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Freeway closure postponed

The closure of all southbound lanes of the Gulf Freeway from FM-518 to SH-96 originally scheduled to take place from Friday, Sept. 21, through Monday, Sept. 24, was rescheduled due to inclement weather.

The closure will now take place from 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, through 5 a.m. Monday, Oct. 1. The closure is necessary so workers from the Texas Department of Transportation can restripe the main lanes of that section of the freeway.

Motorists traveling south on the freeway will be detoured to the FM-518 exit to the I-45 southbound frontage road and continue through the signalized intersections to re-enter the I-45 southbound main lanes after SH-96. Commuters should expect delays and may want to consider an alternate route. Police officers will be on site to assist with traffic control.

More freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to SH 96/League City Parkway will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Monday, Dec. 31. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

St. Luke's to hold bazaar

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road, will hold its parish bazaar Sunday, Sept. 30, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The family event will feature live music, rides, games, a disc jockey, a garage sale, prizes, food and beverages. Off-site parking and shuttle bus service will be available at Dobie High School, located at 10220 Blackhawk.

Beltway closures planned

At least one eastbound and one westbound inside frontage road lane on Beltway 8 from SH-288 to Blackhawk will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Sunday, Sept. 30.

The eastbound and westbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed continuously through 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.

Moore seeks vendors

Moore Elementary will host a "Hawk Fun Run" Friday, Oct. 19, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Vendors will be set up in the cafeteria. Anyone interested in showing goods may contact Silvia Luna at 713-740-0656 or via email at SiLuna@Pasadenaisd.org for information.

Beverly Hills to meet

Beverly Hills Civic Club will have its quarterly meeting Thursday, Sept. 27, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Beverly Hills Park, 10201 Kingspoint.

Free self-defense classes set

The American Society of Karate is offering free self-defense and martial arts classes on Fridays from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. for youths and adults (ages 13-70). The classes, taught by experienced black belt instructors, are held at the Sagemont Recreation Center, 11507 Hughes Road. For more information, email Michael.Alonzo@ASKKarate.com or call 281-788-5930.

Boykins holds golf event

Houston City Council Member Dwight Boykins will host his fifth annual Swingin' for Seniors golf tournament Monday, Oct. 1, at Hermann Park Golf Course, 2155 N. MacGregor Way, beginning at 8 a.m.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Boykins' Senior Assistance Fund that helps senior citizens in District D make minor home repairs at no cost to them.

Tournament entry ranges from \$250 to \$5,000 (cost is \$50 for nongolfers). For additional information, call 832-393-3001 or visit www.seniorassistancefund.com.

Prayer walk rescheduled

The prayer walk originally planned for Saturday, Sept. 22, has been rescheduled due to weather. The new date is Saturday, Sept. 29, at 9 a.m. Hosted by School Prayer Walks USA, the event will begin at Thompson Intermediate. Participants will then walk to Stuchbery Elementary. All are welcome to join in praying for the protection and peace of students and staff. For more information, call 281-484-0901.

Lakes of Golfcrest to meet

The Lakes of Golfcrest Community Association Board of Directors meeting will take place Tuesday, Oct. 9, at the El Franco Lee Community Center, located at 9500 Hall Road, beginning at 7 p.m. For more information, call Kate Loeffler at Van Moor Properties at 832-593-7300.

Risner golf tournament set

Judge George Risner's 2018 golf tournament will tee off at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 1, at River Terrace, located at 16777 Wallisville Road. Tournament tickets, as well as tickets for the 19th Hole Fajita Dinner, are available online at https://www.judgerisner.com/golf-tournament. Sponsorship opportunities are available, ranging from \$150 to \$1,000. For additional information, visit https://www.judgerisner.com.

Proposed tank farm scraps Ellington plans

The proposed construction of a new 58-tank crude oil storage facility near Ellington Airport has been canceled following community outcry, according to Houston City Council Member Dave Martin.

Introduced by Magellan Midstream Partners out of Tulsa, Okla., the controversial "tank farm" would have been constructed on land

currently owned by ExxonMobil between I-45 and Highway 3, just north of FM-2351.

"I finally connected with Tom Byers with Magellan this morning (Monday, Sept. 24), and we had a pleasant conversation," said Martin, whose District E would have housed the facility. "Tom joggled my memory, as we did meet a few years ago when Magellan was tar-

geting land acquisition near the port for additional storage tanks, but his intent was to inform me that Magellan will not pursue the land near Ellington and is looking for additional land near the port that would not present a conflict with residents and neighborhoods. I told him we appreciated those efforts, and if I can help him after he secures additional acreage

near existing tanks, refineries, etc., I would be more than happy to help move the permits along ... as long as it was in the best interest of the residents, and he keeps me informed of their site locations in the future."

Martin was joined in his opposition to the project by Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner; **Continued on Page 6A**

Deputies seize cash from two illegal gambling sites

Deputies with the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office recently executed warrants on two illegal gambling operations in the South Belt community, seizing more than \$30,000 in cash.

On Thursday, Aug. 9, deputies with Precinct 2's Special Operations Division executed a search warrant on a convenience store located in the 10800 block of Hughes Road.

Deputies had started an investigation on the location a few weeks prior and had gathered enough evidence to obtain the search

warrant. Upon executing this warrant, deputies seized more than \$5,500 in U.S. currency and an electronic gaming machine, as well as multiple electronic gaming machine hard drives. This was done after being able to provide enough evidence that this location was operating an illegal gambling facility, by paying out cash on several gambling machines.

At press time, no arrests have been made, but the investigation is ongoing, and charges may be brought at a later time.

On Wednesday, Sept. 12, deputies began

an investigation of illegal gambling at a convenience store located in the 12300 block of Scarsdale. This was after several tips came in suggesting illegal gambling was occurring at the store.

One week later on Wednesday, Sept. 19, deputies were able to gather enough evidence on

this location to obtain a search warrant. The warrant was executed on the same date, and approximately \$28,600 was seized, as well as a gaming machine and numerous hard drives.

Again, deputies are still investigating this location, and charges are pending on several individuals linked to this case.



10822 Hughes Road



12303 Scarsdale

Annual Evening of Cuisine nears

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will hold its 21st annual Evening of Cuisine - the Taste of South Belt Thursday, Oct. 4, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The title for this year's event is *Where All Your 'Foodie' Dreams Come True*.

Consistently the chamber's most successful fundraiser, the family friendly function allows attendees to sample food and beverages from a variety of local vendors.

Vendors will be competing for various awards, including People's Choice, Best Entrée, Best Dessert, Kids' Choice and Best of Show.

With eight new participants this year, the competition for the Rookie of the Year award should be one to watch. New participants in this year's event include (in alphabetical order) Blue Beetle Café, Chick-fil-A (Almeda), El Oregano, Maximum Impact CrossFit will be serving smoothies), Nothing Bundt Cake, Raising Cane's, Sweet

Galeanna and Texas Republic Kitchen.

Returning favorites include (in alphabetical order) Cadeau Confections, Celeste's Cakes N More, d'l-ish catering, La Forchetta Italian Grill, Las Haciendas Mexican Bar & Grill, Randy's Smokehouse & BBQ, Sagemont Smokehouse & BBQ, Savannah Cafe & Bakery, Time Out #1 Sports Bar and Tony's Pizza & Grinders.

The event will also feature door prizes and a live and silent auction. Current auction items include baseball bats signed by Houston Astros Craig Biggio, Jeff Bagwell, and Lance Berkman; World Series baseballs signed by Houston Astros George Springer, Alex Bregman, Dallas Keuchel and Carlos Correa; a Galveston Island package; hotel stays; a 9-11 flag of honor; custom outdoor furniture; a fire pit; and a wide variety of baskets. The chamber's Facebook page will be updated as other auction items are added.

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Input sought on Highway 3 project

The Texas Department of Transportation is seeking public input on its proposed project to make improvements to Highway 3/Old Galveston Road from Brookglen Drive (near Richey) to the Harris/Galveston County line (near NASA Road 1).

Referred to as the SH 3 Access Management Study, TxDOT's analysis has identified short-, medium-, and long-term access improvements to reduce crashes, improve mobility and sup-

port existing and future development, all based on previous comments received from the public. The department now seeks additional feedback from the public on the project's initial proposals.

For more information on the endeavor or to take an online survey, visit https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/houston/sh3-access-management.html.

Written comments may be submitted by mail **Continued on Page 6A**

Turner to hold town halls

Houstonians will soon have the opportunity to vote on two city charter referendums: Propositions A and B.

As part of the city's effort to educate the public regarding the Nov. 6 ballot, it has launched the "Houston Votes 2018" website providing information about the propositions and the voting process.

Further, Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner will host a series of town hall meetings, with one being held in each of the city's Council districts.

"It is very important that Houstonians know the facts regarding the upcoming election and the two propositions," Turner said. "There are seven town hall meetings remaining (now only six), and I invite Houstonians to join us to hear from department directors and me and ask any questions they may have."

Proposition A is a "do-over" vote to approve the city's existing ReBuild Houston street and drainage program (RebuildHouston.org).

Voters are asked to establish a lockbox around revenue from the drainage fee and restrict use for only flooding, drainage and street improvements.

From 2012 to 2017, ReBuild Houston has provided more than \$800 million in drainage improvements and paid \$1.1 billion toward old debt.

Proposition B is a vote to tie firefighters' pay to police officers without additional requirements on education or work hours. The vote would require the city to give firefighters a minimum 25 percent raise the first year and additional raises equal to police. The 25 percent raise would cost the city at **Continued Page 6A**

Man carjacked in own garage

A man's car was stolen at gunpoint from his own garage in the 11100 block of Sagehill on Thursday, Sept. 20, around 7:50 p.m.

According to Houston police, the victim was working on his car, a silver 2005 Mercedes Benz C-Class with South Carolina license plates, when an unknown male approached him and said

"They're coming after me. I need your car." The man then produced a pistol and took the victim's car by force.

At press time, the stolen car had not been recovered.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male be- **Continued on Page 6A**

City to pay for mowing assistance

The City of Houston Department of Neighborhoods and Keep Houston Beautiful invite nonprofit organizations to join the Mow-Down program to help tackle the problem of overgrown abandoned lots in city neighborhoods.

The program encourages nonprofits to partner with the city to manage overgrown lots by offering participating groups modest fees of \$50 to \$100 per mowing. The mowing projects con-

tribute to the city's efforts to address safety concerns posed by overgrown abandoned properties, while improving the neighborhood appearance and helping build community pride.

How the program works

Properties approved under the program are located throughout the city. Enlisted groups are assigned to approved properties of their choice **Continued on Page 4A**

Booster club thefts investigated

Charges are expected to soon be filed against the former Dobie baseball booster club board member accused of stealing funds from the organization, after the money was not repaid by the deadline arranged by the group and the individual.

Following reports on the theft on both Channel 11 and Channel 13 news, an agreement was drafted between the booster club and the suspected individual, stating that no charges would be pursued in the case if the former board member paid back \$25,000 of the money allegedly stolen from the organization.

According to Channel 13, as much as \$53,000 may have been taken from the Dobie Diamond organization. The accused, however, put the figure as low as \$8,000.

The deadline of 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, came and went without receipt of payment. The individual's source for the money needed to make the payment may not have materialized, someone familiar with the case told the *Leader*.

The theft involved credit card charges, bounced checks and failure to deposit cash from multiple fundraisers. **Continued on Page 4A**

Chase through South Belt ends at Ellington



A high-speed chase came to a stop at Dixie Farm Road and Highway 3 the morning of Friday, Sept. 21, after the driver of a stolen silver Nissan sedan crashed into a white Cadillac and a black minivan. The pursuit began around 9 a.m. in the 900 block of Iowa when South Houston police attempted to stop the driver, who had al-

legedly stolen the car at gunpoint, but he fled. The suspect reportedly drove up and down Scarsdale before heading toward Ellington Airport. The driver of the stolen car was arrested on unspecified charges. The female driver of the Cadillac was transported to the hospital with minor injuries. *Photo by Marie Flickinger*

In My Opinion

Ybarra expresses a lost America

America lost its love for God and lost its soul. We forgot "the first and great commandment," "Thou shalt love thy God with all thy heart, soul, and mind." And the second, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Jesus said, "On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

We forgot, forgive or you won't be forgiven. And of course, "Love your enemy." Now half of America is so full of unrighteousness, and blinded by the Devil, that they fight for the right to murder unborn babies.

They have forgotten that there is nothing more precious than a new born baby! Even children want to hold them!

They have forgotten that our Righteous God turned Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes because of the exceedingly wicked sin of homosexual acts by their men. Now our women have joined in that sin! America may tolerate all of that, BUT GOD WON'T! And He has the power to destroy all of America.

Those who reject God, and Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, will face eternal damnation in Hell and the Lake of Fire. Repent, or face judgment.

Manuel Ybarra Jr.
Reed seeks nominees for mayor's award

It's time for one of our favorite community events of the year: the annual Mayor's Proud Partners Awards! This program, in

its 34th year, recognizes individuals, civic groups and businesses who demonstrate civic pride at its finest. Recipients are chosen by a select committee who are seeking those who have gone above and beyond in projects which benefit the community in a variety of ways. The ideal applicants are those who have demonstrated diversity in benefits to:

Youth, broad-based community support, environmental stewardship, beautification or landscaping, public/private partnerships, neighborhood revitalization or cleanups, long-term durability/sustainability, active volunteer support and participation or employee activity above and beyond routine tasks, educational programs, recycling initiatives, in-kind sponsorships/donations and innovative waste solutions.

If you've been part of (or know of) a civic/youth/business/church group this past year that helped to Give Back to Houston by helping to Remove Litter, Beautify an area, or initiate Recycling, then the Keep Houston Beautiful 2018 Mayor's Proud Partners Awards are for YOU! We want to celebrate your contribution to our community.

Get your awards applications in today. The Deadline is 5:00 pm Friday, October 5th. www.houstonbeautiful.org.

We have a variety of sponsorship opportunities as well!

For more information, please call our office at 832-834-6105 or email info@houstonbeautiful.org.

Amy D. Reed
Executive Director
Keep Houston Beautiful

Elected officials share their words

Sure Heroes

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

Twenty-nine years in the U.S. Air Force. Eighty-seven combat missions during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Six years, ten months, and 19 days held as a prisoner of war at the Hanoi Hilton — and three and a half of those years in solitary confinement.

Those numbers read like the resume of a true hero. But the man to whom they belong won't claim that title.

"I do not feel like a hero, and I do not call myself one — I reserve that title for my fellow veterans who fought and paid the ultimate sacrifice with their lives. I reserve that title for my wife, Shirley, who held our family together while I was rotting in a cell in the Hanoi Hilton for nearly seven years during the Vietnam War. They are heroes. They served our country faithfully and with all their heart. I am grateful for them."

Sam Johnson may not call himself an American hero, but I will.

I have the honor of calling Congressman Sam Johnson a colleague and a friend. We've both been sent to Washington, D.C. by Texans to represent them in Congress, but Sam's record of service to his country runs much deeper than that.

Sam joined the U.S. Air Force as a fighter pilot when he was just 20 years old. He flew 62 combat missions during the Korean War, and 25 in Vietnam. It was his 25th mission that turned out to be the most life-altering. During that flight, the weapon systems on his F-4 Phantom II failed, and he was shot down over North Vietnam. He broke an arm and his back on the way down, and from there, it only got worse. He was promptly found by Vietcong soldiers and escorted to the Hoa Lo Prison, better known today as the "Hanoi Hilton."

For nearly seven years, Sam had al-

most no communication with the outside world, including his wife and three young children back in Texas. He endured psychological and physical torture. During this time, he leaned on his deep faith, which strengthened through his tough circumstances. His only physical reprieve came in an unlikely form: a rusty tin can. This can, now on display at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, is how Sam communicated with fellow prisoners — by holding it up to his cell wall and using a spoon to tap an intricate code they developed in captivity based on an alphabetical grid.

On February 17, 1973, Sam Johnson was finally reunited with his wife and three children on the tarmac at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas. He continued serving his country in the Air Force for another six years.

It is the service and sacrifice of men and women like Sam Johnson and their loved ones that we honor each September on National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

Another man I honor this time each year is my father, who served as a bomber pilot in World War II and spent time in a Nazi POW camp before General Patton's troops freed him and his fellow prisoners of war.

Despite what he will tell you, Sam Johnson is a hero as is my father and every other man and woman of their caliber who has continued to serve this country selflessly after being captured as a prisoner of war.

On National POW/MIA Recognition Day, Friday, Sept. 21, 2018, we recognized prisoners of war and those who have gone missing in action, please join me in expressing gratitude and respect for our country's heroes.

Deaths

Gordon Arthur Berg



Gordon Arthur Berg was born Aug. 31, 1943, in Homer, Neb., the third child of Roland and Margaret Berg. The Berg family moved to Omaha from Homer while Gordon was still an infant and resided there until 1960. Gordon died the morning of Sept. 17, 2018.

Gordon met Pat in Omaha and they were married Dec. 16, 1961, and became the father of three sons, grandfather to nine and great-grandfather to one. Many things were important to Gordon in his life, but his family took top priority.

In October 1960, Gordon enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. His basic training was in San Diego and his technical training was at Camp Pendleton, Calif. Upon graduation he was transferred to his home base at Camp Le Jeune, N.C., where he was a member of the 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division. He served as a cryptographer with a top secret clearance. He served overseas during the Cuban Crisis and helped remove the Russian missiles from Cuba and Vietnam. He received an honorable discharge in 1964.

Upon discharge, Gordon worked at the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston. He worked for Wolf Research and Development and Lockheed Electronics, setting up the Document Retrieval Center for the manned spacecraft center.

Gordon left NASA to pursue a career in sales and sold insurance for Lutheran Brotherhood and FEMIC Insurance. In 1985, he was honored as Salesman of the Year for Pitney Bowes Office Equipment.

He attended San Jacinto College Central campus. While studying to receive an Associate of Arts in mid management, he was named Manager Trainee of the Year by the Administrative Management Society of Houston. Gordon was also a member of the Mu Theta Alpha fraternity.

In September 1978, while living in Mediapolis, Iowa, Gordon accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and savior. Once he left behind his worldly ways, he never looked back but committed himself and his family totally to his savior.

In 1990, while recovering from a life-threatening disease, Gordon accepted a call from the Lord and, with his wife Patricia, founded Action Ministries Houston Inc. Their mission was to introduce the gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ to the unsaved by feeding and caring for the needy in Houston, around the United States and throughout the world. Their ministry shipped food, clothing, household goods, hospital equipment, radio station equipment, salvation tracts, Bibles and personal products to victims of fire disasters, tornadoes, hurricanes, and tsunamis as well as to missionaries and pastors in need. The ministry budget was small, often less than \$100,000 a year. All funds were sent to supply needs, without the couple drawing a salary from their ministry.

Gordon also accepted the call to become an ordained pastor in 1998 by the Revs. Chuck and Suzanne Kaliczewski, pastors of Jesus Hour Ministries.

Gordon was a volunteer at heart. He served as a cub master for Cub Pack 514 in La Porte and assistant scout master for Troop 514, Boy Scouts of America, La Porte, where he was also a member of the Order of the Arrow. He served on the La Porte Volunteer Fire Department from 1967 to 1971. He helped coach youth baseball and served as a little league umpire in Pasadena for seven years. He was also one of the founders of the La Porte Oilers Youth Football team. As a member of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, he served as treasurer for several years. Gordon served as two-term past president for the Gulfway-Hobby Airport Rotary Club and a sapphire Paul

Harris recipient. Gordon was preceded in death by his parents; his grandparents Charles and Flossie Bryant, and Roland and Hattie Berg; a favorite uncle Sgt. Charles Bryant, U.S.M.C.; sister Rebecca Gardner; father-in-law and mother-in-law Floyd and Kathleen Bruce; and daughter-in-law Shelly Berg.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years; sons and their wives Gregory and Romelia Berg, Mark and Lindsey Berg and Timothy and Christy Berg. He is also survived by nine grandchildren: Laniecyda Pena, Virginia Berg, Jordan Berg, Tyler Berg, Farrah Wohlford, Lyla Wohlford, Georgia Wohlford, Gordon Andrew Berg and Alexandria Berg; brother Richard Berg; sister Karen Berg; brother-in-law Gerald Bruce and his wife, Ruth; and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to Action Ministries Houston, Inc., P.O. Box 35702, Houston, TX., 77235.

Jo Ann Jones Koontz



Jo Ann Jones Koontz was born in her grandmother's house near Seale, Texas, on Oct. 6, 1933. She died Sept. 16, 2018. She lived in New Baden and in Lake Jackson before marriage.

She met Buddy Koontz on a blind date, they married when he finished college and the next eight years she was the wife of an army pilot. They settled in Houston and were married for 48 years until his death in 2000.

Jo Ann did her best to raise her two children, but she didn't forget the two children that she lost in childbirth. She volunteered at the church, with Sunday School, with Cub Scouts and with Brownies. They visited grandparents and cousins frequently.

In 1970, Jo Ann helped elect Eleanor Tinsley and the Citizens for Good Schools reform slate of candidates that worked to end school segregation. She was always an informed, passionate voter. It was said that she read every editorial in the Chronicle, whether she agreed with it or not.

She worked as an executive secretary or a legal secretary for decades, the last 20 years at Houston Lighting & Power. When her daughter entered college, so did she, first at San Jacinto College and then at University of Houston - Clear Lake. Jo Ann earned a Bachelor in Business Administration, a bachelor's degree in accounting, and her CPA. Jo Ann ended her career as a project administration manager at the light company. She also taught accounting as an adjunct instructor at San Jac.

When she turned 60, she had her first four grandchildren within two years, and she loved them all deeply. In her retirement years she played nanny to two of her grandchildren.

She enjoyed traveling in her later years, and was passionate about genealogy. She was very proud to join both the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of Texas. Family gatherings were very important to her.

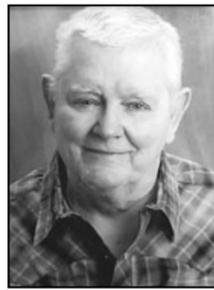
More than anything else, Jo Ann treated everyone with dignity and respect.

Jo Ann is survived by her son James Leon Koontz Jr. and her daughter and son-in-law Susan Diane Koontz and Steven Douglas Smith; and her grandchildren Shannon Gayle Smith, Connor Delaney Smith, Chelsea Dawn Koontz Amador and husband Jon and daughter Elizabeth Rae, and Janet Joanne Koontz Borland and husband Jon-Michael. She is also survived by her beloved sister Kathy Sue Jones Campbell and husband Robert Eugene Campbell; sister-in-law Margarette Garner Jones; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A visitation was held Thursday, Sept. 20, as well as a service at Crossroads United Methodist Church. Burial was at Seale-Round Prairie Cemetery in Seale. Pallbearers were Steven

Smith, David Jones, Ryan Campbell, Larry Mack, Jon Amador and Alex Avila.

Charlie Joseph Mazoch Jr.



Charlie Joseph Mazoch Jr., 76, died on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018, in Webster. He was born on Oct. 25, 1941, in Fayette County to Charlie and Annie (Korenek) Mazoch. Charlie grew up in Dubina.

The Catholic faith was very important to him and as a young boy he served as an altar boy at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church for several years. He loved to talk and he was proud that he could remember some of his parents and grandparents' Czech and Moravian language.

Charlie loved to read books and later enjoyed the advantage of the internet for his research. He knew about any subject that anyone would come up with. He was very intelligent.

Charlie really enjoyed deer hunting on a lease or on his dad's farm near Dubina. Charlie enjoyed being a ham radio operator and owned his own repeater station. He loved animals, especially his buff-colored cocker spaniels.

Charlie attended Dubina school and later went to Schulenburg schools. At age 16, Charlie went to work on drilling rigs. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and on March 13, 1961, he was sent to boot camp in San Diego. He transferred to VFAW-3, a naval aviation squadron. He went to Key West, Fla., during the Cuban Missile Blockade. During the Vietnam War, he served on the USS Hancock aircraft carrier. His rank was aviation electronics technician (navigation) petty officer third class. He was honorably discharged from the Navy on March 13, 1967.

After the Navy, he worked at Texas Instruments in Houston. Subsequent to this position, he worked as a heavy machine mechanic and a commercial electrician.

Charlie is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his loving wife Ann Mazoch; sisters Annie Baresh and Margie McGowen; brother Bobby Mazoch; and stepdaughter Sandra Sissom and her husband Jimmy Sissom.

Surviving grandchildren are Brittany Sissom, Clayton Sissom, Karen Staton, Rachel Sissom and Ty Sissom. Surviving great-grandchildren are Chyanne Rester, Daxton Sissom, Bethany Mahler, Chesnee Staton and Cody Simmons. Charlie is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation was Monday, Sept. 17, at Crowder Funeral Home with the recitation of the rosary and a vigil lead by Deacon Sam Dell'Olivo from St. Mary of the Expectation Catholic Church in League City.

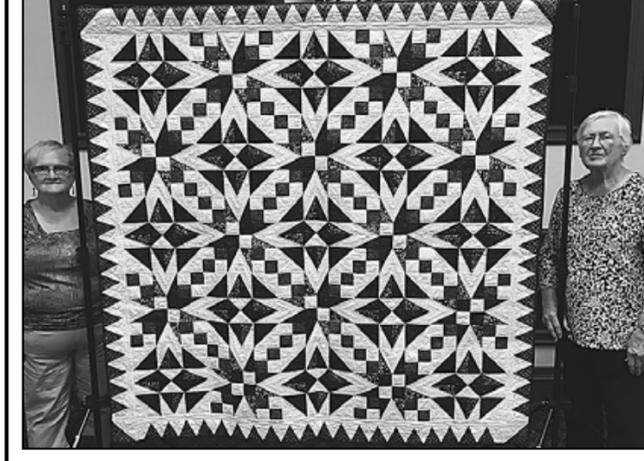
A funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at St. Mary of the Expectation Catholic Church in League City with Father Howard Drabek officiating. Readings at the funeral were by Teresa Bell, Clayton Sissom and Deacon Sam. Music was provided by John Garza.

The pallbearers were John Korenek, Daniel Korenek, Adam Korenek, Chuck Mazoch, Tim Mazoch and George Murman. The military graveside service at Dubina Cemetery was on Tuesday, Sept. 18, and was led by Deacon Charlie Novosad from Columbus, Texas. Three female Naval service members from Austin performed the folding of the flag and the bugle playing taps. Weimar American Legion was in charge of the gun salute. The family appreciates all who came to honor Charlie and who extended their thoughts and prayers.

Leader obituary policy

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

Raffle tickets on sale to win quilt



The Bella Vita annual Mistletoe Market will be held Saturday, Oct. 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bella Vita clubhouse, 1548 N. Rivera Circle, off Scarsdale Boulevard. Bella Vita's sewing group "Hands of Love Stitchers" will raffie the quilt shown above prior to the 4 p.m. closing. The winner does not have to be present to win. The quilt design is "Electric Blue," measures 69 inches by 69 inches and was made by members Barbara Pasciak (left) and Ronnie Stimson. Raffle tickets will be available at the Mistletoe Market, 6 for \$5 or \$1 each. Proceeds will be used to support the group's community service projects.

Bay Area Quilt Guild invites Broussard Oct. 2

The Bay Area Quilt Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 7 p.m. at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale. This month's speaker is Elizabeth Broussard and her program is titled "Scrappy Quilts." Visitors may attend two meetings for free. For more information, call Debby Benson at 713-248-8757 or visit bayareaquiltguild.org.

Cub Scouts seeks new members

The Cub Scouts are looking for new members to join in on the fun of being a member of a pack. Some activities in which the Cub Scouts participate are fishing, camping, launching rockets, racing cars and boats. The Cub Scouts offer students grades K-5 the opportunity to roar like a tiger, growl like a bear, laugh loud and make new memories with new friends, all while building character and earning badges.

Pack 692 meets at 7 p.m. on Mondays at St. Luke's Catholic Church Social Hall on Hall Road. For questions about Pack 692, call 832-407-8628 or email cspack692@gmail.com.

Pack 773 meets at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at Stuchbery Elementary. For questions about Pack 773, call 281-627-1678 or email shapack773@gmail.com. For more information about Cub Scouts, visit beascout.org.

Dynamic Women luncheon date set

The quarterly luncheon for Dynamic Women will be held Thursday, Oct. 4, at Golfcrest Country Club in Pearland from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All area women are invited to enjoy a fabulous lunch, make new friends, shop with local vendors and enjoy an inspirational story from the guest speaker. This month's speaker will be local artist Beverly Deputy who will share her story titled "Painting Your Life with Joy."

Doors will open at 10 a.m. when guests can do some shopping and networking with exciting area vendors who feature home décor, fashion accessories, jewelry, health and beauty and business and professional services. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the event ends at 1 p.m. Guests can register for free door prizes when they sign in.

The cost of the luncheon is \$16 which includes the networking/shopping event and lunch. For reservations, email Sandee Ellis at sandeeellis@comcast.net or call 713-477-6496. The Dynamic Women group seeks to connect women through networking and friendship, help women grow their businesses and provide a service to the community.

Hometown Heroes Park hosts Patriotic Dance

Everyone is welcome to attend the third annual Patriotic Dance at Hometown Heroes Park on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 7 to 9:45 p.m. Veterans will be honored for their service since the dance is near Veterans Day. This beautiful ballroom with a "kind to the feet" floating hardwood floor is located at 1001 East League City Parkway. There is lighted, paved parking with good drainage and an overhead cover for passenger drop off.

Neva Schroder will play recorded music providing a wide variety of ballroom rhythms that are popular at area dances. The dress code is patriotic or whatever is comfortable, and the suggestion is that one also wear a smile. Veterans are encouraged to be in uniform or partial uniform. The door admission is \$8. Tables are reserved for "Dancers without Partners" for those who choose to sit together for convenience in sharing partners.

City of Houston regulations prohibit smoking, alcohol and floor wax. It is appreciated that all attendees respect and follow the rules. For questions, call 417-838-2204 for Neva or Bill Schroder, coordinators of Let's Dance.

Leader checks out social media

By Laura Benavides Scallan
There were several posts shared on different community Facebook groups about the high-speed chase that occurred Friday, Sept. 21. See Page 1A for story.

A member of The Official South Belt & Sagemont Area Crime Alert Facebook page reported that on Sept. 20, Houston Police Department responded to an aggravated robbery call in the 11100 block of Sagehill. The victim was hanging out in their garage when a Hispanic male,

described as covered in tattoos wearing a white tank top, allegedly pointed a gun at the victim and stole an older model Mercedes. If anyone has information about the case, they are urged to contact HPD's robbery division and refer to case #119801718. See related story on Page 1A.

On the same Facebook page, an image was shared about the upcoming National Night Out hosted by Harris County Precinct 2 that will take place on Oct. 2, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Harris County

Courthouse, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. The event offers an opportunity to meet community members and law enforcement officials from the area.

A member of the Everything Sagemont Facebook group shared a photo of a post regarding a hit-and-run that took place at Beamer Road and the Beltway. The victim was not able to see what the car that rear ended them looked like and is asking for help if anyone saw the incident. The victim was driving a red Jeep.

PARC to host special guest Oct. 11

Pearland Area Republican Club's meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct. 11. Brazoria County Judge Matt Sebesta is the special guest speaker who will discuss the ongoing Highway 288 development and the new county spending priorities.

The community is invited to join the meeting at the Pearland Church of Christ annex 2217 N. Grand Blvd. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Plan to attend and meet elected officials from Pearland and Brazoria County.

CCART announces October meeting

The Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers will hold its October meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 9. The meetings are held at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 NASA Parkway in Seabrook. At the October meeting there will be a short business meeting followed by a presentation from local representatives in the Texas state legislature.

The meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. with a social gathering for coffee and cookies. The business meeting will begin at 10 a.m. All Texas retired school employees from the area are invited. The annual CCART dues are \$50.

HCMG holds 2018 Fall Perennial Sale

To celebrate the arrival of fall, the Harris County Master Gardeners group is hosting the 2018 Fall Perennial Sale.

The sale is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 6, from 9 a.m. to noon or until sellout at the Berry Center in Northwest Houston, 8877 Barker Cypress Road, Cypress. The location is new and spacious and will be much easier from a logistics standpoint for shoppers to access. The sale will include very competitively-priced compost, a large variety of plants including bestsellers from previous sales and an assortment of cool season transplants as well as herbs.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 713-274-0950 or visit hcmga.tamu.edu.

Dobie orchestra releases concert dates

The Dobie High School Orchestra has released the following concert dates:
On Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. the Masquerade Serenade Fall Concert will be held at the Dobie main campus auditorium. Costume contests for students in pre-K to 12th grades will be held.

On Friday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. the Honor Orchestra Recording Concert featuring the Dobie Chamber Orchestra will be held at the Dobie9 campus auditorium. This concert will be recorded for competition purposes and is not recommended for small children.

Both concerts are free and open to the public.

Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint:
Thursday, Sept. 27, 3 - 5:30 p.m. Study lab
Thursday, Sept. 27, 6 p.m. Not Your Mama's Book Club: "The Miseducation of Cameron Post"
Saturday, Sept. 29, 1 p.m. Spanish computer class
Saturday, Sept. 29, 2:30 p.m. Citizenship class
Wednesday, Oct. 3, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

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

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

Parker Williams Library

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. this week:

Thursday, Sept. 27, 4:30 p.m. Python Programming for Beginners, ages 11 and older. The Python programming language is one of the most popular computer languages and can be used for almost anything, from games to diy automation projects to robotics. Registration requested.

Thursday, Sept. 27, 5 p.m. Library Leadership, for ages 12 and older, in the library community room. In the spirit of new beginnings, the library staff is starting a new library leadership team. This is an opportunity for teens to have a voice concerning the programs the library is offering, the teen books bought for the library and other topics that affect teens' lives.

Friday, Sept. 28, 4 - 6 p.m. Anime club: "My Hero Academia" (rated TV-14, for ages 12 and older.) Meet in the library community room to watch the journey of Izuku Midoria as he battles his way into UA Academy, the school of his dreams, to learn what it really means to be a hero.

Saturday, Sept. 29, 10:30 a.m. Meet at the library to find out more about the Go Tejano Committee and learn more about Houston's Tejano culture as the Hispanic Heritage month is celebrated. This event is for all ages.

Monday, Oct. 1, 2 - 4 p.m. Genealogy group: The Parker Williams Genealogy Group is an informal group that meets the first and third Monday of each month to discuss family history research (beginner to advanced). Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in tracing family history.

Monday, Oct. 1, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Magic: The Gathering Gameplay, for ages 8 and older. For those wanting to learn, a staff member will be present for instruction. A special thank you is given to Strike Zone for the generous donation of Magic: The Gathering cards. For more information, visit <http://www.hcpl.net/sites/default/files/Feb-MTG-1.jpg>.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 10:30 a.m. Computer Basics: Using the library catalog. Learn how to use the library catalog at www.hcpl.net to find and check out any kind of book, movie, article or other resource. Registration requested.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 5 p.m. Book Buddies (ages 6 to 10). Book Buddies is a youth literacy program from the Harris County Public Library. The program is designed for children from kindergarten to third grade and will be held on Tuesdays from 5 to 5:45 p.m. in the library community room for ten consecutive weeks from Oct. 2 through Dec. 4. Applications may be picked up at the reference desk and are due back no later than Tuesday, Oct. 2. Note: In-person registration only. No online registration.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 5:30 p.m. National Night Out (all ages). Meet in the Annex 67 Parking Lot as we celebrate National Night Out with different Harris County departments that surround the Parker Williams Branch Library. While your children and teens are distracted by the Nerf shooting gallery, hear all about the different resources and services provided. You can even join the Friends of the Parker Williams Library right then and there. Come enjoy the fun!

Wednesday, Oct. 3 from 6 - 8 p.m. Citizenship Interview Preparation Class. Prepare for the citizenship interview including the civics and government and literacy requirements. Registration requested.

Wednesday, Oct. 3rd at 7 p.m. Fall Soups and Stews in an Instant (ages 15 to adult) Meet in the library community room to learn tips and tricks for making soups and stews as the temperatures drop during the fall. There will be free samples of the cooking dishes that night with a signed waiver.

Below are the programs that occur every week:

Tuesday, Babytime lapsit, 10:30 a.m. For babies 0 to 18 months, featuring a mother-baby lapsit time with fingerplay, songs and playtime.

Wednesday, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m. For children, ages 3 to 5 years, features stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.

Wednesday, 2 - 3 p.m.: Basic computer classes (Vietnamese). Learn mouse, keyboarding, basic internet skills and more at this weekly class in Vietnamese. Registration is requested.

Thursday, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m. For toddlers from birth to 3 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and bubbles.

Saturday, Vietnamese learning time. Classes begin at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. For more information on these programs, speak with Loc Bui.

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

Library hours this week are: Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday and Monday, closed; Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Local baker becomes success



Logan "Bubba Crocker" Cooper, 9-year-old Sagemont resident and student at Frazier Elementary, has wowed the community with his delicious specialty cakes, cupcakes, cheesecakes and so many other tasty treats. Soon after discovering his baking talent, he founded L.N.C. Sweets and his little baking hobby has become a huge success. It's no surprise that Cooper has the heart of a baker since he hasn't fallen far from the baking tree. He has followed in the footsteps of his late grandfather, Raul Martinez Jr. and great-grandfather Raul Martinez Sr., who were both chefs and bakers. He says his inspiration started when he began helping his aunt Maria Bermea bake after school while he waited for his mom to get home from work. Bermea gave him a baking recipe book to get ideas and soon his creativity was awakened. Instead of spending time on Xbox and Wii, Cooper's interaction is with Gertrude, his loyal KitchenAid. With his positive attitude, his loving heart and desire to make people happy, there is no baking challenge too great for him. If Cooper is asked, he will say that "anything is possible through Christ our Lord." L.N.C. Sweets' popularity has skyrocketed. What began as baking cakes and cupcakes for family gatherings has now become an average of 10 baking requests per week. His audience is comprised of family, friends, church community, school – anyone who has a sweet tooth. Word-of-mouth advertising of the young baker has raised much interest and has contributed to Cooper's recognition. Many new customers want to taste his products. Cooper takes pride in his baked goods. Using fresh ingredients for all his recipes, baking from scratch and putting, as he calls, his 'Jesus Love' into every creation, sets his baked goods 'worlds' apart from others. Personally delivering fresh goods from the oven is a must for Bubba. No day-old bread is allowed by this kiddo. Personally delivering and meeting every customer is just an added touch to all his orders. On the fun side of L.N.C. Sweets, Bubba Crocker delights in naming new creations after the customer who orders it. On the L.N.C. Sweets' menu one can find the Uncle Johnny's Lava Cakes, the Stony Auchtung German Chocolate Cake, the Brandon-Berry Cheesecake, Mommy's Comfort Ganache Cake and many others.

SJC breaks ground on state-of-the-art cosmetology center

San Jacinto College leaders, elected officials and industry partners gathered on Friday, Sept. 7, to break ground on the state-of-the-art cosmetology center, which will enable the college to meet the rising demand for workforce training.

The 39,300-square-foot facility was made possible by the 2015 bond referendum and will be located on the San Jacinto College South campus.

"We appreciate the support of our community in approving the bond to help us add and update our facilities to meet the needs of our industry," said Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College chancellor. "We are excited about this new facility and what it means for the future of San Jacinto College and our students."

The \$15.8 million center will feature updated classroom space and modern labs to enhance the training for those interested in a cosmetology career. The center will also house a full-service salon and spa where students and the community can get services such as haircuts and color, manicures and pedicures and massages and facials.

Sen. Ted Cruz sent a letter of congratulations to the college in recognition of the groundbreaking event that

read in part: "It is a pleasure to congratulate San Jacinto College on the groundbreaking of the new South Campus Cosmetology Center," said Cruz. "I join the students, leadership, faculty and staff in celebrating the remarkable difference this new building will make for students who are ready to find their path and launch a career in cosmetology. The fusion of academic rigor with

hands-on experience has transformed lives and given Texan's the opportunity to quickly discern and pursue their path in life."

Rachel Gower, chair of the cosmetology advisory committee and CEO of the Upper Hand Salons of Houston shared her excitement for the new building and what it means for the industry.

"One thing that a lot of people in the industry don't

think about on a day-to-day basis is that our success begins here," Gower said. "The nurturing of talent, the building of foundations and future successes, help us become successful out in the industry."

The center is slated to be completed in the spring of 2020. For more information about cosmetology programs at San Jacinto College, visit sanjac.edu/cosmetology.

SAN JACINTO COLLEGE SOUTH CAMPUS COSMETOLOGY CENTER COMING SPRING 2020



Present at the San Jacinto College South Campus Cosmetology Center groundbreaking ceremony were, left to right, Ed Thompson, state representative; Mary Lindsay, department chair, consumer/business technology services at San Jacinto College South campus; Judge Jo Ann Delgado, Harris County Pct. 2, Place 1; Brenda Jones, provost, San Jacinto College South campus; Dan Mims, vice board chair; San Jacinto College; Marie Flickinger, board chair, San Jacinto College; Dr. Brenda

Hellyer, chancellor, San Jacinto College; Dr. Ruede Wheeler, board member, San Jacinto College; Erica Davis Rouse, board assistant secretary, San Jacinto College; John Moon Jr., board member, San Jacinto College; Kevin Morris, dean of business and technology, San Jacinto College; Rachel Gower, CEO, Upper Hand Salons; and David Matthews, representing commissioner Rodney Ellis, Harris County Pct. 1.

Photo by Melissa Trevizo.

Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The HARRIS COUNTY R.I.D. #1 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2018 on October 16, 2018 at 12:30 PM at Norton Rose Fulbright, 1301 McKinney Street, 51st Floor, Houston, TX 77010. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR the proposal: David Flickinger, John Bechtle, Jr., Mike Daugherty and Bill Edwards
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: None

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$.30000/\$100	\$.30000/\$100
	Adopted	Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$.00000/\$100	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)	.00%	
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$ 189,586	\$ 197,745
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$ 189,586	\$ 197,745
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 568.75	\$ 593.23
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)		\$ 24.48
and percentage of increase (+/-)		4.30%

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

Bob Leared Interests 713-932-9011

San Jac PD names Officer of the Year

The San Jacinto College Police Department honored officer Jesse Mendoza as its 2018 Officer of the Year at a reception on the college's south campus on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Mendoza was chosen for the award by his fellow officers.

"I'm so thankful for all the support from everyone," Mendoza said. "I'm very humbled and so honored."

Since starting at San Jacinto College four years ago, Mendoza has become a training officer, teaching new recruits about the college and its policies and procedures; as well as a certified instructor for CPR and first aid for instruction to both officers and the community.

"Officer Mendoza is never without a smile and he has the ability to make everyone around him feel better and more comfortable," said Bruce Caldwell, San Jacinto College police chief.

"He proves year after year to be a top performer and finds time to figure out ways for the department to be involved with charity



work."

Mendoza also leads the efforts of the San Jacinto College Police Department on fundraising and volunteering with the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Tip-a-Cop benefiting the Special Olympics. Under his leadership and through the efforts of the department, San Jacinto College police officers have raised more than \$9,000 for Special Olympics.

To learn more about the San Jacinto College Police Department, visit <http://www.sanjac.edu/student-services/helpful-resources-facilities/campus-police>.

The San Jacinto College Police Department has named Officer Jesse Mendoza (left) Police Officer of the Year for 2018. Shown with Mendoza is San Jacinto College Police Chief Bruce Caldwell.

Photo by Melissa Trevizo

BHI Fine Arts department nominates Barber



Before the start of the school year, the six members of the Fine Arts department at Beverly Hills Intermediate convened to nominate Stacey Barber, principal, for the Texas Music Educators Association Distinguished Educators Award. TMEA is comprised of more than 13,000 music educators from across the state of Texas. The organization awards administrators who have demonstrated their consistent support for fine arts in their school. As a part of the nomination process, the six members wrote their rationale for why Barber should be honored. It read, in part, "Mrs. Barber is the first to say that 'she is not a music person,' but you would never guess it from her support for, and dedication to, our band, orchestra and choir programs. You can tell that she takes pride in dis-

ussing the successes of our fine arts. But she also loves to show off our programs to the school and the community. Mrs. Barber might not consider herself a music person, but there is no doubt that she is a valuable member of our music team." The Beverly Hills fine arts team announced that Barber has been chosen as a 2018 TMEA Distinguished Administrator on Thursday, Sept. 13, at the BHI open house, during which some of the fine arts groups performed. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Barber; Criselda Bocanegra, head choir director; (second row) Sandra Shaffer, orchestra; Wesley Hardy, assistant band director; Matthew Martinez, assistant choir director; (back row) Daniel Mullen, band director; and Anastasia Payne, orchestra.

Lariaette of the Week



The J. Frank Dobie High School Lariaette of the Week for Sept. 17 through Sept. 22 is senior Ashley Sorto. Sorto was chosen for her dedication and positive attitude.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LAURA
Happy birthday wishes are sent to **Laura Benavides Scallan**, a new *Leader* staff member, from her husband **Kyle** and the *Leader* staff. Laura celebrates a birthday Sunday, Oct. 1.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Sept. 27 through Oct. 3.

Atkinson Elementary
Sing a happy birthday song to **Gabriela Rodriguez** Sept. 29.

Burnett Elementary
Join in a chorus of a happy birthday song Sept. 28 to **Bernice Barraza**. Blow out the candles on a birthday cake for **Van Caroselli** Oct. 2.

Frazier Elementary
Light the candles on a triple-layer cake Sept. 30 for **Sarah Dudley**, **Katrina Mitchell** and **Valley Richardson**. **Liz Taylor** celebrates a birthday Oct. 2. Send a special birthday greeting Oct. 3 to **Chris Baldauf**.

Genoa Elementary
Oct. 1 is the day for a birthday celebration for **Lisa Grissinger**.

Meador Elementary
Share a slice of birthday cake Sept. 29 with **Lucila Solis**.

South Belt Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles Sept. 29 with **Janet Messinger**.

Stuchbery Elementary
The day for a happy birthday cake for **Jennifer Dowell** is Oct. 2.

Melillo Middle School
Christopher Bui enjoys a birthday Sept. 27. Send a humorous birthday card to **Megan Medina** Sept. 28. Light birthday candles Sept. 30 for **Traci Stephens**. On Oct. 1, blow out the birthday candles for **Kellie Bishop** and **Heather Kaboutari**. **Shannon Martinez** is sent a birthday greeting Oct. 2.

Roberts Middle School
DeRonda Pitre celebrates a birthday Sept. 27. Join in the birthday fun Sept. 29 with **Crystal Lilly**. Light the birthday candles Sept. 30 for **Steven Brown**. The day for a birthday party for **Kryssia Hernandez** is Oct. 3.

Thompson Intermediate
The day for a cake for **Brienne Morse** is Sept. 29. Send a birthday greeting Oct. 1 to **Karissa Guerrero**. **Cathy Broussard** enjoys a birthday Oct. 2. Oct. 3 is the day for a party for **Mikel (Jacob) Arnold**.

Dobie High
Aaron Mathews celebrates a birthday Sept. 28. Three cheers for a wonderful birthday Sept. 30 for **Tiffany Bowyer**, **Kevin Cross** and **Stephen Cross**. Blow out the candles on a birthday cake Oct. 1 for **Miguel Torres**. Happy birthday wishes are sent Oct. 2 to **Ryanne Sinski** and **Charlotte Williams**.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
The *Leader* sends happy birthday wishes to friends who celebrate a birthday this week:
Thursday, Sept. 27: **Nicole Garcia**, **Yvette Rodriguez** and **Ashley McGuinty**; Friday, Sept. 28: **Megan Medina**, **Esmerelda Rodriguez**, **Anna Benavidez**, **Tam Vo** and **Christina Guth**; Saturday, Sept. 29: **Antonio Morua**, **Marian Adams**, **Adriana Sepulveda**, **Ken Rodrick** and **Gwen Lopez**; Sunday, Sept. 30: **Jason Cook** and **Myra Janacek**; Monday, Oct. 1: **Amy Malone**, **Jeffrey Restrepo**, **Wendy Sattiewhite**, **Linda Garies**, **Cindy Que**, **Cyndee Davila**, **Dena Roessler**, **Yvonne Mintz** and **Rebekka Barker**; Tuesday Oct. 2: **Racquel Rojas**, **Tomeka Anderson**, **Diana Holbrook**, **Paula Smith** and **Lori Pytko**; and Wednesday, Oct. 3: **Amanda Gonzales**, **Thomas Chapa**, **Roberto Trevino** and **Yvonne Mooror**.

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

SJC releases calendar

San Jacinto College has released its calendar briefs.

San Jacinto College Foundation golf tournament
The San Jacinto College Foundation will host its 23rd annual golf tournament on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at the Golf Club of Houston, located at 5860 Wilson Road in Humble. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., followed by lunch and a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact the foundation at 281-991-6104.

STEM speaker series
Dr. Cecily Haley will deliver an overview of cystic fibrosis on Friday, Sept. 28, at 1 p.m., in the Science and Allied Health Building, N-17.3062, on the San Jacinto College North campus. This event is supported by the college's STEM council and is free and open to the public.

TechFest 2018
The public is invited to the largest technology conference in Houston, TechFest 2018. This free event will take place all morning and afternoon on Saturday, Sept. 29, on the San Jacinto College Central campus. For more information, visit <http://www.houstontechfest.com>.

Pharmacy technician information session
Anyone interested in knowing more about the pharmacy technician program may visit an information session on Monday, Oct. 1, at 6 p.m., in the Science and Allied Health Building, S-1.251S, on the San Jacinto College South campus.

Financial aid literacy session
A free financial aid literacy session will be held on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 10:30 a.m. in the Science and Allied Health Building, N-17.1080 on the San Jacinto College North campus. For more information, email elena.oliver@sajcd.edu.

HPW accepts online water bill payments

The official website for customers to access and make payments for City of Houston water bills is www.HoustonWater.org. The City of Houston does not charge a fee for online payments and can post the payment directly to the account.

Customers may also pay water bills by phone by calling 713-371-1400 or set up payments directly through their bank or with H-E-B, Fiesta, Kroger and other authorized storefronts throughout Houston.

On Aug. 17, the City of Houston issued a press release alerting customers about the website, Doxo.com. To clarify, Doxo Inc. is a business registered in the state of Texas and provides all-in-one bill pay services. They have no official connection with or contracts with the City of Houston.

As a secure way to never miss a bill, verify the status of an account and save paper, customer account services recommends signing up for water bills.

1. Visit bit.ly/water-ebills.
2. Register a new or existing online profile.
3. Scroll down to current bill delivery.
4. Click change bill delivery method to E-Bill option and submit.

For questions about a water bill, call 713-371-1400.

Clear Brook debate team excels at Elkins HS

The Clear Brook High School debate team continued to excel while at Elkins High School.

Coming off its first state qualification while at Dawson High School earlier this month, the team managed its second, this time in Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking.

Sarvesh Subramanian became the second state qualification for the team by placing third overall in the event.

Fellow speakers Christa Westheimer and Adarsh Suresh took home the fifth- and fourth-place finish respectively in the same event where the three of them were half of the total spread in the final round.

Westheimer and Suresh also had the distinction of bringing home first place speaker awards in Public Forum and Lincoln-Douglas Debate respectively.

Westheimer went on to rack up more awards over the two-day event by placing in the top eight overall in Public Forum Debate with her partner Fizza Dhanani as well as placing sixth overall in Informative Speaking which earned her yet more points toward her three separate state goals that she is pursuing this year.

The rest of the varsity team was not left sitting for long during the meet as was exemplified by sophomore Rishi Bengani who walked away with a first place finish in Impromptu Speaking and a top 16 finish in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, joined by fellow team member and team historian Prateesh Vijayakumar as he nears the halfway point to his state qualification.

When they were not competing in their own debate or individual events, the varsity team was working hard to make sure their novice members achieved excellence status as well.

Newcomer Isabella Durdoneau placed third overall in Novice LD Debate and seventh overall in Novice Extemporaneous Speaking.

Durdoneau was joined in six first places respectively by Francine Umali, Shannon Connolly, Zahra Virani, Sophie Nguyen, Michael French and Sana Kulkarni. Sophie Nguyen also advanced to the quarterfinals bracket in Novice LD Debate.

Thefts investigated

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A similar theft involving Dobie's football booster club is also being investigated.

In that incident, a former board member is accused of stealing approximately \$1,900.

While the theft took place in December 2017, it was recently re-examined when new board members took their positions this spring. As with the

City aids with mowing

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Active nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) certification and civic groups are eligible to apply for participation in the program.

No deadline

The Mow-Down program operates year-round, and there is no deadline for applications. For information and to apply online, visit <https://www.houstontx.gov/ips/mowdown.html>.

The Mow-Down program is administered by Inspections and Public Service, a division of the Department of Neighborhoods.

For more information, call 832-394-0678 or email mowdown.don@houstontx.gov.

Eligibility

CIS-Bay Area names Adopt-a-School allies

A new school year means new school supplies, clothing, shoes and a visit to the eye doctor or dentist. But, in reality many students in Clear Creek and Dickinson Independent School Districts are unable to obtain these luxuries due to financial hardship.

To meet these needs, Communities In Schools-Bay Area partners with businesses and organizations.

Partners assist CIS-Bay Area to fill a need in the community and collaboration builds teamwork and boosts participants' morale.

Clear Creek ISD's schools and their "adopters" include Bayside Intermediate with Clear Lake Regional Medical Center; Brookside Intermediate with Calvary Houston; Clear Creek Intermediate with Jacobs Engineering, Whitley Penn CPAs, and Celanese; Clear Path Alternative with Hilltop Securities; League City Elementary with Bay Area Church and St. Christopher's Episcopal Church; McWhirter Elementary with Webster Presbyterian Church and SGS Petroleum; Clear Brook High with Gateway Community Church, Mary Queen Catholic Church, and Calvary Houston; Clear Creek High with INEOS; Clear Springs High with Clear Creek Community Church and Bay Area Unitarian Universalist Church; Clear Lake City Elementary with Stewart Title-Clear Lake; Whitcomb Elementary with The Crossings; Space City Intermediate with City of Nassau Bay; and Clear Lake High with Re/Max Space Center on Clear Lake City Boulevard.

Dickinson ISD schools and their adopters include Barber Middle with Marathon Petroleum Galveston Bay Refinery, Dickinson High with Houston Methodist Hospital, Dunbar Middle with MaximGroup, K.E. Little Elementary with BP Texas City Chemicals and Abbott & Associates, Lobit Middle with Universal Weather & Aviation, Bay Colony Elementary with Dickinson Elementary with Dickinson School of Commerce, Calder Road Elementary with Stewart Title-League City, Hughes Road Elementary with Re/Max Space Center South



The Clear Brook High School debate team competed at Elkins High School on Sept. 14-15 to continue their journey to qualify for state. Shown are the debate team members, left to right, (front row) Archer French, Prateesh Vijayakumar, Zahra Virani, Francine Umali, Sana Kulkarni, Yusra Ahsan, Christa Westheimer, Fizza Dhanani, Sophie Nguyen and Shannon Connolly, (back row) Alwin Varghese, Isaiah Hall, Sarvesh Subramanian, Adarsh Suresh, Michael French, Danil Merchant, Rishi Bengani, Maryam Babar and Kent Pham. Photo submitted

CCEF annual awards presentation, gala plans underway

The Clear Creek Education Foundation recognizes the dedication and efforts of the volunteer committee organizing its annual awards presentation and gala, "A White Haute Affair."

Volunteers are hard at work planning the Saturday, Nov. 3 gala, which is an annual fundraiser for CCEF and its programs for the Clear Creek Independent School District.

The event is being planned by a 21-person volunteer committee that includes Kelsey Richardson, CCEF community marketing and events manager; Cameron Cannon and Jana Miller, co-chairs; and committee members Joyce Abbey, Kim Barker, Katy Bastedo, Janet Brown, Suzanne Fair, Kimberly Fleming, Ann Hammond, Lisa Holbrook, Laura Mackay, Joan McKinney, Sarah Moutz, Jill Reason, Elaine Renola, Deena Rigby, Mary Ann Shallberg, Teresa Vencil, Rhonda Quillin and Elizabeth Whiele Wang.

The gala is open to the community and tickets are available for purchase. With a Kendra Scott White Rose Pull and Tap Snap Photo Entertainment, this is an event one does not want to miss. For more information, visit the foundation's website. All funds raised from the gala go toward inspiring educational excellence in CCISD through CCEF's programs that include educational grants for both teachers and students, Clear Horizon Early College High School and national board teacher certifications.

During the gala, CCEF will honor an elite group of individuals who continually serve and represent the Clear Creek Independent School District. Awards and the respective recipients include:

- George B. Carlisle Distinguished Service Award for consistent demonstration of commitment to CCISD over time: Bob Mitchell;
- Distinguished Alumni Award, presented to individuals who are CCISD alumni and are now accomplished professionals who support their community: Christian Bionat (Clear Lake High School 2009) and Lynn B. Watkins (Clear Creek High School 1966);
- Valor Award in honor of a public servant (military, police, fire, etc.) who has gone above and beyond the call of duty: Michael Kramm;
- CCISD Superstar Award bestowed to a select group of individuals who support and enhance CCISD (whether CCISD alumni or not): Becky Day, Dee Scott, Anita L. Lewis - CCISD Secondary Teacher of the Year and Crystal Starke - CCISD Elementary Teacher of the Year;
- Dennis Johnson Memorial Small Business Award is presented to a small business owner within CCISD who demonstrates an unwavering commitment to the district through active participation in multiple activities: Greg Ploss - Chemical Process and Production;
- CCISD Citizen of the Year, recognized by the CCISD Board of Trustees and CCEF, goes to an outstanding member of the community who consistently demonstrates commitment to CCISD and excellence in public education through volunteer efforts: League City Mayor Pat Hallisey.

Remember When

40 years ago (1978)
At least nine homes were burglarized in the Sagemont subdivision in a daytime burglary spree.

The 147th Fighter Interceptor Group from Ellington Air Force Base won the worldwide fighter weapon meet at Tyndall Air Force Base in Florida.

35 years ago (1983)
Kayse Galvan, Stacey Allen and Tammy Snow were announced as the homecoming queen candidates for Dobie High School.

Dobie junior Julie Garner was awarded first place in First Year Latin Literature at the National Junior Classical League competition at the University of Rochester in Rochester, N.Y.

30 years ago (1988)
A 24-year-old South Belt woman emerged from a brief hostage encounter following a robbery at the Stop-N-Go located at 9880 Alameda Genoa near Windmill Lakes.

South Houston High School football player Jermaine Alexander, injured in a varsity football game, died.

25 years ago (1993)
A substantial release of toxins occurred at the Brio site Aug. 25. J.J. Goldman of the Brio Site Task Force notified the *Leader* that 35 PPM of cancer-causing vinyl chloride and 15 PPM methylene chloride were released, possibly due to heavy equipment near Pit H/V. (OSHA standard for exposure to vinyl chloride is 5 parts per million in a 15-minute period.) H/V was located approximately halfway between Dixie Farm Road and the Southbend property line.

Thanks to a 29-year-old South Belt resident, a career criminal was put behind bars and denied bond after being charged with aggravated robbery in the Sept. 12 robbery of the Scarsdale Texaco. Alfred Henderson, 35, of the 3500 block of Anita, was on parole for an aggravated robbery conviction at the time of his arrest.

Dobie High students dominated the annual Pasadena livestock auction as they took 42 of 70 auction spots and brought in \$87,821 of the \$145,941 raised at the auction. The students, under the direction of Dobie AG teacher Jon Rascoe, raised more money at auction than the other schools combined.

20 years ago (1998)
School enrollment reached an all-time high in the Pasadena Independent School District at 41,453 students. The enrollment was an increase of 527 students over the 1997-1998 school year.

District Attorney Claire Connors officially dropped murder charges against Ekerete Inyangumia, who was charged with the murder of his daughter Judy Inyangumia.

15 years ago (2003)
Dobie High School volleyball coach Donna Branch was honored during a reception at the school for winning her 500th match.

South Belt residents Cheryl and Robert Mendoza received the Champions for Children award at the 10th annual Pasadena Independent School District Helping One Student To Succeed celebration breakfast.

10 years ago (2008)
A full-service U.S. Postal Service branch office opened at Central Ace Hardware, 11676 Beamer. Unlike other postal and shipping vendors in the area, the new facility charges actual U.S. Postal Service rates, as it is licensed by the federal government and works on a commission basis. The facility is the second such post office in the 77089 ZIP code area. The first is located within the student center at San Jacinto College South campus.

Rep. Nick Lampson, who represents the South Belt area, voted against the \$700 billion Wall Street bailout plan Monday, Sept. 29. He was joined by seven other Texas Democrats and 15 Republicans. Voting in favor of the bailout were five Texas Democrats and four Republicans.

Deputy Marcus Anderson from the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office was involved in a traffic accident Thursday, Sept. 25, at Hughes Road and Beltway 8 while responding to a weapons disturbance call. Fortunately, no injuries were reported.

A suspected drunk driver drove through Richard Pinkston's home in the 11100 block of Sagedowne. Pinkston was in his back yard with friends when he heard the vehicle crash through his den, study and garage. No one was injured.

5 years ago (2013)
Houston Mayor Annise Parker joined representatives from Southwest Airlines for a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, Sept. 30, celebrating the beginning of construction on a new \$156 million international terminal at William P. Hobby Airport (HOU). Once completed, the five-gate facility will accommodate regional international flights for Southwest Airlines, with service reaching destinations in the Caribbean, Mexico and the northern cities of South America.

1 year ago (2017)
A shooting took place around 10:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, while a pizza was being delivered to a home in the 11600 block of Eaglewood. As the pizza delivery man was approaching the customer's house, three to four men came up from behind and pulled a gun on the resident and asked for his money. Two of the suspects then shot the resident in the leg, while a third suspect pulled a gun on the delivery driver and demanded a ride to the Jack in the Box on Scarsdale. The crooks who stayed behind then reportedly ransacked the victim's house. Investigators believe drugs may have played a role in the crime. The victim was transported to Clear Lake Regional Hospital with nonlife-threatening injuries. No immediate arrests were made.

UHCL sets calendar

The University of Houston-Clear Lake has released its recent calendar briefs.

Friday Morning Continuing Education at UHCL
From tamarin to howlers, learn about the diversity of many species of monkeys in the Amazon.

Explore the symbolism behind food and its link to culture and identity in the fall 2018 kickoff of the Friday Morning Continuing Education series. Lectures are on Sept. 28 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. in the Bayou Building of University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2700 Bay Area Blvd.

UH-Clear Lake Cynthia Howard, professor of biology and environmental science and Christine Kovic, associate professor of anthropology and cross-cultural studies are leading the lectures.

For additional information on cost and to register, visit www.uhcl.edu/academics/extended/friday-morning-ce/schedule.

Training for school administrators and leaders
Join University of Houston-Clear Lake's Center for Educational Programs on Sept. 29 from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. for a full-day experience to discover the power of positive leadership and its benefits for one's school or district.

Participants will learn proven strategies to improve your school culture and develop positive leaders. This training will be held at UH-Clear Lake Pearlland campus, 1200 Pearlland Parkway. The seminar will be led by Niki Spears, co-founder of the Energy Bus for Schools Leadership Journey.

Fees for this session are \$150. To register or for more information, visit www.uhcl.edu/education/centers/initiatives/center-educational-programs/professional-development.

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Melillo Middle School gets Little Free Library bench



Melillo Middle School received a Little Free Library bench as a donation from the Epsilon Rho sorority, courtesy of a grant written by Laura Rahman of Southmore Intermediate Library. The Melillo Community Library (shown right) is located on the side of the building under the covered porch. The community is welcome to come take a book and leave a book at any time. The community library includes adult and children's books. Shown are, left to right, Debra Yocum, Melillo librarian; Diane Wheeler, Melillo principal; Laura Rahman, Southmore librarian; Pat Jaime; Pat Kelly; Bennett Kelly; Luann Kelly; Rowan Kelly and Barbara Norris.

Photo by Dwight Henson



Atkinson Elementary showcases new marquee



Atkinson Elementary received its upgraded marquee, thanks to the generous donation by Ripple to the website DonorsChoose.org. Ripple, a cryptocurrency and open payment network, donated \$29 million to DonorsChoose.org in March. With that money, DonorsChoose was able to fully fund several projects, including Atkinson's request

for a new marquee. After the old marquee, shown left, was hauled off, the new one was up and ready to take its place. Shown with the new marquee are, left to right, Kimberly Grzesiek, teacher; Lena Ortiz, principal; Angi Fox, teacher; and Richard Whittaker, math peer facilitator.

Photo submitted

SJC contracts, purchasing team earns national award

For the fifth year, the San Jacinto College contracts and purchasing team has been awarded the prestigious Achievement of Excellence in Procurement award for 2018 from the National Procurement Institute.

"I am extremely proud of

the hard work and professionalism demonstrated by the contracts and purchasing team," said Ann Kokx-Templet, director of contracts and purchasing. "Being recognized for our accountability, integrity and financial stewardship is both rewarding and

motivational as we strive for continuous improvement in achieving the mission of student success."

San Jacinto College is one of only 27 institutions of higher education across the nation and one of only six community colleges in Texas

to earn the award this year.

The AEP Award is earned by public and nonprofit organizations that obtain a high application score based on standardized criteria. The AEP is awarded annually to recognize innovation, professionalism, e-procure-

ment, productivity and leadership in the procurement function.

The AEP program encourages the development of excellence as well as continued organizational improvement to earn the award annually.



The San Jacinto College contracts and purchasing team has been awarded the prestigious Achievement of Excellence in Procurement award for 2018 from the National Procurement Institute. Shown are team members, from left to right, (front row) Lauri Moser, senior administrative assistant, purchasing and contracts; Ann Kokx-Templet, director, contracts and pur-

chasing and Genie Freeman-Scholes, senior buyer, purchasing; (back row) Angela Klaus, buyer, construction; Patsy Laredo, buyer; Courtney Broussard, manager, contract administrator; Susan Riley, procurement card administrator; and Gwen Henderson, buyer, purchasing.

Photo by Melissa Trevizo

Area centers announce Harvey recovery fairs

The City of Houston Neighborhood Restoration Centers and community partners announced a series of Harvey Recovery Fairs designed to connect people impacted by Hurricane Harvey to recovery services and resources.

The fairs will be staffed by case managers who will meet with clients to help them prepare a recovery plan and refer them to agencies that can provide the services and resources they need to get on track toward recovery.

Numerous partnering agencies will be present to inform residents about a wide range of services for which they may be eligible and provide assistance with the application process.

Services offered by the participating agencies include help with basic needs

and supplies, legal and financial advice, employment programs, mental health care, flood damage repair assistance, and referrals to resources for people with disabilities.

Each fair will be staffed by a different group of partnering agencies and, therefore, services may vary event to event.

The fairs will take place on weekend dates at locations throughout the city, as follows:

Saturday, Oct. 6, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Deluxe Theatre, 3303

Lyons Ave. Saturday, Oct. 27, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., BakerRipley House, 4410 Navigation Blvd.

Saturday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Kashmere Gardens Multi-Service Center, 4802 Lockwood Drive.

Saturday, Nov. 10, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Northeast Multi-Service Center, 9720 Spaulding St.

Saturday, Dec. 1, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Third Ward Multi-Service Center, 3611 Ennis St.

Saturday, Dec. 15, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Deluxe Theatre, 3303 Lyons Ave.

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WATER DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE

The CLEAR BROOK CITY M.U.D. will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2018 on October 17, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at 11911 Blackhawk, Houston, Texas 77089. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR the proposal: Jim Bishop, James Towey, David Flickinger, and Chris Clark

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Chuck Tylka

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$.67000/\$100	\$.67000/\$100
	Adopted	Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$.00000/\$100	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates(+/-)	.00%	
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$ 201,077	\$ 206,803
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 40,215	\$ 41,361
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$ 160,862	\$ 165,442
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 1,077.77	\$ 1,108.46
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)	\$ 30.69	
and percentage of increase (+/-)	2.84%	

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

Bob Leared Interests 713-932-9011

Frazier recognizes grandparents

More than 250 Frazier grandparents were recognized at a breakfast held in their honor during Grandparents Week. Shown right are, left to right, (front row) Xavier Johnson, Robert Bosworth, Jasmine Brown, (back row) Rose Linda Bosworth. Shown below left are, left to right, Caleb Johnson, P. Varughese and Evan Johnson.



Grandparents enjoyed a delicious breakfast in the cafeteria with their grandchildren before having their photos taken together in the library. Shown above right



with her grandson Jaxon Jimenez (right) is Dora Lopez. Shown below with their granddaughter Crystal Johnson (right) are Stephenson Johnson and Dez Johnson.



Free tutoring services available at SJC

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

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



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Children's games will be open from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There will be a barbecue lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The silent auction will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bingo will be held from 12:30 to 2 p.m. A bloodmobile will be there from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. On both days there will be homemade goods at the bake sale as well as a smoothie and ice coffee bar. This charitable fundraiser will help raise money for Christian Helping Hands, Bay Area Alliance for Youth and Families, Bay Area Turning Point and Point of Light.

Israeli folk dancing dates set

What meant to last only for four to five months is now in its ninth year, as the participants do not want to stop dancing. The sessions are not built on one another, so missing a few sessions or just starting still affords catching up quickly.

The dances are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays, from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. October dates are 8, 15, 22 and 29. There is no dancing on the Oct. 1, a Jewish holy day. November dates are 5, 12, 19 and 26. The cost is \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members and \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers. Dancing is an excellent cardiovascular exercise while having fun, and everyone is welcome to join the group.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real and is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. The entire community is invited to attend. For more information, contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarhashalom.org.

Shaar Hashalom holds open discussions

Congregation Shaar Hashalom's own Rabbi Stuart Federow is hosting free, open to the public, weekly discussions. The sessions are held every second Thursday of the month at Sawa Restaurant and Grill, 16608 El Camino Real, Houston, from 7 – 9 p.m. Anyone can join the discussion and bring questions, thoughts and opinions to share with everyone present.

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Holiday bazaar returns

Come and shop at the Kinneret Hadassah 12th Holiday Bazaar, away from the mall, away from the long lines and away from the crowd.

Local vendors will present a wide selection of gift items for the upcoming holidays and other occasions. The list includes unique foods, home décor, ladies clothing, cosmetics, teas, pottery, totes and bags, glass gifts, relishes and salsa, bedsheet sets, art embroidered items, jewelry, children's books, handmade wood products, soaps, kitchen items, paper goods, candle holders and more. Refreshments and bakery items will be available for purchase.

The bazaar will take place on Sunday, Oct. 28, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Congregation Shaar Hashalom, 16020 El Camino Real. All proceeds will benefit the projects of Kinneret Hadassah. Hadassah is the largest Jewish women's organization in the U.S.

The organization supports education, health and youth programs in the U.S. and Israel, as well as the Hadassah Medical Centers in Jerusalem.

The entire community is invited to attend.

Ellington tank farm scrapped

Continued from Page 1A fellow City Council Member Dwight Boykins; Sen. Ted Cruz; Sen. John Cornyn; Rep. Pete Olson; the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership (BAHEP); Harris County Commissioner Jack Morman; the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce; and the Leader.

In addition to the proposed facility being an eyesore, safety was a primary concern, as roughly one-third of the tanks would have been located in direct line of flight at Ellington Airport.

A second concern involved not utilizing the property for other projects that would better complement Ellington's growing space industry, which includes the future Houston

Spaceport – one of only nine such facilities in the country. It is presumed that Ellington will also play a role in President Donald Trump's proposed Space Force.

The halt to the development marks the second time in recent years community leaders have been successful in preventing the construction of such projects in the South Belt area.

A similar development, located on Highway 3 between Beltway 8 and FM-2553/Scarsdale, also drew concern when it was constructed in 2014. While 17 storage tanks were constructed in that instance, opponents were able to prevent a planned expansion to a nearby golf course.

For more information, call 713-802-5076.

Hwy. 3 input sought

Continued from Page 1A to the TxDOT Houston District Office, Director of Advanced Transportation Planning, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, TX, 77251-1386; or electronically, by emailing SH3AccessManagement@txdot.gov.

Comments should reference Project No: 0051-02-104.

Written comments must be postmarked or submitted electronically by Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2018.

City holds meetings

Continued from Page 1A least \$98 million per year, which the city says is more than it can afford.

The city would be unable to raise taxes to fund the pay increase because voters imposed an annual revenue cap in 2004. The city says it may have to lay off firefighters and other employees and reduce services to public safety, parks and libraries to afford the increase.

The website includes an interactive map showing where and when to find town hall meetings about the propositions. It also includes a PowerPoint presentation shown at the meetings.

The city has also created a

page highlighting each proposition in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Mandarin.

The District D town hall meeting will take place Wednesday, Oct. 3, at the Sunnyside Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, located at 9314 Cullen.

The District E town hall meeting will coincide with Council Member Dave Martin's CIP meeting planned for Tuesday, Oct. 16, at Space Center Houston, located at 1601 NASA Parkway.

Both meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m.

For additional information, visit www.houston.tx.gov/houstonvotes2018.

Evening of Cuisine

Continued from Page 1A Dining tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets may be purchased online at www.southbeltchamber.com. Tickets are also available at the Leader office, 11555 Beamer; and Texan Bank, 12941 Gulf Freeway, Suite 200.

Students in Dobie's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) program are also selling tickets as a fundraiser for their group. Contact Dobie's Jasmine Hooker at 713-740-0470.

For additional information, contact the chamber at 281-481-5516 or info@southbeltchamber.com.

Carjacking

Continued from Page 1A tween 20 and 30 years old, heavily tattooed (including facial tattoos) and wearing a white tank top.

Online reports stated the suspect may be a known loiterer at the Corner Stop convenience store across the street from Sagemont Church, but police were unable to confirm this.

Anyone with any information on this case is urged to contact HPD's Robbery Division at 713 308-0700 or Crime Stoppers of Houston at 713-222-TIPS (8477).

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SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

Six fumbles costly as Summer Creek downs JFD in 22-6A play

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

Dobie knew it would need to play a near-perfect football game in order to give itself a chance at knocking off Summer Creek in its District 22-6A opener Sept. 22.

Problem is, it didn't happen. Not even close. Instead, the Bulldogs, suddenly the hottest team in the league, capitalized on six Dobie fumbles en route to a 38-13 victory at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium.

Dobie fumbled nine times, losing six of them. In all, the Bulldogs were able to score 24 of their 38 points following Longhorn miscues.

It's certainly not what the Longhorns were hoping for in their league debut. The Bulldogs,

who led 24-0 at halftime, are out to a 2-0 start after beating Memorial and Dobie in consecutive weeks.

It's way too early in the district race to make longstanding assumptions, but there's little doubt that Summer Creek has recovered from an 0-2 start.

Against Dobie, the Bulldogs were able to take advantage of the turnover bug. Rains earlier in the day didn't make for the perfect conditions, but the Longhorns simply couldn't hang on to the football.

Meanwhile, Bulldogs' sophomore quarterback Bryan Bush kept up the hot start to his 22-6A season, throwing for two scores (9 yards as well as 63) and racing 34 yards for another as his team led 24-0 at the break. Overall,

Bush passed for 175 yards in the contest.

Dobie's Darius Hale, who rushed for 124 yards on 13 carries with a touchdown, paced things offensively for the Longhorns.

Senior quarterback Noah Roman also threw his second touchdown of the season, hooking up

with Jeremiah Ballard for 30 yards and a score late in the game.

Dobie senior Kris Morris, the league's leading rusher through two games, had 88 yards on 20 carries to eclipse the 400-yard mark through three games.

Statistically speaking, the Longhorns hung with

the Bulldogs in almost every category, with Roman completing five of eight throws for 66 yards.

But the turnovers proved to be the major difference, with Summer Creek losing just one fumble in the contest.

Coming into the season, it was deemed that

Humble ISD programs Atascocita, Kingwood and Summer Creek, in any order, would be serious playoff contenders.

So far, that theory is holding true, with South Houston also out to a 4-0 overall start for the first time since the 1975 season.

Dobie, now 2-1 this season, will look to get back on track when it takes on winless Pasadena (0-4, 0-2) Sept. 29, back at Veterans Stadium.

No offense thrown at Pasadena, but the Longhorns should be able to extend their longtime dominance over the Ea-

gles what with Pasadena already at 0-4 and largely unable to mount much offensively.

The only focus for Dobie will be rebounding from the fumble woes against the Bulldogs on a soggy night.

The Longhorns have the offensive weapons to compete with many programs as well as a defense that has excelled for the most part.

As for the turnovers, it's an issue that's fixable.

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**Dobie (2-1, 0-1)
vs. Pasadena (0-4, 0-2)**
Saturday, Sept. 29, 6 p.m.
PISD Veterans Stadium



Dobie cornerback Fabian Crayton (16) moves in on Summer Creek receiver Jamison Frazier (7) after Frazier's short reception in the first half of the Bulldogs' 38-13 win over the Longhorns Sept. 22 at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium. Summer Creek, now 2-0 in league play, spoiled the Longhorns' 22-6A opener after building a 24-0 halftime lead. Frazier had a scoring reception for his team. At right is Summer Creek offensive lineman Connyr Musick (70). Photo by Jade Wise

Memorial's four-set win sends Dobie VB to fourth

Turnabout is fair play, even if it comes a season later.

Sent to fourth place and a first-round playoff exit in 2017, Memorial's varsity volleyball team struck the first key blow this season, winning a four-set battle Sept. 21 at Memorial.

The importance? With the second half of league play now underway in District 22-6A, the Lady Longhorns are now in

fourth place with a big road match at Summer Creek coming Sept. 27.

Memorial, coming off its win over Dobie, had a chance to make a big statement in the standings Sept. 25, but instead dropped a heartbreaker.

Hosting second-place Summer Creek (8-1), Memorial won the first two sets, 25-14, 25-22, before the Lady Bulldogs stormed back to win the final three sets, including 15-9 in the decisive fifth set.

Kingwood is on top of the standings at 9-0, with Summer Creek second at 8-1. Memorial is 6-3, with Dobie fourth with a 5-3 record. Atascocita is next

with a 4-5 mark, but Dobie owns a first-round win over the Lady Eagles.

In Memorial's win over Dobie, the Lady Longhorns threatened to push things to a fifth set before Memorial rallied late.

Memorial won the first two sets 25-18, 25-17, before Dobie came up with a 25-20 win. In the fourth set, Dobie led 21-17 before the Lady Mavericks bounced back to close out the match 25-23.

Dobie, taking on Dickinson in a nondistrict match Sept. 25, fell 25-12, 25-21, 25-14 despite 16 kills from Taylor Pleasants and seven from Natalie Onozie. Melody Le led Dobie with 17 assists.

In District 24-6A, Clear Brook is back in the race following consecutive wins over Dickinson and Alvin.

Clear Brook started league play with losses to Clear Creek, Clear Falls and Clear Springs.

Against Dickinson, Kailin Newsome had 15

kills to go with 10 from Bella Lockwood as the Lady Wolverines went on to win 25-23, 25-17, 25-11 on Sept. 21.

Clear Brook kept its momentum going by getting past Alvin Sept. 25. In that one, Brook went to 2-3 with a 25-13, 25-8, 25-11 win.

Longhorn soccer to host car wash

The Dobie High School soccer program will host its annual fundraising car wash Saturday, Sept. 29, from 8 a.m. to noon at the school.

Presale tickets are \$5 and can be purchased through any member of the soccer program. Same-day donations of \$5 or more will be accepted.

Clear Brook graduate Fichtner named softball coach at ULM

Editor's note: Molly Fichtner is a Clear Brook High School Class of 2010 graduate who went on to play collegiately at both the University of Texas at San Antonio and the University of Alabama.



Molly Fichtner
ULM press release

Molly Fichtner, who has seen success at the highest levels of the game, has been named Louisiana-Monroe's seventh head softball coach, as announced by interim athletics director Scott McDonald on Friday, Sept. 21. The Friendswood native has spent the last year as an assistant coach at East Carolina University. The

appointment is pending approval by the University of Louisiana system's Board of Supervisors.

"Molly is highly-respected within the coaching community and her academic achievements garnered as a student-athlete have transferred over into her coaching career, leading her to great heights, and thankfully ULM," ULM Interim Athletics Director Scott McDonald said.

"She has an outstanding reputation for player development and proven success in promoting the importance of academics with student-athletes.

"We are elated to have Molly join us at ULM, and we are thrilled about the impact she's going to have on the softball program and the community."

Fichtner makes the transition to ULM from Greenville, where she was an assistant coach for the ECU softball program. Before her time with the Pirates, Fichtner spent two seasons in the same role at Dartmouth College. After her honor-filled collegiate career, Fichtner remained at Alabama as a

volunteer coach while pursuing her master's degree.

After finishing her master's degree in 2015, she played one season in the National Fastpitch league with the Dallas Charge.

Fichtner is a 2014 grad-

uate of Alabama, who started her collegiate career at UTSA in San Antonio, before transferring to Tuscaloosa, Ala., for her final two seasons.

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Bulldogs earn subvarsity wins over JFD

Dobie's subvarsity football program opened District 22-6A play against the Summer Creek Bulldogs, with Summer Creek controlling the series to the tune of three wins in four games.

registered three sacks of his own. Dobie got on the scoreboard in the first quarter as quarterback Luke Giron and Jason Turner connected on a 50-yard scoring play.

Dobie JV Orange 30 Summer Creek 14
Nefi Martinez led a tremendous defensive effort with five sacks as the Longhorns' junior varsity Orange squad remained undefeated at 3-0 with a 30-14 victory over Summer Creek. The Longhorns lived in the Summer Creek offensive backfield throughout the game as Gerard Joseph

Summer Creek 44 Dobie frosh Orange 12
The Longhorns' freshman Orange squad played the Bulldogs close for three quarters before the visitors eventually walked away with a 44-12 win at Dobie.

Outstanding offensive players for the Longhorns included Dakory Ramsey, Emmanuel Drain, Treyvon Johnson, Trajan Davis, Joshua Rodriguez, Brendon Williams and Sebastian Velasquez.

Davis had 1 touchdown for 7 yards and Brendon Williams had a 20 yard touchdown reception from Sebastian Velasquez. Velasquez fired a 20-yard touchdown pass to Williams, and Davis rushed seven yards for another Longhorns' score.

Defensive standouts were Richard Gary, Antonio Hernandez, Joel Quezada, Valente Morales, Joseph Johnson and Keegan Asworth.

Kevin Biggers had an interception to highlight Dobie's effort on the defensive side.

Summer Creek 27 Dobie frosh White 14
The Longhorns' freshman White team could not overcome five turnovers in a 27-14 loss to the Bulldogs, also at Dobie.

Outstanding offensive players were Fong Pum, Xavier Lopez, Jonathan Carter, Treilyn Burrell, Eric Nguyen and Jorge Jaimas.

Defensively, Ryan Saxton had an interception for a touchdown. Brandon

Miranda and Christian Medina also had two interceptions.

Other outstanding defensive players were Jacob Luna, Darren Ortiz, Aiden Cortez, Oscar Perez and Edward Labra.

In other games, Summer Creek was the winner of the junior varsity White game, 16-6, count, and the Bulldogs came away with a 27-14 victory over Dobie's freshman White squad.

Beverly Hills football takes down Park View

Beverly Hills' eighth-grade defensive units stepped up big for a second straight week, coming up with shutout performances over Park View Sept. 24.

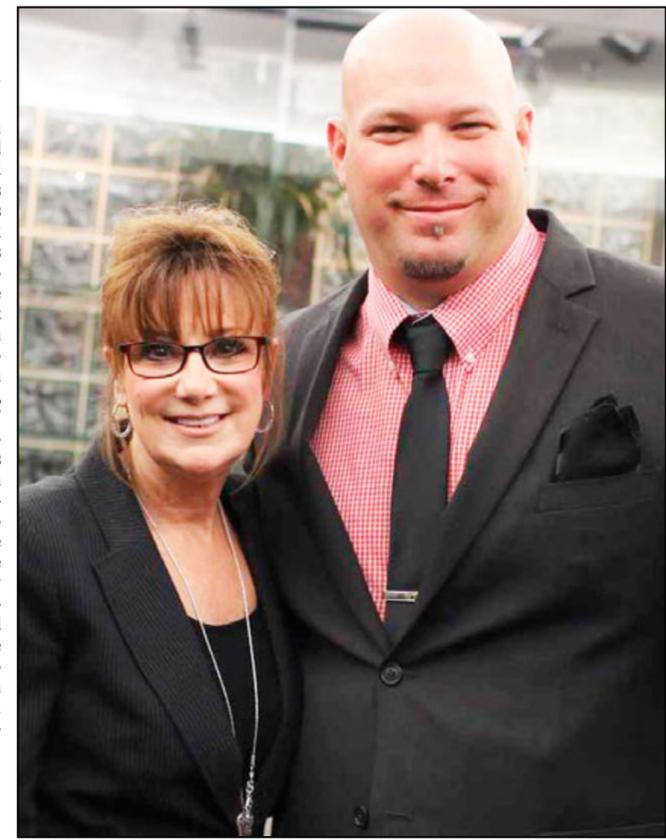
Bears' 8A 14 Park View 0
Nigel Hill turned in a terrific all-around game, scoring both of the Bears' touchdowns, coming up with an interception and registering five solo tack-

les against the Cowboys. Jalen Baldwin and Fernando Flores ran the ball well for the Bears, and Christian Cantu had two sacks.

Bears' 8B 18 Park View 0
Khaleb Davis, Warren Sellers and Nate Montemayor had touchdown runs for the Bears, and Gabe Hernandez and Abe Alemandiz paced the team's defense.

Dave Campbell's Texas FB honors Longstreet

South Houston High School varsity football head coach Patrick Longstreet (right) has been named the Class 6A Coach of the Week by Dave Campbell's Texas Football Magazine after leading the Trojans to their first 4-0 start to a season since 1975. The Trojans, now also 2-0 in District 22-6A action, downed Humble 44-7 Sept. 20 to remain unbeaten. Longstreet is shown with Andrea Wenke, South Houston High School principal. Next up, the Trojans have a chance at redemption as they face a Kingwood program that has defeated South Houston in the playoffs two years running. South Houston goes against Kingwood Sept. 28, at PISD Veterans Stadium at 7 p.m.



Sports Calendar

TENNIS
Friday, Sept. 28
Dobie varsity hosts Atascocita, 3:00

Tuesday, Oct. 2
Dobie varsity at Pasadena, Strawberry, 3:00

Friday, Oct. 5
Dobie varsity hosts South Houston, 3:00

VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Sept. 27
Thompson 8th Dark hosts South Houston, 5:00
Thompson 7th Dark hosts South Houston, 5:00
Thompson 8th Light hosts South Houston, 6:15
Thompson 7th Light hosts South Houston, 6:15
Beverly Hills 8th Dark hosts Park View, 5:00
Beverly Hills 8th Light hosts Park View, 6:15
Beverly Hills 7th Dark hosts Park View, 5:00
Beverly Hills 7th Light hosts Park View, 6:15

Friday, Sept. 28
Brook varsity hosts Clear Lake, 6:00
Dobie varsity at Summer Creek, 6:30
Dobie JV at Summer Creek, 5:30
Brook JV hosts Clear Lake, 5:00
Dobie freshman A at Summer Creek, 4:30
Brook freshman A hosts Clear Lake, 4:15
Brook freshman B hosts Clear Lake, 5:15

Tuesday, Oct. 2
Brook varsity hosts Clear Creek, 6:00
Dobie varsity hosts Pasadena, 6:30
Dobie JV hosts Pasadena, 5:30
Brook JV hosts Clear Creek, 5:00
Dobie freshman A hosts Pasadena, 4:30
Brook freshman A hosts Clear Creek, 4:15
Brook freshman B hosts Clear Creek, 5:15

Thursday, Oct. 4
Thompson 8th Dark at San Jacinto, 5:00
Thompson 7th Dark at San Jacinto, 5:00
Thompson 8th Light at San Jacinto, 6:15
Thompson 7th Light at San Jacinto, 6:15
Beverly Hills 8th Dark at Jackson, 5:00
Beverly Hills 8th Light at Jackson, 6:15
Beverly Hills 7th Dark at Jackson, 5:00
Beverly Hills 7th Light at Jackson, 6:15

Friday, Oct. 5
Brook varsity at Clear Falls, 6:00
Dobie varsity hosts Humble, Phillips, 4:30
Dobie JV hosts Humble, Phillips, 5:30
Brook JV at Clear Falls, 5:00
Dobie freshman A hosts Humble, Phillips, 6:30
Brook freshman A at Clear Falls, 4:15
Brook freshman B at Clear Falls, 5:15

FOOTBALL
Thursday, Sept. 27
Dobie JV Orange hosts Pasadena, campus, 4:30
Dobie JV White at St. Thomas, 6:30
Brook JV Black hosts Clear Creek, 4:30
Brook JV Red hosts Clear Creek, 6:00
Brook freshman Black at Clear Creek, 4:30
Brook freshman Red at Clear Creek, 6:00
Dobie freshman Orange vs. Pasadena, Auxiliary, 6:15
Dobie freshman White vs. Pasadena, Auxiliary, 4:30

Friday, Sept. 28
Brook varsity vs. Clear Creek, CCISD Veterans, 7:00

Saturday, Sept. 29
Dobie varsity vs. Pasadena, PISD Veterans, 7:00

Monday, Oct. 1
Thompson 8B vs. Beverly Hills, PISD Veterans, 5:00
Thompson 8A vs. Beverly Hills, PISD Veterans, 6:30

Tuesday, Oct. 2
Thompson 7A hosts Beverly Hills, 5:00
Thompson 7B at Beverly Hills, 5:00

Thursday, Oct. 4
Brook JV Black at Clear Falls, 4:30
Dobie JV Orange at Humble, 6:15
Dobie JV White at Humble, 4:30
Brook JV Red at Clear Falls, 6:00
Brook freshman Black hosts Clear Falls, 4:30
Brook freshman Red hosts Clear Falls, 6:00
Dobie freshman Orange hosts Humble, 4:30
Dobie freshman White hosts Humble, 4:30

BAFL Sept. 22 Scores

	Sr.	Jr.	Soph.	Fr.	PW
United	6	0	0	0	0
Texans	42	1	1	40	1
Dolphins	0	13	0	20	20
Wildcats	31	20	1	0	13
Cowboys	7	52	43	0	6
Eagles	28	12	8	6	6

C.E. King rushes past Brook; Wolverines now stand at 1-3

Is C.E. King for real this season? The Panthers certainly believe so, what with a 4-0 start to show for its efforts after a 56-35 victory over Clear Brook Sept. 21, in League City.

Panther quarterback Ulysses Bentley, executing his team's vaunted veer offensive package to near perfection, led the way with 292 yards rushing on just 23 attempts.

Meanwhile, C.E. King fullback Roderick Crumedy added 271 yards on the ground as the Panthers stayed one to two steps ahead of the Wolverines throughout the game.

With Bentley also finding the end zone five times, he and Crumedy

combined for eight scores as the Panthers moved to 4-0 this season.

Clear Brook, which has played one of the area's toughest nondistrict schedules to this point, slipped to 1-3 this season, falling for the third straight time after a season-opening win over La Porte.

C.E. King doubled the Wolverines in total offense, putting together 615 yards to 303 for the locals.

The Panthers led by just a touchdown at the break, but Crumedy proceeded to break through for a 75-yard scoring run, and the visitors went on to win from there.

For Clear Brook,

La'Darrion Florez again saw action at quarterback, hooking up with Tyler Swanagan on a 58-yard pass play. Florez, who has verbally committed to play at the University of Tulsa, also had two short scoring runs.

Overall, Florez completed 11 of 18 passes for 154 yards, including the touchdown to Swanagan.

The Wolverines' Michael Norris also had a pair of touchdown runs in the game.

Now it's on to district play for the two teams, with the Panthers set to face Beaumont West Brook while the Wolverines will take on the Clear Creek Wildcats.

Week 8 BAFL games

Saturday, Sept. 29

Sagemont Cowboys at Beaumont Bulls

Beaumont United High School, 8 a.m.

Southbelt Dolphins at League City 49ers

League City Sportsplex, 8 a.m.

Team United at Magnolia Park Sharks

Mason Park, 8 a.m.

Sports news, notes

JFD baseball covets sponsorships

The Dobie Diamond Club, the official booster and fundraising organization for the school's baseball program, is seeking corporate donations for both the upcoming 2019 season as well as into the future. During the school year, the booster club utilizes the funds to help with costs associated with the program, including uniform purchases, tournament fees and travel costs, concession stand food, etc. Booster club officials have \$100, \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1,000 sponsorship opportunities available. Those interested may direct email to dobiebaseball2018@gmail.com or call booster club president Jesse Salazar at 713-898-2067.

JFD softball to host golf outing

Officials within the Dobie softball program are finalizing plans for the Lady Longhorns' major fundraiser - SBGSA's golf invitational. The four-person scramble event is set to take place Saturday, Oct. 13, at Country Place Golf Course in Pearland.

Individuals may register for \$100 each, which includes golf, lunch, tickets for door prizes and a goodie bag. Players may also participate in closest-to-the-hole and/or longest drive contests for additional purchase. The four-person scramble event begins at 8 a.m.

There are also a variety of sponsorship opportunities available, including hole sponsors, etc. The cost ranges from \$50 to \$400. For additional information about the tournament, direct email to booster club officer Sandra Longoria at Dobiesoftball@gmail.com.

Dobie baseball sets golf

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

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

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

Plus4 CU marks golf fundraiser

Plus4 Credit Union is set to host its 14th annual golf tournament, benefiting the First Class Educational Partnership as well as the Cody Stephens Go Big or Go Home Memorial Foundation, which promotes heart screening across the state.

The golf tournament will be held Monday, Oct. 15, at Wildcat Golf Club, 12000 Alameda Rd.

Foursomes may register for \$750 each, or individuals may register for \$200 each. There are a variety of corporate sponsorships available as well. For additional details, call Ericka Calvillo of Plus4 Credit Union at 713-970-6234 or direct email to her at ecalvillo@plus4cu.org.

BAFL Standings Senior Division

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

BAFL Standings Junior Division

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

BAFL Standings Sophomore Division

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

BAFL Standings Freshman Division

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

BAFL Standings Peewee Division

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

Event is Oct. 2

San Jacinto College Foundation set to host annual links outing

The San Jacinto College Foundation will host its 23rd annual golf tournament on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at the Golf Club of Houston, home to the prestigious PGA Tour's Houston Open.

The annual charity event provides scholarship funding for San Jacinto College students through event sponsorships and a tournament raffle.

Last year's tournament raised nearly \$100,000, benefiting emergency funding for students impacted from Hurricane Harvey, along with general scholarships and student success program support.

This year's tournament will honor the San Jacinto College Foundation's 2018 Legacy Award recipient, Frank Nadolney, a longtime San Jacinto College Foundation board member and past chair, and one of the original members of the foundation.

Nadolney has been an active and celebrated member of the North Channel and greater Houston communities, having operated Nadolney Enterprises for more than 50 years.

Nadolney's years of service to the Foundation continue to change students' lives through access to education.

"The San Jacinto College Foundation is proud to recognize Frank Nadolney as this year's legacy award winner," said Ruth Keenan, San Jacinto College Foundation executive director of advancement.

"Frank's famous phrase 'Play Ball,' is this year's theme for the 23rd annual golf tournament at Golf Club of Houston.

"This premier event is a fitting venue to honor one of our founding board members, past board chairman, and dedicated community member who has served the community

for more than 50 years." Major tournament sponsors include Albemarle Corporation and Albemarle Cares Foundation, PVF (Pipe Valve and Fitting) Roundtable and Texas Citizens Bank.

Raffle tickets for a \$5,000 and two \$2,500 drawings are available courtesy of Texas Citizens Bank, along with a number of additional door prizes.

Raffle tickets are \$20 each or six for \$100 and can be purchased from the San Jacinto College Foundation office.

The tournament takes place at The Golf Club of Houston is located at 5860 Wilson Road in Humble.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., followed by lunch and a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m.

For more information about the tournament, contact the foundation at 281-991-6104 or visit sanjac.edu/foundation.

South Belt football predictions

						
Dobie vs. Pasadena	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Clear Brook vs. Clear Creek	Clear Brook	Clear Creek	Clear Brook	Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Brook
C.E. King at Beaumont West Brook	BWB	CEK	BWB	BWB	BWB	CEK
South Houston hosts Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	South Houston	South Houston	Kingwood
Pasadena Memorial at Humble	Memorial	Humble	Memorial	Memorial	Memorial	Memorial
Deer Park at Channelview	Deer Park	Channelview	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park
Friendswood hosts Texas City	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Texas City
Shadow Creek at Angleton	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Angleton	Shadow Creek
Pearland hosts Alief Taylor	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland
Dawson at Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Dawson	Strake Jesuit
This week's record	8-2	6-4	9-1	9-1	9-1	7-3
Season record	26-14	28-12	30-10	24-16	29-11	25-15

Louisiana-Monroe hires Brook's Fichtner

Continued from Page 1B Fichtner appeared in 102 games, starting in 88.

As a senior, she was named to the All-SEC Second Team after pacing the Crimson Tide with a .391 batting average in conference play while tallying 27 hits, seven doubles and 16 RBIs.

Fichtner threw out a conference-leading seven would-be base stealers and committed just two errors in 125 chances with no passed balls behind the dish for a .984 fielding percentage in Southeastern Conference play.

Fichtner helped the Crimson Tide reach the

Women's College World Series as Alabama advanced all the way to the National Championship Series.

Patrick Murphy, head softball coach at the University of Alabama, had only positive things to say about ULM's newest addition, saying "Molly is a great choice to lead the ULM softball program."

"She's smart, organized, hard-working and grounded. I'm excited for the young ladies in that program."

In the classroom at Alabama, Fichtner earned President's List status all four semesters and was

named a 2014 First-Team Academic All-American before graduating Summa Cum Laude with a 4.0 GPA.

Fichtner also earned national-level recognition when selected as a National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) All-America Scholar-Athlete in 2013.

Fichtner carried over her success in the classroom to her coaching duties, assisting with the supervision of student-athlete academic progress and working with the academic advisors to ensure the student-athletes are thriving on and off the

field.

During her time at UTSA, Fichtner was a two-time All-Southland Conference player, the 2011 Southland Freshman of the Year and 2012 Southland's Student-Athlete of the Year.

During her years as an assistant coach at ECU and Dartmouth, Fichtner became familiar with the responsibilities required to run an efficient and successful softball program.

She oversaw all administrative management duties for each program, in addition to her on-field and team responsibilities.

Fichtner shares her immense awareness of the game with her student-athletes, assisting with drills, studying film, and further growing her knowledge through statistical research and data collection.

She has coached and counseled players in all positions, specializing in outfield skills, catching and hitting.

At left, Molly Fichtner was a four-year starter at Clear Brook High School behind the plate, where she once led the Lady Wolverines to the area playoff round. She originally signed with the University of Texas at San Antonio and transferred to the University of Alabama following her sophomore season. She helped lead the Crimson Tide to the College World Series during her stay and has since been in the coaching ranks. She is now the head coach at Louisiana-Monroe.

Photo by Al Carter

Fichtner has built a repertoire of experience in breaking down film, preparing scouting reports and practice plans, and preparing student-athletes for both the physical and mental aspects of the game.

"I want to thank President Dr. Nick Bruno, Interim Athletic Director Scott McDonald, and Executive Associate Director of Athletics Todd Dooley for this incredible opportunity," Fichtner said.

"I am beyond honored to be the next head coach for the ULM softball program. I look forward to building off the foundation set here and promoting ULM to prominence in the Sun Belt Conference and beyond!"

Fichtner received her Master of Science in sports management from the University of Alabama in May 2015 only one year after earning a bachelor's degree in human environmental sciences from Alabama as well.

"Having coached against Molly when she was a player and now against her as a coach, her passion for the game and energy is tremendous."

"She will do great things at ULM with how she connects with the athletes and bringing her competitive spirit to the program," said Kristin Vesely, University of Houston head softball coach.

"I think Molly is part of the next generation of great softball minds. She has a great line of mentors to tap into and will do a great job at ULM," affirmed Jen Teague, Columbia University head softball coach.

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Division I	W L T	W L T	Division I	W L T	W L T
<i>Thompson</i>	1 0 0	1 2 0	<i>Thompson</i>	1 0 0	3 0 0
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<i>San Jacinto</i>	0 0 0	2 1 0	<i>San Jacinto</i>	0 0 0	2 1 0
<i>Miller</i>	0 1 0	2 1 0	<i>Southmore</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0
<i>South Houston</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0	<i>Miller</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0

Match Scores

San Jacinto def. Jackson 25-18, 25-10

Thompson def. Miller 25-13, 25-15

Southmore def. South Houston 25-17, 25-20

Division II	W L T	W L T
<i>Bondy</i>	1 0 0	3 0 0
<i>Queens</i>	1 0 0	3 0 0
<i>Jackson</i>	0 0 0	1 2 0
<i>Beverly Hills</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0
<i>Park View</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0

Match Scores

Bondy def. Beverly Hills 25-5, 25-9

Queens def. Park View 25-11, 25-20

Match Scores

Thompson def. Miller 25-9, 25-6

San Jacinto def. Jackson 25-13, 25-5

South Houston def. Southmore 25-4, 25-9

Division II	W L T	W L T
<i>Queens</i>	1 0 0	2 1 0
<i>Bondy</i>	1 0 0	2 1 0
<i>Jackson</i>	0 0 0	1 1 0
<i>Beverly Hills</i>	0 1 0	2 1 0
<i>Park View</i>	0 1 0	1 2 0

Match Scores

Bondy def. Beverly Hills 25-20, 25-20

Queens def. Park View 25-11, 25-10

8D Records	District	Overall
Division I	W L T	W L T
<i>Thompson</i>	1 0 0	1 2 0
<i>Southmore</i>	1 0 0	2 1 0
<i>San Jacinto</i>	0 0 0	3 0 0
<i>Miller</i>	0 1 0	2 1 0
<i>South Houston</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0

Match Scores

San Jacinto def. Jackson 25-21, 23-25, 25-9

Thompson def. Miller 25-9, 25-6

Southmore def. South Houston 25-22, 25-12

Division II	W L T	W L T
<i>Bondy</i>	1 0 0	3 0 0
<i>Queens</i>	1 0 0	3 0 0
<i>Park View</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0
<i>Jackson</i>	0 0 0	1 2 0
<i>Beverly Hills</i>	0 1 0	0 3 0

Match Scores

Bondy def. Beverly Hills 25-20, 25-20

Queens def. Park View 25-11, 25-20

Jackson def. South Houston 25-20, 25-21

7D Records	District	Overall
Division I	W L T	W L T
<i>Thompson</i>	1 0 0	2 1 0
<i>Southmore</i>	1 0 0	2 1 0
<i>San Jacinto</i>	0 0 0	1 2 0
<i>Miller</i>	0 1 0	1 2 0
<i>South Houston</i>	0 1 0	1 2 0

Match Scores

Thompson def. Miller 25-11, 25-15

San Jacinto def. Jackson 25-2, 25-13

Southmore def. South Houston 26-24, 25-13

Division II	W L T	W L T
<i>Bondy</i>	1 0 0	3 0 0
<i>Queens</i>	1 0 0	2 1 0
<i>Jackson</i>	0 0 0	0 3 0
<i>Beverly Hills</i>	0 1 0	2 1 0
<i>Park View</i>	0 1 0	1 2 0

Match Scores

Bondy def. Beverly Hills 25-17, 25-13

Queens def. Park View 25-11, 25-10

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

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 details, 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 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

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

6:30 p.m.
Kirkwood Civic Association meets at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd. For details, call Ericka McCrutchon at 281-989-9990.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

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 details, or drop in.

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 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - West End Group, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church, 12005 County Rd. 39, Pearland. For details, call 713-

856-1611.

6:30 p.m.
Bay Area Genealogical Society - Meets monthly, the last Friday, at University Baptist Church, 16106 Middlebrook Dr., Clear Lake. Coffee and socializing prior to 7 p.m. meeting. No meeting in November/December. For details, visit www.TxBayAreaGen.org.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. Call 713-856-1611.

8 p.m.
Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share, learn Al-Anon principles, that they are not alone, and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or 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.
Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or 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 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

2 p.m.
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, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. 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.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For details, 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.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

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 back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or 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 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

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, or drop in.

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

2 p.m.
Genealogy Group - Parker Williams Genealogy group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. on first and third Monday at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. Public is invited. For details, email Liz Hicks at 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 for details.

6 p.m.
New Directions Singles - Age 50 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with activities and/or guest speakers at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Pkwy. For details, call Margarita at 832-715-9658.

6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details.

6:30 p.m.
Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting - Monday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway, Pearland. Use door near recycling bins. For details, call 713-865-3668 or visit www.oahouston.org.

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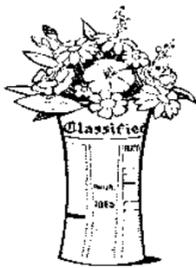
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd., in room 110 D (except when library is closed). For details, call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565 or visit https://youngprofessionalstoastmasters.com/.

Survivors of Suicide Support Group - gives coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adults who have lost a loved one to suicide. For details email LynneAnnH@yahoo.com or visit www.crisishotline.org or call 832-416-1177.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

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

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

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

Local NARFE Meeting - National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets the first Tuesday at Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 NASA Pkwy. Lunch is \$6. For details, call Norman Chaffee at 713-944-2461.

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

Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch is \$15. Variety of speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or email nalix@texascityzensbank.com.

Free dance lessons - taught by Lewis and Betty Whistler (35 years of experience teaching dance) at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E League City Parkway, on Tuesdays from 1 to 2 p.m. Bringing a partner is helpful, but is not required. Each month, features a different dance focus. For questions about this class, call Betty at 832-517-5833. For questions about League City's activity card requirements, call the park office at 281-554-1180.

Trailmixers - Meets the first Tuesday at Luby's, 11595 Fuqua. Former and current employees of J. Frank Dobie High School are welcome.

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

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

Bay Area Quilt Guild - Meets the first Tuesday, Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Fellowship is at 6:30 p.m.; meeting/program begins at 7 p.m. Visit www.Facebook.com/BayAreaQuiltGuild.

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.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

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

Carmelites - a nondenominational senior citizen social group that meets at 15500 El Camino Real in Clear Lake on the first and third Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for a time filled with fun, fellowship, lending library, coffee and bingo. The meetings are open to anyone age 50 or older and there are no dues. Day trips and extended trips are available. Deposits may be taken on the Nashville Show trip (Nov. 25 - Dec. 1) and the Classic Danube River Cruise with Oberammergau Passion Play (June 7 - 16, 2020). Plan ahead to join the trips. For more information, call Marilyn at 713-947-2388.

Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochnsner@aol.com for details.

Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club - meets monthly, first and third Wednesday, Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena. December may be an exception. For information, call Monica Montoya at 281-794-5531.

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

Hometown Heroes Park - has Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dances (not lessons) in a casual environment. A variety of rhythms are played from 1 to 3:30 p.m., Wednesdays, 1001 E League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card (see Tuesday 12:30 p.m. dance for details). Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details, call Neva Schroder at 417-838-2204.

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 for information.

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, OCTOBER 4

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

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

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

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.

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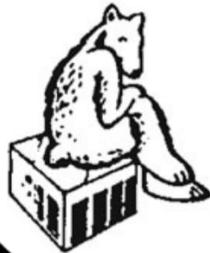
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Miscues cost Dobie football chance at win; Pasadena next

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What is there to ask of a head coach when his offensive unit turns the ball over six times, continually putting the defense in rescue mode?

Dobie's Kevin Berneathy is always up front about things that occur and what needs to improve moving forward.

"We just have to do a better job of taking care of the football on every single play and every single situation," said Berneathy, now 2-1 in his debut season with the Longhorns as their head coach.

"We talk about it all of the time. Whenever you have the football in your hands, you have to protect it with everything you have. That didn't happen for us the other night.

"I don't care if it's raining, wet or muddy or whatever the case may be, you have to protect the football. No team can have much success with six turnovers."

Yet while the turnovers ultimately prevented the Longhorns from having a chance to win the game in the fourth quarter, Berneathy and his staff came away pleased with how the entire team responded in the face of a 24-0 halftime deficit.

"We challenged the guys to come out, put the first half behind them and try to battle back," Berneathy said. "There's no reason to let a poor half get you down. It's about responding positively, backing your teammates and continuing to give it

your all. I thought we did a great job of that.

"We came out in the second half and scored a touchdown, then forced a three-and-out from Summer Creek.

"Then we were driving down the field and were in good shape to possibly get more points. With another fumble, it hurt us. I felt like we had all of the momentum right there, but it was just one of those nights."

What made the Longhorns' lack of ball security that much tougher to swallow was that the offense produced just over 300 yards of offense.

Dobie's defense, steady all season, also largely held a very explosive Summer Creek offense in check.

"What's really impressive to me is that we have seven underclassmen starting on defense," Berneathy said.

"We have the seniors who have really stepped up, led the way and made plays along the way, but we are really fairly young and inexperienced on that side of the ball.

"I feel like the coaching staff has done a great job of preparing our guys week to week, and the players have done well.

"Looking at it, if we had not have put our defense in poor field positions like we did, maybe things would have gone differently. We win as a group and lose as a group, and we will look forward to the next one and try to correct some of the things

that have hurt us."

It all starts with Pasadena, and after that, the Longhorns will enjoy a week of homecoming pageantry that will include a clash with Humble.

For Berneathy, it's all about preparing for the next opponent – the Pasadena Eagles.

The Eagles have been outscored 161 to 35 in their four losses, so it goes without saying the Longhorns will be heavily favored to claim its third win in four games.

But for Berneathy, everything still boils down to execution.

"I think the guys just want to put this one behind them and get out there and play another football game," he said. "We'll bounce back."



Dobie sophomore running back Darius Hale (4) looks to elude Summer Creek cornerback Brandon Neal on his way to the end zone Sept. 22 at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium. Hale again eclipsed the 100-yard rushing mark and scored for the Longhorns, but the Bulldogs came away with the win in the game as the Longhorns were left disappointed in their league opener. Photos by Jade Wise



Dobie players, from left, Michael Onozie (9), Montrey Gee (24) and Johnathan Baldwin (10) prepare for the opening kickoff against Summer Creek Sept 22, at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium. With turnovers marking a sluggish first half for the locals, Summer Creek cruised out to a 24-0 halftime lead and went on to win the big District 22-6A clash by a final count of 38-13. Next up, Dobie will look to get even in league play by facing the Pasadena Eagles Sept. 29.

Kingwood's team tennis bunch tops Dobie; Longhorns turn their attention to Atascocita

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

State-ranked Kingwood having strengthened its grip on the eventual District 22-6A title with a series of convincing wins, its up to Dobie to exert its will in the chase for the No. 2 playoff seed.

Dobie will get that chance Friday, Sept. 28, when it hosts Atascocita in a team tennis matchup that Longhorn head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. believes will go a long way toward determining that second-seed come playoff time next month.

"The way things have

played out, we knew for a while that it would probably come down to us and Atascocita for that No. 2 seed, and that's what it's turned out to be, at least to this point," Moreno said.

Kingwood indeed has a tighter grip on the 22-6A crown, having dispatched Dobie to the tune of 18-1 Sept. 25, in Kingwood.

Dobie's Courtney Chung came up with Dobie's lone win as she claimed a 10-8 supertiebreaker in the No. 5 girls' singles match.

The Lady Longhorns' Camille Smith and Jessica Vu also took things to a supertiebreaker in the No. 3 girls' doubles match, but other than that the scores heavily favored the Mustangs.

some of those things prior to Friday.

"I will say that our kids left everything they had out on the court against Kingwood, and I'm proud of them for that. As a coach, that's all you can ask for."

As for moving forward, Dobie needs to now turn its attention to an Eagles' team that has also won three of four league duels.

Atascocita indeed handed Dobie a bidistrict round playoff defeat a season ago, but the Longhorns were the losers of as many as six third-set su-

periebreakers that could have changed things.

It's also important to note that Dobie's roster has been varsity overhauled since a season ago, with quite a few previously inexperienced players, in terms of varsity roles, occupying big roles for the locals.

"It would be really nice to grab that No. 2 seed and possibly play La Porte or West Brook in that first round. Baytown Sterling defeated Deer Park 10-9 and now has the best shot at the top seed in 21-6A, with Deer Park second."

Teams	W	L
Kingwood	5	0
Dobie	3	1
Atascocita	3	1
Summer Creek	3	1
Humble	2	2
South Houston	2	3
Memorial	1	3
Sam Rayburn	0	4
Pasadena	0	4

Friday, Sept. 28 Matches

Atascocita at Dobie
Kingwood at Summer Creek
Sam Rayburn at Memorial
Humble at Pasadena

Padilla again shines JFD, Brook x-country competes at SR relays

Dobie's varsity boys' and girls' cross-country teams came up with solid performances at the Runnin' Texans Relay Sept. 21, at Strawberry Park.

In the varsity girls' division, Gabby Padilla and Amari Singleton led the Lady Longhorns to a second-place overall finish behind champion Clements.

The Lady Rangers came up with a low total of 93 points at the meet for the win, with Dobie at 104. The scores were based on each team's top five finishers.

Padilla continued her impressive season, taking eighth at Strawberry Park in a time of 21 minutes, 34.5 seconds.

Singleton, a regional meet qualifier as a freshman in 2017, was ninth overall with her time of 22:08.9.

Next up for the Lady Longhorns was Atziri Galarza, whose time of 22:44.8 placed her 14th overall in the varsity girls' standings.

With a time of 23:54.3, the Lady Longhorns' Grace Castaneda rounded out her team's scoring by placing 43rd. Karissa Munoz also had a time of 24:11.9 for 47th place.

As for the varsity boys' division, Devin Caballero led the way for the Longhorns as his time of 18:44.1 placed him 21st in the end.

Dobie's Robert Mon-

tano delivered a time of 19:29.2 for 39th place, and Alberto Campa came across the finish line in a time of 19:29.9 for 40th place.

Dobie's other scorers included Javier Martinez, who was 41st with a time of 19:30.1, as well as Justin Lavinier, whose time of 19:34.8 placed him 43rd.

Brazoswood cruised to the boys' championship at the varsity level with a low count of 50. Dobie, meanwhile, placed fourth with 142 points.

Dobie has two remaining meets before the District 22-6A Championships are hosted by Atascocita High School. On Sept. 28, the Longhorns' squads will be in action at the La Porte Invitational at Northwest Park.

Brook competes

Clear Brook's boys were seventh in the varsity division, but the Wolverines' Sebastian Koran was 13th overall with a solid time of 18:14.3 in the boys' standings.

The Lady Wolverines' Reagan Dunlap was 29th in the varsity girls' division at 23:28.2.

Subvarsity ranks

Dobie's Juan Carlos Carpio was 13th in the junior varsity boys' race as he clocked in with a time of 20:23.6.

In the freshman boys' division, Dobie's Michael Medina placed eighth with a time of 13:18.4 as he continued his great year.

Dobie cross-country at La Porte Invitational (all divisions)

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wood is a very good team. They have quite a few players back from their regional semifinalist team from last season. They are ranked (by the Texas Tennis Coaches Association) 25th in the state and eighth in the region for a reason.

"But with that said, I think our kids came away with some confidence knowing that they can compete in that environment against upper echelon programs.

"The final scores may not have indicated it, but there were some close matches against Kingwood.

But we are winning a key point here and there instead of stringing several (winning) points together. We were also in some awkward doubles alignments on the court in terms of positioning, so we are going to work on

Clear Brook 15, Alvin 4

Note: Clear Brook handled its business against Alvin, winning 15 of the 19 matches played to pick up an important win in 24-6A play.

Boys' doubles

- 1) Norfolk/Nguyen (B) def. Radigan/Rabbitt 6-0, 6-2.
- 2) Gonzalez/Paul Nguyen (B) def. Fernandez/DeBerry 6-2, 6-2.
- 3) Molder/Lebaron (A) def. Berenzweig/Adewuya 7-5, 7-6.

Girls' doubles

- 1) Herrera/Perez (B) def. Webster/Brindamour 6-0, 6-2.
- 2) Acunson/Garcia (B) def. Ramos/Webster 6-2, 7-6.
- 3) Teixeira/Mai (B) def. Ramon/Ortega 6-4, 6-3.

Mixed doubles

- 1) Skeen/Fermin (B) def. Tafoya/Stamley 7-6, 6-0.

Boys' singles

- 1) Ben Raidigan (A) def. Paul Nguyen 6-1, 6-0.
- 2) Trey Asprer (B) def. Cristian Fernandez 10-5.
- 3) Roshan Sreedhar (B) def. La DeBerry 4-6, 6-4, 10-7.
- 4) Damian Fermin (B) def. Matthew Rabbitt 6-1, 6-0.
- 5) Greg Snell (B) def. Jonathan Molder 6-4, 6-3.
- 6) Zach Tafoya (A) def. Jacob Berenzweig 6-3, 10-7.

Girls' singles

- 1) Darbie Webster (A) def. Joely Skeen 6-4, 6-3.
- 2) Maia Asuncion (B) def. Sarah Brindamour 2-6, 6-4, 10-4.
- 3) Katelyn Mai (B) def. Aleth Ramos 6-2, 6-1.
- 4) Jordan Weber (A) def. Elizabeth Nguyen 7-6, 5-7, 6-2.
- 5) Bianca Garica (B) def. Gabby Ortega via forfeit.
- 6) Alyssa Teixeira (B) def. Allyson Ramon 7-5, 6-1.

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