

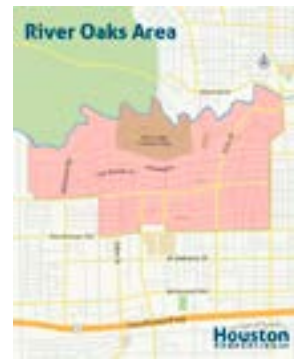


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## Uzbek man planned deadly New York truck attack for weeks



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An Uzbek immigrant suspected of killing eight people in New York City followed plans laid out by the militant Islamic State group and planned the attack weeks in advance, U.S. investigators said on Wednesday.  
Police said they had interviewed Sayfullo Saipov, 29, who was shot and arrested by police moments after the rampage in lower Manhattan on Tuesday, in which a rental truck was driven down a riverfront bike path.  
"It appears that Mr. Saipov had been planning this for a number of

weeks," New York Deputy Police Commissioner John Miller told a news conference.  
"He did this in the name of ISIS (Islamic State) and along with other items recovered at the scene were some notes that indicate that," said Miller. "He appears to have followed almost exactly the instructions that ISIS has put out on its social media channels to its followers."  
The attack was the deadliest on New York City since Sept. 11, 2001, when suicide hijackers crashed two jetliners into the World Trade Center, killing more than 2,600 people. A further 12 people were injured, some critically, in Tuesday's attack.  
Similar assaults using vehicles as weapons took place in Spain in

August and in France and Germany last year.  
The suspect allegedly swerved the pickup onto a path filled with pedestrians and bicyclists on a sunny

autumn afternoon, mowing down people in his path before slamming into the side of a school bus.  
He then exited the vehicle brandishing what turned out to be a paint-ball gun and a pellet gun before a police officer shot him in the abdomen. The suspect underwent surgery for gunshot wounds at Bellevue Hospital, where he has been interviewed by police, Miller said.

Saipov reportedly lived in Paterson, New Jersey, a one-time industrial hub about 25 miles (40 km) north west of lower Manhattan.

People gather at what according to local media is the apartment of Sayfullo Saipov, the suspect in the New York City truck attack in Paterson, New Jersey

He had rented the pickup from a Home Depot Inc hardware store south of Paterson. U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham urged authorities to treat Saipov as an enemy combatant, a move that would allow investigators to question the man without him having a lawyer present.  
New York Governor Andrew Cuomo said that Saipov had been radicalized while living in the United States.

"He is a depraved coward, is what he is, and he was associated with ISIS, and he was radicalized domestically," Cuomo said in an interview with CNN.  
The majority of the 18 Islamic State-inspired attacks carried out in the United States since September 2014 were the work of attackers who developed radical views while living in the United States, said Alexander Meleagrou-Hitchens, research director at George Washington University's Program on Extremism.

### Local News

#### Trump nominates Houston lawyer Ryan Patrick as top federal prosecutor



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President Donald Trump Wednesday announced the nomination of former state District Judge Ryan Patrick to be the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Texas.  
If confirmed by the Senate, Patrick, the son of Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, will be the top federal prosecutor in the district that includes 8.3 million people in Houston, Galveston and Corpus Christi and the Rio Grande Valley.  
"I'm honored to be nominated by President Trump with the support of Sens. Cornyn and Cruz," Patrick said Wednesday. "I look forward to being confirmed by the Senate."  
U.S. Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz, Texas Republicans who nominated Patrick and Grayson County District Attorney Joseph D. Brown to the federal bench, issued statements Wednesday after the White House announcement.  
"Both Joe Brown and Ryan Patrick have demonstrated clear reverence and respect for the law throughout their careers as public servants," Cornyn said. "I look forward to moving their nominations forward and getting them confirmed as soon as possible."  
Cruz applauded the president's decision.

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Parents pick up their children from P.S./I.S.-89 school after a shooting incident in New York City



FBI agents and NYPD investigate a pickup truck used in an attack on the West Side Highway in lower Manhattan in New York



A trader works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange shortly after the opening bell in New York



Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA) asks questions, as executives appear before the House Intelligence Committee to answer questions related to Russian use of social media to influence U.S. elections, on Capitol Hill in Washington



People in costume await the subway on Halloween in the Manhattan borough of New York



Olympian figure skater Ashley Wagner speaks during an event in Times Square to celebrate 100 days from the start of the PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Games in South Korea, in New York



Examples of Facebook pages are seen, as executives appear before the House Intelligence Committee to answer questions related to Russian use of social media to influence U.S. elections, on Capitol Hill in Washington



U.S. Army Sergeant Bowe Bergdahl is escorted out of the courthouse after the sixth day of sentencing proceedings in his court martial at Fort Bragg, North Carolina



An aerialist demonstrates jumps on a trampoline during an event in Times Square to celebrate 100 days from the start of the PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Games in South Korea, in New York



In Memory Of Leeshan Birney

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor



March 24, 1939 - October 27, 2017

Community leader, role model and real estate pioneer, Leeshan Chuang Birney, passed away peacefully on October 27, 2017 due to complications from liver cancer at the age of 78. She was surrounded by members of her family.

She was a remarkable business leader and role model to so many. Her family, while mourning her untimely death, also want to celebrate their incredible mother, wife, grandmother, aunt, sister, business and community leader as well as so many other roles. The business she founded, Stone Mountain Properties, is now in the trusted hands of her family and employees. Leeshan had been planning this transition for years. The company has full confidence in continuing to lead and evolve the business into the future through the remarkably talented people in her organization and many new systems being implemented.

She is survived by her husband, James Birney, son Ceyan Birney, daughter Shanlenn Birney Colby, grandson Alden Colby and granddaughters, Adelia Colby, Alexandra Colby and Celine Birney. Her daughter Mayling Edina Birney passed away last month in September.

Respects to Mrs. Birney Have Been Offered By Her Long-time Friend And Colleague, Wea H. Lee, Chairman of the International District, as follows:

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Representing the International District and our many friends from the international community, I want to pay our deepest respects to Leeshan Birney. Leeshan has not only been our model, she has been our leader and a true pioneer.

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your close friends and colleagues. All of us will continue to fight on to achieve your goal making this great land an even better place to live.



Leeshan Birney receives award from former Houston Mayor Bill White.

Memorial Services are planned in both Houston and New Jersey. The Houston service will be held Saturday, November 4, 2017 - 10:00 a.m. at Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, 13001 Katy Fwy, Houston, TX 77079. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to or participating in one of these organizations that Leeshan supported:

1. The Alliance, which creates opportunities for refugees, immigrants, and underserved residents to achieve their goals for self-sufficiency and improve their quality of life.
2. International Leadership Foundation, for the next generation of Asian Pacific American Leaders.
3. Tzu-Chi, an international humanitarian organization whose mission is to relieve the suffering of those in need, and create a better world for all.
4. Chinese Community Center is a comprehensive social service community center in Southwest Houston, Texas, that provides support programs to a diverse population.



Leeshan Birney (right) and her husband, James Birney (left)

5. Asia Society Houston, promotes mutual understanding and strengthening partnerships among the peoples, leaders, and institutions of Asia and the west.
6. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, an organization that is more than 100 years old and ranks nationally among the top 10 art museums in exhibition space, memberships, endowments, and attendance.
7. HOPE Clinic, a volunteer-run, non-profit clinic, provides health care services to all regardless of patients' ability to pay. A unique characteristic of HOPE Clinic is its capacity to provide services in 14 different languages, including: Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Korean, Burmese, Arabic, and Spanish.
8. American Liver Foundation, whose mission is to facilitate, advocate and promote education, support and research for the prevention, treatment and cure of liver disease. October is Liver Cancer Awareness.



Leeshan Birney was the Founder and Principal of Stone Mountain Properties, a family run business in New Jersey and Texas, engaged in purchasing and renovating properties. Stone Mountain Properties currently owns and manages properties aggregating over 2,600,000 square feet, including office buildings, storages spaces, and industrial warehouses in New Jersey and Texas. Mrs. Birney also developed Sun Blossom International Villages, which provides beautiful environments and innovative services in residential programs. This project was chosen as a principle community model for the Asian community tour of The Neighborhood U.S.A. Conference hosted by the City of Houston in May 2002.

Mrs. Birney maintained extensive involvement with the community and regularly participated and contributed generously to civic, community, and educational groups,

with roles that included: Directorship in the Houston Housing Finance Corporation, Marketing Committee Chairmanship on the Asian American Business Council (AABC), served as a Board Member of the Asian Chamber of Commerce, served on the Advisory Board Member of the Chinese Community Center and as an Advisor Abroad for the Global Federation of Chinese Business Women, was a Member of the Fundraising Committee for the Asian Chamber of Commerce, served as a Planning Board Commissioner for the City of Houston, was an Honorable Vice Chairman in the Houston, Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce, and served as a Board Member for Dance of Asian American.



To help disadvantaged students with more educational opportunities, Education Division of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston initiated a scholarship fundraising project by inviting several successful Taiwanese entrepreneurs living in Houston to sponsor study expenses in Taiwan and round-trip air tickets for outstanding students from low income families at Houston Independent School District's Sharpstown International High School. Leeshan Birney actively supported this effort. (2nd from right)

Along with a myriad of honors, Mrs. Birney has been awarded for her dedication and commitment with the Chinese21.com Outstanding Chinese Entrepreneur Award (2010), the ILF-Regional Leadership Award (2010), the State of Texas-Yellow Rose of Texas Award (2010), the Chinese Community Center-Excellence of Community Development Award (2009), the Texas State Representative-SW Houston and Chinatown Improvements Commendation (2009), the Chinese Professional Club-Corporate Impact Award (2008), and the University of Houston Law Center Arrivals Awards for Immigrant Achievement (2007).

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Lowe's to hire 100 employees at  
Beaumont, Port Arthur stores

By Katherine Feser

Lowe's will host a job fair Thursday to fill more than 100 positions at its Port Arthur and Beaumont stores. The home improvement retailer is adding 3,500 employees in Texas to help communities recover from Hurricane Harvey.

Applicants can apply Thursday at the Port Arthur store, 8383 Memorial Blvd., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Full- and part-time positions include cashiers, loaders, customer service associates and sales specialists in flooring, millwork, appliances and pro services. Applicants are asked to bring social security cards and photo IDs.



For information on other job fairs, visit [Lowe's.com/Harvey](http://Lowe's.com/Harvey).

Lowe's employs more than 21,000 people at 143 stores in Texas.

Houston council refers plan for homes in  
west Houston floodplain to mayor

By Mike Morris

The Houston City Council on Wednesday unanimously referred a proposal to build hundreds of homes in a west Houston floodplain back to Mayor Sylvester Turner.

The mayor supported the referral, which sometimes is used to further study a complicated or controversial item and other times effectively is used to kill proposals.

Councilwoman Brenda Stardig, who represents the area around the proposed development and had given her support to the idea, moved that it be referred back to the Turner administration without an up-or-down vote.

"I want to take this opportunity to thank the administration for looking at what we need to do post-Harvey, as the mayor has indicated, on developments in flood-prone areas, and I'd like to take this opportunity now to refer this back to the administration," she said.

Aside from the mayor stating he supported the move, there was no other discussion on the item, which passed unanimously.

Arizona-based Meritage Homes announced last May that it planned to build hundreds of single-family homes on the site of the recently closed Pine Crest Golf Club at Clay and Gessner in a master-planned community to be called Spring Brook Village. The finished project is expected to include homes for up to 800 people, with properties priced between the high \$200,000s and the mid-\$500,000s.



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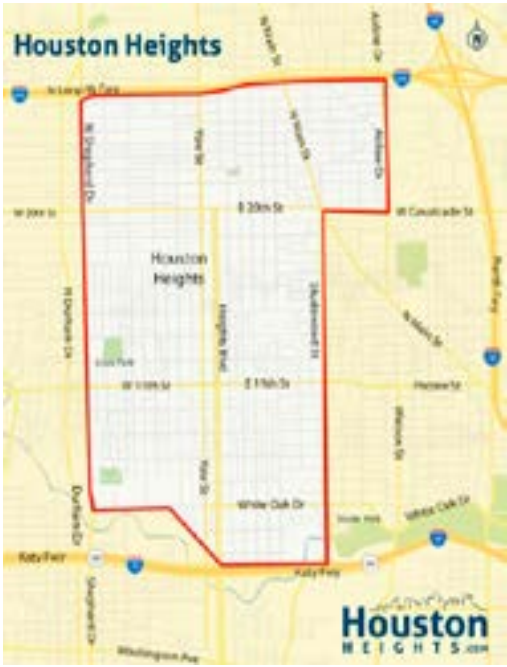
The entire 151-acre site sits in a flood plain, Harris County Flood Control District maps show. But officials said the developers' drainage plan, once built, is projected to place most of the tract in the 500-year floodplain rather than in the riskier 100-year floodplain.

The builder has said it plans to build the homes at a higher elevation to remove the structures themselves from the 500-year floodplain, as well.

Council was asked to consent to the developer's request to create a municipal utility district to pay for roads, water, sewer and drainage infrastructure on the site.

Representatives for MetroNational and Meritage Homes who were present at the council meeting did not offer immediate comment,

referring questions to public relations staff.





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# 美国十大唐人街都在哪儿？



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- 在全球各地，许多大城市，从伦敦、温哥华、墨尔本到马尼拉，都有唐人街。美国则有很多唐人街。这些地区与其他移民文化分享他们的文化，从视觉、听觉和饮食选择上，体现出异域风情，让游客感受到一种独特的体验。在美国，中国城是留学生心中不可或缺一站，因为只有在中国城才能解得了那一份乡愁和思念。在美国不同的城市或大小有着不同的唐人街，今天为大家带来去美国不能不去的十大唐人街：
1. San Francisco (旧金山, 旧金山)  
从1850年代开始，作为华人到美国落脚的第一个集中区的是旧金山唐人街。旧金山唐人街是亚洲之外最大的华人社区，它位于金融区附近，拥有狭窄古老而倍具风情的街道。
  2. New York City 纽约  
从第五大街开始，纽约唐人街会带你进入一个真正的中国城。在那里可以远眺帝国大厦，拥挤街道上，几乎望眼所及都是中文招牌、广告，走在唐人街街头，耳边听到的对话也几乎都是中文，贩卖著新鲜鱼类、蔬菜的传统市场摊贩，是当地唐人街的最大特色。
  3. Chicago 芝加哥  
从市中心出发20分钟就能到达芝加哥唐人街，一个世纪以来这里聚集了7万多人，他们的祖先是1905年
  4. Seattle 西雅图  
这里的唐人街聚集著来自中国、菲律宾、越南及日本的各种亚裔。华裔劳工在1860年左右在西雅图定居。庆喜公园(Hing Hay Park)是当地一个重要的社区活动场所，同样重要的还有陆荣昌亚洲博物馆(The Wing Luke Asian Museum)。
  5. Philadelphia 费城  
在费城定居的广东移民最早可以追溯到18世纪，但唐人街的真正建立则是在上世纪60年代才开始。
  6. Honolulu 檀香山  
建立于1860年代的檀香山唐人街有将近15个街区，除了中国移民外，还有韩国人、日本人、菲律宾人，在这里组成了一个庞大的亚裔社区。
  7. Boston 波士顿  
虽然大部分的华人聚集地已经分散到洛杉矶郊区，但市中心的唐人街依然充满魅力。沿着66号公路，很快你就能看到挂着灯笼，充斥着平价时装的唐人街。
  8. Los Angeles 洛杉矶  
当然和其它的唐人街一样，无论是传统的扬州炒饭，下午茶还是海鲜，都散发着诱人的香味。凤凰饼店的草莓蛋糕更是不容错过。
  9. Houston 休斯顿  
虽然没有传统的中国建筑和历史遗迹，但休斯顿的唐人街依然是地道的亚洲城。在市区的西南部大约6英里的范围内，香港湾城聚集著各色店铺和美食，海鲜皇官更是广受欢迎。从包子到火锅，这里一样不缺。
  10. Washington, D.C. 华盛顿特区  
华盛顿的唐人街始建于1930年，但大部分的华人已经搬到了郊区。如今的唐人街仅是一个不大的商场，与先前的那些唐人街比较，这里的规模显然是最小的，然而丝毫没有影响它的吸引力。

唐人街入口中文招牌的星巴克格外引人注目，托尼的海鲜楼和蒙古烧烤吸引著众多的食客。

## 美国空姐告诉你坐飞机只喝瓶装水的真实原因



根据“纽约邮报”引述美国空服员协会(AFA)指出，美客机航班上饮用水受到环境保护署(EPA)规范，但规定从宽，机上饮水用的水管多久清洗一次，或许没有人会按时按点去检查的。

伴随着航空公司越来越多，竞争压力增加，各个国家的航空公司都开始拼服务、拼餐饮，也遇到一些旅客非常喜欢机上餐饮，比如饭盒要两份。但是根据美国航空公司知情人士认为，尤其是经常天上飞的空服员对机上饮料更是退避三分，尤其是热水、咖啡或茶。

由于管理方面的疏忽，机上需要用到饮用水，包括开水、冰或热开水、热茶及咖啡等，受到不少质疑，美媒甚至报导许多机上咖啡壶从未清洗过。英国“独立报”(Independent)报导，航空公司多久清洗机上的饮用水管线。

美网路媒体财经内幕(Business Insider)私下采访空姐说，“空姐绝不会在飞机上喝热开水！”鉴于此，一些经常旅行的空中达人也建议旅客机上若要饮水，最好选择有瓶盖的矿泉水，或者自己携带的水。

CNN“秘境探索”(Parts Unknown)主持人波登(Anthony Bourdain)常在媒体上说，宁饿，也不吃机上餐饮。波登告诉美国美食杂志“BonAppetit”，“没有人吃过机上餐饮后，感觉是好的”。他认为旅客吃它，是因为航程途中实在太无聊。这是作为名厨出身的他，对于飞机餐的定义。

“我从不吃机上餐饮，喜欢空着肚子抵达目的地。”若真受不了饥饿，波登说，顶多点起司蛋糕及红酒解馋。或许，我们有很多的其他未知的理由，但是，既然有的选择的时候，尽可能的选择合适的方式来保证自己旅途的幸福感，毕竟菜品，饮水对我们来说，还是很重要的。

## 新到美国 你还适应吗

- 对于很多新到美国的人来说，刚到美国，一切都显得那么的新鲜，但也常常觉得难以适应。
- 一、过人行道要先按路边的按钮，待绿色指示灯闪现后，要迅速通过。
  - 二、美国人看到陌生人也会打招呼或微笑示意。看到之后，要礼貌地回应，不要躲闪对方的目光或装做没看见，那样会被视为不礼貌或没教养。和亲近的人可以礼节性地拥抱。
  - 三、在饭店吃饭要给小费，一般给消费数额的10%-15%，快餐店不给小费。另外，理发、在宾馆让服务生帮忙等对服务行业的都要给小费，这可能会增加美国留学生活费用，但无法避免。
  - 四、在美国一般都是刷卡消费或者用旅行支票，要带ID卡。
  - 五、所有卫生间里都有一性马桶座垫纸和卫生纸。
  - 六、电压和插头和中国不一样，充电带转换器。
  - 七、每天早晚要洗澡，经常更换衣服。
  - 八、在商场购货要填写有关地址登记和E-MAIL，因为他们会给你寄打折卡。经常去的超市，可办优惠卡。
  - 九、各种东西买的时候都收税，但每个州都有那么几天不收税。在不收税的那几天买东西，



- 就便宜多了，可以帮助减轻美国留学生活压力。
- 十、洗衣服要直接烘干，不要在外或阳台上晾衣服。
  - 十一、牙医昂贵，而且还得提前预约，排很长时间。来美之前把牙该检查检查，做做窝沟封闭，避免蛀牙。
  - 十三、所有餐厅饮料都无限续杯，快餐店交钱拿杯子，饮料自己随便打。
  - 十四、30岁以下的美国留学生女生请穿比基尼去各种游泳场所，但拒绝连体。
  - 十五、加油站自己加油，自己付账，加油站都有擦玻璃的一套东西，包括纸什么的，加油的时候可以顺便把玻璃擦了。
  - 十六、不要接受生人给的药或者糖，也不要给生人，因为可能是毒品，你承担不了责任，也没人承担你的责任。
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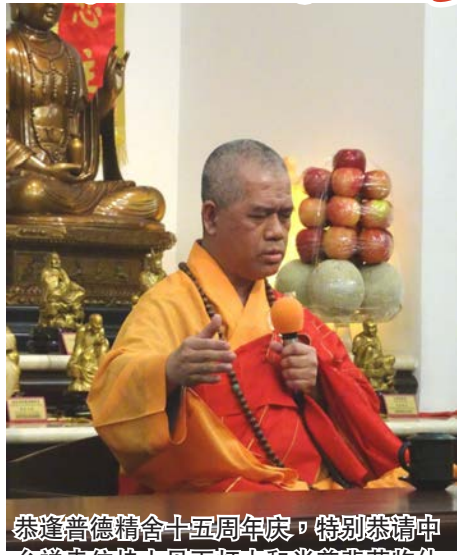
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