

## Ken King Announces Re-election Bid

Representative Ken King announces he is seeking re-election to serve the constituents of House District 88. Representative King was elected in 2012 and currently is in his second term of office.

Speaker Joe Straus assigned King to the following committees: House Public Education, Environmental Regulation, House Administration, and the powerful Calendars Committee. Straus also appointed King to the House Research Organization Board.

King, who says he is a proponent of public education, is a former school board member of Canadian ISD. "You sent me to Austin to fight for District 88. One of the most important things we work on is education. Our very existence depends on a first-class school system. Rural Texas deserves as much focus when it comes to schools as their urban counterparts."

King says he only carries legislation important to District 88. "I am more concerned with quality than quantity." He says he doesn't believe that filing and passing a lot of bills makes you a good legislator.

"I will continue to focus on education, water and transportation to make sure Texas remains the best place in the nation to live and do business in."

King is vice-president of King Well Service in Canadian. He and his wife Robin have two children, who attend public schools in Canadian.

## Pep Church To Host Thanksgiving Festival

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church in Pep will host its 70th annual Thanksgiving Festival on Nov. 26 at the Church Hall. The self-serve dinner will be available from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under age six. Take-out plates are also available.

A Country Store and raffle drawings will be included in the festivities.

Pep is located in northwestern Hockley County on Highway 303; coming from Highway 54, turn south onto 303; from Highway 114, turn north on 303.

For more information, call the Parish Hall at 933-4355.

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## Weather

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	Hi	Lo	Pr
Wednesday	74	53	0.62
Thursday	65	52	2.35
Friday	65	50	
Saturday	74	56	
Sunday	62	34	
Monday	66	34	
Tuesday	67	35	

Oct. moisture.....5.86  
2015 to date .....27.27

## Who Sad It, Reagan Or Kennedy?

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1. "We establish no religion in this country, we command no worship, we mandate no belief, nor will we ever. Church and state are, and must remain, separate."

2. "We have consistently supported a legalization program which is both generous to the alien and fair to the countless thousands of people throughout the world who seek legally to come to America. The legalization provisions in this act will go far to improve the lives of a class of individuals who now must hide in the shadows, without access to many of the benefits of a free and open society. Very soon, many of these men and women will be able to step into the sunlight and, ultimately, if they choose, they may become Americans."

3. "Preservation of our environment is not a liberal or conservative challenge; it's common sense."

4. "I do not believe in taking away the right of the citizens for sporting, for hunting and so forth, or for home defense. But I do believe that an AK-47, a machine gun, is not a sporting weapon or needed for defense of the home."

5. "It has been said that politics is the second oldest profession. I have learned that it bears a striking resemblance to the first."

6. "I favor the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and it must be enforced at gunpoint if necessary."

7. "A few months ago, I told the American people I did not trade arms for hostages. My heart and my best intentions still tell me that's true, but the facts and the evidence tell me it is not."

8. "Peace is not absence of conflict; it is the ability to handle conflict by peaceful means."

9. "It's true hard work never killed anybody; but I figure, why take the chance?"

10. "No matter what time it is, wake me, even if it's in the

## Early Voting For Amendments Underway

Seven proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution are before Texas voters this year, with early balloting underway for Castro County residents at the clerk's office in the courthouse in Dimmitt. Early voting ends October 30.

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 3. For registered Hart voters, the election will be in the Hart Golden Group from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Karen Barnes serves as Election Judge. Voters are required to present a photo ID when voting in person.

Any citizen without an approved ID can apply for a free Election Identification Certificate at any DPS driver's license office; to do this, you will need a birth certificate, which you can receive free of charge from the state.

A brief synopsis of the proposed amendments follows:

**Amendment No. 1:** Increases the residential homestead exemption on *ad valorem* taxation middle of a Cabinet meeting."

11. It's difficult to believe that people are still starving in this country because food isn't available."

12. "History teaches that war begins when governments believe the price of aggression is cheap."

13. "How can a president not be an actor?"

14. "If by a 'Liberal,' they mean someone who looks ahead and not behind, someone who welcomes new ideas without rigid reactions, someone who cares about the welfare of the people—their health, their housing, their schools, their jobs, their civil rights and their civil liberties—someone who believes we can break through the stalemate and suspicions that grip us in policies abroad. If that is what they mean by a Liberal, then I'm proud to say I'm a 'Liberal.'"

(ANSWERS: 1-13 - Reagan; 14 - Kennedy)

for public school purposes from the current \$15,000 to \$25,000.

**Amendment No. 2:** Extends the current residential homestead exemption from *ad valorem* taxation for the non-remarried surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran to the surviving spouses of veterans who died before 2011. (The original amendment was approved in 2011, but was not retroactive.)

**Amendment No. 3:** Repeals the requirement for the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Commissioner of the General Land Office the Attorney General, and any other officers re-elected statewide to reside in Austin, the state capital. (The amendment would not apply to the residence requirement for the Governor.)

**Amendment No. 4:** Would allow a professional sports team charitable foundation to conduct charitable raffles under the terms and conditions imposed by general law.

**Amendment No. 5:** Increases from 5,000 to 7,500 the maximum total population threshold of a county that is allowed to construct and maintain private roads, as long as the county imposes a reasonable charge for the work. (Castro County Judge Carroll Gerber told *The Pulse* on Monday that as far as he knows, the County does not perform private work.)

**Amendment No. 6:** Adds the right to hunt, fish and harvest wildlife, including by use of traditional methods, to the Bill of Rights of the Texas Constitution.

**Amendment No 7:** Dedicates a portion of state sales tax, auto sales taxes and sales taxes on rental cars to the State Highway Fund to be used only to construct, maintain or acquire rights-of-way for public roadways other than toll roads, or to repay transportation-related debt.