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Sheriffs shred documents

In an effort to help prevent identity theft, the Harris County Sheriff's Office is offering to shred documents free of charge Saturday, May 30, at the county clerk's office at 10851 Scarsdale from 9 a.m. to noon. Documents will be accepted only if they are in a file or box. Each household is limited to five boxes. Batteries, glass and needles will not be accepted. For more information, call 281-449-6600.

Cyclist killed on freeway

Houston police are investigating a fatal accident in the 13400 block of the Gulf Freeway about 1:30 a.m. on May 14.

The deceased male victim, Jeffrey J. Mullen, 33, of Houston, was transported to Ben Taub in critical condition. He was pronounced dead several hours later. According to Houston police, Mullen was operating his motorcycle, a Triumph MC, traveling north on the interchange ramp from the Beltway 8 to the Gulf Freeway. While on the ramp, he lost control of his motorcycle and went down. Mullen was not wearing a helmet. No other vehicles were believed to have been involved.

Memorial Day observances

South Belt-Ellington Leader

The Leader office will be closed May 25.

Clear Brook City MUD

The offices of Clear Brook City MUD will be closed Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. They will reopen Tuesday, May 26, at 8 a.m. To avoid late penalties, payments may be left in the drop box on the drive-through window side of the building.

Parker Williams Library

The library will be closed Memorial Day.

Graduation issue planned

The Leader's high school special edition will be published June 4. It will feature graduating class information for Dobie, Clear Brook and South Houston high schools plus Lutheran South Academy. To honor a candidate with a personalized ad, call the Leader at 281-481-5656 or e-mail mynews@southbeltleader.com. Ad space must be reserved by June 1.

SBYSC fall registration set

The South Belt Youth Soccer Club will hold registration for the fall 2009 season on Saturday, May 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sagemeadow MUD building located at 10755 Hall Road at Blackhawk. SBYSC is a nonprofit organization run by parents for the kids. For more information, visit the Web site at www.southbeltsoccer.org.

Dobie yearbooks distributed

The Dobie yearbook will be distributed on campus May 27, 28 and 29. Extras are still available for \$61 and can be paid for by cash, money order, Visa or Master Card. They can be purchased on campus or by e-mailing jswenson@pasadenaisd.org.

Library events scheduled

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale:

Play board games and more on Game Day, Thursday, May 21, at 4 p.m. Movie Madness is Thursday, May 28, at 4 p.m. Call the library at 281-484-2036 for feature title. Family storytime is Tuesday at 7 p.m. Preschooler storytime is Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Toddler time is Thursday at 10 and 11:15 a.m.

PARSE meets May 26

The Pasadena Area Retired School Employees will meet Tuesday, May 26, at 10 a.m. at the East Harris County Activity Center, 7340 Spencer Highway. There will be no meetings in June or July. The program will include the installation of officers and the presentation of awards. Following the program, members and their guests are invited to the annual Blue Bell Bash.

Project Grad tickets on sale

Tickets for Dobie Project Graduation will be on sale at the school every Friday at lunch time. Buy them early for \$15; at the door, \$20. One guest can be invited. Project Graduation begins at 11 p.m. on Saturday, June 6. For more information, call Kaye Bergeron at 281-380-6758 or 281-481-5058.

Memorial Day tribute set

Forest Lawn Cemetery will host a Memorial Day tribute saluting veterans on Saturday, May 23, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Included will be a flag ceremony, military salute, live patriotic music and much more, including refreshments. For more information, visit 8701 Alameda Genoa Road, or call 713-991-2313.

Community offers scholarship

The Kirkwood South community will offer a \$500 scholarship to J. Frank Dobie graduating seniors who reside in Kirkwood South. The application is available at the scholarship coordinator's office at Dobie. Applicants must be graduating June 6, 2009, and must reside in Kirkwood South. This is a new scholarship being offered and is nonrenewable at this time.

Flooding issues concern many in area

By James Bolen

The Leader has continued to be overwhelmed with phone calls and e-mails regarding last month's flooding.

Several residents have complained about drainage problems in the area, particularly in parts of the community under Harris County's authority.

Sagemont resident Florence Frey, who resides at the corner of Sageleaf and Beamer, has been battling officials from the Harris County Flood Control District to get the A-120 ditch that runs along Beamer Road cleaned of silt deposits, vegetation and debris.

HCFCFD representatives initially told Frey that while the Beamer ditch did have silt mounds and

growing vegetation, it had been desilted in 2002 and still had most of its capacity and did not need to be cleaned.

Frey heartily disagrees. "I mean, after all, the more rice you have in a bowl, the less gumbo you can put in that bowl, and the ditch works on the same principle," she said.

Repeated correspondences with HCFCFD officials led to a minor victory for Frey, as she was told workers would remove the debris from the bayou when a crew was in the area (this had yet to be done at press time). The flood control district, however, still contends that the silt and vegetation do not restrict the flow of storm water.

While the two parties disagree on whether the plant and dirt matter contribute to area flooding, Frey says that is not the only issue.

"It's not just a water concern," she said. "It's a health hazard. There's rodents and reptiles."

The upset resident also says the overgrown A-120 has become an eyesore.

"You'd think the county would have more

pride," she said. "If I was able, I'd clean it myself!"

Frey, whose house has flooded twice, is growing frustrated and is contemplating moving from the area if the county fails to take further action.

"(The county) acts like it's no big deal, but when it's your home, it is a big deal," she said. "I can't take anymore."

Sagemont Park Townhome resident Rosemary Carraway is also disappointed with the HCFCFD's lack of action in her subdivision.

Last summer, the City of Houston spent roughly \$2 million on a project to enlarge the drainage systems that run across Sabo, but the county did nothing to enhance the outflow of the stormwater.

Carraway contends the project did more harm than good.

"It enhanced the flow of water to Sabo, but did nothing to take it away from Sabo," she said. "There's now more water, and it stays longer."

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Sagemont resident Florence Frey is on a mission to have the ditch on Beamer near Hall Road cleaned of silt and vegetation. Frey's house has flooded twice, and she feels the inefficient drainage system was largely responsible. The last time the Harris County Flood Control District desilted the bayou was in 2002. Photo by Frey's daughter, Monica Eaton

YMCA to leave MHSH

By James Bolen

The YMCA recently announced its plan to close the seniors fitness center at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital Friday, July 31, upsetting many of its members.

Under the direction of the Vic Coppinger Family YMCA in Pearland, the center has been open since 1988. The decision to close the satellite branch stems from lack of funds and declining membership, according to Trazanna Moreno, spokeswoman for the YMCA of Greater Houston.

"We were forced to make a difficult decision, but we could no longer afford to staff it," Moreno said. "Nobody wins."

Moreno said membership enrollment has dropped from around 100 to roughly 60 over the last couple of years, and the YMCA simply does not currently have the money to market the facility in an effort to recruit more.

The Leader used to run press releases promoting the center free of charge to the YMCA, but has not received any information from the group in several years.

Originally called the Tri-County YMCA, the Pearland center was established to serve Harris, Brazoria and Galveston counties.

Longtime South Belt resident Frank Baye joined the fitness center last year after going through heart surgery at the hospital. Following his operation, Baye was told of the YMCA program by his cardiac nurse when his insurance provider stopped paying for his hospital-supported rehabilitation, which took place at the same fitness center.

"I would have never heard of it if it wasn't for that nurse," Baye said. "There's plenty of people around here who would fill that place up if they only knew it existed."

Baye further noted the training he received from the YMCA was comparable to that of the hospital staff. He attributes much of this to the dedicated work of Misako Herring, who has worked at the center since its opening. Herring,

whom members refer to as Ms. Misako, is currently scheduled to be laid off when the fitness center closes.

"She's so good at working with older people," Baye said of Herring, adding, "She knows just how much they can take."

In addition to his admiration for Herring, Baye said the affordability of the program is another contributing factor to his membership.

"I can't afford to go to a regular workout place," he said. "I'll have to stop completely, and I need exercise."

The YMCA has offered seniors at the center the same present membership rate to join the Coppinger branch in Pearland. This, however, does little good for Baye, who rides the city bus to the hospital. Continued on Page 6A

Sullivan holds area meeting

Houston City Councilmember Mike Sullivan held a town hall meeting Wednesday, May 13.

Representatives from several other city branches as well as the Harris County Flood Control District were also in attendance.

With recent flooding still on the minds of many in the community, area drainage was the most common concern among residents attending the function. However, rather than addressing most of the flooding issues, Sullivan invited attendees to a separate city meeting that was to be held Monday, May 18, to discuss the problem. The Monday meeting was not announced until late Wednesday, and the councilman had just been notified of it.

Sullivan focused primarily on his previous efforts and projects planned for the near future.

The councilman spoke on the new Bracwell library branch. To be located at 9002 Kingspoint near Blackhawk, the facility will replace the nearly 40-year-old building located at 10115 Kleckley near Alameda Mall. Funded as part of the city's Capital Improvement Plan, the new

building is projected to cost \$5.1 million. The structure will be roughly 12,000 square feet, compared to the current 8,000-square-foot library and offer more resources, Sullivan said.

Groundbreaking for the new facility took place in late March. Construction is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

Also by the end of the year, Sullivan said he hopes work will begin on necessary repairs to South Shaver Street between the Gulf Freeway and Highway 3.

A comprehensive traffic study of the South Belt/Clear Lake area is also slated to begin soon, Sullivan said.

Construction of an addition to the Sagemont Community Center on Hughes Road was also discussed. Funded, in part, by a \$1 million Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant, the new 13,000 square-foot facility will feature a multi-purpose gymnasium, a classroom, an arts-and-crafts room, a kitchen, a restroom, an office and storage and mechanical rooms. Continued on Page 6A

City, residents discuss flooding

City of Houston officials held a meeting Monday, May 18, to discuss area flooding and drainage issues.

Residents from throughout the Greater Houston area attended the function, despite the fact it had been arranged at the last minute with little notice. Multiple South Belt residents were among those in attendance.

Michael Marcotte, director of the city's Public Works and Engineering Department, was on hand to field questions from a roomful of concerned citizens. Most issues, however, went unresolved, as speakers were limited to one minute each.

Speakers who were unable to finish voicing their concerns were told to e-mail Marcotte or their respective city council member directly.

Marie Flickinger, publisher of the South Belt-Ellington Leader, spoke on behalf of the Continued on Page 5A

Second cookoff set to raise funds for 4th of July

A cookoff will be held Saturday, June 13, at El Franco Lee Park, 9400 Hall Road, to raise additional funds for the annual South Belt Fourth of July fireworks display.

The yearly fireworks show, also held at El Franco Lee Park, is usually funded by money raised at the annual South Belt Spectacular Cookoff that was recently held at Tom Bass Park. Heavy rains last month, however, caused the event to fall roughly \$6,000 short of its \$20,000 goal.

Foul weather forced the cancellation of the event's auction and liquor raffle, which generally bring in at least \$5,000, according to event organizer Linda Arnone. T-shirt and souvenir sales were also much lower than expected.

Unlike the South Belt Spectacular Cookoff that lasts for three days, the supplemental cookoff will be limited to one. (Cooking teams will be allowed to stay overnight at the park but must tear down by 10 a.m. Sunday.) While the annual April cookoff is a contest for the best bar-

becue, June cookoff teams will compete for the best beans, seafood gumbo and fajitas.

Cooking teams that participated in last month's cookoff will have first dibs on spots at the event. Approximately 50 e-mails were sent out Tuesday, May 12. The following day, roughly 10 teams had already responded positively wanting

to take part in the event. Invited teams have until Monday, June 1, to pay their entry fees.

The cookoff is again scheduled to have a silent auction and liquor raffle, and donations are currently being sought.

For more information, to donate funds or auction items, call Linda Arnone at 281-484-4325.

New SVFD station delayed, bidder backs out of contract

By James Bolen

Construction of the new station for the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department has been delayed due to a contract withdrawal by the company chosen to build the structure.

Aromont, the builder awarded the contract to construct the new facility, asked to be released from its obligation after realizing it had neglected to include a major portion of work in its bid.

While it is unclear what the company had left out of its original quote, it is suspected to be the building's electrical infrastructure, according to SVFD Chief Chuck Tylka.

The company's bid was roughly \$250,000 cheaper than the second lowest bid the department received. A total of 12 contractors bid on the project.

By breaking the contract, Aromont was forced to forfeit a bid bond of more than \$70,000.

Tylka said the fire department will settle this current issue before selecting another contractor. He hopes a second company will be chosen in the next couple of weeks.

To be located on Scarsdale adjacent to the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, the station will replace the unmanned building currently located on the San Jacinto College

grounds.

The college may need the space for future expansion, and it is essential for the department to have a station in the area in order to maintain an Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating of 4, according to Tylka.

An ISO rating is the industrywide standard which fire insurance companies use to set the amount of premium that is paid on a particular property.

Funded by a Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District bond that voters approved in March 2007, the station is expected to cost between \$1.5 million and \$2 million and will occupy 30,000 square feet.

The facility will be the third in the area for the department, along with two located on Hughes Road (one manned and one unmanned), and will serve as its main station and first large-scale disaster headquarters.

Once a new construction company is selected, the contract will require the building be completed in 270 days.

The Clear Brook City MUD recently erected a concrete fence around the property to provide security and noise abatement for surrounding neighbors.

Judge Risner called for jury duty



Judge George Risner (right) was assigned jury duty in Judge Jo Ann Delgado's court Friday, May 15. Risner serves as Harris County Justice of the Peace for Precinct 2, Place 2, while Delgado serves as Harris County Justice of the Peace for Precinct 2, Place 1. Delgado was absent due to a meeting. Filling in for Delgado was former Judge Lynn Bradshaw-Hall. While Risner did not serve on the jury, he said it is everyone's civic duty to do so. The county pays jurors a minimum of \$6 per hour. Delgado's court is a valuable resource for South Belters looking to settle minor claims, such as homeowners association disputes. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Meador celebrates Cinco de Mayo



Meador prekindergarten students celebrated Cinco de Mayo with a parade. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Danitza Huerta, Kayla Gomez, (middle row) Carolina Gutierrez, Kate Duenez, Ashley Dunn, Kevin Gaytan, Demetria Delgado, Michael Zambrano, Daniela Vazquez, Jose Torres, Iris Escobedo, (back row) Assistant Principal Beverly Bolton and Principal Darlene Davis. Submitted photo

CCISD honors volunteers

The Clear Creek Independent School District hosted a breakfast recently to honor the many volunteers and community partners who donate time and resources to the CCISD.

CCISD sustained nearly \$20 million in damages from Hurricane Ike. The storm damaged 39 of the 40 schools in the district.

Help came from all corners of the community, and in some cases, from out of state. Operation CRAYON (Children Rallying Assistance for Youth of Need) provided school supplies and clothes to almost 1,500 families in need.

The effort was possible with the help of 750 student and community volunteers.

Board of Trustee Vice President Dee Scott told the crowd, "I thank you for your unforgettable kindness during and after the storm. Perhaps most importantly, I thank you for setting a magnificent example for our youth."

The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership was honored as CCISD's Community Partner of the Year.

"BAHEP continues to be one of CCISD's most valued partners, consistently at the forefront of progress, and helping the District advance important education initiatives," said Smith. "As the economic engine of this region, BAHEP is the reason why our district continues to grow by more than 700 new students a year."

The CCISD Volunteer of the Year was also announced. Vicky Fransham was chosen for this honor.

Weber students run marathon



Students represented Weber Elementary at the Whole Foods Marathon Kids Final Mile Celebration on Saturday, April 25. Approximately 60 Weber students registered for the program, and 20 or so attended the celebration. Participants ran, walked or jogged their final mile, completing a total of 26.2 miles over a six month period. Runners who attended the celebration on Saturday received a gold finishers medal. All registered runners who completed their 26.2 miles will also receive a finishers T-shirt. Students pictured are, left to right, (front row) Katelynn Mai, Joshua Huff, Ashleigh Swanson, Tyler Mai, Joseph Medina, Madison McClung, Abbie Ortiz, Jacob Chacon, Garrett Marshall, (middle row) Jonathan Medina, Regina Gonzales, Elise Durrant, Ethan Durrant, (back row) coach Daniel Myers, Nina Pham, Maylan Bell, Dominique Palacios, Noah Morales, Julie Tran and coach Susie Ortiz.

GRE Review workshop at UH-Clear Lake

A GRE review is set for June 13, 20 and 27, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2700 Bay Area Blvd.

Test-taking secrets for the

Graduate Records Exam's verbal, comprehension and quantitative questions will be covered during this workshop.

Fee is \$349 and includes a

copy of the Princeton Review's *Cracking the GRE* and access to practice software and released practice exam.

For information or to reg-

ister, call UH-Clear Lake's Center for Advanced Management Programs at 281-283-3121 or e-mail camp@uhcl.edu.

UHCL hosts kids' camps

UH-Clear Lake's Kids U World Explorer Series for summer 2009 is focusing on ancient Egypt, the Middle Ages, tectonic forces of the earth and *Mittleuropa*. Each camp lasts four days and

costs \$129 per student.

For more information, call UHCL's Center for Educational Programs at 281-283-3530 or e-mail youngj@uhcl.edu.

Frazier celebrates Earth Day



Frazier Elementary students and staff recently celebrated Earth Day. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Ailyn Balderas, Sydney Babineaux, Clarissa Rodriguez, Alexys Vela, Atiana Sanchez, Dezelynn Villarreal, Jessica DelaCerde, (second row) Adriana DeArza, Angel Lerma, Monica Mora, Brian Zelaya, Kelly Jimenez, Reid Ball, Colby Arnold, Anthony Soto, Javier Martinez, Sebastian Gonzalez, Christian Rosales, Oscar Velasquez, Stephanie Alvarez, Leonardo Hernandez, Hector Villa, Ivan Espinoza, (third row) Ellena Stevenson, Victoria Nunez, Brooke Morales, Cameran Saucedo, Jacob Efrid, Jason Tao, Yulissa Avitia, Jada Hublely, Faith Avila, Aaron Tristan, Amanda Ehrlich, Colby Moorcer, Paten Schillaci, Jorel Martinez, Eylon Garza, Eloy Sanchez, Etna Bosso, Sophia Colmenares, Jonathan Resendez, Nikole Ballard, Sean Bonner, Catherine Benitez, Jared Perez, (fourth row) Ruth Tabarez, Kaitlin Skidmore, Precious Robertson, Brianna Juarez, Kayla Wilkerson, Vivian Luu, Kali Muniz, McKayla Karsten, Abrianna Aguilar, Danielle Colunga, Elisabeth Elings, Davon Ryan, Jacqueline Arrington, Kory Holmes, Ivan Dominguez, Christian Reyes, Anthony Gonzalez, Caleb Tamez, Cameron Lilly, Ethan Chapa, Hunter Stevens, Nathan Medina, Shaylyn Dunlap, Madison Resendez, Elizabeth Hidalgo, (back row) Graeson Battle Fischer, Amy Heathcock, Paris Howell, Jenny Dinh, Jonathan Acosta, Alex Garcia, Albert Corpus, Isiah Torres, Joseph Bynum, Justus Vela and Daijia Carter. Submitted photo

Mitchell honored



CCISD Superintendent Dr. Greg Smith (right) presents the Community Partner of the Year award to Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership President Bob Mitchell. Mitchell and his wife Brenda are longtime South Belt residents.

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Dobie Orchestra invited to Midwest Clinic



The Dobie High School Chamber Orchestra was recently invited to perform at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago in December. Only two high school string orchestras are selected each year from all the entries received. Members of the Chamber Orchestra pictured are, left to right, (front row) Sandra Chau, Joshua Bernal, Jonathan Lo, An Nguyen, Alex Soto, Tam Duong, Philip Ullrich, Paige Sanchez, (second row) Tracy Nguyen, Kim Do, Bridgette

Jagdeo, Rolando Medina, Evan Weaver, Kathleen Nguyen, Phuong Tran, Jisha Jose, Katey Miille, Alberto Moreno, Denisse Pacheco, (third row) Heather Jung, Tam Nguyen, Khanh Pham, Stephen Salazar, Sarah McKinney, Ana Pomykal, Celina Lara, Claudia Martinez, (fourth row) Demmi Garcia, Denny Thomas, Steeve Bui, Melissa Gutierrez and Stephanie Ta. Orchestra directors are Tanner Ledford and Alice McCoy.

Dobie announces fifth six-weeks rolls

Dobie High School recently announced its honor rolls for the fifth six-weeks grading period.

Students named are as follows:

Honor roll Ninth grade

Basem Salim Abouassi, Javier Aguirre, Hasan Akber, Edward Jesse Alvarado, Javier Caesar Alvarado, Tessa Suzanne Andrade, Douglas J. Angamarca, Raquel Lasha Ardoin, Andres Armenta, Emily Nicole Averitt-Cleaveland and Michael Phillip Baez.

Atali Balderas, Veronica Beatris Bardales, Adam Scott Baur, Joshua Emmanuel Basquez, Brittney Brianna Bates, Lindsay D. Belus, Celeny Adriana Benitez, Cesar Bernal, Luis Blanco, Grace Anne Boelsche, Ceci Kasandra Brizuela and Brandon Christopher Brown.

Layla Nichole Brown, Kayla Corin Bryce, Christine Bui, Wade Connor Buisson, Alaina Michelle Burns, Roy Cantu, Duong Thuy Cao, Sheila Estefanny Cardenas, David Allen Carrier, Ana Karen Castaneda, Ana Isabel Cavazos and Joe Michael Cavazos.

Cassandra Marie Cedeno, Michael Wayne Clark, Mitchell Andrew Clark, Katrina Carina Collins, John Albert Colunga, Sebastian James Colunga, Samantha Paige Coyle, Danielle Nicole Crawford, Gabriela Cruz, Veronica Michelle Delafuente and Gabriella Lisette Deleon.

Mercedes Lynn Delgado, Jessica Dennis, Jordan Taylor Deubner, Kemerly Lynn Dexter, Hibba Arsan Diab, Duyen Thi Thao Dinh, Sunny Do, Steve Nghia Do, Nancy Du, Elizabeth Ngo Duong, Valerie Escamilla, Chloe Liseth Escobar, Eric James Everett and Felicia Brie Fernandez.

Morena Yesenia Flores, Jorge Luis Fuentes, Crystal Ashley Galaviz, Dyana Lisette Galvan, Tanya Marie Gamble, Cody Andrew Garcia, Veronica Alejandra Garcia, Megan Alyce Gary, Loyce James Gayo, Mantej Kaur Gill, Samantha Gomes and Denise Azaret Gomez.

Kimberly Carolyn Gonzales, Ana Julia Gonzalez, Brandon Edgardo Gonzalez, Crystal Celeste Gonzalez, Paul Michael Goodin, Feliss Allania Goree, Anthony Ray Groves, Laura Pilar Gutierrez, Allison Kay Hall, Briana Maritza Harper and Kerry Joseph Henderson.

Brianna Marie Herman, Tyara Xiomara Hernandez, Yoselyn Hernandez, Phuong Elizabeth Hoang, Mai Khanh Hoang, Kelsey Lanise Holmes, Nguyen Bac Hong, Thap Ngoc Huynh, Christopher Robert Jackson, Malcolm Xavier Jackson and Rachael Annalisa Jagdeo.

Paul Adrain Jasso, Betty Ann Jordan, Lindsey Michele Justice, Savannah Jean King, Van Tuyet Le, Douglas Worthington Leighton, Edward Alexander Lewis, Zachery Morgan Long, Kacie Elyse

Lowery, Jacob Andrew Lozano, Sang Minh Lu, Tony Lu and Tina Huynh Luong.

Phuong Kim Ly, Michelle Macias, Jennifer Clarissa Maciel, Keyton Wellington Malone, Nikoles Allen Manriquez, Kirsten Savory Marshall, Natalie Kay Martin, Berenice Lorena Martinez, Christopher Matthew Martinez, Diveanne Martinez and Briana Marie Mazzola.

Alayna Kay McDonald, Stephanie Mejia, Leslie M. Melgoza, Chelsea Nichole Mendoza, Dalvon Anthony Donta Miller, Calvin Gean Mitchell, Ahmad Osama Mohamed, Tracy Hannelore Montes, Jared N. Morales, Chassity Alexis Moreno and Darrin Keith Motley.

Julie Elizabeth Murphy, Dustin Quangdinh Ngo, Austin Ryan-Vinh Nguyen, Dana T. Nguyen, Duoc Thanh Nguyen, Kenny Nguyen, Khanh Phuong Nguyen, Stephanie Nguyen, Thuan Chi Nguyen, Tri Nhan Nguyen and Veronica Nicole Nicholson.

Christopher Alan Nickelson, Chidi Carl Nnabuife, Erik Tristan Olmos, Xochitl Cassandra Ortiz, Miguel Angel Ovalle, Holly Nirmal Patel, Kushal Rajesh Patel, Rosa Patricia Perlera, Alyssa Lane Perry and Minhchau Hong Pham.

Trang Tran Thuy Pham, Vy Thanh Nguyen Pham, Khanh Tran Uyen Pham, Jenny Thi Phung, Elizabeth Ann Pier, Katie Elizabeth Posey, Jasmin Nicole Pruneda, Sazin Rahim, Ashley Noelle Ramirez, Priscila Noemi Ramirez, Yvonne Ramirez and Guillermo Arturo Ramos.

Estefania Rangel, Ramish Rasool, Ricardo Rendon, Jorge Manuel Reta, Radherson Emilio Rijo, Maria Isabel Rivera, Anthony Geno Rocha, Bryan Dillon Rodriguez, Charly Vianey Rodriguez, Rene Rafael Rodriguez, Paul Anthony Naples Sabal and Jose Carlos Sanchez.

Krista Natasha Seeton, Reese Daniel Selman, Jacqueline Eusebia Silva, Julian Dierick Silva, Jesse Edward Slaten, Amanda Nicole Smith, Steven Patrick Smith, Terral Lataj-Antoinette Smith, Meagan Darby Snyder, Christopher Ray Sorensen and Crystal Sosa.

Treg Edward Spigner, Jorge Luis Stefanoni, Sheldon Avery Stockfleth, Zachary Randal Stockfleth, Dajah Elies Swinton, Clarissa Tamara, Melanie Lois Thompson, Tony Tieu, Carol To-Uyen Tran, Dorothy Thuyyen Tran, Hoa Thanh Tran and Hong Tuyet Tran.

Paul Huy Tran, Thomas Ray Trevino, Chukwuemeka Kendrick Uchendu, Brooke

Carneal Urdiales, Sebastian Valbuena, Andy Buaphat Van, Britny Dawn Vanek, Marco Mencia Varron, Nyla Osiris Vasquez, Shannon Janee Veal and Jose Luis Vega.

Cassandra Elizabeth Velasquez, Bryan David Vidal, Andrew Steven Vu, Long Hoang Vu, Kaitlyn May Wallis, Kayla Marie Williams, Eric Anthony Wilson, Joseph Duval Wright, Yzanya Yzaguirre and Sergio M. Zelaya.

Tenth grade
Anas Fakhri Abuhawala, Jessica Acevedo, Uwade Sadiq Alade, Daniel Jake Alanis, Gabrielle Marcella Allbritton, Asia Brooke Allen, Jose Ricardo Alvarado, David Jonathan Anleu, Alicia Victoria Aranda, Janelle Alexandra Argueta, Jonathan Alejandro Armenta and Leslie Avitia.

Christian Baez, Magaly Balderas, Nicole Rene Barnett, Ruben Garcia Bautista, Destiny Lane Bellamy, Jacob Andrew Boelsche, Shelby Noelle Bradley, Nhat Minh Bui, Erin Nichole Caballero, Consuelo Crystal Cantu, Michelle Lisette Cantu and Autumn Dallas Carlie.

Ariel Shaniece Carter, Samantha Elise Castillo, Caitlin Elizabeth Caughlin, Patricia Nmi Cedillo, Davy Chan, Steven Antonio Charles, Bonnie Rae Chatham, Michael Brady Chrestman, Matthew Paul Clark, Jorge L. Cortez, Julie Marie Croce, Tung T. Dang, Dorothy Tramahn Dao and Christine C. David.

Rodney Devon Davis, Rebecca A. Day, Phong Quoc Do, Christine Myhanh Doan, Cristina Jacqueline Dorantes, Luis Felipe Duarte, Aaron Scott Ebbinghaus, Justin Ryan Edwards, Jose Dejesus Escalera, Kimberly Fernandez, Ashley Nicole Feyes and Katherine Fern Finley.

Juliana Grace Fort, Alex Glen Gallant, Amie Lynn Gallant, Leonardo Gallegos, Raquel Abigail Galo, Carla Lucia Galvan, Andrew Garcia, Christopher Martin Garcia, Madelyn Angelica Garcia, Nancy Janice Garcia, Kelley Suzanne Gartner and Devin Hannah Gettig.

Malcolm Devan Glover, Karla Mireya Gomez, Alvaro Gonzalez, Eduardo Gonzalez, Crisma Sandoval Guevara, Amy Lynn Hall, Erin Britanni Henderson, Ryan Richard Henry, Arturo Hernandez, Julian A. Hernandez, Hongnhung Thanh Ho, Ky Gia Ho, Tuan Trong Peter Hoang and Ashley Danielle Hoggard.

Andreya Angelica Howard, Jessica Hanh Huynh, Ab Rafael Jaimes, Melissa Knight, Christopher Michael Krivik, Jacob Austin Lacamu, Jeremy Allen Lacamu, Michelle Lam, Kristen Marie Lanza, Christianna Le, Kevin Nguyen Le, Mary Le and Ngochao Thanh Le.

Chase Byron Lee, Eun Kyeong Lee, Christopher Isai Lopez, Jorge Ernesto Lopez, Alyssa Jade Loreda, Huy Phan Luu, Jimmy Ly, Kevin Khanh Ly, Yolanda Yvette Marciano, Tyler Henry Martens, German Martinez, Marcelo Martinez and Kaitlyn Maire McMurrough.

Rolando Medina, Katelynn Marie Mille, Malaz Osama Mohamad, Jordan Alexander Monette, Angela Montes, Ottmar Nicolas Montes, Kia Montgomery, Cassandra Lynette Montoya, Chrystal Kaitlyn Montoya, Alberto Alexander Moreno and Ariel Sade Morgan.

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Society donates books to SJC



Members of the Walter Prescott Webb Society recently presented 14 books on Texas history to the San Jacinto College South library. Members of the history club have a tradition of raising money throughout the year and using the funds to buy books for the campus library. Pictured are, left to right, Dr. Benton White, government professor; Dr. Eddie Weller, history professor; Richard McKay, library director; Jordan Beaman, Webb Society vice president; Zak Markland, president; Josh Calhoun, member; Dominique Conrad, secretary; and Paul Zachry, historian.

CCISD bus stop info on line

Clear Creek Independent School District will soon debut an online tool designed to help parents find their child's bus stop, route number and even the school bus's estimated time of arrival in the neighborhood. Walk to Stop is a comprehensive program developed to establish safe and efficient neighborhood bus stops. The transportation department has consolidated and centralized bus stop locations in the district. In most neighborhoods, bus stops are located at street corners. Where possible, walk-to-stop distances are the following: Elementary students - .15 mile (about two blocks); Intermediate Students - .30 of a mile; and high school students - .50 of a mile. Walk to Stop will be up and running for the 2009-2010 school year. Parents will be able to go to www.ccisd.net in August to access the online portion of it to determine their child's bus stop. Once an address is entered, the closest bus stop will be displayed.

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Jordan and Melanie Gause wish to introduce their beautiful son Tristan Parke to the world. He is welcomed by his grandparents Amy & Jamie, and Jennifer & Dwayne, his aunt Angel & uncle Chris, and cousins Christopher, Julian and Nolan, and his great-grandmother Maga.
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Guerrero receives BPO scholarship



The Dobie Band Parent Organization announced the recipient of its 2009 scholarship at the Dobie Band Banquet on May 9. Seniors were asked to complete an essay regarding their time in the Dobie Band, and the essays were judged by a committee from the BPO. The scholarship for 2009 was awarded to Ashley Guerrero. Guerrero has had an important role in the band as percussion lieutenant this past year and plans to continue her music studies in Boston next year. She is the daughter of Luisa and Anthony Guerrero.

Heavy trash scheduled

Tree waste will be picked up Thursday, May 21, for city of Houston residents living north of Beltway 8. Residents south of the beltway are scheduled for Thursday, May 28. For more information, call 3-1-1.

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DIGITAL PRESENTATION
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TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) / (10:15, 10:50, 11:20, 11:55 @ \$5), 12:25, 1:00, 1:35, 2:05, 2:40, 3:10, 3:45, 4:20, 4:50, 5:25, 5:55, 6:30, 7:05, 7:35, 8:05, 8:40, 9:15, 9:50, 10:20, 10:55, 11:25, 11:55, 12:25, 12:55

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ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) / (10:45 @ \$5), 1:55, 5:05, 8:15, 11:20

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Over The Back Fence by Jan

CONGRATS SENT TO YOLANDA
Congratulations are sent to **Yolanda Dominguez** for winning a silver medal at the Senior Olympics on Tuesday, May 12. Yolanda is a longtime resident of Sagemont and is a retired school teacher from the Pasadena Independent School District. Best wishes go to her from her sons, **Roland and Richard Dominguez**, her daughter, **Laura Dominguez Chan**, and her husband, **Joe R. Dominguez**.

BAYLEE CELEBRATES HER 6TH!
Happy birthday hugs and kisses are sent to **Baylee Espinosa** who turns 6 years old on Monday, May 25, from grandma **Jannie** and grandpa **Robert Scarberry**, aunt **Stacey** and uncle **Stephen Flowers**, uncle **Joey** and aunt **Nyssa Hayes**, uncle **Austin** and aunt **Nicole Scarberry**, uncle **Tyler Scarberry**, cousins **Kennedy** and **Owen Flowers**, **Jade Scarberry** and big brother **Brayden Espinosa**. Baylee is the daughter of **Dobie graduates Jenny (Hayes) Espinosa** and **Ray Espinosa**.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel and staff mem-

bers of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays May 21 through May 27.

Atkinson Elementary
Greetings for a happy birthday are sent to **Maria Lara** May 22. On May 24, **Donna Enlow** celebrates a birthday.

Jessup Elementary
Marinela Diaz is sent birthday greetings on May 21. A birthday is enjoyed by **Jenny Drager** May 27.

Meador Elementary
May 25 is the day for a birthday party for **Heather Cline**.

Moore Elementary
A birthday is enjoyed by **Jennifer Christen** May 22. **Mary Jane Leathers** has a birthday May 26.

Morris Middle School
The day for a birthday party for **Kamshia Childs** is May 27.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Micah Strickland celebrates a birthday May 21.

Thompson Intermediate
Blow out the birthday candles for **Nury**

Flores May 26.

Dobie High
On May 22, happy birthday wishes are sent to **Sheryl Smith**. May 24 is the day for a birthday cake for **Lisa Barrett**. Wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to **Aimee Small** May 25. **Deborah Vanderhoef** and **Mary Walker** share a birthday May 26.

HOME RUN CORNER
Congratulations are sent to **Preston Kelley** of Woodmeadow on his first (three-run) home run during a game Monday, May 11, against the Reds. He plays for the Rays in Deer Park Youth Baseball 10-under league. There were two outs and an intentional walk before Kelley came up to bat. On the first pitch, he hit it out of the park. Proud parents are **Darla** and **Mike Kelley** and proud grandparents are **Mema Lanelle** and **Papa Bobby Deem**.

LEADER WANTS YOU IN THE NEWS
E-mail birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line. Items must be submitted by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Duston earns SJCS's outstanding faculty award



Foundation sponsors the annual awards program to honor college educators for outstanding scholarly achievements and exceptional dedication. The local honor is the equivalent to a campus Teacher of the Year award, and the campus winners are eligible for a state award, which will be announced in early May.

Duston has a lengthy and distinguished career as an educator on the high school and college levels, including 15 years experience in various positions at Rice University.

She started teaching at San Jacinto College four years ago and soon became involved in curriculum development. She also helped to develop a complete environmental science program for the college's South campus. She has served on the campus' Master Planning Com-

mittee, and presently serves on the committee planning the new science building to be constructed as a result of the bond measure passed last spring.

Duston graduated from Alvin High School and holds several college degrees - a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in microbiology from Texas A&M, a Bachelor of Science in chemistry and a Bachelor of Science in metallurgical engineering from the University of Texas at El Paso, and a Ph.D. in environmental science and engineering from Rice University.

She has had numerous works published in prestigious academic publications and science manuals.

"I love learning and want to give others the same opportunities to learn that I have been given," Duston com-

mented regarding her teaching philosophy.

"While college is not for everyone, I believe everyone deserves the opportunity to earn a college degree or certification, if that is what they want. This is one of the reasons that I love working at a community college. I am able to experience and work with students on a variety of levels: those seeking academic careers, those choosing a technical vocation, and dual credit high school students. Our students at San Jacinto College are multinational and multigenerational, and I love the challenge of presenting my courses in such a way as to meet the needs of all of my students.

"We have seen tremendous upheavals in our economy in the last 30 years, both lows and highs," she continued. "It is the responsibility

of any educator to help prepare our students to deal with these uncertainties, and the only way we can is by providing the best and broadest education that we can. I want my students to be able to adapt to situations, to overcome problems, and to succeed."

To determine the Minnie Stevens Piper Professors, each division department on each campus submits one faculty nominee. Full-time faculty members, administrators and staff members then vote on the nominees.

The faculty member who receives the greatest number of votes is selected as the campus Piper Professor. Fifteen Minnie Stevens Piper state awards will be presented in May.

For information about San Jacinto, call 281-998-6150 or visit www.sanjac.edu.

Master Gardener certification class set

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30 years ago (1979)
Texas Rangers were red-faced when they found they transported Sen. Gene Jones' brother to Austin, thinking all the time that they had the senator in custody.

Four Dobie High School students, **George Robb**, **Bobby Marlowe**, **Pam Kramer** and **Jack Terry**, won first place at the **Stephen F. Austin Social Studies Competition** held in Nacogdoches.

25 years ago (1984)
Two area constables arrested a teenager and a 20-year-old Freeway Manor resident after a high-speed chase, which began in the South Belt area.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service arrested two undocumented workers at a job site in the South Belt area.

Church were scheduled at the church's new location on the east side of the Gulf Freeway between Scarsdale and Dixie Farm Road.

Mayor **Lee P. Brown's** appearance before the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce was rescheduled as the area was pelted with nearly 7 inches of rain.

5 years ago (2004)
Officials with the city's Neighborhood Protection department were working with community members to clean up properties in the South Belt area.

There was a significant increase in drug-related ac-

tivities in the South Belt and its schools according to law enforcement officials.

San Jacinto College South's Professor **Pam Campbell** was the 2004 nominee for the **Minnie Stevens Piper** national award.

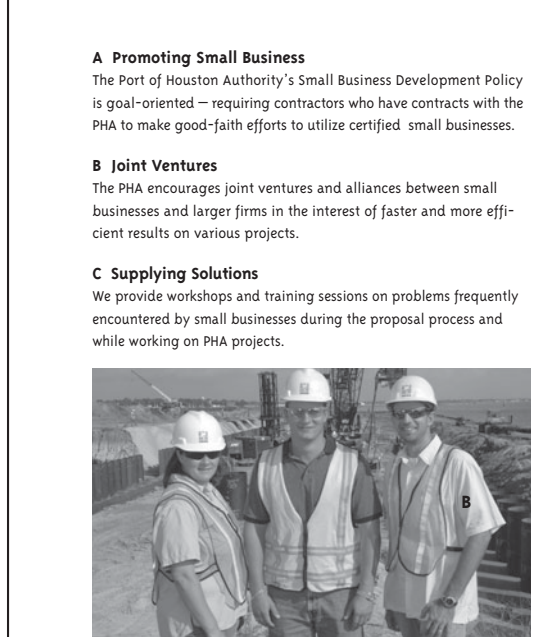
Houston voters approved Proposition One with a 73 percent to 27 percent margin. Incumbent **Vickie Morgan** retained her Position 7 seat on the Pasadena Independent School District's board of trustees.

Channel 11 News falsely took credit for sidewalks constructed on **Beamer Road**. Clear Brook MUD general

manager **Chris Clark** actually initiated the sidewalk construction.

1 year ago (2008)
The Pasadena Independent School District was named a National Model School District for 2008 by the International Center for Leadership in Education. The ICLE cited as evidence of its achievement significant improvement on TAKS over the past four years, the decrease in high school failure rates, its decrease in dropout rates and its increase in student attendance after only one full year of implementation.

Harris County Precinct 1 Commissioner **El Franco Lee** announced that additional units from the sheriff's department would patrol the unincorporated portions of the South Belt area. Patrolled primarily by deputies from the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's Office, the South Belt community grew considerably over the last decade, without a corresponding increase in police manpower in the area. The majority of new homes were in the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District. There was a 66 percent increase in calls for service in 1999.



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Lions Club meets May 26

The Houston Space City Lions Club will meet Tuesday, May 26, at 7 p.m. at the Golden Corral, 12500 Gulf Freeway. For information, call George Malone at 281-438-7243.

Purchasing course set

The University of Houston-Clear Lake will present a two-day course, *The Legal Aspects of Purchasing*, May 26-27, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Bayou Building at 2700 Bay Area Blvd. Discover straightforward answers to critical questions as well as responses to everyday legal subtleties of purchasing during this two-day course. Participants will learn how to deal with e-commerce, selecting the best contracts for different types of purchasing, handling defective materials and the best ways to ensure on-time deliveries. Registration is \$895 per person with discounts available when two or more people from the same organization register. For more information or to register, call UH-Clear Lake's Center for Advanced Management Programs at 281-283-3121 or e-mail camp@uhcl.edu.

City of Houston holds flood meeting

Continued from Page 1A drivers travelling through flooded streets causing unnecessary water damage to area homes. City councilmember Mike Sullivan, who represents the South Belt area, said the flooding issue is beyond a city problem and requires the cooperation of county, state and federal officials. Sullivan said he hopes to arrange a meeting with U.S. Rep. Pete Olson in the near future to further discuss the issue.

Argieard, Quiballo to wed



Lin and Alphonse Argieard of Sagemeadow announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kristen Megan Argieard, to Ronald Andaya Quiballo, son of Aurora and Reynaldo Quiballo of Richmond, Texas. The bride-to-be is a 2001 graduate of J. Frank Dobie High School. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Houston. She currently works as a speech-language pathologist in the Pasadena Independent School District. The prospective groom graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School in 2000. He earned his Bachelor of Science in aerospace engineering at the University of Texas-Austin. He currently works as a systems engineer for NASA's Engineering Robotics division. The couple and their families are planning a May 2010 wedding.

Wedding, engagement policies

Wedding writeups must be run in the newspaper, not submitted, in the time outlined. From wedding date to six weeks - photo and full article; Six weeks to three months - photo and limited information; After three months from wedding date - will not be run. Engagement and wedding announcements are published free of charge on a first come, first served basis. Information must be submitted by Friday to be considered for the next issue.

Students' research recognized by academic associations

Presenting a paper of one's own research would be a milestone in any college student's life. Having eight of these students recognized by academic associations in both English and history is an accomplishment shared by San Jacinto College South professors Dr. Eddie Weller and Dr. Greg Smith. The Texas State Historical Association and Texas Folklore Society recently held conferences that gave San Jacinto College students a chance to achieve a goal that many graduate students strive for. "This year, our students really put San Jacinto College on the map when it comes to academic work," said Smith, who teaches English in an honors program interdisciplinary class alongside Weller, who teaches history. Students selected to present their research at the Texas Folklore Society conference in April were Megan Burns with her paper *Blind Lemon* Jefferson, Seth Quinones with *The Life of Leadbelly*, Carol Nnabuefi with *Naijas in Texas*, Sara Nagy with *Scottish Dancing in Texas*, and Jacklyn Cortiaus with *The Blues Mothers*. Cortiaus' paper was also selected for publication in the 2009 edition of *Touchstone*, the journal of the Walter Prescott Webb Historical Society, a college-level educational program of the Texas State Historical Association. Burns earned the prestigious first-place 2009 C.M. and Cora Caldwell Award, given by the Texas State Historical Association. "This was a really enjoyable experience, and it was a really big honor to present my paper," said Burns, who is a dual-credit college student also in home school. "When I got there, I realized the impact of going to conference. As a student, you need to be able to think critically, take information and make it your own." Amelia Giles received the third place Caldwell Award for her paper *Houston Ride for Kids*. Her sister, Rachelle Giles, also had her paper, *History of the Aquanauts of Clear Lake*, published in *Touchstone*, along with *The Space Shuttle Columbia Accident* by Nathan Quinones, brother of Seth Quinones. All five students recognized at the Texas State Historical Association this semester are dual-credit homeschooled students taking San Jacinto College courses. "Without question, these students worked hard to prepare outstanding research papers, going beyond the work of most college students," Weller said. "They delved deeply into the primary sources to tell the stories of local Texans." For more information about San Jacinto College, call 281-998-6150 or visit www.sanjac.edu.

Singles dance May 23

The Bay Area Singles Club monthly dance will be held Saturday, May 23, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the VFW Lodge in Bacliff, 1401 Grand Avenue on FM 646, one-quarter mile west of Highway 146. Bring party snacks to share for the 35th anniversary dance. Cost is \$6 for members and \$8 for nonmembers. For more information, call Beth at 409-948-1156 or Glenda at 281-484-4762.

Silva recipient of 12th Laura Smither Scholarship award

The Laura Recovery Center, for missing children, recently announced Friendswood High School graduate Lena Silva the recipient of this year's Laura Smither Scholarship. The annual \$3,000 scholarship honors the memory of Laura Kate Smither, who was abducted and murdered in April 1997. Smither was 12 years old when she died, so this year's scholarship is particularly poignant for the Smither family, as Silva is the 12th recipient of this scholarship. Bob and Gay Smither said that they are proud of all the scholarship winners and the many accomplishments they have made in their lives. Silva has been accepted to Rice University where she plans to pursue a liberal arts degree. Her interest and passion lie in the area of social services, and upon the advice of Rice University, she plans to pursue an undergraduate degree plan that will prepare her for a legal degree, which she aspires to take at Harvard Law School. Silva has pursued a rigorous and demanding high school curriculum, but she also made time for service work as a volunteer. She was president of the Interact Club, master of ceremonies for the Battle of the Bands, a team leader for the Relay for Life and a project initiator for programs at Hope Village. Application forms can be found on line at www.LRCF.org and the Laura Recovery Center office.

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Holts enjoy five generations



A rarity occurred recently for South Belt resident Virginia Holt, the proud matriarch of five generations, when all five were able to get together for a visit. Pictured are, left to right, great-grandmother Rita Holt, great-great-grandmother Virginia Holt, grandmother Stacey Huber, Daddy David Moreland, and fifth-generation babies Preston and Elizabeth Moreland. Photo submitted

Sounds Like Fun! free public performance held May 29

The Houston Symphony's annual *Sounds Like Fun!* series returns with free public concerts at locations throughout Houston. A free performance will be held Friday, May 29, at 7:30 p.m. at Grace Community Church, 14505 Gulf Freeway. For news about the series, times and locations, call 713-238-1477 or visit www.houston-symphony.org.

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YMCA to close wellness center

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There are also many benefits for the sick and the elderly that the fitness center has over a traditional gym, according to Herring.

"A gym is not a rehabilitation center," she said. "A lot of people need special attention they can't get at a gym."

Herring said the rehab sessions at the center have helped countless individuals over the last two decades.

"I've seen people come in with a walker, and a few days later, will be walking on a treadmill at four mph," she said.

Beyond exercise, the center serves as a source of community for its members.

"They are a family," Herring said. "When one of

them gets sick, all of the others will visit them. If one of them dies, the others go to the funeral."

This sentiment is shared by Larry Fletcher, whose mother-in-law is a member at the center.

"My mother-in-law is one of the senior citizens who goes to this facility on an almost daily basis for not only exercise, but socializing," he said. "It gives these folks a reason to get out

of the house and go somewhere. For many, this is the only thing they do outside of visiting doctors or sitting at home."

Herring said many of the members will meet every Friday for lunch at the hospital's cafeteria.

The proposed closing of the center is disheartening to Herring.

"The program is very good for the community," she said. "It would be so sad

to discontinue it."

The fitness center's members are not the only ones surprised by the announcement of plans to close the facility, as the hospital's administration had no foreknowledge of the proposal.

"We were caught off guard with the business decision to close the center," said Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital CEO George Gaston. "The hospital received notice of the closure at the same time as the YMCA members."

Like the group's members, Gaston is saddened by the motion to close the fitness center.

"I definitely feel the YMCA fits in well with our mission of promoting well-

ness in the community," he said. "I would like to see our relationship with the YMCA to continue."

Gaston hopes an agreement can be made to keep the senior center open.

"I am hopeful we can get together and reach a resolution that's a win-win for all parties involved - something that works for the hospital, something that works for the YMCA, and something that works for the community as well."

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce is also in favor of keeping the center at its current location and is planning a meeting with the hospital administration to discuss the situation in the near future.

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Mata crowned



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South Belt floods . . .

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The frustrated resident was told by a city contractor at the completion of the aforementioned project that the work would do little good unless additional improvements to the outflow of the drainage system were made by the county. Subsequent pleas from Carraway to HCFCD officials have gone unanswered.

Like Frey, Carraway has become jaded by the county's response to the issue.

"I feel we've been ignored or just written off," she said. "It's not worth

their trouble."

Both residents have also expressed anger at citizens who drive through the flooded thoroughfares near their residences, pushing water into nearby homes.

A third homeowner, who wishes to remain anonymous, took action in this regard, following the recent rainfall.

The longtime Sagemont resident, whose home has flooded seven times over the last three decades, wrote down the license plate numbers of vehicles that pushed water into his home. Armed with this information and his neighbor as a witness, the resident reported the incidents to the Houston Police Department.

At press time, two separate charges of criminal mischief were pending against the drivers.

Sullivan...

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Area apartment complexes were another area of discussion at the meeting. The councilman voiced his opposition to the proposed construction of the low-income Dixie Gardens apartment complex on Dixie Farm Road. The councilman also said he had worked extensively to close the unsafe Alameda Chateau complex on Kingspoint back in March.

Jobs and finances were also discussed by Sullivan. It is his contention the federal government is not properly funding NASA. The councilman said he will make an effort to retain aerospace jobs in the community and will work closely with the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership.

The councilman noted he was instrumental in stopping the construction of a bridge near Mykawa Road that he deemed unnecessary, saving the city roughly \$19 million.

A large portion of Sullivan's current financial office surplus will go to ensure local fire stations are well-equipped. Of the present \$35,000 office surplus, roughly \$20,000 will go toward supplies for the fire department.

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SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

Lady Longhorns' softball run ended, 2-1

Flawless play and perfect execution in the area girls' softball playoffs lifted Dobie past state-ranked Clements into the next round. An inability to repeat that performance against Clear Creek cost the Lady Longhorns dearly in the regional quarterfinals.

Clear Creek's Jessica Hempling circled the bases following what should have been a single to score the eventual winning run in the top of the eighth inning, lifting the Lady Wildcats to a 2-1 win over Dobie May 18 at Manvel High School. In the win-or-go-home,

one-game playoff, Clear Creek advanced to the regional semifinals. Dobie's season is complete.

The game was scoreless through 5 1/2 innings as both teams failed to capitalize on scoring chances. In turn, Dobie's JoJo Krienitz and Clear Creek's Katie Moulder, the starting pitchers, made big pitches when they needed to.

The Lady Longhorns struck first in the bottom of the sixth inning. Christina Diaz reached first base on an error by Creek shortstop Michaela Adams.

On the ensuing at bat, Dobie's Chelsea D'Ambrosio laid down a bunt with the intent of moving Diaz up. Instead, D'Ambrosio beat the throw for a single, and Diaz went to third base as the ball trickled away from Creek first baseman Taylor Freudenberg.

Moulder retired Nicole Andrade on a soft liner to Freudenberg at first base, but Dobie's Chelsey Morgan scored Diaz with a single to center field.

From there, Tessa Wells singled to load the bases with one out, but the Lady Longhorns left the bases loaded without scoring an insurance run.

Three outs from the win, Dobie could not hang on. Krienitz issued a four-pitch walk to lead-off hitter Adams in the top of the seventh inning.

Krienitz got an out as Kasandra Bowen popped



up to third base, but Hempling doubled just out of Andrade's reach in right-center field to tie the game.

On the play, Dobie executed its relay throws perfectly to nail Hempling trying to stretch her hit into a triple, but the damage was done.

In the top of the eighth inning, the 2009 season took a dramatic turn for both teams.

Krienitz got two quick outs before Hempling stepped to the plate. This time, she sent a liner to right field. The bounce ricocheted past Dobie right fielder Kellen Gomez and rolled to the fence.

Clear Creek head coach Andrea Cash, taking her chances with two outs, sent Hempling home. Dobie's relay arrived just ahead of Hempling, but catcher Chelsea D'Ambrosio juggled the ball as Hempling slid home for a 2-1 lead.

Leading for the first time in the game, Moulder did her job in the bottom of the eighth inning.

Moulder ended the game

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Four-year starter Chelsea D'Ambrosio played in her final game for Dobie in the regional quarterfinals against Clear Creek. The Lady Wildcats' 2-1 win in eight innings brought D'Ambrosio's stay at Dobie to an end.

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Area baseball playoffs

Pearland takes out Clear Brook baseball 7-3

A four-run sixth inning guided Pearland past Clear Brook 7-3 in an area round high school baseball playoff game May 19 at the University of Houston.

The Oilers, the second-place team in District 22-5A, will advance to the regional quarterfinal round as the lone team from the district remaining in the postseason.

Meanwhile, Clear Brook's season has ended with a solid run in the playoffs. The Wolverines had

previously defeated District 23-5A champion Dulles in a thrilling bidistrict series May 14-16.

Entering the playoffs as the fourth seed from District 24-5A, the Wolverines had an interesting series against Dulles.

The Wolverines won the opening game 8-4 May 14 behind a terrific effort from each member of the team.

In the second game of the series, Dulles responded with a no-hit performance as pitcher Michael Medina

went five innings for the win. The Vikings ended the game after five innings with a 10-0 decision.

But the Wolverines fought back. In the deciding game, Colton Cromer pitched a great game, and the Wolverines produced enough offense for a 4-2 win.

"The weekend against Dulles was a lot of fun," Brook head coach Russell Ferrell said. "We got a contribution from a lot of guys to help us advance."

In the area round, Pearland and Brook went toe-to-toe with the game in doubt late.

The Wolverines scored two runs in the top of the sixth inning to tie the game at 3-3. But the Oilers' offense delivered in a big way in the bottom half of the frame, closing out the win.

Clear Brook's season ended at 17-12 overall. The team was 8-6 in District 24-5A action.

In looking ahead to 2010, Ferrell will have the

majority of his players back in the mix after competing with a young roster. Senior losses include Lane Berry, DJ Julks, Cromer, Mike Anzaldua and seven others.

No state berths earned

Dobie girls pace local Region III track

Barring an alternate be needed at the Texas state high school track and field meet June 5-6, the season is officially concluded at Clear Brook and Dobie high schools.

But the excitement still hasn't settled for several individuals and relay teams after both schools excelled at the Region III meet in Humble May 22-23.

Leading the way was Miles Gay, Clear Brook's multi-sport standout who

won a bronze medal in the shot put event for his throw of 55 feet, 4 inches.

Because only the top two finishers per event in each region advance to state, Miles' third-place finish leaves him excluded from Austin.

However, should one of the two Region III competitors drop out, Miles will advance.

No other athletes from Clear Brook or Dobie are likely to be headed to Austin through the alternate process. Still, the regional meet, albeit delayed by two weeks, was a hit for the locals.

The Dobie girls were fourth overall in the 4x100-meter relay, claiming a time of 47.99 seconds.

That group included juniors Kiara Harris, Chili Montgomery and Monique Anderson along with freshman Charity Knight.

The same Lady Longhorns' foursome competed

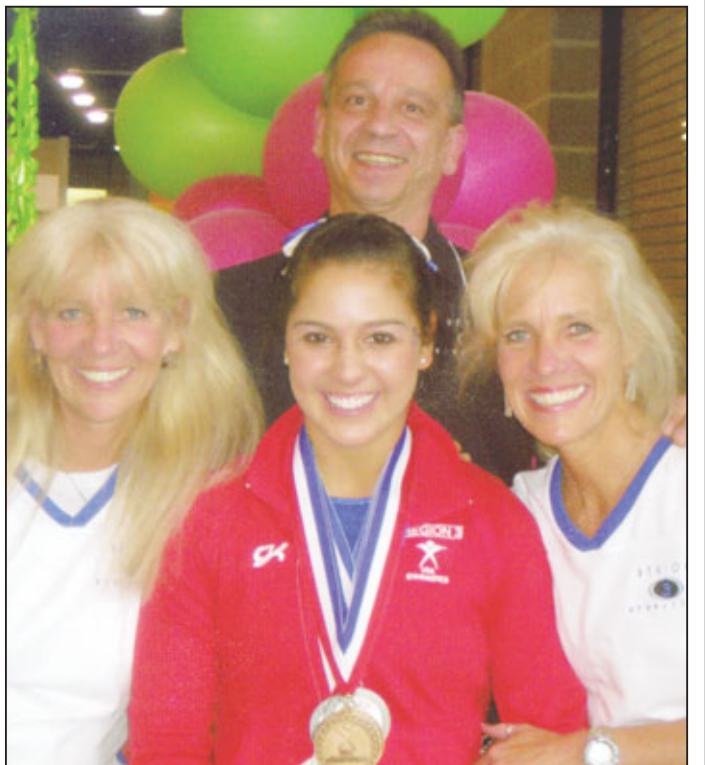
in the 4x200-meter relay, where Dobie was fifth at 1:41.94. In both relays, the Lady Longhorns picked the right time to establish season-bests.

The best news despite the foursomes not making state? Dobie could be the big name in girls' relays come 2010. Anderson, Harris and Montgomery will be seniors. Knight will be a sophomore. Another frequent relay member, Tiers

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Gutierrez is second at gymnastics nationals

South Belt resident Marissa Gutierrez finished second in the all-around standings at the Junior Olympic gymnastics national championships May 15-16. Gutierrez, a senior at Clear Brook High School, posted a total score of 38.225, just .025 behind eventual champion Noel Crouch. Competing on her 18th birthday, Gutierrez was second in the floor exercise event and third in the vault en route to the all-around silver medal in the Level 10 Senior C age division. Gutierrez has been invited to train at the U.S. Olympic Training Center for three days next month. The elite gymnast, who competes for the Woodlands Gymnastics Academy, will attend the University of Alabama on an athletics scholarship this fall. Those with Gutierrez (with medals at right) are, left to right, coaches Debbie Kaitschuck, Jean Pierre Lavachery and Deana Parish.



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Region III track...

Continued from Page 1B Franks, will be a junior next season.

Along with the exceptional relay performances, Dobie's girls also had long jumper Shadae Shepherd and Ashley Johnson in the shot put.

Shepherd went 17 feet, 9 inches in the long jump for fifth place. She and Johnson, who also competes in the discus event, will be seniors in 2010.

Dobie head coach Tina Knight-Gray will have plenty of speed at her disposal next season, and Shepherd and Johnson will lead the way in the field events.

Knight-Gray, who is in her third season at Dobie, entered the program at a time when many of the current athletes were freshmen. She has been excited to see the team's growth.

"2010 looks very promising, but every time I think

about it, I cry because that group of young ladies is so special to me, on and off the track," Knight-Gray said.

"This season, they accomplished more than I could have asked for. I don't know when the last time Dobie has had a relay or an individual to make the running finals at regionals.

"I was very excited and pleased with the girls and their times. In the prelims, we ran our best time all year with a 41.2 in the 4x1 and a 1:40.15 in the 4x2. I am looking forward to next year, tears and all."

Among the other competitors, Brook's Gay was also fourth in the discus at 161-10.

Taylor Barrera was eighth in the 1,600-meter run, finishing at 4:33.52.

Regdric Malveaux of Brook was sixth in the long jump.

Softball playoffs: Creek eliminates Dobie 2-1

Continued from Page 1B with a 1-2-3 frame, sending Clear Creek to the regional semifinals to face Katy, which defeated Cinco Ranch. Dobie, which advanced to regional quarterfinals for the first time since 2004, is finished after beating North Shore and Clements in the playoffs.

The loss marks the end of a terrific four-year run for seniors like Krienitz, D'Ambrosio and Andrade, who played each of their four seasons at the varsity level for Rackley. Other senior graduates will include

outfielder Julie Cross, Wells and reserve infielder Rhiana Anthony.

The losses of those seniors will be costly. There is simply no way to replace that much experience overnight.

It will be a big offseason for Dobie and Rackley as the program moves forward to 2010.

Krienitz will graduate after four standout seasons in the circle.

During this season when Krienitz was injured, freshman Shannon O'Connor and sophomore Alyssa

Zarate both pitched well in pressure-packed games. The Lady Longhorns should be fine in that area.

Diaz at third base, Morgan at shortstop and Amanda Nguyen at second base will likely anchor the infield in 2010 as seniors.

Current sophomores Ariel Morgan and Faith Roberts are options behind the plate.

In the outfield, Gomez will return, as will juniors-to-be Shelby Senegal, Amie Gallant, Gabby Romero and Shelby O'Brien.

Freshman Ceci Gonzal-

ez, a middle infielder, will also be available to fill a role.

As disappointing as the arrival of the end of the season is, Dobie's historic run figures to continue. The Lady Longhorns have never missed the playoffs. And the program seemingly is in great shape for the future.

Krienitz downs Clements

Losing the first game of its best-of-three series to Clements in the area round, Dobie needed a rescue ef-

fort. Krienitz answered the call. The four-year starting pitcher threw a pair of shutouts against the Lady Rangers, winning 2-0 in the second game and 1-0 in the third game to clinch the series for the Lady Longhorns.

Krienitz struck out 22 batters over the three games and, simply put, lifted Dobie to the area playoff round for the first time during her career.



JoJo Krienitz finished off her career at Dobie with a terrific performance in the playoffs. She had a win over North Shore and two shutouts against state-ranked Clements.



Lead-off hitter Amanda Nguyen is likely to be back at the top of the lineup in 2010 after a stellar junior season. She also has a steady glove at second base.

Sports news, notes

Youth swimming lessons

Staff members of the Sageglen pool will offer swimming lessons during two morning time sessions. Available dates include June 9 to June 19, June 23 to July 3 and July 7 to July 17. For more information or to register, call 281-660-6669.

Brook strength/conditioning

Athletes in any of the Clear Brook High School boys' or girls' athletic programs are invited to take part in the voluntary strength and conditioning program June 15 to July 23 Mondays through Thursdays. Students entering the ninth through 12th grades as of the 2009-2010 school year are eligible to attend. The first session is 7:10 to 8:50 a.m., and the second session will run from 9 to 10:40 a.m. All incoming freshmen who choose to participate are required to attend the second session. Cost of the program is \$60. For more information, call coach Brian Broussard at 281-284-2161 or direct e-mail to bbroussa@ccisd.net.

Dobie strength/conditioning

Athletes in any of the Dobie High School boys' or girls' athletic programs are invited to take part in the voluntary strength and conditioning program June 8 to July 23. Students entering the ninth through 12th grades as of the 2009-2010 school year are eligible to attend. The first session is 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., and the second session will run from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost of the program is \$50. Students will be required to pay the funds just prior to the start of the sessions on June 8.

JFD baseball club to nominate

The Dobie Diamond Club will host a meeting Wednesday, June 3, at 7 p.m. in the athletic media room. At that time, those present will have the opportunity to nominate board members for the 2010 season. Those who cannot attend the meeting but would like to nominate someone may direct an e-mail to Julie Kutra at jkutra@sbcglobal.net or call 281-236-7719.

Dolphins football to golf

The Southbelt Dolphins of the Bay Area Football League will host a fundraising golf tournament July 11 at the Gus Wortham Golf Course, 7000 Capitol St. in Houston. The event is of the four-person scramble variety and is \$320 per team or \$80 per individual player. The fee includes a round of golf, green fees, cart fee, range balls and lunch. The team is also seeking hole sponsors. To get involved, call Henry Caballero at 832-495-3463 or Raul Rodriguez at 713-545-7834.

6-under select baseball tryouts

The 6-under Legends, a select baseball team based in the South Belt area, will soon host tryouts for players interested in competing in tournaments during the summer months. For more information about the Legends, call coaches Jason Carter at 832-512-8481 or Craig Redmon at 281-236-5112.

First Baptist football camp

The First Baptist Christian Academy will host its 2009 football camp June 1-5 at the academy, located at 7500 Fairmont Parkway. Former South Houston High School varsity football coach Al Campo will direct the camp, which will focus on the fundamentals of the game including blocking, tackling, passing, receiving, running and more. The camp will run from 8 to 10 a.m. each day. Cost of the camp is \$40 per student (camp T-shirt included). Students entering the sixth through 12th grades as of the 2009-2010 school year are eligible to attend. Families of the participants are responsible for medical insurance coverage. For more information about the camp or to register online, visit the academy's athletics Web site at www.fbcawarriors.org.

First Baptist soccer camp

The First Baptist Christian Academy will host its 2009 boys' and girls' soccer camp June 1-2 and June 4-5 at the academy, located at 7500 Fairmont Parkway. Dobie High School varsity boys' coach Jesse Saavedra will direct the camp, which will focus on the fundamentals of the game including dribbling, passing, shooting, defending, marking, goalkeeping and more. The camp will run from 5 to 7 p.m. each day. Cost of the camp is \$40 per student (camp T-shirt included). Students entering the sixth through 12th grades as of the 2009-2010 school year are eligible to attend. Families of the participants are responsible for medical insurance coverage. For more information about the camp or to register online, visit the academy's athletics Web site at www.fbcawarriors.org.

Brook soccer camp

Clear Brook High School varsity boys' soccer coach Rick Sickmiller will host the Wolverines' youth camp June 8-12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the school. The session is open to students entering the sixth through ninth grades as of the 2009-2010 school year. Cost is \$50 on or before June 1 and \$70 thereafter. For more information, direct e-mail to rsickmil@ccisd.net.

Bidistrict baseball playoffs

Channelview knocks Dobie out in three games

Dobie's journey in the high school baseball playoffs was another short one as the Longhorns lost their bidistrict series two games to one May 14-16.

Each game played out very differently. Dobie simply could not deliver the big hit in a 5-1 loss in the first game.

Facing elimination, the Longhorns came back from a 6-3 deficit in the second game to win 7-6.

In the decisive third game, Dobie's 5-0 first-inning lead evaporated as the Falcons went on to win 14-8.

Just like that, the 2009 season of Dobie is done at 16-13 overall. The offseason has officially arrived.

Dobie head coach Roy Grant, who saw his eighth season come to a close, used a handful of pitchers over the course of the final two games in trying to slow the Falcons.

After Priest went the distance in the opener, the Longhorns used Daniel Sawyer, Mike Medina, Sport Beynaerts and Austin Abbott in the second game.

In the finale, Sam Grant drew the start on the hill. Dobie then relieved him with Aris Adame and then

freshman Zach Long.

"It's tough because Priest threw the ball exceptionally well for us in the first game, and we just couldn't score any runs for him," Roy Grant said, adding that Priest fanned 11 Channelview hitters.

"In that last game, we led 5-0 early and then took an 8-6 lead into the bottom of the fifth inning. Adame gave up six runs in his stint, but only two of those were earned."

The bottom line in the last game: The Longhorns' defense made five errors and the pitching staff hit four batters and walked five.

Dobie did win a play-off game for the first time in Grant's eight years but could not put Channelview away.

"Obviously, we wanted this series win for some of these seniors who have given so much not only this year but the last several," Grant said.

"Sawyer and Priest have been here for three years. We're also losing my son, Sam Grant, Quinton Edwards, Derrick Murray and Josh Bergeron. It would have been great to see those guys advance to play in an-



Joseph Gutierrez is just one of the key players set to return in 2010 for the Longhorns. Gutierrez spent much of his time in center field and used his speed and hustle to succeed at the plate.

Photo by John Bechtle



At left, Daniel Sawyer was one of seven seniors who played in their final game as members of the Dobie High School baseball program. The Longhorns lost a best-of-three series to the Channelview Falcons, which claimed fourth in District 22-5A this season, put together an overall record of 16-13.

Photo by John Bechtle

All-star play coming

The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League regular season is nearly complete.

Qualifying teams are now involved in playoff competition, and all-star competition is on the way.

When the names of the all-stars from the respective divisions and age groups are released, the Leader will print a list.

The SBHLL facility will play host to all-star and postseason play in the T-ball, minor, major and

10-11-year-old divisions over the course of the district tournament season.

The host sites for sectional play have not been determined.

The Leader also invited representatives from the divisional champions to submit a photo for publication. Per Leader policy, these photos will be run on a space-available basis.

The Leader will also report on all-star play in all of the divisions.

Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League Standings

Junior/Senior Division

Team	W	L	T
Braves	11	2	0
Astros	10	2	1
Red Sox	9	5	0
Yankees	5	6	3
Rangers	2	12	1
Cardinals	2	12	1

Major Division

Team	W	L	T
Astros	12	0	1
Tigers	10	2	1
Red Sox	8	4	0
Indians	7	5	0
Yankees	7	6	0
Rangers	7	6	0
Cardinals	5	8	0
Pirates	5	8	0
Braves	2	11	0
Padres	0	13	0

Minor Division

Team	W	L	T
Rangers	13	2	0
Tigers	13	2	0
Cardinals	12	3	0
Red Sox	8	7	0
Indians	8	8	0
Pirates	6	9	0
Braves	6	9	0
Astros	2	13	0
Yankees	0	15	0

Pee Wee Division

Team	W	L	T
Indians	15	2	0
Rangers	13	2	1
Tigers	12	4	2
Pirates	9	5	3
Yankees	10	7	0
Padres	7	9	0
Red Sox	5	11	1
Braves	4	11	2
Astros	4	12	0
Cardinals	1	16	1

Machine Pitch Division

Team	W	L	T
Tigers	14	0	0
Padres	12	2	0
Pirates	9	5	0
Red Sox	5	7	1
Yankees	5	8	0
Braves	3	10	0
Rangers	2	10	2
Astros	2	10	1

T-Ball Division

Team	W	L	T
Rangers	11	2	0
Giants	11	2	0
Reds	10	3	0
Brewers	9	4	0
Dodgers	8	5	0
Cardinals	7	6	0
Padres	7	6	0
Tigers	6	7	0
Braves	5	7	1
Yankees	5	7	1
Red Sox	5	7	0
Astros	3	9	1
Indians	1	10	1
Pirates	0	13	0

Gator baseball begins title quest

The San Jacinto College baseball team, less than a week off its Region XIV championship title, now knows who its first round opponent will be at the JUCO World Series, which begins May 24.

San Jacinto will face the Spartanburg Methodist College Pioneers at 6:30 p.m. (CDT) May 24 at Suplizio Field in Grand Junction, Colo.

Despite not having a home field to play on this season, the Gators dominated, finishing the regular season 39-9 before plowing through the Region XIV tournament with four straight wins.

The regional tournament win earned San Jacinto a spot in the national tournament for the 20th time in school history and the sixth in the last eight years.

San Jacinto's last appearance at the National Junior College Athletic Association national tournament was in 2007.

Spartanburg Methodist finished the season 54-7 and won the Eastern District title to punch its return trip to the JUCO World Series.

The Pioneers last played in Grand Junction in 2007, when they finished third.

The double-elimination tournament runs May 23-30.

For a complete tournament bracket and to follow San Jacinto through its national title run, visit www.jucogj.com.

San Jacinto College baseball games can be heard at www.tsnsports.com.



The San Jacinto College baseball coaches will work during the off week to prepare their team for the National Junior College Athletic Association's World Series, May 23-30, in Grand Junction, Colo. Pictured, left to right, are assistant coach Jimmy Durham, assistant coach D.J. Wilson, head coach Tom Arrington and assistant coach Kory Koehler.

Photo by Rob Vanya, SJC marketing

Local resident Jones, friends raise breast cancer awareness

For the second year in a row, South Belt resident Lisa Jones (center) headed up Team Ya-Ya for the Annual Mother's Day Breast Cancer Network of Strength's Walk to Empower. Hundreds gathered at Sam Houston Park in downtown Houston to walk three miles in support of breast cancer survivors and to raise money for education and support programs. It was the fifth annual Walk to Empower benefiting the Breast Cancer Network of Strength. Since forming the team in 2008, Jones, along with Team Ya-Ya, has raised more than \$17,000 to help ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone. The team is still accepting contributions through June 19. Those who would like to make a contribution or get more information on how to become part of this organization may visit the Web sites www.walk.networkofstrength.org or www.myspace.com/teamyaya. At right, Jones is pictured with her sons, Gabriel Robles (left) and Brandon Jones.

Submitted photo



SJC continues to reload roster

Ravens' volleyball signs local transfer player

Christie Dorch, a Friendswood native and transfer from the University of New Hampshire, has signed a letter of intent to play volleyball and continue her education at San Jacinto College this fall.

The 6-foot right-side hitter played in 15 matches last season for the Wildcats, averaging 1.50 kills, 0.41 digs and 0.25 blocks per game.

As a senior at Friendswood High School in 2007, Dorch notched 383 kills and posted a school-record .523 hitting percentage. She also recorded 82 digs and 118 blocks, while her match highs included 22 kills and 10 blocks.

In 2006, Dorch also earned a place on the Northwest all-star team.

"Christie is an athletic

and dynamic player with a great deal of experience in successful programs," said San Jacinto head coach Sharon Nelson.

"She adds leadership, solid offense and defense, and a winning attitude. We are looking forward to the addition of Christie and her experience to the 2009 team."

In its fourth-straight trip to the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament last fall, San Jacinto finished the season fifth in the nation with a record of 33-3.

The fifth-place finish was the best ever under Nelson, who has coached San Jacinto College for seven seasons.

The addition of Dorch keeps the Ravens on track to reloading the roster.

San Jacinto College opens the 2009 season August 28-29 at the Texas Tornado Tournament in Houston, and will open the 2009 home season Sept. 1 against Temple College.

For a complete 2009 schedule and more information about San Jacinto College volleyball, visit www.sanjacsports.com.

Pasadena ISD athletics offers college recruiting seminar

The Pasadena Independent School District is doing its part to help students and their families understand the realities of the collegiate athletics recruiting process.

College Recruiting Simplified, a free educational seminar open to all PISD athletes and their families, will be held June 1 at 7 p.m. at Phillips Field House.

Offered by the National Collegiate Scouting Association in coordination with PISD, the seminar is designed to give inside tips and information on how college coaches recruit.

Je'Mone Smith, a former professional player in the National Football League, will host the seminar.

Smith encourages parents of the students to attend, as the parents ultimately play a big role in the recruiting process.

Rodney Chant, assistant athletic director for PISD, says it's an example of the district lending a hand to help its students.

"We are trying to take a proactive approach to educating our athletes and

reiterates that the most valuable goal any student athlete should have is to strive for a college education.

PISD is one of more than 500 College Recruiting

Simplified locations utilizing the program during the 2008-2009 school year.

LSA's Curtis a state track star



Loreal Curtis, a sophomore at Lutheran South Academy, starred at the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools state track and field meet May 9, winning two gold medals. In the 200-meter dash, Curtis delivered a win in a time of 25.72 seconds. In the 400-meter event, Curtis came away with the win at 57.39, setting a new Class 4A state meet record. Curtis also won the 200- and 400-meter state titles as a freshman. Off the track, Curtis is a second-year varsity cheerleader. She is the sophomore class president and a member of the national honor society. As a freshman at the state meet in 2008, Curtis also won two gold medals.

Submitted photo



Christie Dorch, who played high school volleyball for Friendswood, has transferred to San Jacinto College for her sophomore season. Dorch, who played at the University of New Hampshire last fall, is a right side hitter.

South Belt Youth Soccer Club

It's time for FALL Soccer Registration!

Registration for Boys and Girls ages 4 to 18 years old is being held on: **Saturday, May 23rd at the Sagemeadow MUD Bldg. from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

New players registering must bring original and copy of birth certificate at time of registration. For additional information and online registration, go to www.southbeltsoccer.org

SBYSC is a non-profit, all volunteer organization run by parents for the kids.

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U5-U8 (4,5,6,7)	\$85	\$80
U9 & U10	\$95	\$90
U11 & Older	\$115	\$110

Late fee of \$10 will be assessed after July 1st, 2009.

THE SAGEMEADOW MUD BUILDING IS LOCATED AT: 10755 HALL RD.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 21
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" each Monday through Friday, from 7 to 8 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Room 114. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.

11:15 a.m.
Texas Southeast Christian Women's Club - Texas Southeast Christian Women's Club, in affiliation with Stonecroft Ministries, hosts monthly luncheons at Golfcrest Country Club from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month. The luncheon includes a buffet, an informative program and an inspirational speaker. Cost is \$16 all inclusive. All ladies are welcome, but reservations are necessary. A complimentary nursery is provided. For information, call 281-992-1675 or 281-482-9727.

11:30 a.m.
ABWA - Southeast Express Network - American Business Women's Association-South meets on the third Thursday of each month at Makenzie's Grill, 9330 Broadway in Pearland. Lunch is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$20 and includes networking with professional business women, lunch and guest speaker. Women of all ages and occupations are invited. Bring plenty of business cards. Reservations are appreciated. Contact Monica Perez at mlynperez2002@yahoo.com for reservations, or visit the Web site at www.seen-abwa.org.

Noon
Al-Anon - Meets every Thursday from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Room 111. For information, call 281-487-8787.

5:30 p.m.
Texas German Society, South Belt (Southeast) Chapter - A social group interested in the culture, music, heritage and language of the immigrants in early German settlements in Texas. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors are welcome. Call 281-481-1298 for more information.

6:30 p.m.
St. Luke's Catholic Church - Free tutoring for all ages is available Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Building at St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 11011 Hall Road. For information, call 281-484-1397 or e-mail joe_pavlicek@yahoo.com.

7 p.m.
Korean War Veteran Association - The Texas Lone Star Chapter meets the third Thursday of each month at the Tracy Gee Community Center, 3599 West Center. For information, call 713-774-3662.

8:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.

FRIDAY, MAY 22
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" each Monday through Friday, from 7 to 8 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Room 114. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.

10 a.m.
Free Line Dance Class - The Friendswood Senior Citizen Program offers free line dancing classes. The class is held at the activity building, located at 416 Morningside. All area senior citizens, 55 or older, are invited. Previous experience not required. For more information, call 281-482-8441.

Noon
Moving Forward Women's Adult Children Anonymous - The ACA group meets Fridays at noon at the Up The Street Club in Webster, 508 Nasa Parkway, in room 4. ACA is a 12-step program of hope, healing and recovery for people who grew up in alcoholic or dysfunctional homes. For more information, call 281-286-1431.

SATURDAY, MAY 23
6 p.m.
Frontier Squares - Meets to square dance at the NASA Gilruth Center on Space Center. Refreshments provided. For more information, contact Gina Sherman at 281-554-5675 or George Wieland at 281-286-5682, or visit www.frontiersquares.com.

SUNDAY, MAY 24
2 p.m.
Grief Support Group - For any adult who has lost a loved one. Meets every Sunday, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas from 2 to 3:15 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. For more information, call 281-487-8787.

3 p.m.
Pasadena Little Theatre - Closing performance for Pasadena Little Theatre's *Guns and Dolls* by Frank Loesser, Joe Swerling and Abe Burrows at 3 p.m. at 4318 Allen-Genoa Road. Mary K. Isaacs and Judie Valentine are the directors. Reservations can be made online at pasadenalittletheatre.org or by calling 713-941-1758.

8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Sundays and Tuesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.

MONDAY, MAY 25
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" each Monday through Friday, from 7 to 8 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Room 114. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.

9 a.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise and speech therapy from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered.

10 a.m.
Free Walking Classes - for plus size women are held Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Sagomont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Let's move together. Registration required. For more information, call Beatrice at 281-922-2343.

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Scrabble Club #511 - Meets every Monday at the IHOP on Fuqua from 6 to 9 p.m. All who enjoy the game or want to learn to play are invited to join. For more information, call 281-488-2923.

6:30 p.m.
Civil Air Patrol Meeting - Weekly at Ellington Field in the Civil Air Patrol Building. Call 281-484-1352 and leave a message for more information.

7 p.m.
Grief Support Group - "Friends Helping Friends" meets every Monday from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehab Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Those who have lost a spouse or other loved one are invited to participate. For information, call Betty Flynn at 281-474-3430 or Diana Kawalec at 281-334-1033.

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