

Trunk or Treat events set

Multiple Trunk or Treat celebrations are scheduled to take place next weekend in advance of Halloween, including the following events:

– **St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church**, 11011 Hall Road, will host its Trunk or Treat event Friday, Oct. 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The event will feature music, candy and fun.

– **H-E-B**, 9828 Blackhawk, will host its 20th annual Trunk or Treat event Friday, Oct. 24, from 5 to 7 p.m. The celebration will feature family fun and treats.

– **Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia** will host his third annual Trunk or Treat event Saturday, Oct. 25, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. The family fun event will take place at the County Courthouse Annex, 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer.

See next week's *Leader* for additional fall/Halloween events.

No Sageglen meeting Oct. 20

Contrary to a sidebar entry in last week's *Leader*, there will be no October meeting for the Sageglen HOA. The local civic group meets the third Monday of every other month, rather than the third Monday of every month as suggested in the entry.

The next meeting will take place Monday, Nov. 17, at the Sageglen Community Building, 11610 Sageglen, beginning at 7 p.m. Guest speaker to be announced. Refreshments will be served. All Sageglen residents are encouraged to attend.

For additional information, visit www.sageglen.com or call 281-481-2160. The *Leader* apologizes about any confusion.

MHSH to hold blood drive

Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria Blvd., will hold a blood drive Friday, Oct. 24, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the CES Classroom located on the first floor. Successful donors will receive a free T-shirt.

All donors must bring identification. Appointments are preferred but not necessary. To schedule an appointment, visit commitforlife.org and use code: 0701SE01.

HPD's PIP set for Oct. 20

The Houston Police Department's Positive Interaction Program will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20, at Grace Church, 14505 Gulf Freeway, Room 103. Guest speaker to be announced.

Begun in 1983, HPD's PIP involves police and community members working together for safer neighborhoods. PIP meetings typically take place the third Monday of each month. For additional information, contact HPD Officer C. Castillo at castillo@houstonpolice.org or 832-395-1777.

Sagemeadow to meet Oct. 16

Sagemeadow HOA will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer at Hughes. Guest speaker to be announced. Meetings are open to the public. All Sagemeadow residents are encouraged to attend. Meetings are typically held the third Thursday of each month. For additional information, visit www.sagemeadow.org.

Hughes/Sabo closures set

At least one southbound lane on Hughes/Sabo will be closed continuously at Beltway 8 until further notice due to a city water repair. Westbound Beltway 8 frontage roads may also be intermittently closed at Hughes/Sabo until further notice.

Ongoing city construction has also caused the partial closure of nearby Sageglen Drive between Hughes and Sagedowne.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from SH 96/Calder/Brittany Bay in League City to FM 519/Main Street in La Marque daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Deats Road in Dickinson to FM 2004/Camp Wallace Access in Texas City from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. until further notice.

Knights sell barbecue

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a barbecue fundraiser at St. Luke the Evangelist, located at 11011 Hall Road, Saturday, Oct. 25, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost will be \$15 for a two-meat plate; \$12 for a chopped brisket sandwich; and \$6 for sausage-on-a-stick. Proceeds will benefit the church's capital campaign. Food is available for takeout or dine in at the church's social hall.

Kirkwood to meet Oct. 27

The Kirkwood Civic Club's monthly meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27, at the Sagement Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road near Beltway 8. Meetings are typically held for the last Monday of the month. For additional information, call Kirkwood Civic Club President Ericka McCrutecheon at 281-989-9990.

Early voting set to take place Oct. 20-31

Voters to decide on 2 special elections, 17 proposed state amendments

Early voting for the Nov. 4 election will begin Monday, Oct. 20, and continue through Friday, Oct. 31.

Voters who will decide fill two vacated seats at the federal and city levels, as well as determine the fate of 17 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution at the state level.

Houston At-Large Position 4

A special election is being held by the city of Houston to fill the At-Large Position 4 City Council seat that was recently vacated by Letitia Plummer, who is stepping down to run for Harris County judge in 2026.

Vying to replace Plummer are the following 15 candidates:

- J. Brad Batteau.
- Sheraz Mohammad Siddiqui.
- Angie Thibodeaux.
- Alejandra Salinas.
- Sonia Rivera.
- Kathy L. Tatum.
- Jordan Thomas.
- Ethan Hale.
- Adrian Thomas Rogers.
- Cris Wright.

- Martina Lemond Dixon.
- Al Lloyd.
- Dwight A. Boykins (former District D City Council member).
- Miguel Herrera.
- Kristal Mtaza-Lyons (write-in).

18th Congressional District

A special federal election will be held to determine who will fill the U.S. Congressional District 18 seat vacated by the death of former Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner, who died unexpectedly this past March.

A total of 16 candidates filed in the special election to fill the 18th Congressional District seat vacated by Turner.

Democrats seeking to represent the traditionally blue district include the following candidates:

- Amanda Edwards.
- Jolanda Jones.
- Isaiah Martin.
- Christian Menefee.
- Stephen Huey.
- Valencia Williams.

– Feldon Bonner II. Republicans who filed to run for the seat include the following candidates:

- Theodis Daniel.
- Ollie Knox.
- Carmen Montiel.
- Carter Page.
- Ronald Whitfield.

Additional candidates include the following candidates:

- George Foreman IV (Independent).
- Reyna Anderson (Independent).
- Vince Duncan (Independent).
- Tammie Rochester (Green Party).

Constitutional amendments

Voters will decide on the following 17 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution:

- **Proposition 1:** Establishes a permanent infrastructure and workforce education fund for Texas State Technical College.
- **Proposition 2:** Bans state-imposed taxes on capital gains for individuals, families, estates and trusts.
- **Proposition 3:** Allows judges to deny bail in certain felony cases under specific conditions.
- **Proposition 4:** Allocates sales tax revenue

to the Texas Water Fund for long-term water infrastructure.

– **Proposition 5:** Exempts animal feed held for retail sale from property taxes.

– **Proposition 6:** Prohibits taxes on securities transactions and certain occupation taxes.

– **Proposition 7:** Grants property tax exemption to surviving spouses of veterans who died from service-related conditions.

– **Proposition 8:** Prohibits "death taxes" such as inheritance, estate or gift taxes.

– **Proposition 9:** Allows property tax exemption on personal property used to generate income.

– **Proposition 10:** Offers temporary property tax relief for homestead improvements damaged or destroyed by fire.

– **Proposition 11:** Increases property tax exemption for elderly or disabled Texans by school districts.

– **Proposition 12:** Reforms the State Commission on Judicial Conduct and its review process by the Texas Supreme Court.

– **Proposition 13:** Raises the school district homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

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St. Luke celebrates 50 years!



St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church held a gala Saturday, Oct. 11, to celebrate its 50th anniversary. Church members and staff from past and present attended the sold-out event, held at the Star Reception Hall. Clergy members shown above at the function are, left to right, former pastor, the Rev. Dominic Pistone; current pastor, the Rev. Douglas Guthrie; Deacon Jesse Tollett; Deacon Filiberto Cervantes; the Rev. Antonio Cisneros; and Deacon John Rapacki.

Wings Over Houston to take flight

Annual airshow set for Oct. 18-19 at Ellington Airport

The 41st Annual Wings Over Houston Airshow returns to Ellington Airport on Oct. 18-19, promising a weekend of high-flying excitement, vintage aircraft and thrilling performances headlined by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds.

Aviation enthusiasts and families alike are gearing up for one of Houston's most anticipated fall events – the Wings Over Houston Airshow – which will feature a dazzling lineup of aerial performances, historic aircraft displays and interactive exhibits for all ages.

This year's marquee attraction is the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, whose precision flying and dramatic maneuvers have captivated audiences nationwide.

Joining them will be the C-17 Demo Team, John and Shane McGillis Aerobatics, and a U.S. Coast Guard search and rescue demonstration. A special warbird tribute will commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II, bringing history to life in the skies.

The event kicks off early with a drive-in style preview show on Friday, Oct. 17, offering a unique viewing experience for early attendees. On the ground, visitors can explore the Legends

& Heroes tent, presented by United Airlines, and enjoy hands-on activities designed to inspire future aviators.

Among the historic aircraft on display will be the B-29 Superfortress "Doc," offering cockpit tours and flight experiences before and after the show dates. Tickets for these rides are sold separately and require an airshow admission ticket.

The airshow will also feature a performance by the Tora! Tora! Tora! reenactment squadron.

Wings Over Houston Executive Director Bill Roach emphasized the community spirit behind the event.

"This airshow is a tribute to the incredible support and enthusiasm of our guests and performers, as well as our thousands of volunteers who show up each year," said Roach.

Wings Over Houston has grown from a grassroots gathering in 1984 into a nationally recognized spectacle that draws over 100,000 spectators annually. The event also supports aviation education, veteran programs and local charities.

Tickets are available now at wingsoverhouston.com, with discounts for early buyers and airshow members.

Chamber to host bingo event Oct. 23

Inaugural Toast & Tote-ally Bingo to raise scholarship funds

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce is excited about its inaugural Toast & Tote-ally Bingo event, taking place Thursday, Oct. 23, at the Hope Village Event Center, 15403 Hope Village Road in Friendswood from 5 to 9 p.m.

From 5 to 6:30 p.m., the chamber will serve complimentary champagne, giving attendees a chance to network and explore the fabulous designer handbags and high-end spirits available for one lucky winner during the 20 games attendees will play.

At 6:30 p.m., the games will commence and dinner will be served by one of 10 amazing celebrity waiters. Their tips will directly benefit the chamber's foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization that awards scholarships to graduating high school seniors.

Tickets are priced at \$60 per person and include a hot meal catered by Magnolia Cajun Comfort, 20 bingo games with three cards per game, and a dauber. One can purchase tickets at business.southbeltchamber.com/ap/Events/Registrar/JSFYqaNuJCzC3. However, attendees are encouraged to act fast, as seating is limited.

Sponsorship opportunities, such as purses and high-end spirits are available for those wishing to promote their businesses.

The Jackpot Jazz sponsorship fee is \$500, which includes having one's logo featured on a place mat at every attendee's seat, as well as a photo opportunity with the lucky winner. This package also includes one ticket and all the mentioned benefits.

One can use the same link above to select the Jackpot Jazz sponsorship.

Leader offers correction on Mims story

Hellyer endorses no candidate, per longstanding SJC policy

The article titled *SJC's Mims to run for Congress* that ran in the Oct. 9 edition of the *Leader* contained multiple inaccuracies.

Longtime San Jacinto College board member Dan Mims recently announced that he is running for Texas' newly redrawn 9th Congressional District, and the story falsely stated that SJC Chancellor Dr. Brenda Hellyer had endorsed Mims, who currently serves as the board's chair.

Despite the candidate's longstanding relationship with the area college, Hellyer refrained from endorsing Mims – or any other candidate – as it's the college's policy to not do so due to possible conflicts of interest.

Hellyer released the following statement:

"An article printed in the October 9, 2025, issue of the South Belt Ellington Leader erroneously reported that I have endorsed Dan Mims for U.S. Congress. I want to be clear; this is false. As Chancellor of San Jacinto College, where Mr. Mims serves in an elected position as Chair of the Board of Trustees, I cannot, should not, and do not use my position to endorse any candi-

date in any election. The article's claim is without foundation. Additionally, I did not provide a quote for the article, nor was there a campaign event held at San Jacinto College.

"My focus is and always has been to the students, employees, and communities we serve at San Jacinto College. I remain committed to working with all elected officials to ensure that our students can complete their certificates or degrees, and that our communities are better places to live, work and play because of the work we do at San Jacinto College."

Mims also stressed the importance of keeping the college out of politics.

"I have been intentionally keeping my campaign separate from the college," Mims said in a statement. "Dr. Hellyer has not endorsed my candidacy, nor have I requested her endorsement. I respect Dr. Hellyer's role as college chancellor and the need for both Dr. Hellyer and San Jacinto College to not get involved in political races."

The *Leader* apologizes for any confusion and

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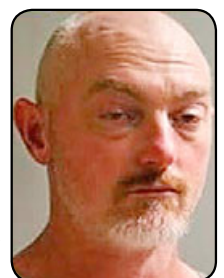
Beamer crash leads to DWI arrest

Passenger also arrested for failure to identify following crash

A DWI suspect was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 7, following a three-vehicle crash at Beamer and Beltway 8.

According to officials with Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia's office, deputies responded to the accident and believed that one of the drivers involved – later determined to be Blake B. Brown – was intoxicated. Responding deputies said Brown displayed multiple signs of impairment, and a Standardized Field Sobriety Test was performed on the driver.

The test determined that Brown was in fact intoxicated, and he was subsequently arrested on



Blake B. Brown

charges of driving while intoxicated.

According to Precinct 2 officials, a passenger in Brown's vehicle – later identified as Emanuella Dimauro – provided deputies with a false name and date of birth. After further questioning, Dimauro admitted she gave false information in an attempt to avoid a possible warrant she thought she had.

The Harris County District Attorney's Office was contacted and accepted a charge of failure to identify on Dimauro.

Garcia took to social media to celebrate the arrest.

"A big thank you to our deputies for their continued efforts to keep our community and roadways safe," the constable posted on his Facebook page.

At press time, it was unclear if anyone was injured in the crash.

Melillo student wins RESPECT Art Contest



The Arnold & Itkin Foundation invited students from Houston schools to participate in the RESPECT Art Contest. Melillo Middle School's art students were asked to define the word "respect" in two sentences or fewer and draw a picture to complement their explanation. The Arnold & Itkin Foundation chose Ailani Wright as the winning student to receive a donation to Melillo, a contribution to the charity of Wright's choice and a cash prize. Left to right, are Tratina Wright (mom), Jennifer Saucedo (principal), Ailani Wright, Jan Tekell (art director) and Kelly Jurek (assistant principal).

In My Opinion

Daniel: Restoring accountability and modernization to Harris County DCO

Harris County stands at a turning point. With a looming \$275 million budget shortfall, new state mandates for court modernization, and a public growing increasingly frustrated with inefficiency, the need for steady, experienced leadership in the District Clerk's office has never been greater. Residents deserve an office that works as promised and one that is both reliable in its daily operations and visionary in preparing for the future.

The District Clerk's office is the engine room of the court system. Records must be accurate, filings must be handled quickly, and services must be accessible to judges, attorneys, and citizens alike. When the office falters, the ripple effects delay justice, strain courtrooms, and erode public trust.

Proven leadership matters. During my previous two terms as Harris County District Clerk, the office operated under three consecutive hiring freezes yet avoided a single layoff. When Hurricane Harvey devastated the county, systems already in place preserved vital records and enabled services to resume faster than expected. These measures demonstrated what foresight and disciplined management can accomplish, even under pressure.

The challenges today are even more demanding. State directives now require comprehensive modernization of record-keeping and e-filing. Budget constraints threaten the capacity to implement new systems effectively. And the public, rightfully skeptical of business as usual, expects results, not excuses. Meeting these challenges requires three interlocking commitments of fiscal discipline, targeted technology upgrades, and unshakable accountability.

First, fiscal discipline must be restored. Every taxpayer dollar should be

treated as a trust, not a blank check. That means cutting waste, prioritizing mission-critical systems, and balancing the budget without relying on gimmicks or deficit spending. Harris County cannot afford to let inefficiencies drain resources while essential services are neglected.

Second, modernization must be both real and practical. Upgrading technology is not about chasing trends but about ensuring resilience, speed, and access. A robust e-filing system, disaster-proof records infrastructure, and user-friendly platforms for the public are necessities, not a luxury. When state mandates arrive, Harris County should be ahead of the curve, not scrambling to comply.

Finally, accountability must be restored as the foundation of public service. The District Clerk's office must deliver on its promises and operate with complete transparency. Citizens, legal professionals, and staff must know that backlogs will not be tolerated, that timelines will be honored, and that the courthouse is working for the people it serves. We are talking about fairness and trust. The residents of Harris County deserve a court system that is modern, reliable, and transparent. They deserve a District Clerk's office that operates efficiently in times of crisis and day-to-day, that prioritizes service over politics, and that never forgets its responsibility to the public.

My record shows what is possible when competence meets commitment. That same proven leadership offers a roadmap for moving Harris County from a culture of delay and disruption to a model of efficiency and reliability.

The future of Harris County's courts depends on leadership that understands the stakes and is prepared to act decisively. With disciplined budgeting, modernized systems, and unwavering accountability, the District Clerk's office can once again earn the trust of the people it serves.

Residents are demanding a government that delivers results. Harris County cannot afford anything less.

Chris Daniel

Golf cart drivers needed

Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital's unique volunteer program offers one the opportunity to explore new directions, develop skills, make friends and have fun. The hospital is seeking men and women of all backgrounds who find satisfaction in helping others – students, professionals, retirees, service-minded individuals – to transport their patients, staff and visitors to and from the hospital parking lots.

They ask that volunteers commit to volunteering one shift per week, Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 12:45 p.m. or 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Those interested must complete an application and interview, as well as a background and driving record check, orientation and training. The volunteer application can be found at volunteer.memorialhermann.org.

For more information on volunteer opportunities at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, email SEVolunteer.Services@memorialhermann.org.

Trunk or Treat at St. Luke

Life Teen and Youth ministry will host this year's Trunk or Treat at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church Friday, Oct. 24, at 6:30 p.m., at 11011 Hall Road. Join them for a fun-filled evening of costumes, decorated trunks, and plenty of treats for the whole family. Want to participate? Sign up now to be one of the trunk hosts. One can decorate their vehicle and hand out candy in a safe and family-friendly environment. Sign up at stluke.cbchurch.com/goto/forms/32/responses/new.

Candy donations are needed. The group is accepting candy donations now through Oct. 20. Drop-off bins are located in the narthex and education building. The *South Belt Leader* will also collect candy at its office at 11555 Beamer Road for Trunk or Treat.

Come in costume, bring your friends, and enjoy a night of sweet community fun.

Local library events set

In case of storms or adverse weather, refer to library website for details.

Bracewell Branch Library

Bracewell Library is at 9002 Kingspoint. Customers are encouraged to visit the building to browse, check out and return materials, use the computers and Wi-Fi, and check out holds. For information, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/>. For online learning, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/online-learning-7556> or call 832-393-2580. Hours are Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Wednesdays, noon – 8 p.m.; Fridays, 1 – 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Bracewell is closed Sundays.

Thursday, Oct. 16, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Kids craft time at the library. Registration required. Thursday, Oct. 16, 4 – 5:30 p.m. Weekly English language classes. Registration required. Monday, Oct. 20, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Toddler playtime. Registration required. Monday, Oct. 20, 11 a.m. – noon. Open lab computer help. Registration required. Tuesday, Oct. 21, 4 – 5 p.m. Get creative at Craft Lab. Registration required. Tuesday, Oct. 21, 4 – 5 p.m. Board games at the library. Registration required. Wednesday, Oct. 22, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. FAESA workshop. Registration required. Wednesday, Oct. 22, 6 – 7 p.m. Pajama storytime. Registration required. Visit <https://houstonlibrary.libcal.com/calendar/events> for more library events.

Book drop

The book drop is open. Library materials can be returned. The library continues to provide online resources to enjoy the library virtually. Large items such as FLIP kits or laptops should not be placed in the book drop, but taken inside.

Parker Williams Library

Parker Williams Library is open. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/reopening> for reopening information or the main website at <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library>. The library will follow state and county guidelines for mask and social distancing.

The book drop is open. Social media links are Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary and Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary.

The following events are scheduled for Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.: Thursday, Oct. 16, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Toddler time. Friday, Oct. 17, 1 – 3 p.m. Genealogy. Saturday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m. – noon. Tai Chi. Saturday, Oct. 19, 10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Vietnamese classes: topic conversation. Registration required.

Monday, Oct. 20, 1 – 2:30 p.m. ESL conversation club. Registration required. Monday, Oct. 20, 4 – 5:30 p.m. Sublimation and cricut orientation. Registration required. Monday, Oct. 20, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Tai Chi. Tuesday, Oct. 21, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Babies 'n' books. Wednesday, Oct. 22, 10 – 11 a.m. Senior coloring club. Wednesday, Oct. 22, 6 – 7:30 p.m. Pathways to citizenship class. Registration required.

Parker Williams "No-Contact Curbside Holds Pick-Up"

– After receiving notification that holds are ready for pickup, call 832-927-7870. – Have a library card number and PIN handy. – A pickup time and instructions will be given. – Upon arriving, park in one of the two parking spots reserved for curbside holds. – Be prepared to show a library card or other form of ID for verification. Hours are Monday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 – 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library> for details.

Online services

– Use HCPL Wi-Fi service with HCPL's drive-up Wi-Fi. – Download e-books and audiobooks, stream movies, research and learn at www.hcpl.net. – Attend an HCPL program or story time online through Facebook or YouTube. – Check an account to renew loans or request books, e-books, comics or graphic novels. – Stream classic films, indie cinema and award-winning documentaries on Kanopy. – Listen to audiobooks through RBDigital or OverDrive. – Read along and play with picture books on TumbleBooks. Don't have an HCPL library card? Instant access can be obtained to all HCPL's digital materials and research tools with an iKnow Digital Access Card. Apply at <https://www.hcpl.net/services/iknow-card> for a HCPL card. For details, visit <https://www.hcpl.net>.

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Elected officials share their words

Letter from Fred Flickinger

Dear District E Residents,

Hope everyone is enjoying the slightly cooler temperatures that fall is starting to bring our way!

Thank you to all who participated in National Night Out events across District E. My team and I had the pleasure of attending National Night Out in Trailwood Village, Woodspring Village, Elm Grove, Sherwood Trails, Hunters Ridge, Northshore, Meadowcreek, and Oak Meadows. We appreciate the members of our Houston Police Department and Houston Fire Department for joining us in these events, as well as our friends from the City of Houston Office of Emergency Management for providing some informative items to pass out along our stops throughout the evening.

As we get closer to November, I want to encourage each of you to get involved this election season. There are very important items on the ballot, including 17 proposed Texas Constitutional Amendments, special elections for Congressional District 18 and Houston Council Member, At-Large Position 4, among other items, depending on where you live.

The first day of early voting is Monday, October 20, and the last day to vote early is Friday, October 31. All Harris County voters may vote anywhere in the county during early voting. Election

Day is Tuesday, November 4; polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day. To learn more about this upcoming election and look at your sample ballot, visit www.harrisvotes.com. To find early voting locations and Election Day locations, please visit www.harrisvotes.com/Vote-Centers.

Finally, we still have one more town hall meeting coming week.

Edgebrook: Tuesday, Oct. 21, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at OneMovement Bible Church, 10120 Hartsook Street Houston, Texas 77034.

I have also extended invitations to several city departments, including Houston Public Works and Houston Parks and Recreation, as well as a range of community speakers and elected officials. In addition to various information tables for residents to peruse before the meetings begin. I look forward to everyone hearing these updates and addressing community questions, comments, and concerns. This is the perfect opportunity to engage with your community and have your questions answered. If you would like to submit questions for the town halls. We hope you will join us. Please feel free to invite a neighbor, friend or colleague! Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sincerely,
Fred Flickinger
District E Houston City Council Member

Leader offers Oct. 9 correction

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to Hellyer, San Jacinto College and the Mims campaign.

TX-9

Currently led by longtime Rep. Al Green, Texas' 9th Congressional District has long been a Democratic stronghold. Recent redistricting, however, has transformed the traditionally blue district into a predictably red one.

Mims – who has served on the San Jacinto College board since 2002 – is running as a Republican in the contest. Also a longtime business owner, Mims said his experience in both education and business make him uniquely qualified for the position.

"Washington, D.C. has become a three-headed monster of regulations, taxes and lawyers that strangles small businesses and workers. I know firsthand that our entrepreneurs, educators and workers – not bureaucrats – hold the key to Texas' future," Mims said in his announcement. "I've been creating jobs and getting people job ready for 40 years. I can tell you the

best way to do that is to get Washington out of the way. I'll fight for less regulation, a secure border and letting taxpayers and businesses keep more of our hard-earned money."

Mims joins a crowded field of well-known challengers.

The following is a list of known candidates in the upcoming primaries for the TX-9 position:

Democrats:

– Al Green: Incumbent congressman since 2005, known for his advocacy on civil rights and housing.

– Earnest Clayton: Community activist and former nonprofit director focused on housing and economic justice.

– Peter Filler: Retired educator and longtime Democratic volunteer with a platform centered on public education and health care.

Republicans:

– Dan Mims: San Jacinto College Board Chair and business leader with deep ties to education and workforce development.

– Briscoe Cain: State Representative from Deer Park, known for his work on election law and gun rights.

– Alexandra del Moral Mealer: Former Army bomb squad officer and energy finance executive who narrowly lost the 2022 race for Harris County judge. Currently serves as Public Safety chair for Houston's METRO board.

The new TX-9 map is being challenged in federal court, with a trial underway in El Paso. Civil rights groups argue the redistricting violates the U.S. Constitution by dismantling coalition districts and diluting minority voting power. The Department of Justice has flagged the changes, and the outcome of the trial could determine whether the new map is used in the 2026 elections.

The TX-9 primary elections are slated for March 3, 2026, with the general election to follow on Nov. 3, 2026.

For additional information on Mims' campaign, visit www.danmimsfortexas.com.

Daniel Saucedo



Daniel Saucedo, age 79, passed into the eternal embrace of the Lord on Oct. 6, 2025, surrounded by his family. A devoted husband, father, grandfather and gifted engineer, Daniel lived a life that reflected God's grace in every season.

Born in Laredo, to Francisco and Florencia Saucedo, Daniel showed an early aptitude for problem-solving and had an insatiable curiosity for how things worked. Long hours spent disassembling TVs in high school sparked the beginning of an unforgettable journey in engineering. He had the mind of a true inventor — always at work, always observing. He never left home without a pocket notebook and pen in tow. In his words, "You never know when a good idea might come along." Daniel earned a master's degree in electrical engineering at Texas A&I and went on to build a distinguished career that spanned four decades, earning accolades for his work in fiber optics, traffic control systems, surveillance and systems design.

Throughout his career, he was recognized for his sharp intellect, leadership and boundless creativity. His work was not only influential but transformative, with lasting impacts on Houston roadways, and on all who had the privilege of working alongside him. Some of the companies for which Daniel worked include DuPont, NASA, Singer Link and Lockheed Martin. In 1989 he decided to open his engineering consulting business from humble beginnings with the help of his wife, Martha Saucedo. It was his pride and joy serving his clients' needs such as TxDOT and many other local and

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out-of-state agencies. Daniel felt that he was carrying his father's torch because his father served for 42 years in the Texas Highway Department which is now known as The Texas Department of Transportation. Daniel pioneered "ITS" Intelligent Transportation Systems in Texas, and one can see the highway cameras that were interconnected with fiber optics to Houston Transtar. Daniel was known by his peers as the "King of ITS." Daniel was recognized in Washington D.C. by then United States Secretary of Transportation Federico Pena for his accomplishments and innovation in the transportation industry.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Daniel's greatest pride was his family and ranching. He is survived by his wife, the love of his life and steadfast companion through 48 years of shared dreams and unwavering devotion. He leaves behind his beloved children Tiffani Kostikoglou and Joel Saucedo with their spouses, and his cherished grandchildren, Danae Kostikoglou, Jacob Kostikoglou, Marina Kostikoglou, Zoe Saucedo and Zara Saucedo. At special events, he could always be found cheering the loudest and smiling the brightest wherever his grandchildren were. Daniel

was a master of the backyard grill, where the aroma of sizzling barbecue mingled with ham radio tales, deer hunting adventures, or a recounting of his college days. Beneath open skies at his beloved ranch, Daniel taught not only how to build a fire or fix an engine, but how to live with resilience, determination and a heart that beats steadily through life's storms. These principles are the heritage he has blessed upon his family.

A celebration of his life will be held at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, Thursday, Oct. 16, at 11 a.m., with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Family consider his memory a blessing that will live on in the hearts of family and friends.

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

Lariaette of the Week, Oct. 10



The J. Frank Dobie Lariaette of the week of Oct. 10 is sophomore Aliyah Rhodes, a first-year line member.

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Meteorologist Yanez visits Burnett



The Burnett Beavers got a special surprise visit from Anthony Yanez (back row), chief meteorologist at KPRC Channel 2. He delivered a one-of-a-kind presentation about how different weather metrics work, where tornadoes come from and even wowed students with a live demonstration on various forms of wind and thunder that can lead to hurricanes. In the picture above is Burnett's own broadcast team, left to right, A'mari Anderson, Aydan Martinez, Lance Gilbert, Aria Banda and Little Grant.

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Thompson rallies for Battle of the Beltway



The Thompson Lions recently held a pep rally in support of nearby Dobie High School in its “Battle of the Beltway” game against Pasadena Memorial High School Friday, Sept. 26. The Longhorns defeated the Mavericks in the game 41-21.

City recognizes San Jacinto College



City of Houston District E City Council Member Fred Flickinger (second from right) recently recognized San Jacinto College for it once again being named a Finalist with Distinction for the Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, ranking the institution as one of the top community colleges in the nation. This marked the sixth consecutive time the area college has been selected for the prestigious biennial honor. Shown above with Flickinger are, left to right, SJC board chair Dan Mims, District A City Council Member Amy Peck, SJC Chancellor Dr. Brenda Hellyer and SJC board vice chair Michelle Cantu-Wilson.

Britt joins constable for NNO



Longtime Precinct 2 staff member Cpl. Vance Britt (right) is shown above with Constable Jerry Garcia at the annual Precinct 2 National Night Out celebration, held Tuesday, Oct. 7, at the courthouse annex on Scarsdale. Shown above with the pair is Moore Elementary teacher Beth Anne Mullen, Britt’s girlfriend.

Garcia, Delgado host National Night Out event



Harris County Precinct 2 officials held their annual National Night Out gathering Tuesday, Oct.7, at the Scarsdale courthouse annex. This marked the 41st anniversary of the national event aimed at fostering better relationships between law enforcement and the communities they serve. Shown above at the local event are, left to right, Constable Jerry Garcia; Judge Jo Ann Delgado; Heydi Garcia; Lisa Holbrook, South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce president; and Javier Frutos, community liaison for Commissioner Adrian Garcia.

Early voting to begin for Nov. 4 election

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\$140,000.

- **Proposition 14:** Creates a Dementia Prevention and Research Institute with \$3 billion in funding.
- **Proposition 15:** Affirms that parents are the primary decision-makers for their children.
- **Proposition 16:** Clarifies that only U.S. citizens may vote in Texas elections.
- **Proposition 17:** Provides property tax exemption for land improved for border security infrastructure.

Nearby early voting locations include the following:

- **East Harris County Activity Center,** 7340 Spencer Highway in Pasadena.
- **South Houston Municipal Courthouse,** 1019 Dallas St. in South Houston.
- **Tom Bass Park Community Center,** 15108 Cul-Parkway in Pasadena.

Voting hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Approximately 450 voting locations will be open on Election Day (Nov. 4). To see a complete list of polling locations and a sample ballot, visit www.harrisvotes.com.

Weber hosts fall festival

Weber Elementary will host their fall festival Saturday, Nov. 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Weber Elementary 11955 Blackhawk Blvd. This family event will include inflatables, games, concessions, a DJ, a petting zoo and a teacher dunk tank. Presale wristbands are available now through Nov. 7. Prices for wristbands are \$8 (PTA members presale), \$10 (general presale) and \$12 at the door. Payments accepted are Zelle, Zeffy and cash (exact change only).

Judge greets family



Precinct 2 Judge Jo Ann Delgado is shown above greeting longtime South Belt community members Joe and Yolanda Dominguez at the county’s recent National Night Out celebration.

Perez celebrates NNO



House District 144 Rep, Mary Ann Perez (right) attended the Precinct 2 National Night Out celebration Tuesday, Oct. 7. Shown above with Perez are Judge Jo Ann Delgado (left) South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce President Lisa Holbrook.

State troopers join local National Night Out



State troopers from the nearby Texas Department of Public Safety office joined Precinct 2 officials Tuesday, Oct. 7, for Harris County’s annual national Night Out celebration at the courthouse annex on Scarsdale. Shown above at the event are, left to right, Trooper B. Ray, Game Warden N. Houle, Judge Jo Ann Delgado, Trooper D. Vigil, Trooper K. Do and Game Warden J. Putnam.



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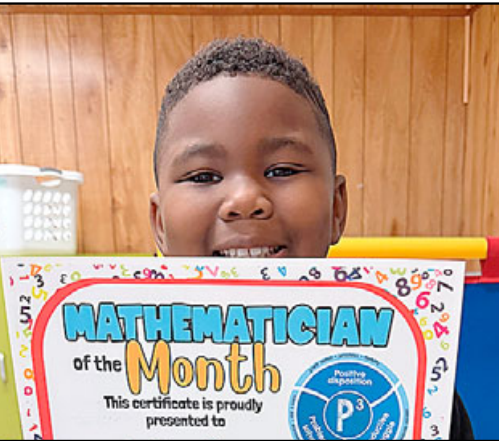
Frazier Elementary School awards students from each grade with a Mathematician of the Month certificate for improved and outstanding work in mathematics. Students who were awarded in September are shown. Above, left to right, are pre-K students Andrea Cerda, Axel Luna and Ava Starghill.



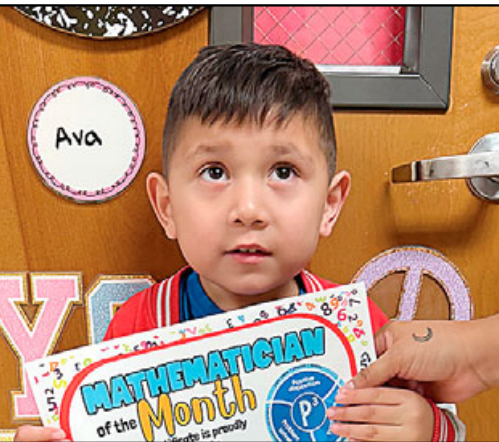
Left to right, kindergarteners (front row) Adriel Velez, Joshua Tamez, (back row) Mileena Nino, Kim-yen Nguyen



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Left to right, first-graders (front row) Olivia Torres, Michelle Vasquez, (back row) Brissa Cavazos, Isaiah Ramos



Left to right, second-graders Malakai Graham, Victoria Garza, Ernesto Vasquez



At left, left to right, third-graders (front row) Abigail Hernandez, Serenity Llano, (back row) Arabella Martinez, Sophia Covarrubias



At right, left to right, fourth-graders (front row) Rylee Thomas, Arian Garcia, (back row) Ivy Gonzalez, Nicolas Chapa

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TRACY CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY
Tracy Giles enjoys a birthday Friday, Oct. 17. Birthday greetings are sent from husband Jim, sons Cody and Aaron and wife Ashley and daughter Kristen.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KIMBERLY!
Kimberly Lipina celebrates a birthday Friday, Oct. 17. Happy birthday wishes are sent from her husband Matthew Lipina; son William Lipina; mom Leslie and dad Fred Flickinger; grandparents David Flickinger and Olive Falkowski; uncle David (Leader president) and wife Ellie Flickinger; sister Courtney and children Abigail, Jackson and Penelope Durham.

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR KAY
Best wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent Oct. 21, to active community member and business owner Kay Barbour, former South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce president/CEO and current Sagemont Civic Club president, from friends and staff at the Leader.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Oct. 16 through Oct. 22.

Atkinson Elementary
Break out the balloons and party favors Oct. 16 for a celebration for Maria Hubley. Oct. 17 is a day of celebration for Christopher Williams for her birthday.

Burnett Elementary
Light the birthday candles on a cake for

Magen Taylor Oct. 22.
Bush Elementary
Send a humorous birthday card Oct. 19 to Monica Santana. Wishes for a happy birthday are sent to Valentina Saucedo Oct. 20.

Frazier Elementary
Send a birthday greeting Oct. 20 to Jessica Noriega.
Genoa Elementary
Light the birthday candles Oct. 22 on a cake for Cassidy Horton.

Hancock Elementary
Remember to wish Angie-Marie Zepeda Jimenez a happy birthday Oct. 17. Send a humorous birthday card Oct. 20 to Kimberly Arnold.

Meador Elementary
A special birthday wish is sent to Ashley Jasso Oct. 19.

Stuchbery Elementary
Oct. 17 is the day for a fun celebration for Ana Sanchez-Cortes. Cara Wilson celebrates a birthday Oct. 22.

Melillo Middle School
Kelli Schauer celebrates a special birthday Oct. 17. The day for a party for Heather Wheeler is Oct. 18.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Oct. 16 is the day for a birthday celebration for Melanie Flowers. Birthday greetings go out to Ashley White Oct. 17. Anastasia Payne celebrates a birthday Oct. 20.

Thompson Intermediate
Join in the birthday fun Oct. 16 with

Valeria Bosquez.
Dobie High
The day for a double celebration for Roger Brown and Diana Mayhew is Oct. 16. Best wishes for a special birthday Oct. 17 are sent to Brandy Castillo. Remember to wish Krystal Wilcox a happy birthday Oct. 18. Best wishes for a special birthday Oct. 19 are sent to Paul Sinski and Stephanie White. Oct. 21 is the day for a celebration for Lydia Duncan.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
Thursday, Oct. 16: Cristina Denson, Rusty Jewell, Alice Wood, Erin Lutich and Patricia Escamilla-Tamez; Friday, Oct. 17: Beverly Bolton, Joe Bennett, Susan Scott and Stephanie Garza; Saturday, Oct. 18: Michael Harris III, Stephanie Morton, Kassie Schmidt and Michelle Cripps; Sunday, Oct. 19: Craig Stephens, Don Whited, Pat Perez and Jesse Salazar; Monday, Oct. 20: Trina Gibson, Jennifer Chavez and Trey Sanchez; Tuesday, Oct. 21: Mindy Homann, Craig Funni, Eddie Youngs and Robert Fortson; and Wednesday, Oct. 22: Craig Tyer, Jamie Nevarez, Stacey Glass, Kimberly Gale and Jonny Heitman.

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back to Pasadena where she was released.
35 Years ago (1990)
For the well-being of its residents, M.U.D. 13 petitioned the federal court to stop planned incineration at the Brio Superfund toxic waste site.

The sixth annual Wings Over Houston Airshow was held at Ellington Field. A routine check on a suspected South Belt area

crack house turned into an attempted capital murder of one of Constable Precinct 2 Gary Freeman's deputies and the arrest of two suspects.

Southbend resident and Brio health study advocate Cheryl Finley appeared on The Joan Rivers Show. Also appearing was Environmental Protection Agency whistle-blower Hugh Kaufman and a resident of Jacksonville, Ark.

For his dedication and contributions to South Belt area sports, Tommy Bischof was named Citizen of the Year by the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce. Bischof led the South Belt Palomino baseball team to the championship of the league World Series in Greensboro, N.C. After losing in the first round of the sectional tournament, the Palominos won 13 straight games for the world title.

30 years ago (1995)
Houston police arrested two 16-year-olds and charged them with burglary the same day 12 rifles and a 9-mm pistol were stolen from a residence in the 11000 block of Sageorchard. The boys were truant from school. All the guns had been returned to their owner.

Harvest Auction, a fundraiser benefiting the humanitarian service programs of the Southeast Area Ministries, was held at Alameda Mall. Artisans and businesses from around Houston donated their arts, crafts and merchandise to the event.

25 years ago (2000)
A former day care center which was being converted into an alternative school for problem students was demolished in a fire that was ruled arson.

Nearly 40 employers participated in the annual San Jacinto College South Fall Career Expo.

The Dobie Longhorn band earned a perfect score on its UIL marching performance at PISD's Memorial Stadium.

Dobie's homecoming court included Michelle Flores, Vanity McMurtry, Yvonne Umeh, Cody Adams, Bruce Ham and Wayne Wiltner.

Three local banks had a visit on the same day from a suspicious male. The man went to Community State Bank, Bank United and First Community Bank. When he attempted to open a new account, bank officials realized his driver license information was fraudulent, and they were concerned he was casing the banks. In three related incidents during the previous two weeks, three Friendswood area banks had been robbed.

20 years ago (2005)
Dobie's Future Farmers of America earned nearly half the auction earnings and 38 of the auction spots at the Pasadena Livestock Show and Rodeo. For the second consecutive year, Andrew Pier had the grand champion steer, which sold for \$65,000.

Randalls announced the local grocery store on Fuqua would be closed. This was one of four stores in the Houston area to be closed.

A Brazoria County mosquito control plane alarmed neighbors when it flew so low that it shook their entire houses.

15 years ago (2010)
Longtime Freeway Manor resident Betty Lacroix, 78, died when an explosive fire took place at her home in the 800 block of Shawnee near Welk around 10:30 p.m.

Neighbors reported hearing a series of roughly four loud explosions as the house became engulfed in flames. The blasts were so intense they blew out the windows and doors of several neighboring homes. Upon hearing the explosions, nearby residents rushed to the house to try to help Lacroix and her husband, Collins Lacroix, 82, escape. While the woman's husband was able to be freed from the nearly leveled home, Lacroix herself was not as fortunate. Collins Lacroix was taken to an area hospital with severe burns. The couple had lived in the house for roughly 50 years and raised five children there. Firefighters said the fire was caused by a natural gas leak and that oxygen tanks accelerated the blaze.

10 years ago (2015)
A new international concourse opened its doors Thursday, Oct. 15, at William P. Hobby Airport in Houston, Texas, ushering in the return of daily international air service for the popular airport facility and its 12 million annual passengers. Hundreds of guests in the new concourse celebrated the operational success of the building's first flight, when an early morning departure took off

bound for Cancun, Mexico. The new 280,000-square-foot facility, including a five-gate concourse, Federal Inspection Station, Southwest Airlines ticketing hall and expanded security checkpoint, is the result of a far-reaching partnership struck between the City of Houston and Southwest Airlines in 2012.

5 years ago (2020)
A home invasion took place Friday, Oct. 16, in the 10300 block of Redbrook. According to investigators, two to three suspects were believed to be involved in the crime. No injuries were reported, and no immediate arrests were made.

1 year ago (2024)
Pasadena ISD Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell announced she would be retiring from her position at the end of this year after serving the district for more than three decades. Powell began her 33-year PISD career as a history teacher at Jackson Intermediate, later becoming the school's assistant principal and principal. In 2005, Powell was named a PISD associate superintendent, before making history in 2015 by becoming the district's first Pasadena ISD graduate and the first female to be named superintendent.



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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES



Dobie sophomore Jordan Roman carried out his race plan to perfection as he earned top overall medalist honors in the varsity boys' division at the District 22-6A Cross-Country Championships.



Dobie senior and third-year varsity standout Johan Villavicencio was sixth overall at the district meet with a time of 17 minutes, 05.64 seconds and will now join his Longhorn teammates at the Region III Championships Oct. 20.

Roman, Villavicencio lead Dobie back to regional cross-country

Dobie sophomore Jordan Roman was the varsity boys' overall gold medalist as he captured the individual title at the District 22-6A Cross-Country Championships Oct. 9 at Dobie main.

Posting a time of 16 minutes, 22.62 seconds over the 5,000-meter course, Roman out-distanced second-place finisher Nathaniel Hubenak of Manvel, who was second at 16:34.20.

Bao Nguyen of Pasadena ISD's Kirk Lewis Career and Technical High School was third.

Dobie senior Johan Villavicencio was sixth overall in a time of 17:05.64 despite, in his own estimation, not running his best time, and sophomore Jorge Rodriguez just missed out on a top 10 spot, settling for 11th overall with his time of 17:13.99.

The Dobie varsity boys' team qualified for regionals by virtue of its second place finish behind Pearlland and will compete as a group Oct. 20 at Kate Ross Memorial Park at Sam Houston State University.

Trailing Nguyen before making a final push down the stretch, the plan came together perfectly for Roman, who dashed to the

finish line with a 12-second victory to earn his gold medal.

"I was really proud of the way I ran," Roman said. "I feel good about the way the race went. Being able to run at Dobie obviously helped out but, I also feel like I ran a great race."

"I let (Nguyen) control the pace of the race, but I also felt like my body was in great shape and I was moving along pretty well. I had plenty left for the final push, and I was just able to put it together."

At regionals, the course will be configured differently. There is sand to deal with, but Roman said he usually handles the hills fairly well.

Overall, he's just excited to get out of there and match his talents against the very best runners within Region 3 and let the chips fall where they may.

Roman had an exceptionally successful freshman season as he was the bronze medalist a season ago at district, just two spots behind fellow freshman teammate Cruz Jasso.

With Jasso out due to injury, Roman knew coming down the stretch of the regular season that he was certainly going to be counted on to deliver in a big way if the Longhorns

were to have any chance at repeating as district champions.

Pearland put together a terrific group effort to claim the league title, but it was Roman who came up big this time by winning the gold medal as the top finisher in the event.

Cross-country racing is certainly much more than just physical ability. Strategic game plans in terms of course management are usually just as important.

In this case, Roman said he was perfectly content to allow the majority of the race to unfold before making his move. What a plan it was.

From a team standpoint, the Longhorns are headed back to the regional event for the fourth consecutive year after finishing second as a team behind champion Pearlland, which posted a low of 55 points for the crown.

Longhorn freshman Robert Pheister was in on the official scoring for the Longhorns as he was 27th in a time of 18:04.64, while sophomore Gevin Vega was 30th with a time of 18:12.56.

Dobie junior Aracely Alvarado paced the Longhorn varsity girls in the 5,000 meter event as she was fifth in a time of

19:14.90 to advance to regionals as an individual.

Senior Isaura Correa was 15th with a clocking of 21:11.59, and junior Aliyah Sanchez was 16th overall at 2:12.04.

Mikayla Rodriguez delivered a time of 21:51.47 for 28th place, and junior Christina Rodriguez came up with a time of 22:39.97 for 23rd place, and junior Christina Rodriguez came up with a time of 22:39.97 for 28th place, and junior Christina Rodriguez came up with a time of 22:39.97 for 28th place.

The Dobie boys' cross-country program is led by the coach Stephen Cross, while Mo Hickman is the longtime girls' head coach. She has witnessed the progression of all of the athletes within the Longhorns program and certainly believes the best is yet to come.

"Jordan is such a student of the sport, and he has really put things together in a short period of time after coming back from his injury," Hickman said. "He ran a terrific race at district and followed his race plan to perfection. Johan ran well, also. The talent pool in Region 3 is so deep, but I know Jordan and his teammates will be ready for the test at regionals and give it their all. All of these kids, my girls included, have been working

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Pearland uses scoreless second half to defeat JFD

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

Going scoreless in the second half, the Dobie varsity football program again found The Rig in Pearlland to be a tough place to win as the undefeated Pearlland Oilers continued their march toward a possible 22-6A championship with a 43-23 victory over the Longhorns Oct. 10.

The Longhorns got a touchdown throw and catch from quarterback Jalen Miles to Nathaniel Bel-

leville as well as a pair of field goals from Nathanael Campos to stay within striking range in the first half against Pearlland but then went scoreless over the final 24 minutes while falling to 1-3 in league play.

Pearland is 5-0 with just one of its final three games against an opponent with a winning record, that being Shadow Creek.

The Oilers will advance to the playoffs as the top seed from 22-6A in the Division 1 bracket.

The Longhorns certainly find themselves trailing the lead pack as far as the postseason is concerned, but the locals were in this exact position a season ago and rallied for a victory over Manvel in the regular season finale qualified for a seventh consecutive playoff berth.

In short, the Longhorns know what the objective is moving forward.

Dobie essentially has three straight home games coming at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena against

South Houston, Sam Rayburn and Alvin before that Nov. 7 trip to Manvel.

Up next is the school's annual homecoming game Oct. 17 against winless South Houston as the Longhorns will aim to get back into the win column against a Trojan team that has had challenges of its own under the guidance of first year head coach Lamont Mayberry.

Playing against a very tough schedule through the first four games of league play, Dobie is averaging 317 yards of offense per game but is surrendering 350 on defense.

Senior running back Da'Marcus Hodges is second in the district with 821 all-purpose yards and has scored 11 rushing touchdowns. David Agyemang has put together a tremendous effort on the defensive side of the football as he leads the district with 7 quarterback sacks and 23 quarterback hurries. Rashaud Howard and Nathan Zavala have four sacks each.

Dobie has put itself in a position where a four game win streak to close the regular season will be necessary in order for the

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Nathaniel Belleville (24), shown here picking up a short gain after a reception in the game against Shadow Creek, had a touchdown reception against Pearlland in the first half of the Longhorns' eventual 43-13 loss to the Oilers Oct. 10 at The Rig in Pearlland.

Photo by Kelvin Lopez



Junior Aracely Alvarado of Dobie ran a terrific race at the 22-6A Championships to qualify for the regional competition and will now look to improve upon her time of 19 minutes, 14.90 seconds.

Lutheran South's Noack, Samour crowned



At left, Lutheran South Academy's Case Noack (left) was crowned king and Leah Samour queen as the Pioneers hosted their annual homecoming celebration highlighted by the announcement of the homecoming court winners during half-time of LSA's varsity football game versus St. John's Sept. 26. Fast forward to Oct. 10, and the Pioneers defeated Second Baptist by a 24-20 count and are now 4-2 overall this season heading into an Oct. 24 road game at Beaumont Kelly Catholic, which is 2-5.

Photo by Trish Thomas,
Imaging Studios

Dobie hosts South Houston Oct. 17, 7 p.m. Veterans Stadium

South Houston (0-6, 0-4) The Trojans have struggled to gain much traction in any game thus far in 2025 and will go up against the Longhorns seeking their first victory of the season. South Houston has been outscored 272-47 through six games thus far and would appear to be facing another tough test against the Longhorns.

Dobie (2-4, 1-3) The Longhorns earned a Battle of the Beltway victory over Memorial but have also lost three district games to opponents that have combined to go 17-4 overall this season. Simply put, the locals are aiming to win out over the final month of the season, which ends with a Nov. 7 road game at Manvel.

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Patriots	4	4	0
Stingrays	4	4	0
Manvel Texans	4	4	0
Panthers	3	4	1
Eagles	3	5	0
Braves	3	6	0
Longhorns	1	7	0
Sharks	0	8	0
Gators	0	9	0

Freshman Division			
Team	W	L	T
Red Raiders	8	0	0
Cardinals	7	1	0
Manvel Texans	7	1	0
49ers	5	3	0
Buccaneers	5	3	0
Cowboys	5	3	0
Panthers	5	3	0
Stingrays	5	3	0
Patriots	4	4	0
Pearland Texans	4	4	0
Wildcats	4	4	0
Eagles	3	5	0
Longhorns	3	5	0
LP Texans	2	6	0
Sharks	1	7	0
Braves	1	8	0
Gators	0	9	0

Sophomore Division			
Team	W	L	T
Buccaneers	8	0	0
Cowboys	8	0	0
Manvel Texans	8	0	0
49ers	5	3	0
Red Raiders	5	3	0
Stingrays	5	3	0
Cardinals	4	4	0
Patriots	4	4	0
Wildcats	4	4	0
Pearland Texans	3	4	1
LP Texans	3	5	0
Braves	3	6	0
Gators	3	6	0
Sharks	2	5	1
Eagles	2	6	0
Longhorns	1	7	0
Panthers	0	8	0

Junior Division			
Team	W	L	T
Buccaneers	8	0	0
Manvel Texans	7	1	0
Red Raiders	7	1	0
Gators	6	3	0
Wildcats	6	2	0
49ers	5	3	0
LP Texans	5	3	0
Sharks	5	3	0
Cowboys	4	4	0
Patriots	4	4	0
Cardinals	3	5	0
Pearland Texans	3	5	0
Eagles	2	6	0
Panthers	2	6	0
Stingrays	2	6	0
Longhorns	0	8	0
Braves	0	9	0

Senior Division			
Team	W	L	T
Buccaneers	8	0	0
LP Texans	8	0	0
Cardinals	7	1	0
Red Raiders	7	1	0
Gators	6	3	0
Cowboys	5	3	0
Pearland Texans	5	3	0
Sharks	5	3	0
Wildcats	5	3	0
49ers	3	5	0
Patriots	3	5	0
Eagles	2	6	0
Longhorns	2	6	0
Manvel Texans	2	6	0
Panthers	1	7	0
Stingrays	0	8	0
Braves	0	9	0

BAFL Week 9

Cowboys PW 21 Gators 6
Cowboys Fr. 51 Gators 0
Cowboys’ Soph. 61 Gators 0
Gators 13 Cowboys Jrs. 6
Cowboys Srs. 36 Gators 7

BAFL Week 10

Cowboys’ Peewee host Manvel, 8 a.m.
Cowboys’ Freshmen host Manvel, 9 a.m.
Cowboys’ Sophs. host Manvel, 11 a.m.
Cowboys’ Juniors host Manvel, 1 p.m.
Cowboys’ Seniors host Manvel, 3 p.m.

South Belt
football
predictions

					
Dobie vs. South Houston	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Kingwood at Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita
Clear Brook vs Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Creek	Clear Brook	Clear Creek	Clear Creek
Clear Springs vs. Clear Falls	Clear Springs	Clear Springs	Clear Falls	Clear Springs	Clear Springs
Porter at La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte
Angleton at Kingwood Park	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton
Pasadena at Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood
Beaumont United at Barbers Hill	Barbers Hill	Barbers Hill	Barbers Hill	Barbers Hill	Barbers Hill
Lufkin at Baytown Sterling	Lufkin	Lufkin	Sterling	Lufkin	Lufkin
Beaumont Westbrook at Port Arthur Memorial	PAM	PAM	PAM	PAM	PAM
Last Week’s Results	9-1	8-2	7-3	8-2	8-2
Season record	54-16	49-21	49-21	50-20	53-17

Pearland continues overall series control against JFD

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program to extend a post-season streak of seven seasons and counting. But the way the sched-

ule has broken down, the Longhorns have a reasonable chance to gain victories over South Houston and then Alvin before

going against a Sam Rayburn program that is in the midst of its best ever season in quite some time. Dobie has established

itself as the top program in the Pasadena ISD ranks but is looking for more down the stretch as a season appearance hangs in the balance.

The Longhorns have shown signs of a tremendous breakthrough on the offensive side of the football and will no doubt look to capitalize on similar opportunities, and it all starts against the Trojans.

The Oilers took a 6-0 lead in the first quarter on a 3-yard touchdown run from senior Ja’Maurey Champion, the leading rusher in the district. The score was set up by a 43-yard completion from quarterback Jake Westmoreland to receiver Jordan Hernandez.

The Longhorns then used a big play of their own to march 75 yards for a go-ahead touchdown. Marcus Jones had a 55-yard run deep into

Pearland territory to set up the score.

From there, the Longhorns overcame an illegal procedure penalty as well as a quarterback sack to take the lead as quarterback Jalen Miles tossed a 16-yard touchdown pass to a wide open Nathaniel Belleville for the score down the middle as Dobie led 7-6.

Still in the first quarter, Pearland moved ahead 13-7 as Westmoreland and Hernandez hooked up on the fade pass, with Hernandez reeling in a 16-yard reception for the score in the back of the end zone.

Dobie moved down the field early in the second quarter and got a 23-yard field goal from Nathanael Campos to cut Pearland’s lead to 13-10.

Pearland bounced right back as Westmoreland found Hernandez down the right sideline as he

made an acrobatic catch in the end zone for a 41-yard touchdown, giving the Oilers a 20-10 advantage.

The Longhorns’ ensuing drive resulted in a 25-yard field goal from Campos as the score fest continued with Pearland still leading 20-13. Holden Macneish then boot-

ed a 47-yard field goal to give Pearland a 23-13 edge.

Holding the Longhorns scoreless in the second half, Pearland used a 9-yard touchdown run from Champion in the third quarter, a 17-yard scoring run from Royce Swan in the fourth quarter and a late touchdown run by Ryan Miller to close out the scoring at The Rig in Pearland.

Going against a front-loaded portion of the schedule that included early matchups against three bonafide postseason contenders, the Longhorns have not come up with a win but still can see a path to the playoffs. Even as the Longhorns find themselves trailing the lead pack in the district race at 1-3, the locals should be able to get healthy in terms of wins and losses as they prepare to take on a winless South Houston program at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

erans Stadium in Pasadena.

The reality is that the Longhorns were in this exact position a season ago heading into their final four games yet rebounded with four consecutive victories to make a seventh consecutive postseason appearance.

Pearland’s lone roadblock to a perfect 10-0 season would certainly appear to be an Oct. 24 home game against Shadow Creek at The Rig in Pearland. The Oilers will be the Division 1 top postseason seed out of 22-6A.

Now the Longhorns will go against a South Houston team that has had a rough go of things to this point in the season. Running back Jadon Buckner has rushed for 343 yards and three touchdowns, while sophomore quarterback James Henry has passed for a pair of scores.

In 2024, the Longhorns used a victory over the Trojans to propel themselves toward an eventual four-game winning streak that resulted in a playoff berth. Dobie has the added benefit of playing in front of its annual homecoming crowd, so everything points to a victory for Dobie in this one.



Dobie seniors, from left, Da’Marcus Hodges (1), Rashaud Howard (7) and Alonzo Chapman (55) will lead the Longhorns into the program’s annual homecoming game against the South Houston Trojans Oct. 17 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena as the locals look to return to the win column in 22-6A play.

Photo by Gloria Wallace

Alvarado paces Dobie girls

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so hard since the summer and have really come a long way both individually and from a team standpoint.

“I had four girls who were basically putting together their personal best at mid-season and were doing very well. Everything is so tight at district, and on the girls side we could have easily finished much better than seventh with a break here and there. As it stands, we got Aracely Alvarado to regionals and we are very much looking forward to cheering her on.”

Clearly, Hickman is

particularly proud of Alvarado, who came into the program as a freshman from Beverly Hills Intermediate with plenty of promise and has subsequently lived up to the billing.

Alvarado has particularly picked up the pace during her junior season as her fifth-place time of 19:14.90 at the district championships trailed only four other standouts, each of whom Hickman believes has a very reasonable shot to reach state.

Dawson freshman Brianna Padilla was the district champion in the 5,000-meter event in a

time of 18:24.16, followed by Manvel twins Janie Cardenas (18:31.80) and Jessica Cardenas (18:45.54) and fourth-place finisher Anisa Mercado (18:46.57). Hickman also sees a path for Alvarado to advance.

“Anything can happen on race day,” Hickman said. “Aracely put together a terrific race at district, and we are all very proud of her to have reached regionals. Really, I’m very excited about the way the entire group performed. Aracely has always had the potential and she has really put it together this year for us.”



From left, Dobie varsity girls’ cross-country runners Aracely Alvarado, Isaura Correa and Aliyah Sanchez were joined by coach Mo Hickman (far right) after the completion of the 22-6A championships at Dobie. Alvarado finished fifth to advance to regionals, while Correa and Sanchez were 15th and 16th, respectively.

District 24-6A Games

Clear Falls vs. Clear Springs
Oct. 17, 7 p.m.
Challenger Stadium

Clear Creek vs. Clear Brook
Oct. 16, 6 p.m.
Veterans Stadium

Dickinson
at Brazoswood
Oct. 17, 7 p.m.
Hopper Stadium

Deer Park at Clear Lake
Oct. 17, 7 p.m.
Veterans Stadium

South Belt Soccer to collect gear for donation

Officials with the South Belt Youth Soccer Club will be collecting used soccer gear that will then be donated to those in need in Sri Lanka, South Asia. The local donation event will be held Oct. 22, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the El Franco Lee Park community building. Items needed include gently used soccer balls of all sizes, cleats and shoes, both youth and adult sizes, uniform and jerseys, either complete kits or individual pieces, shin guards, goalkeeper gloves and training equipment of all varieties.

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22-6A Football Standings

Pearland	5-0
Dawson	4-1
Shadow Creek	4-1
Manvel	3-2
Rayburn	2-2
Dobie	1-3
Alvin	1-3
South Houston	0-4
Memorial	0-4

24-6A Football Standings

Dickinson	3-0
Deer Park	3-0
Clear Springs	3-0
Clear Falls	2-1
Brazoswood	1-2
Clear Lake	0-3
Clear Creek	0-3
Clear Brook	0-3

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7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill," Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., and Saturday at 7:30 a.m. Hope Community United Methodist Church, 2838 Lily St. Call 713-686-6300 (24/7) or visit <https://aahouston.org/meetings/>.
7:30 a.m. **Rotary Club of Pearland** - Check website for time and location <https://pearlandrotary.com/events/calendar> or call 832-293-9860.
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Open Tues. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call Karen Hollon at 713-472-0565 for appointment. Tours 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17
7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.
Noon **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - **Imperfect Nooners Group**, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at <https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners>. Call 713-686-6300 for more information. Meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or <https://nastuff.com/>. Meets Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.
7 p.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - All services are live and on Zoom. For details regarding services or Judaism classes, visit <https://www.shaarhashalom.org>.
8 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous** - meets at Cross Roads UMC Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.
8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18
7:30 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.

9:30 a.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - See Friday's notice.
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19
8 a.m./ 10:15 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - has worship Tuesday at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday at 7 p.m. (Bible study, Book of Revelation, at 6 p.m.) and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m., 11456 Space Center Blvd. (in back of a medical/retail community). For details, call 281-479-7285 and leave a message, or stop by.
5:30 p.m. **Celebrate Recovery** - A faith-based 12-Step program, in the Life Kids Chapel at Life Church, 5125 Preston Ave. Pasadena, TX 77505. Call 713-419-2635 for details.
8 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous** - See Friday's notice.
8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** - See Friday's notice.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20
Noon **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - **Imperfect Nooners Group**. See Friday's notice.
5 p.m. **New Directions Singles Social Group** is a singles group for those 55+. Meetings are the first and third Monday held in the community room at Maplewood Crossing, 600 Hobbs Road, League City. There will a potluck dinner and may include group activities. For further information, call Carol at 281-508-1663. See Facebook page: New Directions Singles Social Group.
6 p.m. **Scrabble Club #511** - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Join the fun and improve crossword skills. COVID-19 vaccination required. Email huff_reunion@juno.com for info.
7 p.m. **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - #0683 Friendswood chapter meets at Friendswood Methodist Church, 110 N. Friendswood Dr. in the educational bldg., room 201. For information, call Lynette Ringrose at 832-858-4617 or Dorothy Pourteau at 713-875-8820.
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)**. See Friday's notice.
7 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - St. Luke's Group 12-Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7 p.m. in the education Bldg. in room 4, at 11011 Hall Rd. Call 832-725-8479 or 281-309-2801.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21
7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** See Thursday's notice.
11:30 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)**. See

Friday's notice.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22
7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.
Carmelites - a nondenominational senior citizen social group meeting at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 15500 El Camino Real, in Clear Lake on the first and third Wednesdays for a time filled with fun, fellowship, lending library with books and puzzles, coffee and bingo. The meetings are open to those ages 55 and older, with no dues. Day trips and extended trips available. Deposits are now being taken for Poland. For details, call Marilyn at 713-444-6744.
Noon **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - **Imperfect Nooners Group**. See Friday's notice.
Noon **Ballroom Dancing** - casual ballroom dance, open to the public, held every Wednesday afternoon from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 East League City Parkway, League City. Everyone is welcome to come with or without a partner. The dance itself is free as music is provided by volunteer, Neva Schroder. The city requires an activity card for participants in all of the city's many activities. Call the park office (281-554-1180) for answers to any questions regarding the activity card. Visitors are welcome to walk in to observe or participate.
7 p.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - See Friday's notice.
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Atkinson Elementary honors PPK champions



Four Atkinson Elementary students first captured their in-school Punt, Pass and Kick grade level championships before participating in the Pasadena ISD districtwide competition earlier this month at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Those Atkinson champions included, left to



Atkinson Elementary fourth-grade student Kamila Cervantes turned in a terrific performance in the Pasadena ISD Punt, Pass and Kick competition earlier this month at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena as she was the eventual second-place finisher in the girls' division.

- Third Grade Girls**
- 1st – Odalys Bedolla, South Belt ES
 - 2nd – Daneli Campos, Matthys ES
 - 3rd – Vycoria Moran, Bailey ES
- Boys**
- 1st – Jayden Chapa, Pomeroy ES
 - 2nd – Manuel Gonzalez, Red Bluff ES
 - 3rd – Matthew Huizar, Frazier ES

- Fourth Grade Girls**
- 1st – Xyla Jaimes, Teague ES
 - 2nd – Valentina Tran, Atkinson ES
 - 3rd – Valerie Barrera, Morales ES
- Boys**
- 1st – Zachary Carrington, South Belt ES
 - 2nd – Caleb Martinez, Frazier ES
 - 3rd – Maxemilliano Ramirez, Atkinson ES



Max Ramirez represented the Atkinson Eagles at the Pasadena ISD Punt, Pass and Kick competition earlier this month, ultimately finishing third in the fourth-grade boys' division.

- Fifth Grade Girls**
- 1st – Emma Perez, Sullivan MS
 - 2nd – Margarita Torres Yanes, Milstead MS
 - 3rd – Joselyn Robles, Roberts MS
- Boys**
- 1st – Jaxon Smith, Kendrick MS
 - 2nd – Diego Castillo, Milstead MS
 - 3rd – Levoy McCuiston, Shaw MS
- Sixth Grade Girls**
- 1st – Alice Ruiz, De Zavala MS
 - 2nd – Helena Garcia, Kendrick MS
 - 3rd – Cristal Yopez, De Zavala MS
- Boys**
- 1st – Jayden Sanchez, Schneider MS
 - 2nd – Quinn Lockett, Morris MS
 - 3rd – Braylin Ortega, Melillo MS

Dobie volleyball eyes strong closeout



Senior London Herrera (5) and her Dobie varsity volleyball teammates went up against Pearland after press time and will host South Houston Oct. 17 in a special 4:30 p.m. varsity match start.



Dobie sophomore Reise Rackley (15) is on pace to eclipse 200 assists in her debut varsity season as she and her Longhorn teammates are likely to finish with an overall winning record for the season.

Photos by Gloria Wallace

Longhorn tennis donates water to school clinic



The Dobie tennis team made its annual water bottle donation to the on-campus clinic. Left to right, are (front row) Tiffany Nguyen, Chloe Estes, Angelina Vu, Vivian Hang, Adrian Garza, Dulce Mejia, (back row) nurses Cathy Meek and Kristal Heath, Jesiah Avendano, Steven Nguyen, Andres Franco, Ana Rodriguez, Lila Collazos, Mia Nguyen, Logan Pham, Kevin Do, Simon Nguyen, Trjah Smith, Brayden Rojas and Jordan De Robles.

Clear Creek ISD celebrates 2025 Hall of Honor class

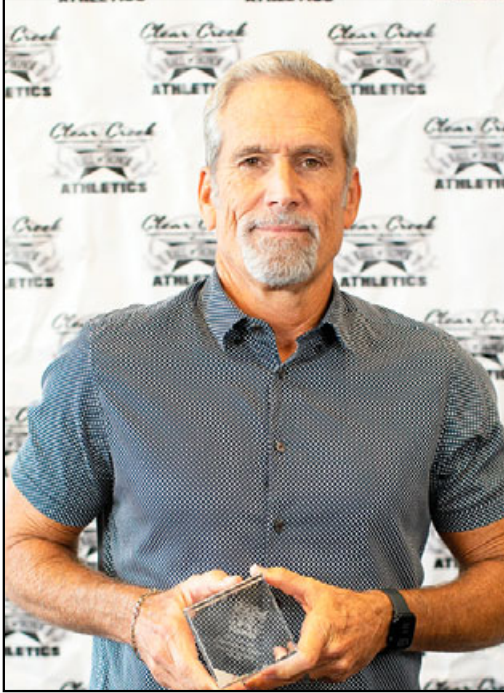
At right, Erica Alexander Guidry, a Clear Brook High School Class of 2008 graduate, captured a slew of gold medals during a brilliant track and field career with the Wolverines. She is currently the girls' cross-country and track and field coach at Clear Springs High School. At far right, Carol Atchison Hollinger is a Clear Creek High School Class of 1990 graduate who excelled in the pool for the Wildcats and now joins the Clear Creek ISD Hall of Honor.



At right, Laurie Hatfield represented her husband and Class of 2025 Hall of Honor inductee Jim Hatfield, who led the Clear Brook football program to its greatest era from 1988 through 2000. Jim Hatfield went on to become the district athletic director before retiring. At far right (center) Tymeke Charelle Moore is a Clear Creek High School Class of 2000 graduate who excelled in three different sports during her illustrious athletic career with the Wildcats and now joins the Hall of Honor



At right, Doug Elder joins the 2025 Hall of Honor class after presiding over one of the most successful eras in the history of the Clear Lake High School boys' soccer program. At far right, Roger Lee Jordan is a Clear Creek High School Class of 2000 graduate who was a standout on the football field before playing basketball and competing in track and field with the Wildcats.



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