

## Town Hall Meeting Sept. 30

Rep. Ken Legler will host a town hall meeting Thursday, Sept. 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Texas Citizens Bank Lobby at 4949 Fairmont Parkway in Pasadena. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the upcoming 82nd Legislative Session with special guests, the Texas Conservative Coalition. The meeting is open to the public.

For more information, contact Legler's district office at 713-944-1092. Also, reach him by e-mail at [District144.Legler@house.state.tx.us](mailto:District144.Legler@house.state.tx.us) or his Web site at <http://www.house.state.tx.us/members/dist144/legler>.

## Thompson PTO meets

Thompson Intermediate School Booster Club and PTO will meet Thursday, Sept. 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

The PTO is looking for officers to fill its 2010-2011 board; the eighth-grade dance committee will fall under the PTO. All parents are urged to attend.

## Free tutoring at St. Luke's

St. Luke the Evangelist Church, located at 11011 Hall Road, offers free tutoring on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tutoring is held in Room 2 of the Education Building.

Contact Joe Pavlicek at 281-484-1397 or by e-mail at [joe\\_pavlicek@yahoo.com](mailto:joe_pavlicek@yahoo.com).

## Dobiefest set for Oct. 2

Dobiefest will be held Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to help raise money for Dobie High School. Event activities include moonwalks, face painting, pictures with Lucy the Longhorn, carnival games and more.

Armbands will be sold for \$3 each and allows unlimited access to all activities.

During the festival, Dobie and Bayway Lincoln Mercury will partner as part of Ford's Drive One 4 UR School program.

Take a free test drive and Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 to the school. Dobie's goal is to raise at least \$6,000, and to reach it, at least 300 drivers are needed.

## Mistletoe Market Oct. 2

Club Bella Vita will hold its Mistletoe Market Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Shop for that special holiday gift item and browse the vendors for jewelry, clothing, accessories, cosmetics/perfumes, yard art, candles, home decor and much much more.

Lunch will be available at Mrs. Claus' Cupboard beginning at 11:30 a.m. for \$5, and BBQ-to-go at 5 p.m. Admission is \$1 - enter through the sales office.

Club Bella Vita is located off Scarsdale. For information, visit the Web site at [www.clubbellavita.org](http://www.clubbellavita.org).

## Health fair at church

New Covenant Christian Church will sponsor a health fair Saturday, Oct. 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church at 10603 Blackhawk.

Screenings will be available for glucose, anemia, hypertension, blood type and cholesterol.

Information will also be available for preventive healthcare, nutrition, Medicare, kidney disease, exercise, bone marrow donor program and more.

For more information, call the church at 281-484-4230 or visit [billhinesministries.org](http://billhinesministries.org).

## Dobie 25-year reunion set

The J. Frank Dobie High School Class of 1985 will hold its 25-year reunion Saturday, Oct. 2, from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Hugh and Jeff's Car Wash and Grill, 1232 W. FM-646 in Dickinson. For more information, e-mail [mggulledge@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mggulledge@sbcglobal.net).

## Lariaettes host dance clinic

The Dobie Lariaettes will hold their annual Hand and Stand Clinic Tuesday, Oct. 12. The clinic will be held in the Dobie dance room from 6 to 8 p.m. for children in kindergarten through the eighth grade. Pre-registration is \$25 and at the door is \$35, cash or money order.

Pre-registration by Oct. 4 guarantees a T-shirt. Participants may sit in the stands with the Lariaettes at the Dobie versus Memorial football game Thursday, Oct. 14.

For more information, call Lori Perez at 281-797-8370 or e-mail at [lp.loriperez@gmail.com](mailto:lp.loriperez@gmail.com).

## AF JROTC car wash set

The Dobie High School Air Force JROTC will host a car wash Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kroger located at Sabo and South Sam Houston Parkway/Tollway.

## Weber seeks carnival vendors

The Weber Elementary PTA is seeking vendors for its Weber All Star Carnival scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 30, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The fee is \$25 per space. Bring your own set-up (table and chairs), which must fit in space provided.

Those interested in renting a space should contact Cynthia Ybarra at [myfinancialplaner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:myfinancialplaner@sbcglobal.net).

# Evening of Cuisine scheduled for Oct. 7

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce's annual Evening of Cuisine and antique car show is set to take place Thursday, Oct. 7, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer, from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Now in its 13th year, the event gives attendees a chance to sample a wide variety of foods from local restaurants and businesses.

Confirmed food vendors taking part in this year's festivities include Asian Buffet, Casa Ole', Deno's Cater Inc., Dixie Deli, Dos Mas, D'liah Catering, Fox and Hound, Granny Creeds

Cinnamon Buns, H-E-B Blackhawk, Mi Tien-da, Outback Steakhouse, Perry & Sons Market & Grille, San Jacinto College Culinary Department, Sicily Pizza, Pasta & More, Silver Eagle Distributors, Texas Land and Cattle and II Brothers Pasta.

Awards will be given to best entree, best dessert, best decorated, rookie of the year, people's choice and best of show.

Just added to this year's event is Michelangelo Deluz, who will be performing live musical entertainment.

An antique car and hot rod show will once again accompany this year's event. Trophies will be awarded in all categories. Entering a car in the show costs \$15 and \$20 at the door and includes a free ticket to the Evening of Cuisine.

The event will also feature a live and a silent auction.

Newly announced auction items include a fire pit and set of chairs, a treadmill, two children's bikes (one boy, one girl), an adult bike, a round of golf for four at Golfcrest Country Club, a My Big Fat Greek Party for 10 sponsored by Deno's, a stand-up wooden cooler, a ride with Santa Claus on a Southeast Volunteer Fire Department fire engine, a leather executive chair and a barbecue grill.

Previously announced auction items include a two-night hotel stay in Las Vegas, two standby Southwest Airline tickets to Las Vegas, a four

pack of Houston Texans tickets on the 50-yard line that includes parking, two separate Houston Astros party packs that include 10 tickets each, a liquor wheelbarrow, a family-fun pack to the Kemah Boardwalk, multiple restaurant gift cards, multiple gift baskets and a wine-tasting party for 10.

This year's event will feature the largest silent auction to date, according to event organizer Sally Mitchell. A shuttle service will transport people to and from Sagemont Church to alleviate overcrowding.

Dining tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.

Advance tickets are available at the chamber, 10500 Scarsdale, H-E-B, 9828 Blackhawk, and the Leader office, 11555 Beamer.

For more information or to enter a vehicle in the car show, call Mitchell at 281-481-5516.

## Auction items accumulate



Auction items are beginning to accumulate for the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce's annual Evening of Cuisine, to be held Thursday, Oct. 7, at The Gardens. Shown above with several gift baskets are, left to right, chamber board member and San Jacinto College South President Dr. Maureen Murphy, chamber board member and Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital Director of Physician Development Rebecca Lilley and chamber Executive Director Sally Mitchell. Photo by Marie Flickinger

## Rander joins CCISD board

On Monday, Sept. 13, the Clear Creek Independent School District Board of Trustees voted unanimously 6-0 to appoint Donna Page Rander to fill the unexpired term for the District 4 seat through May of 2011.

Former South Belt resident Stuart Stromeier resigned from the board in June after moving out of the district. He served six years as a CCISD trustee.

Rander is a 10-year resident and parent of three children in CCISD. For the past six years she has worked with the Harris County Toll Road Authority (HCTRA).

Currently, Rander is a labor and workforce su-



Donna Page Rander

perintendent. She was senior executive in community affairs at the Houston Airport System from 1998 to 2001.

Rander volunteers with Brookside Intermediate School's boys' athletic club and with the school's booster club and PTA. She also is member and elder at her church, A Community of the Servant Savior Presbyterian Church.

The new board member also worked in the communications section for the HCTRA and served as director of communications for Texas Southern University from October 2001 to January 2003.

Rander has a master's in broadcast journalism from Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism and a B.S. in broadcast journalism from Syracuse University.

CCISD Superintendent Greg Smith is enthusiastic about working with Rander.

"I look forward to working with Mrs. Rander. She is obviously committed to her community and to Clear Creek ISD," Smith said. "The district has some challenges ahead, but I am confident our newest board member will be able to help us meet the needs of all our students."

## Road opening makes Joe smile



Joe Craddock, owner of C & D Burger Shoppe, is all smiles following the recent opening of Fuqua near his place of business. Begun in late 2009, city construction on the area street to replace water lines has had a negative impact on roughly 25 local businesses. While the construction is not yet quite complete, the street has now opened. Photo by Marie Flickinger

## National Night Out set for Oct. 5

National Night Out 2010 will take place Tuesday, Oct. 5, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Founded in 1983 by Matt Peskin of National Association of Town Watch in Wynnewood, Pa., the event is aimed at preventing crime by encouraging neighbors to communicate with each other, as well as local law enforcement officers.

Last year's campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from more than 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, more than 36 million people participated in NNO 2009.

The event is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Along with the traditional display of porch lights and front porch vigils, NNO will be celebrated by neighborhoods and communities with a variety of events and activities such as block parties, cookouts, parades, flashlight walks, contests, youth programs and visits from local police.

Now in its 27th year, the annual event took

## Purses stolen at area parks

In the past two weeks, at least five vehicles have been broken into at parks along Blackhawk near Scarsdale, according to Sgt. Zerick Guinn of the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office.

Guinn said that purses and other personal belongings were taken from cars at both Bishop and Clear Brook City parks while their owners were walking along the hike-and-bike trails.

Most of the break-ins have taken place between 8 and 10 a.m., Guinn said. However, the latest burglary took place at roughly 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 29.

Guinn said deputies have stepped up their patrols in the area, but he also urged residents to be aware of their surroundings.

Anyone with any information about these cases is urged to contact Guinn at 281-481-9189 or by e-mail at [zerick.guinn@cn2.hctx.net](mailto:zerick.guinn@cn2.hctx.net). Residents who see anything suspicious should contact Guinn or call 9-1-1.

place in August in years past. Organizers have since changed the NNO's Texas date to give residents an opportunity to enjoy cooler weather.

The Houston Police Department, Harris County Sheriff's Office and Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's Office will once again be participating in the yearly program.

South Belt residents within the city limits who are planning on having a block party should contact Houston police officer Randy Derr from HPD's Clear Lake Division at 713-308-3200. Residents outside of the city limits having parties should contact Harris County Constable Precinct Two Gary L. Freeman's office at 713-477-2766. The sooner the law enforcement agencies are aware of an NNO party location, the better chance an officer can come by and visit.

## Barras turns 100



Oda Gertrude Barras, the grandmother of longtime South Belt resident Andrea Johnson, will turn 100 years old Wednesday, Oct. 6. She has survived two world wars, as well as the Great Depression. Barras has 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren with one more on the way. Photo submitted

## Centenarian has South Belt ties

Oda Gertrude Barras, the grandmother of longtime South Belt resident Andrea Johnson, will turn 100 years old Wednesday, Oct. 6.

Originally from Eunice, La., Barras later moved to Port Arthur, where she raised three sons with her husband of 52 years, Lewis Joseph Barras (now deceased). Her middle son died at the age of 17, while the other two served their country in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Before marrying, Barras ran a boarding house with her family. After her sons were born, however, Barras stayed at home and cared for her household.

She then resided in West University for several years before moving to Pasadena to be closer to her family.

The only survivor of eight siblings, Barras has 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren, many of whom are also now South Belt residents.

Barras has lived through two world wars, as well as the Great Depression. During the Depression, Barras survived by taking in laundry for a nickel a basket, which included washing, hang drying, ironing and folding.

When she was younger, Barras enjoyed dancing, sewing, gardening, traveling and attending

high school functions, such as football games, musicals and plays.

The centenarian was a member of St. Dominic Catholic Church for several years.

While she never drank or smoked, Barras doesn't attribute her longevity to any specific habits.

"She has always lived a good, clean, honest life. So, I don't think there is one particular thing she would attribute 100 years to," Johnson said. "She's lived a simple life and enjoyed each day to its fullest."

## Bank robber sought

The FBI is seeking the public's assistance in identifying a suspect who was involved in robbing the Capital One Bank in the 11400 block of the Gulf Freeway Tuesday, Sept. 28. The suspect is described as a black male between 45 and 50 years old, standing 6 feet tall with a slim build, dark complexion, salt and pepper hair and salt and pepper beard, wearing a red and white baseball cap, grey T-shirt with a Jim Beam logo and blue jeans. Anyone with information on this case is urged to contact the FBI at 713-693-5000 or Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS(8477).

# Readers' Opinions

## Memorial service for Gabby Romero

The Romero family would like to extend an invitation to all to join us in celebrating the life of our beloved Gabriela "Gabby" Romero with a mass in her memory. It has been a year ago since she has left us to be with her Heavenly Father. Mass will be Saturday, Oct. 2, at 11 a.m. at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road. Thank You  
**Jesse Romero and family**

## Be aware of new gang initiations

I received the following alert from a Fort Bend County Sheriff who was a former student of mine:

Thursday morning, I saw an infant car seat on the side of the road with a blanket draped over it. I did not stop, even though I had all kinds of thoughts running through my head. But when I got to my destination, I called the PD and they were going to check it out. This is what I was told:

Several things to be aware of - gangs and thieves, are now plotting different ways to get a person to 'stop' their vehicle.

There is a gang initiation reported by the local police department that gangs are placing a car seat by the road...with a fake baby in it...waiting for a woman, of course, to stop and check on the baby. Note the location of this car seat will usually be beside a wooded or grassy (field) area ...and the person - woman - will be dragged into the woods- beaten and raped- usually left for dead. Do not stop! Dial 9-1-1 and report what you saw!!!

If you are driving at night and eggs are thrown at your windshield. Do not turn on your wipers and do not spray any water on it because eggs mixed with water becomes milky and you'll not be able to see! You are then forced to stop beside the road and become a victim of thieves. This is a new technique used by gangs. Please inform your friends and relatives. These are desperate times and these unsavory individuals will take desperate measures to get what they want.

Please talk to your loved ones about this. This is a new tactic used and I would hate for anyone to fall victim to this kind of crime. Please be safe and never stop your vehicle!  
**Robert Scarberry**

## Guinn thanks community support

I want to thank everyone who is supporting and participating in my first golf tournament, set for 10-21-10 with a 1:30 P.M. shotgun start at Southwyck Golf Club. This will be a great event with food, fun, and prizes. The deadline for signing up is 10-11-10. The fee for participating is due on or before this date to guarantee your slot. Please mail your payment to Zerick Guinn at P.O. Box 34335, Houston,

TX 77234 or call me at 713-256-7864 to arrange for payment. The cost is \$100 per player or \$30 if you will only be joining us for dinner at 6 P.M.  
**Zerick Guinn**

## Community thanks for flying flags

Thank you Marie and staff at the *Leader* for being willing to distribute the American flags that were purchased for display on Sept. 11, Patriots Day, to honor those who lost their lives that day in the terrorist attack and thank you to Kathleen Taylor who assisted in the purchase of the flags, and...to the residents of the South Belt area, thank you for taking the time to pick up the flags.

I am encouraged that more people are willing to put out their flags and leave them up. While taking the scenic routes (I get turned around a lot) around the area of late, I have been seeing more flags on permanent display.

For those who do not wish to fly them year round, I suggest that flags be flown the following days as printed in a calendar I received from the Disabled Veteran's Association: New Year's Day, Jan. 1; Martin Luther Kings Birthday, 3rd Monday in January; Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12; President's Day, third Monday in February; Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22; V-E Day, May 8 (who remembers what V-E Day means?); Armed Forces Day, May 15; Memorial Day, last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4;

Observation of Columbus Day, 2nd Monday in October; Election Days, especially in November (That is another sore subject, the lack of voter participation. It is a right that we are guaranteed and with so many people vocally asking for all sorts of special rights, WHY do we not exercise the most important right of all, the right to vote?); Veteran's Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day (thank God we live in America); Pearl Harbor Day, Dec. 7; and of course, Christmas, Dec. 25.

Perhaps the *Leader* can remind us a week prior to these dates because, I don't know about you folks, but I am getting mighty forgetful these days and a little reminder wouldn't hurt. (I would mark my calendar, but I sometimes forget to look at that, too!)

Hopefully, more flags will fly high Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 2, and Veterans' Day, Thursday, Nov 11. We must never forget the sacrifices made for us by those who have gone before. God Bless America and all her citizens.

**Carolyn Friend**  
 Publisher's note: A special thanks to Carolyn and Kathleen Taylor for supplying the flags. It was a neat experience having so many people coming by to get the flags. Hopefully you have started something that we can continue in the South Belt area. Additionally, South Belt resident, Rene Guerrero came by and brought a lot of small flags donated by VFW Post 5619 to be given out to all who want them.  
**-Marie Flickinger**

# Congressman visits *Leader*



On Sept. 1, Rep. Pete Olson paid a visit to the offices of the *South Belt Leader* to address area concerns. Pictured are, from left to right, Dana Lizik, Marie Flickinger, Olson and David Flickinger. Topics discussed by Olson included drainage issues and a joint education structure at San Jacinto College.  
 Photo by Matt Griesmyer

**By Matt Griesmyer**  
 On Sept. 1, the staff at the *South Belt Leader* had a special visit from South Belt's 22nd Congressional District representative, Pete Olson.

Two major subjects that were discussed during his visit to the *Leader* were a joint educational facility between Pasadena Independent School District and the San Jacinto Community College district, as well as drainage issues revolving around the Army Corps and its budget.

"Since my first days in Congress, I have been focused on making the flood and drainage control issues that we face a priority in the Army Corps budget," Olson said. "Having grown up here, I know how important this issue is to our community. It is my understanding that a local proposal to address this matter is currently before a court of law, I look forward to learning the outcome. I also look forward to working with our local officials to find meaningful solutions to improve quality of life for area residents."

Even in relation to the San Jacinto project, the issue of funding is a high-priority problem.

"San Jacinto College plays a critically important role in providing area residents with the necessary education and training to progress both academically and professionally," Olson said. "The budget is only going to get tighter as we do what is necessary to get our country back on track, and there will be a lot of necessary scrutiny

in the grant process. I will be happy to work with (San Jacinto College) to find credible, available and existing assistance for this venture."

Other items that were discussed with Olson were meeting local business owners and chambers of commerce and listening to the concerns of his constituents in general, as well as having the privilege to speak at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics dinner.

# San Jac presents *Wonder of the World* Oct. 13-17

The San Jacinto College South theater department will present *Wonder of the World*, a comedy of marital discord by David Lindsay-Abaire Oct. 13-17. The production is directed by Cheryl L. Kaplan Zachariah.

When Cass Harris finds a shocking secret in her husband's sweater drawer, she flees to the honeymoon capital of the world in a frantic search for the life she thinks she has missed.

This comedy takes audi-

ences on a wild ride over Niagara Falls as Cass embarks on a journey of self-discovery that has her crossing paths with a suicidal alcoholic, a lonely tour-boat captain, a pair of bickering private detectives, and a clown therapist, all of which pushes her perilously close to the water's edge.

*Wonder of the World* performances are at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, through Saturday, Oct. 16, with a matinee performance at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 17. Doors open

# Staff birthdays at Thompson



Thompson Intermediate celebrates August and September birthdays of the school's staff members. Pictured are, left to right, Jane Gorden, Amy Whalen, Deborah Hirsch, Brian Mason, Assistant Principal Dan Hoppie and Coach Bob Boyes. Not pictured are Clifford Neel, Bertha Izaguirre, Immar Mendoza, Nora Sanchez, Elizabeth Garza, Ca-Lishea Woods, Glen Russell, Dalia Castillo and Stacey Kennedy.  
 Photo submitted

# Deaths

## Gerald Edwin Cole Sr.

Gerald "Gerry" Edwin Cole Sr., 77, died Sept. 27, 2010. He was born on July 8, 1933, to Edwin and Alice Cole in Branford, Conn.

Cole is preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Edwin Cole Jr., and his wife, Nancy Cole.

He is survived by his sister, Alice Fortunato of Stamford, Conn.; six children: Gerald "Gerry" E. Cole Jr. and wife Lori, Kathleen "Kathy" Cole, John P. Cole and wife Chaylayne, William "Bill" D. Cole



Friday, Oct. 1, at St. Luke's Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road, followed by a committal service at Forest Park East Cemetery.

## Augustina Salazar

Augustina Salazar, 88, died on Monday, Sept. 13, 2010. She was born Aug. 28, 1922, in Elgin, Texas, to Venancio and Delfina Martinez Salazar. She was a longtime Sagemont Park resident.

Salazar is survived by her sons, Jose, Louis and Mario Salazar; daughters Guadalupe Orta, Angelina Arias, Josephine Salazar, Bertha Salazar, Teresa Lopez and Marissa Salazar; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A recitation of the rosary was held Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010, at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church. The funeral Mass of celebration was held Thursday, Sept. 16, at St. Frances Cabrini. Interment was at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery.

Visit [www.crespofunerals.com](http://www.crespofunerals.com) to express condolences to the family.

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To register a vehicle for the show call Sally Mitchell, South Belt-Ellington Chamber, 281-481-5516.

**Call Chamber for info. 281-481-5516**

**All You Can Eat**

# Laura Bush Elementary known as dual language leader in PISD

By Matt Griesmyer

When Laura Bush Elementary School, located on Blackhawk Boulevard between Fuqua and Telephone Road, was assigned its first principal, the property on which it was to be built was little more than an empty lot. This, however, did not stop Principal Debbie Barrett from assuming administration of the school. Barrett had a say in everything from the number of classrooms per grade pod – a style of educational setup dividing the grade levels in their own self-contained unit – to the style of grout used in the tiles. When the school opened for the first time for the '06 to '07 school year, everything was as Barrett wanted.

The '10 to '11 school year will be Bush's fifth year of operation as South Belt's northernmost elementary school. Boasting 875 students and 120 staff members, the school is certainly one of the larger ones in the area.

Bush Elementary has something that makes its students quite special. They have the opportunity to become bilingual in English and Spanish.

At Bush, the administration has instituted a dual language program.

"The objective of dual language classes is for any student to become bilingual and to be able to read, write, speak and learn in English and Spanish," Barrett said. "We have students begin the

program who speak only English and those who speak only Spanish. They all go into the program, and they all learn two languages."

In addition to Bush being able to teach new languages to students, it also encourages what they term "balanced literacy" in classes.

"The students work in small groups with teacher and learning at their level," Barrett said. "If one student works and reads at a fifth- or sixth-grade level, they are not just given fifth- and sixth-grade books; they are instructed like that grade level in the small groups so they do not get bored."

As far as parent involvement, Bush has tremendous support from the families of students.

Throughout the year, to get families involved with the education of their students, Bush holds different family activities on campus in the evenings, ranging from walks to game nights to bingo games.

"Once a month we have our run to help families understand the importance of being healthy," Barrett said. "They come up to the school and run laps in the parking lot. It is always a big community event that is well attended."

Bush also has book bingo nights where parents donate new or gently used books to be used as prizes. Barrett said that students usually go home with three or four new books to read.

One thing that Barrett



Laura Bush Elementary School principal Debbie Barrett stands in front of the school during the second week of classes.

Photo by Matt Griesmyer

never forgets while serving as principal is the person for whom the school was named and the virtues and skills that she stood for. Laura Bush was not just the first lady, she was

also a librarian. "As elementary educators the most important thing we will do for a child is teach them to read," Barrett said. "That is something that will

be carried around with them for the rest of their lives. When Bush was built, I wanted everyone to know that that was the most important thing at this school."

## Building a 'peanut butter mountain'



Kirkwood South Christian Church is building a 'peanut butter mountain' to help restock the food pantry of Southeast Area Ministries (SeAM). They aim to collect as many jars of peanut butter as possible, both from members of the church and the public. The goal is to assemble 1,000 jars by the end of the month. SeAM says their pantry shelves are often empty, and the demands for help

grow every week. Shown, Tyler Dickensheets, 7, grandson of Richard and Helen Dickensheets, and Peyton Horelica, 8, granddaughter of Glenda Hickham, celebrate over the first Sunday's collection. Donations of peanut butter will be welcomed at the church, 10811 Kirkfair Drive, on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Photo submitted

## CCISD launches outreach campaign

Clear Creek Independent School District is committed to the well-being of all students. As the current economic climate and industry shifts may cause adverse ripple effects within the community,

CCISD is intent on creating its own climate of support to minimize disruption in its students' day-to-day routines.

"We recognize that although we cannot control hardships that may be felt in the home, we can make a difference by supporting a child's academic success and extracurricular routine which so clearly impact their overall well-being," said CCISD Superintendent of Schools Dr. Greg Smith. "CCISD provides a variety of support programs and resources that can ease transitions a family may face during economic unrest."

The following activities are just a few of the initiatives under 'CCISD Cares':

- Direct contact resources provided to affected families

to better respond to student needs;

- Awareness and procedure training throughout all levels of CCISD staff;

- Brown Bag Lunch – targeted for employers who may be impacted and want to be informed on CCISD resources that can be communicated to affected employees, Oct. 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30

p.m. at the CCISD Education Support Center, 2425 E. Main St., League City.

- Website Resource – www.ccisd.net/cciscare is a one-stop source for guidance and information for families who may be facing economic hardship.

For more information about CCISD Cares, visit www.ccisd.net/cciscare.

## Thompson welcomes new teachers



The Thompson Lions are excited to have six new teachers added to their staff. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Sarah Librojo who teaches eighth-grade ELAR; Stacy Kennedy who teaches seventh- and eighth-grade history; (back row)

Sharon Curry who teaches seventh-grade ELAR, Assistant Choir Director Abby Seible, Choir Director George Martin; girls P.E. coach Rebecca DeLaGarza; and principal Toni Lopez.

Photo submitted

## Golf tournament fundraiser Oct. 21

A golf tournament fundraiser will be held Thursday, Oct. 21, at Southwyck Golf Club, 2901 Clubhouse Drive in Pearland. Four-man scramble will be at 1:30 p.m., shotgun start. Proceeds will benefit the Zerick Guinn for Constable in 2012 Campaign.

Fee is \$500 for a four-man team. Early pay discount by Sept. 30 is \$400 per team.

Fee includes green fee, cart fee, range balls, four free future green fees (one at each -Tour 18 Houston, Longwood, Southwick or Bear Creek),

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Prizes include first, second and third place, closest to hole, longest drive (men and women), and Tiger Woods' Hole.

Golf hole sponsorships with advertisement signs are available for \$100 or two for \$150.

To register a team for the tournament, call Zerick Guinn at 713-256-7864 or e-mail zguinnforconstable@yahoo.com.

## TAACCL holds impromptu exhibit

The Arts Alliance Center at Clear Lake will host an exhibition featuring more than 80 works in all media by its board of directors, teachers, artists on staff, volunteers and affiliated organizations.

The exhibit will be held Oct. 14 through Oct. 28 (no

opening reception) at the center located at 2000 NASA Parkway in Nassau Bay.

For more information, call 281-335-7777 or visit www.taaccl.org or join the center on Facebook.

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# Lariaette of the Week



The Lariaette of the Week for Sept. 20 through Sept. 24 is Cassandra Velasquez. Cassandra is the daughter of Maria and Clemente Velasquez. She is a junior and a second-year member of the Lariaettes.

# Over The Back Fence by Jan

**BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR STACEY**  
**Stacey (Hayes) Flowers** celebrates her birthday Wednesday, Oct. 6. Best wishes for a wonderful day are sent from husband **Stephen**, daughter **Kennedy** and son **Owen**; parents and longtime South Belt residents **Jannie** and **Robert Scarberry**; in-laws **Karen** and **Mike Flowers** of Texas City; sister **Jenny** and children **Brayden** and **Baylee**; brother **Joey** and wife **Nyssa**; brother **Austin** and daughter **Jade**; and brother **Tyler**. Stacey is a 2005 Dobie High School graduate.

**SCHOOL DAZE**  
 The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Sept. 30 through Oct. 6.

**Atkinson Elementary**  
 Greetings for a happy birthday are sent to **Nicole Nalepa** Oct. 5.  
**Burnett Elementary**  
 Blow out the candles for **Sue Thomas** Oct. 1. Celebrating a birthday Oct. 2 is **Van Caroselli**. Marking a birthday Oct. 5 is **Lynda Andrus**. On Oct. 6, **Vilsy Mathew** enjoys a birthday.

**Frazier Elementary**  
**Valley Richardson** and **Michelle Beicker** share a birthday Sept. 30. **Kathy Harrison** enjoys a birthday Oct. 1. A birthday greeting

is sent on Oct. 2 to **Liz Taylor**.  
**Meador Elementary**  
**Nora Gonzalez** has a birthday Oct. 4. The day for a double-layer birthday cake for **Shirley Hawley** and **Allison Nolan** is Oct. 5.  
**Moore Elementary**  
 Birthday greetings are sent to **Myra Janacek** Sept. 30. **Christina Le-Tran** celebrates a birthday Oct. 6.

**South Belt Elementary**  
 Blow out the birthday candles for **Gina Delagarza** Sept. 30. **Judy Britt** is wished a happy birthday on Oct. 5.

**Stuchbery Elementary**  
 On Oct. 2, birthday wishes are sent to **Jennifer Dowell**. Marking a birthday Oct. 4 is **Laura Bryan**.

**Morris Middle School**  
**Willie McIntyre** marks a birthday Oct. 2. The day for a cake for **Evangelina Blanco** is Oct. 3. Greetings for a happy birthday are sent on Oct. 4 to **Jo Batson**.

**Thompson Intermediate**  
 The day for a party for **Stacey Kennedy** is Sept. 30. **Cathy Broussard** and **John Davis** share a birthday Oct. 2.

**Challenger**  
 Blow out the birthday candles for **Shannon Martinez** Oct. 2.

**Dobie High**  
 Four birthdays are celebrated on Sept. 30 for **Tiffany Bowyer**, **Kevin Cross**, **Stephen Cross** and **Valdemar Tamez**. Oct. 1 is the day for a double birthday party for **Miguel Torres** and **Rosalinda Vidal**. Birthday greetings are sent to **Rayanne Gillespie** Oct. 2. A birthday is celebrated by **Bobby Blackwell** Oct. 4. The day to send a birthday wish to **Nora Coronado** is Oct. 6.

**LAUREATE PSI CHAPTER MEETS**  
 Laureate Psi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held its September meeting in the home of **Nancy McShane** with **Sherrie Cox** as co-hostess. There were 13 members present and one absent. Final plans for the Ways and Means Project were made to go on the Couthatta Casino bus trip this month. Service Chairman **Sharen Burden** announced the group would be taking a check to donate two mammograms to The Rose. Following the business meeting, McShane presented the program *New Paths to Friendship Through Hobbies*.

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 E-mail birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to [mynews@southbeltleader.com](mailto:mynews@southbeltleader.com) with OTBF in the subject line. Items must be submitted by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

## SJC Honors Program awards student scholarships

Twenty-one San Jacinto College students recently received Honors Program Scholarships, totaling \$60,000.

Provided by the state, the funds were distributed in scholarships from \$150 to \$5,000 and awarded based on merit, GPA, extracurricular or volunteer activities, prior awards and honors, and an essay.

Students may use the scholarships toward tuition, fees, and books for one academic year.

"I am immensely grateful to San Jacinto and the honors program," said Lera Soleen Aucoin of Deer Park, an engineer design graphics student at San Jacinto College

South. Aucoin was one of eight students who received a \$5,000 scholarship. "This scholarship affords myself and many other students the opportunity to attend classes and purchase books, which otherwise might not be possible. In addition, participating in the program's activities, places students on a path toward personal enrichment by encouraging an appreciation for art, music, and theater."

Additional recipients of \$5,000 honors scholarships include **Jade McCoy** of Pasadena; **Jesse McNicoll**, **Jonathan Hanson**, **Han Huynh**, and **Paul Knowles**, each from Houston; **Sarah Thomas** of Pearland; and **Brandt Winder** of League City.

Scott R. Furtwengler, district dean of the SJC honors program, said scholarships are available for any student who enrolls in at least one honors course, or who commits to an honors contract each semester and participates in one honors activity each semester.

"The Honors Program Scholarship embodies one of San Jacinto College's priorities: student success," said Furtwengler. "In awarding the scholarship, we hope that it will allow students to focus on their course work, to increase their course load by not having to work as many hours in a part-time job, and to encourage successful course completion, retention,

and graduation." SJC, visit [www.sanjac.edu](http://www.sanjac.edu) or call 281-998-6150.

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## TAACCL to host Fine Arts Festival

The Arts and Alliance Center at Clear Lake will host a festival showcasing the fine arts creations of well-known local artists, as well as additional artists from as far away as Bolivia and Germany. The fourth annual 2010 Bay Area Houston Arts Festival will be held Friday, Nov. 5, and Saturday, Nov. 6, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Arts Alliance Center at Clear Lake, 2000 NASA Parkway in Nassau Bay. The festival will feature the works of artists of all media including paintings, drawings, jewelry, photography, pottery and gemstones. There will be live entertainment and food. For more information, call 281-335-7777 or visit [www.taaccl.org](http://www.taaccl.org), or join the center on Facebook.

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## Dobie Band Section of the Week



The J. Frank Dobie Longhorn Marching Band announced the flutes as Section of the Week for Sept. 7 through Sept. 11. Band Members of the Week were **Manuel Reyna** and **Chanse Morris**. Student Leader of the Week was **Erick Frias**, and Spirit Member of the Week was **Jacob Boelsche**. Flute section members are, left to right, (front row, sitting) **Grace Boelsche**, **Jennifer Galvan**, **Christina Tran**, **Eric Cortes**, **Taylor Glunt**, **Juanita**

**Garcia**, **Jessica Armenta**, (middle row, kneeling) **Nicolle Lindsey**, **Annabelle Aguilar**, **Alexis Sandoval**, **Justice Cumpian**, **Karinna Marin**, **Amber DeLeon**, **Carla Salinas**, (back row) **Ilse Vielma**, **Dominique McCray**, **Alexia Jackson**, **Joy Rose**, **Isabel Curiel**, **Diana Cordero**, **Christopher Cruz**, **Alondra Cahue**, **Deanna Alanis**, **Venerson Villanueva**, **Veronica Bardales** and **Ivett Valle**.

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## Remember When

**25 years ago (1985)**  
 Drinking water from wells near the abandoned Brio Refinery on Dixie Farm Road was given a clean bill of health by the Brio Task Force.

Installation of street lights on Fuqua at I-45 was set to take place by the end of January 1986, a year after the initial request.

Firemen worked half an hour to put out a fire that destroyed the engine and front inside of a 1997 Mercury Cougar.

Three South Belt females participated in the Olympics: **Christa Williams**, on the softball team; **Judy Harrison**, as assistant coach for the U.S. women's track team; and **Crystal Fullen**, as batgirl for the U.S. softball team.

**20 years ago (1990)**  
 Over the past nine months the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce had grown 45 percent in membership.

**10 years ago (2000)**  
 Donna Benfiglio, 31, made medical history by being the first American to have a DeBakey VAD™ (ventricular assist device) put in her heart.

After months of refusing to grant transfers for Weber Elementary students based on the school's proximity to a toxic waste site, Clear Creek ISD board members agreed to alter policy on a one-time basis.

U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay was indicted by a grand jury in Travis County, Texas, on charges of conspiracy in a campaign scheme. DeLay temporarily stepped down as majority leader in the House of Representatives but kept his position as Congressional District 22 representative He resigned in June 2006.

Students in an English class at Thompson Intermediate started an Adopt-a-Soldier program to send letters to soldiers and were requesting names and addresses of men and women participating in Operation Desert Shield.

Massive evacuations and preparations for Hurricane Rita were all in vain, and the Houston area was spared after the hurricane took a last minute turn toward the east. It made landfall as a Category 3 storm near the Texas/Louisiana border. At its highest intensity as a Category 5 hurricane, it was the fourth-most intense Atlantic storm ever recorded. In April 2006, the World Meteorological Organiza-

Houston's public television station, Channel 8, aired a special on toxic waste. Hosted by Texan Bill Moyers, the *Global Dumping Ground*, was the result of a two-year investigation by the Center for Investiga-

tion retired the name Rita along with four other deadly storms from the 2005 season. Due to their severity in loss of life and damage to property, the names Dennis, Katrina, Rita, Stan and Wilma would no longer appear on the alphabetical list of names for hurricanes, which cycles every six years. Those names were replaced with Don, Katia, Rina, Sean and Whitney for the 2011 season.

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Jessup Elementary student Carlos Kelley, 9, died of a rare form of cancer.

**1 year ago (2009)**  
 The official groundbreaking ceremony for the new Southeast Volunteer Fire Department station, located at 10510 Scarsdale Blvd., took place. SVFD Chief Chuck Tylka was hopeful construction would be complete by July 4, 2010.

## Second annual Team Gabby tournament, vigil set

The South Belt Girls Softball Association will host its second annual Team Gabby Tournament Oct. 8-10. The tournament is filling up quickly, and there are only a few spots available. To sign a team up, call Aaron Longoria at 713-478-0078 or e-mail [guylongoria@yahoo.com](mailto:guylongoria@yahoo.com).

Those who would like to volunteer, set up a vending booth or donate items for the raffle should call 281-630-5176 or e-mail [aagonzales2002@yahoo.com](mailto:aagonzales2002@yahoo.com). All proceeds will go to Team Gabby.

A candlelight vigil for Gabby Romero will also be held Saturday, Oct. 2, on the Gabby Romero Field at El Franco Lee Park. Romero played softball with SBGSA and Dobie High. She lost her battle with renal cancer one year ago.

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## Science teachers sell snacks at game



The Thompson Science Department will sell refreshments at home seventh- and eighth-grade football games this season. Refreshments include water, sodas, chips, pickles and an array of candy. The proceeds will help fund the school's science trip to Keystone, Colo. Shown, left to right, science teachers Carol Waters and Susie Haas sell snacks at the eighth-grade B football game where the Thompson Lions took on the San Jacinto Tigers.

Photo by Todd Taylor

## Schramms celebrate 60th



Paul and Marjorie Schramm celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sept. 16, 2010. They were married in Columbus, Ohio, in 1950, and have lived in the Sagemont area for 37 years. They met while Paul was attending Ohio State University and have been together since. The couple have three children: Lee Schramm, John Schramm and daughter Judith and husband Wesley Clifton. They also have two grandsons, Timothy Fox and Steven Fox. Paul is a retired chemical engineer, formerly employed by Arco Chemical and Phillips Chemical. After retiring from Arco, Paul sold real estate and more recently, prepared income tax returns. Marjorie owned and operated a ceramic shop, M and T Ceramics, with her son, John, for 20 years before retiring. They celebrated with a quiet family dinner at Sudie's. To top off the weekend, Marjorie celebrated her 80th birthday on Sept. 19 with a family brunch at Cullen's.

### Softball, baseball boosters host golf tournament

Dobie softball and baseball booster clubs will hold their Longhorn Golf Tournament (4-person scramble) on Saturday, Oct. 23, at Glenbrook Golf Course in Houston. Check-in will be from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and shotgun start at 2 p.m. The public is invited.

Entry fee is \$80 per person - entry deadline is Oct. 15. Late registration will be \$85. Price includes golf (green fee and cart fee), goodie bag, tickets for door prizes and a ticket for a lunch meal. For more information, call Nick Medina at 713-206-8224.

### Parker Williams Library sets events

The following events are scheduled for the week of Sept. 30 through Oct. 6 at Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.: On Saturday, Oct. 2, no Vietnamese storytime is scheduled this week.

The genealogy discussion group will meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 4. This meeting is open to the public. Preschool storytime is at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, and toddler storytime is at 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

## Miracle on 34th Street auditions Oct. 3-4

Clear Creek Community Theatre will hold auditions for *Miracle on 34th Street* on Oct. 3 and Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. at the theater located at 18091 Upper Bay Road in Nassau Bay. Performances will be Dec. 3 through Dec. 19 with shows on Friday and Saturday nights as well as Sunday afternoons.

This production will be directed by Andrea Taylor and characters include 10 men, 10 women and 10 children of varying ages.

The story is about Kris

Kringle, a kind old man who says he is Santa Claus. His generosity makes many believe. But when one fellow employee tries to get Kris committed, it starts a fight that brings together all of New York.

For those who would like to be involved in this magical production but don't want to step on stage, many other positions are available in the tech and stage crews.

For more information or a complete cast of characters, contact Andrea Taylor at

ataylor@clearcreekcommunitytheatre.com.

Visit the Web site at [www.clearcreekcommunitytheatre.org](http://www.clearcreekcommunitytheatre.org) or find it on Facebook.

## Galveston topic of speaker series

Born-on-the-islanders and the general public are invited to learn about the city that was once the first major settlement in eastern Texas at a lecture titled *The Free State of Galveston*, presented by University of Houston-Clear Lake archivist Shelly Kelly, Oct. 7, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Bayou Building, Garden Room 1515, 2700 Bay Area Blvd. in Houston.

Also referred to as the "Republic of Galveston Island" during the early to mid-20th century, Kelly offers a historical perspective

of Galveston as it became the largest city in Texas and an important national commercial center and seaport.

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For more information, contact the university's Office of University Advancement at 281-283-2021 or visit [www.uhcl.edu/clasp](http://www.uhcl.edu/clasp). Classes are subject to cancellation or change in schedule.

## Hobby Lions Club to meet

The Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club will meet Wednesday, Oct. 6, at 11:30 a.m. at the Golden Corral at Fuqua and I-45. For more information, call Monica Montoya at 281-794-5531.

## Stitchers display quilts at Mistletoe Market

The Bella Vita sewing group, The Hands of Love Stitchers, will have two quilts on display at the Mistletoe Market at Club Bella Vita on Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets for both quilts will be available for purchase.

The quilt, *Splash of Summer*, will be drawn for that afternoon. The winner does not need to be present. The group is currently

working on Quilts of Valor for the Veterans Hospital, incubator covers for Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, and masks for pediatric transplant patients. All proceeds from the quilts will be used to fund these and other community projects.

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**FOR** the proposal: David Dittmar, John Elam, Glenn Williams, Ted Heinrich and Timothy Beyer

**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)	\$36500/\$100	\$37900/\$100
	Adopted	Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$0.1400/\$100	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		3.83%
Average appraised value	\$124,225	\$124,342
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0	\$0
Average taxable value	\$124,225	\$124,342
Tax on average residence homestead	\$453.42	\$471.25
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$17.83 3.93%

## NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

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## Birkholz visits East Coast, Europe

Rosie Birkholz of South Belt recently returned from a seven-week holiday traveling and visiting with family. The first trip was a week in a beachfront home in Nag's Head, Outer Banks, N.C., with her children, Howard and Pat Birkholz, grandchildren Cortney and Dan Croft, and great-grandchildren Andrew, Dylan and Ryan Croft. The weather was beautiful, and the ocean was alive with dolphins and pelicans.

The next trip was a two-week cruise in Europe. While there, she visited Paris, Lorient, Bordeaux and Le Havre in France; Bilbao and A Coruna in Spain; Amsterdam and Vlissingen in the Netherlands; Brussels in Belgium; and St. Peter Port, Guernsey and London in the United Kingdom.

Upon returning from overseas, Rosie visited her home town of Long Beach, N.Y., to visit her 90-year-old sister, Carol, and other relatives.

Pictured at right, left to right, Pat Birkholz from Clifton, Va., Rosie Birkholz, Pat's husband Howard Birkholz, and Pat's sister Bobbie Larson of Minnesota stand in front of the Eiffel Tower.

Pictured below, Bobbie, Rosie, Howard and Pat stand in front of the fountains.



## South Belters share summer vacation photos

### Staude family enjoys Disney, cruise



South Belt residents Breck Staude, wife Royanne and daughter Brittney spent their vacation at Disney World in July. They also enjoyed a cruise on the Disney Wonder to the Bahamas.

Top left photo: Breck and Brittney wait with their Mickey Mouse ear balloons for the fireworks display to begin at Disney World.

Bottom left photo: Breck and Brittney stop for a visit with Pluto on the cruise to the Bahamas.

Top right photo: Breck and Royanne standing on the deck of the Disney Wonder during their trip to the Bahamas.

Bottom right photo: The Disney Electric Parade at Magic Kingdom.



## Gonzalezes see Chicago from above



David Gonzalez, wife Maria and children David Lee and Stephanie, had the chance to see Chicago this past August from high above the city.

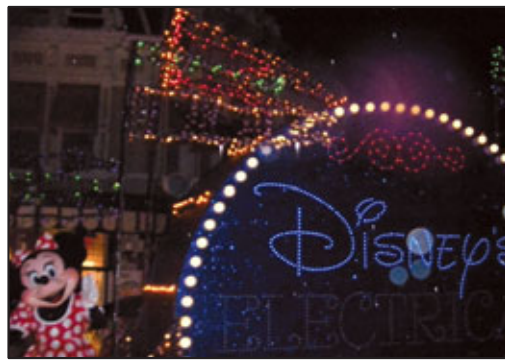
Top left: Stephanie and David enjoy the sites from 103 stories above the ground in the Sky Deck in Willis Tower (formerly Sears Tower).

Middle left: David Lee and Stephanie stand in front of the Chicago Skyline by Lake Michigan.

Bottom left: The family, Maria, Stephanie, David and David Lee, pose in front of Wrigley Field.

Below: Stephanie stands alone 103 stories above the ground in the Sky Deck in Willis Tower.

The Gonzalez family has lived in Sagemont since 1998. Son David Lee is in the seventh grade at Thompson Intermediate where he plays football. He has played baseball for Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League since T-Ball, and for Bay Area Texas Baseball this past spring. Daughter Stephanie is in the fourth grade at Frazier Elementary. She is currently not in any extracurricular activities, but hopes to get into martial arts in the near future.



## Farias, Munoz family soars on zipline



The Farias and Munoz family of Kirkwood South enjoyed the Wimberly, Texas, zipline this summer. Rick Farias and Lucy Yanez are the owners of Cobra Communications.

Top left: (left to right) Rick Farias, Erica Munoz, Dez Farias and Lucy Yanez pose while waiting for a try at the zipline.

At right: Erica Munoz takes a turn on the zipline. Erica is a 2007 Dobie High School graduate. She recently received her associate degree from San Jacinto College and will continue to attend San Jac with plans of majoring in the medical field.

Bottom left: Dez Farias, a student at Dobie, takes a turn.



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# SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

## CB earns huge 24-5A win; Memorial sweeps Dobie

This time of year, the high school varsity volleyball standings are jumbling every Tuesday and Friday as teams fight for precious playoff seeds.

On Sept. 28, it was Clear Brook's turn to make a major move in the 24-5A field. Looking to stay close to the top of the league, Clear Brook needed a big

win over Pearland and got it. Stars Alicia Dittrich of Clear Brook and Malorie Pardo of Pearland did their part. Dittrich had a match-high 18 kills for the Lady

Wolverines and Pardo had 13 for Pearland, but Clear Brook's team did much more in a supporting role. Coming through with performance in a crucial situation, the Lady Wolverines swept Pearland 25-23, 25-21, 25-22, leaving both teams at 3-3 in the 24-5A standings

with one more match to play in the first half. Hoping to stay unbeaten early in the 22-5A march, things did not go as well for Dobie. Playing on the road at Pasadena Memorial, Dobie went toe-to-toe with the Lady Mavericks for **Continued on Page 3B**



Above, the Dobie block of Natalie Scaggs (6) and Katherine Finney (5) rises to challenge Pasadena Memorial's Ashley Morren (8) during the Lady Mavericks' victory over Dobie Sept. 28 at Memorial. Memorial swept the match, but all three games were tight as Memorial stayed unbeaten in 22-5A play at 2-0, with Dobie falling to 1-1. At right, Clear Brook's Anita Permenter (hitting) was part of a huge win for the Lady Wolverines over Pearland at Brook. With a sweep over the Lady Oilers, Brook improved to 3-3 in 24-5A action. *Photo by John Bechtle*



## Brook gets 24-5A 'V'; JFD edges Falcons

**By John Bechtle  
Sports Editor**  
With the heart of the high school football season left to be played, the Clear Brook and Dobie High School varsity teams are feeling good about themselves these days.

stretch of District 24-5A action still awaits the Wolverines, but so far head coach Paul Lanier's team is passing every test that confronts it. After a slow 3-3 start after one quarter against Alvin, the Wolverines took care of business. Quarterback Matt Heidt scored on a pair of 1-yard runs, and three other players found the end zone via the rushing game as the Wolverines began league play with a convincing win.

After being blanked in its season opener against Houston Lamar, Clear Brook has now won three straight games. And now comes the biggest challenge of the season. The Wolverines will take on the Clear Creek Wildcats Friday, Oct. 8, at Vet-

eran's Memorial Stadium in League City. Coming off a loss to Dickinson in its district opener, Clear Creek is in desperate need of a win to avoid falling too far from playoff contention early in the season. The Wildcats will likely feature star player C.J. McElroy, who has shown to be one of the area's most exciting players in a variety of roles. Clear Brook will answer with its option attack, which features Heidt along with Duran Gifford, Arthur



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## Second half meltdown costs San Jacinto soccer

For 45 minutes, San Jacinto College was doing just fine in its tussle with Tyler Junior College for control of the nation's top ranking. After the break, though, the Apaches proved why they are the defending national champions. Offsetting an early goal by San Jacinto's Jared Munoz, Tyler (6-0-1) scored four unanswered goals to

post a convincing win over the previously unbeaten Coyotes. San Jacinto came back the following day with a 4-0

victory over Coastal Bend, but the damage was done in the Tyler match. "We have to go back to the drawing board, learn

from our mistakes and be ready to play the next time around," San Jacinto College head coach David Santesteban said.

The Coyotes will have a rematch at home against Tyler in October, and the two teams are likely to face off again in the Region XIV tournament. Tyler has struck first, but there's much more soccer to be played before the postseason arrives.



Francisco Calvo (4) and the San Jacinto College men's soccer team took a 1-0 lead in the first half against top-ranked Tyler but then allowed four second half goals to fall 4-1. The loss was San Jac's first after seven wins.

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## JFD tennis 3-0; Brook wins

Dobie's varsity tennis team moved a step closer to controlling home court for the district tournament after knocking off Sam Rayburn 19-0 Sept. 28 at Dobie High School. The win over the Texans comes on the heels of Dobie's dramatic 10-9 victory over Memorial Sept. 22 at the Strawberry Park Tennis Center.

## JFD tennis 3-0; Brook wins

No. 1 boys singles player Jonathan Taylor scored a big win as the Longhorns held on to down Memorial in a key match. The Longhorns are now 3-0 with remaining 22-5A duels against South Houston and Deer Park. Clear Brook is now 3-1

## JFD tennis 3-0; Brook wins

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## Cowboys, Stings battle to BAFL standstill



The Sagemont Cowboys junior division team battled Texas City to the wire before falling 21-7 in a game played Sept. 25 at Stingaree Stadium in Texas City. On this play, Cowboys' defenders, from left, Isaiah Allen (24), D'Ondre Dykes (28) and Christian Valdez (20) converge on Texas City runner Bryan Evans for a tackle. The loss dropped the Cowboys to 4-2, while the Stingrays took over first place in the BAFL American division at 6-1. *Photo by Jaime Hickman*

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# Cowboys, Stings play to draw in BAFL action; Canes control Rams

Playoff positioning in the Bay Area Football League has begun, and right now both the Sagemont Cowboys and Ellington Rams are sitting pretty.

The Cowboys began their late-season push with a pair of wins in four games against the Texas City Stingrays Sept. 25 at Texas City High School.

Sagemont was victorious in the senior and sophomore games, but the Stingrays

came back to win the junior and freshman games.

**Cowboys seniors 30 Stingrays 6**

Ulanis Betts and Ricardo Estrada scored two touchdowns each and the Cowboys' defense was tough as nails as Sagemont routed Texas City 30-6 in the senior division game.

The win was huge for the Cowboys, who remained in a first-place tie with the Alvin Raiders at 5-1.

Sagemont players who helped in the victory included Esteban Telles, Betts, Miguel Valencia, Shamaud Smith-Kizzee, Nick Melendez, Jacob Allison, Jamisson Wilson, James Johnson, Luis Hernandez, Matthew Monks, Noah Trevino, Xavier Griffin, Estrada, Kenneth Brown, David Gamble, Javier Figueroa, Elias Campos, Justin Taylor and Joshua Saenz-Ortega.

**Stingrays juniors 21 Cowboys 7**

Sagemont played well in the junior game, but Texas City was a couple of big plays better in a 21-7 victory against the locals.

The victory kept Texas City at the top of the standings with a 6-1 record. Meanwhile, the Cowboys slipped to 4-2 and are tied for second place in the American Conference along with the Ellington Rams.

Players who stood out for the Cowboys included Mario Gonzalez, Grant Lasley, Nathaniel Dominguez, Devin Sanchez, Jacob Kuhn, Jeremy Hernandez, Jacob Hinojosa, Jordan White, Jacob Sims, Caleb Morante, Manuel Miller, Christian Valdez, Arturo Ludek Garcia, Dralyn Brown, Isaiah Allen, Juan Izaguirre, D'Ondre Dykes, George Villarreal, Torrey Tapper, Isaiah Jackson, Stephen Moreno, Kayden Harris, Zachary Carter and Luis Figueroa.

**Cowboys sophomores 19 Stingrays 13**

Sagemont's sophomore team scored a big win and moved one step closer to a playoff berth with a 19-13 victory over the Stingrays.

The Cowboys are atop the American Conference standings with their 4-2 record. The Ellington Rams and Alvin Raiders are also 4-2.

Against Texas City, each of the touchdowns was provided by Braelon Hill.

Hill scored touchdowns from 50, 60 and 90 yards out. An extra-point run was delivered by Juan Trujillo.

Hill was able to have a big game due to great blocking up front by Eli Mazzochetti-Seidel, Tony Agirre, Duston Dominguez, Dominic Tamez, R.J. Ortega, Bryant Brown, Ross Lowrey, Jason Cruz, Ryan Correa, Logan Wranch, Joseph Reyes, Matthew Moron, Nick Gonzales, Jacob Martinez and Seth Barber.

Texas City scored just a single touchdown because the Cowboys got super defensive play from Seth Gutierrez, Kyune Jeffery, Jacob Sulak, Gavin Garcia, Julius Wells, Elijah Dorsey, Ian Lowrey, Dominguez, Barber, Agirre, Trujillo, and

Chance Cadena, Jalune Jeffery, Keelan Brannon and Tavin Stormer.

**Rams seniors 39 Hurricanes 0**

The Ellington Rams senior division team came through with a blowout performance in the opening game of the series against the Pearland Hurricanes.

The victory kept the Rams in contention for the American Conference title at 4-2, while the Canes fell to 1-5.

The Rams got fine play from Brandon Harper, Julian Guevara, Isaiah Vasquez, Zishan Kabir, Joshua Martinez, Alexander Duke, Joe Alex Ponce, Jose Escobar Jr., Gerald Bowman, Rosbel Chavez, Alex Gonzalez, Davante Conway, Heber Alonso, Peyton Polk, MiKeavan Chestnut, Mason Lee, Jerrod Norrell, Jalen Williams, Adrian Fonseca, Adrian Torres and Michael Rose.

**Hurricanes sophomores 39 Rams 0**

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The Hurricanes stayed on top of the National Conference standings with the victory at 6-0. The Rams fell to 4-2, in a first-place tie with two other teams.

Ellington's team gave a great effort despite the loss.

The players include Mont- rai Scott, Jon Jon Moreno, Josh Sordia, Dimitri Gian- napolous, Nakia Johnson, Javier Casteneda, Gregory Mumphyre, Nieman Wells, Mateo Guzman, DeJuan Dixson, Anthony Gra- cia, Nick Rodarte, Jayden

Brown, Mark Milton, Devin Childs, Zion Walker, Noah Resendez, Matthew Lopez, JoJo Holbert, A.J. Gonzale- z, Gabe Fonseca, Jacob Wise, Jalen Clark, Julian Castillo and Travis Watson Jr.

**Hurricanes freshmen 18 Rams 6**

In another close game in the series, the Hurricanes came away with an 18-6 victory at the freshman level.

The Rams are now 2-4 in the American Conference, while the Hurricanes are 4-2 in the National Confer- ence.

Those who excelled for the Rams included Mar- quice Scott, Robert Ernest, Jaden Reyes, Joseph Hinojosa, Jacob Caballero, Christopher Seretti, Marcus Saenz, Manuel Frias, Mikey Ramirez, Michael Powell, Matthew Balderas, Murt Marshall, Steven Trevino, Jordan Soliz, Matthew Gil-

liam, D'Montre Carr, Darius Pamplin, Sebastian Paredes, Adrian Tamez, Mario Bar- rajas, Dominic Caballero, Edward Lilly and Fernando Sifuentes.

**Pee wees star**

The Rams' pee wee divi- sion team began the series with a great performance against the Hurricanes.

Although scores are not kept in the division, the Rams were great against the Hurricanes as both teams showed their talent.

The team was led by the effort of Alexander Garcia, Xavier Musquiz, Ethan Bishop, Jordan Stanford, Ignacio Izaguirre, Kevin Taulton, Dylan Dixon, Izaac Garcia, Zaire Walker, Logan Vanek, Michael Al- varez, Ian Johnson, Isaiah Correa, Keshaud Conaway, Zamira Lewis, Ryan Sax- ton, Elisha Carrizales, Kel- by Williams, Swazi Gur- nell, Jesse Valdez, Giovanni Rubio and Andre Duke.

## Texan, Hurricane juniors booted from playoff mix

A skirmish involving zations got involved and players from the Pearland Texans and the Pearland Hurricanes has had major ramifications on the post-season picture in the Bay Area Football League.

The incident, which oc- curred Sept. 11 at The Rig in Pearland, escalated when coaches from both organi-

zations got involved and a melee ensued. Several coaches were sanctioned for this season, and one coaches was reportedly banned from the league for life.

In response to the inci- dent, BAFL officials dis- qualified the two junior teams from postseason in- clusion.



The Sagemont Cowboys' senior defense played a terrific game as the team went on to pound Texas City 32-6 Sept. 25 at Texas City. On this play, Cowboys' defenders, from left, Luis Hernandez (18), Jacob Allison

(12), Jamisson Wilson (13) and Noah Trevino (24) com- bine to make a tackle on a Stringray ball carrier. With the win, the Cowboys improved to 5-1 in the standings, good for a first-place tie with the Alvin Raiders.

## Sports Calendar

**VOLLEYBALL**  
**Thursday, Sept. 30**  
 Beverly Hills 8 Light hosts Queens, 6:15  
 Beverly Hills 8 Dark hosts Queens, 5:00  
 Beverly Hills 7 Light hosts Queens, 6:15  
 Beverly Hills 7 Dark hosts Queens, 5:00  
 Thompson 8 Light at Southmore, 6:15  
 Thompson 8 Dark at Southmore, 5:00  
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**Friday, Oct. 1**  
 Clear Brook varsity at Dickinson, 6:30  
 Clear Brook JV at Dickinson, 5:30  
 Clear Brook freshman A at Dickinson, 4:30  
 Clear Brook freshman B at Dickinson, 4:30  
 Dobie varsity hosts Sam Rayburn, 6:30  
 Dobie JV hosts Sam Rayburn, 5:30  
 Dobie freshman A hosts Sam Rayburn, 4:30  
 Dobie freshman B hosts Sam Rayburn, 4:30

**Tuesday, Oct. 5**  
 Clear Brook varsity at Alvin, 6:30  
 Clear Brook JV at Alvin, 5:30  
 Clear Brook freshman A at Alvin, 4:30  
 Clear Brook freshman B at Alvin, 4:30  
 Dobie varsity hosts South Houston, 6:30  
 Dobie JV hosts South Houston, 5:30  
 Dobie freshman A hosts South Houston, 4:30  
 Dobie freshman B hosts South Houston, 4:30

**Thursday, Oct. 7**  
 Beverly Hills 8 Light at Park View, 5:00  
 Beverly Hills 8 Dark at Park View, 6:15  
 Beverly Hills 7 Light at Park View, 5:00  
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 Thompson 8 Light hosts South Houston, 5:00  
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**Friday, Oct. 8**  
 Clear Brook varsity hosts Clear Creek, 6:30  
 Clear Brook JV hosts Clear Creek, 5:30  
 Clear Brook freshman A hosts Clear Creek, 4:30  
 Clear Brook freshman B hosts Clear Creek, 4:30  
 Dobie varsity at Deer Park, 6:30  
 Dobie JV at Deer Park, 5:30  
 Dobie freshman A at Deer Park, 4:30  
 Dobie freshman B at Deer Park, 4:30

**TENNIS**  
**Friday, Oct. 1**  
 Clear Brook varsity hosts Brazoswood, 3:00

**Tuesday, Oct. 5**  
 Clear Brook varsity at Clear Lake, 3:00  
 Dobie varsity hosts South Houston, 2:30

**Friday, Oct. 8**  
 Clear Brook varsity hosts Pearland, 3:00

**FOOTBALL**  
**Thursday, Sept. 30**  
 Clear Brook JV hosts Clear Creek, 6:30  
 Clear Brook sophomores host Clear Creek, 4:30  
 Clear Brook freshman Black at Clear Creek, 4:30  
 Clear Brook freshman Silver at Clear Creek, 6:30

**Friday, Oct. 1**  
 Clear Brook at Clear Creek, Veteran's, 7:00

**Tuesday, Oct. 5**  
 Beverly Hills 7A at Park View, campus, 5:00  
 Beverly Hills 7B at Park View, campus, 5:00  
 Thompson 7A at Queens, campus, 5:00  
 Thompson 7B at Queens, campus, 5:00

**Wednesday, Oct. 6**  
 Beverly Hills 8A vs. Park View, Newcomb, 5:00  
 Beverly Hills 8B vs. Park View, Auxiliary  
 Thompson 8A at Queens, campus, 5:00  
 Thompson 8B hosts Queens, campus, 5:00

**Thursday, Oct. 7**  
 Clear Brook JV hosts Clear Springs, 6:30  
 Clear Brook sophomores host Clear Springs, 4:30  
 Clear Brook freshman Black at Clear Springs, 6:30  
 Clear Brook freshman Silver at Clear Springs, 4:30  
 Dobie JV vs. Pasadena, Auxiliary, 6:30  
 Dobie sophomores vs. Pasadena, Auxiliary, 4:30  
 Dobie freshman Orange hosts Pasadena, 4:30  
 Dobie freshman White hosts Pasadena, 4:30

**Friday, Oct. 8**  
 Dobie varsity vs. Pasadena, Newcomb, 7:00  
**(Homecoming game)**  
 Clear Brook vs. Clear Springs, Veteran's, 7:00

**SOCCER**  
**Friday, Oct. 1**  
 San Jacinto College hosts Western Texas, 8:00

**Saturday, Oct. 2**  
 San Jacinto College hosts Cisco, 1:00

for a playoff berth in the American Conference.

Those playing exception- al football for the Cowboys included Mason Banhart, Jonathan Morales, Keegan Seymour, Deon Blacknell, Neftaly Juarez, Kobe Ruiz, Luke Giron, Hector Valdez, Jayden Robinson, Jartis Sol- omon, Dylan White, Zion Crawford, David Trevino, Julian Mata, Matthew Oliv- ares, Kaden Arnold, Grant Gamble, Richard Gary, Anthony Arellano, Christo- pher Pineda, Shawn Krivik, Xavier Elias, Kyle McDon- ald and Kyle Redmond.

**Pee wees thrill crowd**

No scores are kept in the pee wee division game, but that hasn't kept the league's teams from thrilling the fans all season.

Against Texas City, the Cowboys' pee wee players again excelled. The group included Kaden Fernandez, Jayden Balderas, Robert Shriner, Joshua Carter, Juan Estrada, Dominic Serna, Matthew Castellano, Gage Lecourias, Ray Garcia, Jorge Olvera, Devin Molina, Marcus Izaguirre, Kadin Bahman, Samuel Box, Alejandro Rivera, Eden Diaz, Landon Hunt, Marcus Lind,

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**Hurricanes juniors 19 Rams 18**

In a tight game the entire way, the Hurricanes' junior team held off the Rams for a 19-18 victory.

The Stingrays pushed their record to a division- best 6-0 with the win. The Rams, meanwhile, slipped to 4-2 but well within reach of a playoff berth.

The Rams' team effort was paced by Luke Gilliam, Anthony Stasiak, Royce Hunter, Ernie Guzman, Ivan Tagle, Michah Dixon, Jo- seph Castaneda, Earl Gresh-

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Sagemont Cowboys' running back Ricardo Estrada fights for extra yards against the Texas City defense during the Cowboys' easy 32-6 win over the Stingrays Sept. 25 at Texas City. Estrada scored twice in the game as the Cowboys took their record to 5-1.

## Lady Bears' VB takes on Bondy

A big intermediate girls' volleyball series swung in Bondy's favor despite a great effort from Beverly Hills Sept. 23.

Beverly Hills earned its win in the eighth-grade Light match to stay unbeaten at 3-0.

The eighth-grade Light team got off to a sluggish start as Bondy won the first game, but once the Lady Bears were warmed up, the Patriots had a fight on their hands.

By the second game, the Lady Bears were a force to be reckoned with. Jai Franklin, Mercedes Olguin and Monica Ploucha played fiercely at the net with several hits, tips and blocks.

Suzette Gonzalez and

Jackie Villarreal showed off their superb passing skills, receiving every serve the Patriots sent their way.

Setters Clarissa Moreno and Virginia Soto hustled and showed excellent leadership on the court, setting up the big hitters for kills.

Defensive specialist Tina Nguyen was not afraid to hit the ground, digging count- less balls sent by the Patriots.

In the final game, Frank- lin ended the match with a kill that left the Patriots dazed.

The eighth-grade Dark team was pumped and ready to go after cheering on the Light team to victory.

Mariah Escobar showed off her consistent serv-

ing skills with 12 powerful serves.

Setter Alondra Arriaga brought the Bears back in the opening game, helping her team with seven straight points to a 23-23 tie, but Bondy won the opener.

The rest of the way, Tif- fany Johnson and Tran To were beasts at the net, hitting and tipping everything that came their way.

Lady Bears' defensive specialist Mayln Nunez bumped and dug several of the Patriots' serves and hits with ease.

Although the Lady Bears fought, they fell short in the end as their record went to 2-1. Both of the seventh- grade teams slipped to 1-2 this season.

## BAFL Week Eight Games

Sagemont Cowboys host Magnolia Sharks  
 at El Franco Lee Park  
 Southbelt Dolphins at Pearland Texans  
 at The Rig, Pearland  
 Ellington Rams at Texas City Stingrays  
 at Texas City High School

Game times: Pee wee - 8 a.m., Seniors - 9 a.m., Juniors - 10:45 a.m., Sophomores - 12:30 p.m., Freshmen - 2:15 p.m.

## BAFL Week Seven Results

Divisions	Sr.	Jr.	Soph.	Fr.
Cowboys	32	7	19	6
Stingrays	6	21	13	32
Hurricanes	0	19	39	18
Rams	39	18	0	6

## BAFL Week 7 Standings

Senior Division American				Senior Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Raiders	5	1	0	Eagles	6	0	0
Cowboys	5	1	0	Panthers	6	0	0
Rams	4	2	0	Red Raiders	6	1	0
Sharks	3	3	0	Texans	5	1	0
Gators	3	4	0	Cougars	4	3	0
Patriots	3	4	0	'49ers	3	4	0
Stingrays	2	5	0	Hurricanes	1	5	0
Dolphins	0	6	0	Mustangs	0	6	0
Wildcats	1	5	0	Braves	0	6	0

Junior Division American				Junior Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Stingrays	6	1	0	Red Raiders	7	0	0
Cowboys	4	2	0	Hurricanes	6	0	0
Rams	4	2	0	'49ers	4	2	1
Patriots	4	3	0	Texans	4	2	0
Dolphins	2	3	1	Cougars	2	4	1
Raiders	2	3	1	Braves	2	4	0
Wildcats	2	4	0	Panthers	2	4	0
Sharks	1	5	0	Eagles	2	4	0
Gators	0	7	0	Mustangs	1	5	0

Sophomore Division American				Sophomore Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Rams	4	2	0	Red Raiders	7	0	0
Raiders	4	2	0	Hurricanes	6	0	0
Cowboys	4	2	0	'49ers	6	1	0
Patriots	4	3	0	Cougars	6	1	0
Stingrays	3	4	0	Texans	3	3	0
Wildcats	2	4	0	Eagles	2	4	0
Sharks	2	4	0	Mustangs	1	5	0
Dolphins	1	5	0	Braves	1	5	0
Gators	1	6	0	Panthers	0	6	0

Freshman Division American				Freshman Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Stingrays	6	1	0	Texans	6	0	0
Gators	5	1	1	Red Raiders	6	1	0
Patriots	5	2	0	'49ers	4	2	1
Cowboys	3	2	1	Hurricanes	4	2	0
Raiders	2	3	1	Cougars	4	3	0
Dolphins	1	3	2	Panthers	1	4	1
Rams	2	4	0	Eagles	2	4	0
Sharks	2	4	0	Braves	0	6	0
Wildcats	0	5	1	Mustangs	0	6	0

# Brook, Dobie FB get victories

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nty of points scored in the game, and Clear Brook merely wants to score more than the Wildcats.

**Horns now 3-2**  
Given Channelview's winless 0-4 start entering the game, perhaps Dobie's eventual 19-17 victory didn't appear all that impressive on paper.

But, to put it bluntly, a win is a win. Dobie has a 3-2 record through nondistrict play with a convenient bye week coming to allow several players to nurse aches and pains.

Some of those pains came to the forefront against Channelview. Running back Andrew Robinson came into the game banged up but entered the game after Davion Hurst (69 yards rushing) exited the game with an injury.

Demarcus Boyd carried the majority of the rushing load with 237 yards rushing and two scores, and quarterback Blake Jackson fired a 16-yard touchdown pass to Vance Leonard.

Dobie head coach Jim Phillips admitted the final tally was not a beautiful

portrait, but the Longhorns, albeit short-handed, persevered.

"Channelview has a fine football team, and they have a lot of speed," Phillips said. "The bottom line is we are 3-2 and probably four minutes away (late loss to Dickinson) from being 4-1. Right now, we are on the right track."







Preseason practice included, Phillips pointed out that his players have been pushing themselves hard for seven straight weeks.

The bye week comes at a perfect time, he believes, because the five-game 22-5A schedule lies ahead. Dobie opens its district campaign Friday, Oct. 8, at Newcomb Field against Pasadena.

"We have to work on the little things, like making better decisions with the ball and hanging onto it a little better, but we want to use this time to get healthy," Phillips said.

"I'm proud of our guys for the desire and fight they have shown to this point. Now the fun begins. We're going to be right there. These kids have played some good football, and I believe we still have a lot left."

## South Belt football predictions

						
<b>Troy Leland</b>						
<b>Clear Brook vs. Clear Creek</b>	Creek	Creek	Creek	Brook	Creek	Creek
<b>Brazoswood hosts Dickinson</b>	Dickinson	Brazoswood	Brazoswood	Brazoswood	Brazoswood	Brazoswood
<b>Pearland hosts Clear Lake</b>	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland
<b>Angleton at Foster</b>	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton
<b>Lamar Consolidated at Terry</b>	Consolidated	Terry	Terry	Terry	Consolidated	Consolidated
<b>Friendswood hosts Dawson</b>	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood
<b>Galveston Ball at Texas City</b>	Texas City	Texas City	Texas City	Texas City	Galveston Ball	Texas City
<b>La Marque at Santa Fe</b>	La Marque	La Marque	La Marque	La Marque	Santa Fe	La Marque
<b>Hightower vs. Elkins</b>	Hightower	Hightower	Hightower	Hightower	Hightower	Hightower
<b>Westside hosts Houston Lamar</b>	Lamar	Lamar	Lamar	Lamar	Lamar	Westside
<b>This week's record</b>	6-4	6-4	6-4	6-4	5-5	6-4
<b>Season record</b>	35-15	30-20	37-13	34-16	38-12	31-19

## Sports news, notes

### Gabby Romero vigil is Oct. 2

The community is invited to attend a candlelight vigil recognizing the death of Gabby Romero, a longtime South Belt area resident who passed away Oct. 2, 2009 after a long battle with renal cell cancer. The vigil will be held at the South Belt Girls Softball Association facility at El Franco Lee Park beginning at 6:30 p.m. Romero was a member of the varsity girls' volleyball and softball teams at Dobie High School at the time of her death.

### JFD baseball meeting set

The Dobie Diamond Club, the Longhorns' baseball booster organization, will host a mandatory parent meeting Wednesday, Oct. 6, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the athletics media room. All parents of current Longhorns' players are required to attend. For more information, call president Gloria Sanchez at 713-303-9157.

### SBHLL to host fall clinic

The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League will host a fall coaching clinic Sunday, Oct. 3, beginning at 11 a.m. at the league facility at El Franco Lee Park. Ryan Long, a former star baseball player at Dobie High School and current minor league hitting instructor in the Pittsburgh Pirates organization, will be on hand to teach hitting fundamentals and offer tips. Adults may attend for \$10, and youths will be allowed to attend the session for \$1. The clinic is part of an ongoing effort in the SBHLL to provide its coaches and players with off-season training sessions. For more information, call coaching coordinator Tommy Bischof at 281-481-1309.

### Romero memorial softball Oct. 8-10

Officials in the South Belt Girls Softball Association are making plans for the second annual Team Gabby Memorial Softball Tournament Oct. 8-10, at the league facility at El Franco Lee Park. Teams in the 6-under through 12-under divisions are invited to compete in the event. Each team is guaranteed to play a minimum of four games in the tournament, which begins with pool play and shifts to bracket play. Cost is \$125 per team, and there are no umpire fees. To register, call Aaron Longoria at 713-478-0078, or direct e-mail to him at guylongoria@yahoo.com. Organizers are also seeking volunteers and vendors for the tournament. Anyone wishing to work in either capacity may call Alicia Gonzales at 281-630-5176 or direct e-mail to aagonzales2002@yahoo.com. In recognition of the event, Team Gabby T-shirts are being sold. Those wishing to order Team Gabby T-shirts may direct e-mail to Romero's father, Jesse Romero, at jr11103@yahoo.com. Norma Partida is assisting with T-shirt orders, and she can be reached at 832-768-4170 or by e-mail at partida72@yahoo.com. Gabby Romero died Oct. 2, 2009, after a long battle with renal cancer. She was a member of the SBGSA as a youth and played varsity volleyball and softball at Dobie at the time of her death. All proceeds from the tournament will go to support renal cancer research in Romero's honor.

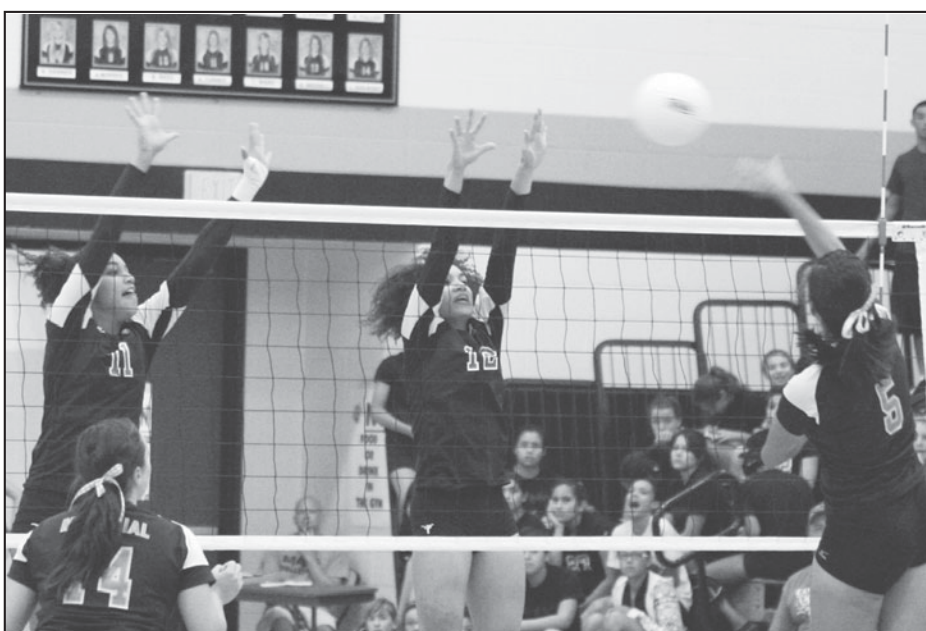
### Twitty memorial softball set

The fifth annual Miranda Hunt Twitty Memorial Softball Tournament will be held at the Kipper Mease Park Fields on Red Bluff in Pasadena on Saturday, Oct. 23, beginning at 8 a.m. Twitty, a longtime area resident and Dobie High School graduate, died suddenly on May 12, 2006, at the age of 27, while attending her son's baseball game at Durant Field in Deer Park. The autopsy revealed an undiagnosed heart defect, referred to as mitral valve prolapse. Twitty was actively involved in youth baseball in the South Belt community and distinguished herself in the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League by becoming the first female elected to an all-star team. Proceeds from the softball tournament will be divided among Twitty's three children and Camp Agape, a bereavement camp for children who have lost a loved one. Entry fee is \$200 per team, which includes T-shirts for all team members. For more information about the tournament or to register a team, call Jarod Hunt at 281-782-4704 or Jason Hunt at 832-339-5908. Those interested may also direct e-mail to Jarod Hunt at jdhunt25@yahoo.com. A silent auction is also planned for the day of the tournament. For information on how to donate items, direct e-mail to Willis at dkw116@hotmail.com.

## 12-under Starlites win softball tourney



The 12-under Starlites of the South Belt Girls Softball Association won the Give It Your All tournament after surrendering just six runs in four games. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Celina Saenz (first baseman), Jocelyn Reyes (pitcher/outfielder), Kimmy Ontiveros (center fielder), (middle row) Kendall Gothard (pitcher) Jara Edwards (second baseman), Deja Gaines (left fielder) Sandra Gonzales (shortstop) Alyssa Alvarez (right fielder), (back row) Michelle Kristoff (pitcher), Bobby Kristoff (assistant coach), Suzette Gonzalez (catcher), Jasmine DeLeon (third baseman), Dominique Palacios (catcher) and Bobby Reyes (head coach).



## Clear Brook, Dobie tennis...

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after hammering Clear Springs 17-2 Sept. 28 at Clear Brook.

Unfortunately, the Wolverines had a tough day of action against Clear Creek, losing 18-1, and Brook still has to face 24-5A favorite Clear Lake down the road prior to the district tournament.

**Dobie steady in district**  
There's no denying that District 22-5A is not a powerhouse in the Region III ranks, but Dobie is asking for no favors while taking care of business.

With a win over South Houston Tuesday, Oct. 5, at Dobie, the Longhorns can clinch home court advantage for at least the first two rounds of the 22-5A tournament.

Should Dobie sweep past South Houston and Deer Park, the Longhorns will automatically qualify for the Region III tournament. "Our focus is to position ourselves favorably for the district tournament," Dobie head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. said.

"I have to believe that we will face Memorial in the district tournament. If that's the case, it would be great to play them at Dobie. Right now, we're getting leads in doubles and doing what we have to do to win."



Dobie's varsity tennis team, including Melanie Thompson, is off to a 3-0 start in District 22-5A play after routing Sam Rayburn Sept. 28.

## Varsity volleyball races heat up

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three tough games but came up on the short end of a 25-23, 27-25, 25-19 match.

Dobie, which defeated Pasadena 23-25, 25-22, 25-19, 25-12 Sept. 24 at Dobie, saw its record move to 1-1 while Memorial went to 2-0.

Despite the sweep, each of the three games could have gone either way.

**At left, Dobie's Bre'Shaun Franklin (11) and Courtney Franklin combine on an attempt to block a kill try by Memorial's Chelsea Melton. The Lady Mavs went on to win the match.**

Memorial led the opening game 23-19 and appeared on the way to a win before the Lady Longhorns rally. Natalie Skaggs delivered a kill and Ashley Ramirez served an ace as part of a surge before Katherine Finney's block tied the game. But Ramirez then sent a serve long and Memorial's Kim Fuller scored a kill for the opening-game win.

The second game was a pace more intense. Dobie trailed 24-19 but refused to quit.

Bre'Shaun Franklin's kill knotted the game at 25-all before the Lady Mavs again were able to hold on.

The third game followed a similar pattern as Memorial took the victory. Finney had 18 kills against Pasadena and 12 more against Memorial to lead the Lady Longhorns in both matches to start the 22-5A slate.

**Brook splits matches**  
Clear Brook continued its up and down march in 24-5A play, getting swept 25-20, 25-16, 25-15 by Clear Lake Sept. 24 but then coming back to return the favor against Pearland.

With a road game at Dickinson to close out the first half of district play, Brook has set itself to make a serious second-half push.

# CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 30

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

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

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

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

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

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

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**MONDAY, OCT. 4**

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

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

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

**New Directions Singles Club** - The New Directions Singles Club has moved its time and location from St. Paul's Catholic Church, Nassau Bay, to Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 West Nasa Parkway in Webster. Meetings are held every Monday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. This organization was created as a social support outlet for 50+ widowed, divorced and never married individuals. In addition to the regular meeting, a potluck dinner is held on the first and third Mondays. Call 713-340-2354 for information.

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

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

**TUESDAY, OCT. 5**

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

**Local NARFE Meeting** - The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets the first Tuesday of each

month in the Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 NASA Parkway. A meal will be available for \$6. For more information, call Bob Mitchell at 281-333-2881.

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

**Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - Exhibits include dioramas, an old-time kitchen and a turn-of-the-century doctor's office. Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. 204 S. Main. For information, call 713-472-0565.

**Houston Area Parkinson Society** - Free exercise and speech therapy from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Bayshore Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center, 4021 Brookhaven, Pasadena. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered.

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - Due to Sagemont Recreation Center closing for remodeling, TOPS will meet at the Beverly Hills Community Center, 10201 Kingspoint. For information, call Erma Coskey at 713-946-6049.

**Clear Lake Toastmasters Club** - Meets at the Clear Lake Church of Christ, 938 El Dorado Blvd. Call Jerry Tate at 281-481-5417 for information.

**St. Luke's Catholic Church** - St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 11011 Hall Road, offers free tutoring on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tutoring is held in Room 2 of the Education Building. Contact Joe Pavlicek at 281-484-1397 or by e-mail at joe\_pavlicek@yahoo.com.

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**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6**  
7 a.m.

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

11:30 a.m.

**Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club** - meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Meetings are held at the Golden Corral, 12500 Gulf Freeway (Fuqua and I-45). For information, call Monica Montoya at 281-794-5531.

4 p.m.

**Houston Area Parkinson Society** - Free exercise held from 4 to 5 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Pearland, 3005 Pearland Parkway, Pearland. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for a complete list of services offered.

6 p.m.

**Alzheimer's Support Group** - The free group meets the first Wednesday of each month in the third floor classrooms 3 and 4 of Bayshore Medical Center, 4000 Spencer Hwy. in Pasadena. For more information, call 713-944-4782 or 713-266-6400.

6:30 p.m.

**Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center** - Domestic violence support group for male survivors meets each Wednesday at 210 S. Walnut off NASA Parkway. Call 281-338-7600 for information. Participants may join at any time as this is an open group.

7 p.m.

**Survivors of Suicide Support Group** - The Southeast Houston group meets the first and third Wednesday of each month. The group offers support and coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adult individuals who have lost a loved one to suicide. For information on registration or to obtain a physical address for a location, call 713-533-4500 or visit [www.crisishotline.org](http://www.crisishotline.org).

**Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center** - Confidential domestic violence support group for women meets every week. For information, call 281-338-7600 or visit [www.bayareaturningpoint.com](http://www.bayareaturningpoint.com). BATP is located at 210 S. Walnut off NASA Parkway between Interstate 45 South and Highway 3. The 24-hour crisis hotline is 281-286-2525.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 7**  
7 a.m.

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

Noon

**Houston Area Parkinson Society** - Free water exercise from noon to 1 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for a complete list of services offered.

4 p.m.

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

6:30 p.m.

**St. Luke's Catholic Church** - St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 11011 Hall Road, offers free tutoring on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tutoring is held in Room 2 of the Education Building. Contact Joe Pavlicek at 281-484-1397 or by e-mail at [joe\\_pavlicek@yahoo.com](mailto:joe_pavlicek@yahoo.com).

**Diabetes Support Group** - A support group for young adults with diabetes. All subjects are open for discussion: new technologies, research advances, fears, phobias, dating and other personal matters. Meets the first Thursday of each month at 1315 St. Joseph Parkway #1705, Medical Place One. Contact Dan Steiner, CDE, at 713-756-8536 for more information.

7 p.m.

**The Bay Area Writers League** - Meets the first Thursday of each month at Barnes and Noble at Bay Area Boulevard and the Gulf Freeway. Newcomers are welcome.

8:30 p.m.

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

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# Neighborhood clash: Beverly Hills football earns bragging rights

## Lion 7A gets schools' lone win

Thompson will have to wait until the playoffs to get back at neighborhood rival Beverly Hills after the Bears scored three wins in the four-game series Sept. 21-22.

Three of the four games were decided by eight points or fewer. The Bears' eighth-grade B team came away with a 28-14 victory, but the other three games were close throughout.

The Lions' seventh-grade A team gained the school's lone victory, taking out the Bears 20-12.

**8A Beverly Hills 14 Thompson 6**  
Playing on the surface

at Newcomb Field in Pasadena, the Beverly Hills' eighth-grade A team struck last to defeat the Lions 14-6.

Building a 14-0 lead, the Bears were on the verge of a shutout before the Lions scored a late touchdown.

On the Bears' first offensive series, David Eldridge outran the Thompson defense for an 82-yard touchdown burst.

Darius Simmons, Alan Flores and Quinton Boling provided the blocking to put the Bears up 6-0.

With 7 seconds left before halftime, Joe Gonzalez raced to the end zone from

76 yards out as Eloy Garcia, Alonzo Fletcher and Maurice Hightower provided the blocking on the play. Sergio Quintanilla kicked the 2-pointer for a 14-0 halftime lead.

In the second half, the Bears' defense continued to pitch a shutout until the final minutes when the Lions scored. Still, the Bears came up with a win to improve to 2-0 this season.

The Lions played themselves back into the game late with a score by Ty Lozano, set up by a long pass to Jarvis Lester.

The Lions also put together good plays on of-

fense as Deandre Jackson, Rashad Randall, Xavier Rodriguez, Anthony Cantu and Keion Patterson contributed.

The defense had its share of good plays from Jimmy Nevarez, John Rico, Daniel Carter, Cedric Horton and Jonathan Shaw.

**8B Beverly Hills 28 Thompson 14**  
The Bears' B team swept the eighth-grade series by defeating the Lions 28-14 at Auxiliary Stadium.

The Lions seemed to have early momentum as they completed a long pass down the sideline on their opening drive, but a fumble gave the Bears possession.

From there, the Bears scored three unanswered touchdowns in the first half, taking a 22-0 lead at halftime.

The Lions started playing much tougher in the second half with better defense and two touchdowns

plus a safety, but it was too little too late as the Bears went on to win.

Chris Washington scored three times on runs of more than 50 yards for the Bears as he led his team to a big halftime advantage.

Quarterback Kerry Hubbard managed the offense admirably and added a 1-yard touchdown run. Rodolpho Jimenez converted a pair of 2-point kicks for the Bears.

Beverly Hills' offensive line played well, led by Michael Garcia, Austin Ingalls, Deavon Mathews and Juan Reyes.

Defensively, the Bears were led by Jonathon Web, Rashon Taylor, Jacob Salinas, Jarvis Russell and Isaiah Perez.

The win sent Beverly Hills to 2-0 this season. The Lions slipped to 1-1.

**7A Lions 20 Beverly Hills 12**  
In a game of undefeated

heavyweights in the seventh-grade A division, the Thompson Lions came out 20-12 winners over Beverly Hills.

The teams played to a scoreless tie in the first quarter.

The Bears' D'Vaughn Pennamont picked off a Lion pass and ran it back 53 yards to help the Bears take an early lead in the second quarter.

After that, Lions' quarterback Tyler Giron and running backs Chandler Tisby and Kameron Dolford moved the ball to the Bear 4-yard line, where Giron hit Jason Lester on a scoring pass play.

The first half ended in a 6-6 tie. The Lions' Jaylon Bolden ran the second half kickoff back 85 yards for the Lions first lead.

On the Bears' next possession, they put together a 73-yard scoring drive to tie the game at 12-12.

Bennie Hamilton found the end zone from 32 yards out behind the blocking of Terrance Lambert, David Sanchez and James Washington.

The Lions drove the ball down the field where Dolford scored and Tyson Thompson kicked the 2-point conversion for the final score.

Other players who stood out for the Lions included Miguel Lopez, Malik Peters, Adan Solis and Orlando Logan.

The defense was led by a host of Lions bent on stopping the Bears, including Craig Wilks, Cody Murray, Kaelon Woods and Travarus Gilbert.

**7B Beverly Hills 20 Thompson 12**

Beverly Hills' seventh-grade B team scored first and went on to down the Lions 20-12 in the big game between the two schools.

Marc Cruz started the scoring with a 25-yard scamper into the end zone following the blocking of Luis Cabreja and Cesar Ortiz as the Bears moved in front. Tyler Myer ran for the conversion as the Bears went ahead 7-0.

Beverly Hills and Thompson would both score touchdowns again in the second half with Bev-

erly Hills hanging on to a narrow lead of 14-12.

The Bears' Jordan Lyons dashed into the end zone from 30 yards out for that 14-12 lead.

In the fourth quarter, Bears' quarterback Josh Harder took the ball into the end zone, capping a 5-minute drive that featured tailback Randy Johnson.

The win was sealed when Beverly Hills' Dennis Lopez intercepted a Lion pass and returned it 25 yards. From there, the Bears were able to run out the clock. Big hitters of the game for the Bears were Patrick Cloud and Daveon Bryant.

The Lions' first quarter team was led by Nick Alvarez, D'Mycheal Shadovens, Oliver Francisco, Joseph Ramirez, Michael Spiller, Darius Hippolite and Darius Gougis.

The second quarter team was led by A.J. Owens who scored both Thompson touchdowns, and Isaiah Brooks, Raekwon Harvey, Josh Garza, L.J. Walker and Desmond Scott.

**Beverly Hills 7C 15 Thompson 6**

In a special battle in the seventh-grade C division, the Bears were able to defeat the Lions 15-6.

Beverly Hills' Hector Rangel scored on a 50-yard touchdown on the first drive

to give the Bears an early edge.

Later in the game, Marcus Soto hit Michael Teran on stride for a 45-yard touchdown pass.

The Bears improved this week in tackling and blocking, and it definitely showed on the field. Key offensive linemen were Jacob Cahill, Czar Castro and Steven Galvan.

Defensively, the Bears were led by Kevin Brown, Edgar Moreno, Raheem Florence and Marques Forde.

For Thompson, the Lions got a second-quarter touchdown run by Jeremiah Guajardo. The extra point try was stopped, and the half-time score was 7-6.

The Lions missed out on a chance to win after fumbles and missed tackles were too difficult to overcome.

On offense, the Lions also got strong play from Arlexis Esquivel, Chris Reyes, Dyllon Smith, Myles Harris, Darian Thorn and Garrett Chollett.

Defensively, the Lions were paced by Martin Trevino, Adrian and Alex Rosas, Daniel Rincon, Dimitri Brooks and John Dempsey.

So now, the Lions may have to wait until the playoffs to have a chance to get back at the Bears.



At right, Thompson eighth-grade A runner Deandre Jackson (1) heads up the field during the first half of play between the Lions and Beverly Hills at Newcomb Field in Pasadena. The game was close the entire way before the Bears escaped with a 14-6 victory. Beverly Hills moved to 2-0 with the victory, while the Lions fell to 1-1. The Lions are no doubt looking forward to winning the Pasadena Independent School District's Zone B title to set up a possible rematch with the Bears in the playoffs.  
Photo by Carol Waters



Thompson seventh-grade A running back Chandler Tisby (42) busts through the line for a big gain as teammate Jason Lester (80) looks to make a block. At right, Beverly Hills defensive lineman Manuel Mendez (78) tries to shed his block in an effort to make a tackle.

Beverly Hills Intermediate's defense came up with several big stops in the game against Thompson to secure a big victory for the Bears. On this play, Thompson's Chandler Tisby finds running room hard to find as the Bears' Isaiha Chaney (34) and Kevin Sims (57) close in for the tackle.



The seventh-grade B game between Beverly Hills and Thompson was very competitive from the opening kickoff to the finish. The Bears, including Johnny Gallardo (45) and Josh Harder (12) wound up with a 20-12 victory over the Lions.



Thompson's A.J. Owens gets behind the Beverly Hills defense during the seventh-grade B game while picking up a big chunk of yardage. Bears' defenders in pursuit include, from left, Antonio Cuevas (58), Edgar Azarte (74) and Josh Harder (12).  
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## Lady Bears' volleyball drops trio

In a very competitive series, Beverly Hills Intermediate's volleyball program lost three of four games against Bondy.

The Lady Bears' eighth-grade Light team defeated Bondy for the school's lone win. With the win, the Lady Bears stayed in first place in the standings at 3-0.

In the eighth-grade matches, the Lady Bears got fine play from Mariah Escobar, who had several

great serves.

Dark Team setters Alondra Arriaga and Kianna Zermeno also played well in the match. The Lady Bears' Dark team has won two of three matches to begin the season.

Jai Franklin was very good for a third straight week, and Mercedes Olguin and Monica Ploucha also played well.

Beverly Hills' seventh-grade teams were defeated

in both matches as Bondy moved on to win. Beverly Hills' seventh-grade teams are both 1-2 this season after three weeks.

## Thompson girls' VB serves past Jackson

The third week of the Pasadena Independent School District intermediate girls' volleyball season was a fruitful one for Thompson, which scored three wins in four matches against Jackson.

Thompson's eighth-grade Light team won for the second time in three matches with a 25-9, 25-13, 11-15 victory.

Kristin Scholwinski had a match-high 13 outstanding serves, and Jessica Jones added 11 more.

Emily Wolfe did her part as she collected eight kills and seven outstanding serves.

On the defensive side of

the net, Kara-Anne Snyder and Dulce Morales led the way for the winners.

Jackson briefly evened the series with a victory in the eighth-grade Dark match.

Jackson won the match 18-25, 25-16, 25-13 as the Lady Lions fell to 0-3. Adriana Resendez had eight solid serves and five kills. Desiree Johnson and Nina Espinoza also played well for the Lady Lions.

In the seventh-grade matches, the Lady Lions' Light team scored a win to improve to 2-1 this season.

Thompson's Dark got its first win of the season by topping Jackson.

## PISD Girls Volleyball

8 Light Division			7 Light Division		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
Beverly Hills	3	0	Southmore	3	0
Park View	3	0	Bondy	2	1
San Jacinto	2	1	Miller	2	1
Thompson	2	1	Thompson	2	1
Queens	2	1	Queens	2	1
Miller	1	2	Park View	2	1
Bondy	1	2	Beverly Hills	1	2
Southmore	1	2	San Jacinto	1	2
S. Houston	0	3	Jackson	0	3
Jackson	0	3	South Houston	0	3

8 Dark Division			7 Dark Division		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
Park View	3	0	Southmore	3	0
Beverly Hills	2	1	Queens	2	1
Queens	2	1	San Jacinto	2	1
Bondy	2	1	Miller	2	1
Southmore	2	1	Park View	2	1
Miller	2	1	Bondy	2	1
Jackson	1	2	Beverly Hills	1	2
San Jacinto	1	2	Thompson	1	2
S. Houston	0	3	S. Houston	0	3
Thompson	0	3	Jackson	0	3

## PISD Intermediate Football

8A Records	District			Overall		
Zone A	W	L	T	W	L	T
Beverly Hills	0	0	0	2	0	0
South Houston	1	0	0	2	0	0
Southmore	1	0	0	2	0	0
San Jacinto	0	1	0	0	2	0
Park View	0	1	0	0	2	0

### Game Scores

Beverly Hills 14, Thompson 6  
South Houston 16, San Jacinto 12  
Southmore 30, Park View 0

Zone B	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bondy	1	0	0	1	1	0
Miller	1	0	0	1	1	0
Thompson	0	0	0	1	1	0
Jackson	0	1	0	1	1	0
Queens	0	1	0	0	2	0

### Game Scores

Bondy 46, Jackson 0  
Miller 28, Queens 0

8B Records	District			Overall		
Zone A	W	L	T	W	L	T
Southmore	1	0	0	2	0	0
Beverly Hills	0	0	0	2	0	0
South Houston	0	0	1	0	1	1
San Jacinto	0	0	1	0	1	1
Park View	0	1	0	0	2	0

### Game Scores

Southmore 32, Park View 0  
South Houston 0, San Jacinto 0

Zone B	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bondy	1	0	0	1	1	0
Queens	1	0	0	1	1	0
Thompson	0	0	0	1	1	0
Miller	0	1	0	1	1	0
Jackson	0	1	0	1	1	0

### Game Scores

Beverly Hills 28, Thompson 14  
Bondy 27, Jackson 20

## PISD Intermediate Football

7A Records	District			Overall		
Zone A	W	L	T	W	L	T
Park View	1	0	0	2	1	0
South Houston	1	0	0	1	2	0
Beverly Hills	0	0	0	2	1	0
San Jacinto	0	1	0	0	3	0
Southmore	0	1	0	1	2	0

### Game Scores

Thompson 20, Beverly Hills 12  
Park View 14, Southmore 13  
South Houston 13, San Jacinto 7

Zone B	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bondy	1	0	0	2	1	0
Queens	1	0	0	2	1	0
Thompson	0	0	0	3	0	0
Miller	0	1	0	2	1	0
Jackson	0	1	0	1	2	0

### Game Scores

Bondy 36, Jackson 12  
Queens 19, Miller 18

7B Records	District			Overall		
Zone A	W	L	T	W	L	T
South Houston	1	0	0	2	1	0
Southmore	1	0	0	2	1	0
Beverly Hills	0	0	0	3	0	0
Park View	0	1	0	1	2	0
San Jacinto	0	1	0	0	3	0

### Game Scores

Beverly Hills 20, Thompson 12  
South Houston 24, San Jacinto 7  
Southmore 34, Park View 6

Zone B	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bondy	1	0	0	2	1	0
Queens	1	0	0	2	1	0
Thompson	0	0	0	2	1	0
Jackson	0	1	0	1	2	0
Miller	0	1	0	1	2	0

### Game Scores

Bondy 47, Jackson 19  
Queens 20, Miller 15