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Sagemeadow HOA meets

The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership (BAHEP), Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will jointly host a candidate forum Thursday, Oct. 12, for individuals seeking the position of City of Houston District E city council member. Taking part in the event are candidates Fred Flickinger and Martina Lemond Dixon. The forum will take place at BAHEP's temporary office located at 1150 Gemini (first floor). A meet and greet with candidates will take place from 4:30 to 5 p.m., with the forum following from 5 to 6 p.m.

Sagemeadow HOA meets

Sagemeadow subdivision's monthly HOA meeting will be at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7:15 p.m. This month's guest speakers are Judge Jo Ann Delgado, and Jeremy Ratcliffe, Harris County Flood Control. The meetings are open to the public. For the agenda or more information, visit www.sagemeadow.org.

eRecycling event rescheduled

The City of Houston Solid Waste Management Department's monthly electronic recycling event at Ellington Airport has now been moved from the second Saturday to the third Saturday of the month. The next event will be Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Residents are encouraged to arrive early, however, as the event ends once trucks are full. Items accepted are PCs, servers, keyboards, mice, laptops, game consoles, monitors, small kitchen appliances, memory chips, hubs and routers, printers, copiers, scanners, fax machines, projectors, rechargeable batteries, cable boxes, car batteries, telephones, cellphones, PDAs, tape drives, hard drives, cords, cables and cameras. For additional information, visit www.houston.solidwaste.org or call 311.

CCISD holds public meeting

Clear Creek ISD will host a public meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, at Clear Springs High School, 501 Palomino Lane in League City, to inform the public of the elements of the proposed 2023 bond election and Voter Approval Tax Rate Election (VATRE). This is the first time in school district history that voters will be asked to consider a VATRE, which would add three cents onto the maintenance and operations tax rate to offset the increasing cost of education. The two bond proposals on the ballot total \$302 million and would be used for priority repairs and replacements, school safety upgrades, school infrastructure and instructional technology. For additional information, visit www.ccisd.net/electioncentral.

Sagemeadow seeks vendors

Sagemeadow is seeking local vendors with hand-made/homemade items for its second annual fall festival, set to take place Nov. 4 at Sagemeadow Park. Local businesses are also welcome. If interested, email events@sagemeadow.org.

Heavy trash pickup dates set

City residents south of Fuqua will have heavy trash pickup Thursday, Oct. 12 (second Thursday of the month). City residents north of Fuqua and west of the Gulf Freeway will have heavy trash pickup Friday, Oct. 13 (second Friday of the month). October is for junk waste but tree waste will also be accepted. Pick-ups may be delayed. For additional information, visit www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste or call 311.

New Covenant feeds needy

New Covenant Christian Church, 10603 Blackhawk, will distribute food the second and fourth Saturday monthly from noon to 1 p.m. or until supplies run out. The purpose is to provide food to community people in need. For information, call 281-484-4230.

Coffee with the Constable

Harris County Pct. 2 Constable Jerry Garcia will be at Donut Haven, 10802 Hughes, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. each Thursday as part of the weekly Coffee with the Constable series. The next event will be Thursday, Oct. 12. For more information, call Sagemont Civic Club President Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545.

Local COVID cases reported

The number of active COVID-19 cases in the South Belt community stayed roughly on par with the previous week, according to Harris County health officials. As of Tuesday, Oct. 10, there were 136 active cases in 77089, up seven from the previous week. To date, 139 from the ZIP code have died from the disease, no increase from the previous week. In ZIP code 77075, there were 13 active cases, no change from the previous week. To date, there have been 83 deaths in the ZIP code, no increase from the previous week. In 77034, there were 20 active cases, no change from the previous week. To date, 91 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease, no increase from the previous week. Statistics are updated daily and include numbers from within the Houston city limits and throughout Harris County. To view an interactive map, visit covid-harriscounty.hub.arcgis.com/pages/cumulative-data.

HPD's PIP set for Oct. 17

The Houston Police Department's Positive Interaction Program will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, at the Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria in the CES Classroom on the first floor of the main building. Guest speaker will be Precinct 2 Sgt. Ramon Perez, Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), who will address homeless initiatives. Begun in 1983, HPD's PIP involves police and community members working together for safer neighborhoods. PIP meetings typically take place the third Tuesday of each month. For additional information, contact HPD Officer Richard Buitron at 832-395-1776 or Richard.Buitron@HoustonPolice.org.

Beltway 8 closure planned

At least one northbound frontage road lane on Beltway 8 will be closed from Fairmont Parkway to Spencer Highway continuously through 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31. No detour will be needed but drivers should expect delays.

Hidalgo returns to work amid calls for removal

2-month mental health treatment sparks concerns from critics

Harris County Judge Hidalgo recently returned to the office after receiving roughly two months of mental health treatment for clinical depression.

The judge returned to preside over Commissioners Court Tuesday, Oct. 10.

"I'm thrilled to be back," said Hidalgo. "I've had a fantastic day with my staff, and I am slowly working through many supportive letters and notes. Thank you to everyone for your incredible support as I return to the office. Nobody would

think twice about taking time off work to recover from a heart attack or another physical ailment, and it should be the same way for a mental illness. With the treatment I've received, it no longer feels like I'm in a constant fight against depression. I hope that others who are struggling will look to my experience and feel empowered to get the help they need instead of suffering in silence."

Hidalgo announced in early July that she had checked into an inpatient facility out of state in

late July to treat clinical depression that she had been experiencing for some time. Original plans called for Hidalgo to return to work last month, but she announced Sept. 14 that she was extending her leave.

Harris County Precinct 1 Commissioner Rodney Ellis, who represents much of the South Belt community, presided over Commissioners Court during Hidalgo's absence.

Just days before Hidalgo's recent return to the office, five people filed a lawsuit with Harris County District Court to remove Hidalgo out of health concerns.

Filed by David B. Wilson, Thomas Andrew Thrash, Melinda M. Morris, Thomas A. Bazan and Tommy B. Slocum Jr., the petition states that Hidalgo is "unfit or unable to promptly and prop-

erly discharge her official duties because of serious physical or mental defect that did not exist at the time of the election."

The petitioners equate Hidalgo's absence to an abandonment of her office.

"Judge Hidalgo (sic) has abandoned the office of the Harris County Judge," petitioners said in the lawsuit, adding she is "required to vote on agenda items."

Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia, who also represents much of the South Belt community, said the lawsuit has no chance of moving forward.

"Legally, this has a less-than-zero chance of success, starting with the fact that the petitioners cite a Texas Government Code section that does not exist," said Garcia.

St. Luke's blesses animals



Dozens of South Belt residents took their furry friends to St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church Saturday, Oct. 7, for the area church's annual blessing of the pets ceremony. The Rev. Douglas Guthrie, pastor at St. Luke's, is shown above blessing the animals at the recent function. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Voters to decide 14 state amendments

On Nov. 7, Texas voters will head to the polls to decide the fate of 14 proposed amendments to the state's constitution. Below are the proposed amendments as they appear on the ballot:

- **Proposition 1 - HJR 126:** "The constitutional amendment protecting the right to engage in farming, ranching, timber production, horticulture, and wildlife management."

- **Proposition 2 - SJR 64:** "The constitutional amendment authorizing a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation by a county or municipality of all or part of the appraised value of real property used to operate a child-care facility."

- **Proposition 3 - HJR 132:** "The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of an individual wealth or net worth tax, including a tax on the difference between the assets and liabilities of an individual or family."

- **Proposition 4 - HJR 2:** from the second special session "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to establish a temporary limit on the maximum appraised value of real property other than a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes; to increase the amount of the exemption from ad valorem taxation by a school district applicable to residence homesteads from \$40,000 to \$100,000; to adjust the amount of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes imposed on the

residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect increases in certain exemption amounts; to except certain appropriations to pay for ad valorem tax relief from the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations; and to authorize the legislature to provide for a four-year term of office for a member of the board of directors of certain appraisal districts."

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Man shot, injured at area taco truck

Houston police are searching for a gunman after an attempted robbery at a taco truck in the 900 block of Edgebrook near Theta around 4:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, left a man shot in the leg.

According to Houston Police Department officials, officers responded to a shooting call and found the wounded man down the street from the taco truck. The victim said he had just ordered his food and was about to enter his truck when a suspect in a ski mask pointed a gun at his head and demanded money. As the victim began to give the suspect his money, he noticed the gunman was

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FBI warns of Phantom Hack scam

Elaborate hoax targets seniors, could completely drain savings

The FBI is warning the public of a recent nationwide increase in "Phantom Hacker" scams, significantly impacting senior citizens.

This Phantom Hacker scam is an evolution of more general tech support scams, layering imposter tech support, financial institution, and government personas to enhance the trust victims place in the scammers and identify the most lucrative accounts to target. Victims often suffer the loss of entire banking, savings, retirement, or investment accounts under the guise of "protecting" their assets.

Between January and June 2023, approximately 19,000 complaints related to tech support scams were submitted to the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3), with estimated victim losses of more than \$542 million. Almost 50 percent of the victims reported to IC3 were over 60 years-old, comprising 66 percent of the total losses. As of August 2023, losses have already exceeded those in 2022 by 40 percent.

Tires slashed at area funeral home

Precinct 2 deputies are seeking to identify a suspect wanted for allegedly slashing the tires of company vehicles at Peevey Funeral Home near Beamer and Scarsdale the morning of Tuesday, Oct. 10. The suspect also reportedly attempted to burglarize a taco truck located at a gas station at the same intersection. See next week's *Leader* for more information.

The scam

- **Phase 1: Tech support imposter:** A scammer posing as a tech or customer support representative from a legitimate company contacts the victim through a phone call, text, email, or a pop-up window on the victim's computer and instructs the victim to call a number for "assistance."

Once the victim calls the number, a scammer directs the victim to download a software program, allowing the scammer remote access to the victim's computer. The scammer pretends to run a virus scan on the victim's computer and falsely claims the computer has been or is at risk of being hacked.

Next, the scammer requests the victim open their financial accounts to determine whether there have been any unauthorized charges - a tactic the scammer uses to determine which financial account is most lucrative for targeting. The scammer chooses an account to target and tells the victim they will receive a call with further instructions from the fraud department of the respective financial institution hosting that account.

- **Phase 2: Financial institution imposter:** A scammer posing as a representative of the financial institution mentioned in phase 1, such as a bank or a brokerage firm, contacts the victim. The scammer falsely informs the victim their computer and financial accounts have been accessed by a foreign hacker and the victim must move their money to a "safe" third-party account, such as an account with the Federal Reserve or another U.S. government agency.

The scammer directs the victim to transfer

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Annual airshow takes flight Oct. 14-15

Wings Over Houston to honor vets, first responders

The Wings Over Houston Airshow (WOHA), one of Houston's largest annual events, will return to Ellington Airport Oct. 14-15 to benefit thousands of military veterans and honor first responders throughout the city.

The volunteer-led event will feature the 9/11 NEVER FORGET Mobile Exhibit, presented by the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, the Houston Veteran Business Marketplace, hosted by the Houston Regional Veterans Chamber of Commerce, supporting local veteran entrepreneurs, and a partnership with Union Pacific Railroad's UPVETS to host a toy drive for underserved

children.

"Beyond showcasing the thrills of aviation, our airshow serves a greater purpose," said Bill Roach, executive director of WOHA. "It provides the Houston region with a platform to give back to our own community and an opportunity to honor and support our brave first responders and military personnel, who risk their lives daily to ensure our safety."

For the first time, the exclusive 9/11 NEVER FORGET Mobile Exhibit will join WOHA. The one-of-a-kind exhibit hosted by New York City

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County fights against breast cancer

October marks Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October marks Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and Harris County Public Health is urging community members to prioritize their health and well-being.

HCPH is dedicated to educating Harris County community members about the preventative measures they can take to reduce their risk of developing breast cancer and the importance of scheduling regular screenings for early detection.

HCPH is offering free a clinical breast cancer screenings to eligible residents during October. The screenings will be available at HCPH

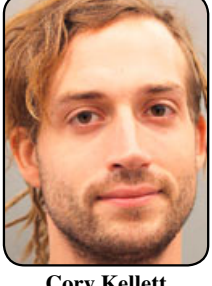
Humble, Southeast and Antoine clinics, the East and Northeast Harris County Precinct 2 Access 2Health Smart Pods and the mobile clinic located in Cypress Station.

Breast cancer is the second most common cancer in women, affecting one in eight women in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately 264,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer; sadly, more than 42,000 lose their lives to this disease. Black women have a significantly higher breast cancer death rate than white women.

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Police seek September murder suspect

Charges have been filed against a suspect wanted in the fatal stabbing of a man that took place about 4:10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, in the 8200 block of Garden Parks Drive near Fuqua and Blackhawk.



Cory Kellett

The suspect, Cory Madison Kellett, 29, was charged with murder and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon in the 208th State District Court. A July 2022 booking photo of Kellett, who was not in custody at press time is shown here.

The victim, 23, suffered multiple stab wounds. According to Houston Police Department officials, patrol officers responded to a stabbing at

the above address and found the victim had been transported to HCA Houston Healthcare Clear Lake where he was pronounced dead.

A preliminary investigation and witness statements determined the victim got into a verbal altercation with a male suspect in the driveway of the residence at the above address. The suspect then produced a knife and stabbed the victim.

The suspect, described at that time as a white male, 25 to 30 years of age, was last seen fleeing the scene in a white, four-door Alfa Romeo sedan with paper license plates. Further investigation identified Kellett as the suspect and he was subsequently charged. Kellett remains at-large and his whereabouts are unknown. Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Kellett or in this case is urged to call the HPD Homicide Division at 713-308-3600 or Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS (8477).

Delgado launches re-election campaign

Despite rumors to the contrary, Harris County Precinct 2, Place 1 Justice of the Peace Jo Ann Delgado recently announced she will seek a seventh term on the bench in 2024. First elected in 2001, Delgado made history as being the first Hispanic female justice of the peace Harris County. A longtime South Belt resident Delgado brings more than four decades of justice court and county court experience. To help get the signatures necessary to appear on the 2024 ballot, Delgado will hold petition signature event in the *Leader* parking lot, 11555 Beamer, Saturday, Nov. 4, from 9 to 11 a.m.

In My Opinion

Henry Dibrell asks, "But did you vote?"

Many times, we get into conversations with people as to what is wrong in our communities. Poor streets (potholes, narrow unclear ditches), the rise in crime, traffic problems, broken water mains, untimely trash pick-up and other city services, etc. It makes us all feel unsafe.

The question I like to ask when I hear a complaint is, DID YOU VOTE? AND WHAT DID YOU VOTE FOR? If the answer is no, then the next question is WHY ARE YOU COMPLAINING? As it relates to our city, all services we receive must come through City Hall (the mayor, and the City Council). If you are not getting the services, you feel you deserve then your city councilmember may not be fighting for you down at City Hall. What we must understand is that your vote is your currency in the political arena.

If you do not VOTE, then you have no skin in the game and you will be ignored and minimized.

Some career politicians will check your voting record before even calling you back. When you call your City Councilmember, and you are a voter they listen. Politicians even research the areas of town that have the highest voter turnout and those parts of town earn their respect. They make sure they pay attention to areas that vote. This is why you should vote in the city election.

Traditionally, the South Belt Areas have had low voter turnouts for the city elections. We must turn it around and add our currency and voice for the things we need in the South Belt area. This year our city

elections begin Oct. 23 with early voting and election day is November 7th. Educate yourself and vote, tell your friends and neighbors to vote and let's work together to have the highest turnout in the city.

Publisher's Note:

Henry is so right, people not only need to vote, but also like he said, "educate yourself first."

Carraway appreciates Bill King's insight

Many thanks to Bill King for the enlightening articles about Metro in the 4/19/2023 and 9/14/2023 issues. Since October 2022, Metro began extending their Sagemont 88 route past Fuqua on Sabo to Sagetree and circling through the Fuqua Park and Ride.

The excuse by Taylor Trosclair, Metro Transit Planner II, was that 1 speaker at a July, 2022 Metro Board Workshop complained of use of parking facilities as restrooms. Not entirely sure what this means, but 80+ times each day a Metro 88 bus passes by my home now, beginning 5:30 a.m. to Midnight. For over 30 years the bus turned at Fuqua to Beamer to San Jacinto College and turned around.

After reading Mr. King's articles, I'm wondering if those basically EMPTY buses are filling time on the route by circling through the Park and Ride because they no longer have very many riders. If so, it's quite a waste of our tax money for fuel, wear and tear of our roads, etc. Just another example of a bloated bureaucracy.

Rosemary Carraway

St. Luke's blessing of the animals



The Rev. Douglas Guthrie (center) is shown with Katherine (left) and Jeff O'Brien after blessing their pet at the blessing of animals at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church last Saturday, in commemoration of St. Francis' Day (Oct. 3). St. Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals in the Catholic religion. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Elected officials share their words

Mayor Pro Tem, Councilman Dist. E, Dave Martin

Addressing Election information

The upcoming City of Houston election is especially important for the residents of District E. All election-related information can be found at <http://www.harrisvotes.com>. Early voting for this election will take place from Oct. 23 to Nov.3 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

This extended period allows voters to cast their ballots ahead of the official election day, which is set for Nov. 7, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Harrisvotes.com provides information on additional resources and services related to the election, such as voter registration and sample ballots. The last day to register to vote is Tuesday, Oct. 10, all voter registration forms must be put in the mail by this deadline. The website serves as a centralized hub for election information, ensuring that voters have all the necessary information to participate in the democratic process.

The City of Houston election is crucial as it determines the future leadership and policies that will shape the community. Positions that are on the ballot are District Council Members

Sen. John Cornyn on Biden, the border

The following has been released by Sen. John Cornyn:

Cities across the country, from El Paso to New York City, are overwhelmed by the burden of caring for migrants who have no plausible claim to be in the country legally. I didn't think it was possible for the Biden border crisis to get worse, but it clearly has.

Congress needs to act before the situation gets even more dangerous and... force the Biden administration to put forth a serious plan that actually discourages illegal immigration.

U.S. Senator John Cornyn discussed the Biden administration's failure to deter illegal immigration and its devastating impact on cities in Texas and across the

Methodist Clear Lake welcomes new doctors

Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital announced cardiologist Luna Y. Liu, D.O. (serving patients at 2060 Space Park Drive); otolaryngologist Stephanie Y. Chen, M.D. (serving patients at 18100 Houston Methodist Drive); and general and bariatric surgeon Ahmed Ali, M.D. (serving patients at 18123 Upper Bay Road. Medical Office Building 4.)

and open communication." "I am dedicated to taking care of each patient as if they were a family member," said Chen. "I strive to provide comprehensive and thoughtful care for my patients. I feel privileged to utilize my advanced training to serve each individual patient, listen to their concerns and provide the best care possible," said Chen.

Chen obtained her medical degree at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons before completing residency training in otolaryngology and neck surgery at Washington University in St. Louis. She then completed a year of advanced fellowship training in head and neck surgical oncology and microvascular reconstruction at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. prior to returning to Texas.

Ali is a board-certified and fellowship-trained general, minimally invasive and bariatric surgeon who earned his medical degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine.

He completed his general surgery internship and residency at Case Western University/University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center.

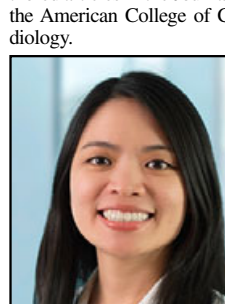
At East Carolina University/East Carolina Health in Greenville, N.C. He completed his bariatric and minimally invasive surgery fellowship.



Luna Y. Liu, D.O.

Liu is board-certified in internal medicine and a fellowship-trained cardiologist whose clinical interests include preventive cardiovascular medicine, cardiac exercise testing and nuclear cardiology and echocardiography.

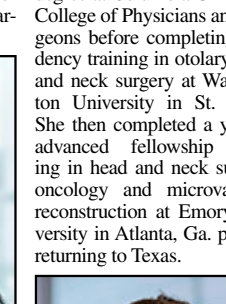
"My goal is to deliver exceptional care that not only addresses the medical condition, but also upholds the patient's dignity, autonomy and overall well-being," said Liu. "I firmly believe in tailoring health care to each person's needs - through compassion, guidance



Stephanie Y. Chen, M.D.

A board-certified otolaryngologist and native Texan, Chen's clinical interests include diagnosing and treating benign and malignant head and neck masses, salivary gland disorders, thyroid and parathyroid disorders, allergy and sinus complaints and obstructive sleep apnea.

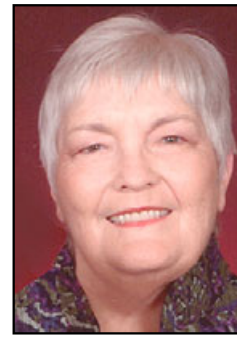
She has a particular interest in minimally invasive transoral robotic surgery for the appropriate patients.



Ahmed Ali, M.D.

Ali's clinical interests include bariatric surgery, revisional bariatric surgery, obesi-

Delores Snow Washburn



Delores (Memaw) Snow Washburn, 80, went home to the Lord Thursday, Oct. 5, 2023. She was born Aug. 22, 1943, in New Orleans to William Manuel and Lorene Abemathy Snow. She was a 1961 graduate of Beckville High School, outside of Carthage, before attending Stephen F. Austin University where she met the love of her life, Travis Washburn. They married on March 1, 1962, before Travis had to report to boot camp. They were previous long time residents of South Belt.

Delores' faith in Christ was the cornerstone of her life as a longtime member at First Baptist Church of Conroe. At FBC Conroe, she served in various roles over three decades, of which some of her favorites were playing the clarinet in the orchestra, teaching Sun-

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day school or Vacation Bible School and serving in various ways with her Life Group. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and a committed friend to many. She never showed up empty-handed to an event, always bringing her famous sugar cookies or deviled eggs. Her Friday nights of late were filled with making great memories of dining out with her "Sassy Seniors" group.

Delores is probably the biggest sports enthusiast one would ever meet. She loved watching her children and grandchildren play their many sports and was often caught watching and keeping score for games in which she had no relatives playing. Delores would most definitely make sure she was awake at all hours of the night to watch "her man," Novak Djokovic, play tennis half-way around the world.

Delores is survived by her children Robin (Bubba) Stokely, Patrick (Karon) Washburn, Jason (Heather) Washburn, Derek (Erin) Washburn and Megan (Will) Metcalf; grandchildren Chad Stokely, Chase Stokely, Taylor (Henry) Waller, Brett (Cori) Washburn, Gentry Washburn, Lindsey Washburn, Travis Washburn, Ashley Washburn, William Washburn, Davis Washburn, Amelia Metcalf, Elizabeth Metcalf; and great-grandchildren Parker Stokely, Colton Stokely, Aubrie Stokely and Tripp Washburn. She is also

survived by her brother Rudy (Peggie) Snow of Carthage, and numerous other nephews, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, her mother and stepfather Glen Gentry, and her in-laws Travis and Cora Odell Washburn.

A visitation will be Monday, Oct. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. at The Metcalf Funeral Home, 1801 E. White Oak Terrace in Conroe. The funeral service will be on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at noon at First Baptist Church of Conroe at 600 N. Main St. with Alan Armstrong officiating. Interment will follow at Conroe Memorial Park. The church service will be live-streamed at www.fbconroe.org/live-stream.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to Young Life of North Montgomery County Camp Scholarship Fund, 11401 Prince Henry Court, Montgomery, TX 77316; or <https://giving.younglife.org/s/gift-designation> (designate to TX528).

The Washburn family would like to also give a special thanks to LaCoshia Williams for her devoted care and friendship for Memaw over the past few years and to all the caring staff at DaVita River Park Dialysis.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.metcalffuneraldirectors.com for the Washburn family.

Edgebrook 4:30 a.m. shooting

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distracted and attempted to flee in his truck. The suspect fired multiple shots, striking the victim in the leg, before fleeing the scene in an unknown vehi-

cle. The victim was transported to a nearby hospital for surgery and is expected to be OK.

The victim's two sons were in his vehicle at the time of the robbery but were not injured.

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

Shell FCU to award scholarships

Shell Federal Credit Union announced the opening of applications for the prestigious 2024 John Garrison Scholarships. These scholarships are a testament to Shell FCU's commitment to supporting education of deserving community students. In the coming year, Shell FCU will award a total of 20 scholarships: 15 valued at \$2,500 each for two- or four-year college or university programs and five valued at \$2,500 each for vocational or technical programs.

The growth and expansion of Shell FCU over the past two decades have resulted in an increased demand for educational assistance. In recognition of this, Shell FCU is allocating a total of \$50,000 in scholarships to 2024 high

school seniors. Applicants can complete their submissions, along with all necessary attachments, online. Alternatively, applications can be submitted with required documentation at any Shell FCU branch or via mail, with a submission deadline of Saturday, Jan. 20, 2024.

To review eligibility criteria and application requirements, visit the official website: www.shellfcu.org or www.sf.cuilife.org. Since its inception in 2001, the John Garrison Scholarship has been bestowed upon 188 accomplished students, for a total of \$487,500.

The scholarships stand as a tribute to John Garrison's memory of a dedicated volunteer board member who

selflessly served for more than 50 years. His leadership and commitment to volunteerism continue to inspire. All applicants are encouraged to embody his spirit and carry it forward into careers and volunteer endeavors.

Shell Federal Credit Union has remained steadfastly committed to its communities since 1937, enriching the lives of thousands through exceptional service, community engagement, and sustainable financial solutions for every life stage.

Anyone who lives, works, worships, attends school or conducts business in Harris County, can become a part of the Shell FCU family, with a minimal \$5 initial deposit requirement. Shell FCU is federally insured by the NCUA.

Chamber to host Gold Star Event

The South Belt Chamber of Commerce will host its Gold Star Event Thursday, Nov. 9, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. for the inaugural Gold Star Family Recognition and Honor Luncheon at the Lone Star Flight Museum, 11551 Aerospace Avenue at Ellington Field. Registration opens at 11 a.m.

This luncheon is dedicated to Gold Star Families - those who have lost loved ones while serving in the armed forces - and will pay tribute to their ultimate sacrifice.

"The featured keynote speaker is the Honorable Mike Foreman, Friendswood Mayor, Former Astronaut and Retired Naval Aviator. Loren Westfield, Houston USO Executive Director, will also speak

at the event. Senior Vice President and Memorial Hermann Southeast and Pearland Hospitals CEO Noel Cardenas and Former Colonel of the U.S. Army will serve as emcee.

Ticket sales are available online at <https://rb.gy/mvk8f> for \$50 per person, with a min-

imum purchase of two tickets.

Anyone interested in sponsoring the event should, email the chamber at info@southbeltchamber.com or call 281-481-5516.

Reservations should be submitted promptly as seating is limited.

GARAGE SALE

SAT, OCT 14
8AM - 2PM

Blackhawk HOA Community Wide GARAGE SALE!

Neighborhood located at the corner of Blackhawk and Astoria

Multi-Family, electronics, furniture, baby items, clothes, household items and much more!
Rain Date is October 21.

New Covenant Christian Church
Day Care Christian Based Child Care

Now Enrolling

New Covenant Christian Church provides Christian based child care for the local community. Director Nedra Jackson and her staff are here to take perfect care of your children while you work.

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Rev. Kingsley Nwoko, Parochial Vicar
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(between Beamer & Blackhawk)
www.stlukesatholic.com

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:30 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. and 10 a.m.*
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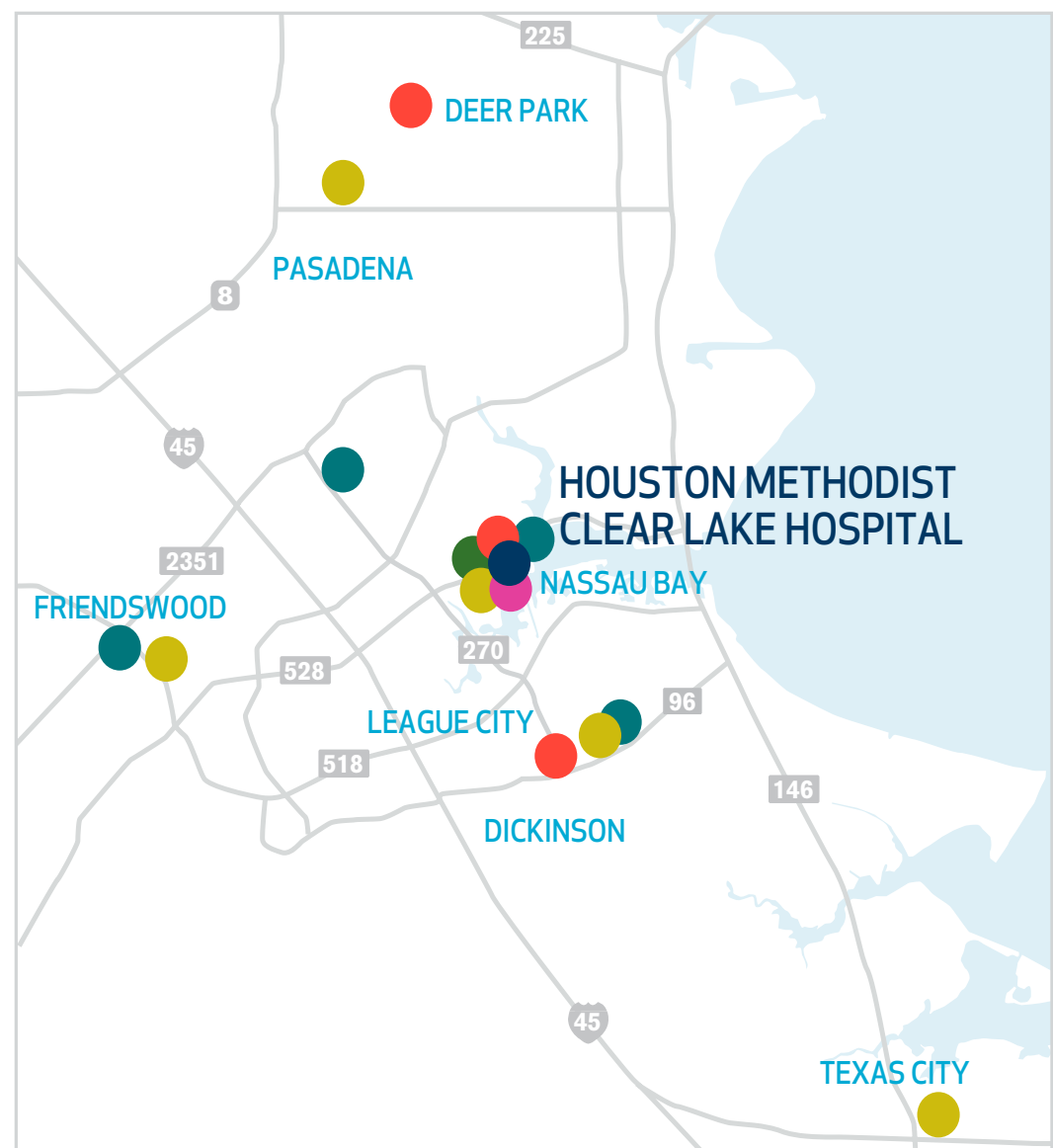


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14 state amendments up for November vote

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– Proposition 5 – HJR 3: “The constitutional amendment relating to the Texas University Fund, which provides funding to certain institutions of higher education to achieve national prominence as major research universities and drive the state economy.”
– Proposition 6 – SJR 75: “The constitutional amendment creating the Texas water fund to assist in financing water projects in this state.”
– Proposition 7 – SJR 93: “The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas energy fund to support the construction, maintenance, modernization, and operation of electric generating facilities.”
– Proposition 8 – HJR 125: “The constitutional amendment creating the broadband infrastructure fund to expand high-speed broadband access and assist in the financing of connectivity projects.”
– Proposition 9 – HJR 2: “The constitutional amendment authorizing the 88th Legislature to provide a cost-of-living adjustment to certain annuitants of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.”
– Proposition 10 – SJR 87: “The constitutional amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation equipment or inventory held by a manufacturer of medical or biomedical products to protect the Texas healthcare network and strengthen our medical supply chain.”
– Proposition 11 – SJR 32: “The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities.”
– Proposition 12 – HJR 134: “The constitutional amendment providing for the abolition of the office of county treasurer in Galveston County.”
– Proposition 13 – HJR 107: “The constitutional amendment to increase the mandatory age of retirement for state justices and judges.”
– Proposition 14 – SJR 74: “The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the centennial parks conservation fund to be used for the creation and improvement of state parks.”
 One can find information about the amendments and voting in Texas at VoteTexas.gov.
 Early voting for the Nov. 7 election will begin Oct. 23 and continue through Nov. 3. For additional information on the 2023 general election, visit www.harrisvotes.org.

Thompson triumphs at 2022-2023 Pentathlon



Pasadena ISD hosted the Academic Pentathlon Awards ceremony on Sept. 14 to recognize the accomplishments of students during the 2022-2023 Pentathlon. Shown are the Thompson Intermediate students who were awarded, along with faculty, left to right, Tanis Griffin (principal); Alayna Rodriguez; Saniyah Young; Lyla Crane (now at Dobie 9); James Duncan (now at CTHS); MaryBeth Nicol (librally media specialist) and Ca-Lishea Woods (intervention instructional coach).

Lariaette of the week, Oct. 6



The J. Frank Dobie Lariaette of the week of Oct. 6 is senior Jayla Betancourt, a first-year line member.

FBI warns seniors of Phantom Hack scam which could drain savings

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 money via a wire transfer, cash, or cryptocurrency, often directly to overseas recipients.
 The scammer may instruct the victim to send multiple transactions over a span of days or months.
 The scammer tells the victim to not inform anyone of the real reason they are moving their money.
– Phase 3: US government imposter:
 The victim may also be contacted by a scammer posing as an employee at the Federal Reserve or another U.S. government agency. If the victim becomes suspicious of the government imposter, the scammer may send an email or a letter on what appears to be official U.S. government letterhead to legitimize the scam.
 The scammer continues to emphasize the victim's funds are “unsafe” and they must be moved to a new “alias” account for protection until the victim concedes.
Phantom Hack scam
 Top level: Tech support Imposter. Pretends to be technical support. Directs one to install software on one's computer to allow them remote access. Can observe overall finances. Middle level: Financial institution imposter. States one's computer and financial accounts have been hacked. Directs one to move money to a U.S. Government entity, such as the Federal Reserve, for safety. Bottom level: U.S. government imposter. Poses as U.S. government employee. May provide official-looking letterhead to appear legitimate.
Prevention tips
 Do not click on unsolicited pop-ups, links sent via text messages, or email links or attachments.
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 – The name of the person or company that initiated contact.
 – Methods of communication used, to include websites, emails and telephone numbers.
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 For additional information, visit www.ic3.gov/Media/Y2023/PSA230929.

Annual Ellington airshow takes flight Oct. 14-15

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 Fire Department (FDNY) retirees honors the heroic first responders who selflessly sacrificed their lives on Sept. 11, 2001. Special tours will be provided for the firefighters of League City.
 “We are proud to be able to offer Ellington's local firefighters the opportunity to pay tribute to those we lost on 9/11,” said Frank Siller, chairman and CEO of Tunnel to Towers Foundation. “Bringing this unique experience to the Houston airshow as a tribute to the undefeated courage of our first responders and their enduring strength is an honor.”
 Also joining WOHA for the first time is Union Pacific Railroad's UP-VETS, a veteran-focused employee resource group, that will collect toys at the event gates for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program. Since 2019, UPVETS volunteers have delivered 60,000 toys to 15,000 children in need.
 This year, they hope to raise more than \$100,000 and receive 50,000 toys.
 In addition, the Houston Veteran Business Marketplace will be returning to Ellington Airport for this year's event. This collaborative initiative hosted by the Houston Regional Veterans Chamber of Commerce and Wings Over Houston provides a dedicated space at the event for local veteran-owned small businesses to showcase their products and services to attendees.
 To learn more about ticket options, display aircraft, additional event attractions/performers, travel accommodations, sponsorship, or volunteer opportunities with the airshow, visit www.wingsoverhouston.com.

SJC board approves property tax

The San Jacinto College board of trustees approved the 2023 tax rate for the College District during its regularly scheduled October meeting.
 The rate approved by the board is 14.6195 cents per \$100 valuation of taxable property located within the San Jacinto Community College District, which is approximately \$0.009410 (6.1 percent) below the prior year's rate. It is comprised of an assessment for maintenance and operations (9.9152 cents) and a separate debt service tax rate (4.7043 cents).
 The total tax rate for 2022 was \$0.155605.
 For calendar year 2023, the average taxable value of a residence homestead in the San Jacinto Community College District is \$170,800.

CCEF to host awards, fundraiser

The Clear Creek Education Foundation recognizes the dedication and efforts of the volunteer committee organizing its annual awards presentation and dinner, “An Evening with the Stars.” Volunteers are planning the Thursday, Nov. 9, event which is an annual fundraiser for CCEF and its programs for the Clear Creek Independent School District.
 The event is being planned by a 12-person volunteer committee that includes: CCEF Executive Director, Deborah Laine; CCEF Community Marketing and Events Manager Michele Thomas; and committee members Janet Brown, Ashley Goodhue, Lisa Holbrook, Jenny McCormick, Melinda Mintz, Sarah Moutz, Jill Reason, Heidi Reigel, Chris Rylant and Mary Ann Shalberg.
 CCEF extends thanks to Presenting Sponsor: Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott; Oscar Winning Sponsor – Chemical Process and Production; Golden Globe Sponsors – PSC Group Helping Hands Foundation, MRI Technologies and HEB; and Tony Award Sponsor, Texas First Bank.
 The dinner is open to the community and tickets are available for purchase at the foundation's website, www.ClearCreekEducation.org. All funds raised from the event go toward inspiring educational excellence in CCISD through CCEF's programs; educational grants for both teachers and students, Clear Horizon Early College High School, National Board Teacher Certifications, The Leader in Me Program and Robotics, Coding and Computational Thinking (RCC).
 During the event, CCEF will honor an elite group of individuals who continually serve and represent Clear Creek Independent School District (CCISD). Award recipients include:
George B. Carlisle Distinguished Service Award
 This award is given to Jill Reason for consistent demonstration of commitment to CCISD over time.
Distinguished Alumni Award
 This is presented to individuals who are CCISD alumni and are now accomplished professionals who support their community:
 – Ross Wycoff, CCHS, Class of 2003
 – Connor Tomkies, CSHS, Class of 2011
 – Brian Freedman, CLHS, Class of 2000
 – Dr. Jeremy Holzback, CBHS, Class of 2002.
Valor Award
 In honor of a public servant who has gone above and beyond the call of duty, this award is given to Misty Ryan.
Dennis Johnson Memorial Small Business Award
 A small-business owner within CCISD who demonstrates an unwavering commitment to the district through active participation in multiple activities is presented this award. The recipient is Carl Joiner of Joiner Architects.
2023 CCISD Citizen of the Year
 Recognized by the CCISD board of trustees and CCEF, this goes to an outstanding member of the community who consistently demonstrates commitment to CCISD and excellence in public education through volunteer efforts. The recipient is Dr. Laura DuPont.

Harris County fights against breast cancer

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 en. Most cases of breast cancer are detected in women 50 years and older, although this disease can also affect younger women. Regardless of age, a breast cancer diagnosis and subsequent treatment can be challenging, but it may prove even more overwhelming for young survivors.
 Breast cancer is commonly linked to women but can also affect men. About 1 percent of breast cancer cases in the U.S. occur in men.
 According to the CDC, 2,400 men are diagnosed with breast cancer, and 500 die annually.
 An estimated 300,590 new breast cancer cases for both men and women are projected in 2023. It is also estimated that around 43,700 people will lose their lives to breast cancer in the United States.
 Everyone should be aware of breast cancer's risk factors and symptoms, regardless of gender. Like many other diseases, people can have different signs of breast cancer, and some might not have any symptoms.
 Some warning signs of breast cancer for which women should look for include the following:
 – A lump in the breast or armpit.
 – Thickening or swelling of part of the breast.
 – Irritation or dimpling of breast skin.
 – Redness or flaky skin in the nipple area or the breast.
 – Pulling in of the nipple or pain in the nipple area.
 – Nipple discharge other than breast milk, including blood.
 – Any change in the size or the shape of the breast.
 – Pain in any area of the breast.
 The most common warning signs of breast cancer for which men should look are the following:
 – A lump or swelling in the breast.
 – Redness or flaky skin in the breast.
 – Irritation or dimpling of breast skin.
 – Nipple discharge.
 – Pulling in of the nipple or pain in the nipple area.
 Mammograms are X-rays of the breast and are the most effective and commonly used method for early detection of breast cancer. Regular mammogram screenings can significantly lower the risk of dying from breast cancer. Clinical breast exams, which one's doctor performs during annual well-woman exams or breast self-exams, can also help improve your chances of detecting breast cancer early.
 Taking care of one's health can help lower the risk of breast cancer, even though some factors, such as aging or family history, cannot be changed. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle throughout one's life can reduce the likelihood of developing cancer and improve chances of surviving it if it does occur.
 HCPH provides various clinical and preventive health services to meet the essential health care needs of Harris County residents. HCPH clinics offer low-cost or free check-ups, breast exams and mammogram referrals to qualified individuals.
 Early detection saves lives. Those interested can raise awareness and take action by calling 832-927-7350 for eligibility and to schedule an appointment.

Remember When

45 years ago (1978)
 The South Belt Press changed its name to the *South Belt Leader*.
 Influenced by the opinion that the next Texas State Legislature would require competency-based education, the Pasadena Independent School District board of trustees approved a plan to initiate CBE in reading and math for students in grades kindergarten through 12th.
40 years ago (1983)
 Houston Councilman Frank Mancuso presented proclamations to the Texas State Championship Little League team from the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League.
 A \$30 million multiple use retail and commercial development situated at the northwest corner of the intersection of Fuqua and the Gulf Freeway was announced by Westhaven Interests, Inc.
35 years ago (1988)
 Dobie High School students elected Bonnie Ferguson, Jenny Batson and Tracy Snow as the finalists for the 1988 homecoming queen.
 The reopening of the Scarsdale overpass at I-45 left area businesses that had suffered for more than a year with decreased revenues with an upward change in business at their cash registers.
30 years ago (1993)
 Construction of a toll road for 7.78 miles of the East Belt was set to proceed following a vote from the Harris County Commissioners Court. The East Belt was to be the first phase of an approximate 30-mile toll road around the southeast portion of the county.
 A traffic light was to be added at Beamer at Kirkfair, just a few feet away from a problem light at Beamer at Beltway 8. The city's Ron Jenson, who was in charge of signals for the southeast portion of the city, said he dreaded the problems which could arise when the Kirkfair light was installed, but the peak-hour traffic at that intersection warranted a light. Jenson said problems with the lights at Beamer at Beltway 8 were still being ironed out.
 The 111th Fighter Squadron and the 147th Fighter Group out of Ellington marked their 75th anniversary with a celebration at Ellington Field. An open house and dinner was held at the Air National Guard Building.
25 years ago (1998)
 Cassie Plumley was named homecoming queen for Clear Brook High School.
 Two Clear Brook students were arrested when they were seen throwing an explosive device sometimes referred to as a McGuyver bomb.
20 years ago (2003)
 Kyle Deubner of Sage-meadow won the Junior Intermediate U.S. Wakeboard Championship.
 Col. Lanny B. McNeely was selected as the Wing Commander of the Texas Air National Guard's 147th Fighter Wing at Ellington Field.
15 years ago (2008)
 The San Jacinto College South campus celebrated its 30-year anniversary with a week of events featuring a 1970s theme. As a way of giving back to the community, the college also hosted a blood drive sponsored by the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center.
 The Texas Education Agency announced that school districts affected by Hurricane Ike would not be required to make up all of the time students missed. Districts affected by Ike were allowed to waive 10 days of the mandatory 180-day school year, according to TEA officials. However, districts did have the option of making up the lost time.
 The Pasadena Independent School District, which missed 11 school days, chose to make up one day.
 The Clear Creek Independent School District board of trustees decided to make up five of the district's 11 missed days.
 San Jacinto College decided to stick to its existing 16-week academic calendar, holiday schedule and exam schedule. College officials came up with a plan to complete 100 percent of the learning objectives and still finish the semester according to the existing academic calendar.
10 years ago (2013)
 A second suspect charged in the fatal shooting of a woman at a game room in the 8500 block of Alameda Genoa was arrested. William Kelly Rawlings, 24, was arrested by Pasadena police responding to a weapons disturbance call. His alleged accomplice, Obed Rodriguez, 20, had already been arrested for his role in the incident. The two were charged with capital murder in the fatal shooting of 37-year-old Yolanda Lara, of Pasadena, an employee at the Monroe Gameroom.
 South Belt Elementary and Melillo Middle School were placed on modified lockdown while police combed the area looking for Lavonne Giron, 24, accused of pulling a gun on his girlfriend and threatening to kill her. C.J. Harris Elementary in Pearland was also temporarily placed on lockdown. Giron was later arrested by Pearland police. In addition to the original charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, Giron was charged with evading, resisting arrest and failure to identify, as he had given officers a fake name.
5 years ago (2018)
 Dobie High School star athletes Kris Morris and Taylor Pleasants were respectively crowned the school's homecoming king and queen at halftime of the Longhorns' big 70-20 win over Humble Oct. 5 at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium. Morris was a standout football player at the school, and Pleasants is a Louisiana State University softball commit.
 The 21st annual Evening of Cuisine, held at The Gardens on Thursday, Oct. 4, was a huge success, raising thousands of dollars for the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce. Savannah Cafe & Bakery once again took home the award for best of show.
1 year ago (2022)
 A man's body was found inside an apartment unit Monday, Oct. 3, in the 1300 block of Redford near Edgebrook and the Gulf Freeway. According to Houston Police Department officials, employees at the apartment complex at the above address noticed a foul odor and flies near the door of an apartment. Officers were called and gained entry to the apartment. During a search of the apartment, a male's decomposed body, later identified as Scott West, was found wrapped in blankets, inside a closet. No immediate arrests were made.



NATALIE AND JOSE CELEBRATE 10TH
 Best wishes for an enjoyable 10th wedding anniversary Oct. 12 are sent to **Natalie and Jose Abarca** from children **Kelvin Lopez, and Noah, Elliana and Isabella Abarca**; mom **Ellie Flickinger** and husband **David**; and grandparents **Marie and David Flickinger** and **Kina Reyes**.
BIRTHDAY WISHES TO CATHERINE
Dr. Catherine O'Brien is wished a happy birthday Thursday, Oct. 13, from family, friends and the *Leader* staff. She is currently teaching at a local university.
TRACY CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY
Tracy Giles enjoys a birthday Monday, Oct. 17. Birthday greetings are sent from husband **Jim**, sons **Cody and Aaron** and wife **Ashley** and daughter **Kristen**; and mother **Bobby Griffin** (*Leader* staff member).
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KIMBERLY!
Kimberly Lipina celebrates a birthday Monday, Oct. 17. Happy birthday wishes are sent from her husband **Matthew Lipina**; mom **Leslie** and dad **Fred Flickinger**; grandparents **Marie** (*Leader* owner) and **David Flickinger** and **Olive Falkowski**; uncle **David** (*Leader* president) and wife **Ellie Flickinger**; sister **Courtney** and husband **Chris Durham** and children **Abigail and Jackson Durham**.
SCHOOL DAZE
 The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Oct. 12 through Oct. 18.
Atkinson Elementary
 Light the birthday candles for **Karen O'Connor** Oct. 14.
Burnett Elementary
 Join in the birthday fun Oct. 13 with **Denise Ngo**.
Bush Elementary
 Send a humorous birthday card Oct. 12 to **Jessica Roman**.
Genoa Elementary
 Share a slice of a birthday cake Oct. 14 with **Belinda Wiese**.
Meador Elementary
 Light the birthday candles for **Megan Mays** Oct. 15.
South Belt Elementary
 Oct. 15 is the day for a party for **Angela Walker** and **Lauren Gonzalez**.
Stuchbery Elementary
Guadalupe Cabrera enjoys a happy birthday Oct. 12.
Melillo Middle School
Kelli Schauer celebrates a special birthday Oct. 17. The day for a party for **Heather Wheeler** is Oct. 18.
Roberts Middle School
 Oct. 14 is the day for a birthday party for

Ashlie Haas, Beverly Hills Intermediate
 Oct. 16 is the day for a birthday celebration for **Melanie Flowers**.
Dobie High
Ryan Jordan is wished a happy birthday Oct. 15. The day for a celebration for **Roger Brown** and **Diana Mayhew** is Oct. 16.
FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
 Thursday, Oct. 12: **Christy Chapman, Vikki Kaufman and Laura Garcia**; Friday, Oct. 13: **Cathy Rex and Mark Chassay**; Saturday, Oct. 14: **Kristy Hall, Karen O'Connor, Tammy Fort, Nick Kafarella, Michele Rodriguez, Jason Warren and Richard Flores**; Sunday, Oct. 15: **Tonya Willoughby, Kelli Nobles Candace and Dorsey Green**; Monday, Oct. 16: **Cristina Denson, Rusty Jewell, Alice Wood, Erin Lutich and Patricia Escamilla-Tamez**; Tuesday, Oct. 17: **Beverly Bolton, Brandy Castillo, Joe Bennett, Susan Scott and Stephanie Garza**; and Wednesday, Oct. 18: **Michael Harris III, Stephanie Morton, Kassie Schmidt and Michelle Cripps**.
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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES



Lutheran South Academy senior Matthew Gaitan (left) was second in a time of 15 minutes, 57 seconds and his brother, Marcus Gaitan was third (16:00) in the varsity boys' 5,000-meter run to lead the Pioneers at the St. John's Maverick Ramble in Tomball.

Lutheran South cross-country in form for district meet Oct. 21

The St. John's Maverick Ramble in Tomball served as the final regular-season tune-up for the Lutheran South Academy cross-country program as senior twins Matthew Gaitan and Marcus Gaitan finished 2-3 at the 5,000-meter distance in preparation for the postseason.

Luke Dial of St. Andrews Episcopal crossed the finish line as the top overall medalist at 15 minutes, 45 seconds, while Matthew Gaitan was second (15:57) and his brother, Marcus Gaitan third (16:00).

Elsewhere at Spring Creek Park, a time of 16:33 landed LSA freshman Jeremy Gaitan 18th, while sophomore Reid Toner's time of 17:33 placed him 37th. Joshua Gaitan, the twin brother of Jeremy Gaitan, was 62nd for the Pioneers with a time of 18:21.

Sophomore Sam Hergenrader (18:32 for 65th place), freshman Nicho-

TAPPS Cross-Country Oct. 21, All Day District Finals

las Pena (18:42 for 70th place), senior Andrew Morales (19:18 for 80th place) and seniors Nathan Robert (20:48 for 91st place) and Noah Robert (21:22 for 98th place) also competed for the Pioneers.

Junior Mia Fulton paced the Lutheran South varsity girls in the Ramble 3,200-meter event as she was 18th in a time of 13:27, with senior Lydia Ward 21st in a time of 13:37.

Sophomore teammates Elisabeth Hergenrader and Gemma Riekert went consecutively, with Hergenrader 28th at 14:02 and Riekert 29th in a time of 14:05.

A time of 14:17 placed LSA junior Elli Stoeckel 34th, and sophomore Lydia Ward clocked in at

14:30 for 39th place.

Freshman Amy Campbell (14:34 for 42nd place), sophomore Peyton Robert (14:39 for 44th place), sophomore Madeleine Richards (16:02 for 65th place), sophomore Sydney Wade (17:27 for 95th place) and freshman Arizona Alvarez (17:39 for 100th place) also competed for the Pioneers.

The Pioneers will now get ready for the district championship meet Oct. 21, with the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools state meet coming Oct. 30.

At the 2022 TAPPS state meet, Marcus Gaitan was eighth at 17:01.90, with Matthew Gaitan's time of 18:21.30 good for 35th place. As seniors now, the duo is looking to do better.



A disruptive force throughout the season, Dobie's Dempsey Spears (13) flies in to make a stop on Memorial quarterback Logan Johnson (8) during the Longhorns' 42-27 win Oct. 6 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. The win was the Longhorns' sixth straight in the Battle of the Beltway series and kept the locals unbeaten in 22-6A play. The Mavs' Jacob Quiroga (0) is also in the action. Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Channelview champs next First-place Dobie keeps Beltway trophy; Falcons next as 22-6A title push rolls on

By John Bechtle Sports Editor

The games just keep getting bigger for the Dobie Longhorns as they make a run at the District 22-6A varsity football championship, with the defending title-holding Channelview Falcons next in line.

Dobie, a winner of three straight games to seize the top spot in the 22-6A standings, will host a resurgent Channelview squad Oct. 12 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Kickoff is at 6 p.m.

The Falcons staggered out of the gate at 1-3 through nondistrict play but now have wins over Sam Rayburn and South Houston to get to 3-3 overall and, most importantly, 2-0 in league play.

For the Longhorns, it's

all about keeping the good times rolling.

The locals came from behind to defeat Pasadena Memorial 42-27 Oct. 6 in Pasadena to retain possession of the Battle of the

Beltway trophy.

Yet as nice and shiny as the Beltway hardware is, the Longhorns are in search of a much bigger award, that being the 22-6A championship.

A win over the Falcons, last year's champions, will get the Longhorns a step closer.

The Falcons have yet again gotten things rolling through the air, yet have seen senior Tyrone Scurys rush for 331 yards at more than 10 yards a carry in league play. As for the aerial attack at Channelview, quarterback Jason Whee-

Dobie hosts Channelview Fri., Oct. 13, 6 p.m. Veterans Stadium, Pasadena

Dobie (5-2, 3-0): With three straight league wins, including two over playoff contenders, the Longhorns have their collective focus on doing what it takes to win the District 22-6A title. The Longhorns last won the league crown in 2020 but could very well take a huge step toward another with a win over the Falcons.

Channelview (3-3, 2-0): The Falcons went 6-0 to win the 22-6A crown but then had to replace the league's Most Valuable Player as well as dynamic players at receiver. After a 1-3 start in nondistrict action, Channelview has now won two straight entering the road matchup with the Longhorns.

Dobie VB sets program record

Poised with a program record for overall wins in the regular season at 27 and counting, the Dobie varsity volleyball team went up against Memorial Oct. 10 after press time looking to secure its hold on second place.

A second and thus home-and-home series

loss to Deer Park Oct. 3 likely has the Longhorns in line for the No. 2 playoff seed out of District 22-6A as the locals have put together a truly memorable season to this point.

Deep playoff runs in the uber-competitive Class 6A ranks have eluded Dobie in previous seasons, but

change could come.

The Longhorns last reached the Region III quarterfinal third round during the 2003-2004 season as a Class 5A program before a loss to Stratford.

But every season is different, and this Dobie squad, led by several seniors who have set indi-

vidual milestones of their own, are as confident as ever.

Dobie returns to action Oct. 13 at Channelview and will then go against Sam Rayburn and South Houston as a 30-plus-win regular season is all but assured.

Five different players, including seniors Lexie Gonzalez, Ariana Garza, Naima LeBlanc and Haley DeHoyos as well as freshman Amaya Langelier, have at least 130 kills apiece.

Senior libero Aly Frias leads the team with more than 400 digs, and Garcia has a team-high 456 assists.



Senior Ariana Garza (8), who earlier this season reached 500 career kills with Dobie, smashed a winner against Pasadena Oct. 5 as the Longhorns improved to 6-2 in league play and stayed on pace for a second-place finish behind league-leader Deer Park. Dobie goes against Channelview Oct. 13 on the road, then returns home to face Sam Rayburn Oct. 17 at 5:30 p.m. Photos by Donna Alsdorf



The Battle of the Beltway trophy returned to the Dobie field house following the Longhorns' 42-27 win over Pasadena Memorial as the locals delivered a sixth consecutive win in the series Oct. 6 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Dobie is now 5-2 overall and 3-0 in District 22-6A play heading into its Oct. 12 home matchup with Channelview.

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Boys' basketball preseason workouts get started Oct. 25 as season nears

Oct. 25 promises to be an exciting day across the state as the University Interscholastic League's boys' basketball season tips off with official preseason practices. With it brings the start of a new era at Dobie as head coach Timir Patel will lead the Longhorns into action. Patel no doubt has leaned on the experience and leadership of senior Dylan Jackson, a first team All-District performer from a season ago. Dobie also returns second-team All-District honoree Jose Cisneros as well as honorable mention picks Malachi Hobbs and Tyler Thomas. The Longhorns will scrimmage at Baytown Sterling Nov. 4 and host Cy-Falls and Clear Lake for a Nov. 7 scrimmage before opening the regular season Nov. 10 at Kinkaid. At Clear Brook, head coach Nathan Janak begins his sixth season as the Wolverines' head coach as the program reloads a bit at the varsity level, with Zion Norl, Logan Sariga and Joseph Trevino logging key playing time from a season ago. The Wolverines will scrimmage at Pasadena Memorial Nov. 4 and will host a to-be-determined scrimmage Nov. 7 before starting the regular season Nov. 10 at Oak Ridge.

McDonald's hoops tournament seeks volunteers

The McDonald's Texas Invitational basketball tournament is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2023, and event organizers are seeking volunteers for the three-day event, which will be held Nov. 16-18 at nine different venues. Volunteering at one of the locations includes selling game tickets, T-shirts, handing out programs and answering general questions from attendees. To sign up for duty at the tournament, visit www.texasinvitational.com.

Brook Varsity Boys' Basketball 2023 Regular Season Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 4	at Pas. Memorial scrim.	9 a.m.
Nov. 7	host scrimmage	TBA
Nov. 10	at Oak Ridge	7 p.m.
Nov. 14	Lamar Consolidated	7 p.m.
Nov. 16-18	at McDonald's Texas Invit.	TBA
Nov. 20	Westbury	1 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Angleton	7 p.m.
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	at Krueger/Carlisle Classic	TBA
Dec. 5	at Bridgeland	7 p.m.
Dec. 7-9	at Tuloso-Midway Classic	TBA
Dec. 12	*at Fulshear	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	*at Pasadena	7 p.m.
Dec. 19	Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Dec. 29	at Alief Elsiek	1 p.m.
Jan. 3	*at Clear Creek	1 p.m.
Jan. 10	*Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Jan. 13	*at Dickinson	1 p.m.
Jan. 17	*at Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Jan. 20	*Brazoswood	1 p.m.
Jan. 23	*at Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Jan. 26	*Clear Creek	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	*at Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Feb. 6	*Dickinson	1 p.m.
Feb. 9	*Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	*at Brazoswood	1 p.m.
*District 24-6A games		

Dobie Varsity Boys' Basketball 2023 Regular Season Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 4	at Baytown Sterling scrim.	TBA
Nov. 7	Cy Falls, Clear Lake scrim.	TBA
Nov. 10	at Kinkaid	7 p.m.
Nov. 14	Alief Elsiek	7 p.m.
Nov. 16-18	at McDonald's Texas Invit.	TBA
Nov. 21	at Kingwood	1 p.m.
Nov. 27	at Eisenhower	7 p.m.
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	at Katy Classic	TBA
Dec. 5	Barbers Hill (Phillips)	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	*at Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	Klein Forest (D9)	7 p.m.
Dec. 19	*Memorial	7 p.m.
Dec. 28-29	South Belt Holiday Class	TBA
Jan. 3	*at Channelview	1 p.m.
Jan. 6	*Rayburn	1 p.m.
Jan. 10	*at South Houston	7 p.m.
Jan. 17	*at Deer Park	7 p.m.
Jan. 20	*Pasadena	1 p.m.
Jan. 23	*at Memorial	7 p.m.
Jan. 26	*Channelview	7 p.m.
Jan. 30	*at Rayburn	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	*South Houston	7 p.m.
Feb. 9	*Deer Park	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	*at Pasadena	7 p.m.
*District 22-6A games		

South Belt football predictions

	John Bechtle	Emory Gadd	Troy Leland	Stephen Sutton	Debbie Vaughn
Dobie hosts Channelview	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Pasadena Memorial at Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Clear Lake	Deer Park
Rayburn vs. South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston
Pearland at Dawson	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland
Clear Brook vs. Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Creek
Clear Lake vs. Clear Springs	Clear Springs	Clear Springs	Clear Springs	Clear Springs	Clear Springs
Kingwood Park at Baytown Lee	Kingwood Park	Kingwood Park	Kingwood Park	Kingwood Park	Kingwood Park
Porter at La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte
Friendswood at Rosenberg Terry	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood
Manvel at Richmond Foster	Manvel	Manvel	Manvel	Manvel	Manvel
Last Week's Results	8-2	8-2	7-3	7-3	8-2
Season record	50-20	51-19	52-18	46-24	53-17

District 22-6A, 24-6A varsity football races taking shape

The opening game of week eight will also take center stage in the District 22-6A varsity football race as Dobie hosts Channelview Oct. 12 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena, while Clear Brook and Clear Creek will vie Oct. 13 at Veterans Stadium in League City in a game with huge implications. It's all part of the fun as the respective league races hit the make-or-break point. Dobie, out to a 3-0 start to lead the 22-6A field midway through its march, has likely already secured a Division I playoff berth based on the way the results have gone league-wide but wants more. It's been two-plus seasons since the Longhorns last won a district title, and second-year head coach Demond Stafford now has his bunch atop the league thanks to the 3-0 start. Channelview, 2-0 through the third week with a bye already used, is the defending 22-6A champion but still has much heavy lifting to do. Still, getting a road win over the Longhorns would set things up nicely for the Falcons. Dickinson has set the bar in 24-6A with head-to-head wins over playoff perennials Clear Falls and Clear Springs, but the Wolverines are essentially

taking on the Wildcats in a playoff game. Clear Creek has rolled along at 5-1 overall, including an impressive 2-0 start to district play that has included wins over Clear Lake and Brazoswood. Simply put, the Wildcats can all but lock up a postseason berth by beating the Wolverines. As for Clear Brook, the Wolverines have already tripled their overall win total from a season ago and are plenty confident following league wins over Brazoswood and Clear Lake. Brook, having quickly bounced back from a 55-0 loss to Clear Falls in the first week of league play, can leapfrog the Wildcats for wiggle room in the Division II playoff mix with a win. 22-6A shaping up There are four clear frontrunners for the respective playoff seeds in the 22-6A mix. South Houston was third a season ago thanks to head-to-head wins over Memorial and Dobie but now finds itself 0-2. The Trojans will now have to defeat Dobie in week 10 and perhaps get some help along the way to advance. Memorial is no doubt disappointed with its loss to Dobie but very well

could ride its win over South Houston to the playoffs. 24-6A up for grabs Dickinson has first dibs on the league championship with league wins over Clear Springs and Clear Falls in pocket. Despite losses to Dickinson and Clear Falls, the Chargers of Clear Springs could very well run the table from here. Brook has a chance to put itself squarely into the postseason picture, but will need to defeat the 5-1 Wildcats to do so.

District 22-6A Football Standings

Team	District			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Dobie	3	0	0	5	2	0
Channelview	2	0	0	3	3	0
Memorial	2	1	0	4	3	0
Deer Park	1	1	0	5	1	0
South Houston	1	2	0	3	4	0
Rayburn	0	2	0	2	4	0
Pasadena	0	3	0	3	4	0

22-6A Week 8 Games

- Dobie hosts Channelview Oct. 12, Veterans Stadium, 6 p.m.
- Rayburn vs. South Houston Oct. 13, Veterans Stadium, 7 p.m.
- Deer Park hosts Memorial Oct. 12, Abshier Stadium, 7 p.m.



Dobie's Desmond Talib (10), who was a part of two tackles for loss in the Longhorns' big second-half surge against Memorial Oct. 7, squares up against Mavs' quarterback Logan Johnson (8). Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Dobie's big second-half push delivers another Beltway win

Continued from Page 5 lock has done his best work in District 22-6A play, completing 20 of 29 passes for 281 yards. Receiver David Watson has been the big target for the Falcons as he has nine grabs for 161 yards and three touchdowns in district action. The Dobie attack continues to be led by junior running back Cameron Mathews, who leads all 22-6A rushers with 1,097 yards. He has also scored 11 touchdowns after another huge night against the Mavericks. A touchdown in the final minute of the first half gave the Mavericks a 13-7 lead at the break, but the Longhorns used a 21-point third quarter to seize control of the game and ultimately win the Battle of the Beltway trophy for a sixth straight time. The Longhorns used an interference call to get to

midfield on their opening drive of the second half. From there, sophomore Demarcus Hodges had a pair of big first-down runs, and Mathews paid it off with a 16-yard run for a 14-13 lead with 8 minutes, 18 seconds remaining in the third quarter. Dobie would not trail again from that point forward. The Longhorns' Aiden Sanchez, Dempsey Spears and Desmond Talib combined for a tackle for loss on Memorial's next drive. An intentional grounding call against Mavs' quarterback Logan Johnson on third down ultimately led to the Longhorns starting their next drive on the Mavs' 49. Mathews ran for seven yards on first down before receiver Ethan Nguyen took the end-around 42 yards for a touchdown and a 21-13 lead at the 6:13 mark of the third quar-

ter. Another tackle for loss from Spears and Talib halted the Mavs before Mathews dashed 23 yards for a 28-13 lead. Memorial's problems continued with a turnover on downs, and Mathews this time raced 48 yards to paydirt as Dobie led 35-13 with 10:42 left in the game. Dobie also got a 30-yard touchdown run from Hodges as he made a brilliant cutback with 8:26 to go to seal the Longhorns' win. At right, the Longhorns came up with a big play in the third quarter Oct. 7 against Memorial as receiver Ethan Nguyen (3) took the give on the end around from quarterback Juan Huerta (16) and went 42 yards for a touchdown and a 21-13 lead. Photo by Donna Alsdorf



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill," Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 713-686-6300 or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.
7:30 a.m. **Rotary Club of Pearland** - Meets at either Pearland Chamber of Commerce, 6117 Broadway St., Pearland, or on Zoom. See Pearland Chamber of Commerce website or call 281-485-3634.
9:30 a.m. **NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse** - Praise Chapel, 18516 Hwy 3. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others. Call 281-910-1971 or visit aglownet.org.
11:30 a.m. **ABWA - Southeast Express Network** - American Business Women's Association meetings are held at Big Horn BBQ, 2300 Smith Ranch Rd. Lunch is \$20 cash or check. Includes networking with professional business women and guest speakers. Visit www.seen-abwa.org.
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners Group, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300.
6:30 p.m. **Pearland Area Republican's Club** - meets at VFW Post 7109 Pearland, 4202 W Walnut St., Pearland. Email pearlanddarearepublicanclub@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/PARCTX.

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8 p.m. **AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14
7:30 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - See Thursday's notice.
11 a.m. **Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English)** - For women affected by an addict. Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, drop in or visit https://www.houstonalananon.org/.
1 p.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - offers a knitting class. Call 281-479-7285 beforehand.
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15
8 a.m./ 10:15 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - has worship and Bible study programs at 11456 Space Center Blvd. (in back of a medical/retail community). Call 281-479-7285.
2 p.m. **Grief Support Group** - Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy. Call 713-944-9186.
5:30 p.m. **Celebrate Recovery** - A faith-based 12-Step program, in the Life Kids Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635.
8 p.m. **AA** - See Friday's notice.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's notice.
1:30 - 3 p.m. **Hometown Heroes Dance** - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway. Volunteers teach dance lessons. Call 281-554-1180 for details.
5 p.m. **New Directions Singles** - Age 55 and older meets for a potluck dinner with activities and/or guest speakers at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Parkway. Call 646-489-4367.
6 p.m. **Scrabble Club #511** - Meets at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Join the fun and improve crossword skills. COVID-19 vaccination required. Email huff_reunion@juno.com.
7 p.m. **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - #0683 chapter meets at Methodist Church, 110 N Friendswood Dr. in the educational bldg, room 201. Call 832-858-4617 or 713-875-8820.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. FM 518, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). Call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.
7 p.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - All services are live and on Zoom. For details regarding services, Judaism classes, film series and lunch with the Rabbi, visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.
8 p.m. **Serenity Now Al-Anon Group** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale

7 p.m. **NA** - See Friday's notice.
7 p.m. **AA** - St. Luke's 12 Step Recovery, open meeting in the Education Bldg. in room 4, 11011 Hall Rd. Call 832-725-8479 or 281-309-2801.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call 713-472-0565 for tours.
11:30 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
2 p.m. **Local NARFE Meeting** - NARFE Chapter 941 meets at El Franco Lee Park Community Center, 9500 Hall Rd. Visitors welcome. Call 713-734-1461 or 281-464-9708.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. **Southeast Houston Toastmasters** - Club #05324194 meets virtually at sehouston.toastmastersclubs.org. Visit the website or call 832-722-9061.
7 p.m. **Houston Skyscraper Shadows Civic Club** - meets at 7900 Fuqua (inside Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church). Contact Cathy@cheyder@sbcglobal.net or call 346-970-3507.
7 p.m. **NA** - See Friday's notice.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. **Carmelites** - a nondenominational senior citizen social group meeting at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 15500 El Camino Real, in Clear Lake. Call 713-444-6744.
10 a.m. **The Community Club** - meets at Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Highway in Pasadena. New members and guests are invited. Email Jmopry@yahoo.com.
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Hometown Heroes Humpday Dance** - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, League City. Casual ballroom dancing offered. Call 281-554-1180.
7 p.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.
7 p.m. **NA** - See Friday's notice.
8 p.m. **AA** - See Friday's notice.

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Bay Area Football League Regular Season Standings (Through Oct. 7 Play) Pee Wee Division

Team	W	L	T
Sagemont	8	0	0
Angleton	7	2	0
Bay Area	7	1	0
Hitchcock	6	2	0
Manvel	6	2	0
League City	6	2	0
Pear. Pats	5	3	0
Brazosport	5	3	0
Pasadena	4	4	0
SE Houston	3	5	0
Pear. Texans	2	6	0
Alvin	2	7	0
La Porte	1	7	0
Magnolia	0	9	0
East End	0	9	0

Freshman Division

Angleton	8	1	0
Bay Area	7	1	0
La Porte	7	1	0
League City	6	2	0
Sagemont	6	2	0
Hitchcock	6	2	0
Manvel	4	4	0
Pear. Pats	4	4	0
Magnolia	4	4	0
Brazosport	4	4	0
Pear. Texans	2	6	0
Alvin	2	7	0
Pasadena	1	7	0
SE Houston	1	7	0
East End	0	9	0

Sophomore Division

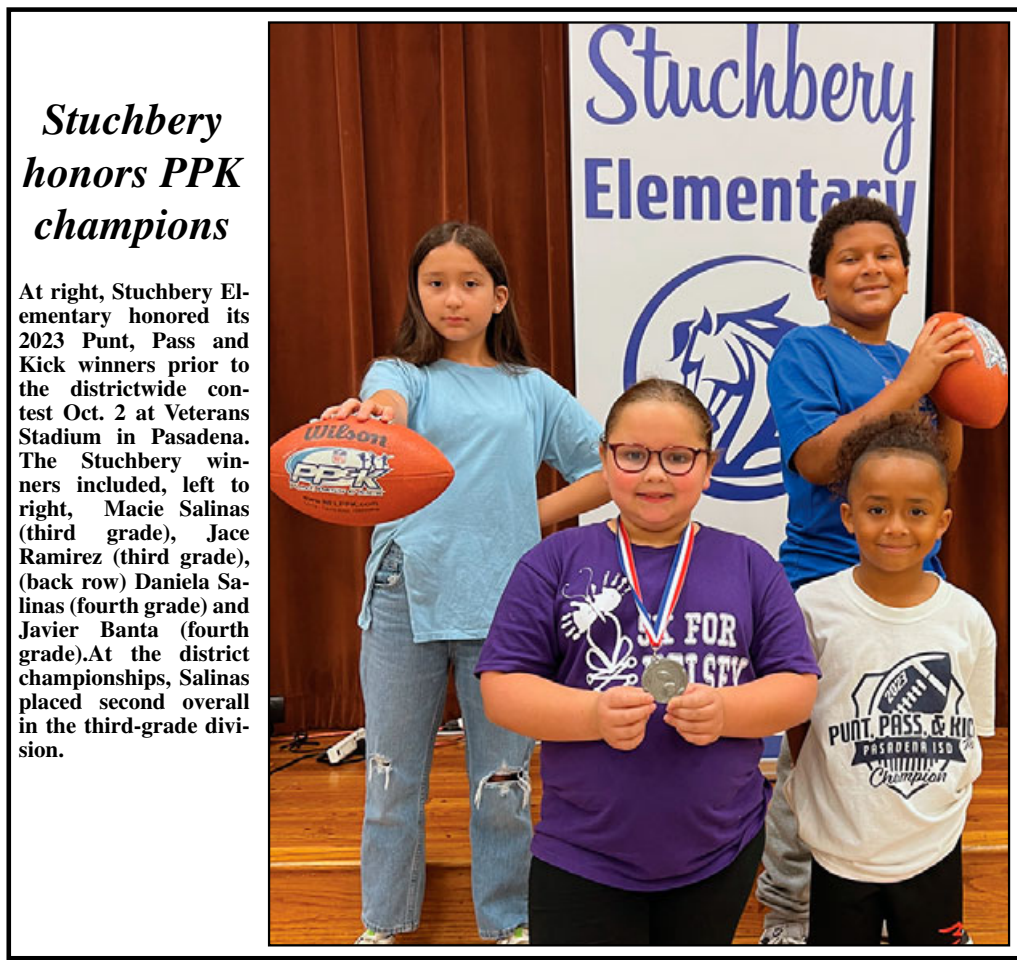
Hitchcock	8	0	0
SE Houston	7	1	0
League City	7	1	0
Brazosport	6	2	0
Angleton	6	3	0
Pear. Pats	5	3	0
La Porte	4	4	0
Bay Area	4	4	0
Alvin	4	5	0
Magnolia	4	5	0
Pear. Texans	3	5	0
East End	2	7	0
Pasadena	1	7	0
Sagemont	1	7	0
Manvel	0	8	0

Junior Division

Hitchcock	8	0	0
Angleton	8	1	0
Sagemont	7	1	0
League City	6	2	0
Magnolia	6	3	0
Bay Area	5	3	0
Pear. Pats	4	3	0
SE Houston	4	4	0
La Porte	4	4	0
Pear. Texans	3	5	0
Alvin	3	6	0
Pasadena	1	7	0
Manvel	1	7	0
Brazosport	1	7	0
East End	1	8	0

Senior Division

Pasadena	8	0	0
Pear. Pats	7	1	0
La Porte	7	1	0
Hitchcock	6	2	0
League City	6	2	0
Magnolia	5	4	0
Manvel	4	4	0
Sagemont	4	4	0
Angleton	3	5	0
Brazosport	3	5	0
Pear. Texans	3	5	0
East End	3	6	0
Bay Area	1	7	0
Alvin	1	8	0
SE Houston	0	7	0



Stuchbery honors PPK champions

At right, Stuchbery Elementary honored its 2023 Punt, Pass and Kick winners prior to the districtwide contest Oct. 2 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. The Stuchbery winners included, left to right, Macie Salinas (third grade), Jace Ramirez (third grade), (back row) Daniela Salinas (fourth grade) and Javier Banta (fourth grade). At the district championships, Salinas placed second overall in the third-grade division.

Meador Punt, Pass and Kick champs honored



Meador Elementary students were part of the Pasadena ISD's annual districtwide Punt, Pass and Kick competition Oct. 2 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Those students, shown with physical education coach Stephanie Bounds (far left), included, from left, Ava Rodriguez (fourth grade), Angela Nunez (third grade), Joel Solache (third grade) and Eric Cantu (fourth grade).

22-6As are Oct. 12

Dobie girls' cross-country program hoists three-year championship run

Heading into the District 22-6A cross-country championships Oct. 12, the Dobie girls' program has hoisted team title trophies for three straight seasons from 2020 through 2022. In 2020, the Longhorns' Grace Castaneda led the way as she finished as the runner-up individual medalist. In 2021, Dobie seniors Izzy Padilla, Karen Martinez and Victoria Ramirez finished second, third and sixth, respectively. As for 2022, senior Ashlee Garcia was the top overall medalist.

What a three-plus year run it has been for the Dobie girls' cross-country program. With three straight District 22-6A championships to its credit heading into the 2023 leaguewide meet, the Longhorns have thrived under the guidance of head coach Mo Hickman. The locals will have a chance Oct. 12 to extend its dominance, even as graduation losses over the previous three school years have challenged the program's depth. This time around, Deer Park would seem to be the favorite based on regular season results to this point, but what a run it has been for Dobie. The fun began in November 2020 as the Longhorns dominated the team standings at Deer Park, with individual runners finishing second, third, fourth, sixth and seventh to snag the program's first district crown in decades. That year, Dobie's Grace Castaneda was runner-up, followed by third-place finisher Jocelyn Olivares, who went on to compete very well for a season at St. Thomas University in Houston. Amari Singleton placed fourth overall for Dobie, with current senior Kyla Lobo, then a freshman, sixth. Izzy Padilla was the Longhorns' final official scorer, grabbing the seventh-place spot. Singleton last spring was part of St. Edwards University's Lone Star Conference championship track and field team, helping the Hilltoppers set a new program record in the 4x400 relay. With one title in the books, Dobie went back at it in 2021 and indeed repeated as 22-6A team champion. For 2021, it was three seniors and a junior doing the heavy lifting, with seniors Padilla, Karen Martinez and Victoria Ramirez finishing second, third and sixth, respectively. Isela Munoz, a junior, placed seventh. Dobie's final official scorer was another freshman, Lauren Garza. Lobo, then a sophomore, took 20th place. Last season, the Dobie girls secured a third consecutive 22-6A title as senior Ashlee Garcia, now a freshman runner at St. Thomas University, became the program's first top overall medalist, winning in a time of 20 minutes, 56.21 seconds. Lobo was the runner-up a season ago, with Munoz third. Fourth place went to Garza, while senior Ashlee Dunn wound up 11th. Lobo has contributed greatly as a four-year varsity performer, while Garza is in her third season. The pair has been the Longhorns' consistent performers for 2023 to this point as they have set the pace.

Dobie girls to face Channelview



Dobie's Arianna Borrego (15) sets a ball during her team's sweep of Pasadena Oct. 5 as the locals continued their march toward the eventual No. 2 playoff seed in District 22-6A with an easy win over the Eagles. At left is Dobie's Naima LeBlanc (20), who has been one of Dobie's kills leaders this season. Dobie will play at Channelview Oct. 13. Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Campbell's honors JFD's Washington

At right, longtime Dobie varsity football staff member Charles Washington was lauded by Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine as its week five Offensive Coordinator of the Week after engineering the Longhorns' thrilling final-minute win at Deer Park to open District 22-6A play. A Dobie graduate, Washington starred at quarterback for the Longhorns during his high school career and is the longest-tenured member of the Dobie staff.



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