

MEDIA ADVISORY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

REMINDER: 2015 Operation Lone Star VIP Day Luncheon Thursday

MISSION – Hidalgo County, Texas Department of State Health Services and La Joya ISD will host the Operation Lone Star VIP Day Luncheon at the Palmview High School Campus in Mission. The luncheon will be held at **12 p.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at the Palmview High School Cafetorium.**

Operation Lone Star is a public health emergency preparedness exercise, held annually during the last week of July. This year marks OLS' 17th year providing free medical services to South Texas residents, including health screenings and treatments, immunizations, student physicals, hearing and vision exams, behavioral health evaluation, and for the first time, dental health exams will be offered at PSJA High School.

This luncheon is an opportunity for city, county, school board, state and other officials to get first-hand information on the positive impact Operation Lone Star has on the citizens of the Rio Grande Valley.

Some of those attending include: Texas State Senators Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa; State Rep. Bobby Guerra; Hidalgo County Judge Ramon Garcia; Chief Administrative Officer of the Hidalgo County Health and Human Services Eddie Olivarez; La Joya ISD Superintendent Dr. Alda T. Benavides; Commander, Texas Military Forces, Maj. Gen. Gerald "Jake" Betty; Deputy Commissioner, Department of State Health Services Mike Maples; Texas Department of Public Safety, Disaster District Chair, Capt. Arturo De La Garza; and Remote Area Medical Volunteer Corps President & Founder Stan Brock.

DETAILS

WHAT: 2015 Operation Lone Star Day VIP Luncheon

WHEN: Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 12 p.m.

WHERE: Palmview High School Cafetorium
3901 La Homa Rd.
Palmview, Texas 78574

Interviews and site tours will be available for members of the news media following the luncheon.

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