

Fall events planned

There is a wide variety of fall and Halloween activities for South Belt residents to enjoy.

- South Belt Elementary will host its inaugural Trunk-or-Treat event Thursday, Oct. 25, from 5 to 8 p.m. The event will include vendors. For more information, contact Coach J.C. Watson at 713-740-5276 or JCWatson@pasadenaisd.org.
- Stuchbery Elementary will host its annual Trunk-or-Treat event Thursday, Oct. 25, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the front parking lot of the school. The event will feature activities, games and candy. The event is free and open to the public. Children are encouraged to wear costumes.
- Jessup Elementary will host its annual fall carnival Friday, Oct. 26, from 5 to 8 p.m. The family event includes games, prizes and many fun activities. The event is open to the public.
- San Jacinto College South will host its annual Fall Fest Friday, Oct. 26, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the student center and adjacent parking lots. The family event will feature miniature golf, crafts, rides, games, a photo booth and many fun activities for all ages, including a costume contest inside the student center at 6:45 p.m. The event is open to the public. For more information, call 281-929-4633.
- Dobie High School, main campus, will host its Warehouse of Nightmares event Friday, Oct. 26, and Saturday, Oct. 27, beginning at 7 p.m. Sponsored by Dobie's theater department, the program will be in the theater warehouse, behind the campus. The event will include a costume contest and door prizes. Admission is \$5.
- CrossRoads UMC (formerly Cokesbury United Methodist Church), 10030 Scarsdale, will host its third annual fall fest on Sunday, Oct. 28, from 1 to 3 p.m. The event will feature games, music and prizes, and a costume parade for children 10 years of age and under. The church's annual pumpkin patch will also be open daily through Oct. 31, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- The Parker Williams Branch Library will host its inaugural Page Fright event Tuesday, Oct. 30. The event will be in two parts and will last from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. after the library closes. The first part will be outside on the promenade around the library and will feature a pumpkin walk/carving contest and a trick-or-treat event for all ages. Costumes are not required. County officials will have animals on display, as well as other children's activities. The second portion of the event will take place inside the library and include a game of humans vs. zombies and is for teens only. The teens will have to fend off an increasing number of zombies using Nerf guns in an attempt to be the last human standing. Admission is free, but a waiver is needed to participate. For information, call Mike Saperstein at 832-927-7877.
- Almeda Mall will host its annual trick-or-treating Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 6 p.m. until supplies run out. Morris Middle School choir will perform at the center court at 6 p.m. Children are encouraged to wear costumes and go from store to store. No masks are allowed for adults.
- South Belt Church (formerly Easthaven Baptist), 13100 Beamer, will host a trick-or-treat event Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. It will be held indoors and take place rain or shine. The event is free and open to the public.
- The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, 9830 Hughes Road, will host its annual Halloween party Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 6 to 8 p.m. Children are encouraged to dress in costume and will be able to climb on the SVFD's fire engines and play on moonwalks. The event features free hot dogs, candy and sodas until supplies run out.

Beamer to close at beltway

Beamer will be completely closed at Beltway 8 from 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, through noon Saturday, Oct. 27.

The eastbound and westbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed continuously through 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 2.

KWS HOA to meet Oct. 25

The Kirkwood South Committee will hold its final 2018 meeting for all six sections Thursday, Oct. 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the courtroom of Judge Jo Ann Delgado, 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer, Suite 500. This is an opportunity to learn what is happening in Kirkwood South and what the board is doing in behalf of the subdivision.

Knights hold fish fry

The Knights of Columbus will host a fish fry Friday, Oct. 26, in the St. Luke Catholic Church social hall, 11011 Hall Road, from 5 to 7 p.m. Dinner includes breaded catfish fillet, fries, hush puppies, coleslaw, corn on the cob and iced tea or lemonade for \$10, eat-in or take-out. Baked filets are available in limited quantities. Proceeds benefit community projects. All are invited.

St. Luke's to bless pets

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road, will host its Community Blessing of the Pets Saturday, Oct. 27, in the parking lot near the tennis courts, beginning at 2 p.m. Guests are asked to arrive by 1:45 p.m.

CBCMUD closes for training

The Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District will be closed Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for training on upgraded credit card software. Check and money order payments may be left in the drop box for convenience.

Record numbers show for early voting

Record numbers of Harris County voters have cast their ballots early for the upcoming Nov. 6 general election.

On the first day of early voting on Monday, Oct. 22, a record number of 63,188 residents went to the polls, smashing the previous record, set in 2010, by more than 35,000 votes.

The following day on Tuesday, Oct. 23, a new

record was again set when more than 64,700 voters cast their early ballots.

At press time, at least another 54,000 voters had already returned mail-in ballots, bringing the total figure to more than 181,900.

County-wide, the figures top the corresponding early voting totals of both the 2008 and 2012 presidential elections, even though midterm elec-

tions typically draw far fewer voters.

Locally, the number of residents who voted early on Monday at the Harris County courthouse annex on Scarsdale at Beamer was even higher than the 2016 presidential election between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton.

On the first day of early voting, 1,564 residents cast their ballots at the Scarsdale location, whereas

only 1,488 did so in the 2016 presidential election.

On Tuesday, Oct. 23, another 1,604 cast their ballots at the location. The corresponding day during the 2016 election drew 1,677 early voters to the location.

Early voting will continue through Friday, Nov. 2. To see a complete list of polling locations, visit harrisvotes.org. See related story on this page.

Pastor Morgan gets remarried



John Morgan, senior pastor at Sagemont Church, married Kathie Reimer at a private ceremony in Dallas on Saturday, Oct. 13. The couple held a public reception on Wednesday, Nov. 17, at Sagemont Church, where they renewed their wedding vows. The second ceremony was streamed live online. Reimer is the widow of Dr. Jim Reimer, who pastored in multiple areas including Texas.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

Early voting currently underway

Early voting for the Nov. 6 general election is currently underway and continues through Friday, Nov. 2. Voters will cast their ballots in several different races, including ones at the county, state and federal level.

Contests to be decided include governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general, as well as multiple congressional, legislative and judicial seats.

Local races to watch include U.S. House District 22; U.S. House District 29; state House District 129; state House District 144; and state House District 147.

In the U.S. House District 22 race, Republican incumbent Pete Olson will face Democratic challenger Sri Preston Kulkarni; in the race to fill the U.S. House District 29 seat recently vacated by Rep. Gene Green, Democrat Sylvia R. Garcia will face Republican Phillip Aronoff; in the state House District 129 race, Republican incumbent Dennis Paul will face Democratic challenger Alexander Jonathan Karjeker; in the state House District 144 contest, Democratic incumbent Mary Ann Perez will face Republican challenger Ruben Villarreal; and in the state House District 147 race, Democratic incumbent Garnet F. Coleman will face Republican challenger Thomas Wang.

Residents living in the Houston city limits may vote on two propositions.

Proposition A asks voters to re-approve the city's existing ReBuild Houston street and drainage program. If passed, city revenue would be put aside specifically for flooding, drainage and street improvements.

The more controversial Proposition B asks voters to approve a 25 percent raise for Houston firefighters, putting their pay on par with Houston police officers.

The measure has many vocal opponents, including Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner, who says such an increase will cost the city approximately \$100 million per year. If passed, the city would be forced to lay off hundreds of workers and cut some services, Turner said.

For information on the propositions, visit www.houstontx.gov/houstonvotes2018.

Nearby early voting locations include the Harris County annex at 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer; the Freeman Branch Library at 16616 Diana Lane in the Clear Lake area; and the East Harris County Activity Center at 7340 Spencer Highway in Pasadena.

Voting hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through Oct. 26; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 27; 1 to 6 p.m. on Oct. 28; and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 29 through Nov. 2.

For information, a sample ballot or a complete listing of polling locations, visit harrisvotes.org.

JSC to open for 60th anniversary

Houston City Council Member Dave Martin is happy to announce NASA's Johnson Space Center will open its gates to the public, Saturday, Oct. 27, for the first time in years to celebrate NASA's 60th anniversary and the International Space Station's 20th anniversary.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the public will be offered a free, behind-the-scenes look at some of the agency's historic accomplishments, as well as the exciting work currently ongoing, as NASA prepares to return to the moon and travel to Mars.

"As we celebrate NASA's 60th anniversary, Johnson Space Center has played a key role in leading human space exploration and has been a part of the vibrant Houston community for nearly six decades," said Mark Geyer, director of Johnson Space Center. "While the past 60 years represent the best of our country and the height of American ingenuity, the talented, dedicated and diverse team here in 'space city' Houston is excited about the next chapter in spaceflight as we work to launch humans farther into the solar system."

NASA opened for business Oct. 1, 1958, following the signing of the agency's founding legislation on July 29, 1958. After four decades that saw dozens of short-duration missions to the

moon and low-Earth orbit, NASA and its international partners launched the first element of the International Space Station on Nov. 20, 1998, setting the stage for continuous human presence in space, which began in 2000.

During the open house, visitors will have access to a variety of exhibits and hardware, ranging from moon rocks collected during the Apollo missions, to full-size mockups of the International Space Station, the Orion spacecraft and Boeing's CST-100 Starliner.

Get a full listing of exhibits that will be open to the public and a map of the site that includes parking at <https://www.nasa.gov/feature/johnson-space-center-open-house>.

While visitors will be allowed to remain on site until 2 p.m. on Oct. 27, no guests will be admitted after 1:30 p.m. No pets or firearms will be allowed on site, though service animals are welcomed.

Visitors are welcomed year-round through Johnson's official visitor center, Space Center Houston, which provides tram tours and visits inside a number of key facilities. However, this open house will allow visitors to have access to several locations not accessible during visitor center tours.

Man murdered near Edgebrook

A man was fatally shot outside an apartment complex in the 9400 block of Clearwood early Sunday, Oct. 21.

Houston police responded to the call at the Clearwood Villas apartments at approximately 3:05 a.m. to find the victim, Donald Ray Miles, shot multiple times.

Miles, 27, was pronounced dead at the scene. The unknown suspects fled the scene in a

white four-door vehicle with paper license plates, police said.

At press time, the motive for the shooting is unknown.

Anyone with information on this case is urged to contact the Houston Police Department's Homicide Division at 713-308-3600 or Crime Stoppers of Houston at 713-222-TIPS (8477).

DEA hosts drug take-back day

On Saturday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Drug Enforcement Administration will give the public its 16th opportunity in 8 years to prevent prescription drug abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. (The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last April, Americans turned in 474 tons (949,046 pounds) of prescription drugs at more than 5,842 sites operated by the DEA and almost 4,683 of its state and local law enforcement partners.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. The Substance

Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's National Survey on Drug Use and Health shows year after year that the majority of misused and abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines – flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash – both pose potential safety and health hazards.

The DEA, along with local police departments, community groups and businesses will set up collection sites at the following locations:

- The Clear Lake Islamic Center, located at 17511 El Camino Real
- The Harris County Precinct 8 Constable's office, located at 16602 Diana Lane

- The Houston Police Department's Clear Lake Station, located at 2855 Bay Area Blvd.

Collection sites across the nation can be found by going to www.dea.gov. This site is continuously updated with new take-back locations.

Burnett to get playground donated

Burnett Elementary was selected as one of 35 schools to receive a new playground after the area campus was heavily impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

This project is being donated by the Rebuild Texas Fund and KaBOOM!, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to providing safe play spaces for children in need.

The partnership is investing \$2.1 million to create 35 play spaces in communities impacted by Harvey in southeast Texas. The partnership will create 15 community-designed playground projects, and award 20 creative play products – Imagination Playground and Rigamajig – to organizations across 41 counties in Southeast Texas, providing new opportunities to play for more than 87,500 kids through the next generation.

Ensuring kids have safe places to play is critical to helping families and communities heal during times of recovery, as they continue to deal with the stress of lost homes, lost loved ones, and lost routine.

Nearly a year later, many families—especially those most in need—in the region are still struggling to find convenient, safe spaces for recreation. By creating and providing play spaces, this work will help kids and communities continue to regain a sense of normalcy, and make play an easier choice for families.

This partnership is part of the Rebuild Texas

Fund's ongoing effort to help stabilize areas affected by the historic storm. These efforts started when Harvey made landfall on Aug. 25 of last year, impacting more than eight million residents in 41 Texas counties in its aftermath. The Rebuild Texas Fund was launched immediately following Harvey by the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation and the OneStar Foundation with the goal of helping Texas communities devastated by Harvey rebuild and thrive.

"As part of our focus in longterm recovery and rebuilding efforts across Texas, we are thrilled to work with KaBOOM! to create more opportunities for kids and families to get the support they deserve," said Neeraj Aggarwal, program director of the Rebuild Texas Fund. "There's more work to be done, and through this partnership we will continue to help more families and communities rebuild and thrive."

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Rainfall predicted

The Houston Public Works Department is monitoring forecasts calling for the potential of substantial rainfall over the next few days. Moisture from Hurricane Willa off the Pacific Coast may drop several inches of rain in the Houston area. Property owners need to make arrangements to secure boats and other items along the shoreline.

County hosts fishing event



Several students and volunteers from the South Belt community took part in the 24th annual Fall Kids Fish Fest on Saturday, Oct. 20, at Challenger Seven Memorial Park. Organized by the Harris County Precinct 1 Environmental Education Program, the event gives at-risk students a chance to enjoy the outdoors while simultaneously learning about nature. Shown above at the festival are, left to right, Kay Barbour, president of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce; Jae Lee, principal of Burnett Elementary; Rodney Ellis, Precinct 1 county commissioner; Dave Matthews, Precinct 1 community liaison; and Judge Jo Ann Delgado, Precinct 2, Place 1 justice of the peace. Check future issues for more photos.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

In My Opinion

Burns thanks Leader, asks for call to action

I want to thank all of you at the *South Belt Leader* for your dedication to making the South Belt area a great place to live. I live in Sagemeadow and I read your editorials in every issue.

I can't believe that I am the only resident who notices the condition of the awnings on the strip center at the corner of Hughes and Beamer that houses Donut Haven and several other businesses. The peeling paint has been an eyesore for several years now and makes the entire area look shabby. I was pleased when I saw that the awning on the convenience store at the end got new paint and had high hopes that the remainder would follow, but it seems to have stopped there. I don't know if it is the responsibility of the tenant or the owners, but in any case, a few gallons of paint and a day's work should not require a significant investment. Just thought it might be time to call attention to it.

Sandra Burns
Publisher's note: I agree totally. It really does look bad. Seems when it gets painted it does not stay. They apparently need to do something more lasting. —Marie Flickinger

Sorenson hopes all have done research

It is election time again and I hope you have done some research before you vote. It is very important that you vote for Republicans. This is a very important election for America. We voted in 2016 and elected President Donald Trump, knowing that he was not a politician but a man who loves America. His promises were to Make America Great Again and bring God back to America. The Democrats have attempted for two years to find some reason to impeach him as president with no success.

We still have two major political parties. The Conservative Republicans believe that President Trump has worked hard to make our lives better for all Americans, not just a few activist groups. We believe God created all people equal. We have in the past few weeks seen how liberal Democrats believe that power is more important than anything. The Democrat party today is nothing like the party your parents or grandparents knew. The party now stands with liberals, progressives, socialism, and against all the things that President Trump and the Republicans have accomplished in two years.

No one can dispute that the economy is great; taxes and unnecessary regulations that was burdensome for businesses have ended, more young minorities have jobs,

and many more achievements including facing UN and leaders of North and South Korea. President Trump has been working hard for we Americans.

The Democrats if elected, will undo all the good the Republicans have worked hard to achieve even with them being against everything. If elected they will take us back to the old period of government making more demands taking away our religious freedom and many more. They are against building border walls to make it possible to know who is coming to America. They are for Planned Parenthood which kills thousands of babies each year. They are still for Obama Care even though they admitted they lied to us in order to get it passed.

If you love America and believe that Republicans in Washington and Texas have worked harder for you than Democrats, please cast your vote for Republicans on November 6, 2018. I would like for you to ask yourselves, just what have the Democrats done for me.

Sue Sorenson
Anderson explains need for national vote

Big money buys candidates being mindful they have the ability to influence candidates to their secular interests; contrary to the social, political and economic needs of the citizens.

A national vote will rid the country of a political party's ability to control voting by criminal means. A national vote is definitely fairer and more representative of each person voting.

No candidate of either party in recent years has even attempted to address or speak the issues that concern their constituency. Beware citizens of all persuasions are more knowledgeable and sophisticated concerning the problems and issues our government faces in general and the politics practiced by politicians that have absolutely nothing to do with a government for, of and by the people.

So having stated a few "facts of the matter"; what are you going to do to begin fixing the problems that seriously threaten our democracy. There is a realization your self interested, lackadaisical practices lends greatly to the government's problems and threatens our way of life. Warning; there is an awakening and awareness concerning your constituency who realize there must be drastic and urgent changes that do not cow-tow to business as usual. To preserve our democracy change is on the way.

Alice Anderson

Ben Meador, Meador Staffing celebrates 50 years serving area

Ben Meador, chief executive officer/chairman and Melinda Torrison, president/chief operating officer of Meador Staffing hosted the 50th anniversary event at Pasadena Convention Center on Oct. 4.

The event featured the accomplishments of five men who were central to the history of Pasadena. John Phelps, Bill Bailey, Don Carpenter, Ben Meador and John Moon were honored for their regional impact on infrastructure, the economy, transportation, business, as well as community initiatives. Along with 500 guests, the event brought together local elected officials, current and former employees, clients and the families of the honored men.

The Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and Economic Alliance Houston Port Region joined Meador Staffing in sourcing event needs only from local vendors, educational facilities and businesses in an effort to give back to the community.

"The Five, as they have been called, were an integral part of the major civic achievements of their generation," according to Cristina Womack, president/chief executive officer of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce.

During the event, Oct. 4 was declared "Meador Staffing Services Day" by proclamation through the Harris County Commissioner Precinct 2, the City of Deer Park, the City of La Porte, and the City of Pasadena. A highlight of the event was also a congratulatory letter from Sen. Ted Cruz, Certificate of Congressional Recognition with a flag that was flown at the U.S. Capitol from U.S. Rep. Brian Babin, as well as the key to the city from Jeff Wagner, mayor of Pasadena.

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The Economic Alliance Houston Port Region is a nonprofit organization created in 1985 whose mission is to grow and market a vibrant regional economy through economic development, public policy, workforce development, and quality of life initiatives. For more information about the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region, visit: <https://www.allianceportregion.com>.

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Phillip John Maffei
Phillip John Maffei, 48, died Oct. 11 at his home with his family by his side. Phillip was a lifelong Houston resident. He was an alumni of Dobie High School and a long-time South Belt resident. He attended New Hope Church and worked for Flour Daniel Engineering in Sugarland. Phillip and Lara were soul mates and best friends. They met when they were only 13 years old. Phillip developed many medical issues during the last five years and Lara has been a constant source of strength and comfort being by his side the entire time.

Phillip was a special man with a generous and caring heart, always there for people in need. Phillip had many friends from work to lifelong school friends, so many say that Phillip left an imprint on their heart from his kindness. Phillip will truly be missed by everyone that knew him.

Phillip was predeceased by his father Constantine Maffei. He leaves behind his wife of 22 years, Lara Martinez Maffei; his daughter Whitney Ramos and husband Christopher; mother Diane Maffei; mother-in-law Bee Martinez; sister Monica Potts and husband Carl; sister-in-law Bambi Mikeska; brother Michael Maffei and wife Kathy; brother-in-law Kevin Martinez and wife Kelly; nieces and nephews Ashley Samargia, Cole Carlblom, Jennison Vosika, Bradlee Mikeska, Rylan Mikeska, Michael Maffei Jr., Stephanie Prodan, Nikolas Maffei, Alyssa Benzkofer, Vincent Maffei, Ethan Martinez, Kaelyn Luna, Vaughn Martinez, Kaeli Luna, Caden Luna and Caleb Luna. Great nieces Faith Vosika and Sylvie Samargia; and his dogs Halli and Trixie which were his pride and joy.

Friends are welcome to join the family for a Celebration of life honoring Phillip Saturday, Oct. 27, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Golfcrest Country Club.

Lara's wish is to combine funds and present a single gift (in his honor) to the Heart and Cardiovascular Institute-Heart Failure Unit at Memorial Hermann Medical Center to help patients in need of financial aid, consider a donation directly to Lara in lieu of flowers.

Tommie Lou Wilcox

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Tommie was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years; and her mother Edith Mae Johnson. She is survived by her daughter Terri Turbeville and husband Timothy; Terri's son Brian Morris and his wife Shastie and their children Trevor and Kendall; Terri's daughter Beth Kirschner and her husband Ronnie, her son Mark May and his wife Debbie and their children Mark Jr., Mike and Dylan; and her sister-in-law Gail Knoll and husband Ronnie.

A Celebration of Life was held on Oct. 22, at Niday Funeral Home – Beamer Chapel.

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Danny was a great baseball player and professional softball player. Beginning in 1975 and during the next 10 years, he played for many teams of the largest professional softball leagues while traveling throughout the United States. After retiring from softball, he began his long and successful career as a sporting goods salesman, where he formed many lifelong friendships, ending his career with Barcelona. He was a dedicated and selfless family man who loved his kids and grandkids. He was an avid outdoorsman; enjoying golf, hunting and fishing with family and friends, and always loved and talked about the beautiful Texas hill country.

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Guadalupe Salinas Jr.



South Belt resident Guadalupe "Lupe" Salinas Jr., age 70, died on Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2018. Lupe was born on Oct. 21, 1947, to Guadalupe Salinas Sr. and Ophelia Salinas.

He was preceded in death by his beloved father; grandfathers Juan Salinas and Felix Trevino and grandmothers Maria Rodriguez Trevino and Isidra Salinas.

Lupe is survived by his wife Lynne Salinas; daughters Tamara Williams, Diane Mann-Salinas, Julia Henson, Tracy Rose Salinas and Heather Salinas; his mother; sister Mary Jane Lucio; and brother Richard Salinas. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Lupe was born in Sinton, Texas and graduated from Roy Miller High School in Corpus Christi. After graduating from high school, he was drafted into the U.S. Army but found an opening in the U.S. Navy. He did a tour in the Mediterranean and a tour in Vietnam. After serving his country, he went to work for several NASA contractors and made his career at Johnson & Johnson and Becton Dickinson.

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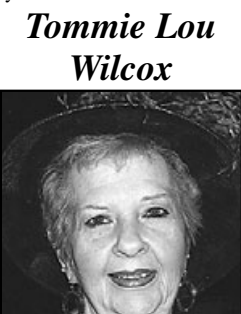
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Deaths

Guadalupe Salinas Jr.



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He was preceded in death by his beloved father; grandfathers Juan Salinas and Felix Trevino and grandmothers Maria Rodriguez Trevino and Isidra Salinas.

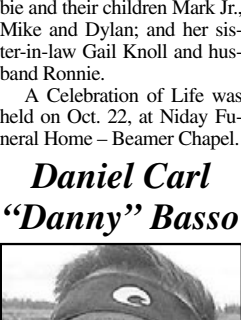
Lupe is survived by his wife Lynne Salinas; daughters Tamara Williams, Diane Mann-Salinas, Julia Henson, Tracy Rose Salinas and Heather Salinas; his mother; sister Mary Jane Lucio; and brother Richard Salinas. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Lupe was born in Sinton, Texas and graduated from Roy Miller High School in Corpus Christi. After graduating from high school, he was drafted into the U.S. Army but found an opening in the U.S. Navy. He did a tour in the Mediterranean and a tour in Vietnam. After serving his country, he went to work for several NASA contractors and made his career at Johnson & Johnson and Becton Dickinson.

Lupe loved to travel. In the early years of his marriage, he drove his family to many tourist destinations including Yellowstone and Disney World. They took cruises to destinations in Mexico, Central America, South America and Hawaii. Lupe loved his family and enjoyed traveling with them.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, Oct. 23, at Niday Funeral Home, with a visitation one hour prior to the service. Interment followed at Houston National Cemetery.

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Danny was a great baseball player and professional softball player. Beginning in 1975 and during the next 10 years, he played for many teams of the largest professional softball leagues while traveling throughout the United States. After retiring from softball, he began his long and successful career as a sporting goods salesman, where he formed many lifelong friendships, ending his career with Barcelona. He was a dedicated and selfless family man who loved his kids and grandkids. He was an avid outdoorsman; enjoying golf, hunting and fishing with family and friends, and always loved and talked about the beautiful Texas hill country.

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State Rep., Dennis Paul congratulates Ben Meador, CEO of Meador Staffing, and his daughter Melinda Torrison, president and COO, at the Meador Staffing 50-year celebration held earlier this month.

Elected officials share their words

Sen. Bettencourt files legislation to change HISD board structure

Texas Sen. Paul Bettencourt says daily published reports and workshop statements regarding the interim HISD superintendents' replacement and the board's recent reversal strongly indicate that HISD trustees have repeatedly violated the Texas Open Meetings Act which governs the conduct of local government meetings.

These open meetings statutes are top-down guidelines for effective and transparent public meetings for the thousands of local governments in Texas and cannot be dismissed by any governing body.

"The simple fact that five trustees spoke to and hired a replacement interim superintendent on Thursday, and then apparently confirmed that fact at a board workshop on Sunday, indicates that this is the first major violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act," said Bettencourt.

"The second clearly occurred yesterday when, without a posted meeting, the entire HISD board apparently announced the reversal of the last appointment and reappointed the previous interim superintendent. These superintendents are not the problem, the HISD board of trustees is!"

On Oct. 15, HISD trustees gathered at a press conference to apologize for their behavior during the last 10 months but took no questions afterwards leaving other non-HISD officials to answer questions directed at trustees.

Federal, state candidates answers *Leader* questions

The following questionnaire was sent to all candidates running for the local offices listed. While multiple efforts were made to contact all candidates, not all responded. Answers appear as they were received and have not been edited. The candidates are in the order in which they are listed on the ballot.

Pete Olson District 22



NAME: Pete Olson
AGE: 55
OCCUPATION: U.S. Representative for the 22nd Congressional District, former US Naval Aviator
EDUCATION: B.A. Rice Univ. (Houston, TX), J.D. Univ. of TX (Austin, TX)
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married with two children
RESIDENCE: Sugar Land,
What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent? (100 words or less)

The people of the 22nd District of Texas deserve a strong, conservative voice representing them in DC. I am committed to continue serving this diverse group of people with unwavering integrity and limited government solutions that embody our way of life, and preserve our freedoms, our country and the American Dream. Over the past decade, I demonstrated this commitment by lowering taxes for American families, cutting government overreach and irresponsible regulation and supporting our American heroes who serve in the military.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

I have been honored to serve the people of 22nd Congressional District for the past 10 years. During the Obama Administration, I led the fight against liberal, destructive policies harming our community, our economy and our country. Under President Trump, I assisted in dismantling many of the Obama-era policies that were stifling growth in our local communities. This included passing historic tax reform, increases in military investment, reforms for our veterans, and establishing stronger border security to crack down on criminal illegal immigrants threatening American soil.

What, if any, endorsements do you have? (50 words or less)

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, National Federation of Independent Business, State Senator Larry Taylor, State Representative Dennis Paul, Brazoria County Sheriff Charles S. Wagner, Pearland Mayor Tom Reid, Fort Bend County Judge Bob Herbert, dozens of mayors, city council members, commissioners, and thousands of supportive residents across the 22nd District.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

For the past 10 years I have proudly represented the South Belt-Ellington community in the U.S. House of Representatives. Over the years, I've worked with hundreds of constituents from South Belt, assisting them with questions and concerns regarding federal

al agencies like Social Security, the Veterans Administration, and the IRS.

If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

Flood control is a top priority. The Clear Creek project, authorized in 1968, was not funded until 2018 when I ensured it was approved. The \$297 million project will prevent homes from being flooded. Successfully funding this infrastructure is just one way I've helped deliver for our community.

If elected, who would you support as house leader, and why? (50 words or less)

The person who embodies the conservative ideals that reflect the beliefs of the people of the 22nd District will earn my support. The next Speaker of the House should be able to bring people together to continue growing our economy, improving national security, and strengthening America's future.

What groups are financially supporting your campaign? (50 words or less)

Our campaign is blessed to have the support from people both through their time and campaign contributions. Having people from around the Greater Houston region standing with me for more economic opportunities and job growth is the most significant to me.

Are most of your campaign donations from Texas, or out of state? (50 words or less)

I'm honored that the majority of our donations come from inside the great state of Texas both from individuals and job creators who employ tens of thousands of our friends and neighbors.

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

Americans deserve access to affordable, quality healthcare – Obamacare is not that. Our Republican plan will protect those with pre-existing conditions, allow you to buy insurance across state lines and allow small business and individuals to band together to purchase affordable coverage like large companies do.

Pete Olson was the only candidate in this race to respond to our survey.

Philip Aronoff District 29



NAME: Phillip Aronoff
AGE: 72
OCCUPATION: Granite sales
EDUCATION: Bachelors
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: 50 years with 3 children 3 grandchildren
RESIDENCE: Houston, Tx

What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent? (100 words or less)

I am NOT a career politician. I have been a businessman with a steel business in the district where I had 200 employees. I have had extensive in working with government being appointed by the Mayor, County Commissioner, Governor to serve my community. I bring a philosophy of small government to by decision and governing ideals. I have had to work

within the confines of the unnecessary mandates forced on business by the governments. At my age I will not become a career politician but serve and move on in a timely basis.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

I have managed many campaigns and involved in senior levels of fund raising and campaign strategy for campaigns from Beau Boulter for Senate 1988, George W. Bush's first term as governor, 1994 (Harris County Co-chairman). I have help build a Republican party in Texas working with Governor Bill Clements, when Texas was Democratic, to take over the state governance beginning in 1980. I have served as the Chairman of the Texas State Purchasing and General Services Commission, the President of Houston's Municipal TV station. Now for the first time I am a candidate for elected office.

What, if any, endorsements do you have? (50 words or less)

Just a couple, George W. Bush, James A Baker III, Ted Poe, Brian Babin, Kevin Brady, Robert Eckels, Paster Becky Keenan and many others.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

No
If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I would reach out to the leadership and implement their ideas Knowing some of the participants I know their ideas will fall within the governing philosophy by which I will guide my decisions.

If elected, who would you support as house leader, and why? (50 words or less)

Kevin McArthy, Jim Jordan

What groups are financially supporting your campaign? (50 words or less)

My money has come from my personal money and from individuals. The ONLY PAC money I have received was from Congressman Kevin Brady's personal PAC.

Are most of your campaign donations from Texas, or out of state? (50 words or less)

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

Flood Control

Sylvia Garcia District 29



NAME: Sylvia R. Garcia
AGE: 67
OCCUPATION: State Senator
EDUCATION: BA in Social Work and Political Science, Texas Women's University. JD, Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: N/A

What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent?

I have spent a lifetime

working on behalf of the people of Congressional District 29 as a social worker, legal aid lawyer, Houston Municipal Judge, Houston City Controller, Harris County Commissioner and now Texas State Senator. My experience makes me uniquely qualified to address the unbelievable challenges facing our communities as a member of Congress. I have hands on experience in increasing access to healthcare by opening community and school based clinics as Harris County Commissioner. I have fought to expand access to Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program as a Texas State Senator. I have made our community safer by passing legislation that requires seatbelts on school buses and enlisting truck drivers in the fight against human trafficking. In short, I understand the challenges we face, and I know how to deliver results for the people who need it most.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

I have had the honor of serving as Houston City Controller, Harris County Commissioner and now Texas State Senator

What, if any, endorsements do you have? (50 words or less)

Our campaign has been endorsed by the AFL-CIO, National Association of Realtors, Independent Bankers Association, BOLD PAC, End Citizen's United, Congressman Gene Green, Alma Allen, Garnet Coleman, Commissioner Rodney Ellis, Constable Chris Diaz and dozens of other elected officials from the Harris County area.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I have served the South Belt Community as Houston City Controller, Harris County Commissioner and as Texas State Senator. Over the years I have made life-long friends and community partners in the area, and believe I have contributed significantly to improving the quality of life in the area.

If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I feel that the South Belt community has some of the same priorities that most people of CD29 have, including affordable healthcare for their family, quality education for their kids, and high paying jobs. In particular, I would work hard to make the area less vulnerable to flooding.

If elected, who would you support as house leader, and why? (50 words or less)

It is too early for me to make a commitment on our next Speaker of the House.

What groups are financially supporting your campaign? (50 words or less)

I have received support from a number of groups that represent working people, but the vast majority of donations to our campaign have come from individuals who are committed to our campaign platform

Are most of your campaign donations from Texas, or out of state?

An overwhelming majority of our donations have come from Texas.

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

I would like to pass legislation funding the coastal spine, and protecting our community from another devastating storm.

Dennis Paul District 129



NAME: Dennis Paul
AGE: 57
OCCUPATION: President Paul Engineering, Inc.
EDUCATION: BSCE University of Houston 1987, MSCE UH 1991
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married for 31 years, one child Elizabeth 23
RESIDENCE: 818 Quiet Spring Ln, Houston TX 77062

What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent? (100 words or less)

I think that I have the better life experience to do this job. I have been the State Representative for almost four years. I have own and operated my own company for 17 years, developing clients, producing the work required, meeting our payroll, paying taxes, and providing for my employees and family. That is some of the best experience you can have to prepare you for this job. I have been very involved with our community organizations and charities in this area for the last 25 years. I know this community and I know and understand its needs and priorities.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

Yes, I have been the State Representative for two terms. I have also served as the State Republican Executive Committee Man for Senate District 11 for 8 years, elected to four two year terms. I also served our community as a precinct chair for 20 years prior to running for office. I have also been elected to leadership positions in numerous organizations such as the Knights of Columbus, Rotary, and professional societies.

What, if any, endorsements do you have? (50 words or less)

We have many endorsements from local leaders as well as many community organizations, like Ed Emmett, Jack Morman, Jack Cage, Orlando Sanchez. Organizations like the National Rifle Association, Texas Alliance for Life, Texas Right to Life, Texas Farm Bureau, Texan's for Lawsuit Reform, Texas Association of Business, Texas Association of Realtors.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

Yes, I grew up in this area and have lived here my entire life. I grew up off of Edgemoor, and graduated from South Houston High. I stayed in the community and attended San Jacinto College and then graduated from the UH, during which I worked in the South Belt area.

If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I will continue to work to improve flooding in our area. We will also work to improve the economy and make this area a source of good paying jobs and opportunity. We have been working to increase the impact that Ellington Field has as well as NASA and petrochemical plants.

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

The main project will be working on reorganizing the Water Development Board to look at drainage for our state also. This will have the state oversee and coordinate with the local drainage authorities to ensure priorities are set and funding gets put into place.

Are there any new taxes you propose, or current ones you would increase? (50 words or less)

We are proposing no new taxes and we do not believe any taxes should be increased. I believe that our growing economy will supply the funds that are needed to support the programs and services that the State of Texas has in place.

Are there any bills you are considering proposing? (50 words or less)

We are working on numerous bills that we hope to get filed early. The main issues that we will be working on is our flooding bill as well as legislation needed to help facilitate the construction of the Coastal barrio system or "Ike Dike" that we have been working on.

Do you support sanctuary cities? (50 words or less)

No, I think that the local city and county governments should follow all federal and state laws on Immigration issues and let the federal government set immigration policy and not local authorities.

Do you believe the state needs to reform its public school funding system? If so, what do you recommend? (100 words or less)

Yes I do, and I think we have a good opportunity to do that this session. For once we do not have a gun of a law suit over our heads to do this. Our state's education funding is a convoluted process that was modified and added to many times over. We can look at this now and develop a lasting, easy to understand system that will provide a stable and easy to follow funding source. We should fund more of the education burden on sales taxes and this will allow us to lower our property taxes in the process.

There is currently a debate on whether or not some "early college high school" courses are transferable to four-year universities. What is your position on this? (50 words or less)

I believe this is a great way to help our citizens going to college, I know I just completed funding my daughter's education. I would like to see this expanded but we need to ensure that the college level work is getting performed and tested at the college level.

Please comment on any topic not covered that you would like. (50 words or less)

I want the voters to know that we will be working on the needs of this district. We will be working on getting the drainage oversight and funding we need. Since I am the only engineer in the legislature we will be at a good position lead on these issues.

Alex Karjeker District 129



NAME: Alex Karjeker
AGE: 29
OCCUPATION: Economist
EDUCATION: Masters': Public Policy, Economics (Georgetown University - 2012)
Bachelors': Mathematics, Economics (The University of Texas at Austin - 2009)
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Recently married (2017), no children yet
RESIDENCE: 1300 Gemini Street, Apartment 2201, Houston, TX 77058

What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent? (100 words or less)

I grew up here in the Bay Area and graduated from Clear Lake High School. I would not be where I am without this community's investment in our public schools and me. I have a background in economics and public policy and have practical experience with municipal bonds and government budgets (Morgan Stanley) and building reliable transportation systems (Uber). I also have experience working with legislators and policymakers in Austin and Washington, DC.

No person or group has a monopoly on good ideas and I promise that I will always fight for our community over any political party.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

I am a first-time candidate. Previously, I worked in both the District and DC offices for a US Congressman; the US Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs; the Office of Management and Budget, and the Texas State Legislature.

During the 2017 Legislative Session, I worked to update our statewide transportation regulations so companies like Uber and Lyft could efficiently operate across city boundaries. The bill received bipartisan support in the House (110 / 150) and Senate (24 / 30). By focusing on the issues and working across the aisle, the bill improved transportation and economic opportunities throughout our Bay Area.

What, if any, endorse-

ments do you have? (50 words or less)

My campaign has received the following endorsements: Texas Parent PAC; Texas Moms Demand Action; Texas Sierra Club; Planned Parenthood; The Houston GLBT Political Caucus; Fight for Reform (election reform).

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I have many friends and supporters in the South Belt community, and I am proud to be a member of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce.

If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

My priorities are to focus on building out our flooding infrastructure and supporting Pasadena ISD. We need to ensure that the dredging and maintenance work continues on Clear Creek so that we are prepared for the next big storm. We must also make sure teachers are paid what they're worth.

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

We must create a real, regional, multi-county effort to deal with our flooding challenges because the water doesn't stop at the county line. The Houston metro area produces 30% of Texas's income. It's time our community had a representative that fights for us and our fair share of infrastructure dollars.

Are there any new taxes you propose, or current ones you would increase? (50 words or less)

Every year, South Belt home owners see their property taxes go up automatically. What's worse the State takes that money before Pasadena ISD ever sees it. It's time we reformed our system so families have tax certainty. I am not proposing any new taxes and reform must be revenue neutral.

Are there any bills you are considering proposing? (50 words or less)

My primary effort is to work with my colleagues to fix public education and ensure that we are prepared for the next big storm. Additionally, I will push for election system reforms to make it easier for independent and thirty party candidates to run and fix the wasted vote problem.

Do you support sanctuary cities? (50 words or less)

Cities cannot be allowed to be a haven for criminals seeking to cause harm and exploit our communities. Elected officials must be held accountable to keep our families and communities safe. I defer to local law enforcement on best practices, specifically in the prioritization of violent crimes.

Do you believe the state needs to reform its public school funding system? If so, what do you recommend? (100 words or less)

Our school funding system is in need of major reforms. We are not stuck between choosing an underfunded public education system and a privatized voucher system.

As a state we need to make an honest, concerted effort to get the appropriate funding to our schools based on the needs of our communities, specifically those with special education needs. This reform includes getting skyrocketing property taxes under control.

We also need to move away from teaching to corporate, standardized tests designed to fool and confuse students rather than measure real progress. I support uniform statewide evaluations developed by teachers and parents.

There is currently a debate on whether or not some "early college high school" courses are transferable to four-year universities. What is your position on this? (50 words or less)

Allowing students to transfer credits from early college high school courses supports the academic success of students and alleviates the financial burden on parents. We owe it to our students to support their hard work by allowing them to use the college credits they earn during their high school careers.

Please comment on any topic not covered that you would like. (50 words or less)

I will always be an independent voice for our district. We need leadership that listens to everyone because no one has a monopoly on good ideas. And I promise that whenever party leadership puts forward a bill that

would hurt our community, I will be the first to stop it.

Thomas Wang District 147



NAME: Thomas Wang
AGE: 36
OCCUPATION: Real Estate
EDUCATION: San Jacinto College
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married with 1-year-old daughter name Victoria Wang.
RESIDENCE: Midtown Houston

What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent? (100 words or less)

I do not plan to go to Austin just to pick a fight with someone from east, west or north Texas but instead to represent everyone that lives in the district and fight for the resources that are needed to create sustainable and resilient communities that we can pass down to the next generation.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

I am a 1st-time candidate. However, I have served as a precinct chair and also served on the Republican Party of Texas Legislature priority committee where we have passed resolution needed to establish critical grassroots support for public education and property tax reform.

What, if any, endorsements do you have? (50 words or less)

C-club, log-cabin Republicans, and Baptist ministers association of Houston and vicinity

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

No, but my goal is to represent everyone in the district, and I believe my predecessor has neglected this very community for over 27 years.

If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I will take a leadership position to create a sustainable network of civic clubs and to improve their overall infrastructure in the south belt Community and help the city to provide more responsive, reliable and quicker state and city services.

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

I have 2 (1) Reform Affordable Housing (AH) Through Sustainable Home Ownership Initiatives By Providing Pathways To Home Ownership And Ending Generational Renters. Reduce the property tax burden on homeowners and stop involuntary displacement. (2) Public Education Funding Reform - see details below. See www. HoustonUnited.com

Are there any new taxes you propose, or current ones you would increase? (50 words or less)

I will not increase any taxes; please do check my property tax and public education reform on my website HoustonUnited.com for details.

Are there any bills you are considering proposing? (50 words or less)

Public education reform, property tax reform, establish a homeless encampment taskforce and various other bills to control runaway higher education cost.

Do you support sanctuary cities? (50 words or less)

No, I do not. However, we must find passionate solutions for people currently is undocumented living in our communities.

Do you believe the state needs to reform its public school funding system? If so, what do you recommend? (100 words or less)

Absolutely, we must eliminate 'property tax basis' from all public education funding; instead, appropriate general funds based on sound socio-economic data- driven per-pupil concept ensuring equitable distribution of resources for all students regardless of where they live or background, removing the "education gap" between rich/ poor and urban/rural communities and jump-start a renewed effort to create the best public education system in the country. Expand Vo-Ed. No

patchwork – a complete overhaul is demanded. please see HoustonUnited.com for details

There is currently a debate on whether or not some "early college high school" courses are transferable to four-year universities. What is your position on this? (50 words or less)

They must be made all transferable to help reduce higher education costs but more must be done, please visit HoustonUnited.com I have written the policy papers regarding the run higher education tuition.

Please comment on any topic not covered that you would like. (50 words or less)

Please visit my website http://houstonUnited.com/issue/ for much more issues I want to tackle like mental health and homelessness.

Garnet Coleman District 147



NAME: Garnet F. Coleman
AGE: 57
OCCUPATION: Consultant
EDUCATION: B.A. Political Science University of St. Thomas
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married to wife, Angeline. Two children, Austin and Evan.
RESIDENCE: Houston, Texas

What makes you best qualified to serve the constituents of the district you're wanting to represent? (100 words or less)

I have a B.A. in Political Science from the University of St. Thomas and over 26 years of experience in the Texas Legislature. I know how to pass laws that people think can't be passed. As a former budget conferee, I know how to effectively fight for the people who need state services. I also understand how to work the process to kill or lessen the impact of bad legislation.

Do you have any political experience? (100 words or less)

I have been serving as State Representative for District 147 since 1991.

What, if any, endorsements do you have? (50 words or less)

Houston Chronicle, Texas State Teachers Association, American Federation of Teachers, Texas Hospital Association, AFL-CIO, Houston Police Officers' Union, Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Medical Association, Texas Health Care Association, Texas Society of Anesthesiologists, Greater Houston Builders Association, Planned Parenthood Texas, Houston GLBT Caucus, Sierra Club Lone Star, Texas Humane Legislation Network.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I have proudly represented parts of the community for the last 27 years.

If elected, what would you do to improve the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I will continue to support public education by fighting for greater state funding, and the resources necessary for full day quality Pre-K. I will also continue to support higher education, including San Jacinto Community College. I will also continue to support economic drivers like Hobby Airport.

What one main project would you like to accomplish if elected? (50 words or less)

I'll continue to make healthcare more accessible and affordable. I'll continue to improve our higher and public education system by increasing funding, fixing our school accountability system, and supporting our universities. I'll continue to work on criminal justice reform-including parts of the Sandra Bland Act that didn't pass.

Are there any new taxes you propose, or current ones you would increase? (50 words or less)

No.
Are there any bills you are considering proposing? (50 words or less)

Lariaette of the Week



The J. Frank Dobie Lariaette of the Week for Oct. 15 through Oct. 20 is junior Lauren Deramus. She is the daughter of Larry and Evelyn Deramus and was chosen for her hard work and dedication to the team.

CG Foundation holds annual awards dinner

The Coast Guard Foundation, a nonprofit organization committed to the education and welfare of all Coast Guard members and their families, recently announced that it will hold its annual Houston Awards Dinner at the Marriott Marquis, 1777 Walker St., on Thursday, Nov. 1.

At the event, the Coast Guard Foundation will honor Chevron Corporation with the 2018 Coast Guard Foundation Guardian Award, to be accepted by Michael Wirth, chairman and chief executive officer.

The Coast Guard Foundation's Guardian Award recognizes individuals, companies and organizations who have provided significant support, or have demonstrated exemplary commitment to the Coast Guard Foundation, U.S. Coast Guard personnel and families, or to other service members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families.

Further, the foundation considers individuals, companies or organizations that have demonstrated significant support to educational and charitable endeavors that promote awareness of maritime affairs, the marine environment and its protection, maritime history, maritime commerce and other related activities to develop maritime expertise or inspire future generations of maritime service.

Chevron has been a leader in supporting the Coast Guard Foundation's mission and policies nationwide. For more than 32 years, Chevron's support has been critical for the foundation's ed-

Free tutoring at San Jac

San Jacinto College students can find free tutoring services are available in the Student Success Center in the San Jacinto Central campus library for many subjects – including math, writing, English, chemistry, physics, BCIS, accounting history and more.

Fall 2018 hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 p.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. For more information, call 281-478-2779.

Lariaettes holds Winter Dance Clinic

The J. Frank Dobie High School Lariaettes will hold its Winter Dance Clinic on Saturday, Dec. 15, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Dobie dance room.

The clinic is open to grades pre-K through 12. Each student that participates will perform at the Lariaette Spring Show in May 2019. The preregistration fee is \$40 and ends Tuesday, Nov. 27. Registration at the door will be \$45. The registration fee will cover the certificate, snack and performance in the spring show.

All participants will receive a souvenir, but preregistration guarantees a student a T-shirt and discounted price. For questions and the registration form, email Briane Sisson at BSisson@pasadenaisd.org.



Over The Back Fence by Alexis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CAROLYN!

Wishes to lifelong South Belt resident **Carolyn J. Smith** for a great Oct. 26 birthday are sent from **Sam and Consuelo Smith, Ellen Murphy, and Robin, Adam, Josh and David Lott** who say, "Thank you for all you do for us and all the great lessons you teach us in this life, especially inspiring us to be great Americans! We love you!"

ELI ENJOYS A BIRTHDAY

Birthday greetings are sent to **Eli Tanksley** who celebrates a birthday Thursday, Oct. 26, from his family, friends and the *Leader* staff.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ALEXIS!

Special birthday wishes are sent to **Alexis Lochner** (*Leader* staff) Saturday, Oct. 27, from sister **Marie** and husband **David Flickinger**; daughters **Nicole Manning** and **Jessica LeBlanc** and husband **Michael**; sons **Dan Sorensen** and **Joshua David** and wife **Tamra**; grandchildren **Breanna** and **Andrew Manning**, **Dira** and **Danny Sorensen** and **Judaea LeBlanc**.

TYLER CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY

Wishes for a happy birthday are sent to **Tyler Scarberry** who turns 27 on Sunday, Oct. 28. Lots of love is sent from parents **Jannie and Robert Scarberry**; sister **Jenny Hayes** and children **Brayden, Baylee** and **Olivia**; sister **Stacey Flowers**, husband **Stephen** and children **Kennedy, Owen** and **Evie**; brother **Joey Hayes**; and brother **Austin Scarberry**, wife **Tiffany** and daughters **Jade** and **Lily**.

Tyler is a 2010 Dobie High School graduate.

SCHOOL DAZE

The following personnel of the Pasadena ISD celebrate birthdays Oct. 25 through Oct. 31.

Atkinson Elementary

Sing a happy birthday song to **Nora Freeman** Oct. 25. Join in the birthday fun with **Lauren Anderson** Oct. 27. **Veronica Andrade** celebrates a birthday Oct. 30.

Burnett Elementary

Elizabeth Kotey enjoys a birthday Oct. 26.

Bush Elementary

Wishes for a happy birthday are sent to **Claudia De Ochoa** Oct. 28.

Frazier Elementary

Send a birthday greeting Oct. 28 to **Maria Martinez**. Light the birthday candles for **Gracie Puente** Oct. 30.

Meador Elementary

Kevin Goffney enjoys a birthday Oct. 29.

South Belt Elementary

Ligh the candles on a cake for **Mark Chavez** and **Reynaldo Martinez** Oct. 26.

Roberts Middle School

The day for a birthday celebration for **Steffanie Purucker** and **Yessenia Gomez** is Oct. 29.

Thompson Intermediate

Tanis Griffin marks a birthday Oct. 25. Send a warm birthday greeting Oct. 26 to **Aidza Cruz Vazquez**. **Angelina Davila** enjoys a birthday Oct. 27.

Dobie High

Lanita Simmons and **Gregory Steen** share a birthday Oct. 25. Send a birthday greeting Oct. 26 to **Ashley Moore**. On Oct. 27, a birthday wish is sent to **Kelly Hancock**. **Joshua Lyons** celebrates a birthday Oct. 28. Double birthday wishes are sent Oct. 30 to **Leslie Barcelona** and **Louis Cannon**. Enjoy a triple-layer birthday cake with **Lauren Calderaro**, **Santiago Sepeda** and **William Yarberr**y on Oct. 31.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

The *Leader* sends happy birthday wishes to friends who celebrate a birthday this week:

Thursday, Oct. 25: **Kim Clardy, Chloe Cantu, Linda Bergeron** and **Andreis Benefield**; Friday, Oct. 26: **Crystal Ramirez, Missy Locklear, Autumn Prater, Sandy Hinson** and **Arturo Fernandez**; Saturday, Oct. 27: **Rose Garcia, Jose Estrada, Sally Silverthorn, James Burkart, Mario Stewart, Troy McMullen** and **Kelly Pritchett**; Sunday, Oct. 28: **Steve Barbosa, Lynda Lake** and **Joanne Juren**; Monday, Oct. 29: **Dolores Garcia, Mary Ortiz, J Judy Cole** and **William Scott IV**; and Tuesday, Oct. 30: **Carmen Cantu, Sara Peters-Wiggins, Greg Chavez, Jennifer Miller, Jennie Minter, Bo Bol**ar and **Olyn Taylor**.

LEADER WANTS YOU IN THE NEWS

Email birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to mynews@south beltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Clemons flies high



Jahmal Clemons (right), social media coordinator for San Jacinto College, was chosen by the U.S. Navy Blue Angels as a Key Influencer and allowed to fly with the Blue Angels practice flight Wednesday, Oct. 17, in preparation of the air show last weekend. Shown are Lt. Cmdr. Andre Webb of the Blue Angels and Clemons. Photo by Melissa Trevizo

San Jac mentor flies with Blue Angels

San Jacinto College social media coordinator **Jahmal Clemons** was recently given the opportunity of a lifetime.

He was chosen by the U.S. Navy Blue Angels as a 2018 Key Influencer and extended the opportunity to fly with the elite flight exhibition team on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

"I'm honored to be chosen for this opportunity," Clemons said. "I'm also excited about the feeling of going fast in the air and feeling no boundaries as you're zooming through."

Clemons was nominated by **Teri Crawford**, vice chancellor, marketing, public relations and government affairs at San Jacinto College because of his contributions to the community.

"Jahmal works hard not only at the college, but also in the community," Crawford said.

"His commitment to student success as well as his willingness to donate his time and talents to those around him, made his nomi-

nation an easy choice."

As an employee of San Jacinto College, Clemons donates his time by serving as a mentor in the Men of Honor/Women of Integrity program, a retention effort tasked with increasing transfer rates among Hispanic students and students of color and was recognized as an Outstanding Mentor by the program for the past two years.

Clemons also works with the Woods Project, an organization that provides area high school students weekend camping trips to local parks and serves as a Dual Learning Center volunteer in Pearland, where he tutors more than 30 students in mathematics and grammar who are in the process of obtaining their high school diploma.

As a Blue Angels' Key Influencer, Clemons also received a signed commemorative print from the Blue Angels team who performed at the Wings Over Houston airshow last Saturday, and Sunday.

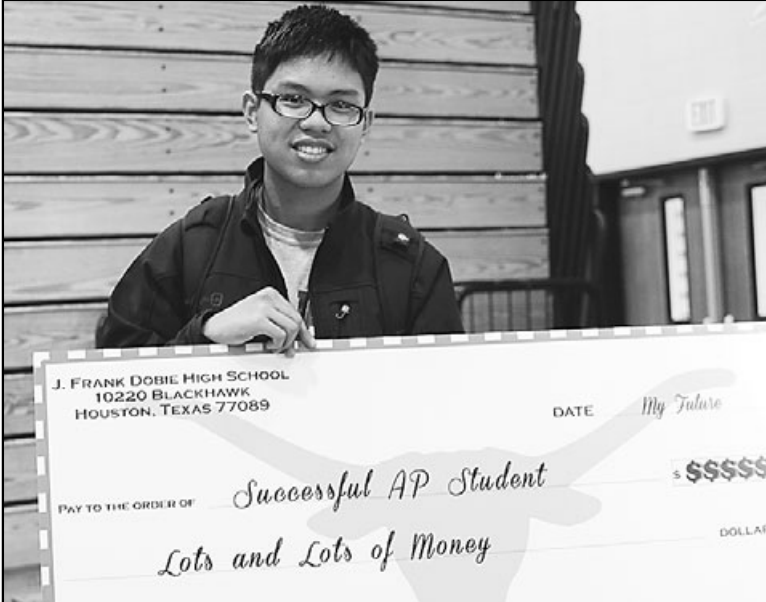
Dobie AP scholars celebrate scholarships

J. Frank Dobie High School celebrated their AP and Pre-AP scholars recently at a special ceremony where administrators handed out \$66,000 in checks to qualifying students.

High school students across the district earn \$100 for each AP test they pass by achieving a qualifying score of 3 or higher to earn college credit.

The award is Pasadena Independent School District's way of honoring the time commitment and work ethic required to take a college level course while in high school.

To find out more about the AP program at Pasadena ISD, visit <https://bit.ly/2yKHpzj>.



Shown above is **Hoang Le**, honored as one of the top AP scholars for J. Frank Dobie High School. Le received \$900 for passing nine AP tests, earning college credits.



AP scholars for Dobie High School are shown holding a check for "Lots and Lots of Money," left to right, **Mari-sa Soto, Joscelyn Martinez, Janah Naser, Angelina Sanchez** and **Nicolas Luna**. Photos submitted

Remember When

40 years ago (1978)

The city of Houston arson division was investigating the cause of a house fire at 10811 Sagemeadow after the home of **Judy Hinesley** was totally demolished.

The city's announced intent to annex some 100,000 residents, including subdivisions in the South Belt area caused mixed reactions among city officials and residents.

35 years ago (1983)

Trustees of the Clear Creek school district dropped the district's tax rate of 83 cents per \$100 valuation by 1 cent per \$100 valuation.

Dobie's boys' and girls' cross country teams won first place at the district meet.

30 years ago (1988)

Houston City Council voted unanimously in favor of city ordinances erasing the unification of the South Belt area.

J. Frank Dobie's auditorium erupted as more than 500 fourth- and fifth-graders joined with the South Belt Optimist Club and community leaders at the high school

for the annual Chicken Club rally.

25 years ago (1993)

Sharon Oakes, principal of **Frazier Elementary School**, spent a day on the roof of the school after losing a bet with her students. She bet the students that they couldn't beat the previous year's total in wrapping paper sales.

Charges were dismissed against **Constable Gary Freeman** and four other employees from his office when a former employee was found to have lied to a grand jury about the case.

20 years ago (1998)

City of Houston aviation department announced plans to spend \$216 million for the addition of new terminals at Hobby Airport and \$57 million for improvements for Ellington Field.

The South Belt Rotary Club, the first rotary in the world to charter with women as members, distributed \$11,000 in area scholarships and area charities as it was disbanding.

15 years ago (2003)

Frazier Elementary stu-

dents raised \$1,700 for the children at **Shriner's Hospital** burn center in Galveston by decorating pumpkins as storybook characters.

Local patrol deputies with **Constable Gary Freeman's** office arrested two burglars in the area. A patrol deputy received a call from a citizen who had witnessed a man going through vehicles in the Woodmeadow subdivision. The deputy arrived on the scene, but the suspect was gone. The deputy found the man and brought him back to the scene, where he was identified as the vehicle burglar.

10 years ago (2008)

A record number of early voters turned out for the general elections. The number of Harris County voters who cast their votes on the first day of early voting more than doubled the number who voted in the 2004 presidential election. According to the secretary of state's office, 68,502 Harris County voters cast their ballot on the first day of early voting as opposed to the 30,130 who cast their votes the previous

presidential election cycle.

Dobie celebrated its annual homecoming football game at **Newcomb Field** playing against the Pasadena Eagles. **Michael Schwartz** was crowned king and **Amber Calderon** was crowned queen. Dobie won the game, 23-7.

The Pasadena Independent School District released its academic statistics from the 2007-2008 school year. While the district made significant improvements by statewide standards, it fell short of meeting national requirements. As a whole, the district was rated "Acceptable." The district, however, failed to meet the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), as established by the national accountability system No Child Left Behind.

The Clear Creek Independent School District was rated by the Texas Education Agency as "Recognized" for the 2007-2008 school year for the 11th time in 12 years. Clear Brook High School was only one student short of meeting the criteria in the

area of mathematics among African-American students.

The 24th Wings Over Houston Airshow was held at Ellington Field, giving attendees a chance to view historic and modern aircraft.

5 years ago (2013)

All Pasadena Independent School District elementary schools were placed on high alert after district officials received a threat against an unknown campus. According to police, an adult male called a Houston-based crime tip line early that morning and merely said he planned to shoot up an elementary school with an AK-47. Police were able to trace the phone call to a hotel room in La Porte, and the caller was arrested.

1 year ago (2017)

The J. Frank Dobie homecoming king and queen were announced at the Longhorns game against the South Houston Trojans. **Sebastian Rodriguez Leal** was crowned king and **Aleida Gonzalez** was crowned queen. The Longhorns were defeated in the game, losing 34-7 to the Trojans.

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South Belt lists first-nine weeks awards

South Belt Elementary has released its list of awards for the first-nine weeks.

Math Wizards Kindergarten

Hassan Ali, Aubrey Batajas, Levie Benavidez, Liam Boyer, Rylee Broussard, Presli Carroll, Nathan Chavez, Camila Corpus, Dahlia Ellis, Sophia Franklin, Jesslynn Garcia, Ejaz Gill, Victor Hernandez, Julian Herrera, Amelia Hoang, Chelsea Huynh, Zayan Jaffri, Alora James, Ashlynn Langley and Collin Lewis.

Arielle Maldonado, Mari-ah Mendez, Londyn Moses, Dannie Nguyen, Phuc Nguyen, Quan Nguyen, Abriella Nguyen, Daniel Patterson, Romeo Perez, Carson Pham, Claudette Reyna, Zoe Ro-balino, Genesis Rodriguez, Josiah Salazar, Jorge San-chez, Awni Sharaf, Kelsie Snook-Bolling, Ayden Turner and Anthony Vu.

First Grade
Aubrey Arredondo, Rylee Bacon, Genesis Banda, Eli-jah Barron, Kaleah Barscock, Saif Bataineh, Dora Cam-pos, Robert Capers, Sofia Charles, Diego Davila, Ade-lyn Garza, Anthony Gonza-les, Rylee Hayes, Max Her-nandez and Simone Jones.

Sydney Landis, London Leal, Mateo Mancillas, Mat-thew Martinez, Breanna Mc-Neal, Jayden Miko, Jamison Miller, Aryan Nepal, Nathan Nnadi, Adan Palomares, Po-rus Pandey, Nyzir Petersen, Aaron Posadas and Kyle Ra-mos.

AJ Rodriguez, Viviana Salazar, Aubree Sandino, Addison Santiago, Evelyn Spears, Zoie Sudario, Alicia Sypien, Liam Thomas, Paris Valencia, Abby Villanueva, Hannah Walker, Anna Wilk-erson and Hussein Zamzam.

Second grade

Samuel Alexander, Sa-mantha Barazza, Maham Bukhari, Sabrina Cavazos, Lila Collazos, BrooklyN Coronado, Kate Dao, Jesse DeLeon, Delilah Deleon, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Myla Figueroa, Bryan Flores, Mikayla Gonzalez, Lance Goree, Chloe Graff, David Harris and Riley Hensley.

Sebastion Hernandez, Sophia Hernandez, Abygail Herrera, Jaden Jimenez, Da-vion Jones, Long Le, Pablo Lopez, Phuwadet Maingot, Mason Martinez, Brady Mc-Neal, Leile Monroe, Hillary Nguyen, Adiana Padilla, Abby Palma, Robert Pheis-ter, Brianna Scott, Nathan Torres and Evan Treadway.

All Stars Readers Kindergarten

Martin Acosta, Ghazal Alfai, Arian Banda, Aubrey Barajas, Levie Benavidez, Liam Boyer, Rylee Broussard, Safa Bukhari, Pres-li Carroll, Ava Castro, Mya Celestine, Sophia Chang, Nathan Chavez, Isaac Co-lon, Camila Corpus, Isa-bella Cruz, Andrew Duong, Sophia Franklin, Kai Gibbs, Angel Gil and Ejaz Gill.

Jacob Gonzales, Ame-lia Handal, Victor Hernan-dez, Julian Herrera, Made-line Herrera, Amelia Hoang, Chelsea Huynh, Zayan Jaffri, Rahim Jaffri, Alora James, Ashlynn Langley, Edina Lendsey, Collin Lewis, Ari-elle Maldonado, Matthew Martinez, Marzan Masud, Presley McMurry and Alaina Melchor.

Mariah Mendez, Emma Morey, Londyn Moses, Dan-nie Nguyen, Phuc Nguyen, Jacklyn Nguyen, Abriella Nguyen, Ryker Nix, Aarish Nizam, Maximus Ochoa, Daniel Patterson, Andrew Perez, Romeo Perez, Ethan Perez, Zion Peterson, Carson Pham and Claudette Reyna.

Emma Rios, Genesis Rodriguez, Jazzalyn Rojo, Eric Romero, Josiah Sala-zar, Luke Sanchez, Aubree Snook, Alexandra Soto, Audryna St.Romain, Jacob Stallings, Sarah Sufyan, Phillip Teng, Noah Thomas, Ayden Turner, Emma Villa, Anthony Vu and Aaron Wil-iams.

First Grade

Avery Aguilar, David Al-varenga, Aubrey Arredondo, Arian Banda, Genesis Ban-da, Elijah Barron, Kaleah Barscock, Saif Bataineh, Dora Campos, Elizabeth Carling, Mikey Castillo, Andres Cas-tillo, Geoffrey Charles, Sofia Charles, Diego Davila, Ade-lyn Garza, Rylee Hayes and Max Hernandez.

Simone Jones, Sydney Landis, London Leal, Mateo Mancillas, Matthew Marti-nez, Tabitha Mathis, Jamison Miller, Nathaniel Molina, Warren Nedd, Aryan Nepal, Alan Nguyen, Nathan Nnadi, Adan Palomares, Porus Pan-dey and Nyzir Peterson.

Aaron Posadas, Kyle Ra-mos, Ethan Ramsey, Jaden Richardson, AJ Rodriguez, Viviana Salazar, Aubree San-dino, David Sepulveda, Avah Sinks, Evelyn Spears, Zoie Sudario, Noelly Torres, Pa-ris Valencia, Hannah Walker, Anna Wilkerson and Hussein Zamzam.

Second grade

Samantha Barraza, Ash-ton Carter, Lila Collazos, Brooklyn Coronado, Carissa Cortez, Kate Dao, Jesse De-leon, Delilah Deleon, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Andrea Figueroa, Myla Figueroa, Gabby Franklin, Mia Gon-zalez, Mikayla Gonzalez and Lance Goree.

David Harris, Riley Hens-ley, Sebastian Hernandez, Sophia Hernandez, Elijah Hernandez, Abygail Herre-ra, Blake Hughes, Bradley Jones, Alice Lam, Chloe Maycott, Annie Nguye-n, Ethan Nguyen, Hillary Nguyen, Nicole Nnadi and Abby Palma.

Sakari Parker, Car-ter Pham, Robert Pheister, Daniel Ramirez, Melody Ramirez, Grayson Riley, Emily Rodriguez, Joshua Salazar, Marion Schroder, Nathan Torres, Evan Tread-way, Leonardo Trevino, Kai-sen Troxlar and Kelvin Wi-ley.

Perfect Attendance Kindergarten

Martin Acosta, Ghazal Alfai, Arian Banda, Aubrey Batajas, Levie Benavidez, Liam Boyer, Rylee Broussard, Safa Bukhari, Presli Carroll, Lielyn Castillo, Mia Celestine, Sophia Chang, Nathan Chavez, Isaac Co-lon, Camila Corpus, Isabel-la Cruz, Dahlia Ellis, Sophia Franklin, Angel Gil, Ejaz Gill and Jacob Gonzales.

Isaac Gonzales, Amelia Handal, Victor Hernandez, Janney Hernandez, Julian Herrera, Madeline Herre-ra, Amelia Hoang, Chelsea Huynh, Zayan Jaffri, Rahim Jaffri, Alora James, Edina Lendsey, Collin Lewis, Ari-elle Maldonado, Matthew Martinez, Presley McMurry, Alaina Melchor and Mariah Mendez.

Madison Monford, Lon-dyn Moses, Dannie Nguye-n, Phuc Nguyen, Abriella Nguyen, Ryker Nix, Aarish Nizam, Maximus Ochoa, Gabriella Padilla, Daniel Pat-terson, Romeo Perez, Zion Peterson, Carson Pham and Claudette Reyna.

Emma Rios, Genesis Ro-driguez, Eric Romero, Josiah Salazar, Luke Sanchez, Jorge Sanchez, Awni Sharaf, Aub-ree Snook, Alexandra Soto, Audryna St.Romain, Jacob Stallings, Sarah Sufyan, Phillip Teng, Nevaeh Thom-as, Anthony Vu, Aaron Wil-iams and Carter Williams.

First Grade

Cristina Alexander, Gen-esis Banda, Kaleah Barscock, Bryce Bond, Dora Campos, Robert Capers, Elizabeth Carling, Chacidy Carter, Mikey Castillo, Alessandra Cervantes, Geoffrey Charles, Diego Davila, Kinsley Free-man and Adelyn Garza.

Anthony Gonzales, Nat-alie Graff, Aubrey Hernan-dez, Max Hernandez, Xavi-er Jimenez, Simone Jones, Sydney Landis, Roland Lee, Mateo Mancillas, Matthew Martinez, Tabitha Mathis, Breanna McNeal, Jayden Miko, Warren Nedd, Aryan Nepal and Alan Nguyen.

Isaac Ortiz, Adan Palom-ares, Aaron Posadas, Kyle Ramos, Ethan Ramsey, AJ Rodriguez, Mason Rogers, Viviana Salazar, Aubree San-dino, Keona Smith, Carlos Soto, Evelyn Spears, Alicia Sypien, Hannah Walker and Hussein Zamzam.

Second grade

Jaime Alvarez, Chris Alvarez, Samantha Barra-za, Brock Bernard, Maham Bukhari, Lola Carrizal, Ash-ton Carter, Sabrina Cavazos, TJ Charles, Alexander Chavez, Brooklyn Coro-nado, Carissa Cortez, Kate Dao, Emilio De, Delilah De-leon, Ruby Dent, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Andrea Figueroa, Myla Figueroa, Bryan Flores and Christo-pher Forero.

Gabby Franklin, Jeramias Fred, Vinny Garcia, Alynna Gonzales, Mia Gonzalez, Mikayla Gonzalez, Lance Goree, Chloe Graff, Ily Gray, Howard Green, Aaron Guillen, David Harris, Sophia Hernandez, Elijah Hernandez, Abygail Her-rera, Durriyah Hill, Blake Hughes, Ramon Jaramil-lo, Jaden Jimenez, Bradley Jones and Soha Khan.

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Daniel Ramirez, Dahl-ia Reyes, Edward Reyn-olds, Grayson Riley, Joshua Salazar, Levi Sanchez, John Sanchez, Nathaniel Simp-son, Nathan Torres, Kallie Troxlar, Maximus Villela, Brandon Vivier, Christina Vu, Oscar Yanez and Ghazal Zamzam.

Third grade

Jacob Aguirre, Noah Ale-man, Hashim Ali, Isaiah Ambriz, Shelby Armstrong,

Alijah Banda, Idunu Baru-wa-Etti, Aja Breaux, Ana-bella Cancel, Elizabeth Cer-vantes, Khloe Chavez, Adam Cid, Karaline Cronan, Kayla De Robles, Kenya Delong Thompson, Issac DeLu-na, Trent Edwards, Miguel Galan and Isabella Gonzales.

Julian Gonzalez, Josue Herrera, Jaylen Hill, Lariah Houston, Rya Hurd, Natha-lie Huynh, Gabriel Laurila, Elizabeth Lopez, Andres Lo-pe, Isaiiah Machado, Jayme Martinez, Caylee Martinez, Donovan Martinez, Brandon McNeal, David Melchor, Luke Monford and Santiago Morales.

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Dexter Sullivan, Alec Tamegnon, Nala Tealer, Au-drey Teters, Kayla Thomas, Krystal Thomas, Michael Timmons, Benson Ton, Christopher Torres, Les-lie Torres, Justin Tran and Johnnath Villela.

Fourth grade

Olivia Antoine, Nathan Arriaga, Paige Bernard, Brooke Bond, JadyN Cantu, Roland Cardoza, Savannah Castillo, Mariya Colbert, Kh-loe Coronado, Leslie Cos-ta, Kyleigh Dorsey, Anahai Echeverria, Alyssa Espino-za, Alaina Espinoza, Macy Figueroa, Matthew Garcia, Tristan Gause, Nathan Gay-tan and Romeo Gill.

Dayona Goldsby, Kyler Gomez, Ayzel Gonzalez, Alyssa Goree, Vivian Hang, Kingston Hernandez, Alex-ia Hoang, Brianna Huesca, Carolyn Jaramillo, Anthony Jennings, Marina Kostiko-glou, Allyssa Laurila, Sheyla Le, Hayden Limas, Audrey Lopez, Jordan Maldonado, Felipe Martinez, Jace Mc-Call, Kellan McCalla, Kailen McLaren and Mariana Me-jia.

Adlin Mena, Mohammad Mian, Dylan Mohwinkel, Evan Mora, Zainab Navee-d, Andrew Nguyen, Cody Nguyen, Nicholas Nguyen, Ethan Pereida, Jeremiah Pe-rez, Juliana Perez, Matthew Perez, Jonny Pham, Ken-drick Ramos, Aubree Ro-driguez, Nelson Rodriguez, Aven Hilario Ruiz, Matthew Salazar, Matthew Salinas, Katerline Salinas, Emily Salinas and Manuel Sanchez.

Donovan Serna, Jamaya Simmons, Christine Simp-son, Alex Soria, Jayda Stew-art, Evan Taylor, Ashley Teng, Sara Teng, Issac Ur-quieta, Faith Vazquez, Katia Vazquez, Aiden Vega, Alex Vouffo, Nathan Vu, Herbert Wallace, A'zyla Williams, Kyland Willridge, Luis Yates and Heather Yount.

Outstanding Citizen Award Kindergarten

Rylee Broussard, Safa Burkhari, Sophia Franklin, Madeline Herrera, Collin Lewis, Madison Monford, Dannie Nguyen, Jorge San-chez, Awni Sharaf and Jacob Stallings.

Third grade

Hashim Ali, Isaiiah Am-briz, Langston Edwards, Madison Foster, Adrian Garza, Jasmin Hernandez, Caylee Martinez, Paula Me-drano, Emma Olvera, Jordyn Rodriguez, Dexter Sullivan and Hayden Walker.

Fourth grade

Isabella Gonzalez, Alex-ia Hoang, Allyssa Laurila, Kelvin Lopez, Adlin Mena, Katerlinh Moore, Zainab Naveed, Nicholas Nguyen, Evan Taylor, Sara Teng, Ja-bari Venson and Alex Vouffo.

Principal's Award First grade

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Christian Garza, Adelyn Garza, Anthony Gonzales, Natalie Graff, Rylee Hayes, Aubrey Hernandez, Max Hernandez, Xavier Jimenez, Simone Jones, Sydney Landis, London Leal, Mateo Mancillas, Matthew Mar-tinez, Tabitha Mathis and Jayden Miko.

Jamison Miller, Nathaniel Molina, Aiden Mosby, War-ren Nedd, Aryan Nepal, Sha-ron Nguyen, Alan Nguyen, Isaac Ortiz, Nikolas Padilla, Adan Palomares, Nyzir Pe-terson, Aaron Posadas, Kyle Ramos, Ethan Ramsey, Jaden Richardson, Estefania Rodri-guez and AJ Rodriguez.

Mason Rogers, Ethan Rojo, Viviana Salazar, Aub-ree Sandino, Addison San-tiago, David Sepulveda, Ke-on Smith, Evelyn Spears, Zoie Sudario, Alicia Sypien, Liam Thomas, Paris Valen-cia, Abby Villanueva, Han-nah Walker, Anna Wilkerson and Hussein Zamzam.

Second grade

Raiden Adamo, Samuel Alexander, Saleen Alvara-do, Jaime Alvarez, Chris Alvarez, Samantha Barra-za, Brock Bernard, Maham Bukhari, Maddi Campos, Lola Carrizal, Ashton Car-ter, Gabriel Castillo, Sabrina Cavazos, Alexander Chavez, Lila Collazos, Brooklyn Coronado and Carissa Cor-tez.

Kaci Curry Shepard, Emilio De la Garza, Tori De-hoyos, Jesse Deleon, Delilah Deleon, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Andrea Figueroa, Bryan Flores, Christopher Forero, Gabby Franklin, Al-ynna Gonzales, Mia Gon-zalez, Mikayla Gonzalez, Lance Goree, Chloe Graff, Ily Gray, Howard Green and Aaron Guillen.

David Harris, Eriecal Hen-derson, Riley Hensley, Se-bastian Hernandez, Sophia Hernandez, Jeanette Hernan-dez, Abygail Herrera, Durri-yah Hill, Blake Hughes, Ramon Jaramillo, Jaden Jemenez, Davion Jones, Bradley Jones, Alessandra Labra, Alice Lam, Jayda Lasker, Long Le and Isaiiah Lopez.

Pablo Lopez, Phuwadet Maingot, Mason Martinez, Juliet Martinez, Brittney May, Chloe Maycott, Gabri-el Melchor, Aubrie Mendez, Kaynat Mian, Annie Nguye-n, Ethan Nguyen, Hillary Nguyen, Ava Ortiz, Adiana Padilla, Abby Palma, Sakari Parker and Carter Pham.

Melody Ramirez, Dahlia Reyes, Grayson Riley, Emily Rodriguez, Joshua Salazar, Levi Sanchez, Marion Schro-der, Brianna Scott, Nathan-iel Simpson, Giselle Tran, Evan Treadway, Leonardo Trevino, Kallie Troxlar, Kai-sen Troxlar, Maximus Ville-la, Brandon Vivier, Laylah West, Clio Wright, Ghazal Zamzam and Essence Zsig-ray.

Third grade

Alec Tamegnon, Abriel-la Sanchez, Adrian Garza, Alijah Banda, Julie Rich, Kayleigh Broussard, Kenya Delong Thompson, Liliana Salazar, Paula Medrano, Rya Hurd, Alayna Rodriguez, Aly Garza, Emma Parker, Hailey Naughton, Hashim Ali, Idunu Baruwa-Etti, Isa-iah Machado, Jacob Aguirre, Rayme Martinez, Joseph Bello and Kinora Ploucha.

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Annie Andrews, Audrey Teters, Braden Bell, Don-ovan Martinez, Elizabeth Cervantes, Emma Olvera, Emma Stone, Hassan Zam-zam, Isaiiah Ambriz, Josue Herrera, Juwayriyah Ali, Karson Edwards, Makayla Salazar, Santiago Morales, Sophie Centeno, Valerie Martinez, Andres Lopez and Benson Ton.

Fourth grade

Ibrahim Ali, Ayan Alija-fri, Olivia Antoine, Jaslyn Arrendondo, Nathan Arriaga, Ibrahim Asif, Paige Bernard, Brooke Bond, Evan Bowden, Alexandria Byrd, JadyN Can-tu, Roland Cardoza, Savan-nah Castillo, Jayden Cas-tro, Mariya Colbert, Khloe Coronado, Leslie Costa, Mia Creekmore, Kyleigh Dorsey and Alana Espinoza.

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Hayden Limas, Audrey Lopez, Jordan Maldonado, Felipe Martinez, Jace Mc-Call, Kellan McCalla, Kellan McCalla, Mariana Mejia, Ad-lin Mena, Mohammad Aneeq Mian, Dylan Mohwinkel, Morgan Momie, Katerlinh Moore, Evan Mora, Zainab Naveed, Andrew Nguyen, Hayly Nguyen, Cody Nguye-n, Nicholas Nguyen, Justin Nguyen, Luciano Padilla and Ethan Pereida.

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Super Steers First grade

Alessandra Cervantes, Sofia Charles, Arian Faulk-ner, Christian Garza, Mathew Martinez, Alan Nguye-n, Jaden Richardson, Carlos Soto, Zoie Sudario and Han-nah Walker.

Second grade

Samuel Alexander, Alex-ander Chavez, Kate Dao, Jes-se Deleon, Delilah Deleon, Mia Gonzalez, Chloe Graff, Elijah Hernandez, Durriyah Hill, Gabriel Melchor, Ava Ortiz and Grayson Riley.

Honor Roll Third grade

Juwayriyah Ali, Isaiiah Ambriz, Aja Breaux, Natha-lie Huynh, Miguel Johnson, Grace Nguyen and Alayna Rodriguez.

Fourth grade

Ayan AlihJaffri, Olivia An-toine, Vivian Hang, Allyssa Laurila, Audrey Lopez, Ad-lin Mena, Dylan Mohwinkel, Morgan Momie and Kend-rick Ramos.

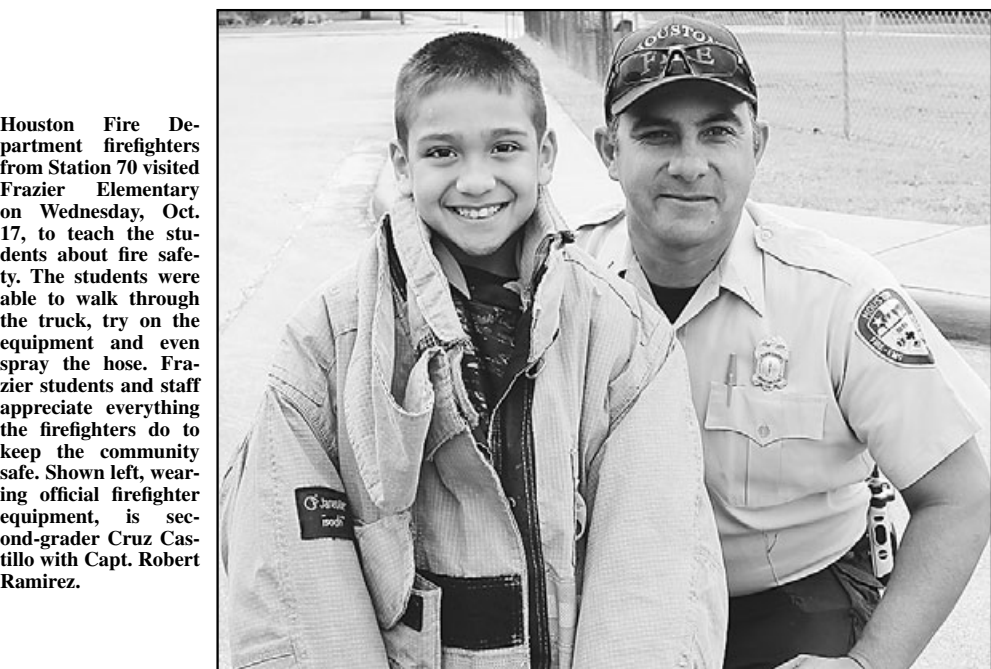
Merit Roll Third grade

Jacob Aguirre, Hashim Ali, Elizabeth Cervantes, Kayla De Robles, Aly Garza, Jas-min Hernandez, Crysta Keim, Isaiash Machado, Luke Mon-ford, Lisa Ngo, Mia Nguyen, Emma Olvera, Emma Parker, Gabriela Ramirez, Bella Rus-sell, Logan Stewart and Dex-ter Sullivan.

Fourth grade

Ibrahim Ali, Nathan Ar-riaga, Ibrahim Asif, Jayden Castro, Macy Figueroa, Bri-anna Huesca, Marina Kostik-oglou, Andrew Nguyen, Hayly Nguyen, Aubree Ro-driguez, Samantha Trevino, Jetziel Velasquez, Nathan Vu and Rachel Wilson.

Station 70 firefighters visit Frazier



Houston Fire Department firefighters from Station 70 visited Frazier Elementary on Wednesday, Oct. 17, to teach the students about fire safety. The students were able to walk through the truck, try on the equipment and even spray the hose. Frazier students and staff appreciate everything the firefighters do to keep the community safe. Shown left, wearing official firefighter equipment, is second-grader Cruz Castillo with Capt. Robert Ramirez.

With the help of the firefighters, Frazier students had the opportunity to spray the fire hose. Shown right are pre-K student Chloe Baldauf, spraying the fire hose with the assistance of firefighter Alvaro Aguirre, while Capt. Robert Ramirez (sitting) and engineer operator David Selmon (standing) watch.

Shown below with their very own firefighter helmets are kindergarteners, left to right, Kyle Nguyen, Elianni Ortega, Piper Stokes and Anthony Ramirez.



San Jacinto releases calendar briefs

San Jacinto College has released its calendar briefs.

Priority registration for currently enrolled students

Registration for spring 2019 classes is now open for students who are currently enrolled at San Jacinto College, including all incoming students. The spring 2019 semester begins on Monday, Jan. 14, 2019. For more information, visit sanjac.edu/apply-register/overview/registration.

2018 winter mini-registration

Registration for the winter 2018 mini-semester is now open for all students through Thursday, Dec. 13. Beginning Dec. 14, payment is due upon registration. For more information, visit sanjac.edu/apply-register/overview/reg

istration.

Jay Kacherski guitar master class

The San Jacinto College Central campus music department will host a guitar master class with Jay Kacherski on Friday, Oct. 26, at 1:30 p.m., in the Monte Blue Music Building (Building C5). For more information, contact Geneva Fort at geneva.fort@sjcd.edu or call 281-476-1832.

Fall Fest

The San Jacinto College South campus will host its annual Fall Fest on Friday, Oct. 26, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the campus student center (Building S11) and adjacent parking lots. There will be a costume contest held inside the student center at 6:45 p.m. Parents are required to register their children beforehand

at the sign-in desk located at the student center entrance. Line up for the costume contest will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m., and the contest will begin at 6:45 p.m. with the infant to two-year-old age group.

Texas Tech transfer recruiter visit

A transfer recruiter from Texas Tech University will be at the north campus on Monday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Building 6 lobby. For more information, contact Lauren Estrada at lauren.estrada@ttu.edu.

Scholarship application deadline

The San Jacinto College Foundation scholarship application deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 30. For more information and to complete a schol-

arship application, visit sjcd.academicworks.com.

STEM student-employer meet-up

The San Jacinto College North campus will host a STEM student-employer meet-up on Tuesday, Oct. 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in Building 33, room N33.101. Students, alumni and employers are invited to engage in networking, recruiting and industry education. Discussions about full-time, part-time and internship opportunities are also encouraged. Participating employer organizations are encouraged to bring alumni to the event to connect with fellow San Jacinto College students and share their experiences. For more information, contact Jiselle Wilson at jiselle.wilson@sjcd.edu.

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Candidates answer *Leader* questions

Continued from Page 3A and arrests for fine-only offenses. I also plan to introduce legislation to improve behavioral health in our schools, improve our school accountability system, and provide notice to renters of flood risk.

Do you support sanctuary cities? (50 words or less)

The phrase “sanctuary city” is a misnomer. I support creating laws that support an environment where people are not afraid to inform law enforcement of threats to themselves, their families, or their community’s safety.

Do you believe the state needs to reform its public school funding system? If so, what do you recommend? (100 words or less)

Yes. The state needs to pick up a larger portion of public school funding. Additionally, we need to fix our school funding formula which has not been fully revised since the 1980s. We also need to fund full-day quality Pre-K - I have introduced a bill to do this the last two sessions and plan to introduce it again. Public education should be a top priority for the state, because education is the great equalizer.

There is currently a debate on whether or not some “early college high school” courses are transferable to four-year universities. What is your position on this? (50 words or less)

I support “early college high school” courses as a way to better prepare students for college and lessen the financial burden of paying for college. All Texas public schools, colleges, and universities should adopt a uniform policy to minimize confusion, and make clear what students will receive credit for.

Washingtons visit *Europe, Egypt*



David and Josh Washington took a father-and-son vacation to Rome and Amsterdam. Josh, who works as a civilian in Iraq, is allowed to be home 35 days out of the year. Instead of flying home, he treated his dad to the vacation. Shown above, David (left) and Josh



take in the architecture in Rome. The duo also visited the infamous Colosseum while in Rome. Shown below, David experiences the inside of the Colosseum. Shown above right, David enjoys the scenery in Amsterdam.

Photos submitted



David and Josh enjoyed one week in Rome and in Amsterdam. Shown right, David (left) and Josh stand outside the Colosseum. After their vacation was over, Josh traveled to Egypt where he stayed three days. Shown below, Josh visits what is known as one of the Seven Wonders of the World, the ancient pyramids in Giza, Egypt. Josh also experienced some of the native transportation still used in Egypt, camels.



Burnett celebrates *October Mathematicians*



Burnett Elementary celebrated the October Mathematicians of the Month. A student from each class was recognized for thinking and talking like a mathematician. Shown with their certificates are, left to right, (front row) Jackselly Cortez, Konnor Magana, Daniel Zanetti, Sophia Nguyen, Gibson Jordan, Malaika Farr, and Yaira Hernandez, (back row) Andy Phan, Ngoc Nguyen, Anderson Aviles, Alejandra Quintanilla and Jonathan Chavarria.

Photo by Lisa Baumann

Hobby getting lost items returned

Whether you're rushing to board a plane or you're exhausted from a long night, a stressful day, or a long flight, it can be easy to leave something behind.

William P. Hobby Airport recognizes that effective lost and found services can make a very favorable impression on a customer's feelings about an airport. With that as a major factor, Hobby opened a Lost and Found storefront to provide better and more immediate value to customers who need the service.

Hobby is constantly working to take customer service to the next level, and Traci Rutoski, interim manager for international services, teamed with Trai Hicks, assistant customer service manager, and led the effort to create a storefront where passengers can go and talk to a “real person” about a missing item.

Hicks said that hundreds of items are lost and returned at Hobby each year, and the storefront will improve and increase the immediacy of people getting their property back more quickly.

In the month of August, 30 items were reported lost at Hobby, while 209 items were found. Fifty-five items were matched with their owners and 54 were successfully returned. The HAS Lost and Found website received slightly more than 17,400 visitors in August.

Hicks said that lost items are often typical - cell phones, identification cards, keys, iPads, medicine, jewelry, wallets, purses, clothing and much more.

Rutoski added that many times items are lost because people are in a rush and forget the item. “They might set their items down and walk away, or items can fall out of their bags and they just not know,” she said.

Hobby, as do many airports, actually has three separate lost and founds. The HAS Lost and Found is one, the Transportation Security Administration Lost and Found is another, and the various airlines have their own Lost and Found within the airport.

Each entity makes a genuine effort to assist customers who lose items. The Hobby storefront is already making a difference and customers have already expressed appreciation at being able to talk face-to-face to a “live person” and applauded the personal service.

Cheryl Barber is HAS's customer service representative, and she takes great pride and satisfaction in helping customers in need. Barber recalled a recent experience with a Louisiana businesswoman who lost her portfolio and iPad on a recent trip and reached out to Barber. Barber

recovered her belongings and after considerable back-and-forth, through conversations and a signed letter of permission from the owner, was able to pass her items on to a friend going through Hobby.

Prior to the storefront, Hobby's Lost and Found services ran through Landside Operations.

“We're trying to take as much of the lost-and-found responsibility from them as we can,” Rutoski said, “so that they can focus on regulations and airport inspections and corrective actions' activities.”

The storefront is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. On weekends, Landside Ops continues to assist passengers.

The storefront took less than six weeks to get up and running, and it is located near baggage claim, an ideal spot because many people miss place or lose items in that vicinity.

Barber stressed the importance of two-way communication in the process. She receives a lot of calls and makes it a point to reach back out, even if their items haven't been found. “Hobby makes every effort to try and help,” she said.

Losing valuables during travel is no fun, but Hobby is making every effort to create happy endings as much as possible.

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SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

JFD cross-country's Padilla, Singleton wrap it up at regionals

What a season it was for the Dobie High School girls' cross-country program. Freshman Izzy Padilla and Amari Singleton starred all season as the Lady Longhorns placed two runners at the Region III Championships for

the first time in years in just head coach Mo Hickman's second season.

Few expected Padilla or Singleton, now a two-time regional qualifier, to medal at the 2018 Region III meet. They didn't, yet they more than made their community, school and teammates proud.

In the end, Padilla, a freshman multi-sport

competitor at Dobie, placed 63rd overall in the 6A Region III event, with Singleton 69th Oct. 22, in Huntsville.

Padilla was the top female finisher in Pasadena ISD at the regional, clocking in at 20 minutes, 48.90 seconds. Singleton was in at 21:00.50.

Of interest, the top three finishers in the Re-

gion III girls' 5000-meter race were sophomores.

Cinco Ranch's Heidi Neilson was the overall champion at 18:17.10, with Atascocita's Avery Clover, the District 22-6A champion a week ago, second at regionals with a time of 18:38.80.

Cinco Ranch sophomore Sophie Atkinson placed third at 18:42.10.

In the varsity boys' race, La Porte's Ryan Schoppe, the 22-6A champion in 2017, was the easy overall winner as he completed the varsity boys' 5,000-meter course in a time of 15:29.10.

Clear Brook senior Sebastian Koran finished his career at regionals by placing 95th overall, turning in a time of 17:45.50.

Tompkins was the 6A boys' team champion, with Strake Jesuit a distant second and Seven Lakes third. Kingwood, the 22-6A titlist, was fourth at regionals.

On the girls' side of things, Stratford was the top team, with Tompkins second and Houston Memorial third.

Elsewhere from the

Pasadena ISD ranks, Rayburn High School's Nick Cisneros advanced to state as an individual, winding up 21st with his time of

16:35.90. The Rayburn girls' were 11th in the final team standings, with the Texan boys 16th in the final tallies.

Pioneers' Miller claims D7 crown

Lutheran South Academy's Noah Miller put on a show at the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools District 7 Cross-Country Championships, winning the varsity boys' overall titlist honor.

Miller, a senior, covered the 5,000-meter course in a time of 17 minutes,

14:91 seconds to win the D7 championship, helping the Pioneers' to a fourth place team finish.

The Lady Pioneers' top competitor over the 3,200-meter course was Annabelle Clark, who

crossed the finish line in a time of 14:52.48 for 21st

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Dobie freshman Izzy Padilla (left) completed her debut season by taking 63rd overall at regionals, with sophomore teammate, a two-time regional qualifier, 69th in the same 5,000-meter race Oct. 22 in Huntsville. Courtesy photo

Dobie vs. Rayburn Fri., Oct. 26, 7 p.m. PISD Veterans

After a loss at Atascocita Oct. 19, Dobie's varsity football playoff chances boil down to a three-game stretch, beginning Oct. 26 at home against a winless Sam Rayburn team. After that, the Longhorns will take on South Houston Nov. 2 in a game that is likely to hold huge postseason implications for both teams. Dobie then closes the regular season Nov. 8 against Memorial. At right, Dobie first-year head coach Kevin Berneathy (right) has been the front man in Dobie's 4-3 start to this point and hopes his group can deliver that strong finish.

Photo by Jade Wise



Atascocita loss aside, Dobie looks to Rayburn

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

Is Dobie on a playoff collision course with current Class 6A top-ranked North Shore?

Or will South Houston ultimately win out on what at present is a battle for one of the four available playoff seeds in District 22-6A.

Does Memorial, a playoff team the past four seasons, have what it takes to get back by downing South Houston and Dobie down the stretch?

While it is far too early to discuss a possible JFD/NSHS clash in the bidistrict playoff round come the third week of November, there are a couple of things that are coming to the forefront as the District 22-6A schedule winds down.

Things could certainly change, but it appears that Atascocita, Summer Creek and Kingwood are on the way to the postseason, with a single berth still available.

Despite a 44-7 loss at Atascocita Oct. 19 that dropped the varsity team to 4-3 overall this season, including 2-3 in District 22-6A action, things still

look bright for the burnt orange and white.

With fellow Pasadena ISD competitors Sam Rayburn, South Houston and Memorial coming in that order over the next three weeks, the Longhorns certainly control their own postseason destiny.

No offense to Sam Rayburn, but the Texans are winless this season and have seen their roster whittled to 30 or so players down the stretch.

In other words, Dobie should in fact get its fifth overall win of the season

Oct. 26, leading to a huge showdown with South Houston Nov. 2.

For now, Dobie will focus its sole concentration on the Texans, but there figures to be bigger things in store for the Longhorns as the varsity program

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Wolverines back to work after break

The bye week now aside, the Clear Brook varsity football team is set to get back to work, with a playoff berth still within reach.

It won't be easy as the Wolverines will next face Dickinson Friday, Oct. 26, at Clear Creek ISD's

Challenger Columbia Stadium. Undefeated through six games, Dickinson shockingly fumbled a 28-fourth-quarter lead against Clear Springs in an eventual 35-28 loss Oct. 19.

Now, the Wolverines and Gators are both looking to close strong as the

respective playoff contenders in District 24-6A begin to seek positioning.

For Clear Brook, making the playoffs will almost assuredly mean having to win each of its final three games — beginning with Dickinson. Brook also

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Brook gets George Ranch; JFD vs. DP

The regular season now complete, it's off to the bidistrict volleyball playoffs for the Clear Brook and Dobie programs.

Clear Brook, which swept past Alvin and Clear Lake to finish 7-5 in District 24-6A play for fourth place, will now face District 23-6A champion

George Ranch in the bidistrict round of the playoffs.

Dobie, meanwhile, went 10-6 in the District 22-6A race and is preparing to go against former longtime district foe Deer Park in the bidistrict round.

The Lady Wolverines closed out their regular

Bidistrict VB Playoffs

Dobie vs. Deer Park
Tuesday, Oct. 30
Phillips Field House, 7 p.m.
Clear Brook vs. George Ranch
Tuesday, Oct. 30
Hopson Field House, 6 p.m.

McDonald's invitational to sell \$5 raffle tickets

Local basketball fans have a chance to walk away with a couple of rare items, courtesy of the McDonald's Texas Invitational basketball tournament.

Event organizers have begun a raffle project that will allow participants the chance to win either a 1994-1995 Houston Rockets NBA Championship team autographed basketball.

A rare size 10 pair of Air Jordan IX Travis Scott

Limited Edition basketball shoes will also be raffled.

The \$5 raffle tickets are on sale now at the Pasadena ISD Education Foundation office, and tickets will also be available at any of the MTI tournament playing sites Nov. 15-17.

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PISD Gridiron winners ready to compete again

Third- through sixth-grade students from each of the Pasadena ISD's elementaries as well as sixth-grade campuses took part in the 2018 Gridiron Games, with much success.

Formerly known as the Punt, Pass and Kick contest, the Gridiron Games challenged the participants to perform as their best while running a 40-yard dash, throwing a football, kicking a football off of a tee and punting a football for both distance and accuracy.

Students first had to place within the top-two at their individual school competitions before being invited to Veterans Stadium in Pasadena for the districtwide event Oct. 18.

The first- through third-place district finishers from the districtwide event are listed below.

The Pasadena ISD winners are now eligible to take part in the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Winter games coming in January.

8-9-year-old Girls
1st – Ariana Cantu, Williams
2nd – Liliana Garcia, Richey
2nd – Amaya Rodriguez, Sparks

8-9-year-old Boys
1st – Oscar Hernandez, Bush
2nd – Branson Britton, Stuchbery
2nd – Angel Lezama, Golden Acres

10-11-year-old Girls
1st – Mia Garza, Sullivan
2nd – Mia Campos, Morris
2nd – Biyanna Hernandez, Keller

10-11-year-old Boys
1st – Logan Johnson, Lomax
2nd – Kevin Martinez, Morris
3rd – Da’marcus Hodges, Kendrick
3rd – Kevin Moya, Parks

12-13-year-old Girls
1st – Jena Rosas, Lomax
2nd – Victoria Perrett, Sullivan
2nd – Cierra Ramirez, Schneider

12-13-year-old Boys
1st – TaVareon Jones, Melillo
2nd – Jeremiah King, Morris
3rd – Jonathan Hernandez, Keller

1st – Ivan Arrendondo, Lomax
2nd – Michael Matthews, DeZavalla
3rd – Omar Sema, Milstead

Sports Calendar

BASKETBALL
Saturday, Oct. 27
Dobie girls all levels at Atascocita scrimmage, TBA

Friday and Saturday, Nov. 2-3
Dobie freshman B girls hosts tourn., TBA

Monday, Nov. 5
Dobie varsity girls host Friendswood, 7:00
Dobie JV girls host Friendswood, 5:30
Dobie freshman A girls host Friendswood, 4:00

Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 8-10
Dobie varsity girls at Baytown Tip-Off Classic, TBA

VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Oct. 25
Thompson 8th Light at PISD tourn., TBA
Thompson 7th Light at PISD tourn., TBA
Beverly Hills 8th Light at PISD tourn., TBA
Beverly Hills 7th Light at PISD tourn., TBA

FOOTBALL
Thursday, Oct. 25
Brook JV Black at Dickinson, Vitanza, 4:30
Brook JV Red at Dickinson, Vitanza, 6:00
Dobie JV Orange vs. Rayburn, Auxiliary, 6:15
Dobie JV White vs. Sweeny, Auxiliary, 4:30
Brook freshman Black hosts Dickinson, 4:30
Brook freshman Red hosts Dickinson, 6:00
Dobie freshman Orange vs. Rayburn, campus, 4:30
Dobie freshman White vs. Rayburn, campus, 4:30

Friday, Oct. 26
Dobie varsity vs. Rayburn, Veterans, 7:00
Brook varsity hosts Dickinson, Challenger, 7:00

Monday, Oct. 29
PISD 8th Grade Intermediate playoffs, TBA

Tuesday, Oct. 30
PISD 7th Grade Intermediate playoffs, TBA

Thursday, Nov. 1
Dobie JV Orange vs. South Houston, Auxiliary, 6:15
Dobie JV White vs. South Houston, Auxiliary, 4:30
Brook JV Black hosts Alvin, 4:30
Brook JV Red hosts Alvin, 6:15
Dobie frosh Orange hosts South Houston, campus, 4:30
Dobie frosh White hosts South Houston, campus, 4:30
Brook frosh Black at Alvin, 4:30
Brook frosh Red at Alvin, 6:15

Friday, Nov. 2
Brook varsity at Alvin, Alvin ISD Memorial, 7:00
Dobie varsity vs. South Houston, PISD Veterans, 7:00

BAFL Oct. 20 Scores					
	Sr.	Jr.	Soph.	Fr.	PW
Dolphins	14	6	0	6	27
Cowboys	0	41	1	6	0

Bay Area Football League First Round Playoff Games

Senior Division Saturday, Oct. 27 at Alvin Raiders

8 a.m. – Hurricanes vs. 49ers (pee wee)
9 a.m. – Wildcats vs. 49ers
10:45 a.m. – Sharks vs. Cowboys
12:30 p.m. – Hurricanes vs. Longhorns
2:15 p.m. – Texans vs. Eagles

Sophomore Division Saturday, Oct. 27 at El Franco Lee Park

8 a.m. – Bulls vs. Longhorns (pee wee)
9 a.m. – Hurricanes vs. Eagles
10:45 a.m. – Sharks vs. 49ers
12:30 p.m. – Texans vs. Wildcats
2:15 p.m. – Cowboys vs. Raiders

Junior Division Saturday, Oct. 27 at Blackhawk Park

8 a.m. – Texans vs. Dolphins (pee wee)
9 a.m. – 49ers vs. Longhorns
10:45 a.m. – Texans vs. Eagles
12:30 p.m. – Cowboys vs. Bulls
2:15 p.m. – Hurricanes vs. Sharks

Freshman Division Saturday, Oct. 27 at Pearland Dad’s Club

8 a.m. – Sharks vs. Patriots (pee wee)
9 a.m. – Hurricanes vs. Cowboys
10:45 a.m. – Sharks vs. Dolphins
12:30 p.m. – Texans vs. Eagles
2:15 p.m. – Longhorns vs. Patriots

Clear Brook, Dobie girls’ basketball schedules released

New head coaches, and certainly a few new players added to the mix.

There’s plenty of optimism surrounding the Clear Brook and Dobie girls’ basketball programs as the 2018-2019 regular season nears its start.

At Clear Brook, Brandon Hudson is now in charge of the Lady Wolverines program, replacing the departed Garrett Hilton.

Prior to arriving at Clear Brook High School, Hudson was the assistant girls’ head coach at Spring Westfield the past four years, has been named the girls’ head basketball coach at Clear Brook High School.

Hudson, a Texas Tech graduate, lifted the Westfield subvarsity programs to new heights over his four season after enjoying success as an assistant for two years in the Lubbock Estacado boys’ basketball program.

Hudson is looking to help the Lady Wolverines back to the postseason after a few seasons of near misses.

Clear Springs has dominated the District 24-6A landscape for decades under the direction of former Brook head coach Pamela Crawford, but Hudson aims at getting the Lady Wolverines back on the postseason bracket.

At Dobie, the Lady Longhorns also have a new direction. Longtime head coach Shane Brown retired last season after leading the program to back-to-back district titles.

Now, former University of Oklahoma player Jasmine Hartman is leading the Lady Longhorns into this season and beyond.

Dobie has won those two league titles, but the new District 22-6A landscape figures to be a bit tougher with the arrival of the likes of Atascocita, Summer Creek and Kingwood through realignment.

Clear Brook is set to open its regular season with a series of games against Crosby at home Nov. 2. The varsity game will begin at 6:30 p.m.


As for Dobie, the Lady Longhorns are preparing to host Friendswood in the season opener Monday, Nov. 5. That game is also at 7 p.m.

Clear Brook and Dobie will also be part of the tournament field at the Baytown Tip-Off Classic Nov. 8-10, hosted by Baytown Lee.

Dobie High School		
Varsity Girls' Basketball Schedule		
Date	Opponent	Time
Oct. 27	at Atascocita scrimmage	TBA
Oct. 30	host scrimmage at Dobie	TBA
Nov. 5	Friendswood	7 p.m.
Nov. 8-10	at Baytown Tip-Off Classic	TBA
Nov. 13	at Alvin	7 p.m.
Nov. 15-17	McDonald's Texas Invite	TBA
Nov. 19	at Dulles	noon
Nov. 27	Clements	7 p.m.
Dec. 4	*Summer Creek	7 p.m.
Dec. 7	*at Pasadena	7 p.m.
Dec. 11	*Humble	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	*at Kingwood	7 p.m.
Dec. 18	*Atascocita	7 p.m.
Dec. 21	*at Rayburn	4 p.m.
Dec. 27-29	*at Barbers Hill tourn.	TBA
Jan. 2	*South Houston (Phillips)	1 p.m.
Jan. 5	*at Memorial	1 p.m.
Jan. 11	*at Summer Creek	7 p.m.
Jan. 15	*Pasadena	7 p.m.
Jan. 18	*at Humble	7 p.m.
Jan. 22	*Kingwood	7 p.m.
Jan. 25	*at Atascocita	7 p.m.
Jan. 29	*Rayburn	7 p.m.
Feb. 1	*at South Houston	7 p.m.
Feb. 5	*Memorial	7 p.m.
* – District 22-6A games		

Brook High School		
Varsity Girls' Basketball Schedule		
Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 2	Crosby scrimmage	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 6	Nimitz	7 p.m.
Nov. 8-10	at Baytown Tip-Off Classic	TBA
Nov. 14	at Friendswood	7 p.m.
Nov. 19	at Barbers Hill	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 20	at Fort Bend Austin	1 p.m.
Nov. 26	Texas City	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 29-	at Peggy Whitely Classic	TBA
Dec. 1	at Peggy Whitely Classic	TBA
Dec. 4	Katy	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	C.E. King	7 p.m.
Dec. 11	*at Clear Creek	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	*Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Dec. 18	*at Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Dec. 27-29	*at Barbers Hill tourn.	TBA
Jan. 4	*Dickinson	7 p.m.
Jan. 8	*at Alvin	7 p.m.
Jan. 11	*Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Jan. 15	*Clear Creek	7 p.m.
Jan. 18	*at Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Jan. 22	*Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Jan. 29	*at Dickinson	7 p.m.
Feb. 1	*Alvin	7 p.m.
Feb. 5	*at Clear Lake	7 p.m.
* – District 24-6A games		

Ninja camp gives local youths martial arts tips



The American Society of Karate sponsored a Ninja Camp for youths ages 5 to 12 on Sunday, Oct. 14, at Barnett Field House. During the camp, approximately 220 participants learned to use Ninja safety weapons including the Bo, Sais, Nunchucks, Throwing Stars, Samurai Sword and techniques of Ninja self-defense. The end of the camp featured a special Ninja obstacle course and tunnel. Shown above, fifth-level black belt Michael Alonzo (left) and third-level black belt Melissa Alonzo demonstrate self-defense moves on a dummy. The Alonzos are South Belt residents who teach self-defense and Karate classes at the Sagemont Park Community Center and at other locations in the Houston area.

Photo by Alexis Lochner

JFD baseball seeks sponsorships

The Dobie Diamond Club, the official booster and fundraising organization for the school’s baseball program, is seeking corporate donations for both the upcoming 2019 season as well as into the future.

Booster club officials have \$100, \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1,000 sponsorship opportunities available. Those interested may direct email to dobiebaseball2018@gmail.com or call booster club president Jesse Salazar at 713-898-2067.

Dobie baseball sets golf

The Dobie High School baseball booster organization, the Diamond Club, will host its annual fundraising golf tournament Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Pearland Golf Club at Country Place.

Foursomes may register for \$400 per team, or individuals may register for \$100 each. There are hole sponsorship and other major sponsorship opportunities available.

To register for the tournament, visit the booster club’s Paypal site at www.paypal.me/Dobiebaseball. For additional information, call booster club vice president Jesse Salazar at 713-898-2067.

Final BAFL Standings

Senior Division

Teams	W	L	T
Wildcats	10	0	0
Texans	8	1	1
Sharks	8	2	0
Hurricanes	7	2	1
Cowboys	6	4	0
Longhorns	6	4	0
Eagles	5	4	1
49ers	5	5	0
Raiders	3	6	1
Patriots	2	8	0
Dolphins	2	8	0
United	1	9	0
Bulls	0	10	0

Junior Division

Teams	W	L	T
49ers	10	0	0
Hurricanes	9	1	0
Texans	8	2	0
Cowboys	8	2	0
Bulls	6	4	0
Sharks	5	5	0
Eagles	5	5	0
Longhorns	4	6	0
Patriots	4	6	0
Wildcats	4	6	0
Dolphins	1	9	0
Raiders	1	9	0
United	0	10	0

Sophomore Division

Teams	W	L	T
Hurricanes	10	0	0
Cowboys	9	1	0
Sharks	8	2	0
Texans	8	2	0
Wildcats	7	3	0
49ers	6	4	0
Raiders	5	5	0
Bulls	3	7	0
Eagles	3	7	0
Patriots	2	8	1
Longhorns	2	6	1
United	1	9	0
Dolphins	0	10	0

Freshman Division

Teams	W	L	T
Hurricanes	9	1	0
Longhorns	8	1	1
Sharks	8	1	1
Eagles	7	3	0
Texans	7	3	0
Dolphins	6	3	1
Patriots	6	4	0
Cowboys	3	5	2
Raiders	3	6	1
Bulls	3	7	0
49ers	3	7	0
United	0	10	0
Wildcats	0	10	0

Pee wee Division

Teams	W	L	T
Sharks	10	0	0
Texans	9	1	0
Hurricanes	8	1	1
Bulls	7	2	1
Longhorns	7	3	0
49ers	6	4	0
Patriots	5	5	0
Dolphins	5	5	0
Cowboys	2	7	1
Eagles	1	7	2
Wildcats	2	8	0
Raiders	0	9	1
United	0	10	0

Dobie subvarsities, Eagles tangle

Going against a talented subvarsity football program from Atascocita, Dobie came away with a solid week of results.

Dobie JV Orange 24 Atascocita 13

Dobie's junior varsity Orange squad had a great showing at home against the Eagles, winning the game 24-13 with a big defensive effort when it mattered most.

Offensively, Jason Turner got things going with a 12-yard touchdown run. In the third quarter, the Longhorns turned things up a notch as Michael Ramirez scored on a 5-yard run.

Dobie then put the win away with a 5-yard touchdown burst in the fourth quarter from Ja'Darieon Henderson.

Dobie JV White falls

Dobie's junior varsity white team gave a great effort despite a 56-27 loss at home to Atascocita.

Dobie frosh White 29 Atascocita 20

Fong Pum had three touchdown runs, covering 80, 70 and 35 yards, as he led the Dobie freshman

Thursday, Oct. 25

Dobie JV squads vs. Texans Orange, Auxiliary 6:15 p.m.

White vs. Sweeney, Auxiliary, 4:30 p.m.

Freshman Orange hosts Rayburn

Freshman White hosts Rayburn

Both at Dobie, 4:30 p.m.

White squad to a 29-20 victory Oct. 18 at Atascocita.

The Dobie defense also chipped in as Ryan Saxton had an interception return for a touchdown. Jonathan Carter scored on a two-point conversion run following one of Pum's scoring runs.

Outstanding offensive players were Christian Padua, Carter, Jesse Delgado, Christopher Macias, Anthony Castillo, Brian Blanco, Anthony Vences, Tyson Moss and Deuce Venters.

Outstanding defensive players were Aiden Cortez, Christian Cineceros, Kalen Conerly, Juan Pabon, Matthew Arnesen, Jacob Luna, Christian Medina, Darren Ortiz, Eric

Nguyen, Kyrone Williams and Bryson Hicks. Jonathan Torres was successful on three point-after kicks.







The locals are now 3-3-1 overall this season with the win.

Atascocita 52 Dobie frosh Orange 13

The Freshman Orange team played hard, but lost to Atascocita.

The Longhorns' Trevon Johnson had a 15-yard touchdown run, and Trejan Davis had a 46-yard scoring reception from Sebastian Velasquez. Daniel Serrano was successful on a conversion kick.

Both Dobie freshman teams play Oct. 25. The White team will play C.E. King at Dobie at 4:30. The Orange team will play Rayburn, at 4:30.

						
	Troy Leland	John Bechtle	Eli Tanksley	Toni Muse	Emory Gadd	Debbie Vaughn
Dobie vs. Rayburn	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Clear Brook hosts Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson
South Houston vs. Memorial	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston
Summer Creek vs. Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Summer Creek
George Ranch hosts Alief Elsik	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch
Friendswood at Hightower	Friendswood	Strake Jesuit	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood
Texas City at Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton
C.E. King at Channelview	King	King	King	King	King	King
Clear Falls vs. Clear Lake	Clear Lake	Clear Lake	Clear Falls	Clear Lake	Clear Lake	Clear Lake
Port Arthur Memorial at Kingwood Park	PAM	PAM	PAM	PAM	PAM	PAM
This week's record	5-5	6-4	4-6	4-6	6-4	6-4
Season record	56-24	58-22	57-23	51-29	55-25	50-30

PISD Intermediate Football Through Oct. 24

8A Records	District	Overall
Division I	W L T	W L T
Thompson	3 0 0	5 0 0
Bondy	2 1 0	4 1 0
Southmore	2 2 0	3 2 0
Beverly Hills	1 2 0	3 2 0
Miller	0 3 0	2 3 0

Game Scores
Bondy 22, Miller 0
Thompson 33, Jackson 0
Southmore 22, Beverly Hills 0

Division II	W L T	W L T
Park View	3 0 0	3 2 0
San Jacinto	3 1 0	3 2 0
Jackson	1 2 0	1 4 0
South Houston	0 2 1	0 4 1
Queens	0 2 1	0 4 1

Game Scores
Park View 13, San Jacinto 0
South Houston 6, Queens 6

7A Records	District	Overall
Division I	W L T	W L T
Thompson	3 0 0	5 1 0
Bondy	2 1 0	2 4 0
Beverly Hills	1 2 0	4 2 0
Miller	1 2 0	3 3 0
Southmore	1 3 0	2 4 0

Game Scores
Southmore 8, Beverly Hills 6
Thompson 40, Jackson 0
Bondy 28, Miller 0

Division II	W L T	W L T
South Houston	3 0 0	6 0 0
Queens	2 1 0	4 2 0
San Jacinto	2 2 0	2 4 0
Park View	1 2 0	1 5 0
Jackson	0 3 0	1 5 0

Game Scores
South Houston 26, Queens 19
San Jacinto 30, Park View 14

8B Records	District	Overall
Division I	W L T	W L T
Thompson	3 0 0	5 0 0
Southmore	3 1 0	4 1 0
Beverly Hills	1 2 0	3 2 0
Bondy	1 2 0	2 3 0
Miller	0 3 0	1 4 0

Game Scores
Bondy 22, Miller 6
Thompson 58, Jackson 0
Southmore 25, Beverly Hills 12

Division II	W L T	W L T
Queens	3 0 0	5 0 0
San Jacinto	3 1 0	3 2 0
Park View	2 1 0	2 3 0
South Houston	0 3 0	0 5 0
Jackson	0 3 0	0 5 0

Game Scores
San Jacinto 6, Park View 0
Queens 19, South Houston 6

7B Records	District	Overall
Division I	W L T	W L T
Thompson	3 0 0	6 0 0
Bondy	2 1 0	5 1 0
Beverly Hills	2 1 0	4 1 1
Southmore	1 3 0	2 4 0
Miller	0 3 0	1 5 0

Game Scores
Beverly Hills 22, Southmore 0
Thompson 6, Jackson 0
Bondy 30, Miller 22

Division II	W L T	W L T
Queens	3 0 0	5 1 0
San Jacinto	3 1 0	4 1 1
Park View	1 2 0	1 5 0
South Houston	1 2 0	1 5 0
Jackson	0 4 0	0 6 0

Game Scores
Queens 8, South Houston 6
San Jacinto 35, Park View 12

PISD Intermediate Volleyball Through Oct. 24

8L Records

District

Overall

Division I

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7L Records

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Match Scores

Thompson def. Beverly Hills 25-18, 25-16

San Jacinto def. South Houston 25-15, 25-17

Miller def. Southmore 25-15, 25-16

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Bondy def. Queens 25-22, 25-23

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Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 session for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's AA Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting meets on Mondays at 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., located at 11011 Hall Road, 77089. For additional information, call Russell at 832-483-6715.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30

AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For additional information, call 713-472-0565.

Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

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TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., 1:30 p.m. For more information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.

Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class - Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For additional information or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or call 281-488-6318.

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Alcoholics Anonymous - group of AA meets at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For additional information, call 281-484-9243.

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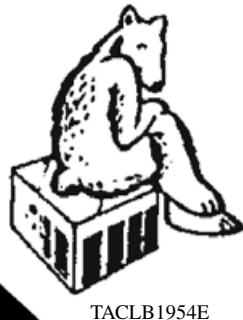
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Miller wins
LSA cross-country
competes at D7s

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place in the varsity girls' division.
The Lutheran South Academy girls finished fifth in the event. Houston Cypress Christian was the overall team champion.
The Lady Pioneers' Jacqueline Morales was next up for the locals, taking 30th place with her solid time of 15:39.76.
Bethany Andress wound up 35th for LSA, clocking in at 16:15.08, and Mary Catherine Ad-

ams placed 40th with a time of 16:53.33.
Lutheran South's Audrey Pfeiffer also competed, placing 41st in a time of 17:15.49.
While the Pioneers' Noa Miller was busy winning the boys' race, teammate Will Spencer was 19th in a time of 19:04.28, and the Pioneers' Braden Leimkueler was 21st with his time of 19:06.86.
The Pioneers' Will Pfeiffer placed 21st overall with a time of 19:27.94.

Wolverine football
poised for final run

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plays at Alvin and against Clear Lake in a neutral game.
The upcoming clash with Dickinson is key in that the Gators will be looking to get back on track after the collapse against Clear Springs.
Meanwhile, the Wolverines need the victory in order to climb into the playoff mix.
With three weeks remaining, Clear Springs and Dickinson are in prime position to lead

the way to the Division I playoffs, while Clear Creek has an edge over Brook, Lake and Alvin in the push for the Division II playoffs.
Having a bye week before the Dickinson game could prove to be fruitful for the Wolverines as quarterback Shane Porter, running back Michael Norris and receivers Loronzo Thompson and La'Darriean Florez prepare to go against one of the area's toughest defenses.

Dobie, Brook VB
head to playoffs

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orial Oct. 23 at Dobie, but the Lady Mavericks took care of their business quickly in a 25-16, 25-18, 25-20 victory.
Kingwood won the District 22-6A championship with a perfect 16-0 record.
Summer Creek went 14-2 for second place, and Memorial was third at 12-4. Dobie placed fourth with 10 wins in 16 tries.
Dobie four-year varsity star Taylor Pleasants, playing in her final home match, had nine kills. Melody Le and Alivia Gonzalez had 11 assists each.

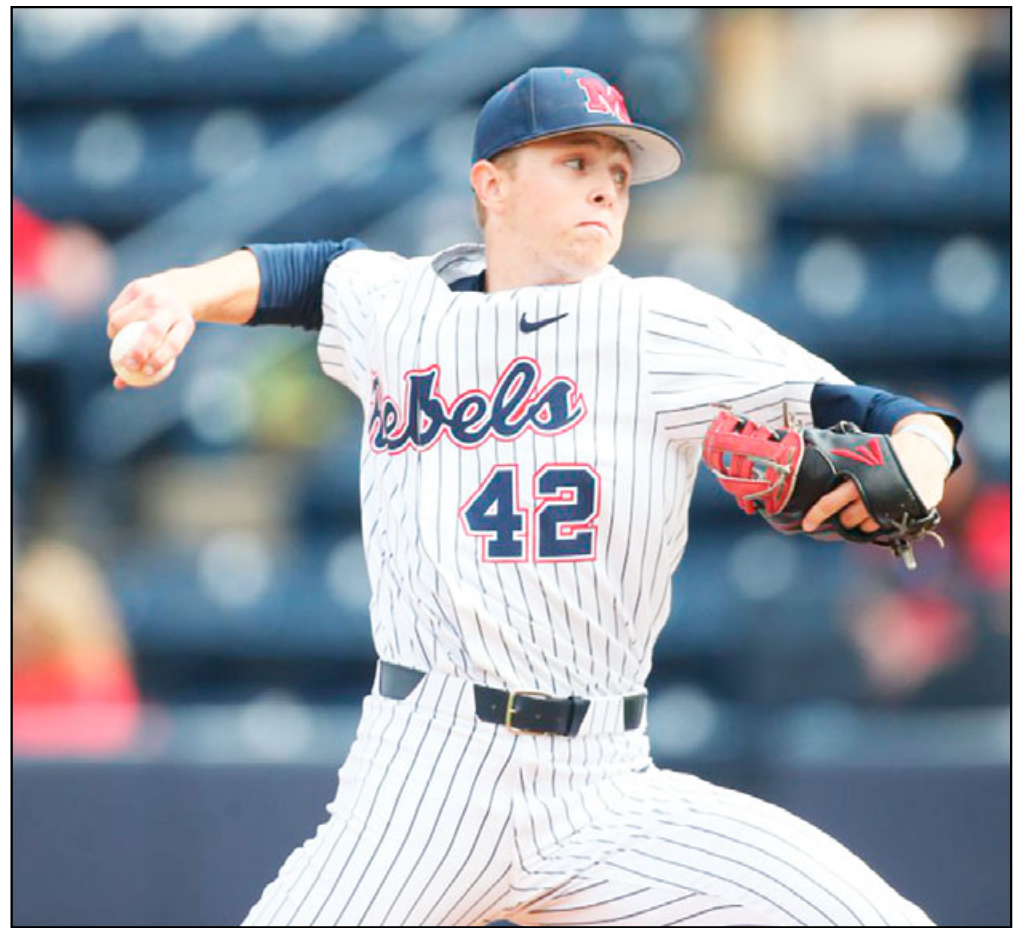
Pleasants had 10 kills as the Lady Longhorns defeated South Houston Oct. 19, by a 25-17, 25-10, 25-17 count.
While Dobie will most certainly rely heavily on Pleasants and her 445 kills this season, Deer Park, which went undefeated in District 21-6A play, has a multi-faceted attack.
Deer Park's McKenzie Morvant, Hannah Baker and Courtney Ploczek all have more than 225 kills this season, and two other players are near 200 each as the postseason gets going.

Saldivar lifts St. Thomas soccer



Thanks to a two-goal effort from Dobie graduate Edwin Saldivar (14), the University of St. Thomas men's soccer team won its fourth straight match, a 4-0 decision over Houston-Tillotson that has thrust the Celts firmly into playoff contention in the Red River Athletic Conference. Defensively, St. Thomas has held opponents scoreless over its last 380 minutes of play. The Celts have also benefited from strong play from Dobie graduate Andy Garcia as well as four transfers from San Jacinto College.
Photo courtesy of St. Thomas athletics

Dobie's Myers aids Rebels' bullpen cause



Tyler Myers, a 2016 Dobie High School graduate, has thrown the ball well in relief thus far during his first offseason at the University of Mississippi. After playing two seasons at Paris Junior College, Myers signed with the Rebels and is looking to make a name for himself on one of college baseball's top programs. Ole Miss, which lost in

the NCAA Super regionals to Tennessee Tech last spring, has several position players and pitchers who are highly-valued by major league scouts. The Rebels should open the 2019 season as one of the nation's top-ranked programs, and Myers no doubt looks to make a contribution on the mound as soon as possible.

District 22-6A Volleyball			
(Final Standings)			
Teams	W	L	
Kingwood	16	0	
Summer Creek	14	2	
Memorial	12	4	
Dobie	10	6	
Atascocita	6	8	
Sam Rayburn	5	11	
Pasadena	4	12	
Humble	2	14	
South Houston	0	16	

District 24-6A Volleyball			
(Final Standings)			
Teams	W	L	
Clear Springs	12	0	
Clear Falls	9	3	
Clear Creek	8	4	
Clear Brook	7	5	
Dickinson	3	9	
Clear Lake	2	10	
Alvin	1	11	

District 22-6A Football Standings

Teams	Overall		District	
	W	L	W	L
Atascocita	6	1	5	0
Summer Creek	5	2	5	0
Kingwood	5	3	4	2
South Houston	5	2	3	2
Humble	5	3	3	3
Dobie	4	3	2	3
Pas. Memorial	3	5	4	2
Pasadena	0	7	0	5
Sam Rayburn	0	7	0	5

Turnovers again plague Dobie football in loss

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continues what has been a bit of a comeback season after two seasons of playoff misses and an overall record of 7-11 over the 2016 and 2017 campaigns.
Head coach Kevin Berneathy knows what's at stake over the next three weeks, but he reiterated that the only team on the minds of his group is Sam Rayburn.
"We're preparing for Sam Rayburn, and that's the only focus we have right now," Berneathy said.
"We have to win that one before we can do anything else in the future, so we are getting our game plan ready for the Sam Rayburn Texans."
Dobie has had chances to enhance its playoff hopes over the last two weeks, but a 35-10 loss to Kingwood was followed by a 44-7 defeat at Atascocita Oct. 20.
As was the case in district losses to Summer Creek and Kingwood, turnovers and general miscues proved costly to the Longhorns against the Eagles.
In fact, Dobie leads the District 22-6A ranks by a wide margin in total fumbles and fumbles lost.
Through the early going against Atascocita, Dobie was in good shape. Senior tailback Kris Morris gave his team a 7-0 lead with

a 38-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter.
Morris, who had 100 yards rushing on 20 carries in the game, found the end zone with 10:34 left in the second quarter.
However, it was essentially all Atascocita from that point as Dobie fumbled seven times, losing three. One of those fumbles was recovered in the end zone for a touchdown.
"I would say that we played well and executed the game plan well for a quarter and a half, and against any football team you have to do that for four quarters," Berneathy said.
"Everybody knows how talented and skilled Atascocita is, but I thought our kids did a great job early on. I think it really showed us that when we execute and play well, we can go toe-to-toe with the best of the best."
Unfortunately, the turnovers proved costly. While it's an issue the Longhorns have prioritized week in and week out, it hasn't been fixed.
At 4-3 to this point in the season, the Longhorns lost multiple fumbles in each of their three losses.
Clearly, the locals have shown the ability to stay competitive in games when the turnover bug doesn't bite.
If the Longhorns can hang on to the football,

execute better in all phases of the game and continue to be able to count on solid work from a solid defensive unit, things very well could come together.
"Defense is all about effort, in my opinion," Berneathy said. "The coaching staff has done a great job of putting the players in the correct positions to be able to make plays and be successful."
"As for our overall execution, we have to continue to try to improve each week. The turnovers have hurt us, but you always have that chance to improve and begin to turn things around in any phase. We'll keep working at it."

At right, Dobie sophomore tailback Darius Hale (4) and his teammates are looking to get back to their winning ways after consecutive District 22-6A defeats. With teammate Kris Morris sitting at 956 yards rushing for second in the league, Hale is also among the leaders and should be able to put some good numbers up Oct. 26 against a winless Sam Rayburn squad. Now at 4-3 this season, including 2-3 in 22-6A action, Dobie is looking to finish the regular season strong while facing Rayburn, South Houston and Memorial in that order.

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