

### Graduation issues available

Extra copies of the *Leader's* June 2 graduation issue are available at the newspaper office, located at 11555 Beamer. Graduates from Dobie, Clear Brook, South Houston and Clear Horizons Early College high schools and Lutheran South Academy are featured.

### Catholic Daughters party

Catholic Daughters from St. Luke the Evangelist church will once again sponsor its annual Summer Games party and luncheon Wednesday, June 22. The event will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the social hall, 11011 Hall Road. There will be games, prizes, door prizes and raffle ticket opportunities for prizes. Included is a homemade lunch with desserts and a drink. Cost is \$12. The public is invited. Profits go for the scholarship program, charities, and special events. For tickets, call 830-860-9663 or 281-734-3184.

### Lariaettes hold car wash

The Dobie Lariaettes will hold a car wash Saturday, June 25, in the McDonald's parking lot at 11323 Fuqua. Pre-sale tickets are \$5 and can be purchased from any current Lariaette. Drive-ups will also be welcome, and donations will be accepted.

### Care Partners meet

Interfaith Care Partners Ministry group at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 10727 Hartsook St. (near Alameda Mall), a gathering for persons with Alzheimer's, dementia or memory loss, meets the third Friday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Gatherings consist of a continental breakfast, arts and crafts, exercises, entertainment, a singalong, a devotional break, lunch and ends with a game. Those who have a family member or know of someone with these challenges, are welcome to attend. All services are provided free of charge. An initial interview must be conducted by Interfaith Care Partners staff to welcome new participants into this program. The next gathering will be held in the Mother Cabrini Center at the church on Friday, June 17. For information or to register a loved one, call Interfaith Care Partners at 713-682-5995 or visit [www.interfaithcarepartners.org](http://www.interfaithcarepartners.org).

### Band seeks musicians

The Pearland Community Band is seeking musicians to join the group of music loving folks with a wide variety of musical skills and talent. Their current membership ranges in age from high schoolers to retired senior citizens. Rehearsal meetings are held each Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Pearland's Robert Turner High School located at 4717 Bailey Road. For more information, contact Director Bobby Wren at 832-654-0906 or email [bobbywren@hotmail.com](mailto:bobbywren@hotmail.com).

### Dobie football car wash

The Dobie High School football program will host its fund-raising car wash Saturday, June 18, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Snowies snow cones, 10902 Scarsdale Blvd. (Food Town parking lot). Players and other Dobie football supporters will be washing cars for a minimum \$5 donation. For more information, direct email to [infodboosterclub@gmail.com](mailto:infodboosterclub@gmail.com).

### PIP meeting June 21

The Positive Interaction Program will meet Tuesday, June 21, at 7 p.m. at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria in the staff meeting room on the first floor. Guest speaker will be Assistant County Attorney Tiffany Reedy, who will speak on child and adult protective services. For more information, call Houston Police Department Officer Richard Buitron at 281-218-3900.

### Cowgirls drill camp set

The Sagemont Cowgirls will host its annual drill camp on Saturday June 25, at the Cowboys football field located at El Franco Lee Park from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For additional information, contact Kerri Lynn Blanton at [Chelsey1004@yahoo.com](mailto:Chelsey1004@yahoo.com).

### SJC/MADD hold 5K run

San Jacinto College and Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) will host the *Walk Like MADD* 5K run/walk at the college's south campus Saturday, June 18. Aimed at preventing drunk driving, events are scheduled to take place in more than 80 cities nationwide. Victims, survivors and supporters will line up for this noncompetitive 5K run/walk to remember lost loved ones and inspire change. Emergency personnel from a variety of agencies will be present to answer questions and greet participants. The event will also feature a disc jockey and games. Registration is \$20 for those ages 5-21 and \$25 for those who are 21 and older. Registration will begin at 8 a.m.; opening ceremony will begin at 9 a.m.; walk will begin at 9:30 a.m.; and event ends at noon. Participants should use entrances A or B off Beamer (nearest ones to Dixie Farm Road and the Allied Science Building S-1). For additional information or to register in advance or donate, visit [www.walklikemadd.org/houston](http://www.walklikemadd.org/houston).

# Locke to install long-awaited sidewalks

**By James Bolen**  
Harris County Commissioner Gene Locke is planning to install sidewalks in multiple areas of the South Belt community that residents, civic groups and school officials have been requesting for more than a decade.

The primary areas to be addressed are along Hughes Road from Sagecanyon to Sageyork and Hall Road between Sagecanyon and Sagepark. The current lack of sidewalks on these roads has contributed to at least two serious auto-pedestrian accidents involving students – one of which was fatal.

Frazier fourth-grader Ruth Young was killed in August 2005 when she was struck by a school bus while crossing Hughes Road at Sageburrow to go to class. While that stretch of Hughes has

sidewalks, it is believed she was on that side of the street only because the other side has none.

A similar incident took place on Hall Road and Sagebluff in October 2013 when a 14-year-old Dobie freshman was struck by a vehicle as she was walking to her bus stop. The student suffered lacerations to her kidney and liver and a concussion.

Investigators said the lack of sidewalks played a role in the accident, as the girl was forced to walk in the street due to puddling on the sides of the road.

"Sidewalks are essential not only for mobility, but also for safety, especially for our children," Locke said. "It's tragic that a student had to lose her life in a horrific accident that could have been prevented with sidewalks. That's why I am com-

mitted to building sidewalks and making other infrastructure improvements to enhance the lives of Precinct 1 residents."

Sidewalk construction is generally the responsibility of the developer, rather than a municipality. Following Young's death, however, several in the community, led by the Sagemont Civic Club, petitioned city and county officials to take action.

While officials saw a need for the sidewalks, their actual construction was met with several barriers. One of the main roadblocks was that the areas in question cross jurisdictions, as they are on the city/county line.

Community members have now found an ally in Locke.

Since replacing the late El Franco Lee in January, Locke has actively pushed joint projects

with the City of Houston, including street and sidewalk improvements near NRG Stadium in advance of the 2017 Super Bowl.

The commissioner recently visited the South Belt area to see the streets firsthand and agreed they pose a public safety issue. He has assured the *Leader* the funds are already in place and has assigned county staff member Lawrence Bell to oversee the project.

While the sidewalks may not be complete by the beginning of the school year, Locke said they will be done by the end of the calendar year.

Pasadena Independent School District Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell is pleased with the development.

"Student safety is our top priority," Powell said. "We're absolutely thrilled."

## Street sweeper crashes in ditch



Emergency crews are shown above extracting a street sweeper from the ditch on Beltway 8 between Beamer Road and Blackhawk Friday, June 10. The driver reportedly crashed through a guard rail after swerving to avoid a stopped car. The driver of the stopped car subsequently left the scene of the crash. The driver of the street sweeper suffered minor injuries, police said.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

## Annual July 4 parade, fireworks set

The annual South Belt Independence Day parade and fireworks show are set to take place Monday, July 4.

**Parade**  
Now in its 29th year, the parade will feature a variety of decorated vehicles and floats, classic cars and emergency vehicles. The route will wind its way from Beverly Hills Intermediate to San Jacinto College South via Fuqua, Sabo/Hughes Road and Beamer.

This year's theme is *Anniversaries*, as Sagemont Church and the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League are both celebrating their 50th anniversaries, and the *Leader* is celebrating its 40th anniversary.

Commercial entry is \$50, and noncommercial entry is free, unless participants wish to compete

for a trophy, in which case, entry is \$25.

Entry forms are available at [www.southbeltleader.com](http://www.southbeltleader.com), the *Leader* office, 11555 Beamer, and on Page 4B. The forms are to be filled out and returned to the *Leader* office, faxed to 281-481-5730 or emailed to [mynews@southbeltleader.com](mailto:mynews@southbeltleader.com).

While the parade starts at 10 a.m., participants are urged to arrive early, as the lineup will begin at 9 a.m.

**Fireworks**  
Later that evening, residents may view the annual fireworks display at El Franco Lee Park, located at 9400 Hall Road.

Funded by the annual South Belt Spectacular Cook-off, the display is scheduled to begin at 9:30 p.m.

## Leader seeks summer vacation photos

The *Leader* is seeking readers' 2016 vacation photos for possible publication.

A first- and second-place prize of Schlitterbahn Galveston tickets will be awarded monthly during June, July and August to the best submissions.

Each month's first-place winner will be awarded eight tickets, while each month's sec-

ond-place winner will be awarded six.

All submissions should include where and when the photo was taken, as well as identify each person in the picture (first and last name) and tell the story about the trip.

All photos must be high resolution. Email photos to [mynews@southbeltleader.com](mailto:mynews@southbeltleader.com). Do not compress photos when emailing.

## Pearland police officer killed in crash

On-duty police officers were involved in two separate serious automobile accidents near the South Belt area this past week – one of which was fatal.

**Pearland**  
A Pearland police officer was killed early Sunday, June 12, when he was involved in a head-on collision at the intersection of Broadway and Country Club Drive.

The accident occurred around 3:15 a.m. when Officer Endy Ekpanya was en route to a non-emergency call when he was struck by a gray Chrysler SRT, driven by Amber Willemson, who had reportedly veered out of her lane.

Both vehicles suffered extensive damage, and both drivers had to be extricated by emergency crews.

Ekpanya, 30, was transported by Life Flight to Memorial Hermann-Texas Medical Center, where he was later pronounced dead.

Willemson, 38, was also transported to the hospital with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

Willemson, a former assistant principal with

the Clear Creek Independent School District, is facing charges of intoxication manslaughter of a peace officer, a first-degree felony. Records show she was out on bond at the time of the crash for drug possession and has a previous DUI charge from 2012.

Ekpanya, a rookie on the Pearland police force, leaves behind a fiancée and 2-year-old son.

The fatal crash marked the first time a Pearland officer had died in the line of duty in 40 years.

Fellow officers participated in a procession in honor of Ekpanya Sunday afternoon, and two makeshift memorials have been erected – one in front of the Pearland Police Department and one at the site of the crash.

The accident is currently under investigation by the Texas Department of Public Safety. There were no known witnesses to the crash. At press time, investigators were reviewing dash-cam footage from Ekpanya's patrol car, as well as surveillance footage from nearby businesses.

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## Beltway work causes road closures

Ongoing construction projects to widen Beltway 8 from Beamer Road to Highway 288 are responsible for multiple road closures in the coming weeks.

While the majority of the closures will be west of the immediate South Belt community, area residents should be aware of them when making travel plans.

Initiated by the Harris County Toll Road Authority, the widening is broken down into two separate projects. The first project will widen the beltway from Beamer to Wayside, while the second project will widen the beltway from Wayside to Highway 288.

The projects will provide four lanes in each direction for the entire length of the endeavor. While some stretches of the beltway already have four lanes in each direction, other parts currently have only two.

Both contracts have been awarded to Pulice Construction. The first project from Beamer to Wayside is expected to cost roughly \$96 million, and the second project from Wayside to Highway 288 is expected to cost around \$77 million.

The two projects are in addition to a third endeavor that will widen the beltway east of Interstate 45 from the Gulf Freeway to Highway 225. Once again, the tollway will be widened from two to four lanes in each direction for the entire

length of the project.

The third project also calls for replacing the existing Beltway 8 Ship Channel toll bridge. The new bridge will also be four lanes in each direction, rather than its current two. The work is expected to cost roughly \$1.5 billion, with around \$900 million going toward just the bridge.

**Closures**  
One U-Turn lane at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, June 17. The closure will impact both the eastbound and westbound frontage roads.

One U-Turn lane at Beltway 8 and SH-35/Telephone Road will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Monday, July 11. The closure will impact both the eastbound and westbound frontage roads.

At least one inside lane on the eastbound frontage road from Cottingham to Wayside will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, June 17.

At least one inside lane on the westbound frontage road from Cottingham to FM-865/Cullen will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, June 17.

At least one inside lane on the westbound frontage road from SH-288 to Kirby Drive will be closed continuously until Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017.

## Martin to hold pair of public meetings

Houston City Council Member Dave Martin and the Department of Public Works and Engineering will host a pair of public meetings in the coming weeks to discuss upcoming construction projects in the Edgebrook area.

**Arlington Heights**  
A meeting on the planned reconstruction of streets in the Arlington Heights area will take place Thursday, June 23, at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, located at 107 E. Edgebrook, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. (presentation at 6:15 p.m.).

The project includes new pavement, reconstruction of sidewalks and driveways, new street lights, storm drainage improvements and necessary underground water and wastewater improvements.

This area is bounded by East Edgebrook on the north, South Shaver Street on the east, Parliament Drive on the south and Galveston Road on the west.

**Freeway Manor/Gulfway Terrace**  
A similar meeting on the planned reconstruction of streets in the Freeway Manor area will take place Thursday, July 28, at Freeway Man-

or Baptist Church, located at 2300 Rodney St., from 6 to 7:30 p.m. (presentation at 6:15 p.m.).

Improvements will be done in Freeway Manor North and South and Gulfway Terrace Phase 1.

Again, the project includes new pavement, reconstruction of sidewalks and driveways, new street lights, storm drainage improvements and necessary underground water and wastewater improvements.

The Freeway Manor North and South projects are bounded by Globe Street on the north, Avenell Road on the east, Gilpin Street to the south and Theta Street to the west.

The Gulfway Terrace Phase 1 project is bounded by Bessemer Street to the north, Tarbell Street to the east, Hartsook Street to the south and Vennard Road to the west, as well as Frey Road extending to Alameda Genoa Road.

The projects are funded through the city's Re-Build Houston program.

Community input helps Public Works to better meet area needs. Questions or comments may be emailed to [pweplanning@houstontx.gov](mailto:pweplanning@houstontx.gov). For more information, [www.ReBuildHouston.org](http://www.ReBuildHouston.org).

## Workers cause Scarsdale gas leak



Construction workers replacing pavement along Scarsdale between Beamer Road and Blackhawk Friday, June 10, accidentally broke a gas line, causing a leak. An emergency utility unit and a fire engine from the nearby Southeast Volunteer Fire Department are shown above responding to the incident. The leak was quickly repaired, and no evacuations were necessary.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

# In My Opinion

## McDaniel wants teams for fundraiser cook-off

My son who lives in Fort Bend County and his associates have organized a barbecue cook-off to benefit flood victims in the Fort Bend and Brazoria County areas.

It will be held at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds on Friday, Aug. 5 and Saturday, Aug. 6. Proceeds will be administered by the Red Cross. All entry fees, donations, and sponsorships will be tax deductible.

I am asking any cooking teams interested in participating to call me for details and entry forms.

We will also gladly accept sponsorships and donations to help our good neighbors to the south.

For details please contact George McDaniel at 713 854-2560.

Your consideration will be appreciated by many!

**George McDaniel**  
Sagemont Resident

## Tamijani comments on gun lobbyists

In wake of the recent horrid killings, one can easily be reminded of the staggering amount of Americans killed

by shootings this year alone (almost 6,000).

One can also be concerned with the fact that the single worst massacre in US history was a hate crime against the gay community, of whom has many opponents in state and national government. Instead, I ask local citizens to look toward their US congressman; ours being Pete Olson.

Representative Olson tweeted Sunday that "Nancy and I send our deepest condolences to the families of the victims" of the Orlando shooting.

Sadly, it looks that condolences, thoughts, prayers, etc. are all those and future victims will get from politicians like him.

Pete Olson has received \$12,450 from the NRA and other gun lobbyists and has voted against every gun-control bill.

Also: both Texan US senators voted against a failed bill in December that would've prevented the Orlando shooter from purchasing his guns and automatic rifle, since the American-born terrorist was on an FBI watch list in the past.

Both Texas senators received even more than \$15,000 in legal bribes from gun lobbyists to do so. This isn't uncommon.

These are good things to think about when voting for our leaders this November.

**Samson Tamijani**

## Local library events set

### Parker Williams Library

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale. Thursday, June 16, at 2 p.m. – Summer Movie. Feature presentation is *The Mighty Ducks*, rated PG.

Friday, June 17, from 3 to 5 p.m. – Craft Time - Mini Soccer Fields.

Tuesday, June 21, at 3 p.m. – Teen Tuesday - Agents of SHIELD CSI (11 years+).

Wednesday, June 22, at 2:30 p.m. – Baytown Wetlands Wagon.

Remaining Computer Classes in June: June 22 – Files & Folders; and June 29 – eMail Basics. All classes begin at 2:30 p.m. Call the library for details and to register.

Wednesdays – Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Thursdays – Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m.; Saturdays – Vietnamese Storytime. Classes are at 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. For more information on Vietnamese programs, speak with Loc Bui.

For more information on these programs, call the library at 281-484-2036.

### Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for June at the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint.

Thursday, June 16, at 6 p.m. – Teen Movie: Willard

Tuesday, June 21, at 10:30 a.m. – Texas Snakes and More

Wednesday, June 22, at 10:30 a.m. – Kids Craft

Thursday, June 23, at 6 p.m. – Teen Movie: The Sixth Sense

Tuesday, June 28, at 10:30 a.m. – Happy the Clown

Wednesday, June 29, at 10:30 a.m. – Kids Craft

Thursday, June 30, at 6 p.m. – Teen Movie: The Ring

Bracewell hours are Sunday and Monday - Closed; Tuesday and Wednesday - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday - noon to 8 p.m.; Friday - 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturday - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information on these programs, call the library at 832-393-2580.

# Delinquent taxpayers urged to set-up a payment plan

Tax Assessor-Collector Mike Sullivan today urges homeowners with delinquent taxes to pay their accounts or set-up a payment plan before the accounts are turned over to collection attorneys.

"Last week, my office sent more than 100,000 notices to delinquent tax account holders who did not pay their 2015 property tax bill," said Sullivan. "If they cannot pay their accounts in full, I strongly urge those account holders to contact my office to see if they qualify for a payment plan. After the June 30th deadline, we must turn these accounts over to collection attorneys."

Accounts turned over to collection attorneys will be subject to an additional 15-20% for attorney's fees, and the property may end up in foreclosure, which could result in the delinquent property being sold at the Harris County Tax Sale.

"For the past few months, my office hosted a series of Property Tax Workshops to discuss protesting taxes, but also the importance of payment plans for delinquent tax account holders. I want to give every taxpayer the opportunity to get the assistance they need to get their taxes paid," said Sullivan.

Property tax bill payments and payment plan applications can be completed through our website at [www.hctx.net](http://www.hctx.net), by phone at 713-274-8000, at all Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector's branch locations or by email at [tax.office@hctx.net](mailto:tax.office@hctx.net).

The Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office Property Tax Division maintains approximately 1.5 million tax accounts and collects property taxes for 71 taxing entities including Harris County. The Tax Assessor-Collector's office collects more than \$5 billion in property taxes each year.

## Resident fixates upon model trains



Larry Glenn's passion for model trains has only grown throughout the years. Members of the Glenn family are pictured above at a birthday party posing above Larry Glenn's Lionel model train collection in 1986. Shown above are, left to right, Henry Lee, Kay Holloway, Larry Glenn, Chris Mauk, Sandra Lee, Chris Sanders, Bob Mauk, Donna Meins, Gloria Sanders, Bud Meins and Susan Glenn. The Train Collectors Association's National Train Convention will be held at the Westchase Marriott Hotel located at 2900 Briarpark Drive on Friday, June 24 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday, June 25 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Area resident partakes in return of National Train Convention

By Jay Do

The Train Collectors Association's National Train Show will be returning to Houston for the first time since 1977 on Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25 at the Westchase Marriott Hotel located at 2900 Briarpark Drive.

Now in its 62nd year, the Train Collectors Association was established in 1954 as an international non-profit organization of people who operate and collect model trains. The organization now focuses on the hobby of collecting and operating model trains, the process of members buying, selling and discussing them, the study of their characteristics and the history of their production.

"The Train Collectors Association has existed since 1954 to promote the hobby and the love of trains," said Train Collectors Association member Larry Glenn. "It is one of the largest and most respected collecting organizations in the world."

Formerly a flight engineer of the United States Air Force and NASA, Glenn is among the faithful train aficionados who continue to grow interest in the hobby.

"The train history in

my family runs deep," said Glenn. "All of my family has worked with railroads. My five uncles, my dad and my brother, all did time with railroads. Three of my uncles followed George Patton around in North Africa during the Second World War. There's over 500 years of railroad history in the family. I got my first Lionel model train when I was six and I've been hooked since then."

The National Train Show will feature many attractions designed to appeal to all who attend, from longtime train connoisseurs to those looking to get into the hobby.

"We're going to have layouts set up in different rooms throughout the hotel," said Glenn. "It's just for both kids and adults, because it winds your clock back to the hayday of trains."

There are trains of all scales and gauges. They'll have around 250 tables there for dealers and vendors to sell their merchandise to anyone who's interested in starting a collection. It's a fun event for folks to come in to browse and get started on a collection if they're interested. It's a good thing for kids to see,

because most kids nowadays are not even aware that model trains still exist."

With model train collecting being such an integral part of his life, Glenn believes that the hobby is nothing short of magical.

"I'm still a kid and I haven't grown up," said Glenn. "There's something magical about the hobby. It's a good, fun hobby. You never finish it and you never get tired of it."

Operating train layouts, seminars and model train manufacturer's products will be on display in the Grand Pavilion Foyer of the Westchase Marriott Hotel and made available to the public at no charge.

Access to the Trading Hall that will feature vendors buying and selling model train scales, accessories, tools and scenery supplies will be made available for \$7 per adult or a family rate of \$10 which includes up to two adults and five children.

Individuals seeking more information regarding the Train Collectors Association's National Train Show or are looking to partake in the week long National Convention are asked to contact Robert McLeroy at 713-398-8402 or via email at [tca2016@suddenlink.net](mailto:tca2016@suddenlink.net).

## Mayor Sylvester Turner seeks State funds to fight Zika

With members of the local legislative delegation at his side and an illegal tire dump as the backdrop, Mayor Sylvester Turner called on the state of Texas to declare the Zika virus a public health emergency and dedicate funds toward local efforts to fight it.

"Local governments are in a position to do the door-to-door, neighborhood-by-neighborhood hard work necessary to mitigate Zika," said Mayor Turner. "There is a critical need for help in paying for this massive effort. We have programs already underway and would welcome state help in funding them. Let's work together to eradicate this threat."

Mayor Turner is requesting assistance from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's Solid Waste Disposal Fees Account, which currently has a balance of \$130 million. Under changes made by the legislature in 2007, the fund may be used for an immediate response to or remediation of an emergency that involves solid waste.

Since February, the City of Houston Solid Waste Department has been cleaning up illegal dump sites to help reduce mosquito breeding sites and combat the spread of Zika. They have already hauled away 3,000 tons of debris and 19,000 tires. The effort is expected to cost \$3.6 million this year. With additional funding, the City of Houston could purchase new equipment to increase collection frequency beyond the weekends, develop and distribute educational materials informing residents of proper and free disposal options and establish three additional heavy trash drop-off locations.

Zika is spread by the Aedes aegypti mosquito, which is found in Houston and southeast Texas. Infection during pregnancy causes microcephaly and other brain malformations in some babies. Infections in adults have been linked to Guillain-Barré syndrome.

The city has launched a

multi-pronged approach to fighting the Zika virus. In addition to the neighborhood trash sweeps, there are also educational announcements at the airports, on public transit, in city water bills and on local TV. The health department is going door-to-door to distribute insect repellent in underserved neighborhoods, and the City's regional public health laboratory is supporting local hospitals and clinics with Zika infection testing.

Now that mosquito season is here, residents need to be vigilant about protecting themselves from being bitten. Follow the three D's of mosquito defense: drain, dress, DEET! Drain standing water on your property and keep hedges trimmed. Dress in long pants and long sleeves, keep windows and screens repaired and use air conditioning. When outside, spray exposed skin with mosquito repellent containing DEET, reapply as necessary and use netting to protect babies in strollers or car seats.

# Deaths

## Raymond Roberts



Former South Belt resident, Raymond Douglas Roberts died Sunday, June 12, 2016. He was born Oct. 9, 1925. He is survived by his wife Katie Chris (Becton) Roberts, and would have been married 69 years this Oct. 18.

Chris and Raymond Roberts moved to the Windswept Town Homes in 1977 and lived there until moving in 2014. They were members of Sagemont Church and Chris volunteered at the area Pregnancy Crisis Center.

Roberts was preceded in death by his parents Leslie Allen Roberts and Myrtle Fay (Miller) Roberts; oldest brother Leslie Allen Roberts Jr.; and sisters Evelyn (Roberts) Jackson and Lavenia Fay (Roberts) Smith. He is survived by two younger brothers, one living in Hermosa Beach, Calif., George Roberts and wife Pat, and the other in Lindale, Texas, Charles Roberts and wife Dollie; sons Randy L. Roberts and wife Debra, and Roger Dale Roberts and partner CJ Fetsch; grandchildren Jennifer Dryden, Eric, Jonathan and Ches Roberts; great-grandchildren Alexandra Webb, Alyssa Armstrong, Mason Dryden, Ethan Roberts, and Jasmine Roberts; and great-great-grandchildren Alia and Audra Webb.

Following his return from service in World War II with the Pacific fleet of the US Navy, Roberts started his diesel mechanic career with Missouri Pacific Bus, presently Minute Maid Park. He then worked for Hunt Oil and retired from McKenzie Equipment in 2010. After retirement, John Keith with John Keith Industries, convinced him to help part time. Roberts worked at the business for several more years until the age of 85.

A private family gathering will be held Friday June 17, at Hollywood Memorial Cemetery, 3506 North Main, Hous-

ton. An open memorial will be held for friends and acquaintances at 1 p.m. on June 17 at Woodland Trails Baptist Church, 9615 Houston N. Rosslyn, in Houston.

## Kathy Steelman Harrison



On June 10, 2016, Kathy Steelman Harrison of Pasadena, who taught at Frazier Elementary, died at the age of 64. In February, she was diagnosed with a rare bile duct cancer. Though she fought hard, her health declined rapidly and she passed away.

Harrison was the first-born child to B. Ray Steelman and Vennie Steelman in Gilmer, Texas, on October 1, 1951. Her father, B. Ray, was a State Farm agent for 42 years in Paris, Texas, where the strip center Steelman Centre still bears his name. She grew up in Paris, Texas, but loved spending her summers with her grandparents, W.H. and Thelma Steelman, at their farm in Gilmer. She graduated from Paris High School then went on to Bethany Nazarene College in Bethany, Okla., where she met her husband of 44 years, Garry.

Harrison was a public education teacher for 32 years, and spent the last 20 years of her teaching career at Frazier Elementary in Pasadena ISD. After retiring in 2011, she enjoyed spending time with family, cuddling with her dogs, testing out new recipes, and working a part-time job at James Avery in Pasadena which she loved. She was dedicated to her God, her family, her church, and her dogs. She had a kind spirit and a big heart, and was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

Harrison was preceded in death by her father; grandparents, W.H. and Thelma Steelman, and Troy and Dorcus Langford; father-in-law, Carl Harrison and mother-in-law, Frances Ruth.

Harrison is survived by

husband Garry Harrison; daughter Kristy Pennington and husband, Shane; grandchildren Jordan and Elizabeth; mother, Vennie Steelman; brother Mark Steelman and wife, Jan; brother Randal Steelman and wife, Sheri; sister, Nancy Cowlshaw and husband, Tom; and sister-in-law Glenna Taylor and husband, Clayton.

She also had several nieces and nephews, countless friends, and impacted hundreds of children in the classroom.

A homecoming celebration was held Wednesday, June 15, in the chapel at Pasadena's First Baptist Church.

## Scott Wayne Meadows



Beverly Hills resident, Scott Wayne Meadows was born in Rapid City, S. D., on Feb. 3, 1958 and died June 9, 2016.

He was an avid collector of military, western, and law enforcement paraphernalia. He enjoyed learning and sharing information about these subjects with anyone who shared his passions.

Meadows had a great love of family. He is preceded in death by the love of his life, his wife, Eva Renea Meadows; parents Lota Fuerst, and Howard Bowling; and his mother- and father-in-law, Eva and Clyde Remmers.

Meadows is survived by his son Todd Meadows; daughter and son-in-law Rena and Scott Kammer; granddaughter Erica Green; and step-father Bill Potts. He had many friends and colleagues.

In lieu of flowers, Meadows' family requests donations to be made to M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in remembrance of those who have battled cancer.

The family had a visitation for friends Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at Niday Funeral Home.

## Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in Career and Technical Programs

Pasadena Independent School District offers career and technical programs in Agriculture, Business, Family and Consumer Science, Health Science Technology, Marketing, Technology Education and Trades and Industry. Admission to these programs is based on interest, aptitude, age and available space.

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## Golf tournament nets \$173,000 for at-risk students

The 2016 Keep Kids in School Golf Tournament recently presented Communities In Schools-Bay Area with a check for \$173,000. These proceeds will fund programs for at-risk students in Clear Creek and Dickinson independent school districts. These seventh annual tournament's proceeds

bring the total of funds raised by the event to more than \$1 million. The April 18 tournament was canceled due to heavy rains and street flooding. The tournament was revived in a "2.0" form a week later. Also contributing to total proceeds was the concurrent Raise Your Glass to CIS wine event.

A camaraderie of golfers enjoyed a \$1,000 putting contest and the ever-popular NFL Challenge hole. Communities In Schools - Bay Area program keeps kids on the path to success through graduation and beyond. For more information on the program, visit [www.cisba.org](http://www.cisba.org).



Mark Conrad (left), co-chairman of the Keep Kids in School Golf Tournament, presents a check for \$173,000 to Communities In School Bay-Area, accepted by Hillary Gramm, resource development director (center), and Dr. Peter Wuenschel, executive director.

Photo submitted

## Giles Teacher of the Year

Tracy Giles of Kirkwood South was recently named Teacher of the Year at Sparks Elementary in the Pasadena Independent School District where she has taught for 16 years. Giles is a 1986 graduate of Dobie High School. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in interdisciplinary studies certified to teach with a minor in kinesiology at the University of Houston main campus. She earned her master's degree in education administration in 2011 from Concordia University.

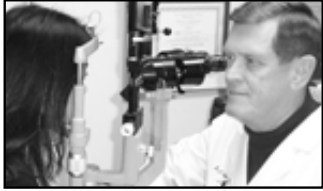
"For more than 15 years in Pasadena ISD, Tracy has been and still is a hard-working and dedicated teacher to all the students at Sparks Elementary," said Sparks Elementary Principal Sherri Means. "Any afternoon she can be seen either tutoring students, having parent conferences, or doing data disaggregation for the team to make sure instruction stays focused and relevant. Her students have grown and improved this year the same way she has grown as a dedicated and loyal teacher. While she is certified

and degreed to be a principal, her heart is still in the classroom. Tracy is an ordinary teacher that finds a way to get extraordinary results from all the Sparks Elementary students she comes into contact with every day." Tracy and her husband, Jim, a 1981 Dobie graduate, have three children: Aaron, a 2012 Dobie graduate; Cody, a 2016 Dobie graduate; and Kristen, who will be a junior at Dobie. She is the daughter of Bobby and Kenneth Griffin, formerly of Sagemeadow.



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## Blume, Lyday travel to Hamburg



Jo Lyday (right) will go with JT Blume (left), an exchange student from Germany, to Hamburg on June 29. JT's 17th birthday was June 8. He is the brother of Henry Blume, who lived with the Lydays during the 2013-14 school year. JT and Henry are sons of Heike Schroeder Blume, who lived with the Lydays during the 1989-90 school year. He is the cousin of Matt Maruhn, their first German student, who lived with the Lydays in 1982-83, and Matt's sister, Miriam Maruhn, who was their student in 1992-93. JT is named for Jo's husband, JT Lyday, his American "grandfather." Jo retired from teaching English at San Jacinto College. Her husband was a history teacher and lead counselor at South Houston High School for many years.

Photo submitted

## Meador lists honor rolls for final 9-weeks

Meador Elementary School recently announced its fourth nine-weeks and end-of-year honor rolls for the 2015-2016 school year. Students earning status are:

### First grade Honor roll

Gavin Burchfield, Jessica Cardenas, Andres Garcia, Malilah, Jillian Mikulski, Devin Moreno, Caleb Warren, Kingston Hernandez, Janisleidis Aguila, Nathalie Almanza, Estrella Cortes, Jonathan Diaz, Emma Rocha, Daniel Salamanca, Miriam Torres and Rosaly Arellano-Gates.

Jannie Cardenas, Kaelynn Garcia, Kaylah Gibson, Hieu Nguyen, Fidencio Rodriguez, Daniella Thompson, Xavier Vargas, Ashton Willis, Lili Mercado, Lenneth Cruz, Lexie Cowan and Julian Villasenor.

Sophia Breigheith, Diana Campuzano and Abraham Guillen.

Ashley Moreno, Krystal Silva, Cynthia Vagliente, Ella Valois and Charles Bruno.

### Second grade Honor roll

Blaze Murua, Minh Nguyen, Brooke Anderson, Saphira Bright, Ailey Espinoza, Matthew Espinoza, Ethen Maldonado, Tristen Murua, Alyssa Ramos, Grace Vincent,

Auri Young, London Bates, Joseph Chacon, Leonela Aguila, Hussai Arias and Jacoby Muniz.

Joaquin Ramirez, Rachel Rivera, Kevin Argueta and Josselyn Delgado.

### Third grade Honor roll

Aleks Saldana, Michelle Zarate, Cindy Su, Emir Espinoza, Samuel Martinez, Ileen Preza, Angelica Castillo, Anthony Zeledon, Bryan Anderson, Tatyonna Chappell, Bethany Espinoza, Yara Valois, Yaeisshya Ciudad, Brenden Foxx, Anyscia Hagler, Edson Moreno, Krisi Nguyen, Lex Palm and Tre Ramirez.

### Merit roll

Joshua Cavazos, Casandra Vagliente, Abril Carmona, Freddie Gonzalez, Karol Martinez, Yainely Robles, Valerie Gonzales, Jaylen Hernandez, Mateo Mercado, Lena Swick, Jaylen Hernandez, Destiny Lockett and Byanka Ayala.

### Fourth grade Honor roll

Alex Escobar, Ethan Hernandez, Arick Lastik, Alejandro Lopez, Yulissa Oliva, Arianna Ramos and McKenzie White.

### Merit roll

Gianna Herrera and Trynity Garza.

## Herrera earns distinction at competition



Julyssa Herrera recently competed in the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Festival and earned a Superior Rating. Herrera is a freshman at J. Frank Dobie High School and is a member of Dobie's Varsity Orchestra under the direction of Sam Flippin, Angela Badon, and Thomas Chen. Herrera is a private violin student of Sergei Galperin of the Houston Symphony.

Photo submitted

## Diaz speaks at Highland Meadow Pool opening



On Saturday, May 28, during Memorial Day weekend, the Highland Meadow Homeowners Association opened its pool with a big splash. The board of directors and its residents celebrated the day with music, dancing, barbecue beef sandwiches, chips, fresh fruit, cookies and soft drinks. Residents received gift prizes related to fun in the sun and also played *We Got Talent and Music* games. Homeowners also received a treat with the appearance of Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz. Before departing on a family trip

to Brownsville, Diaz spoke to homeowners about the safety of children during these hot summer months and how residents can make a difference in the community. Diaz assured the residents that he and his constables are here to protect and serve them. From left to right are Frank Cruz, board vice president; Stan Bragg, board treasurer; Nicholas Diaz; Ana Diaz, Jacinto City mayor; Chris Diaz, Harris County Precinct 2 constable; Rudy Alafa, board president, and Liz Alafa, board secretary.

Photo submitted

## LSA participates in Girls on the Run



Students from Lutheran South Academy Lower School ran in a 5K sponsored by Girls On The Run. The third-, fourth- and fifth-grade girls prepared for this event over a 12-week period through the Girls On The Run after school program. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Coach Sarah Bankston, Sara Beck, Grace McReaken, Ryleigh Robbins, Saman-

tha Shaw, Autumn Kirk, (back row) Coach Debbie Baacke, Kaylee Thomson, Lydia Ward, Taylor Crain, Andi Vaught, Mia Vasquez, Claire Frederickson, Riley Paling, Sydney Giugliano and Coach Charla Reynolds. The program inspires young girls to become joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum that integrates running.

## Seniors Helping Seniors: Home improvement project puts smiles on Pasadena residents

Longtime Pasadena resident Maria Martinez has experienced numerous surgeries over the years, which made it challenging to conduct home repairs on her own.

Thanks to a group of volunteers who participated in the seventh annual Seniors Helping Seniors project, her outdoor chores are finally complete.

"In 35 years, this is the biggest miracle I have received," Martinez said. "I grew up in the church, read the Bible and prayed. To see these people help me - I can't believe it. I told God that He is the one. I don't have any words for what they have done."

The district partnered once again with Rebuilding Together Houston for Pasadena ISD's seventh annual Seniors Helping Seniors initiative where high school seniors throughout the district rolled up their sleeves

and braved the blistering sun for home fix-up projects across Pasadena, South Houston and the South Belt area.

Homes selected for the project belong to senior citizens who lack the financial means or physical ability to paint, repair or do other types of labor.

"I was so surprised to be chosen for this project," Enrique Guzman, a local senior said.

"Two ladies came to visit us one day and told us about it. We said, 'Yes, please help us with our house.' We've been here for 23 years and lately, we have trouble taking care of things on our own. It's so wonderful to see all of the kids out here doing this today. I feel very blessed."

Hundreds of seniors decided to lend a helping hand and in one day, all of these high school seniors made a difference in these home-

owners' lives.

"It feels great to be out here today," Pasadena High senior Liliana Garcia said. "It's like I'm helping out my own grandparents at their house. I like that we are able to help out the people in our community.

They support us and we can support and give back to them."

Those interested in supporting next year's Seniors Helping Seniors event should email Chad Phillips at [cphillips@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:cphillips@pasadenaisd.org).



South Houston High's Yolanda Sam and Alexus Cabrales prepare homes for painting.



South Houston High physical education teacher Deana Garza and Dr. DeeAnn Powell (right) visit homeowner Barbara Neil (seated) to help renovate her home.



Memorial senior Alicia Crespin paints senior citizen home for Seniors Helping Seniors.

## AARP 199 meets June 17

AARP Webster Area Chapter 199 will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, June 17, at Bay Area Community Center, 5002 E. NASA Parkway in Seabrook (the large building with a blue roof inside Clear Lake Park on the north side of NASA Parkway). Everyone is invited to come to the meeting, and to enjoy coffee, cookies and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before the meeting starts at 10 a.m.

Each month, the group has entertainment or a speaker on various topics of interest to seniors. Every two months the group has a potluck lunch.

The speaker for Friday, June 17, will be Bonnie Benkula, president of CareBuilders at Home. she has a Bachelor of Science degree in long term care from the UTMB School of Health Professions and an MBA. She will help to differentiate between basic age-related memory issues and more serious dementia and Alzheimer's disease problems.

The group also organizes day trips by bus to local area points of interest at minimal cost.

The next day trip will be Sunday, July 17, to see *The Drowsy Chaperone*, a live musical comedy at College of the Mainland Theatre in Texas City. Dinner will be at Grand Prize Barbeque restaurant. The following day trip will be on Wednesday, Aug. 31, touring Spindletop-Gladys City Boomtown Museum and Gusher demonstration in Beaumont. Lunch will be at the Golden Corral, followed by a visit to the Fire Museum of Texas.

For those who are interested in joining the group, annual dues are \$6 per year/per person. However, one must be a member of national AARP to join any local chapter.

For more information, contact Liz Shepperd at 281-486-7770 or Qeshepperd@yahoo.com.

## Bay Area Singles Dance June 18

The Bay Area Singles Club monthly dance will be held Saturday, June 18, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the VFW Lodge, Post 6378, at 5204 Highway 3 in Dickinson. Bring party snacks to share. Cost is \$7 for members and \$9 for nonmembers. For more information, call 409-948-1156 or 281-484-4762.

## Israeli Folk Dancing June, July

Israeli folk dancing will continue through the summer. The dances are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Remaining June dates are 20 and 27. July dates are 11, 18 and 25. The cost, \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members, \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers, will cover expenses.

Everyone is welcome to join the group – even with no previous attendance. Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real in Houston. The entire community is invited to attend. For more information, contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarha-shalom.org.

## Gardening series at HCMGA

The Harris County Master Gardeners Association's Green Thumb Gardening Series will present *Propagation and Seed Saving by Harris County Master Gardeners* on Thursday, June 16, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane. The event is free. For more information, visit <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/docs/2016-green-thumb.pdf> or call 281-855-5600.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SANDY**  
Birthday greetings are sent to **Sandy Robb** June 18 from family, friends and the *Leader* staff.

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS FOR EMORY**  
Happy birthday greetings are sent June 21 to **Emory Gadd**, associate pastor and longtime youth counselor at Sagemont Church, from family, friends and the *Leader* staff. He is active in many community organizations and events.

**NATALIE CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY**  
Wishes for a happy birthday are sent June 21 to **Natalie Abarca** from husband **Jose Abarca**; children **Kelvin Lopez**, **Noah** and **Isabella Abarca**; father-in-law **David Flickinger**, *Leader* president, and his wife, her mother, **Ellie**; grandparents **Marie** and **David Flickinger**; and friends at the *Leader*.

**SCHOOL DAZE**  
The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays June 16 through June 22.

**Atkinson Elementary**  
Birthday greetings are sent to **Dina Alvarenga** June 20.

**Burnett Elementary**  
**Maria Reyes Rodriguez** celebrates a birthday June 16.

**Bush Elementary**  
The day for a party for **Cynthia Meguader** is June 20.

**Frazier Elementary**  
June 17 is the day for a birthday cake for **Emily McLaughlin**.

**Moore Elementary**  
Blow out the birthday candles for **Dixie Thompson** and **Shelly Blair** June 16. Light the birthday candles for **Romy Graham** June 20.

**South Belt Elementary**  
On June 18, send a birthday greeting to **Amanda Kister**.

**Stuchbery Elementary**  
The day for a cake for **Carolyn Waller** is June 21. A birthday greeting is sent to **Lauren Nalepa** June 22.

**Roberts Middle School**  
Sing a happy birthday song June 20 to **Sylvia Avila**. Celebrating a birthday June 22 is **Samantha Torres**.

**Beverly Hills Intermediate**  
On June 22, light the candles on a birthday cake for **Gilbert Bonet**.

**Dobie High**  
Send birthday greetings June 16 to **Joan Joseph** and **Aurelia Rodriguez**. Share a double-layer cake June 17 with **Miguel Herrera** and **John Kneisler**.

On June 18, light the candles for a cake for **Karol Chamorro** and **Lachee Payne**. **Monica Trevino** enjoys a birthday June 19. Sing a song to **Silvia Saucedo** June 20. June 22 is the day for a cake for **Leshunda Page** and **Clarence Steptoe**.

## Thompson student, CTHS teacher selected for JASON National Argonaut exploration in Bahamas



Thompson Intermediate eighth grader Eloy Sanchez, Jr. and Lewis CTHS biology teacher Callie Hensley-Tromborg have been selected to experience the opportunity of a lifetime. They will participate in a week-long exploratory adventure at the Cape Eleuthera Institute in the Bahamas with world renowned explorers, scientists and engineers as part of the JASON National Argonaut program.

JASON Learning is a national science organization that partners with the NOAA, NASA, National Geographic and others to

help science come alive in the classroom and inspire students to pursue careers in STEM.

As part of a grant from Chevron, students and educators from 12 districts were able to join the JASON Argonaut Exploration.

The process to be accepted into the program is highly rigorous and requires students and teachers to submit a video and write essays explaining why they are the best candidates.

"I feel extremely honored and thankful for everyone who helped me and supported me through this process," Sanchez said.

From left to right back row: Becky Benner, executive director of curriculum and instruction and Dr. Karen Hickman, deputy superintendent of academic achievement. Front row: Steve Fleming, principal of Lewis CTHS, Hensley-Tromborg and Holly Yoes, intermediate science specialist.

Photos by Melissa Trevizo



From left to right: Jennifer Guerrero, George Thompson Intermediate peer facilitator; Alyta Harrell, associate superintendent of campus development; Holly Yoes, intermediate science specialist; Dr. Karen Hickman, deputy superintendent of campus develop-

ment; Dr. DeeAnn Powell, superintendent of schools; Wendy Sanchez; Eloy Sanchez, Jr.; Eloy Sanchez, Sr.; Carol Waters, Thompson science teacher; Melissa Allen, Thompson principal and Travis Teichelman, Thompson assistant principal.

## Remember When

**40 years ago (1976)**  
Attempts were made to close off the "road which isn't a road" between the subdivision of Sagemeadow and Green Tee Terrace.

The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department made a decision to acquire a \$56,000 1976 Pierce fire truck with the capacity of pumping 1,000 gallons of water per minute and a 750-gallon water storage tank.

**35 years ago (1981)**  
The median age of South Belt residents was 37, and the median annual salary \$35,000, according to a marketing survey by Texas Commerce Bank-South Belt.

The director of the Harris County Flood Control District told a large crowd at the Sagemont Civic Club meeting that he felt \$25 million would be needed to make the improvements necessary to alleviate the South Belt area flooding problems.

**30 years ago (1986)**  
Steve "Ace" Cummings, a 1982 Dobie graduate, was drafted in the second round of the summer draft by the Toronto Blue Jays.

Toxic waste cleanup of the Southeast Water Purifi-

cation Plant site added \$1 million to \$2 million to the projected plant project cost of \$72 million.

**25 years ago (1991)**  
Two burglary suspects backed a truck into a garage in an attempt to load it with stolen household goods. An alert neighbor called Precinct 2 Constable Gary Freeman's office to report the suspicious activity. Deputies captured the two men after a brief struggle in the garage.

Emmy nominee Scott Fults, a former Sagemeadow resident, starred as Eugene Morris Jerome in the semi-autobiographical play at Chris Wilson's Actors Theatre of Houston.

**20 years ago (1996)**  
San Jacinto College set up information booths at Baybrook and Pasadena Town Square malls.

Beamer Towers, the skeleton structure located near the Brio Toxic Superfund Site, was tentatively scheduled for demolition.

**15 years ago (2001)**  
The city of Houston and Harris County, with assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, began spraying the

mosquitoes which inundated the South Belt area after Tropical Storm Allison.

The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department responded to a mutual aid house fire call in Green Tee.

Firemen fought the fire standing in waist-deep water using jet skis to transport hoses, tools and personnel.

**10 years ago (2006)**  
Nationally recognized hurricane expert Bill King was the guest speaker at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

What appeared to have been a language misunderstanding resulted in the homicide of Erik Garcia, 16, behind his Beverly Hills home. Four suspects were being sought by police.

**5 years ago (2011)**  
Construction began on the Harris County portion of the Hughes Road/Barry Rose expansion into Pearland. The work was expected to take six months and cost \$1,704,505. Plans called for an elevated bridge just west of Blackhawk to go above the existing hike-and-bike trail. Plans also called for the installation of stop signs at the Sageorchard in-

tersection as well as a cautionary traffic light in front of the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department station.

The U.S. Coast Guard's Air Station Houston had a change-of-command ceremony at Ellington Field. Incoming Cmdr. Eric Gleason replaced outgoing Cmdr. Christopher Moss as commanding officer.

**1 year ago (2015)**  
Tropical Storm Bill's bark was worse than its bite, sparing the South Belt area any major flooding. While some media reports had predicted as much as 18 inches of rain, the actual rainfall recorded at Beamer and Hughes was 1.48 inches during the peak 24 hours of the storm. Despite the relative weakness of the storm, the community was still heavily impacted, with several local schools and businesses closed as a precaution.

The South Belt community welcomed the arrival of the CrossRoads United Methodist Church following the merger of Cokesbury United Methodist Church and ChristWay Community Church of Friendswood.

## PLT begins 62nd season presenting *The Foreigner*

Pasadena Little Theatre, Houston's oldest community theatre in continuous operation, begins its 62nd season, the Something To Talk About season, with *The Foreigner* by Larry Shue.

The laughter begins at a fishing lodge in rural Georgia often visited by "Froggy" LeSeuer, a British demolition expert who occasionally runs training sessions at a nearby army base. This time "Froggy" has brought along a friend, a pathologically shy young man named Charlie, who is overcome with fear at the thought of making conversation with strangers. So "Froggy," before departing, tells all assembled that Charlie is from an exotic foreign country and speaks no English. Once alone the fun really begins, as Charlie overhears more than he

should—the evil plans of a sinister, two-faced minister and his redneck associate.

PLT's presentation of *The Foreigner* features as co-directors well known actors and directors, Janet Sharpley and Renea Runnels along with an outstanding cast. This production opens on June 17th and continues weekends through July 3rd. Friday and Saturday show times are 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees are at 3 p.m. There is one Thursday show at 8 p.m. on June 30. This is PLT's special two-can-attend for \$20 night. Ticket prices are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students and seniors.

To purchase tickets, make reservations or for more information call the box office at 713-941-1758, or log onto [www.pasadenalittletheatre.org](http://www.pasadenalittletheatre.org).

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"I am looking forward to meeting other kids who are interested in science and are looking to follow the same career path as me. Then when I get back, I'll be able to teach other kids about this program and how it can change their lives."

Sanchez's parents assisted his teachers and administrators in keeping his selection a secret and surprised him during his science class.

"I'm incredibly proud and excited for Eloy," Eloy Sanchez Sr. said. "This is a huge milestone and he has worked tremendously hard throughout his entire academic career, which has put him in the position he's in now to be selected for this honor. My wife and I are so pleased that he will get to go and have this experience of a lifetime."

When Sanchez and Hensley-Tromborg begin their journey, they will participate in hands-on research at Cape Eleuthera collecting samples and studying aquaculture and sea life.

"I'm very excited to travel to the institute and participate in some of the scientific research and the education they provide there," Hensley-Tromborg

said. "I'm also excited to see how I can incorporate some of the JASON learning curriculum into my high school classroom, like I did when I was a teacher at Jackson Intermediate."

They were also invited to the 2016 Houston Area JASON National Argonaut reception May 24 at Alief ISD. Sanchez and Hensley-Tromborg met other student and teacher Argonauts from area districts and learned about their experiences.

"I loved my experience in Cape Eleuthera," said 2015 JASON National Argonaut Daniel Leon, now a student at Lewis CTHS. "My favorite part was dissecting the lionfish. We learned which spines were poisonous and how to properly handle them. Based on that trip I decided to pursue a future career in marine biology, it really changed my life."

The JASON National Argonaut program was made possible through a generous donation from Chevron.

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# Moore releases sixth 6-weeks, all year rolls

Moore Elementary School recently announced its fourth nine-weeks and end-of-year honor, merit and perfect attendance rolls for the 2015-2016 school year. Students earning status are:

**Pre-K**  
**Perfect attendance**  
**4th Nine weeks**  
 Samuel Bonilla, Brianna Bustos, David Dang, Tyler Dao, Bryan Duran, Anvy Luu, Maximo Martinez, Bang Nguyen, Trieu Nguyen, Francis Saber, Camila Salomon, Jocelyn Thach and Quy Tran.

**Perfect attendance**  
**All year**  
 Samuel Bonilla, David Dang and Anvy Luu.

**No absence - No tardy**  
**All year**  
 Samuel Bonilla.

**Kindergarten**  
**Perfect attendance**  
**4th Nine weeks**  
 Juan Alonso, Benjamin Arbing, Ava Bramlet, Naomi Burton, Jazlyn Carmouche, Dalila Chapa, Trinity Dang, Alyssa Davis, Cesar Dio, Sara Imtiaz, Kaleb Jack and Shea Lominac.

Nina Lowtan, Aiden Ly, Emmery Lynn, Nhi Nguyen, Damian Ramos, Cesar Salinas, Emiliano Servin, Henry Ta, Cayla Tang, Kiet Vo and Israel Yanez Gutierrez.

**Perfect attendance**  
**All year**  
 Naomi Burton, Alyssa Davis, Sara Imtiaz, Emmery

Lynn, Nhi Nguyen, Cesar Salinas, Cayla Tang, Kiet Vo and Israel Yanez Gutierrez.

**No absence - No tardy**  
**All year**  
 Naomi Burton, Emmery Lynn, Nhi Nguyen, Cesar Salinas, Kiet Vo and Israel Yanez Gutierrez.

**First grade**  
**Perfect attendance**  
**4th Nine weeks**  
 Sienna Arbing, Adeliz Barahona, Isaiah Barrientos, Jonathan Bustos, Nicholas Cantu, Yerik Casillas, Linkin Dinh, Elodie Dio and Joseph Garcia.

Jadyn Gonzalez, Jimena Hernandez, Max Herrera, Esther Le, Jordan Le, Ruby Lovo, Alexis Martinez, Jorge Martinez, Dasha Medrano Castaneda, Faith Molina and Charleston Nash.

Cody Nguyen, Lena Nguyen, Quynh Nguyen, Adrian Ortega, Cayden Patton, Andrew Rojas, Jaxon Slater, Arianna To, Katie Tran and Noah Wilhoite.

**Perfect attendance**  
**All year**  
 Linkin Dinh, Jimena Hernandez, Max Herrera, Alexis Martinez, Jorge Martinez, Charleston Nash, Lena Nguyen, Quynh Nguyen and Andrew Rojas.

**No absence - No tardy**  
**All year**  
 Linkin Dinh, Jorge Martinez, Charleston Nash and Quynh Nguyen.

**Second grade**  
**Perfect attendance**

**4th Nine weeks**  
 Henry Armenta Alonso, Brian Bui, Kevin Chau, Ryan Chau, John Cooley, Jordan De Robles, Kevin Do, Cooper Estes, Amanda Fernandez Boujourne, Samuel Franklin and Ethan Garay.

Alexander Garcia, Jonathan Garcia, Liam Gaytan, Mia Gutierrez, Alejandro Hernandez, Anson Huynh, Eli Jackson, Maazin Khan, David Le, Marissa Lugo, Donovan Luu, Peyton Lynn, Mariana Mejia and Damyah Mills.

Kamila Murguia, Victor Nanez Ruiz, Andrew Nguyen, Anthony Nguyen, Lindsey Perrett, Jezreel Rames, Tyson Riley, Michael Ruiz, Erik Santillanes, Kian Ton and Jaiden Torres.

**Perfect attendance**  
**All year**  
 Brian Bui, Jordan De Robles, Alejandro Hernandez, Eli Jackson, Donovan Luu, Peyton Lynn, Andrew Nguyen, Kian Ton and Jaiden Torres.

**No absence - No tardy**  
**All year**  
 Eli Jackson, Donovan Luu, Peyton Lynn, Andrew Nguyen and Jaiden Torres.

**Third grade**  
**Honor roll**  
 Jose Flores, Micheal Menchu, Riley Nguyen To, Tahllon Provost, Julian Ruiz, Dillon Steve, Cruz Torres, Caitlyn Tran and Jordi Zamudio.

**Merit roll**  
 Ayaan Ali, Anthony Almanza, Herli Barahona, Joselyn Benitez, Kristin Do, Anneliese Goodrum, Vance Le, Ryan Nguyen, Jacky Nguyen, Giovanni Nunez, Martin Ramos, Nevaeh Reyes and Austin Silva.

**Perfect attendance**  
**4th Nine weeks**  
 Andrea Aguilar, Joselyn Benitez, Aiden Carrillo, Rhannon Cazares, Victor Chapa, Aden Chavez, Eduardo Cuevas, Alexis Davis, Valeria De La Garza, Kristin Do, Alan Flores, Cesar Flores, Jose Flores, Valeria Garcia Cuevas and Anneliese Goodrum-Toth.

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**Perfect attendance**  
**All year**  
 Andrea Aguilar, Joselyn Benitez, Aiden Carrillo, Eduardo Cuevas, Alexis Davis, Valeria De La Garza, Jose Flores, Anneliese Goodrum-Toth and Leonel

Hernandez.

Nia Jackson, Jorge Jasso, Joseph Le, Brissa Marroquin, Cameron Mathews, Jorge Medrano Castaneda, Alan Nguyen, Jacky Nguyen, Caitlyn Tran and Maria Valdez-Colvin.

**No absence - No tardy**  
**All year**  
 Andrea Aguilar, Joselyn Benitez, Aiden Carrillo, Jose Flores, Nia Jackson, Cameron Mathews, Jorge Medrano Castaneda, Jacky Nguyen and Maria Valdez-Colvin.

**Fourth grade**  
**Honor roll**  
 Nancy Bazaldua, Dylan Erickson, Justice Garcia, Eric Huynh, An Huynh, Joshua Lopez, Cindy Nguyen, Sabrina Pector, Alan Perez, Emily Salinas, Kenton Thai and Trang Vu.

**Merit roll**  
 Viviana Acosta, Maya Castellano, Alexis Castillo, Tyler Dang, Oscar Espinoza, Esteban Garibay, Ayesha Hasan, Mia Hernandez, Jacob Kipp, Seth Lara, Megan Ly, Hailey Maldonado, Daniel Mendez, Ramon Perez, Gael Ramos, Arianna Rivera, Kyle Tran and Ciara Williams.

**Perfect attendance**  
**4th Nine weeks**  
 Viviana Acosta, Abigail Aledo, Nancy Bazaldua, Owen Blair, MacKensy Carker, Maya Castellano, Alexis Castillo, James Cole, Tyler Dang, Aubri Estes, Julian Flores, Jasmine Fonseca, Daniel Garcia and Ayesha Hasan.

Kalac Helm, Roselyn Herrera, An Huynh, Eric Huynh, Jacob Kipp, Jazmyn Martinez, Daniel Martinez, Charles McKinney, Serenity Monsivais, Cindy Nguyen, Dylan Nguyen, Tuyet Nguyen and Tyler Nguyen.

Malik Nguyen-Simmons, Audrey Paredes, Ramon Perez, Alan Perez, Angelina Rapalo, Ja'Kayla Rock-Butler, Annette Rodriguez, Emily Salinas, Jade Scott, Cesar Silva, Kenton Thai, Kyle Tran, Vinson Tran, Kelly Valladares and Trang Vu.

**Perfect attendance**  
**All year**  
 Nancy Bazaldua, Owen Blair, MacKensy Carker, Maya Castellano, Roselyn Herrera, Eric Huynh, Jacob Kipp, Daniel Martinez and Serenity Monsivais.

Cindy Nguyen, Dylan Nguyen, Tuyet Nguyen, Ramon Perez, Alan Perez, Annette Rodriguez, Emily Salinas, Kyle Tran, Vinson Tran and Trang Vu.

**No absence - No tardy**  
**All year**  
 Nancy Bazaldua, Owen Blair, Eric Huynh, Daniel Martinez, Serenity Monsivais, Cindy Nguyen, Tuyet Nguyen, Ramon Perez, Annette Rodriguez, Emily Salinas, Kyle Tran, Vinson Tran and Trang Vu.

## St. Luke's seniors awarded scholarships

Recently graduating seniors were celebrated at a Saturday morning Mass officiated by the pastor of St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Community, the Rev. Father Douglas Guthrie.

Following Mass, high school seniors and their families were treated to a barbecue lunch with all the trimmings prepared by the Knights of Columbus Council #9201 and served by members of Court Mother of Unity #2292 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas and the Guadalupanas Association.

While attendees were finishing up and enjoying dessert, words of wisdom and tales about his experiences as a youth at St. Luke's were furnished by Elias Rodriguez, who currently serves as cantor in the church choir.

The awarding of scholarships by the Catholic Daughters, the Knights, and Guadalupanas followed.

Five scholarships were awarded by the Catholic Daughters from the scholarship fund supported by monies made from charitable endeavors. Separate scholarships were presented from funds provided in memory of



Recipients of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas scholarships and CDA members are, left to right, Viola Torres (scholarship committee chairperson), Nicholas Vivanco, Chinyere Iwuanyanwu,

Tyler Ruthemeyer, Vincent Gutierrez, Ashley Alvarez, Esmeralda Ibarra, Lori Guerin, Creta Ishmael, and Carolyn Friend (regent).

Photo by Elias Rodriguez.

# Laura Bush student honor rolls for fourth nine-weeks announced

Laura Bush Elementary recently released its fourth nine-weeks honor, merit and perfect attendance rolls for the 2015-2016 school year. Students earning status are:

**Kindergarten**  
**Perfect attendance**  
 Yamila Arguello, Baltazar Covarrubias, Erik Galvan, Elizabeth Gomez, Luca Gracia, Anna Ju, Noah Maldonado, Hammad Matin and David Morgan.

Justin Nguyen, Saniyya Patrick, Sansa-Ray Ramsay, Dylan Santiago, Christian Tejada, Kathleen Tran, Tina Tran, Amyah Whitfield and Autumn Young.

**Whole year**  
**Perfect attendance**  
 Yamila Arguello, Elizabeth Gomez and Amyah Whitfield.

**First grade**  
**Perfect attendance**  
 Arianna Bermudez, Hailey Bonilla, Derrick Bonilla, Byanca Borjas, Kendal Bryant, Reginald Cameron, Reginald Cameron, Ashlyn Coleman, Ashlyn Coleman, Yanelli Contreras, Christian Ellis, Gabriel Garza, Oscar Hernandez, Oscar Hernandez and Wendy Maldonado.

Yenner Martinez, Sadoc Morales, Kelvin Nguyen, Natalia Razo, Marcus Rodriguez, Marcus Rodriguez, Mariah Santana, Yohan Santiago, David Serrano, Serenity Thomas, Kaylie Tran and Angel Trevino.

**Whole year**  
**Perfect attendance**  
 Jesse Alvarado, Arianna Bermudez, Derrick Bonilla, Byanca Borjas, Andrew Bryant, Kendal Bryant, Reagan Cameron, Yanelli Contreras and Elizabeth Dinh.

Elijah Garcia, Victoria Garza, Yenner Martinez, Vincent Pham, Marcus Resendez, Marcus Rodriguez, David Serrano, Kaylie Tran, Angel Trevino and Educardo Velazquez.

**Second grade**  
**Perfect attendance**  
 Camila Arguello, Alexander Arias, Kayleen Basurto, Diana Bonilla, Yahir Osmin Bonilla, Demyan Borjas, Joaquin Caballero, Lucas

Cena, Mark Chase, Camila Contreras, Christina Dang, Jacob Davis and Darian Diaz.

Hayden Do, Zaid Edgar, Yudany Estrada, Alyria Galvan, Katelynn Galvan, Makayla Grider, Jose Hernandez, Mia Hernandez, Michael Hernandez, Mike Hernandez, Kenny Ho, Jordan Johnson and Lexie Martinez.

Hania Matin, Heidi Montano, Gia'An Nguyen, Aiden Nguyen, Martinez Nicholas, Alana Naomi Oliver, Xavier Purata, Destiny Reyes, Ximena Rios, Aileen Rivera, Camron Robertson and Chanel Rodriguez.

Sophia Guadalupe Sagastizado, Alejandro Serrano, Ngoc Thang, Angie Francisca Tinajero, Anthony Tinajero, Zoelys Torres, Kaylanie Tran, Matthew Trevino, Miguel Angel Valencia and Anthony Van.

**Whole year**  
**Perfect attendance**  
 Camila Arguello, Diana Bonilla, Camila Contreras, Jacob Davis, Darian Diaz, Hayden Do, Katelynn Galvan and Michael Hernandez.

Sofia Martinez, Hania Matin, Gia'An Nguyen, Sophia Sagastizado, Angie Tinajero, Kaylanie Tran, Miguel Valencia and Anthony Van.

**Third grade**  
**Honor roll**  
 Ashton Gibson, Christian Hernandez, Christopher Jones, Amanda Marler, Zaniya McClain, Daniela Mendoza, Roberto Nunez, Timmy Pham, Kaitlyn Phan, Adam Rocha, Sebastian Saenz, Andrea Sagastizado, Yahir Sanchez and Jo'Anna Williams.

**Merit roll**  
 Mia Arana, Milaycia Brown, Andrew Castillo, Danielle Chenier, Anthony Dinh, Emmanuel Ealy, Daniel Estrada, Joshua Fonseca-Garrett and Yanneli Garza.

Jeremiah King, Jeshua Moreno, Bruce Nguyen, Thinh Ninh, Angelina Paquinto, Anna Parra, Michelle Pham, Isaiah Pineda, Angelina Tran and Izaya Vasquez.

## SHHS valedictorian Gonzalez inspires Class of 2016

South Houston High valedictorian Jazmin Gonzalez joined her fellow students in moving her tassel to the left of her cap on Wednesday, June 1 signifying the end of her high school journey and the beginning of her growing independence.

She used her love of music as a metaphor for the experiences she and her classmates have endured over the years.

"We made it to the last measure of the page and are now here today celebrating our triumphs," Gonzalez said. "We will move on to another piece as another chapter of our lives begins with the ending of this one. We were able to conquer high school and learn all of its rhythms, fingerings and patterns. However, our conquering of education never stops."

Gonzalez has a personal connection to music. She was chosen as the drum major her senior year and has been playing flute since fifth grade. In 2013 and 2016, she received a state solo and ensemble designation.

Beyond being musically talented, she is also a star student. She has received the Academic Excellence



Jazmin Gonzalez delivers commencement speech before graduating from South Houston High.

Photo by Bruce Stone

## Thompson teachers of the year named



The 2015-2016 teachers of the year from Thompson Intermediate School were recently named. Pictured above are, left to right, Paraprofessional of the Year Monica Sanchez, Teacher of the Year Jenny Spray and New Teacher of the Year Daniel Merillas.

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## Former Frazier Owls return to old stomping grounds

Recently, 29 graduating J. Frank Dobie seniors who attended Frazier for elementary school recently returned in caps and gowns to parade the halls to the tune of *Pomp and Circumstance* while the elementary students cheered them on. Pres-

ent was special guest, Associate Superintendent of Campus Development, Dr. Rhonda Parmer who was the principal at Frazier during the time these students attended there.

*Photos by Susan Blue*



Pictured left to right are Robert Flores, Sarah Loftin, Hannah Brady and Anthony Martinez.

Shown below, left to right are Leslie Garcia, Megan Schuetz, Anthony Vu, Ahmed Abusaif, Joseman Gonzalez, Martin Nguyen, Lidia Avitia and Vinh Tran.



## Scout Troop 692 honors fallen heroes



Scout Troop 692 recently honored fallen members of the Armed Forces by erecting American flags along Beamer Road during the Memorial Day weekend. While the flags are normally hoisted along Hughes Road, construction along the road prevented that this year. Troop 692 (chartered by St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church) and the Sagemont Civic Association collaborated to hoist the flags. Some members of the troop pictured are, left

to right, Jacob Lastovia, Jeremy Tajonera, Evan Rodriguez, Assistant Scoutmaster John Rodriguez, Nic Guerin, Benny Rodriguez, Jake Wohleb, (back row) District Commissioner Robert Mendoza and committee member Benny Rodriguez, and Assistant Scoutmaster Marcel Gerin. Scouts who also helped, but are not pictured, are Grant Wilhem and Kyle Mamitag.

*Photo submitted*

## Honored for 40 years



Longtime San Jacinto College employees were recognized for their service at the recent 25th annual Service Awards Banquet. Awards were given to full-time employees who have contributed 10 or more years of service at the college. Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College chancellor, also received a service award for 15 years of service. Shown above are Catherine Gragg, speech professor at the South campus, and longtime South Belt resident Sandi Morgan, physical education department chair at Central campus.

## Bush releases final honor rolls

**Continued from 5A**  
Hillary Do, Emmanuel Elizondo, Jennifer Estrada, Jonathan Gamez, Gisselly Garza, Daniel Garza, Manuel Grajales, Izaiah Hernandez and Roberto Hernandez.

Saenz, Kiet Tran, Ngoc Tran, Thomas Tran, Abigail Unica and Antwoine Wilson.

### Whole year Honor roll

Manlio Arango, Nico Barr, Jade Butler, Adrain Cazares, Anna Dinh, Hugo Estrada, Leslie Figueroa, Gisselly Garza and Jady Johnson.

Trinity Lopez, Han Ly, Jessica Ngo, Cathy Nguyen, Axel Olmedo, Ariznelly Rivera, Gia Robinson, Itzel Romero, Isabella Saenz and Tyler Vo.

### Whole year Merit roll

Kevin Ayala, Jaydon

Bonilla, Johnathon Castillo, Nickolas Diaz, Jennifer Estrada, Richard Herrera, Trey Medlock, Joel Morales, Jacky Ochoa, Savannah Smith, Eric Solis and Jamiyah Washington.

### Whole year Perfect attendance

Isaac Alvarenga, Jade Butler, Emmanuel Elizondo, Jennifer Estrada and Gisselly Garza.

Daniel Garza, Izaiah Hernandez, Roberto Hernandez, Sildy Mireles, Jessica Ngo, Kylie Obregon, Moises Ramos, Gia Robinson Kevin Rodriguez, Isabella Saenz, Ngoc Tran and Antwoine Wilson.

## Lutheran South Academy State PSIA results



Lutheran South Academy had another amazing year for PSIA, both at the district and state levels. Congratulations to all 30 participants at the State PSIA meet held at TCU on April 30. LSA had 10 students place 16 times in the top six, along with two state champions, Halle Lin in Listening Skills and Grace Anderson in On-Site Drawing. LSA's Middle School finished third overall, and the Lower School finished fifth overall. Pictured are, left to right,

(front row) Braden Frederickson, Ryleigh Robbins, Haleigh Pham, Jonathan Scheer, (second row) Madeleine Kimmel, Zach Giugliano, Grace Anderson, Luke Anderson, Christiana Straub, (third row) Skyler Robbins, Darryl Scheer, Tony Patsatzis, Kennedy Staples, (fourth row) Grayson Pitman, Nicholas Hatch Halle Lin, (back row) Paul LeBlanc, Braden Leimkuehler, Caleb Barnett and Paola Medrano.

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# SECTION B

# SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

## Sagemont-Beverly Hills AS 9s slip

Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League's 9-year-old age group team has been eliminated within Texas District 15 all-star action.

The locals lost their opening game, 13-2, to Pearland East, and then dropped a 17-0, four-inning game to Friendswood during a brief, two-game stay in the double-elimination

event held at the SBHLL facility at El Franco Lee Park.

In the second game, the action was halted due to the late time of evening in the bottom of the fourth inning June 10.

Play was set to resume the next day, but, according to TD15 officials, SBHLL did not field enough players and therefore forfeited the game to

Friendswood. Undefeated Pearland West advanced as the Texas District 15 champions following a 15-5 victory over Pearland East in the championship round.

Members of the SBHLL 9-year-old team included Adam Aguila, Aaron Bennett, Chase Chambers, Jayden Gomez, Raydin Garcia, Johan DeLaPaz, Rocky Martinez, Diego

Rios, Aiden Sanchez, Leonard Thurman and Chris Torres. The team was managed by Bryan Gomez.

The bulk of the remaining Texas District 15 all-star tournaments begin June 24-25, with 10, 11, 12, junior and senior division play involving SBHLL teams. See more in the June 23 *Leader*.

## One last game: JFD, Brook footballers suit up

They graduated earlier this month, yet two varsity football players from Dobie and another two from Clear Brook are about to "represent" one more time for their respective

schools. Select players from across the Houston area, including many who have yet to find possible collegiate playing opportunities, will take to the field Saturday, June 18, as

competitors in the South Texas Bowl: Greater Houston East/West Classic.

The game will be played at Thorne Stadium, beginning at 7 p.m. Play-

ers from the East squad will include Dobie running back Anthony Owens and tight end Jason Lester, while cornerback Malik Sonnier and defensive end Kameron Dolford of Clear Brook will also take part.

The game is operated by members of the Texas High School Coaches Association.

Owens was a big part of the Longhorns' running game the past two seasons, especially in 2015.

The senior was a first team, all-district selection at running back after rushing for a team-high 669 yards while splitting time with freshman Kris Morris and others during various portions of the season.

Despite Dobie spreading the wealth, Owens' 669 yards was the eighth-highest total in

the 22-6A ranks, and he helped the Longhorns reach the postseason for a sixth straight time.

Lester also made his way to the 22-6A first team despite playing football for the first time at the varsity level.

Also a two-year starter in varsity boys' basketball, Lester caught a touchdown pass in the season opener at Deer Park.

Sonnier and Dolford were key contributors on a Clear Brook defense that consistently had to face tough opposing offenses in District 24-6A.

A three-year varsity player, Sonnier made the first team in 24-6A as a defensive back following the season. Dolford, a two-year starter, was a second-team, all-district pick in the league.



South Texas Bowl player Anthony Owens (25) had a solid two-year run at running back for Dobie. In 2015 as a senior, Owens was a first team, all-district pick in 22-6A after collecting 669 yards on the ground, eighth highest league-wide.

## Area youth sports camps continue

The South Belt area certainly is not lacking for summer youth sports camp/clinic options, no matter

the sport. Whether it's football, boys' or girls' basketball, volleyball, soccer or just about any other sport

contested with a ball, there are options. Dobie varsity girls' basketball head coach Shane Brown will host the Lady Longhorns' youth camp July 5-7, from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

Students entering the fourth through ninth grades as of the 2016-2017 may at-

tend for \$55 each.

For more information, direct email to Brown at rbrown@pasadenaisd.org. Parents are responsible for medically insuring their children as the Pasadena ISD does not do so.

For more summer camp options, see Page 2B.

## Sagemont Cowboys seek 11, 12-year-old players

The Sagemont Cowboys of the Bay Area Football League have openings for 11 and 12-year-old players for the upcoming 2016 season.

One of the original charter organizations of BAFL, the Cowboys play their home games at El Franco Lee Park.

Practices in BAFL get underway in the latter portion of July, and the regu-

lar season kicks off in August.

There are 10 regular season games, followed by the playoffs for teams which qualify.

For more information on how to get 11 or 12-year-old players involved with the Cowboys, direct email to Cowboys' team president Denny Wranich Sr. at denny@sagemontcowboys.com.



Shane Brown, varsity girls' basketball head coach at Dobie, will host a camp for South Belt area youth girls in July. For more camp listings, see Page 2B.

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San Jacinto College infielder Brandon Montgomery (7) will now have to decide whether to continue his education and playing career at a four-year institution or perhaps sign a minor league contract with

the Los Angeles Dodgers, who picked Montgomery in the 26th round of the 2016 draft, the 791st pick overall. A University of Memphis transfer, Montgomery played a huge role for SJC this season.

## San Jacinto baseball players score

Who emerged as the draft kings following the completion of the three-day Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft?

Was it top-ranked Texas San Jacinto College after the completion of the three-day Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft?

Maybe it was indeed San Jacinto College after a total of seven Gators heard their names called over the 72-hour period.

Left-handed starting pitcher Devin Smeltzer, who struck out 20 Chatahoochee Valley players in the National Junior College Athletic Association's championship round, paved the way as the Los

Angeles Dodgers made Smeltzer a fifth-round selection.

Smeltzer hopes to one day be on the mound in Dodger Stadium after L.A. selected him 161st overall.

The New Jersey high schooler originally signed with Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers, but did not pitch for the Eagles.

Instead, Smeltzer fashioned a 9-3 record with San Jacinto, recording five complete games along the way and striking out 128 hitters over 91 2/3 innings.

Smeltzer already had a fine season going, but turned it up in the postseason. He led the Gators to a win at the Region XIV tournament and then came

through large against Chatahoochee Valley in an elimination game at nationals.

A night after Chatahoochee Valley spanked San Jac to the tune of 13-3 over five innings, Smeltzer turned the tables.

Going the distance in an 8-1 win that dropped No. 1 ranked Chatahoochee from the tournament, Smeltzer fanned 20 over nine innings, allowing nary a pair of singles in the game.

Smeltzer's strikeout total left him one shy of the NJCAA World Series record.

The performance also helped Smeltzer earn Most Outstanding Pitcher honors at the world series.

### San Jacinto College Baseball Draftees

Player	Round	Team
Devin Smeltzer	5th	Dodgers
Ryan January	8th	D'Backs
Cody Nesbit	22nd	Royals
Brandon Montgomery	26th	Dodgers
Nick Shumpert	28th	Braves
Montana Parsons	30th	Cubs
Aaron Bond	39th	Cardinals

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# MLB organizations taking San Jacinto College liking

Continued from Page 1B Super Regional match-up and will face former Southwest Conference rival Texas Christian University in a NCAA College World Series opener Sunday, June 19.

As for SJC’s other draftees, freshman Ryan January was the next Gator to hear his name called.

January was big as SJC reached the World Series, and then played even bigger.

The freshman from Massachusetts belted four home runs over his first two games of the Series – both SJC wins.

After the big season with a .339 batting average including 24 doubles, 10 home runs and 46 runs driven in, the left-handed hitting January has plenty of options.

He could return to San



Devin Smeltzer



Brandon Montgomery



Ryan January



Montana Parsons

Jacinto College or jump to a four-year institution at the college level. Yet as an eighth-round draft choice of the Arizona Diamondbacks, January certainly could sign by the July 31, 2016, deadline and begin his journey toward the big leagues.

Cody Nesbit, a 2014 graduate of La Porte High School, would also seem to have a bright future in front of him.

After just a handful of appearances with SJC as a freshman in 2015, Nesbit was masterful during the 2016 campaign.

He delivered a big 14-strikeout relief effort over seven innings as San Jacinto went on to beat Wharton County Junior College in the first of two meetings in the Region XIV tournament.

For the season, Nesbit was 5-2 with a save, and with 78 strikeouts over just 45 innings of work, Nesbit was able to command his way to a tiny earned run average of 0.80.

Nesbit will now have a choice in his near future. The World Champion Kansas City Royals selected Nesbit in the 22nd round of the MLB draft, 673rd overall.

He might elect to join the Royals’ minor league system in hopes of reach-



Cody Nesbit



Nick Shumpert



Aaron Bond

ing the majors some season soon.

The University of Houston Cougars, who reached the American Athletic Conference championship game this season despite a bit of a down campaign, hope Nesbit joins the ranks.

Houston has signed Nesbit to a letter of intent, and he could begin workouts later this fall with the Cougars.

If he does so, Nesbit would be eligible to be redrafted in 2017, or perhaps 2018 as a senior.

And what a journey it has been for San Jacinto College middle infielder Brandon Montgomery.

After graduating from Collierville High School in Collierville, Tenn., in 2014, Montgomery joined the University of Memphis program.

There, he started 57 of 58 games for the Tigers in 2015, hitting .259 with eight doubles, three triples, three homers and 21 runs driven in.

He then made the jump to San Jacinto College, hitting .379 with 19 doubles, six homers and 40 runs driven in as a sophomore.

The 791st player chosen in the 2016 first-year player draft, Montgomery went to the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 26th round.

With still two seasons of draft eligibility remaining, Montgomery could sign now or join the vaunted University of Miami program, where he has signed a letter of intent.

San Jacinto’s Nick Shumpert also has some options to consider following a steady freshman season with the Gators.

The second baseman from Lone Tree, Colo., hit .284 for the Gators this season, coming through with 12 doubles a homer and 16 runs batted in.

The Atlanta Braves made Shumpert the 829th overall choice in the 2016 draft, which came in the 26th round.

Shumpert could sign with the Braves, continue his career at San Jacinto College this fall or decide to make the move elsewhere collegiately.

The third of three San Jacinto College hurlers chosen, right-hander Montana Parsons will have to decide what he would like to do.

A sophomore transfer from Texas State University, Parsons went 5-5 this season with SJC.

A 30th round selection of the Chicago Cubs in

2016, Parsons also has the option of joining the Baylor University program beginning this fall.

Earlier this spring, Parsons signed a letter of intent with the Bears.

San Jacinto’s final player chosen in the 2016 draft, outfielder Aaron Bond, showed flashes of power over 70 at bats with the Gators this season.

A freshman from South Bend, Ind., Bond was chosen in the 39th round by the St. Louis Cardinals.

As with all JUCO freshmen, Bond can certainly sign with the Cardinals, stay at SJC for his sophomore season or elect to join a four-year collegiate baseball program.

At press time, there was no word made public as to the signing status of any of the seven San Jacinto College draftees.



A monster season at the plate paid dividends for San Jacinto College freshman Ryan January, who hit .339 with 24 doubles and 10 home runs. He drove in 46 runs this season before being chosen in the eighth round of the Major League Baseball First-

Year Player Draft by the Arizona Diamondbacks. The 239th overall pick was drafted as a catching prospect. January could sign with Arizona, join a four-year college program this fall or remain with San Jacinto College.

At right, a pair of San Jacinto College men’s basketball players made their decisions as to where they will continue their education and playing careers beginning this fall. Ilker Er will play at the University of Maine, while Candido Sa will compete at Rutgers University in Rutgers, N.Y. Those at the signing included, left to right, Albert Talley Jr., San Jacinto College assistant men’s basketball coach; Er, Sa and San Jacinto College men’s basketball head coach Scott R. Gernander.



# San Jac men’s basketball pair find 4-year destinations

San Jacinto College men’s basketball players Candido Sa (Lisbon, Portugal) and Ilker Er (Istanbul, Turkey) are among the many SJC student-athletes who have signed national letters of intent to continue their education and basketball careers at major

four-year universities.

Sa will play at Rutgers University in the Big Ten Conference, and Er has signed to play at the University of Maine in the America East Conference. Both players earned all-conference honors for the 2015-2016 season.

A sophomore forward, Sa was the second-leading shot blocker in the nation with 68 against conference opponents, and 123 overall. He averaged 9.9 points and 7.7 rebounds against Region XIV opponents.

Er, a sophomore guard, averaged 10.1 points per

game, 11.6 against conference opponents, placing him 32nd in the league.

His 8.6 rebounds per game against Region XIV opponents was sixth in the league, and at 7.5 rebounds per game against all opponents, he ranked 10th in the nation.

“We’re very proud to see Candido and Ilker advance in their collegiate basketball careers as they sign on to play for universities,” said San Jac head coach Scott R. Gernander.

“They were two of our leaders on the team this season, and their hard

work helped us to advance to the semifinals of the Region XIV tournament.”

San Jacinto wound up winning 22 games during the 2015-2016 season.

The locals advanced to the Region XIV tournament semifinals before losing.

# South Belt sports news, notes

## Diaz, McCalister to play HABCA game

Euro Diaz of Dobie and Clear Brook’s Reggie McCalister are just two of the area standouts who will take part in the 2016 Houston Area Baseball Coaches Association Junior All-Star Game Monday, June 20, at the University of Houston’s Schroeder Park.

As juniors, both players excelled for their respective high school programs. Diaz was one of the Longhorns’ most consistent performers en route to landing the school’s lone 22-6A first team, all-district nomination.

Meanwhile, McCalister had a big season as the Wolverines rallied late in the season to gain a playoff seed in District 24-6A. The locals were then defeated by Fort Bend Travis in the first round of the postseason.

The annual showcase and all-star game featuring class of 2017 graduates will both take place at Schroeder Park. The all-star game is set to begin at 7 p.m.

## Dobie head start football camp July 25-28

Dobie varsity football head coach Mike Norman and his staff will host the 2016 Head Start Football Camp July 25-28, at Dobie High School. Incoming seventh- through ninth-grade students as of the 2016-2017 school year are invited to attend the four-day camp (M-TH). Entry fee for the event, which will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. each day, is \$50 cash/money order or credit card per students. No checks will be accepted.

Norman and his staff will provide instruction in all phases of the game, and participants will receive specialized training at all positions on the football field. A \$10 late fee will be assessed for all registrants after July 21st. Participants should wear a T-shirt, shorts, socks and tennis shoes and bring cleats (optional), water bottle and sunscreen. The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide medical insurance coverage for these types of summer or extracurricular activities, so parents are responsible for such coverage. For more information, direct email to Norman at MNorman@pasadenaisd.org.

## Lutheran South Academy summer camps

Registration is now open for summer camps at Lutheran South Academy. Camps are available for art, baseball, basketball, cheer, football, camp invention, martial arts, sewing, shooting, soccer, softball and volleyball.

For students interested in weights, strength and agility, Pride camps are available for students entering the sixth through 12th grades as of the 2016-2017 school year.

The Pioneer Power Camp is for students entering grades nine through 12 beginning with the 2016-2017 school year and is great for students taking part in football, boys’ soccer, basketball, baseball and volleyball.

Camp lengths vary depending on the camp. Go to [www.lutheransouth.org](http://www.lutheransouth.org) for more details and camp registration.

## Dobie High School youth volleyball camps

Dobie High School varsity volleyball head coach Dawn Gutierrez Sexton and her staff will host the first of several age group-aimed youth camps July 12-14, at Donna Branch Court at the school.

Students entering the third through the sixth grades as of the 2016-2017 school year are eligible to take part in the camp. Each daily session runs from 9 a.m. to noon, and the cost is \$50 per participant. Instruction in all phases of the game and game action will all be included.

There will also be separate incoming ninth grade and incoming 10th through 12th grade camps held July 26-28, from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$50 per participant. The camps are voluntary, but also serve as a great opportunity for incoming Dobie players to prepare for the 2016 season.

The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide medical insurance coverage for these types of summer or extracurricular activities, so parents are responsible for such coverage. For more information, direct email to Gutierrez Sexton at DGutierrez2@pasadenaisd.org.

Dobie High School volleyball tryouts will be held Monday, Aug. 1. The *Leader* will provide additional information as the tryout date nears.

## Thompson Intermediate soccer camp

The Thompson Intermediate coaching staff will host the 2016 soccer camp for boys and girls July 5-8 at the school. Students entering the sixth- through eighth grades as of the 2016-2017 school year are eligible to attend.

Entry fee is \$25 cash only. No checks or credit/debit cards will be accepted. The camp will run from 9 to 11 a.m. each day. Participants will receive instruction in all phases of soccer, including dribbling, passing, kicking, shooting, rules and regulations and more.

The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide medical insurance coverage for these types of summer or extracurricular activities, so parents are responsible for such coverage. For more information or to register, direct email to DSawyer@pasadenaisd.org.

## Thompson Intermediate basketball camp

The Thompson Intermediate coaching staff will host the 2016 basketball camp for boys and girls July 5-8 at the school. Students entering the sixth- through eighth grades as of the 2016-2017 school year are eligible to attend.

Entry fee is \$25 cash only. No checks or credit/debit cards will be accepted. The camp will run from 9 to 11 a.m. each day. Participants will receive instruction in all phases of basketball, including dribbling, passing, rebounding, shooting, team defense and team offense and more.

The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide medical insurance coverage for these types of summer or extracurricular activities, so parents are responsible for such coverage. For more information or to register, direct email to DSawyer@pasadenaisd.org.

## Thompson strength/conditioning camp

The Thompson Intermediate coaching staff will host the 2016 strength and conditioning camp July 18-21 at the school. Students entering the sixth- through eighth grades as of the 2016-2017 school year are eligible to attend.

Participants will engage in a variety of weight training and running/conditioning activities aimed at preparing student-athletes for the new school year. Cost of the camp is \$25 cash only. No checks or credit cards will be accepted.

The Pasadena Independent School District does not provide medical insurance coverage for these types of summer or extracurricular activities, so parents are responsible for such coverage. For more information or to register, direct email to DSawyer@pasadenaisd.org.

## South Belt Youth Soccer Club sign-up

The South Belt Soccer Club is now accepting on-line registration for the fall 2016 season as youth boys and girls age 4 to 18 are welcomed to join the league.

Children eligible for the under 5 to under 8 (4, 5, 6 and 7-year-olds) will pay \$115 to register, while children in the under 9 and under 10 groups (8 and 9-year-olds) will pay \$130. Those in the under 11 and older (10 to 18-year-olds) will pay \$170 to register.

Families may register their children by visiting [www.southbeltsoccer.org](http://www.southbeltsoccer.org), and simply follow the prompts. After registering on-line, families will be required to present a copy of their child’s birth certificate to the SBYSC team coach. Only credit card/debit card payments will be accepted at the time of on-line registration. A late fee will be assessed after Sept. 1, 2016.

The registration fee covers/includes uniform shirt, shorts and socks in addition to the league-wide fund-raiser. Parents will be responsible for providing shin guards, soccer cleats and a practice ball.

Practices begin in August, with games set to begin in September. Regular season games will be held on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, either at El Franco Lee Park or Beverly Hills Park.

## Clear Creek ISD Hall of Honor

Clear Creek ISD officials are still accepting nominations through July 8 for the inaugural Athletic Hall of Honor class.

Due to the sheer volume of alumni worthy of such an honor, nominations will be sought annually and, in turn, encompass a specific era, folding in CCISD high schools as they were created.

For the current 2016 nomination season, only candidates active or enrolled in Clear Creek High School or the former Webster High School from 1948 through the 1972 school year may be considered. The CCISD Athletic Hall of Honor operates as a 501(c)3 and is under the guidance of an independent board of directors.

Prospective nomination packages should include a nomination form, a letter of recommendation and any relevant supporting materials such as newspaper clippings and photographs, for example.

To access the nomination form and more information on requirements for induction and other guidelines regarding the CCISD Athletic Hall of Honor, visit [www.ccisd.net](http://www.ccisd.net), find athletics under the departments tab and then select the CCISD Athletic Hall of Honor tab on the left side of the page.

Nominations are due to the following address by July 8, 2016: CCISD Challenger Columbia Stadium, Attn: CCISD Athletic Hall of Honor, 1955 W. NASA Blvd. Webster, TX 77598.

At right, San Jacinto College softball finished the 2016 season as the National Junior College Athletic Association Region XIV champions with a 38-25 overall record, ranking seventh in the nation. Along the way, the team received big contributions from the sister duo of Gabby Gonzalez (catcher, left) and Niki Gonzalez (pitcher, right). Both are Baytown Sterling High School graduates.

Photo by Andrea Vasquez, SJC sports



# San Jac softball ends 2016 at No. 7 nationally

A national title proved to be a step closer to with-in reach for the San Jacinto College softball team as it ended the season as the 2016 National Junior College Athletic Association Region XIV champions and wound up ranked seventh in the nation. Finishing the season 38-25 overall and earning an automatic bid to the NJCAA national championship tournament with a regional win, it was the third-ever national tournament appearance for San Jacinto College.

The last national tournament appearance for San Jac was in 2014 when the team finished fifth in the nation. This season also saw the pitching-catching sister force of Niki and Gabby Gonzalez excel for SJC. Niki, a freshman, served as the team's top pitcher with 26 overall wins, with her sophomore sister Gabby providing pop at the plate and defense at catcher. Gabby finished the regular season with six

doubles, a triple and 10 home runs. She also won the NJCAA National Softball Tournament's Home Run Derby. Niki finished the regular season with 26 wins, 265 strikeouts and a team-best 1.86 earned run average. She also received first team Midwest Region all-American honors from the National Fastpitch Coaches Association. Along with the team's Region XIV championship title, several players received all-Region, all-

Conference and Region XIV all-Tournament honors. Gabby Gonzalez earned first team all-Region honors; second team all-Region honors went to Niki Gonzalez and freshman infielders Katlin Kerl and Tylor Office. First team all-Conference honors went to the Gonzalez sisters, Kerl and Office. Second team all-Conference honors went to freshmen outfielder Shelbi Doherty and utility Alexis DeLeon. Doherty, Kerl, Niki

Gonzalez and freshman infielder Dani Damian earned a spot on the Region XIV all-Tournament team. Kerl received the Most Valuable Player award and Niki Gonzalez earning the Most Valuable Pitcher award. Earlier this year, San Jacinto College softball head coach Kelly Saenz was inducted into the Softball Canada Hall of Fame. Saenz was a member of the Smitty's Midget girls' division team in 1995 and 1996, being part of two out of three consecutive

Canadian Championships. In 1995, while playing in nationals in White Rock, British Columbia, she was recruited to play at Eastern Kentucky University. After graduating in 1998, Saenz began her coaching career at Frank Phillips College in Borger, Texas. After one season at Frank Phillips College, Saenz was hired at San Jacinto College, where she has coached the softball team for the past 12 seasons.

## SJC's Schmidt an All-American first-teamer

At right, perhaps San Jacinto College left-hander Colten Schmidt was not drafted this year, but he exited the Gator program with plenty to be proud of. The 2014 La Porte High School graduate was named a first team All-American by the National Junior College Athletic Association's Division I selection committee. After limited work as a freshman in 2016, Schmidt went 11-1 with seven complete games for the Gators, including a victory in the Region XIV tournament championship game. In 97 innings of work, Schmidt struck out 108 and posted a 2.04 earned run average for the season. He started and went five innings in the NJCAA championship game, netting a no decision in SJC's eventual 5-2 loss to Yavapai (Ariz.). Schmidt has signed to attend the University of Louisiana at Lafayette beginning this fall.

Photo by Rob Vanya, SJC



**Beverly Hills Intermediate Football Camp**  
**July 25-28 (M-TH) at Dobie High School**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade entering 2016-2017: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Positions: Offense: \_\_\_\_\_ Defense: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to enroll my child in the 2016 football camp. I understand that neither the coaches nor anyone connected with the football camp will assume any responsibility for accidents, medical, dental or other expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained during the camp. I further acknowledge that my child is physically fit to participate.

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Physician/phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Camp to be held at Dobie High School

Cost is \$30 per student. Please no checks or money orders. Cash only.

Camp hours are 9 to 11 a.m. each day for both incoming seventh-grade and eighth-grade students.

Report 15 minutes early July 25. Bring tennis shoes. Cleats optional.

For more information, call coach Ben Portis at 713-299-0251.

Camp information: The camp is designed for those student-athletes who will be entering either the seventh or eighth-grade at Beverly Hills Intermediate as of the 2016-2017 school year. Participants will take part in technique drills and also perform strength and conditioning activities in addition to pass catching, receiving, blocking, tackling and more. The camp staff will also cover the rules and regulations involving intermediate level games.

**Thompson Intermediate Football Camp**  
**July 25 to July 28 (M-TH) at Dobie High School**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade entering 2016-2017: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Positions: Offense: \_\_\_\_\_ Defense: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to enroll my child in the 2016 football camp. I understand that neither the coaches nor anyone connected with the football camp will assume any responsibility for accidents, medical, dental or other expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained during the camp. I further acknowledge that my child is physically fit to participate.

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Emergency contact/phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician/phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Camp to be held at Dobie High School

Cost is \$25 per student. Please no checks or money orders. Cash only.

Camp hours are 9 to 11 a.m. for all participants.

Report 15 minutes early July 25. Bring tennis shoes. Cleats optional.

For more information, direct email to coach Doug Sawyer at DSawyer@pasadenaisd.org. Camp information: The camp is designed for those student-athletes who will be entering either the seventh or eighth-grade at Thompson Intermediate as of the 2016-2017 school year. Participants will take part in technique drills and also perform strength and conditioning activities in addition to pass catching, receiving, blocking, tackling and more. The camp staff will also cover the rules and regulations involving intermediate level games.

# CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, JUNE 16**  
7 a.m.  
**AA Meeting** – “Breakfast With Bill” Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.  
10 a.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
Noon  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – Imperfect Nooners Group of AA, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
6 p.m.  
**Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter** – A social group interested in the culture, music, heritage and language of German immigrants in Texas. Meets monthly on the third Thursday, 6 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors welcome. Call 281-481-1238 for information.  
6:30 p.m.  
**CrossRoads UMC** – ESL classes Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Course, books and child care are free. For information, call 281-484-9243 or visit [www.crossroads-umc.org](http://www.crossroads-umc.org).  
**Survivors of Suicide Support Group** – offers support and coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adults who have lost a loved one to suicide. For details and location, call 713-533-4500 or visit [www.crisishotline.org](http://www.crisishotline.org).  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Women's Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For information, call 713-856-1611.  
**Al-Anon (English)** – Support for family and friends of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 215. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
**Alateen** – Support for teenagers, friends and family mem-

bers of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
8:30 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – AA meetings are Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For information, call 713-204-2481.  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 17**  
7 a.m.  
**AA Meeting** – “Breakfast With Bill” Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.  
10 a.m.  
**Interfaith Care Partners** – ministry at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 10727 Hartsook St. for those with Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, strokes, etc. and caretakers, meets on the third Friday, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with continental breakfast, arts, crafts, exercises, entertainment, devotional break, lunch, and game. Family members or acquaintances are invited. For information, call the church at 713-946-5768; Claudia Rojas, Interfaith Care Partners, at 713-682-5995; or visit [www.interfaithcarepartners.org](http://www.interfaithcarepartners.org).  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
Noon  
**Inaugural Galveston Cajun Crawfish Festival** – will be in the parking lot of Kermit Courville Stadium, 1207 27th St. This family festival is during Galveston's Juneteenth celebration with vendors selling arts and crafts, Texas barbecue, crawfish and seafood. For tickets or vendor/sponsor information, visit [gocrawfishfestival.com](http://gocrawfishfestival.com) or call 409-939-2685. At the gate, tickets are \$15 (adults) or \$40 for a three-day pass. Ages 12 and younger and active military with current ID are free. Hours: noon - 11 p.m. June 17, 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. June 18, and 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. June 19.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – West End Group of AA, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church,

12005 County Road 39, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
6 p.m.  
**Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish)** – Support for family/friends of alcoholics or addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 215, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
8 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.  
**Al-Anon** – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Friday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.  
**Serenity Now Al-Anon Group** – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Friday, 8 to 9 p.m. Family members and friends of problem drinkers or addicts learn they are not alone, share, learn principles of Al-Anon and learn about choices available to them. 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**  
7:30 a.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – “Breakfast with Bill”, Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
10 a.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
11 a.m.  
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11 a.m.  
**Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English)** – For women whose lives are affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
1 p.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
7 p.m.  
**Bay Area Bluegrass Association** – holds a bluegrass music show and jam session monthly, the third Saturday, except August and December. Stage show begins at 7 p.m. Pickers may bring instruments and come earlier. Free. Johnny Aroflo Civic Center, 300 Walker, League City. For details, visit <http://www.bayareabluegrass.org>.  
8 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 19**  
11 a.m.  
**Inaugural Galveston Cajun Crawfish Festival** – will be in the parking lot of Kermit Courville Stadium, 1207 27th St. This family festival is during Galveston's Juneteenth celebration with vendors selling arts and crafts, Texas barbecue, crawfish and seafood. For tickets or vendor/sponsor information, visit [gocrawfishfestival.com](http://gocrawfishfestival.com) or call 409-939-2685. At the gate, tickets are \$15 (adults) or \$40 for a three-day pass. Ages 12 and younger and active military with current ID are free. Hours are 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. on June 19.

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**NO WATER BALLOONS, WATER GUNS, ETC.**

*For more information, call Marie Flickinger at 281-481-5656. All entries must be received by July 2.*

Name of entry \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization or Business \_\_\_\_\_

Person to Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Truck (2 axle)    ☐ Car    ☐ Float    ☐ Truck (3 axle)    ☐ Other

*Due to the length of this parade, we request participants do not attempt to walk.*

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 20**  
1 p.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
2 p.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class** – Sunday and Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at [drglanford@sbcglobal.net](mailto:drglanford@sbcglobal.net) or call 281-488-6318.  
**Grief Support Group** – For adults who have lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy. For details, call 281-487-8787.  
5:30 p.m.  
**Celebrate Recovery** – A faith-based 12-Step Program. Sundays, 5:30 p.m., in the Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for details or to RSVP for child care.  
6:30 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – Candlelight Meeting, Sunday, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Vigilance Group of NA meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
8 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – Alcohol problems? Meetings are Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-204-2481.  
**MONDAY, JUNE 20**  
10 a.m.  
**Al-Anon Deer Park** – Mondays 10 to 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for information, or just drop in.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
10:30 a.m.  
**Seniors and Law Enforcement Together** – SALT meetings are 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Madison Jobe Senior Center, 1700 East Thomas St., Pasadena on the third Monday. No December meeting. January meeting is on the second Monday. Meetings start timely and teach seniors how to avoid identity theft, scams, fraud, etc. Police officers and sheriffs may be in attendance. Free. Refreshments served. For details, call 713-477-0175.  
11:30 a.m.  
**Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park** – 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details.  
Noon  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – Imperfect Nooners Group of AA meets at noon at 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
2 p.m.  
**Genealogy Group** – The Parker Williams Genealogy Group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. The public is invited to attend. For information, email Liz Hicks at [erootrot@usa.net](mailto:erootrot@usa.net).  
3:15 p.m.  
**Houston Area Parkinson Society** – Free exercise and speech therapy for adults with Parkinson's, 3:15 to 4:45 p.m., Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for details.  
6 p.m.  
**New Directions Singles** – Age 60 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with guest speakers, 6 p.m., at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Pkwy. For information, call Margarita at 832-715-9658.  
**Scrabble Club #511** – Meets Mondays at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua, 6 p.m. Come and improve crossword game playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for information.  
6:30 p.m.  
**Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting** – Mondays at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland. Enter door next to recycling bins. For information, call 713-865-3668 or visit [www.oahouston.org](http://www.oahouston.org).  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
**Friends Helping Friends Grief Support Group** – meets Mondays, Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster, 7 to 8:15 p.m., in the Team Conference Room. Anyone who's lost a loved one is welcome. Free. For information, call Mrs. Barry Craven at 281-486-4241 or R. Sanchez at 281-337-4365.  
7:30 p.m.  
**The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society** – Meets the third Monday at Clear Lake Park Bldg., 5001 NASA Pkwy., Seabrook. Presenters explore topics such as fossils, planetary geology, mineralogy, lapidary, jewelry making, fossil and mineral collecting. Field trips to Texas collecting sites and surrounding states. Interested persons welcome. Door prizes. Free parking. For details, visit [www.dlgms.org](http://www.dlgms.org).  
**Congregation Shaar Hashalom** – Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For details, contact 281-488-5861 or [csh@shaarhashalom.org](mailto:csh@shaarhashalom.org).  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – New AA meeting, Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery Program, open meeting Monday, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Building, 11011 Hall Road. For details, call Russell Garcia at 832-483-6715.  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 21**  
7 a.m.  
**AA Meeting** – "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., in the Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or drop in.  
9:30 a.m.  
**Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** – Exhibits include dioramas, an old-time kitchen and a turn-of-the-century doctor's office. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For information, call 713-472-0565.  
10 a.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
Noon  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – Imperfect Nooners Group of AA meets at noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
**Rotary Club of Pearland** – Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch \$15. Variety of interesting speakers. For information,

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1 p.m.  
**Ballroom Dance Practice** – Tuesdays, Hometown Heroes Park. Enjoy a variety of ballroom music, free dancing, 1 to 3 p.m., on a beautiful floating hardwood floor. Instructor available to assist. Everyone is welcome! For questions, call 281-554-1180. 1001 East League City Pkwy.  
1:30 p.m.  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** – #1530 meets at the Sagement Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., 1:30 p.m. For details, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.  
2 p.m.  
**The National Active and Retired Federal Employees** – NARFE Chapter 941 meets the third Tuesday, El Franco Lee Park Community Center, 9500 Hall Rd. Visitors welcome. For details, call Roy at 713-734-1461. No meeting in Aug.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class** – Sunday and Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at [drglanford@sbcglobal.net](mailto:drglanford@sbcglobal.net) or call 281-488-6318.  
6 p.m.  
**Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish)** – Support for family/friends of alcoholics/addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 215, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.  
6:30 p.m.  
**CrossRoads UMC** – ESL classes Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Course, books and child care are free. For information, call 281-484-9243 or visit [www.crossroads-umc.org](http://www.crossroads-umc.org).  
6:30 p.m.  
**Breast Cancer Support Group** – Meets monthly on the third Tuesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the lobby of the Clear Lake Regional Breast Diagnostic Center, 200 Medical Center Blvd., Suite 106, Webster. For information call 281-526-6840.  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
**Positive Interaction Program** – meets the third Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria, in the first floor staff meeting room. PIP is police and citizens working together making neighborhoods safer. Bring a friend and make PIP the best in the city. For information, call Officer Richard Buitron at 281-218-3900.  
8 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22**  
7 a.m.  
**AA Meeting** – "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or drop in.  
9:30 a.m.  
**Young at Heart Club** – Meets the second and fourth week monthly (except November and December) at Covenant United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Lots of activities, trips, etc. Call Nellie Galney at 713-991-3517 for information.  
10 a.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
Noon  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – Imperfect Nooners Group of AA meets at noon at 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
1 p.m.  
**Hometown Heroes Park** – has free Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dance, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card. Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details, call Neva Schroder at 417-838-2204.  
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
**CrossRoads UMC** – Invites everyone to the Wednesday night service beginning with a light meal and fellowship at 5:30 p.m., followed by a praise, worship and prayer service at 6:30 p.m., then a Bible study led by both pastors (English and Spanish). Everyone is welcome!  
6 p.m.  
**Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish)** – Support for family/friends of alcoholics or addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 215, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.  
**Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention** – Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse support group for women. Visit [www.bayareaturningpoint.org](http://www.bayareaturningpoint.org) for information.  
8 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 23**  
7 a.m.  
**AA Meeting** – "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in the Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or drop in.  
10 a.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club** – 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.  
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6:30 p.m.  
**CrossRoads UMC** – ESL classes Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Course, books and child care are free. For information, call 281-484-9243 or visit [www.crossroads-umc.org](http://www.crossroads-umc.org).  
7 p.m.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** – Women's Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For information, call 713-856-1611.  
**Al-Anon (English)** – Support for family and friends of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 215. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
**Alateen** – Support for teenagers, friends and family members of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.  
8:30 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** – AA meetings are Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For information, call 713-204-2481.

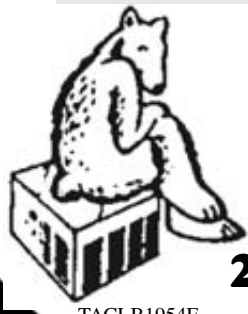
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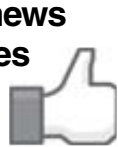
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# Remaining SBHLL age group all-stars to begin action later this month

Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League's 9-year-old age group division team has been downed in Texas District 15 all-star baseball play, but the remaining age group teams from SBHLL are still working out in preparation for action later this month.

The bulk of the tournaments are set to begin Friday, June 24. Texas District 15 officials have yet to determine just when and where the junior division (ages 13-14) tournament will begin.

All-star teams from leagues in Sagemont, Friendswood, Dixie, South Houston, East End, etc., are looking to end Pearl Land Little League's years-long domination within Texas District 15 tournament play.

**SBHLL 10-YO all-stars**  
The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League's 10-year-old all-star team will include Jorge Arredondo, Nathan Bennett,

Julio Cantu, Austin Gonzalez, Mason Harris, Javier Hinojosa, Jason Kipp, Cy Ojeda, Cesar Rodriguez, Daniel Rodriguez, Juan Salinas, Bryce Sommerfelt, Ian Thomas and Joaquin Vasquez.

**SBHLL 11-YO all-stars**  
The 11-year-old all-star team from Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League includes Isaiah Correa, Jadon Gonzalez, Rogelio Gonzalez, Ethan Hernandez, Iasais Lira, Dylan Medina, Nathaniel Montemayor, Deveon Moses, Conner Mohwinkel, Steven Oviedo, Alex Rivera, Byron Robinson and Ryan Saxton.

**SBHLL 12-YO all-stars**  
As for the 12-year-old age group all-star team, the list includes Matthew Arnesen, Jaydon Carter, Matthew Castellano, Matthew Castillo, Jacob Cue-

va, Dylan Dixon, Allan Gonzalez, Jonathan Gonzalez, Darius Hale, Marcus Lind, Christian Medina, Zachary Ramirez, Bryce Sanchez and Christian Torres.

**SBHLL junior all-stars**  
In the junior division (ages 13 and 14), Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League's team will have Brandon Castillo, James DeLeon, Jacob Effrid, Jordan Garcia, Ricardo Lopez, Nathan Medina, Michael Muniz, Sebastian Mercedes Mont, Max Montes, Anthony Perrett, Kobe Ruiz, Tristan Soria and Christopher Thomas in action.

**SBHLL senior all-stars**  
SBHLL has Caleb Campbell, Steven Castorena, Jose Cruz, Matthew Escalera, Julian Flores, John Garcia, Chris Gallegos, Mattias Gallo,

Cesar Garza, Ricky Gonzalez, Anthony Moreno, Aaron Nguyen, Anthony Perea, Jaylon Rosas, Eric Sanchez and Isaiah Zerameño competing in the age 15-16 senior all-star division.

Tournament host site eteamz.com/td15. In the 12-year-old division, teams are battling for a chance to eventually advance to the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pa., coming in August and aired nationally.

**SBHLL 10s vs. Pearland East**  
**Friday, June 24, 6 p.m.**  
**at South Houston Little League**

**SBHLL 12s vs. Pearland West**  
**Friday, June 24, 6 p.m.**  
**at Pearland Little League**

**SBHLL Seniors. vs. East End**  
**Saturday, June 25, 2 p.m.**  
**at Pearland Little League**

**SBHLL 11s vs. East End/Friendwood**  
**Saturday, June 25, 4 p.m.**  
**at Friendswood Little League**

**SBHLL Juniors. vs. South Houston (2)**  
**Time not yet set**  
**Location to be determined**

## Lutheran South soccer star Canales chooses St. Edwards



Lutheran South Academy class of 2016 graduate Andrew Canales (seated second from left) will continue his education and soccer playing career at St. Edwards University in Austin, after inking a letter of intent with the Hilltoppers. During his four years at LSA Canales lettered at the varsity level each year. At the same time, Canales increased his offensive output each season from the forward position. In his freshman year, Canales tallied 14 goals and seven assists. As a sophomore he added 18 goals and 20 assists. During his junior year he compiled 31 goals and 10 assists. In his final season, Canales put in 58 goals and dealt 22 assists. LSA's Most Valuable Player during his junior and senior seasons, Canales was also selected first team all-district the past two years. A second-team, all-state player as a junior, Canales elevated to the all-state first team as a senior and was chosen as the top forward in the Division II ranks. Those with Canales at the signing included, left to right, Nate Hagge (Lutheran South Academy varsity boys' soccer head coach), Autumn Canales (mother) and Diego Santillan (Lutheran South Academy varsity boys' soccer assistant coach. Not pictured is Andrew Canales' father, Rene Canales.



Christian Torres and his Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League 12-year-old age group all-star teammates will begin the Texas District 15 tournament Friday, June 24, with hopes of advancing a step closer to Williamsport, Pa.

Photo by John Bechtle

## Julks makes AAC first team baseball



Count Clear Brook High School graduate and current University of Houston sophomore outfielder Corey Julks as one who just might be looking forward to the 2017 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft. Julks, who started 54 of 55 overall games for the Cougars this season, was named to the American Athletic Conference first team after putting together a terrific season. Julks hit .341 during the regular season and ramped it up to .369 in AAC play, which ranked him second. Julks pounded out 10 doubles, a triple and three homers, and drove in 28 runs while stealing base successfully 10 of 12 times during the season. A 2014 Clear Brook High School graduate, Julks will be eligible to be drafted by an MLB organization in June of 2017.

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