

## HISTORY OF THE CITY SEAL

The Seal of the City of Corpus Christi has been an important part of the City Government since its adoption in 1852. The seal is used as an official symbol to mark, authenticate and confirm City Government business.

In 1952, to commemorate the City's one hundredth anniversary as an incorporated city, a City Seal contest was conducted throughout the Corpus Christi's area junior and senior high schools. Miss Mary Lynn Humble, a student of W.B. Ray High School was declared the winner of a design contest.

The Seal designed by Miss Humble includes the date 1852, the year the city was incorporated. The Seal includes various images of major industry that represents Corpus Christi's economic and cultural identity including: a large tarpon fish, representing the fishing and tourist trade; a derrick representing the petroleum industry; and factories, symbolizing the City's other strong industries, such as agriculture, grain, metal, ore refining, and the Port of Corpus Christi.

The Seal accurately depicts the progress and achievement of the City of Corpus Christi and foreseeing the greatest destiny for our City.