medical Branch, seeking to add more hospital beds in League City, is planning a \$148 million expansion of its hospital just as the

MD Anderson center clinic and

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a parking structure near completion.

Construction of a planned five-story hospital expansion can begin now that the university's board of regents on Tuesday

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KELSEY WALLING/
The Daily News

Construction on a walkway that will connect a parking garage with the University of Texas Medical Branch facility in League City continues Wednesday.

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