



Press Release

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On behalf of our Best Southwest Partnership Chairwoman **Maranda Auzenne** with Hillside Village, you are invited and encouraged to attend the upcoming **BSW 2017 TGIF Legislative Breakfast Series** held annually on each Friday in August at **Methodist Charlton Medical Center**. MCMC President **Fran Laukaitis** hosts the breakfast which begins at **7:15 a.m.** in the Outpatient Building, 1st Floor Auditorium. Both breakfast and parking are free, but reservations should be made to director@bestsouthwest.org.

Kenneth Govan, with ONCOR, is BSW's Legislative Liaison, and is chairing this year's TGIF Breakfast Series, including:

- **August 4th TGIF** features **Sen. Royce West**, (D-23) with a Senate report of the 85th Legislative Session(s), pluses and minuses, and will be facilitated by **Hon. Michael Williams**, Distinguished Leader in Residence at UNT Dallas.
- **August 11th TGIF** will include reports from **Rep. Helen Giddings**, (D-109), and **Rep. Toni Rose**, (D-110), on the successes and failures from the House perspective of the recent 85th Texas Legislature Session(s), facilitated by **Hon. Marcus Knight**, Mayor, City of Lancaster.
- **August 18th TGIF** features a special presentation by **Holly Reed**, Texas Central Partners, on "**High Speed Rail**", facilitated by **Hon. Carl Sherman**, City Manager of Hutchins.
- **August 25th TGIF** hosts Dallas County Judge **Clay Jenkins**, bringing a "State of the County" report, facilitated by **Hon. Curtistene McCowan**, Mayor of the City of DeSoto.

The 2017 TGIF Series Sponsors confirmed (*) as of July 12th are: City of Cedar Hill*, Access Self Storage*, and Jim McDonald's State Farm Insurance. Daily Sponsors include Hillside Village*, PlainsCapital Bank, Cedar Valley College, Bank of DeSoto*, UNT Dallas, Town Square Realty, and City of Balch Springs.

You are invited to attend one or all of these **2017 TGIF Legislative Breakfast Series** at Methodist Charlton Medical Center on each Friday in August, 2017.

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