

Graduation issue planned

The *Leader's* high school special edition will be published June 3. 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 3 p.m. on Friday, May 28.

Memorial Day Observances

South Belt-Ellington Leader
The *Leader* office will be closed May 31. Office closes Friday at noon.

Clear Brook City MUD
Clear Brook City MUD offices will be closed Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day. They will reopen Tuesday, June 1, 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 Parker Williams Library will be closed Memorial Day.

Bracewell Library
The Bracewell library branch will be closed Memorial Day.

Heavy trash scheduled

Tree waste will be picked up Thursday, May 27, for city of Houston residents living south of Beltway 8. For more information, call 3-1-1.

Turn lane construction set

Construction of a left-turn lane on Blackhawk south of Beltway 8 is scheduled to begin Tuesday, June 1. The turn lane will head toward Highway 288 and is intended to alleviate heavy traffic that accumulates on the area street during drive time. The project is scheduled to be completed within 80 days, according to Harris County Precinct 1 Project Coordinator Larry Allen. County officials are also currently working on designs for a right-turn lane at the intersection that would head toward the Gulf Freeway. Allen said plans should be ready to submit to the Texas Department of Transportation for approval by next month.

Second cookoff planned

A cookoff will be held Saturday, June 12, 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 held each April. However, this year's event fell roughly \$8,000 short of its \$20,000 goal, according to event organizer Linda Arnone. She said they hope to raise at least an additional \$3,000 from the second event. Unlike the South Belt Spectacular Cookoff that lasts three days, the supplemental cookoff will be limited to only one. While the annual April cookoff is a contest for the best barbecue, June cookoff teams will compete for the best beans, dessert and fajitas. Cooking teams that participated in April's cookoff will have first dibs on spots at the event. For more information, contact Arnone at 281-484-4325.

Church holds conference

Becky Keenan, who pastors Gulf Meadows Church, 8012 Fuqua, together with her husband, Joe Keenan, will host *WONDROUS, His Life in You* on May 27-29. The conference targets women of all ages, cultures and backgrounds. Guest participants include Maryann Markarian, Eva Piper, Magda Hermida, Denise Harley, Kim Nash, Yurisant De Quesada and Keturah Harley. For more information, visit www.gulfmeadowschurch.org.

Kirkwood South to meet

The Kirkwood South Committee will meet Thursday, May 27, at 7:30 p.m. in Judge Jo Ann Delgado's courtroom.

Dobie 10-year reunion set

The Dobie Class of 2000 will hold its 10-year reunion on July 24, at the Hilton Garden Inn Pearland, 12101 Shadow Creek Parkway, from 7 until 11:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at www.dobie2000.com. For information, follow the group on Facebook at Dobie High School - Class of 2000.

Library events scheduled

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale:
Movie Madness on Thursday, May 27, will feature a movie about an ex-spy who agrees to look after his girlfriend's three less-than-enthusiastic children. When one of the children downloads a top-secret formula, a Russian terrorist pays a visit to the family. The movie is rated PG and will begin at 4 p.m.
The Friends of the Parker Williams Library will hold a book sale Saturday, May 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds will help provide library programming. Donations of books, magazines and movies are accepted anytime the library is open. Family storytime is Tuesday at 7 p.m. Pre-school storytime is Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Toddler time is Thursday at 10 and 11:15 a.m.

Suspect convicted of 2006 area murder

By James Bolen

Lance Baxter Williams was found guilty Tuesday, May 25, for the 2006 fatal shooting of Beverly Hills resident Erik Garcia and is scheduled to be sentenced Tuesday, June 1.

On June 8, 2006, Garcia, 16, was hanging out with his 14-year-old cousin in his backyard, which is along a ditch in the 10500 block of Stover, when they were approached by Williams and three other teens. Words were exchanged between the two groups, with Garcia reportedly referring to Williams, the oldest of the other teens, as, "boy."

According to Garcia's cousin, Williams, a former Dobie student, took offense and told Garcia, "Who are you calling boy? You don't know me well enough to call me boy."

Williams and one of the other teens then both pulled out pistols. Williams proceeded to fire several rounds, striking Garcia five times.

Three of the other teen suspects fled the scene

on foot and one fled on a bicycle toward the 10600 block of Stover and then through a field toward Fuqua.

Garcia's cousin ran inside to call for help, but it was too late. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene.

His last words were, "Did I get hit? Did I get hit?"

Despite a \$5,000 reward from Crime Stoppers, it took police more than two months to identify and apprehend the teens (the other three suspects were all unnamed juveniles, with one so young he was a student at Thompson Intermediate.)

One of the other three teens was discovered to already be in police custody. He had been arrested at Dobie, where he was a student, by the Pasadena Independent School District Police Department on charges of possession of a controlled substance.

Williams was arrested on Aug. 18, 2006, when he was stopped by police in the 11800 block of

Algonquin on a traffic stop. He had been under surveillance by undercover officers, who had tailed him from his Beverly Hills residence, near where the shooting had occurred.

At the time of his arrest, Williams had a handgun on him and was also charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Houston police would not say how the suspects were identified, but said the multiple stories published in the *Leader* were instrumental.

Williams has admitted to being the trigger

man, but says he acted in self defense.

Garcia, however, was unarmed at the time of the shooting, and nothing in the multiple police reports suggests he was acting in a threatening manner.

In fact, Garcia's cousin who witnessed the shooting said he was being cordial, as he had just moved into the subdivision four months earlier and was trying to make new friends.

An earlier trial, held in September 2008, ended in a mistrial, as the result of a hung jury.

De Jesus killer pleads guilty

The man accused of kidnapping and murdering former South Belt resident Susana De Jesus last year pleaded guilty to a capital murder charge Wednesday, May 26.

Nicholas-Michael Edwin Jean, 22, had not previously admitted to committing the crime, and no prior plea deal had been arranged.

At press time, it was unclear if Brazoria County District Attorney Jeri Yenne would still seek the death penalty in the case. If Jean does not receive the death penalty, he would automatically be sentenced to life in prison with no chance of parole.

Jean is accused of abducting De Jesus at gunpoint Feb. 2, 2009, as she left her job at Catherine's Plus Sizes near FM 518 and Highway 288. Police said Jean forced De Jesus into her car, a 2008 Cadillac, and then drove her to the 3600 block of Old Spanish Trail, where he made her

withdraw money from her bank's ATM.

De Jesus' car was found abandoned the next day at an apartment complex in the 6000 block of West Airport Boulevard. Her body was found more than a month later in the back of a tractor trailer near Reliant Stadium.

Jean was also charged with attempted murder, aggravated kidnapping, burglary, aggravated robbery and theft of a firearm, all related to an attempted carjacking on March 9, 2009.

June 1 last day to protest home appraisal values

Tuesday, June 1, is the last day for homeowners to protest their appraised home values through the Harris County Appraisal District.

Overall, property values in Harris County are expected to drop by some \$11.6 billion for a decrease of about 4 percent compared to 2009. In the residential market, which has generally been flat, about 70 percent of existing homes were worth the same on January 1, 2010, as they were on that same date in 2009. However, nearly 30 percent of the residential properties in the county have declined in value over the last year, and only about 1 percent saw a value increase — primarily due to new construction.

Those wishing to file a 2010 protest are urged to use the district's online *iFile* and *iSettle* systems. For more information, visit www.head.org.

Celebrating forty years

This year marks Stuchbery Elementary second-grade teacher Sharon Brantly's 40th year at the area school.

She came to Stuchbery when the school was three years old and has taught in the same classroom for her entire tenure. Many of the teachers she met in 1969 remain her lifetime friends. She has taught parents of some students she is now teaching.

Brantly says she has been fortunate to be in the Pasadena school district this many years.

"The district has been very good to me. I taught one year in Louisiana before coming to Texas. I am from Ida, La., a small north Louisiana town. I attended North Caddo High School in Vivian, La., and received my teaching degree from Louisiana Tech in Ruston, La. My two sons, Jason and Paul Brantly, attended the South Belt area schools including Stuchbery, and now my grandson, Jackson Brantly, has completed kindergarten and first grade at Stuchbery where his dad attended. Stuchbery is my home away from home. It has always been a family atmosphere which has made it easy to come to work each day. We have been fortunate to have wonderful teachers and principals here. I love the students and the rewards they bring when they learn a new concept. It takes lots of love and patience but it is such a rewarding profession. I feel teaching has to be a genuine calling, and there is more to learn

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One killed in drive-by shooting

Police arrested two suspects and are looking for several others after a fatal drive-by shooting took place on roughly 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 26, in the 11000 block of Sagevalley.

Former Dobie student Fabian Ramirez, 19, was shot in the neck in the incident. He was taken to Ben Taub General Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Following the shooting, police located the suspects' vehicle near Scarsdale, and a chase ensued.

The pursuit ended, however, when the suspects' car crashed into a fence on the Gulf Freeway feeder road near Nyack.

After the crash, several people exited the vehicle and fled on foot. Police were able to apprehend two of the suspects.

At press time, the suspects' names were not available.

Witnesses reported that it took roughly 1.5 hours for police to arrive at the scene of the shooting. They further reported that it took paramedics about 30 minutes to arrive at the scene and that the victim was treated and transported to the hospital before police arrived at the residence.

When contacted for comment by the *Leader*, police would not say what time officers arrived at the scene — just that they had been dispatched at 1:27 a.m.

Neighbors told the *Leader* that another drive-by shooting had occurred at the residence approximately three months ago. They, however, said no one was struck in that incident, and it did not appear to involve the same suspects.

The victim's brother told the *Leader* the shooting likely stemmed from an earlier argument that Ramirez, a 2009 Dobie graduate, was not even involved in.

No other information was immediately available.

Anyone with information about this case is urged to contact the Houston Police Department's Homicide Division at 713-308-3600.

Stuchbery student struck by car

A second-grade Stuchbery student returned to school Tuesday, May 25, after being struck by a car while leaving the campus Thursday, May 20.

The 7-year-old student was crossing the street with his parent after school Thursday at a non-designated crosswalk at roughly 3:15 p.m. when he was hit by the automobile on Hughes Road in front of Sagemont Church.

Officers from the Houston Police Department

and the Pasadena Independent School District Police department as well as paramedics responded to the incident.

The child suffered minor injuries and was taken to Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, where he was treated and released.

The driver of the car was ticketed by police for failure to control speed.

Contrary to other reports, the accident was not a hit and run, PISD officials said.

Social Security office relocation affects South Belt residents

The relocation of the Pasadena Social Security office on June 21, 2010, will affect the South Belt-Ellington community. Residents who live in the South Belt-Ellington area and receive services from the Pasadena Social Security office will soon be visiting a new location.

Leonard Kanick, district manager for the Social Security Administration office in Pasadena, apologized for the inconvenience clients will experience during the move, but stated that many Social Security services such as changes of address, requests for benefit statements, requests for direct deposit, and appointments to apply for benefits can be completed by calling the toll-free

number at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) or by using the online services at www.socialsecurity.gov.

Kanick also stated that the new facility will be larger and help the Social Security Administration in its continued effort to provide quality service to the residents of Pasadena and the surrounding area.

The new Social Security office will be located at 3300 Watters Road, between Spencer Highway and Fairmont Parkway. The Social Security office is open to the public Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. except for federal holidays.

Area swimming pools to open

Summer is around the corner, and with it comes the opening of several area pools to help South Belters beat the heat.

The Sageglen pool officially opened last weekend and will open again Memorial weekend from noon to 9 p.m. Saturday and Memorial Day and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday, May 30. Beginning Friday, June 4, the pool will be open from noon to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday.

The Clear Brook Meadow pool also opened last weekend and will open again Memorial weekend from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 30. Beginning Friday, June 4, the pool will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

The Riverstone Ranch pool will be open Memorial weekend from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Beginning Friday, June 4, the pool will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

The Ashley Pointe pool will be open Memorial weekend from 2 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Memorial Day.

The Highland Meadow pool will be open Memorial weekend 3 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

The Sagemont pool will be open from Saturday, June 5, to Sunday, Aug. 15, from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday through Tuesday.

The Beverly Hills pool will be open from Saturday, June 5, to Sunday, Aug. 15, from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday through Tuesday.

The Kirkmont Water Park is open to residents

Adjusting lights



County crews are once again adjusting the traffic lights at Beamer and Hughes. The lights at the intersection have been an ongoing problem and the cause of multiple accidents in recent months.

Motorcyclist killed

Charges have been filed against a suspect arrested in a fatal traffic accident in the 300 block of Genoa Red Bluff at 8:20 p.m. on Saturday, May 22. The suspect, Reyes Reyna, 55, is charged with intoxication manslaughter in the 338th State District Court. Police said the victim, Joseph William Socie, 41, of Gulf Palms, was driving a black Harley Davidson motorcycle west on Genoa Red Bluff and was crossing Allen Genoa, when Reyna, driving east on Genoa Red Bluff in a green Mazda B2000 pickup, turned left and struck him. Socie was taken to Ben Taub General Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Witnesses reported Socie had a green light.

Parade held for fallen soldier Wood



Dozens of patriotic citizens gathered Friday, May 21, to pay their last respects to South Belt resident and U.S. Navy Petty Officer Zarian Wood. The sailor died Sunday, May 16, from wounds suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated during a foot patrol May 14 in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. Wood, 29, was assigned as a hospital corpsman to Third Battalion, First Marine Regiment,

First Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force. Wood was the third Texan and at least the third member of his Marine battalion to be killed in Afghanistan in just one week. He had previously served in Iraq from 2008 to 2009. Attendees are shown above waving flags as Wood's body is transported from Ellington Field to Niday Funeral home on Beamer.

Photo by Sam Smith

Frazier scholarship recipients announced

Frazier Elementary named its 2010 scholarship winners who were announced recently at a ceremony at the school.



Julie Belus (far right) was the recipient of the Ruth Young Memorial Scholarship. Pictured with Belus are, left to right, Eric Young, Tina Bui and Mark Young. This scholarship is a memorial to Ruth Young, who was killed in a school bus accident as she rode her bike to Frazier Elementary.

Photos by Marie Flickinger



The recipient of the Lindsay Simpson Memorial Scholarship is Aaron Kutra (far right). Pictured with Kutra are, left to right, Lauren Simpson, Lanny Simpson and Lana Simpson. Lindsay Simpson attended Frazier Elementary and was a senior at J. Frank Dobie when she died of heart failure in January 2009.

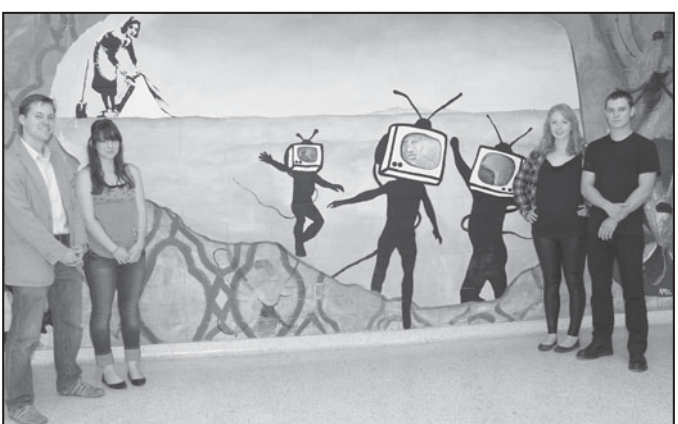


Andrew Williams (second from left) is the recipient of the Karen Gorman Memorial Scholarship. Pictured are, left to right, John Gorman, Andrew Williams, Gary Williams and Pam Williams. The Karen Gorman scholarship has been given every year since Gorman, who was a teacher at Frazier, died of cancer, about 15 years ago.



Frazier Elementary PTO Scholarships were presented to, left to right, Nycole Bernstein, Michael McDonald and Terrence Hypolite.

Students make 'mark' at South



The artwork of Jade Abner (second from left) of League City, Stacy Schultz of Friendswood, and Dakotah Lawler of League City (far right) will be remembered well beyond their graduations from San Jacinto College. The students spent 10 weeks this semester painting an abstract mural on the wall of the student center game room at the South campus, under the direction of their art professor, Mark Schatz (far left), as part of a project for the SJC Art Society.

Photo submitted

Readers' Opinions

Hoover on CBCMUD board election

I have been regularly attending the monthly meetings of the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District since 2005 and this year was encouraged to run for a position on the board, but alas, my opponent, Mr. Morgan received more votes. I will continue to attend the meetings just as I have been doing since 2006.

According to Texas law, to be a member of a M.U.D. board, if one is not a resident of the district, owning property in the district can qualify a person. Knowing that both Mr. Bishop, the President of the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District Board of Directors and Mr. Morgan, the V.P. did not live within the district, at the May 13 meeting of the board I approached them before the meeting began, to confirm they did own property within the MUD. They both acknowledged they did, though I think they were a bit surprised by my asking. When I asked for the location of the property and the address, they got a bit defensive and either didn't appear to know the address or specifics on the location or just didn't want to tell me. Mr. Morgan appeared angry and asked what for my address, which I gave him. Finally, Mr. Bishop identified the general area, where a mutual acquaintance lives off of Blackhawk between Hughes and Dobie. The properties are located in Clear Brook Meadow, Section 3.

OK, so now we have 2 long time members of the CBCMUD board making \$600 per month for a monthly meeting and perhaps some other time spent on MUD issues, etc. They each have a home elsewhere, valued at over half a million dollars each (Mr. Bishop in Friendswood and Mr. Morgan in Green Tee) and now we've learned they also have property in Clear Brook Meadows. Could it be valuable rental property which they are renting out and paying their share of taxes to our CBC MUD, the School District, etc? Wrong!! Now get this- each has a 120 ft x 20 ft piece of property between houses, one on Redbrook Drive, the other on Stanbrook. Each is valued at \$120. The

2009 Pasadena School District tax in one case was \$ 1.62 and the CBC MUD tax was 80 cents. Oh, and don't forget the county tax...80 cents. This data came from public records available on the respective web sites. Incidentally, records show Mr. Bishop obtained both pieces of land in 2003 and one of them went to Mr. Morgan in 2007.

They essentially pay next to nothing taxes on this property, nor do they live in the District, so what is their interest or motivation for remaining on the board. Their election mail-out post cards bragged about their combined 54 years of District experience...54 x 12 x \$600 (the current state approved rate) = \$388,800...no, that couldn't be the reason.

Hopefully they will begin to turn their responsibilities over to the other capable board members who live in the CBC district though they do have a tough task ahead- one law suit where the district owes well over \$100,000 plus attorneys fees which has been going on for some time, I understand. The law was then rewritten in the districts favor, I'm told, we went to court again but then we lost once more. I wonder how much has all this cost us, the citizens of the Clear Brook City M.U.D.?

I first became interested in the MUD back in 2005, and worked to get an over 65 and handicapped tax break, which did happen and with no increase in the tax rate for others. In going over a letter to the SBL (11/24/2005) addressing MUD policies including trips to New York City with the wife/girlfriend at district expense I expressed my concern about board members living out of the district, asking the question-

"Are all of the MUD board members/directors taxpaying residents of their respective MUD?" It seems they ought to be since they would be expected to have an inherent and greater interest in prudent financial management of their district."

I'm afraid a small \$120 "lot for show" paying less than \$5 in taxes, just doesn't cut it in my opinion.

John Hoover
Sageglen resident since 1977

Deaths

Lasca Elaine Johnson

Lasca Elaine McArthur Johnson, 93, of South Belt, died Wednesday, May 19, 2010.

Johnson was born May 6, 1917, in Hinston, La., to the late James and Lola Barton McArthur.

A former resident of Alexandria, La., Johnson resided in the South Belt area for the past 10 years and was a member of Sagemont Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband, William Roy Johnson, and her sister, Lorena M. Lafayette.

Johnson is survived by her four children, Kaye J. Benson and husband Richard B. of Houston, Kearnie K. Johnson and wife Geraldine of Boyce, La., Koy M. Johnson and wife Sherry of Alexandria, and Wm. Kent Johnson and wife Elizabeth of Houston; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Saturday, May 22, 2010, at Kramer Funeral Home in Alexandria, with the Rev. Randy Ellis officiating.

Interment followed at Alexandria Memorial Gardens in Alexandria.

Those serving as pallbearers were Kendall Johnson, Kederick Johnson, Klein Johnson, Konly Johnson, Kris Benson and Kyle Johnson.

Honorary pallbearers were Karlton Benson and Kevin Johnson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Sage-mont Church - Living Proof Project, 11300 S. Sam Houston Pkwy E., Houston, Texas 77089, or visit www.sagemontchurch.org, or to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and Girlstown USA, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, Texas 79174-0001, or visit www.calfarleysboysranch.org.

Helen Wilson



Helen D. Wilson, 74, of South Belt, died Saturday, May 22, 2010.

She is survived by her sister, Shirley Gardner; her brother, Alfred Duncan of San Jose, Calif.; two nieces, Karen Henry and Gina Jackson; nephew Danny Gardner; two great-nieces, Kayla Henry and Jimara Jackson; three great-nephews, Spenser Henry, Dillon Jackson and Michael Duncan; and great-great-nephew Jordan Henry.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 29, at Eternal Rest Funeral Home located at 4610 South Wayside at Loop 610.

Visitation will be from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and services from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Interment will follow at Houston Memorial Gardens.

Elysha Sosebee-Halsch



Elysha A. Sosebee-Halsch, 50, of League City, died Sunday, May 16, 2010, following a tragic accident in Austin, Texas. She was born May 28, 1959, and was a 1978 graduate of J. Frank Dobie High School.

She resided in the South Belt area for more than 30 years. She was a registered nurse at Texas Children's Hospital for the past 20 years. Over the last six years, she traveled on medical mission trips to Third World countries to help those in need, using her vacation time.

Sosebee-Halsch is survived by her husband, Doug Halsch; daughter Joy Dubose-Simonton; sons Michael and Austin Sosebee; father of her children, Donald Sosebee; mother Carolyn Williams; father Robert Williams; step-daughter Stacey Halsch; step-son Alec Halsch; brother Paul Williams; two grandchildren, Christian and Adley; two nieces, Sabrina Williams and Chandler Sosebee; and many other relatives, coworkers and friends.

The funeral service was held Saturday, May 22, 2010, in the chapel at Forest Park East Funeral Home.

Leader obituary policy

Obituaries submitted to the *Leader* are published free of charge. There must be a South Belt connection. Obituaries are edited to conform to the *Leader* style.

Sen. Jackson, TDI provide tips on health care insurance frauds

Recently the Texas Department of Insurance has received complaints about people using the recently passed federal health care reform legislation as bait, who may be attempting to trick consumers into giving out confidential information.

"No one acting in your best interest is going to seek you out and ask for your confidential information," said Sen. Mike Jackson. "Please beware of anyone offering to sell you insurance coverage that's only available for a 'limited time' or who uses pushy sales tactics. You are your own best advocate, and if you feel someone is trying to take advantage of you, please report the incident to the Texas Department of Insurance immediately."

Here are some key tips, released by TDI, to help consumers protect themselves from health insurance scams:

- Be wary if someone shows up at your home or calls you and claims to be with the federal government and tries to sell you anything. Although U.S. Census workers may come to your house or call you during the next few months to obtain information about you and your household for the 2010 Census, employees from other federal agencies usually will not. Representatives from Medicare will never visit your home or call you unless you request it.

- Don't be fooled by sophisticated sales pitches. In some states, the fraudulent sales representatives are attempting to sell a bogus product called an "ObamaCare Insurance Policy." They may also tell you that the policy is being offered during a "limited enrollment period" created by the health care reform.

Health insurance policies are issued by companies and not through legislation.

Be careful if someone tries to pressure you into signing anything or objects if you ask for someone else to be present during a sales pitch.

Legitimate insurance agents and brokers should not pressure you or mind if you have someone you trust listen to their presentation with you.

- Don't give out personal information - including your bank account number, Social Security number, or your Medicare number - to strangers.
- Always make sure an insurance agent and company are licensed by the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI). Call the TDI Consumer Help Line (1-800-252-3439) to verify whether an agent or company you're considering doing business with is licensed. You can also use features on the agency Web site to find currently listed insurance companies and insurance agents: www.tdi.state.tx.us

SJC's KidSpot Drama Camp set

The San Jacinto College Department of Theatre and Film will hold its fourth annual KidSpot Summer Drama Camp in June. The camp's purpose is to provide local youth ages 5 to 18 with a fun opportunity to experience the range of activities that are possible in a theater.

The drama camp will consist of two five-day sessions. Each session costs \$150.

The first session will be held June 14-18.

Each day the camp will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and will include three workshops and one rehearsal.

Theater faculty and the college's top theater students will lead the workshops. The camp will conclude with a performance of *School House Rock: LIVE!!!* at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 18.

A repeat session will be held from June 21-25 with a performance at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 25.

Each session can accommodate up to 50 students. Ex-

tended daycare will be offered from 7:30 to 9 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. for an additional \$50 per child.

Student activities will primarily consist of a variety of active-participation workshops designed to teach acting skills. Such workshops may include movement, voice, theater games, improvisations, stage acting, film acting, character development and production.

The SJC Department of Theatre and Film has a long history of working with area students. Department faculty has experience teaching at colleges and universities throughout the state, and frequently includes young performers from the area in the productions. Dr. Jerry Ivins, department director, will supervise the camp in conjunction with technical director Curt Meyer.

Applications may be requested from Ivins, who can be reached by e-mail at Jvins@sjcd.edu or by phone at 281-542-2039.

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Dobie announces honor rolls for the fifth six weeks

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

Students earning status are:

Ninth grade Honor roll

Oluchi Chinonyerem Aar-onchukwunyer, Laura Itzel Aguilar, Sadia Akhter, Analia

Victoria Alcoba, Carol Lilian Amaro, Christopher Chukwunonso Anagbogu, Aaron-nathaniel Gabino Arambula, Joel Michael Arhelger, Jessica Carina Armenta and Genevieve Au.

Debbie Amy Auguiste, Jacquelyne Marie Baade, Rhianna Raquel Barrientos, Demetri Armand Bellini,

Cody Edwin Bennett, Kelvin Damone Bennett, Travis Devin Berkstresser, Audrey Lenore Beyer, Sobia My Bhatti, Clyde Eugene Blackwell and Nancy Book.

Kaytlin Simone Brooks, Jasmine Hienthanh Bui, Amber Nicole Cadena, Alisa Michelle Calvillo, Andrew J Campos, Michelle Campos, Neftali Antonio Carcamo, Melina Ceja, Thelma Chavez, Jennifer Guadalupe Cortez, Raymond Cortez and Mark Anthony Cruz.

Travis Pham Dao, Raven Elizabeth Davis, Niza Raquel Del Villar, Shyann Kormel Dempsey, Phuc Nguyen Duc Dinh, Alberto Joel Dorantes, Rene Giovanni Escobar, Brhanna Cheyenne Fair, Maria Eugenia Ferreira, David Eduardo Fraga and Jennifer Elizabeth Galvan.

Genesis Vanessa Garcia Gonzalez, Jason Vy Giang, Lisa Renee Gill, Jacqueline Gloria, Claudia Bianca Gonzalez, Martin Gonzalez, Yadi-ra Gonzalez, Michael Ryan Graham, Johnathan Lloyd Griffin, Rebecca Michelle Guerra and Cindy Stacey Guzman.

Johnathon Dylan Guzman, Caleb Chase Hanley, Kamille

Lynette Harris, Osaka Heng, Olivia Garrett Henry, Brit-tany Marie Hernandez, Jas-mine Hernandez, Marcy Lee Higginbotham, Christian Andrew Highfield, An Gia Ho, Aleeyah Anjeanique Holland and Jasmine D. Hubley.

Jasmin Bentancourt Hu-erta, Jimmy Thien Huynh, Nantiporn Kate Inchun, Anna Lynne Ingalls, Alexia Janelle Jackson, Jesmi Jacob, Jacque-line Jaramillo, Jasmyn Nicole Johnson, Sabrina Juarez, Syd-ney Ann Keatts and Muham-mad Muneeb Ahmed Khan.

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Honor your Grad in the June 3 Graduation Issue!

The Leader's special high school graduation edition will be published Thursday, June 3.

Those who wish to congratulate a graduate with an ad (with or without a photo) in the Leader may do so by calling 281-481-5656 or e-mail mynews@southbeltleader.com. Ad space must be reserved by May 28 at 3 p.m.

Wind Ensemble receives top awards at Choice Music Festival, UIL



The J. Frank Dobie High School Wind Ensemble recently competed in San Antonio at the Choice Music Festival. The Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Richard Hicks, walked away with Superior Ratings from all judges, Outstanding 5A Band of the Festival, and Outstanding Overall Performance of the Festival. In addition to these group awards, outstanding soloist awards were presented to Katelyn Dittmann on soprano sax, Zach Ezzell on euphonium and Brandon Wright on tuba. The Wind Ensemble also received Superior Ratings from all judges in the Region 19 UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest in April. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Alex Lewis, Carlos Gonzalez, Darius Mundy, German Martinez, Venerson Villanueva, Julie Croce, Christina Chau, Edgar Lemus, Aaron Ebbinghaus, Jacob Lozano,

(second row) Daniel Alanis, Sheila Placencia, Celeny Benitez, Kemerly Dexter, Jose Cabreja, Caitlyn Francis, Kayla Bryce, Briana Mazzola, Edgardo Rodriguez, Gena Brown, Maria Rosales, Grace Boelsche, Caitie Wright, (third row) Director Richard Hicks, Katelyn Dittmann, Bao Le, David Anleu, Jordan Johnson, Yvie Gonzalez, Erick Frias, Mohamed Rasheed, Delicia Duff, Deanna Carson, Gabby DeLeon, Ashley Wrenn, April Henderson, Javier Alvarado, Manuel Reyna, (back row) Travis Chrisman, Brandon Wright, Zach Ezzell, Gina Nguyen, Natalie Vu, David Arcement, Kaitlyn Wallis, Vernon Rose, Jasmin Pruneda, Dylan Guzman, Tyler Scarberry, Cheyenne Peer, Chris Lopez and Steven Salazar.

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Congratulations Jo-Ann Smith

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Clear Brook High School June 4, 2010

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GREAT JOB JO-ANN... WE LOVE YOU!

HOME RUN CORNER

The Leader staff reminds parents to submit congratulations for their sluggers' achievements for publication in Over The Back Fence. E-mail mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line. Items must be submitted by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

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Over The Back Fence by Jan

CONGRATS ALL STAR CAMRYN!
Congratulations are sent out to **Camryn Davis** for making the 2010 Pee Wee Division All Stars. Proud parents **Shannon and Keith Davis**, brother **Collyn**, grandparents **Paul and Olivia Selman** and **Bruce and Judy Sweatt** all send love.
HAPPY 7TH BIRTHDAY BAYLEE
Happy birthday hugs and kisses are sent to **Baylee Espinosa** who turned 7 years old on Tuesday, May 25, from Grandma **Jannie** and Grandpa **Robert Scarberry** of South Belt, 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**. Baylee is the daughter of **Dobie** grads **Jenny (Hayes) Espinosa** and **Ray Espinosa**. She is a first-grader in the Gifted & Talented program.
BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR LUIS
Wishes for a happy birthday are sent to **Luis Escobar** on his birthday, Friday, May 28, from his family and the *South Belt Leader* staff.
CHIEKO WELCOMED HOME
Chieko Webb is sent a huge 'welcome home' by friends, family and the *Leader* staff. Chieko recently had knee replacement surgery followed by a heart attack and other complications. She spent more than 70 days in the hospital and rehab centers.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays May 27 through June 2.
Atkinson Elementary
Greetings for a happy birthday are sent to **Shaundelynn Bright** May 29.
Burnett Elementary
Celebrating a double birthday June 1 are **Eva Gilles** and **Eric Snell**.
Frazier Elementary
Emma Cruz is sent birthday greetings May 30. Blow out the birthday candles for **Eve Murdock** May 31.
Jessup Elementary
Special birthday wishes are sent to **Jenny Drager** May 27. On June 1, **Adriana Briones** and **Alma Ayala** celebrate a birthday.
Meador Elementary
The day for a birthday cake for **Jennifer Manuel** is May 31.
Moore Elementary
On May 28, **Brenda Duff** enjoys a birthday.
South Belt Elementary
Birthday greetings are sent to **Jon Kidwell** May 28. A birthday celebration is set for **Diana Barron** May 29. June 1 is the day for a birthday cake for **Maria Flores**.
Stuchbery Elementary
Marking a birthday May 29 is **Jessica**

Casas. Kathy Garcia is wished a happy birthday May 31.
Melillo Middle School
The day for a double birthday party for **Diana Rocha** and **Judith Tamez** is May 30.
Morris Middle School
Wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to **Kamshia Childs** May 27. Blow out the birthday candles for **Shannon Hendrix** June 1.
Beverly Hills Intermediate
Edilia Zamora is wished a happy birthday May 28. Sharing a birthday May 29 are **Lawrence Moscarelli** and **Indira Patel**. On June 2, **Ilene Landestoy** has a birthday.
Thompson Intermediate
Special birthday wishes are sent to **Holly Bailey** May 29. The day for a party for **Andrea Clement** is June 2.
Dobie High
On May 29, **Johanna Abedinzadeh** marks a birthday. Birthday greetings are sent to **Teresa Hand** May 30. Blow out the birthday candles for **David Cameron** May 31. The day for a double party for **Kim Evans** and **William Rapp** is June 2.
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SJC students honored for research, writing

Three San Jacinto College dual credit students were recently recognized for their research at the Texas State Historical Association annual meeting in Dallas. Erin Quinones of Friendswood won first place statewide in the C.M. Caldwell Memorial Paper Prize competition for her original research and writing on Texan Bessie Coleman, the first African-American female aviator. Articles by her peers, **Amelia Giles** of El Lago and **Megan Burns** of Pearland, were selected for publication in the 2010 edition of the "Touchstone," an undergraduate research journal of the Walter Prescott Webb Historical Society. **Giles'** article describes the history of the Houston motorcycle ride in conjunction with the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. **Burns**, who was last year's Caldwell winner, wrote her article on **Blind Lemon Jefferson**, a famous blues singer from Texas. All three students attend an SJC interdisciplinary history and English course directed by history professor **Dr. Eddie Weller** and English professor **Dr. Greg Smith**. "The students did outstanding research and writing for the honors interdisciplinary course," **Weller** said. "The topics were as widespread as the state of Texas." **Giles** placed third in the Caldwell competition and was the only community college student selected to present her work. She ended her presentation with a dedication to her brother, **Michael**, who is in his eighth year as a brain cancer survivor. The TSHA has a membership of approximately 3,000 academic and lay historians, making it one of the largest history associations in the world. **Weller** was re-elected this year to serve as the only community college member to the association's board of directors. "We are very proud of these students, whose passion for their subjects and skills in research and writing have earned them recognition from this prestigious organization," said **Kathy Roosa**, SJC South academic dean. "We are also very fortunate to have professors like **Dr. Smith** and **Dr. Weller**, who teach, inspire and encourage their students to share their learning beyond the classroom." For more information about San Jacinto College, visit www.sanjac.edu or call 281-998-6150.



Pictured are, from left to right, **Dr. Eddie Weller**, history professor at San Jacinto College South; **SJC** students **Erin Quinones** of Friendswood and **Amelia Giles** of El Lago; **SJC** South President **Dr. Maureen Murphy**; and **Dr. Toni Pendergrass**, SJC South vice president of instruction. Both **Quinones** and **Giles**, along with classmate, **Megan Burns** of Pearland (not pictured), were recently recognized for their research papers at the Texas State Historical Association annual meeting in Dallas. Photo submitted

Remember When

30 years ago (1980)
A black male, posing as a yard man in the Woodmeadow subdivision, forced his way into a home where he committed an aggravated assault, robbery and attempted rape of a female resident. The Sagement Committee decided to make Sagement residents aware that failure to pay their maintenance fee for 1980, or any previous years by June 6, would result in two actions. First, a lien would be filed against the property which would have to be settled prior to sale of the property. Second, the homeowner's name would be given to the Credit Association of Greater Houston as a delinquent payer of an outstanding debt. The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department reported the largest number of responses in a four-day period in the history of the department over the Memorial Day weekend with eleven runs in 79 hours.

25 years ago (1985)
A \$14.5 million bond election for the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 13 failed, 139 votes to 40 votes. Arson was suspected in the massive destruction of the Beamer Townhouses for the second time in less than a month. Three units were totally destroyed, two units were heavily damaged and numerous others were affected. Construction of the Sageglen bridge to connect Sagement with Scarsdale Boulevard was on hold by Houston Councilman **Frank Mancuso** following protests from Sagement residents in the area of the proposed bridge. New soil, air and water samples studied around the Brio Refining site indicated nearby Southbend residents were safe, according to pollution specialists. Clear Creek Independent School District trustees unanimously agreed to hire an architectural firm to proceed with plans for a new high school to be located on FM 2351.

20 years ago (1990)
One of three final candidates for superintendent of Clear Creek Independent School District, if hired, would leave a district then under close scrutiny by the Texas Education Agency. The **Dobie** Longhorn varsity basketball team ended the year as Region III runner-up. A group of mothers whose children attended Weber Elementary, which was located a few blocks from a toxic waste site, ended their nightly trips to the garbage containers at the Clear Creek ISD administration building. The mothers went through looking for anything that would help their children transfer to another school. **Dobie** seniors earned \$364,000 in scholarships. Five educators, totaling over 100 years of experience, retired from Atkinson Elementary. A report from the Texas Education Agency said administrative costs in the Pasadena Independent School District were 40 percent below the state standard. The two-story, 40,000-square-foot **Parker Williams** Library at San Jacinto College's South campus opened. Ten-year-old **Wesley Michael Beaver** died after a courageous battle against cancer. He had attended **Moore Elementary**. The last remnant of **Weber Elementary**, its concrete foundation, was removed. The final phase of **Brio** began. Activities included removal of concrete slabs, which were formerly home foundations in the Southbend subdivision located adjacent to the north side of the **Brio** site, and removal of streets. **Harry Dao Jr.** was named **Dobie's** valedictorian. **Dao** had a 5.58 grade point average going into the second semester. **South Belt** resident **Jennie Nguyen**, 7, of **Scarsdale** died Sunday in a drowning accident at **Galveston**. Five burglaries and arrests for outstanding warrants and possession of narcotics kept deputies from Precinct 2 Constable **Gary Freeman's** office busy. Firefighters from **Forest Bend**, **Friendswood** and **Southeast Volunteer Fire** Departments responded to a house fire on **Sagecountry**. A preliminary investigation blamed a clothes dryer as the probable cause of the blaze. Concerns over bones brought to the **Morris Fifth Grade Center** by two students caused principal **Su-**

san **Blalock** to notify police. The bones, found while the students were fishing, were found to be animal, not human. The roadway extension connecting **Blackhawk** to **Dixie Farm Road** from **Scarsdale** was ready. Removal of several trees that were blocking the view was the last obstacle in opening the roadway. **Nicholas "Nick" Crawford** was killed in a house fire in the 11600 block of **Sageglen**. **Crawford**, 27, was a former **Dobie** student and had recently moved back into the Woodmeadow home where his parents resided. **Dr. Brenda Lang Hellyer** became the new chancellor of San Jacinto College. She replaced **Dr. Bill Lindemann** who retired after 12 years with the college, six of those as chancellor. **Hellyer** and her husband, **Rusty**, have three children and two grandchildren. In an effort to alleviate overcrowding at the **South Point** and **Fuqua** park and rides, **METRO** officials reached an agreement with **Fishing Tackle Unlimited** at **Fuqua** and the **Gulf Freeway**, which would allow commuters to utilize its parking lot to carpool and vanpool. The arrangement would allow **METRO** the use of 100 parking spaces at the facility. A great horned owl was released back into the wild at the wetlands at **El Franco Lee Park** following a 10-day rehabilitation to heal an injury the bird received earlier in the month after getting stuck in a soccer goal net at the park. Great horned owls are the largest of the American "eared" owls and are only exceeded in size by the great gray owl. The birds are known to live in and around swamp and wetland areas throughout North America.

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The Harris County Master Gardener Association recently released events for June.

Green Thumb Gardening Series

The Harris County Master Gardener Association will present a program on plant pests and diseases on Tuesday, June 8, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Bass Pro Shops, Highway 288 at the Sam Houston Tollway in Pearland. These lectures are free and open to the public.

Master Gardener Lecture Series

Mark Fox of Mark Fox Landscape Company and Nursery will give a presentation on alternative trees to the Live Oak on June 16, at 10 a.m. at the Meeting Room at Clear Lake Park (on the lakeside), 5001 NASA Parkway in Seabrook. This lecture is free and open to the public.

For information, visit the Web site at <http://hcmgap2.tamu.edu>.

Open Garden Day

The public is invited to tour the working and demonstration gardens maintained by the Harris County Master Gardeners at Precinct 2.

There are new food crops being planted in the production garden. Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer gardening questions during this free event.

Children are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult at all times. During the summer months, each child who visits will receive a free plant.

Open Garden Day is Monday, June 21, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Genoa Friendship Garden, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff in Houston.

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Segura, Melcher engaged

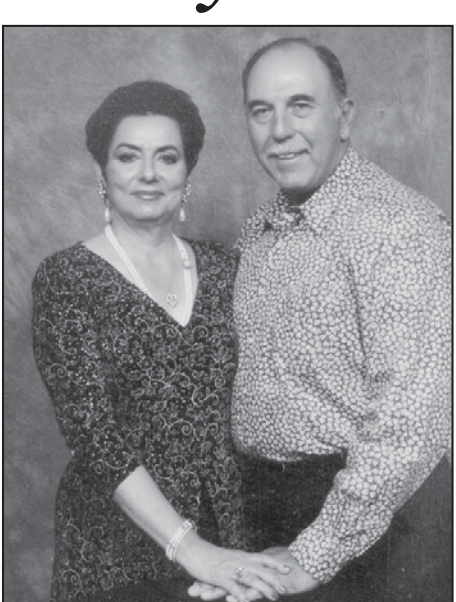


Henry and Rebecca Segura of Sagemont announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Marie Segura, to Kurtis Lee Melcher, son of Donald and Janet Melcher of Pearland. The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Raquel Salazar and the late Cruz Salazar, and Mary Louise Segura and the late Enrique Segura of San Antonio. She is a 1995 graduate of J. Frank Dobie High School and a 1999 graduate of Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in management information systems. The prospective groom is the grandson of Lynn Melcher and the late Robert Melcher of Kansas City, Mo., and the late H. Lee and Alice "Peggy" Hughes of Kansas City. He is a 2004 graduate of Pearland High School and will graduate from the University of Houston in December 2010 with a Bachelor of Science in biochemistry/biophysics. The couple are planning a June wedding in San Antonio.

Garcias mark 50 years



Gloria Garza and Raymond Garcia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 21, 2010. They were married in 1960 at Meadowbrook Baptist Church in Houston, and have been residents of Kirkwood for 44 years. The couple have three children, son Raymond Alvin Garcia and wife Christi, grandsons Tyler Ray, Shane and Ross; daughter Susan Lynn



Garcia Gould and husband Michael; and son Randy Lawrence Garcia and wife Nikki, granddaughter Alexandra and grandson Cameron. Raymond retired from the Houston Police Department in 2002 after 40 years of service. He was a member of the Motorcycle Division. The family celebrated with dinner at Cullen's.

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Tim Hornik turns The big 4-0

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Tim may God bless you for many more years to come. We love you so much and appreciate you.

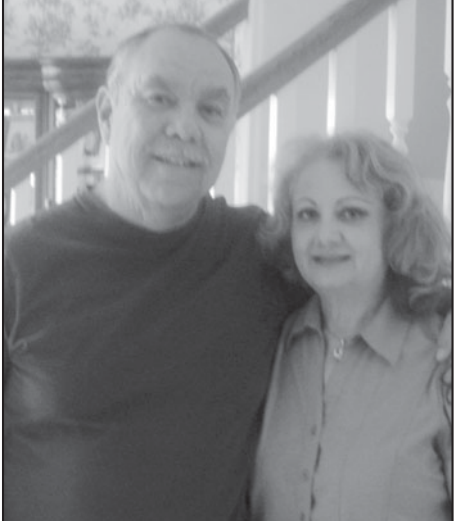
At 20 years of age the will reigns; at 30 the wit; at 40 the judgement. - Benjamin Franklin

Love, Your family

Baileys celebrate 40 years



Richard and Roseann Bailey will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on May 31, 2010. They are longtime South Belt area residents. Their children are Roxsann, Peter and Rozette Demel of Friendswood, Rick, and their grandchildren



Matthew, Micah, Heidi and Ivan. The couple will celebrate their anniversary with a family trip to Disneyland and Las Vegas. Their children also have a special evening planned for them to celebrate the event.

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Jr. VASE art winners from BHI announced

Nine Beverly Hills Intermediate students recently traveled to Grantham Academy in Aldine to take part in the Jr. VASE art competition. Jr. Visual Arts Scholastic Event is a competition in which students take their artwork to be critiqued one-on-one by a judge.

The artwork is then scored based on artistic merit and the student interview. The rating system gives students a final mark of 1, 2, 3 or 4; 4 being the top mark.

Seven of the nine students received a 4, earning them a medal. The judges then reviewed all the artwork receiving 4s to determine which pieces were worthy of special recognition.

Two Beverly Hills students were honored with special recognition and awarded a silver medallion.

Students worked before, during and after school hours for many weeks preparing artwork and brushing up on interview skills.

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Melillo students interview for jobs



Students at Dixie Melillo Middle School were treated to real-life experiences of job interviews on Friday, May 14, as part of the Get a Life program, presented for the first time this year. As part of the two-month program, the sixth-grade students were required to pick an education level at random, and then research what jobs they could attain and what their potential salaries would be at those jobs. As part of a culmination of their work, students had to create a resume, write a cover letter, and submit a list of references to potential employers. Dressed in business attire, the applicants would interview for the position applied for and then present to their class what they learned from the experience. Pictured are, clockwise from top left, DeAnn Dimas with Fred Roberts, president of the Pasadena Independent School District school board; Dr. Dixie Melillo, surgeon, with Alfredo Ramirez; Kellie Taylor with Lt. Christopher Ploss with the U.S. Army; and Orlando Logan Jr. and attorney Brian Begle from Olsen and Olsen.

Photos by Matt Griesmyer

Riley Mackenzie Whitted
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Caudle hosts WWII reunion

Stan Caudle, a resident of Sagemont Park Townhomes, recently hosted members of his World War II Flying Squadron, 13-Charlie, for the 68th anniversary of the date the squadron was formed. The squadron was stationed 175 strong at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Base.

Attending the reunion were Dr. John Edward Cantlion, Maj. Glen "Pup" Doggett, U.S. Marine Corps 1st Lt. Stanley L. Caudle, Lt. Robert E. "Bob" Yerger, U.S. Marine Corps Capt. Richard Hughes Lennox and Cmdr.

John A. Saathoff. They are the six members still alive and able to travel.

Cantlion, of East Lansing, Mich., was a fighter pilot flying off a carrier preparing for an invasion of Japan when World War II ended. He is the retired vice president of Michigan State College. Cantlion was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to chair the Committee to Dispose of Nuclear Waste and continued that position under President Bill Clinton.

Doggett, now a rancher/oilman living in San Angelo,

Texas, was an instructor during World War II and was called back as a helicopter pilot during the Korean War. He survived two crashes.

Caudle became an advanced flying instrument instructor in Beeville, Texas, and later at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Base. He retired from automobile claims management in 1986 and has been a Sagemont resident since 1993.

Yerger, who currently lives in the Texas Hill Country, was the pilot of the largest seaplane ever built by the

U.S. Navy, the Martin Mars, which had a crew of 11 and flew transport from Almed, Calif., to the Philippine Islands. Only four of the Mars were built, and two are still in existence.

Lennox was an instrument and advanced instructor. He retired from jet mechanical engineering, then formed a sales rep company. He is retired and living in Seattle.

Saathoff was an instrument and advanced flying instructor who currently lives in San Diego where he is a real estate broker.



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Continued from Page 1A in the classroom than just lessons from a book. I stress to my students to be the best they can be and that winning is not always about being first. We should always be caring about other people. I wish every student the best of everything as they go through life."

The career educator has always loved children and was influenced by her second-grade teacher, Mrs. Anthony, to become a second-grade teacher. Some of Brantly's former students have shared that they have become teachers because of her love of teaching.

Brantly is also an active member of Sagemont Church, being a member for 38 years. She lives in Sagemont, teaches school and goes to church all in the South Belt area.

The teacher's co-workers

surprised her Tuesday, May 18, by having a party in the school's library.

PISD officially recognized Brantly at a banquet Thursday, May 20, to which the teacher took her 7-year-old grandson, Jackson, as her guest.

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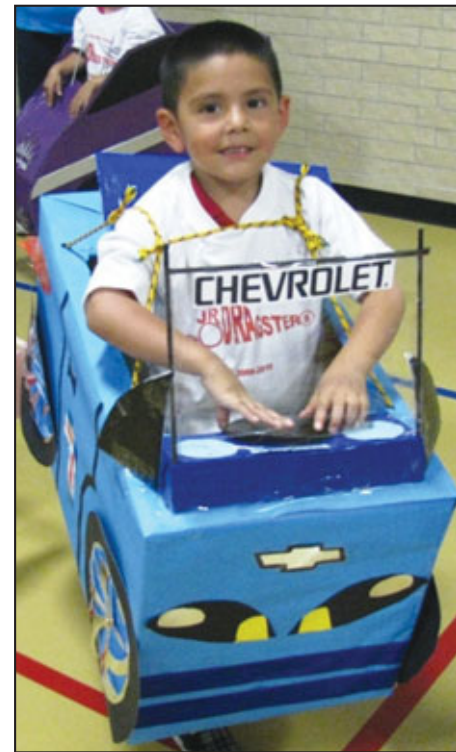
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Burnett celebrates week of the child

Burnett Elementary's Pre-K/Head Start Program recently celebrated the Week of the Young Child. The purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood program and services that meet those needs. This week is a time to plan how citizens of a community, state and nation will better meet the needs of all young children and their families. The Week of the Young Child serves as a time to reaffirm a commitment to ensuring that every child experiences the type of early environment - at home, at child care, at school and in the community - that will promote learning. The cardboard boxcar activity, as well as other activities, were planned to promote quality family bonding. The Burnett 500 was a chance for each child to showcase his or her car in the school-wide parade and race the cars.



Angelo Martinez



Giovanni Garcia



Prekindergarten bilingual aide Isabel Camarillo

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Dow Chemical Company Public Affairs Manager Beth Dombrowa (left) presents Dobie junior Ashley Feyes the award she received after taking first place in the senior division of the company's annual art contest.



Left to right, Beverly Hills Intermediate Principal Alyta Harrell, art student Chance Morris and art teacher Lisa Anders stand in front of the artwork that won eighth-grader Morris a first-place award in the Junior High Division at the 23rd annual Dow Art Exhibition and Calendar Design awards ceremony held May 11 at Monument Inn Restaurant. His artwork, *A Splash of Chemistry*, illustrated how the chemical industry is working to promote water conservation. Morris' artwork was selected for this honor from more than 300 entries. He earned a spot on next year's calendar, \$500, and a \$1,500 prize for his school's art budget. PISD Superintendent Kirk Lewis, BHI principal Alyta Harrell, teacher Lisa Anders, as well as several members of the PISD board, were present to celebrate with Morris and his parents.

UHCL's summer academy scholarships available

University of Houston-Clear Lake's School of Education announces the availability of scholarships for the academically talented and economically disadvantaged middle and high school students to attend either its Clear Lake area or Downtown Summer Academy.

Classes eligible for scholarships begin June 7 and include a week of instruction by the faculty of University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center along with hands-on work in the hospital's laboratory, while another course offers students the opportunity to build a computer, which they then keep and take home at the course's completion. Other featured subjects are robotics, engineering, 3-D animation, and computer programming.

The scholarships, available for students 14-21 years of age who are now attending any Texas middle or high school, are made possible by a grant from Texas Workforce Commission, and are intended to inspire students to pursue university degrees in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

The long-term goal is to prepare the state's future workforce to compete for high-skill, high-demand jobs in science and technology.

The six advanced courses

are: *Cells, Chromosomes and Cancer* (held at MD Anderson); *Build Your Own Computer*; *Extreme Engineering Design Challenge*; *Design with Robotics*; *Move It! 3D Animation*; and *Computer Programming with C++*.

Students attending *Cells, Chromosomes and Cancer* examine the principles of genetic information. Class activities include DNA extractions, visualization of chromosomes from human cells and personal identification of many unique hereditary traits.

Extreme Engineering Design Challenge provides a hands-on opportunity for participants to learn how engineers succeed while working under constraints. Students are presented with a "MacGyver" design challenge, and work with their peers to create an innovative solution using only common, everyday materials.

Design With Robotics allows participants to gain hands-on experience with specialized LEGO Mindstorms NXT robotics kits.

The class investigates the capabilities, and limitations, of robots. Students also learn the NXT programming software to create detailed instructions for each robot's many and varied sensors.

In *Move It! 3D Animation*,

students delve into the skills required for 3-D models and movies like *Avatar*. Students create a storyboard, then apply design, engineering and geometry principles to bring their creations to life.

Computer Programming with C++ is a look at today's most widely used programming language. Students learn to create personalized projects and to post them to their own Web site. Starting with the basics, students learn quickly to construct software programs of their own.

"Build it and they can keep it" is the premise of the course, *Build Your Own Computer*. Students install and configure the computer's operating system, as well as learn to configure it to work in a network environment. This course also helps prepare students for A+ certification, one of the most respected information technology certifications.

Each scholarship applies to only one class, but students may apply for multiple scholarships to attend additional classes.

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SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

Annual coaching merry-go-round begins turning

As is usually the case this time of year, the high school coaching merry-go-round has begun to turn. It's early in the process, but already the *Leader* has learned of a couple of changes at Clear Brook and Dobie, and the Clear Brook change means something to the folks at South Houston High School.

Longtime Wolverines' varsity boys' basketball assistant Patrick McCoy has been hired as the varsity boys' head coach at South Houston High School, where he is replacing Barry Gibson.

At Clear Brook, McCoy and head coach Jason Pillow turned a 20-plus year friendship into a coaching bond that worked well for the Wolverines over the past four seasons.

Pillow, albeit thrilled to see McCoy get his first head coaching chance at South Houston, told the *Leader* McCoy will be missed.

"Pat did a great job here at Brook. He was my right hand man and will be sorely missed," Pillow said.

"I think South Houston made a really good hire. I gave Pat as much responsibility as I could at Clear Brook for two reasons.

"One, I could trust him, having known him for 25 years, and, two, I knew that he was going to be a head coach one day and I wanted to help him be prepared.

"Pat did everything a head coach can possibly do but got none of the credit. He was one of the main reasons we were able to have the success that we had here over the past four years."

At South Houston, McCoy inherits a program that has struggled to make the playoffs at the varsity level but one that has been given new life through realignment.

Over the next two seasons, the Trojans must surpass only two teams in the 22-5A standings in order to reach the playoffs. In 2009, the Trojans battled Dobie down to the wire for a playoff berth before eventually placing fifth.

"Pat will have to do some rebuilding at South Houston, but he's getting in at the right time," Pillow said.

"Losing La Porte and Pearland from that district has opened the door for some other schools to make the playoffs.

"Pat is well organized and thorough, so he will do really well."



Shaun Stanton was a star athlete in basketball and baseball at Dobie High School before joining the coaching staff shortly after college. He's now set to leave Dobie for Prosper, just outside of Dallas.

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Patrick McCoy (at right with tie), shown here with Clear Brook varsity boys' basketball coach Jason Pillow, has moved from the Wolverines' sidelines to South Houston, where he has taken over the Trojans' boys' basketball program as varsity head coach.

Stanton exits Dobie
At Dobie, the Longhorns are losing a lifer.

Varsity baseball top assistant Shaun Stanton is leaving the school for Prosper High School, a Class 3A school about 30 miles north of Dallas.

The decision to leave home could not have been easy. Shaun is the youngest of the Stanton children born to Betty and Gloyd Stanton, each of whom graduated from Dobie.

Stanton, a 1997 Dobie graduate, was a standout basketball and baseball player at Dobie before playing collegiately at Lamar.

Simply put, Stanton, no pun intended, has the chance to prosper through his next move.

Stanton is joining a baseball staff at Prosper that is headed by Rick Carpenter, the architect of three state championship teams at Elkins High School in the 1990s and 2000s.

The school won a Class 3A state football championship in 2008 and has seen tremendous growth in recent years in the suburban area.

Stanton said Prosper is expected to become a Class 4A program during the next realignment, and school district officials envision as

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Dobie football spring game is May 27

The Dobie High School football program will host its spring games Thursday, May 27, on campus.

The freshman game is set to begin at 5 p.m., and the varsity/junior varsity game will begin at 6 p.m.

Head coach Jim Phillips said he is excited to see how the Longhorns look in a game situation after being involved in spring practices for more than three weeks.

The football booster club will sell barbecue plates during the event. The public is invited to attend the games free of charge.

JFD's 2010 varsity football slate set

Dobie High School's 2010 varsity football schedule calls for the Longhorns to play six of their 10 games at friendly Newcomb Field in Pasadena.

Head coach Jim Phillips will make his debut Friday, Aug. 27, as the Longhorns open the regular season against Alief Taylor at Newcomb Field.

From there, the Longhorns will play three of their next four nondistrict games on the road, at Alvin, Humble and Channelview. Dobie's other nondistrict contest comes

against Dickinson.

The Longhorns will have a bye week in the schedule the weekend of Sept. 29-Oct. 1 before beginning District 22-5A action Friday, Oct. 8, against Pasadena at Newcomb Field.

The Longhorns' game against Pasadena is significant in that it is also the school's homecoming contest.

Dobie will also take on Memorial, Sam Rayburn and South Houston in succession before playing at Deer Park Friday, Nov. 5, to close out the regular season.

In 2010, the Longhorns will be attempting to post a winning record for the first time since 2005.

In trying to get to six wins or better, the Longhorns will face just four teams that made the playoffs in 2009.

As for getting to the playoffs, Dobie looks to be in prime position for that as well.

Thanks to the University Interscholastic League's new two-year realignment that begins in 2010-11 and runs through 2011-2012, two of the four playoff teams from the current 22-5A will exit.

In the new 22-5A for next school year, Dobie will do battle with five others - Memorial, Pasadena, Sam Rayburn, South Houston and Deer Park - for the chance to gain one of four playoff seeds.

The downside? Deer Park and Dobie have the largest 22-5A enrollment figures, meaning a bi-district playoff matchup against powers North Shore or Beaumont Westbrook seems likely.

Phillips, who spent 16 seasons at Waller High School before a two-year stint at Greenville, is focused on one thing.

"I like the playoffs," he said. "The playoffs are fun, and when you aren't there, it's no fun. Our goal is to go every year."

| Dobie High School 2010 varsity football schedule | | |
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| Date | Opponent | Time |
| Aug. 27 | Alief Taylor | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 3 | at Alvin | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 11 | Dickinson | 6 p.m. |
| Sept. 18 | at Humble | 6 p.m. |
| Sept. 24 | at Channelview | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 8 | *Pasadena | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 14 | *at Memorial | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 23 | *Sam Rayburn | 1 p.m. |
| Oct. 29 | *South Houston | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 5 | *at Deer Park | 7 p.m. |

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High school strength/conditioning to start

The coaching staffs at Dobie and Clear Brook high schools have established dates for the summer strength and conditioning sessions.

The workouts, which are sanctioned by the University Interscholastic League, will be held over the course of six weeks during the early portion of the summer at a minimal cost to participants.

Wolverines set plans
At Clear Brook, the strength and conditioning camp will be held June 14 through July 22.

Students entering the

seventh through 12th grades as of the 2010-2011 school year are eligible to attend at a cost of \$60 per student.

Clear Brook coach Brian Broussard, a member of the Wolverines' varsity football coaching staff, is coordinating the strength and conditioning sessions at the school.

The workouts will be held Mondays through Thursdays. The first session is from 7:10 to 8:50 a.m., and the second session is from 9 to 10:40 a.m. Both boys and girls are eligible to attend.

The workouts will in-

clude 50 minutes of weight room training and the remainder outdoors.

Incoming seventh, eighth and ninth-grade students must attend the 9 to 10:40 a.m. session. Participants must have a current athletic physical on file before being allowed to take part in the workouts.

Students may register by calling Broussard at 281-284-2161 or by directing e-mails to Bbroussard@ccisd.net.

Parents may send checks made payable to the Clear Creek Independent School District to Clear Brook

High School, C/O Brian Broussard, 4607 FM 2351, Friendswood, Texas, 77546.

For more information, visit the Wolverines' football Web site at www.brookfootball.com.

Dobie camps coming
Members of the Dobie High School football coaching staff will oversee the Longhorns' strength and conditioning camp, to be held June 14 through July 15 and July 26-29.

The session will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays each week from

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Top-ranked SJC baseball to world series

It's been a good season for the San Jacinto College baseball team, but there's still some unfinished business to tend to.

San Jacinto, ranked No. 1 nationally in two separate polls, will begin its quest for a sixth national championship when the National Junior College Athletic Association's grand finale begins May 29 in Grand Junction, Colo.

The Gators, 48-10 this season after a four-game sweep at the Region XIV tournament, will take on third-ranked State College Florida in an opening-round game May 29 at Sam Suplizio Field.

The 10-team tournament includes nine ranked teams, including four in the top 10.

San Jacinto College enters the tournament with one of the most storied histories in the sport.

The Gators have now made 21 world series appearances and have won five titles. On six other occasions, the locals have placed second.

A season ago, San Jacinto placed third at the national tournament. This time around, the Gators figure to count on a deep pitching

staff to help in the effort. Freshman Miguel Pena and sophomore Sean Nolin have formed a tough 1-2 combination on the mound.

Pena is 13-1 this season with a 1.96 earned run average. Over a team-high 83 1/3 innings, Pena has struck out 83 hitters.

Nolin, meanwhile, is undefeated at 11-0 with a 2.02 ERA. In 80 1/3 innings of work, Nolin has struck out 85 hitters.

Offensively, San Jacinto features a balanced attack. Will Fontnow led the Gators in hitting at .373, and Riley Hornback was second at .358 with a team-high 53 runs driven in.

Ryan Hornback hit .341 and tied for the team lead with 13 doubles. Larry Rodriguez paced the Gators with eight home runs.

The tournament, which runs through June 5, also features many of the nation's top individual players, including those from San Jacinto College.

Southern Nevada's Bryce Harper is also expected to be in action. Harper, who won't turn 18 until October of this year, is expected to be the first pick in the major league baseball amateur draft next month.



San Jacinto College starting pitcher Sean Nolin will be counted on heavily at the world series after going 11-0 with a 2.02 earned run average to this point in the season.

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Local sports news, notes

JFD senior picnic/powder puff

Plans for Dobie High School's senior powder puff and picnic event to celebrate upcoming graduation are ongoing. The date for the powder puff/picnic event has been tentatively set for Thursday, June 3, at El Franco Lee Park. The public is invited to attend the senior powder puff game from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on the Sagemont Cowboys game field near the back of the park. Tickets are \$3 each for the game, but only seniors are allowed to attend the picnic that follows from 3 to 6 p.m. Organizers are still seeking donations of food and big-ticket prizes as well as funds for commemorative T-shirts. Those wishing to assist may call volunteer coordinators Alicia Gonzales at 281-630-5176 or Jessica Cordero at 832-275-3188.

Thompson hoops camp coming

Members of the Thompson Intermediate coaching staff will host a boys' and girls' basketball camp June 14-18 in the school gymnasium from 9 to 11 a.m. each day. Students who will enter the fifth through eighth grades as of the 2010-2011 school year are eligible to attend. Cost of the camp is \$25 cash. The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide insurance coverage for students taking part in summer camps, so parents will be responsible for any medical expenses incurred during the event. For more information, parents may direct e-mail to John Fowler at JoFowler@pasadenaisd.org.

Thompson volleyball camp set

Members of the Thompson Intermediate coaching staff will host a volleyball camp June 7-9 in the school gymnasium from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each day. Students entering the sixth through eighth grades are eligible to attend the camp. Cost of the camp is \$20 cash. The staff will emphasize the fundamentals of the sport, including hitting, passing, blocking, setting, serving, digging and more. The fee includes a camp T-shirt and the chance to win individual awards for outstanding achievement. The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide insurance coverage for students taking part in summer camps, so parents will be responsible for any medical expenses incurred during the event. For more information, call 713-740-0510.

LSA tennis camp coming

The Lutheran South Academy Tennis Camp presents a great opportunity for fifth- through 12th-grade athletes a chance to improve and refine their skills, no matter their current skill level. Instructors will introduce the game of tennis to those who wish to start playing for the first time, and instructors will also work with more experienced players on sharpening their current physical and mental skills on the court. There will be two sessions, including June 1-4 and July 12-15, both to be held at the tennis courts located at San Jacinto College South on Beamer. The sessions will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$75 per session or \$100 per student for both sessions. For more information, call Lutheran South Academy at 281-464-8299 or visit the school Web site at www.lutheransouth.org.

Lutheran South summer conditioning

Lutheran South Academy will offer a strength and conditioning camp beginning in June for students in the South Belt area. The LSA Summer Pride Camp will run from June 7 through July 22. The summer strength and conditioning camp will be conducted at Lutheran South Academy four days per week (Monday through Thursday). High school boys and all runners may attend from 7:30 to 9 a.m., and high school girls may attend from 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. Middle school boys and girls may attend from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$100 per athlete, and the sessions are open to any area athletes. Lutheran South is located at 12555 Ryewater Drive, off Dixie Farm Road. Registration, fees, and more details can be found at www.lutheransouth.org or by calling the school at 281-464-8299.

Clear Brook softball camp coming June 14-17

Clear Brook High School head softball coach Ashley Pillow and her staff will host the Lady Wolverines' summer camp for youths June 14-17 at the school. Participants will gain instruction on the fundamentals of the game and will also take part in a scrimmage. The sessions will include conditioning work and a post-workout lecture. Participants will also be eligible to earn certificates for outstanding effort. The first session, from 9 a.m. to noon each day, is open to those entering the first through fifth grades as of next school year. The 1 to 4 p.m. session is for those entering the sixth through ninth grades. For more information, call Pillow at 713-417-2263 or direct e-mail to pillowashley@gmail.com.

LSA to host volleyball camp

Lutheran South Academy will host two volleyball camp sessions running June 7-10. The morning session is open to incoming fifth and sixth-grade students. The sessions will run from 8 to 11 a.m. June 7-9 and from 8 a.m. to noon June 10. The afternoon session is open to those entering the seventh and eighth grades. The session will go from 1 to 4 p.m. June 7-9 and from 1 to 5 p.m. June 10. Both sessions will be held at Lutheran South Academy and is \$75 per student. For more information and to register, call the school office at 281-464-8299 or visit the LSA Web site at www.lutheransouth.org.

Lutheran South sets baseball camp

Lutheran South Academy will host a baseball camp June 7-10 for students entering the first through eighth grades as of the 2010-2011 school year. The Pioneers' camp is designed to give baseball players at any level individual instruction on pitching, fielding and hitting. The camp will be held at the Lutheran South baseball fields from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$75 per participant. For more information and to register, call Lutheran South Academy at 281-464-8299 or visit the school's Web site at www.lutheransouth.org.

Brook girls' hoops camp coming

Clear Brook varsity girls' head basketball coach Blair Redmon and her staff will host the Lady Wolverines' summer basketball camp June 7-10 at the school. Students entering the third through ninth grades are eligible to attend from 8 to 11 a.m., and students entering the 10th through 12th grades may attend from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$85 per student prior to or on June 1 and \$100 thereafter. For more information, direct e-mail to Redmon at bredmon@ccisd.net.

Brook boys' hoops camp set

Clear Brook varsity boys' head basketball coach Jason Pillow and his staff will host the Wolverines' summer basketball camp June 14-18 at the school. Incoming first through sixth-grade students will be able to attend from 9 to 11 a.m., and incoming seventh- through ninth-grade students will attend from noon to 3 p.m. For more information about the camp, call Pillow at 281-284-2163 or direct e-mail to jpillow@ccisd.net

Clear Brook volleyball camp on the way

Clear Brook varsity volleyball coach Meredith Thompson will host the Lady Wolverines' volleyball camp July 26-29. Students entering the fourth through ninth grades as of the 2010-2011 school year are eligible to attend. For more information, direct e-mail to brookvball@yahoo.com.

SBAST Sharks seek donations

The South Belt Area Swim Team Sharks is seeking donations to help cover the costs of replacing the team's lane ropes, which are now more than 15 years old and are experiencing dry rot and other signs of age. The SBAST Sharks have been in the South Belt area for more than 39 years and have provided a competitive team that is part of the Clear Creek Swim League for children ages 4 to 18 years old. Each spring and summer, the Sharks usually carry a roster of 150 to 160 participants. The team is seeking donations from area businesses to help cover the costs of replacing the lane ropes. The Sharks are a 501(c) non-profit organization and will provide a receipt for any charitable contributions. Those wishing to assist the Sharks may call board member Ricky Graham at 713-628-0637.

San Jacinto College hoops camp

Registrations are now being accepted for the San Jacinto College basketball camp, designed to help youths earn and improve their basketball skills. The camp is designed for boys and girls age 7 through 18, and will be held in two sessions. The first camp session is scheduled for Monday, July 19 through Friday, July 23. The second is from Monday, July 26 through Friday, July 30. Both sessions will be held from 2 to 5 p.m., in Anders Gymnasium on the San Jacinto College Central campus, located at 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena. The camp cost is \$90 per week, or \$160 for both sessions. Participants will be awarded ribbons and trophies in various categories at the end of the camp. Men's basketball head coach Scott Gernander will head the camp. For more information or to receive a camp brochure, call 281-476-1847 or 281-476-1849.

District 15 youth baseball all-star tournament dates released

Little League baseball District 15 officials have released tournament brackets for the opening round, which is the District 15 championships.

The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League is one of the leagues that is housed within District 15. Other members eligible for competition include the Alameda, Dixie, East End, Friendswood, Magnolia, OFA,

Pearland, South Central and Southeast Little Leagues.

9-year-old news

The 9-year-old all-star tournament will be held June 7-13 at the Pearland Little League facility. Sagemont will play its first game Monday, June 7, against Pearland Maroon.

Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League officials have released the roster for the 9-year-old team. Those

players include David Amaya (Cubs), Josiah Arenas (Cubs), Camryn Davis (Diamond Backs), Max Garcia (Phillies) Nicholas Gaytan (Astros), Mateo Guzman (Rangers), Alex Hernandez (Cubs), Gavin Machado (Diamond Backs), Frank Mendez (Diamond Backs), Lorenzo Navarro ((Diamond Backs), Aaron Perea (Astros) and Fernando Percez III (Diamond Backs).

The team will be managed by Roy Mendez, and the coach will be Oscar Perea.

9-10 news

The District 15 9-10-year-old all-star event is set for June 29-July 8 at the Pearland and Friendswood sites. Sagemont's first game will be Tuesday, June 29, against Pearland Maroon.

10-11 news

The District 15 10-11-

year-old all-star tournament will be held June 29-July 7 at the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League. Sagemont's first game will be Tuesday, June 29, against Friendswood.

Majors news

The District 15 major league all-star tournament will be June 29-July 10 at the Pearland and Friendswood locations. Sagemont's first game will be Tuesday, June 29, against the Magnolia squad.

Junior division news

The junior division District 15 tournament will take place June 26 to July 2 at the East End Little League facility. SBHLL will face Dixie in its opener June 26.

Senior division news

The senior division District 15 tournament will be held July 5-10 at East End Little League.

The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League all-stars will face OFA in their first game July 5.

Summer conditioning offered

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4 to 6 p.m. in order to allow some participants to attend morning summer school courses.

Students entering the ninth through 12th grades as of the 2010-2011 school year are eligible to take part in the sessions. There is no charge for the sessions.

"I want everybody to have a chance to get involved without having to worry about cost," Dobie varsity head football coach Jim Phillips said.

"The important thing is to stay active over the summer and to do some things to help you be ready for athletics when school starts in August."

JFD football camp

Phillips has also established dates for the Longhorns' incoming ninth-grader football camp, which will be held Aug. 3-5 at Dobie High School.

The sessions will be held from 4:30 to 7 p.m., and there is no charge to attend. Dobie will then begin fall workouts on Monday, Aug. 9.

Asai Adame all-region at Alvin



At left, former Dobie High School varsity baseball player Asai Adame has been named a second team All-Region XIV selection as a member of the Alvin Community College baseball program. Adame was a three-year starter at Dobie High School before joining the Dolphins' program. He is a 2008 graduate of Dobie. During the 2010 season at Alvin, Adame hit .358 overall but was particularly solid in Region XIV action as he hit .353 with five doubles, two triples and 15 runs driven in. Adame tied for 13th overall in the conference in hitting as the Dolphins went 30-21 for the season and 16-14 in region action. With his career now complete at Alvin, Adame is eyeing opportunities at the four-year level.

Photo by John Bechtle

Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League Standings

As of May 26 on league Web site

Junior/Senior Division

| Team | W | L | T |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Yankees | 11 | 2 | 0 |
| Braves | 10 | 2 | 0 |
| Astros | 10 | 4 | 0 |
| Diamond Backs | 4 | 7 | 0 |
| Cardinals | 4 | 8 | 0 |
| Rangers | 3 | 11 | 0 |
| Red Sox | 1 | 9 | 0 |

Major Division

| Team | W | L | T |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Astros | 17 | 3 | 1 |
| Cardinals | 14 | 3 | 1 |
| Diamond Backs | 11 | 4 | 1 |
| Blue Jays | 9 | 8 | 2 |
| Red Sox | 6 | 12 | 2 |
| Braves | 6 | 12 | 1 |
| Rangers | 5 | 13 | 0 |
| Yankees | 3 | 16 | 0 |

Minor Division

| Team | W | L | T |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Diamond Backs | 14 | 4 | 0 |
| Braves | 14 | 4 | 0 |
| Rangers | 12 | 4 | 1 |
| Astros | 11 | 6 | 1 |
| Phillies | 8 | 10 | 0 |
| Blue Jays | 7 | 10 | 1 |
| Cubs | 5 | 10 | 2 |
| Cardinals | 5 | 11 | 2 |
| Yankees | 5 | 13 | 0 |
| Red Sox | 4 | 13 | 1 |

Pee Wee Division

| Team | W | L | T |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Diamond Backs | 12 | 2 | 0 |
| Astros | 11 | 3 | 0 |
| Cubs | 11 | 3 | 0 |
| Phillies | 7 | 5 | 2 |
| Tigers | 5 | 8 | 1 |
| Blue Jays | 4 | 8 | 1 |
| Rangers | 2 | 10 | 1 |
| Yankees | 0 | 13 | 1 |

Machine Pitch Division

| Team | W | L | T |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Mets | 15 | 2 | 1 |
| Cardinals | 16 | 2 | 0 |
| Rangers | 11 | 7 | 0 |
| Blue Jays | 8 | 9 | 0 |
| Red Sox | 9 | 9 | 0 |
| Cubs | 11 | 7 | 0 |
| Braves | 7 | 9 | 1 |
| Diamond Backs | 4 | 12 | 1 |
| Astros | 3 | 12 | 2 |
| Yankees | 1 | 16 | 1 |

T-Ball Division

| Team | W | L | T |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Reds | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Yankees | 11 | 2 | 0 |
| Diamond Backs | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| Phillies | 9 | 3 | 1 |
| Cubs | 8 | 5 | 0 |
| Astros | 8 | 5 | 0 |
| Red Sox | 7 | 5 | 1 |
| Blue Jays | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| White Sox | 4 | 8 | 1 |
| Braves | 4 | 9 | 0 |
| Rangers | 4 | 9 | 0 |
| Cardinals | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| Mets | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| Tigers | 0 | 13 | 0 |

Lady Longhorns win championship



The Lady Longhorns' 6-under youth softball team has played very well in a pair of tournaments, winning first place in both. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Vivian Echavarria, Gloria Zamora, Aria Oakley, Kenzie Snook, Brianna Al-

manguer, (middle row) Yessenia Pena, Alyah Barajas, Cidnee Ojeda, Micaela Jimenez, Leslie Longoria, Kenna Herman, Mia Meyers, (back row) coaches Jose Longoria, Mario Barajas and Mike Jimenez.

Submitted photo

South Belt 10-under Stars second in Pasadena



The South Belt Girls Softball Association's 10-under all-stars continued to play well early in the all-star season, finishing second at the Angels in the Outfield tournament in Pasadena. Members of the team are, left to right, (sitting) Emily Perez, (front row) Jacquelyne Garcia, Kendall Gothard, Celeste Ontiveros, Breana August, Diana Adame, Gabriela Rojas, (middle row) Yasmine Myers, Kimberly Ontiveros, Hayley Garcia, Michelle Kristoff, Celina Saenz, (back row) head coach Bobby Kristoff and assistant coaches Chris Ontiveros and Ravi Saenz.

Submitted photo



South Belt area cyclists help MS150 fundraising cause – millions raised

A group of cycling enthusiasts from the South Belt area took part in the BP MS150, a 180-mile fundraising ride from Houston to Austin. The event, which raises tens of millions of dollars annually in support of the Multiple Sclerosis Society, was again a big success in 2010. Those participating included, left to right, Chet St. Romain, Ron Parker,

Kent Johnson, John Fessenden, Tom Eades and Fred Langham. The men are members of the Bike Barn cycling club that helped raised more than \$200,000 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. The event included both individuals and a number of clubs from across the city and state.

Submitted photo

Blue Chips sixth-grade hoopsters win



The Gulf Coast Blue Chips sixth-grade girls basketball team took first place at the Amateur Athletic Union Houston Hoops Summer Tour tournament. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Leslie Pina, Jade Giron, Serena Delgollado, Ravae Payne, Marissa Magoo, (back row) Kristy Christmas, Jen Olivarez, Marina Allen, MacKenzie Johnson and coach Yvette Giron.

Coaching changes affect local high schools

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many as five high schools in the area over the next decade or so.

The area is also home to several current and former pro athletes, including professional baseball players Torii Hunter and LaTroy Hawkins. Former National Football League star Deion Sanders is also believed to

own acreage in the area. Stanton has agreed to take a bit of a demotion as he will be the junior varsity baseball coach at Prosper.

But the chance to learn alongside Carpenter, a winner of more than 600 varsity baseball games, was a big selling point.

The Stanton family, which also includes his wife,

Aimee, 3-year-old son Conner and 1-year-old daughter Maggie, may also be able to find a suitable settling point to grow as a family.

"You never know what is going to happen down the line, but the opportunities for growth for me as a coach and father were too much to pass up," Stanton said. "Having the chance to

work for a coach like Rick Carpenter is also something that was big for me.

"Since I inquired a while back, Rick has steadily been in my corner. Earlier this spring he told me he didn't have an opening but would love to have me at some point. Once this chance came up, he did everything he could to put something

together. In a perfect world, Stanton will succeed Carpenter at Prosper, but he isn't concerned about that. With the kind of growth expected to occur in the area, Stanton believes his time will come to be a head baseball coach. "It is very tough to leave Dobie," Stanton said. "I am a Longhorn at heart, and it will be hard not to see the logo any more once I leave. "I will definitely leave a piece of myself here, but this is a chance for my family and me to open a new chapter in our lives."

Stanton said Dobie principal Steve Jamail has been gracious in his handling on the move. "Mr. Jamail told me I am part of the Dobie family here and that if things don't work out at some point I am welcome back," Stanton said.

"That means a lot. Our family has been all about Dobie over the years. It's been special for all of us. I'll take a lot of memories, but I won't forget where I came from."

Legends 8-under select wins Wheelhouse USSSA baseball

At right, Legends 8-under player Joseph Mohammadi shows off his wares after winning most valuable player honors at the United States Specialty Sports Wheelhouse Classic.

Below, the Legends 8-under select baseball team won the USSSA Wheelhouse Classic tournament championship after going extra innings in the final game to win 14-12. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Dylan White, Joseph Mohammadi, Peyton Miller, Robert Romero, Adam Gonzalez, (middle row) Gage Parham, Brandon Trevino, Jonathan Marroquin, Christopher Thomas, Rex Thompson, Daniel Garza, (back row) coaches Jeff White, Mark Parham, James Miller, Chris Thomas and Danny Garza.



10-under Horns runners-up at Summer Sizzler



The South Belt Horns' 10-under select baseball team made its way to the championship game of the Summer Sizzler tournament before taking second place. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Seth Barber, Matthew Morales, Michael Villareal, Jose Esparanza, Alex Perez, (middle row) Andrew Arriaga, Alex Arriaga, Jonathan Saldana, Michael Avila, David Amaya, (back row) assistant coach Art Perez, head coach Joe Saldana, manager Alex Arriaga and assistant coach Curtis Barber.



JFD baseball booster club meets June 2

The Dobie High School baseball booster club will host its monthly meeting Wednesday, June 2, at 7 p.m. in the media room in the athletics field house.

Parents of any current Longhorns' baseball player are encouraged to attend or to join the booster club. Membership dues are \$5 per member.

Members are currently looking toward the 2011 season, developing ideas to assist the program.



CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 27

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.

Houston Area Parkinson Society – Free water exercise from noon to 1 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered.

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.

St. Luke The Evangelist Catholic Church Tutoring – St. Luke's offers tutoring classes Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the church located at 11011 Hall Road. For more information, call 281-484-1397 or e-mail joe_pavlicek@yahoo.com.

Pasadena Gulf Coast Art Society – Monthly meetings held the last Thursday of each month in the Community Room at Pasadena Town Square Mall.

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 28

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.

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.

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.

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Bay Area Genealogical Society – Meets the last Friday of each month at University Baptist Church, 16106 Middlebrook Drive in Clear Lake. Coffee and socializing is at 6:30 and the meeting begins at 7 p.m. For more information, visit www.TxBayAreaGen.org.

SATURDAY, MAY 29

Frontier Squares – Meets to square dance at the Westminster Academy at 670 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Refreshments provided. For more information, contact Gina Sherman at 281-554-5675 or visit www.frontiersquares.com.

SUNDAY, MAY 30

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.

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 31

Memorial Day Holiday

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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.

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.

New Directions Singles Club – The New Directions Singles Club has moved its time and location from St. Paul's Catholic Church, Nassau Bay, to Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 West Nasa Parkway in Webster. Meetings are held every Monday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. This organiza-

tion was created as a social support outlet for 50+ widowed, divorced and never married individuals. Call 713-340-2354 for information.

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.

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 Kawatec at 281-334-1033.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1

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.

Local NARFE Meeting – The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets the first Tuesday of each month in the Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 Nasa Parkway. A meal will be available for \$6. For more information, call Bob Mitchell at 281-333-2881.

Trailmixers – Meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Luby's Cafeteria on Fuqua. Former and current employees of J. Frank Dobie High School are welcome for lunch and conversation.

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Clear Lake Toastmasters Club - Meets at the Clear Lake Church of Christ, 938 El Dorado Blvd. Call Jerry Tate at 281-481-5417 for information.
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Hobby Airport Lions Club - meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Meetings are held at the Golden Corral at Fuqua and I-45. E-mail HobbyAirportLions@gmail.com for more information. 4 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise held from 4 to 5 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Pearland, 3005 Pearland Parkway, Pearland. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered.

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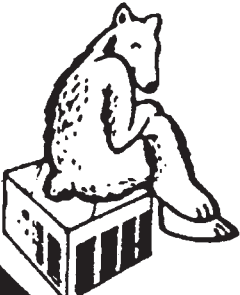
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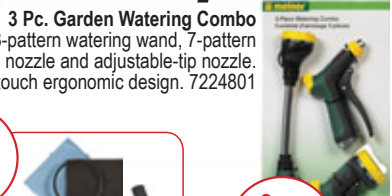
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