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Dobie seeks nominations

J. Frank Dobie High School is accepting nominations for the 2017 Hall of Honor through Friday, Oct. 28. Individuals may be nominated in the following categories: alumni, community volunteer, faculty/staff/administrator and fallen hero. Nominations can be submitted online at http://dobie.pasadenaisd.org/campus_information/hall_of_honor. The induction ceremony will be held Friday, Feb. 24, 2017.

Highland Meadow meeting

The Highland Meadow Homeowners Association will hold a special meeting Thursday, Oct. 27, to set and adopt its 2017 budget. The meeting will take place at the Highland Meadow Pool Building, located at 11419 Brook Meadow Drive, at 5 p.m.

Genealogy group to meet

The Parker Williams Genealogy Group will meet Nov. 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the library at Scarsdale and Beamer. This group meets the first and third Mondays to discuss genealogy research. Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in tracing family history.

Kirkmont 3 and 4 to meet

Kirkmont Sections 3 and 4 Community Association will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m. at the Kirkmont M.U.D. Building, 10102 Blackhawk Blvd. All homeowners/residents of Kirkmont Sections 3 and 4 are encouraged to attend this meeting. The 2017 annual maintenance fees and deed restrictions will be discussed, and board members will be elected. Homeowners attending the annual meeting may be eligible for a discount on their 2017 maintenance fees.

Thanksgiving food drive set

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church is now holding a Thanksgiving food drive to assist families in the South Belt area. Donations of nonperishable food can be taken to the church office at 11011 Hall Road Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Donations can also be dropped off at the church entrance before Mass on Saturday or Sunday. The food drive will continue through Sunday, Nov. 13. Contact St. Luke's social services at 281-481-6816 with any questions about the Thanksgiving food drive.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-1959/Dixie Farm Road to FM-528/NASA Road 1 will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Friday, Oct. 28. Alternate exit and entrance ramps will be closed.

There will be a total closure of the FM-528/NASA Parkway southbound exit ramp until further notice. Southbound mainlane traffic wanting to exit at FM-528/NASA Parkway will have to exit at Bay Area Boulevard, travel through the intersection at Bay Area and down the southbound frontage road to FM-528/NASA Parkway.

South Belt seeks vendors

South Belt Elementary is currently seeking vendors for its annual Turkey Trot, set to take place Saturday, Nov. 5. Booths are \$30 each. Vendors will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, contact Coach Torrie Wilson at 713-740-5276 or twilson1@pasadenaisd.org.

Knights hold fish fry

Knights of Columbus Council No. 9201 will host a fundraising fish fry on Friday, Oct. 28, and Friday, Nov. 4, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the St. Luke's Catholic church Social Hall, located at 11011 Hall Road. Cost is \$10. Meals include a breaded fish fillet, French fries, hush puppies, corn and iced tea.

CBCMUD sewer work begins

The Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District has authorized AAA Flexible Pipe Cleaning Company to begin the televising and cleaning of all sewer lines in the Wood Meadow I and Wood Meadow II subdivisions. AAA began hanging notices on resident's doors on Monday, Oct. 24, informing them when they will need access to backyards.

Residents are asked to leave gates unlocked for the specified times, and pets need to be kept in the home or restrained. Should a manhole be located in the backyard, anything sitting on top of them must be removed. Workers will need access to the sewer lines and manholes. The work began on Monday, Oct. 24, and will continue through the months of November and December. Should residents have any questions, call Clear Brook City MUD General Manager of Operations Dean Baier at 281-484-1562.

Thompson holds food drive

The Great Science Food Fight is currently underway. Seventh- and eighth-grade Thompson students will compete against each other to see who donates the most canned food for the needy. All donations for the Can-Do Food Drive benefit Pasadena's Food Pantry.

Precinct 2 seeks to add more deputies

The Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office is seeking to add more deputies to its South Belt contract patrol.

The contract force, which patrols the Clear Brook City, Kirkmont and Sagemeadow municipal utility districts, currently has one sergeant and nine

deputies.

According to a report published by Clear Brook City MUD, a standard guideline used in law enforcement is to have two officers per 1,000 citizens. It is estimated that the number of citizens residing in the aforementioned MUDs is around 22,000 and growing.

In addition to the development of multiple new subdivisions in the contract area, three new schools, including the overcrowded Dobie, have also been constructed within the MUDs in recent years.

While the schools have their own police force, constable deputies are responsible for responding to incidents that occur off campus. This is also true of San Jacinto College South, which has experienced massive growth as of late.

Other institutions in the area, such as Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital and St. Luke's Catholic church, have either added on or built new buildings to accommodate growth in the area, thus resulting in more people visiting the community. Roadway expansions such as the extension of Blackhawk/Monroe to the Gulf Freeway, the extension of Scarsdale to FM-518 and the opening of Hughes Road to Pearland Parkway have given easy access in and out of the community, which influences crime activity.

The Clear Brook City MUD report also cites the growing number of homeless people in the area as a reason to increase the police force. This issue is often coupled with the easy availability of the synthetic drug Kush.

Another contributing factor to the crime problem in the area is the high concentration of low-income apartment complexes in and around the South Belt community.

Low-income developments traditionally put an extra strain on local fire departments and law enforcement agencies. According to officials from the Clear Brook City MUD, the local Highland Meadow Village apartment complex has roughly five times more annual calls for police and ambulance service than single-family residences in the community.

Based on the number of overall calls per month, there is an average of 30 calls per day. Ideally, there would be two officers per shift. However, this is not

always the case. When there is only one officer on duty, the use of non-contract constables is required in order to respond to all the calls received within a timely manner.

At times, there is only one contract officer on duty. Should one officer be on duty and respond to a call, there is no other contract officer in the area to respond to a call or back up the officer.

"Not only will additional officers keep our community safer, but it also allows our constables to keep each other safe," the Clear Brook City MUD report states. "Their security while protecting this community is paramount and is a priority."

The addition of five deputies – a 50 percent increase – would allow for an additional officer per shift each day of the week. The cost of the addition of five deputies would be an increase of \$3.25 per household per month in each of the three MUDs. The increase would be included in the residents' monthly water bill.

Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz's office has conducted a random survey of area residents to see if they supported such an increase. An overwhelming 95 percent of people polled supported the measure.

In order for the contract to increase the number of local officers, all three area MUDs must sign off on the deal. Both the Clear Brook City and Kirkmont MUDs have already voted to approve the increase. It is currently on the Sagemeadow MUD's agenda and will be voted on in the coming weeks.

Drug arrest made

A 22-year-old man was arrested the afternoon of Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the 10800 block of Sageberry for possession of marijuana.

The incident occurred around 2:30 p.m. following a stop that was initiated because the suspect's vehicle reportedly matched the description of one used in a beer theft from a convenience store. After allegedly gaining consent to search the suspect's car, the officers discovered less than two ounces of marijuana, resulting in a misdemeanor charge. No beer was found in the vehicle.

Early polling location opens



The new early voting location at the Harris County annex at Scarsdale and Beamer opened to the public Monday, Oct. 24. The site has been a huge success, attracting more than 3,000 voters in just the first two days of operation – roughly 500 more than the Kyle Chapman Courthouse annex in Pasadena. Judge Jo Ann Delgado (left) and local poll worker Carol Haley are shown above on opening day. (See related editorial Page 2A.) Photo by Marie Flickinger

Early voting currently underway

Early voting for the 2016 general election is currently underway and will continue through Friday, Nov. 4.

South Belt residents are now able to utilize the new early voting location at the Harris County annex at 10851 Scarsdale and Beamer. The new site will replace the polling location at the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Hall No. 66 on Allen Genoa that was formerly the nearest place for South Belt residents to cast their early votes.

The IBEW location, however, has been inactive the last two election cycles, prompting numerous complaints from area residents. In the IBEW site's absence, residents had to travel roughly twice the distance to cast their votes early, with the nearest locations being located at the Harris County Courthouse Annex No. 25 at 7330 Spencer Highway in Pasadena and the Freeman Branch Library at 16616 Diana Lane in the Clear Lake area – both around 10 miles/15 minutes away. Both the Pasadena and Clear Lake locations remain active.

A record number of voters in Harris County cast their ballots on Monday, Oct. 24 – the first day of early voting.

According to Harris County Clerk Stan Stantart, a total of 67,471 in-person voters shattered the previous county record of 47,093 set on the

first day of early voting in 2012. Another 61,543 mail-in ballots had been returned as of Monday, bringing the total number of early voters to 129,014 in Harris County. As of noon on Monday, roughly 6,000 people were voting per hour in Harris County, Stantart said.

In all, 1,488 people voted at the new Scarsdale location, with many waiting in line for more than an hour. The following day on Tuesday, Oct. 25, a total of 1,677 people cast their ballots at the new early voting location.

A race of particular significance to South Belt residents is for the position of Harris County Precinct 2 constable. In that contest, Democratic incumbent Chris Diaz is being challenged by Republican Daniel Vela.

A longtime law enforcement officer, Vela also ran for the position in 2012 when Diaz narrowly defeated Zerick Guinn to replace the retiring Gary Freeman.

Polling hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Oct. 28; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 29; 1 to 6 p.m. on Oct. 30; and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 31 through Nov. 4.

Residents may vote at any early voting location, regardless of their Election Day precinct. For additional information, to see a sample ballot or a complete list of polling locations, visit www.harrisvotes.org.

RV resort to open at Beltway 8, I-45

A recreational vehicle park is being constructed at the southwest corner of the Gulf Freeway and Beltway 8.

The Big Spot RV Resort will occupy more than 13 acres at the site.

Project Manager Reese Brown of Miramont Interests described the park as a "first-class RV resort."

Amenities will include a resort-style pool, a pond with fountains, a clubhouse with a game room and laundry facilities and grilling areas.

The resort will house more than 150 RV spaces. All RV spaces will be a minimum of 20 feet by 50 feet in size. Future plans call for also constructing cabins on stilts for daily and weekly rentals.

The resort is owned by Lauren Monroe of Access Companies. The developer currently owns and operates four other RV parks in Kemah, Dickinson, League City and Port Arthur, with two other RV parks currently under construction in San Leon and La Marque. According to Brown, the new resort is scheduled to open by April 1, 2017.

Construction in front of Sagemont



Construction recently began on a new recreational vehicle park at the southwest corner of the Gulf Freeway and Beltway 8, just east of the Sagemont subdivision. Workers are shown above digging a pond on the 13-acre site. To put the pond's depth in perspective, one of two large trucks is barely visible. The Big Spot RV Resort is scheduled to open by April 1. Photo by Marie Flickinger

New holding pond off Beltway 8



The Leader has received multiple calls regarding construction taking place north of Hall Road behind the H-E-B located at Blackhawk and Beltway 8. The work involves constructing a holding pond associated with the ongoing project to widen Beltway 8. The retention pond is one of many planned that are related to the endeavor. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Multiple fall, Halloween events set

Fall has arrived, and with the cooler temperatures comes a variety of local activities for South Belt residents to enjoy.

- The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, 9830 Hughes Road, will host its annual Halloween party Monday, Oct. 31, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Children are encouraged to dress in costume and will be allowed to climb on the department's fire engines and play on moonwalks. The event will feature free hot dogs, candy and sodas until supplies run out.

- San Jacinto College South will hold its annual Fall Fest Friday, Oct. 28, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the parking lots outside the gym and soccer field. The event will feature a petting zoo, games, face painting, crafts, a bounce house, a rock-climbing wall and many more fun festivities. There will also be a costume contest held in the gym beginning at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be available for purchase. All games are free and open to the public.

- Stuchbery Elementary, 11210 Hughes Road, will host its annual Trunk-or-Treat event on Thursday, Oct. 27, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the front parking lot of the school. The event will feature activities, games and candy. The event is free and open to the public. Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

- Jessup Elementary, 9301 Alameda Genoa, will host its annual fall carnival Friday, Oct. 28, from 5 to 8 p.m. The family event will include games, prizes and many other fun activities. The event is open to the public.

- Burnett Elementary, 11825 Teaneck Drive, will host its annual fall festival on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be games, refreshments, music and a silent auction.

- Christ Church Apostolic, 12815 Fuqua, will host its annual Trunk-or-Treat event Monday, Oct. 31, from 7 to 9 p.m.

- Easthaven Baptist Church, 13100 Beamer Road, will host its annual trick-or-treat event on Monday, Oct. 31, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. This event will be held indoors and will take place rain or shine. The event is free and open to the public.

- CrossRoads UMC (formerly Cokesbury United Methodist Church), 10030 Scarsdale, will host its inaugural Fall Fest on Sunday, Oct. 30, from 2 to 5 p.m. The event will feature games, music and prizes. A costume parade will take place for children 10 years of age and under. The church's annual pumpkin patch will also be open daily through Monday, Oct. 31, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- Alameda Mall will host its annual trick-or-treating event Monday, Oct. 31, from 5 p.m. until supplies run out. The Morris Middle School choir will perform at the center court at 6 p.m. While children are encouraged to wear costumes, no masks will be allowed for adults.

Leader correction

The article titled *Early voting begins Oct. 24* that was published in the Oct. 20 edition of the *Leader* contained an inaccuracy.

The story stated that state Rep. Garnet Coleman was running unopposed for the House District 147 position.

While Coleman did run unopposed in the Democratic primary, he is being challenged in the general election by Republican Matt Murphy and Green Party candidate Brian M. Harrison. The *Leader* staff apologizes for any confusion.

In My Opinion

National Night Out - Thank You

Kirkwood Civic Club wishes to thank everyone who came out and participated in making our National Night Out a huge SUCCESS! We want to especially thank our sponsors and donors for their generous support and services to our Community.

We believe Community awareness, Businesses, Law Enforcement, and Political Leaders working together makes a tremendous team against crime making way for a safer community.

Team Kirkwood is proud of our Community and proudly salutes everyone who participated in this year's National Night Out!

Again, THANK YOU! You made it HAPPEN! You made it GREAT!

Ericka McCrutchon
Kirkwood Civic Club President

Velasquez informs on Junior State group

My name is Cassidy Velasquez, and I am a publicity agent for the Texas Junior State of America. JSA is a nonprofit, student-run organization which aims to promote political awareness and activism among high school students.

An integral part of JSA's mission is spreading the message of young people fighting apathy in politics. As a Public Relations team, it is our goal to spread our message to those outside of our organization.

The Junior State of America does more than any other organization to get youth involved in the political processes, through voter registration drives, a student published political magazine, and

numerous conventions (such as one to be held in the Capitol building in Austin, Texas this November), just to name a few.

Any questions may be directed to Calista Ginn (cginn@texas.jsa.org), the current Publicity Director for Texas JSA.

Thank you for your consideration!
Cassidy Velasquez
Publicity Agent, Texas Junior State

Cecelia Ganje urges vote for Diaz

It's election time and voting has never been more important – especially for our local community!

No matter what your party affiliation or who you vote for on the National level, please remember to vote for Harris County Pct. 2 Constable Chris Diaz for re-election to his position.

I have worked under two different administrations with the constable's department in the past several years. Working with Constable Diaz and his officers has been the most rewarding.

He has placed some of the most responsible and caring deputies on his force to serve this South Belt community. Several of the deputies have ties to this community, therefore they care deeply about doing a quality job to protect ALL citizens and businesses where they work.

Their response to citizens and calls is invaluable. Contrary to neysayers, they have made a substantial impact in helping our neighborhoods.

Early voting lines have been long, but it is our duty and God blessed right to voice our opinion on how things should be handled thru the process of voting.

I want to encourage everyone to vote FOR the re-election of Constable Chris Diaz.
Cecelia J. Ganje

District Clerk's Office expands passport service hours in suburbs

Due to high demand, the Harris County District Clerk's suburban passport offices recently expanded the days that they operate.

Passport services are now available three days a month at each of the satellite offices, up from one day a month at each location.

District Clerk Chris Daniel said, "The suburban passport offices have proved so

popular that we needed to increase the number of days they are open. People like our passport service because it is quick and efficient."

Here is the schedule for the satellite office in the area:

- Clear Lake: The satellite office is open the second Tuesday each month from noon to 4:30 p.m. It also is open the second Wednesday and Thursday of each month

from 1 to 6:30 p.m. at the Clear Lake City-County Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane, Houston 77062.

Appointments at the satellite offices may be made by calling the District Clerk's Office at 713-755-1674.

"Suburbanites no longer have to face long lines to get passports," Daniel said. "The district clerk's office believes in meeting people's needs."

Bay Area Quilt Guild meets Nov. 1

The Bay Area Quilt Guild meets the first Tuesday of each month at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Fellowship begins at 6:30 p.m. and the general meeting and program begins at 7 p.m.

The Nov. 1 guest speaker is Jackie Hillman, a longtime quilter, who will share ways to add originality and sparkle to the traditional flying geese block. Her program is *The Goose is Loose on the Ranch*.

Join the guild for a great evening of learning new techniques and seeing great quilts. Guests are welcome.

For more information, call Debby Benson at 713-248-8757 or check the website at bayareaquiltguild.org.

Hospital seeks magazine donations

Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital's volunteer auxiliary is planning a new service to distribute a variety of current magazines to patients' families and friends awaiting surgical outcomes.

The group asks the public to collect gently-handled current, popular magazines and bring them to the information desk, located in the hospital's main lobby, each first Tuesday of the month between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The hospital is located at 11800 Astoria Blvd. in Houston. Short-term parking will be available along the hospital's main entrance circle while dropping off magazines.

Volunteers will collect, sort and distribute the magazines to several waiting areas in hopes of better meeting the needs of patients' visitors.

Participation in this project will help bring a welcome distraction to so many. For more information, call 281-929-6390.

CCART to meet Tuesday, Nov. 8

The Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers (CCART) will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 8. Meetings are held at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 NASA Parkway in Seabrook.

The Presentation of Colors will be conducted by the Clear Lake High School Junior ROTC. There will be a short business meeting followed by a presentation by Chick Havey, World War II Veteran, with Joe Machol providing his introduction. A social gathering will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the business meeting at 10 a.m. The program will be followed by a Thanksgiving potluck dinner. Attendees are asked to bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.

All Texas retired school employees from the area are invited. Annual dues are \$45. Attendees are asked to bring new book donations for kindergarten through fifth grade.

Local library events set

Parker Williams Library

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

The following computer classes will be offered in November: Computer Basics - November 2, Internet Basics - November 9, Internet Security - November 16.

All classes begin at 2:30 p.m. Ask at the reference desk or phone the library for registration details.

Thursday, Oct. 27, 3 p.m. Gulf Coast Reads Event. Abbie Grubb, Ph.D., will speak on *The U.S. in the 1940s*.

Friday, Oct. 28, 4 to 5:30 p.m. Halloween Feltie Friends Craft, ages 6 years and older.

Saturday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m. to noon. Pre-Halloween Fun, ages 3 years and older.

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1:30 p.m. *Estate Planning and How to Avoid Probate*, presented by William D. Archer, J.D.

Wednesdays, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m.

Saturdays, Vietnamese Storytime. Level 2 begins at 10 a.m., Level 1 begins at 11:15 a.m. and Level 3 begins at 2:30 p.m. For more information on these programs, speak with Loc Bui.

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

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint:

Thursday, Oct. 27, 4 p.m. Kids Craft: Going Batty

Saturday, Oct. 29, 10:30 a.m. - noon. Spanish Computer Class; 1-4 p.m. Scary movie: *The Grudge*

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m. Preschool storytime; 11:15 a.m. Storytime craft

Wednesday, Nov. 2, 10:30 a.m. Toddler storytime; 11 a.m. Toddler playtime

Wednesday, Nov. 2: Computer courses

2 p.m. Computer Basics - Course covers the main parts of a computer. Common computer terminology is defined and features of different computers and types of productivity, communications, educational, and entertainment programs are explained.

3:15 p.m. Internet Basics - Course explains the purpose of the Internet, what is needed to connect to it and important terms. Learn how to use web browsers and search engines, with an introduction to English vocabulary for searching the Internet.

4:30 p.m. Basic Powerpoint - Students learn basic functions of this program to create presentations, including adding graphics and multimedia. Students learn to identify the printing options for presentations.

For more information on these programs, call the library at 832-393-2580. All events are free and open to the public.

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

Publisher's Opinion

Now you can vote early in the South Belt area!

Thanks to Harris County officials and county commissioner Gene Locke, South Belt area residents no longer have to leave the area to early vote!

For the past few years, early voting became much more difficult for South Belt area residents.

Ever since our previously closest place to early vote, the IBEW Hall, was shut down as a voting location, residents from this community were highly inconvenienced when trying to early vote.

Last fall, I contacted El Franco Lee and asked for his support to open a local early voting location. About the same time, Justice of the Peace, JoAnn Delgado also talked to the commissioner.

Franco was supportive of our request. But as many of you will remember,

Franco died in January, before any action could be taken.

But with the help of Commissioner Gene Locke, to early vote, this election all you have to do is drive to the County Courthouse annex at Scarsdale and Beamer.

No more extended trips, fighting construction to Clear Lake, or Pasadena. A big "thank you" to Judge Delgado and especially Gene Locke and all the other county employees who also worked on this project. South Belt voters thank you!

I urge South Belt voters to take advantage of this early voting location. We want to keep the location here, so we need to use it.

—Marie Flickinger,
Publisher

Enjoying St. Luke's 1st bazaar



Rev. Douglas J. Guthrie, center, pastor of St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic church is shown at the first bazaar held by the 40-year-old church. With Guthrie, in his "humble" costume, are James and Rose Hardy who were some of the 100s of people attending the event. Although this was the first, participants are counting on the event to be repeated next year. Photo by Marie Flickinger

PLT presents *Putting it Together*

Pasadena Little Theatre, Houston's oldest community theater in continuous operation, is in its 62nd season, the *Something to Talk About* season, with *Putting It Together* by Stephen Sondheim, and Julia McKenzie.

Putting It Together is a musical showcasing the songs of Stephen Sondheim (*Sweeney Todd*, *Follies*, *A Funny Thing Happened...*). Drawing its title from a song in *Sunday in the Park With George*, it celebrates Sondheim's incomparable career in musical theater.

Featuring nearly 30 Sondheim tunes, *Putting It Together* is performed by only five people thrown together at a party in a Manhattan penthouse. With a bit of imagination, guests transform the apartment into the stage of an abandoned theater, an estate in Sweden, an island outside of Paris, a street off the Roman Forum, the woods of a fairy tale, and a mythical town in the southwest. This tribute is a wonderful opportunity for simple sets and costumes. Sondheim's music will allow performers to showcase their vocal and acting abilities.

PLT's presentation of *Putting It Together* is co-directed by Chelsea LeBlank and Jeff Coletta, and features an outstanding cast.

The production opens Nov. 4 and continues week-ends through Nov. 13. Friday and Saturday showtimes are 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees are at 3 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students and seniors. To purchase tickets, make reservations or for more information, call 713-941-1758, or visit www.pasadenalittletheatre.org.

Mitchell speaks out on BAHEP

Bob Mitchell
President, Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership

A truism is a common statement that is obviously true. Truisms become so, because they are pronouncements of everyday wisdom of the common man. That makes them valuable to those who take the time to listen.

About 400 years ago, an Englishman named John Donne wrote, "No man is an island, entire of itself." Is this a truism? Logic would dictate that it is, but not everyone would agree.

Let's return to the present and the great "island" of the Bay Area Houston region.

Founded 40 years ago out of the desire to strengthen the interests of one of Clear Lake's strongest industries – aerospace – the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership has emerged over the ensuing decades as a leader in driving regional diversification.

BAHEP's concerted regional economic development efforts, in cooperation with governmental entities and business, institutional, and industry partners, have assisted in the growth of five primary industry clusters: aerospace, healthcare and life sciences, maritime, specialty chemical, and tourism/recreation. Each sector has its own unique needs, strengths, and identities, but each is interconnected creating a dynamic region.

Vital regional transportation corridors and new road construction projects stretch across municipal jurisdictions from downtown Houston to the beaches on Galveston Island. Area utility networks – water pipelines, electricity grids, natural gas, internet fiber, etc. – are connected throughout the region. Local police, fire, and medical responders routinely work together to protect and save lives through interagency

agreements. The same is true with hurricane preparedness and other emergency response efforts.

Bay Area Houston's workforce, manufacturing supply chains, and distribution networks are all interconnected. The ports, railroads, and airports are just as interconnected, and they serve to create a world marketplace.

There are five independent school districts within Bay Area Houston alone from which students graduate into one of the numerous institutions of higher education in the region or nation or into the workforce. Schools are increasingly connected to businesses through partnerships and internship programs, as well. The region's excellent workforce is a huge drawing card for companies considering relocation.

Even the region's shopping venues, tourism attractions, and entertainment centers benefit from each other in this clustering approach. It showcases the concept that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts. People travel here, stay here, and spend money here because of the attraction of the whole composed of a lot of amazing parts.

Diversified regionalism brings strength to all the region's participants through efficiencies and economies of scale. It also creates an environment of choices. People can choose to live in one city yet work in another. They can play in their own backyard or choose to visit a variety of venues in the region. It results in an incredible quality of life.

Many studies have touted the benefits of regional economic development. The aforementioned interconnections make the region more resilient and better able to compete in today's challenging world of global commerce.

However, the region is facing some very challenging issues: developing effective storm surge protection, maintaining adequate regional water supplies, developing reasonable approaches to flood and windstorm insurance coverage, just to name a few. In order for the region to remain competitive in the national and worldwide marketplace, regional challenges must be met with regional solutions, which translates into regional economic development.

The world is interconnected in a way that would have been almost unimaginable years ago. Bay Area Houston is no different. Information presented here about the great island of Bay Area Houston serves to prove that the region is not an island, "entire of itself." Every government entity, each individual business, every person is part of the whole, contributing to the whole, dependent upon the whole. Regional economic development is a reflection of this principle. Dependent upon many factors, some within its control and many outside of it, economic development works on behalf of all.

The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership, whose members include the 13 cities of Clear Lake Shores, Dickinson, El Lago, Houston, Kemah, La Porte, League City, Morgan's Point, Nassau Bay, Pasadena, Seabrook, Taylor Lake Village, and Webster, Galveston and Harris counties, the Port of Houston Authority and the Houston Airport System, has promoted regionalism for 40 years. "Economic development doesn't happen by itself" is a truism within economic development circles. Viewing jurisdictional lines as avenues of cooperation rather than roadblocks to development connects islands of opportunity that benefit everyone in the region.

Deaths

Kendall Lee Bleam



Kendall Lee Bleam, 84, died on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016, in Houston. He was born on Aug. 6, 1932, in Manhattan, Kan., to Jonathan and May Bleam. He was a former South Belt resident.

Ken joined the U.S. Navy and served in the Korean War. After leaving the Navy, he started a family and relocated to Houston to join NASA as a flight engineer in Mission Control during the Apollo Space Program. He later became a part of the training team working with the Shuttle Training Aircraft (STA) at Ellington Field. He was proud of his contribution to the space program and attended many functions after retirement.

Ken enjoyed building things with his hands, whether fixing small engines or woodworking. He also enjoyed traveling and camping with his late wife, Arlene, as well as with many friends he had made over the years. He had a strong faith and was an active member of the Lutheran church.

Ken is preceded in death by his wife, Arlene Bleam, and daughter Jennifer Metz.

He is survived by his daughter, Karen Swiggard

and husband Scott; son-in-law, Sonny Metz; sister Barbara Farrell; grandchildren David Perez and husband Duane, Paula Metz, Justin Swiggard, Hannah Swiggard, Jenna Lyons and husband Jeff, Lauren Swiggard and Nicole Swiggard; and numerous family members and friends.

Ken discovered love again with JoAnn Duncan and they became engaged earlier this year. He welcomed her extended family into his life, including her children: Linda Stevens, Michael Olivier, Jackie Arrington, Janice Olivier, Kevin Duncan and Teri Canal, and a number of grandchildren.

A memorial will be held on Friday, Oct. 28, 2016, with a viewing from 1 to 2 p.m., immediately followed by a service at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 18220 Upper Bay Road in Houston.

A graveside service will follow the church service at 3:30 p.m. at Forest Park East Cemetery, 21620 Gulf Freeway in Webster.

Russell Simon



Longtime South Belt resident Russell Simon, 41, died of cardiac arrest and lung failure on Saturday, Oct. 22,

2016, in an Oklahoma City hospital, after collapsing on his job.

He was born on June 10, 1975, to Glenn and Linda Simon.

At the age of 8, Russell underwent open-heart surgery at Texas Children's Hospital, with Dr. Denton Cooley performing the operation.

After attending Frazier Elementary, Russell went on to Faith Christian Academy, where he graduated in 1994.

He then went to work for his father's commercial wall-covering business and served as an installer until his father's retirement.

From there, Russell worked in disaster recovery, working in Mississippi after Hurricane Katrina, and also in New York after Super Storm Sandy. More recently, he worked for Blattner Energy installing wind turbines.

Friends had come to call him Rasta Man. He had a gusto for life, for his friends, for making new friends and for crawfish boils – especially with his extended Simon family from Louisiana.

In addition to his parents, survivors include his sister, Christine Elliott and husband Christopher Elliott; nephews Jonathan, David and Stephen; and niece Anna.

Visitation will be Friday, Oct. 28, 2016, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Niday Funeral Home. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, also at Niday.

Leader obituary policy

Obituaries submitted to the *Leader* are published free of charge. They are edited to conform to the *Leader* style.

Leader checks out social media

By Mary Doan

A post from the *JJ Watt Foundation* Facebook page has been circulating on multiple South Belt Facebook pages by the community, congratulating both Thompson Intermediate school and Beverly Hills Intermediate school's football program in the Pasadena Independent School District. The *JJ Watt Foundation* donated \$10,748.39 to Thompson and \$9,169.22 was donated to Beverly Hills for new uniforms and safety equipment. For more information on applying for funding requests, visit jjwattfoundation.org/funding-requests/

An early voting site has opened in the community on Monday, Oct. 24, at 8 a.m. This will be held at the Harris County Court Annex, 10851 Scarsdale, at the intersection of Scarsdale and Beamer. Early voting ends Friday, Nov. 4, at 7 p.m. For additional information, visit harrisvotes.com or call the election information line at 713-755-6965.

A member of the *Peo-*

ple of Sagemont Facebook page had their truck broken into Monday night, Oct. 24, by Kirkfair and Sageyork. The window was reportedly broken with a socket that was left in the vehicle along with the robber's Texans watch that was left in the front seat.

A member of the *People of Sagemont* Facebook page tires and rims were stolen off of their silver four-door Chevy Silverado on Thursday, Oct. 20, in the Riverstone Ranch neighborhood. The pickup truck was placed on cinder blocks holding the vehicle off of the ground.

A member of the *People of Sagemont* Facebook page spotted a white Buick La Sabre driving slowly with their headlights off into the Senna Ledge Court cul-de-sac at about 12:45 a.m. on Sunday Oct. 23, in the Riverstone Ranch neighborhood.

The passenger in the vehicle noticed that the member of the *People of Sagemont* Facebook page was looking at them and quickly turned on their headlights while reversing

out of the cul-de-sac into Paintbrush Ledge Lane, nearly hitting a passing vehicle. Another member of the *People of Sagemont* Facebook page responded saying that they saw the same vehicle a couple of nights before driving down their street. The vehicle was reportedly described with a black front quarter panel on the passenger side of the car with blue high intensity discharge head lights.

Healthy Pets USA will be offering low-cost pet vaccines at Foodtown on Scarsdale Saturday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For additional information, visit HealthyPets-USA.com.

A tricolor female puppy was found a few streets over from Sagewillow, across from Frazier Elementary School on Sunday, Oct. 23. The puppy is now being temporarily fostered by a member of the *Pets of Sagemont* Facebook page until the owner is found. For additional information on the whereabouts of the puppy, visit the *Pets of Sagemont* Facebook page.

Memorial's Deschamps-Jones honored by University of Chicago

Memorial High School biology teacher Amber Deschamps-Jones has been selected as a University of Chicago Outstanding Educator Award winner.

"I was surprised and completely honored to receive this award," Deschamps said. "I love what I do and to be recognized by one of my students is a wonderful reward."

Deschamps-Jones was nominated by class of 2016 Memorial valedictorian and University of Chicago freshman Montserrat Tijerina.

"Ms. Deschamps-Jones pushes her students to be their best and to not be afraid of trying new things," Tijerina said. "Her classroom was a hotbed of ideas and the way she engaged everyone made every topic, no matter how complicated or tricky, a challenge we were ready to tackle."

Deschamps-Jones not only dedicates her time to teaching pre-AP and AP biology, but she is also the campus' student council sponsor, science UIL coach and environmental club co-sponsor.

"Our students frequently tell us that they were influenced by a high school educator, like Ms. Deschamps-Jones, someone who challenged them intellectually for the first time



Amber Deschamps-Jones

and opened new vistas into the realm of discovery," said James G. Nondorf, University of Chicago Vice President of Enrollment. "Contributions to the academic and personal development of young people rarely receive the recognition they deserve and that's why this program exists."

For more than 30 years, the College of the University of Chicago has asked its entering students to identify and commend outstanding high school educators.

Deschamps-Jones now joins the ranks of countless

educators honored by this program.

"Ms. Deschamps-Jones genuinely cares about her students, offering a granola bar when she overhears someone mentioning skipping breakfast to catch the bus on time," Tijerina said. "There's nothing she can't do when it comes to making people laugh, and her awesome sense of humor makes every class different. Anyone who gets the chance to have her as a biology teacher, better yet as a friend, is a lucky person indeed."

LSA seniors attend FEI celebration

On Thursday, Oct. 6, 2016, eight Lutheran South Academy seniors attended the 40th Anniversary of the Free Enterprise Institute (FEI). These students were accompanied by LEAH Executive Director Gregg Pinick, LSA High School Principal Steve Garrabrant, and LSA teacher Archie Buchman.

The Free Enterprise Institute publishes *The Imaginative Conservative*. The seniors were served breakfast, but most of all they were exposed to two excellent speakers and surrounded by a community of Houston leaders who embrace the importance of faith and community.

The Houston Texans owner, Bob McNair, gave a real confession of his belief in patriotism and liberty, balanced by his dependence on his enduring faith in God. The *Imaginative Conservative* co-founder Brad Birzer delivered the keynote address, and senior contributor Eva T.H. Brann was also honored. Brann is a former dean and the longest-serving tutor at St. John's College, Annapolis. She is a 2005 recipient of the National Humanities Medal.



Attendees of the 40th Anniversary of the Free Enterprise Institute were, left to right, (front row) Tara Ruth, Kelsey Roebelen, Carson Fechter, High School Teacher Archie Buchman, (back row) High School Principal Steve Garrabrant, Lutheran Education Executive Director Gregg Pinick, Rachel Bivens, Francesca Bertini, Shelby Oliphant, Dylan Wood and Brian Pierce. Photo submitted

Meador receives dictionaries from Rotary Club



Members of the Pasadena Rotary Club recently visited Meador Elementary to distribute brand new dictionaries to every third-grade student. The school appreciates its community partnership with the Pasadena Rotary Club and Meador Staffing. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) third-grade students Efrén Garza, Eliud Urbina and Rachel Rivera, (back row) Karen Lester, Darla Haygood, Hollee Meador and Beverly Bolton (Meador principal). Photos by Tara Merida

CCISD announces new Student Center

When the dust settles and the state-of-the-art Clear Lake High School is complete, the adjacent Clear Lake 9th Grade Center will be repurposed as a hub of student collaboration and community partnerships. In 2018, the ninth-grade center will be used to support special programs such as Gifted and Talented's Alpha, Special Education's HEARTS, CCISD's dual credit, and Robotics competitions in lieu of a 2007 board decision to convert the school into an intermediate school.

superintendent of schools. "We needed to get creative to ensure the building is used at its maximum capacity with the shared understanding that when future enrollment trends in the Clear Lake area require an intermediate school, we can turn it into a traditional school for grades 6-8." In 2007, the community supported the conversion of the Clear Creek 9th Grade Center and Clear Lake 9th Grade Center into two intermediate schools. The Clear Creek 9th Grade Center did transition into an intermediate school, but the school district held off on converting the Clear Lake 9th Grade Center so it can be used during the rebuild of Clear Lake High School. On Sept. 27, the school board approved a plan to use the ninth-grade center as a student learning support center, essentially giving adequate space to district-wide programs that have either outgrown their existing space or did not necessarily have a central location.

Board of Trustees approves 2016 property tax rates

The San Jacinto College Board of Trustees approved the 2016 ad valorem property tax rate for the College District during its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, Oct. 10, 2016. The rate approved by the Board is 18.2379 cents per \$100 valuation of taxable property located within the San Jacinto Community College District. The tax rate is comprised of an assessment for maintenance and operations (12.9194 cents) and a separate assessment for principal and interest due (5.3185 cents) during the coming year on outstanding general obligation bonds. "As taxpayers ourselves,

those of us who serve on the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees are aware of the impact that decisions such as the tax rate have on the citizens and students in the communities we serve," said Dan Mims, San Jacinto College Board of Trustees chairman. "While this rate is an increase over last year due to the sale of \$150 million in bonds from the recent bond election, it remains lower than the tax rate from 2011 through 2014." Based on certified property tax values for 2016 from the Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD), the adopted operating tax rate is adequate to support the current budget of \$63.15 million for maintenance and operations, which represents approximately 38.6 percent of the college's unrestricted operating budget for the fiscal year 2016-2017. San Jacinto College, like all Texas community colleges, is primarily funded based on three major revenue sources: property taxes, state appropriations, and tuition and fees. The average taxable value of a residence homestead in San Jacinto Community College District this year is \$97,066. With the adopted rate of \$0.182379 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$177.03.

Burnett students on Safety Patrol



Burnett Safety Patrol 2016 student group members are, left to right, Joanna Salinas, Josue Rubio, Savion Rosemond, Chloe Robles, Brenden Miles, Isabella Guevara, Kirsten Duong, Ronny Cearley, Madeline Amaya and Karen Alvarez. These students assist in the morning with duties of car arrivals, and monitoring the hallways, gym and cafeteria. They are in a rotation throughout the week and work from 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. Photo by Coach Kevin Schulba

Moore announces first nine-weeks rolls

Moore Elementary School recently released its perfect attendance, honor and merit rolls for the first nine-weeks of the 2016-2017 school year.

Students earning honor roll status are:

Pre-K
Perfect attendance
Daniella Banda, Gabriela Cortez Amaya, Brandon Huynh, Sophia Landaverde, Deborah Le, Kyle Le, Kyan Ly, Nhi Ly, Kaylee Moreira Salas, Andy Nguyen and David Nguyen.

Kindergarten
Perfect attendance
Daniel Alejo, Julio Ayala Contreras, Brandon Bustos, Kayden Carmona, Mia Carter, Arianna Castellano, Ernesto Davalos, Natalie Dent, Alan Figueroa, London Freeman and Evany Garcia.

First grade
Perfect attendance
Liliah Aguayo, Khalia Allen, Emily Bravo, Dalila Chapa, Santiago Cisneros, Michael Cortez, Trinit Dang, Alyssa Davis, Alexander Dixon and Krew Duong.

Second grade
Perfect attendance
Carlos Albarran, Alanah Anderson, Kobe Arredondo, Adeliz Barahona, Nicholas Cantu, Yerik Casillas, Linkin Dinh, Natalie Elkins, Alesi Estrada, Jady Gonzalez and Angelina Guajardo.

Third grade
Perfect attendance
Londyn August, Piper Batarbee, Andy Bustos, Kevin Chau, Jaslynn Chavez, Grant Garcia, Angel Gonzales, Luis Hernandez, Morgan Hill, Anson Huynh, Donovan Luu, Peyton Lynn, Jayden Nguyen, Jaythan Obregon, Melanie Sanchez, Erik Santillanes and Zoey Vuong.

Fourth grade
Honor roll
Khnum Amos, Eduardo Cuevas, Johan DeLaPaz, Kristin Do, Jose Luis Flores, Addyson Guzman, Laila Jack, Joseph Le, Natalie Martinez, Riley Nguyen To, Tahllon Provost, Julian Ruiz, Rendy Taylor, Cruz Torres, Vivian Tran, Philip Tran and Jordi Zamudio.

Merit roll
Ayaan Ali, Joselyn Benitez, Aiden Carrillo, Valeria DeLaGarza, Leonel Hernandez, Nia Jackson, Jorge Jasso, Ryan Nguyen, Timothy Pham, Martin Ramos, Tariq Riley, Jael Rivera, Hunter Stacey, Dillon Steve and Caitlyn Tran.

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Merit roll
Jaiden Alvarez, Henry Armenta, Julissa Cantu, Maazin Khan, Samantha Lopez, Ava Macias, Emilie Martinez, Leo Martinez, Jevonne Perez, Jezreel Rames, Yvette Ramos, Christopher Sanchez, Kimora Shio, Kian Ton, Emily Tran, Aidan Veitia and Leon Vu.

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Dreagon Alexander, Jalynn Alix, Jaiden Alvarez, Henry Armenta Alonso, Piper Batarbee, Katelynn Binns, Nathaly Bonilla, Brian Bui, Anddy Bustos, Christian Carbajal, Kevin Chau and Ryan Chau.

Merit roll
Jordan De Robles, Isaac Espinoza, Cooper Estes, Amanda Fernandez Boujorne, Jalynn Flores, Linnea Fonseca, Ethan Garay, Nicholas Harris, Alejandro Hernandez and Landen Hernandez.

Perfect attendance
Luis Hernandez, Anson Huynh, Eli Jackson, Sebastian Jasso, Maazin Khan, David Lagunas, David Le, Keenan Llanes, Marissa Lugo, Donovan Lugo and Peyton Lynn.

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Ava Macias, Emilie Martinez, Leo Martinez, Danyah Mills, Dominic Moya, Kamila Murguia, Andrew Nguyen, Anthony Nguyen, Jayden Nguyen and Thalia Oddo.

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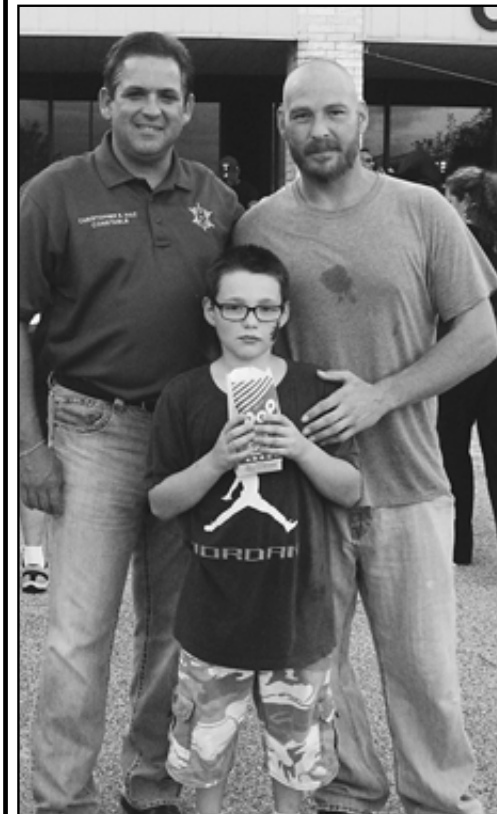
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Enjoying NNO



Some of those enjoying the annual National Night Out at the Harris County annex were Constable Chris Diaz, left, and Sageglens residents Lancer Holloway and his son, Xzavior Holloway. The event included free food, music, give-aways and fellowship. Photo by Marie Flickinger

National Night Out in Green Tee Terrace



Meeting in Green Tee Terrace during National Night Out were, left to right, Clay Pierson, Pearlland city manager; Detective J. Albin, PPD; Terrie Morgan, GTTHA board member; Deputy Robin Uresti, Pct. 2; Diane Lister, GTTHA board member; Sgt. Roy Castillo, PPD; and Deputy Fernando Tunchez Jr., Pct. 2. Photo submitted

Residents gather for National Night Out



Families on Sageglens Drive in Sageglens gathered for National Night Out 2016. More than 50 residents came by to enjoy snowcones and meet their neighbors. Shown are, left to right, Gus Pender, Pressly Saifi, Jennifer Pender, Gage Pender, Mike Reed, Jamil Saifi, Lia Pereira, Nelson Morales, Edison Pereira, Carson Morales, Gus Mays, Marian McSwine, Jane Statham, and Kristi and Lance Donaho. Photo by Eli Donaho

Lariaette of the Week



The Dobie High School Lariaette of the Week for Oct. 17 through Oct. 21 is sophomore Victoria Gonzalez. She is a first-year line member and is the daughter of Claudia Flores.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

HAPPY 18TH REBECCA ANNI!
Happy 18th birthday wishes are sent to **Rebecca Ann Paredes** on Sunday, Oct. 30, from mom and dad, **Cynthia** and **Samuel Paredes**, sister **Samantha** and brother **Samuel Jr.**, with lots of love.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ALEXIS!
Special birthday wishes are sent to **Alexis Lochner** (Leader staff) Oct. 27 from sister **Marie** and husband **David Flickinger**; daughters **Nicole Manning** and **Jessica LeBlanc** and husband **Michael**; sons **Dan Sorensen** and **Joshua David**; grandchildren **Breanna** and **Andrew Manning** and **Dira** and **Danny Sorensen**.

HAPPY 25TH BIRTHDAY, TYLER!
Happy birthday wishes are sent to **Tyler Scarberry** on Friday, Oct. 28. Lots of love is sent from parents **Jannie** and **Robert Scarberry**; sister **Jenny Moreno** and children **Brayden**, **Baylee** and **Olivia**; sister **Stacey Flowers**, husband **Stephen** and children **Kennedy**, **Owen** and **Evie**; brother **Joseph Hayes**; and brother **Austin Scarberry**, wife **Tiffany**, and daughter **Jade**. Tyler is a 2010 Dobie High School graduate, currently teaching in Humble ISD.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Oct. 27 through Nov. 2.

Atkinson Elementary
Join in the birthday fun with **Lauren Anderson** Oct. 27. **Veronica Andrade** cele-

brates a birthday Oct. 30.
Burnett Elementary
Rebecca Wells is wished a happy birthday Nov. 1.

Bush Elementary
Wishes for a happy birthday are sent to **Claudia Dechoa** Oct. 28. **Johana Saenz** marks a birthday Oct. 29. The day for a birthday celebration for **Maria Cornejo** is Nov. 1.

Frazier Elementary
Send a birthday greeting Oct. 28 to **Maria Martinez**. Light the birthday candles for **Gracie Puento** Oct. 30.

Meador Elementary
Nov. 1 is the day for a cake for **Mike Barton**. Sharing a happy birthday Nov. 2 are **Elvia Montes** and **Kathryn Katsus**.

Moore Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles for **Kathy Young** Nov. 2.

Stuchbery Elementary
Michael Weinman enjoys a happy birthday Oct. 29.

Roberts Middle School
The day for a triple-layer cake for **Cathy Lucas**, **Steffanie Purucker** and **Yesenia Gomez** is Oct. 29.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Oct. 28 is the day for a birthday party for **Yvette Schmidt**.

Thompson Intermediate
Angelina Davila enjoys a birthday Oct. 27.

Dobie High
On Oct. 27, a birthday wish is sent to **Kelly Hancock**. Share a birthday cake Oct. 28 with

Crystal Salazar. Double birthday wishes are sent Oct. 30 to **Leslie Barcelona** and **Louis Cannon**. Wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to **Lauren Calderaro** Oct. 31. Sing a happy birthday song to **Tonya Naylor** Nov. 1.

FACEBOOK FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
The Leader sends happy birthday wishes to its Facebook friends who celebrate a birthday this week:

Thursday, Oct. 27: **Rose Garcia**, **Jose Estrada**, **Sally Silverthorn**, **Will Cripps**, **Beverly Stockwell**, **Norma Kaderka**, **James Burkart**, **Mario Stewart**, **Troy McMullen** and **Kelly Pritchett**; Friday, Oct. 28: **Steve Barbosa**, **Takea Reeder**, **Lynda Lake** and **Joanne Juren**; Saturday, Oct. 29: **Dolores Garcia**, **Mary Ortiz**, **Jackie Aguilar**, **Tracey Nance**, **Rosie Hernandez**, **Louis Schumann**, **Lauren Simpson**, **Laura King**, **Judy Cole** and **William Scott IV**; Sunday Oct. 30: **Carmen Cantu**, **Elisabeth Kelso**, **Patricia Goforth-Rakes**, **Sara Peters-Wiggins**, **Greg Chavez**, **Jennifer Miller**, **Jennie Minter**, **Bo Bolar** and **Olyn Taylor**; Tuesday, Nov. 1: **Earl Sword**, **Dawn McDonald**, **Sean Connors**, **Sherry Rightmer**, **Randy Read**, **Richard Veltman**, and **Susan Quintana**; and Wednesday, Nov. 2: **Debbie Davis**, and **Kathy Young**.

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New Great Outdoors club combines adventure, learning

The goal of San Jacinto College's new Great Outdoors student club is to combine adventure with learning.

Students who participated in the club's recent first overnight camping trip to South Llano River State Park discovered that an overnight camping trip in the rugged Hill Country can indeed be a great way to learn valuable lessons while enjoying outdoor adventures.

"While camping, the subjects of government and geology complemented each other nicely," commented student **Denise Sanchez**, an experienced hiker and camper. "We had conversations

about state park conservation and their policies. While on a summit, I asked questions about human impact on the environment, and the actions we could take as a community. Professor **Dr. Liana Boop** talked about nature and how it has changed, while professor **Cody Pogue** talked about how to get involved to make real change happen. I have a real concern of our planet's well-being, and when they answered my questions I felt closer to a cleaner, and healthier future for the Earth."

Avid campers Pogue, who teaches government, and **Boop**, who teaches geology,

helped to launch the new student club at the San Jacinto College North campus, and the two serve as faculty advisors. Pogue admits that it may seem like a stretch to connect government with outdoor camping. "But actually, there are important connections," he said. "A government that supports open spaces and conservation is conducive to people being able to enjoy the great outdoors. When I can add a personal story to explain a government institution in a class, it becomes more interesting. So when I talk about the Department of the Interior and the National Park

Service, I usually include some photos and a story of two of my hiking experiences at Guadalupe Mountains National Park and Big Bend National Park."

The link between outdoor camping and geology is more natural, and Boop often includes photos and stories from her frequent camping trips in her geology class lectures. "Some students find it difficult to translate the principles from textbooks into the real world because they have so little experience in the field, so I try to help to bridge the gap by showing them pictures taken in the outdoors as a way of bringing geology to life," she commented. "In the Houston area, many geologic features are either poorly exposed or simply not present, so exploring areas outside of the immediate region through the Great Outdoors club will allow students to make first-hand observations of interesting geologic environments. I'm looking forward to including photos from club trips in my lectures."

Student **Edgar Garcia**, who has never been on an overnight camping trip, returned home with great memories. "I am just a beginner," he said. "I love sports, but have never been hiking or camping. I enjoyed the company of others without having any deadlines. Also getting to talk to great people was really fun."

Garcia discovered other benefits from participating in the Great Outdoors camping

trip with fellow students. "It is definitely a stress reliever," he remarked. "It's a good distraction from the daily hassle of homework and deadlines, assignment after assignment, and a great chance to make new friends."

There were also some learning moments along the way. "Geology professor Boop taught us how to read a topographic map—the contour lines and elevations," commented Garcia. "Government professor **Cody Pogue** talked to me about why my vote matters. I thought my vote didn't matter, when electing a president, but, thanks to **Cody**, I realized it really does."

Sanchez said the group outing was a refreshing break from daily routines. "Student responsibilities can get overwhelming and it gets hard finding time to relax, so this Great Outdoors club can offer me an escape from work, home and school," she said. "However, at the same time it's motivating me to finish my work earlier and forcing me to manage my time better. Also, being around **Liana** and **Cody** and learning about how they're involved in conserving the environment is motivating me to do the same, in a classroom and real-life setting."

A Facebook post about the trip to South Llano River State Park is available online at https://www.facebook.com/BoopGeology/photos/?tab=album&album_id=18144446875502196.



During a planning meeting of the new Great Outdoors club, San Jacinto College geology professor **Dr. Liana Boop** (right) talked about hiking gear to student **Idalia Santos**, who has never been camping. Photo by **Rob Vanya**

Remember When

40 years ago (1976)
Several items were on the agenda at a Pasadena Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting. Included were artificial turf, a new starting time for some high school students, setting up of election procedures, a shortage of textbooks and the approval of \$5 million in school bonds.

35 years ago (1981)
Houston arson investigators said a fire at a Sagemont residence was deliberately set. Six people were asleep in the house at the time, and were awakened by a smoke alarm. The city's decision to turn down Harris County Flood Control's request to remove the bridge at Beamer and Sageorchard was rescinded for further study.

30 years ago (1986)
The suspended director of Pasadena Independent School District Food Services, **Charles Ketchum**, received a letter of intent to terminate his contract. Attorney **Bill Morgan** was named president of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber.

25 years ago (1991)
The PISD school board tried to bridge differences between angered parents and innovative administrators. Residents expressed concerns over the elimination of honors classes at the intermediate level and the controversial report cards for elementary students.

10 years ago (2006)
Harris County jurors found **Howard Joseph Holmes**, 47, guilty of capital murder in the death of **Sherry Arnold**, 32. He was sentenced to life without parole. Holmes shot his wife **Arnold** once in the head during a heated argument. The capital murder verdict was because his wife was pregnant at the time of her death. PISD officials an-

nounced the resignation of a male teacher from **J. Frank Dobie High School** who was accused of accessing pornography sites on school computers. Precinct 2 deputy constables reported two arrests made as a result of three incidents of family violence.

5 years ago (2011)
The South Belt area was invaded by mosquitoes. A combination of drought, a heavy rain and warm temperatures provided the perfect conditions for the pests to thrive. According to Harris County Mosquito Control officials, the blood-sucking insects were floodwater mosquitoes, not the disease-carrying culex variety.

1 year ago (2015)
Nearly two months after his death on Sept. 4, investigators finally determined what killed **Dobie** baseball player **Steven Moreno**. According to the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, **Moreno's** death was caused by acute exertional rhabdomyolysis associated with sickle cell trait. The website for the National Institutes of Health states: "Exertional rhabdomyolysis, a syndrome characterized by skeletal muscle degeneration and muscle enzyme leakage, has been shown to occur in normal, healthy individuals following strenuous exercise. In severe cases, this syndrome can result in renal failure and sudden death. Although anyone who performs strenuous exercise may be at risk for developing exertional rhabdomyolysis, some individuals

may be more susceptible than others. A number of case reports of this condition involve persons with sickle-cell trait, leading to the theory that these individuals might be at greater risk for developing the syndrome than those without this trait." **Dobie** coaches said they were unaware that **Moreno** carried the sickle cell trait and that steps were taken to prevent dehydration and overexertion.

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Atkinson lists 1st nine-weeks rolls

Atkinson Elementary recently released its Principal's, honor and merit rolls for the first nine-weeks of the 2016-2017 school year.

Atkinson students earning status are:

Principal's roll

First grade
Katherine Acac, **Mario Castro**, **Ricky Doan**, **Miguel Garcia**, **Jacob Gonzalez**, **Genesis Jimenez**, **Maddison Montemayor**, **Khai Nguyen**, **Rubi Reyes**, **Armando Santos**, **Jolie Tran** and **Omar Vega**.

Second grade

Natalya Arredondo, **Joseph Fernandez**, **Cesar Garcia**, **Jimena Gutierrez**, **Cassandra Huizar**, **Brooke Kelso**, **Serina Martinez**, **Jocelyn Nguyen**, **Roy Swan**, **Jose Luis Vieyra**, **Minh Vu** and **Aniyah Walker**.

Third grade

Daisy Baez, **Chloe Crosby**, **Emily Flores**, **David Garcia**, **Johnny Garcia**, **Flor Magallon**, **Seth Matatall**, **John Medel**, **Hannah Pham**, **Nathan Rodriguez**, **Liliana Sepulveda** and **Summer Zuniga**.

Fourth grade

Diego Aguilera, **Aubrey Anguiano**, **Tanya Arredondo**, **Daniel Banda**, **London Bane-gas**, **Javier Gonzalez**, **Anadeli**

Marban, **Gisselle Martinez**, **Shazia Mustapha**, **Loly Nguyen**, **Jesus Olvera**, **Santino Perez-Bautista**, **Christopher Pucente** and **Ameliah Rodriguez**.

Honor roll

Third grade
Diana Armenta, **Yarezi Arredondo**, **Tatiana Franks**, **Juliana Harrison**, **Alana Marroquin**, **Mark Mata**, **John Medel**, **Miranda Medel**, **Victor Mejia**, **Edgar Orozco**, **Emily Tang**, **Andres Valdez** and **Yuliana Zambrano**.

Fourth grade

Rachel Covarrubias, **Jacqueline Gonzalez**, **Allen Nguyen**, **Elaine Nguyen**, **Di-ana Pena**, **Jamare Philibert**, **Jessica Rubio**, **Xander Schrijn**, **Lizbeth Serrano**, **Andres Tolentino** and **Sarah Trinh**.

Merit roll

Third grade
Guillermo Fernandez, **Cynthia Pineda**, **Rolando Salinas**, **Jacob Sanchez** and **Liliana Vega**.

Fourth grade

Amira Ahmed, **Nicolas Frias**, **Anthony Garza**, **Ley-la Martinez**, **Patrick Medel**, **Shazia Mustapha**, **Raeia Pete**, **Jelleny Rivera**, **Bianka Rubio**, **Maria Soler**, **Samantha Truong** and **Jazlynn Urban**.

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Lariaette Escort of the Week



The Dobie Lariaette Escort of the Week for Oct. 17 through Oct. 21 is Co-Head Escort **Cameron Davis**. He is the son of **Keith** and **Shannon Davis**.

Businesswomen present Win With Webinars

South East Express Network of the American Business Women's Association will welcome **Dr. Denise Dennis**, a marketing automation specialist who views webinars as a vital part of any company's larger marketing efforts. Dennis helps her clients build their lists, reputations and sales through the power of webinars. Her company, **Win With Webinars**, provides webinar consultation and technical support to entrepreneurs and small businesses.

This is a highly education-

al and informative presentation. Dennis will provide tips, tools and techniques for webinar success.

Businesswomen and businessmen throughout the community are invited to attend.

The event will be held on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Spring Creek Barbeque, 9005 Broadway (FM 518) in Pearland.

The cost of \$20 covers a meal and the meeting fee.

RSVP by Tuesday, Nov. 8, at www.SEEN-ABWA.org or visit the website for more information.

Israeli Folk Dancing Oct.-Nov.

Israeli folk dance sessions are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Because of the Jewish High Holy Days, October has only one session - Oct. 31. November 2016 dates are Nov. 7, 14, 21 and 28.

The dances are not built on one another, so if a few are missed or if one just wants to start, catching up is quick. The cost, \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members; \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers, will cover expenses. Everyone is welcome to join the group - even with no previous attendance.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real in Houston, and is the Conservative synagogue in the Bay Area.

For more information, contact the office at 281-488-5861 or at cs@shaarhashalom.org.

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Bay Area Harbour Playhouse upcoming performances

Wait Until Dark on stage
 Wait Until Dark, the Broadway thriller by Frederick Knott, is on stage until Nov. 20 at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse in Dickinson. Director Jenna Maddix says the play moves from one moment of suspense to another as it builds toward an electrifying final scene. In this first-rate shocker, a sinister con-man and two ex-convicts are about to meet their match. They have traced the location of a mysterious doll, in which they are very much interested, to the Greenview Village apartment of Sam Hendrix, and his blind wife, Susy. Sam had apparently been persuaded by a strange

woman to carry the doll across the Canadian border, not knowing that sewn inside were several grams of heroin. When the woman is murdered, the situation becomes more urgent and they come to get the doll. Stacey Turner plays the role of the sight-impaired Susy who realizes she has been deceived by the three mobsters and vows to keep the doll for police. She is supported by fellow cast members Felipe Bautista, Daniel Partida, Robert McKenzie, Isabella Maddix and Bill Jones. Performances are on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. on the downstairs Main Deck stage at the theater, located

at 3803 Highway 3 in Dickinson. Tickets start at \$12 with discounts for military, students, seniors and groups of 10 or more, and the parking is free. For more information, visit www.harbourtheater.com or call 281-337-7569. **Students to perform the play they wrote**
 Students in the drama class at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse have written a play which they will perform on stage Saturdays, Nov. 12 and Nov. 19, at 3 p.m. Teacher Whitney Wyatt Nolder says students are excited about their play, *The Case of the Missing Pets*, and are anxious to perform it. The youngsters planned the plot and dialogue, designed

and built the set, and selected costumes. They did it all, working together during their weekly Fine Arts Academy class. The students, aged 6 to 13, include Alissa Alvarado, Jordan Emmitte, Jadean Hall, Ava Jackson, Alex Jones, Julie Hall, Camille Jones, Joylynn Hall, J. D. Jones, Johanna Nolder, and Ryleigh Shubert. Performances will be on two Saturdays – Nov. 12 and 19 – at 3 p.m. on the downstairs Main Deck stage of the theater, located at 3803 Highway 3 in Dickinson. Tickets may be purchased at the door. Tickets are \$3 for children and \$5 for adults with a family ticket for \$10 and the parking is free. For more information, call

281-337-7469 or visit www.harbourtheater.com. **Auditions for Let's Murder Marsha Nov. 21-22**
 Auditions for *Let's Murder Marsha* will be held Nov. 21-22 at 7 p.m. at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse in Dickinson. Director Jeremiah Maddix will be seeking three men and four women actors for the comedy about a happy housewife, hopelessly addicted to reading murder mysteries, who overhears what she thinks is her loving husband's plot to murder her. Playwright Monk Ferris has sparked his play dialogue about betrayal, death, and love. It will be presented on the upstairs Top Side stage Jan. 6-29, 2017. For more information, call 281-337-7469 or visit www.harbourtheater.com. **Special Fundraiser to pair with opening of Nutcracker, The Musical Dec. 1**
 A special fundraising event will be held Dec. 1 pairing with opening night of *Nutcracker, The Musical*, at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse in Dickinson. The Dickinson Chamber of Commerce will co-host the social event with the Playhouse. Proceeds, according to Dawn King, director of the chamber, will benefit chamber activities and the recently announced fund to install a much-needed elevator at the Playhouse. The \$25 ticket will include an informal reception with wine and hors d'oeuvres and a seat for the opening of the musical written by Chad-Alan Carr. The delightful musical, with music by Tchaikovsky, has limited ballet and showcases a large cast of actors, singers and dancers. It will be directed by Bennie Nipper, artistic director of the Playhouse, and presented on the downstairs Main Deck stage. The public is invited to attend the event that begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce office, 1911 FM 517 Rd. E, and at the Playhouse at 3803 Highway 3, both in Dickinson. Other regular performances of the *Nutcracker* will be presented Dec. 1-18. For more information, call the chamber at 832-534-2583, the Playhouse at 281-337-7469, or visit www.harbourtheater.com.

Williams, Secrease wed in Vegas



Deidra R. Williams and Kendrick B. Secrease were married Sept. 28, 2016, at The Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas. The ceremony was followed by a small reception at The Stratosphere Hotel on the Las Vegas Strip. The couple celebrated their special day with a host of family and friends who traveled to Nevada to witness the nuptials. Deidra, a Dobbie High graduate, grew up in the South Belt area and is the daughter of Billy Ray Williams Sr. and Diana Marie Williams. She is employed by NRG Energy as a senior customer support and market relations representative. Kendrick is the son of Thelma Secrease of the Acres Home's area. He is employed by FMC Technologies as a material handler. Deidra was escorted down the aisle to Rascal Flatts' *Bless the Broken Road* by her father, Billy Williams, and given away by her family. The bride and groom were joined by their wedding party: Amber Rock, maid of honor, best friend of the bride (also from the Sagemont area); Rodney Oliver, best man, brother of the groom; Keirstein Secrease and Daija Collins, flower girls, daughters of the groom and bride; and Darius Hale, ring bearer, son of the bride. The newlyweds currently reside in the South Belt area with their children.

Rotary Club donates dictionaries to Burnett



The Pasadena Rotary Club recently delivered dictionaries to Burnett Elementary third-grade students. Shown are, left to right, (front row) students Victory Nwosu, Khriz Elizondo, Jennifer Garcia, (back row) Principal Jae Lee, Ray Woodburn, Lisa Orr, Bill Stapelfelt and Kendall Haesley. Photo submitted

At CCISD: Give the Gift of a Legacy

It's never too early to start thinking about gift ideas for the holiday season. Whether it is a present for mom and dad, a teacher or recent graduate, you can honor them in a lasting and unique way with a Clear Creek Independent School District Legacy Brick and keepsake tile. Your honoree will become a permanent part of the new CCISD Challenger Columbia Stadium with their brick being prominently displayed on either the home or visitor concourse areas. The keepsake tile may be ordered as

an additional gift for your honoree which will feature the same inscription as your Legacy Brick at the stadium. The Legacy Brick is \$150 and the keepsake tile may be purchased for an additional \$15. To receive the keepsake tile in time to give as a gift for the holidays, orders must be received by Nov. 18. Proceeds from The Legacy Brick Project benefit the purchase and operation of the stadium video board, which was not purchased through Bond 2013 taxpayer dollars, but will instead be fund-

ed through advertising and sponsorships as well as the Legacy Brick program. For more information and to purchase a Legacy Brick, visit <http://www.ccisdchal.lengercolumbia.com/legacybrick>.



Jessup awarded \$15,930 grant for playground

Jessup Elementary was recently chosen to receive a \$15,930 grant from Target and KaBOOM to purchase an Imagination Playground. Imagination Playground in a Cart™ is an innovative playground equipment system designed to encourage creativity, communication and collaboration during play time. Through a collection of custom-designed, oversized blue foam parts, students have the opportunity to transform any space into an imaginary world – creating anything from animals, houses and castles to robots and rocket ships. The goal of the playground, which will be delivered by mid-November, is to encourage students to use self-expression through

thoughtful play. "Our vision for students at Jessup Elementary is to increase their ability to cooperate, communicate and collaborate," said Ryan Pavone, Jessup principal. "We will use this innovative playground as a forum where students can practice these skills, learning in a fun and playful setting. This will set the foundation for future formal and academic settings." KaBOOM is dedicated to giving students the childhood they deserve through play, and is working with Target to increase access to play across the country. Grants for Imagination Playgrounds are helping to achieve that goal by bringing active play to more than 430,000 kids

across the country. According to the organization, child-directed play has proven to help children develop physically, emotionally, socially and intellectually, and yet children have less time and fewer opportunities to play than any previous generation. The grant is part of Target's ongoing efforts to help make wellness more affordable, accessible and inspirational for its team members, guests and communities. **About KaBOOM**
 KaBOOM is the national nonprofit dedicated to bringing balanced and active play into the daily lives of all kids, particularly those growing up in poverty in America. Since 1996, KaBOOM! has collaborated with partners to

build, open or improve nearly 16,000 playgrounds, engaged more than one million volunteers and served 7.4 million children. KaBOOM creates great places to play, inspires communities to promote and support play, and works to drive the national discussion about the importance of play in fostering healthy lives and communities. To learn why #playmatters: visit kaboom.org or join the conversation at twitter.com/kaboom or facebook.com/kaboom.

Meador Elementary releases first nine-weeks rolls

Meador Elementary School recently announced its recognized, honor and merit rolls for the first nine-weeks of the school year. Students earning honor roll status are:

- First grade Recognized roll**
 Melody Arellano, Angelica Barragan, Rochel Bensmith, Sariah Bryant, Gavin Burchfield, Jannie Cardenas, Gissele Cardiel, Mario Cardona, Shaan Castillo and Danyean Copeland.
 Destanee Copeland, Jose Cortez, Brooke Davis, Christopher Diaz, Megan Do, Ariana Espinosa, Emily Espinoza, Gabriel Garcia, Frida Gomez, Allison Guillen, Renee Guy and Cayden Hamed.
 Alexis Hernandez, Jani Izaguirre, Dylan Jimenez, Yasmine Joseph, Yogenis Linares, Anthony Maldonado, Karely Maldonado, Derreion Malone, Jennie Mancuso and Maia Martinez.
 Seyed Martinez, Johnnie Medina, Julianna Mikulski, Tristen Murua, Ar'Janeyeah Nelson, Anna Nguyen, Antwon

- Olezene, Liliana Olivarez, Arabel Perez and Janelle Ramos.
 Tasneem Rasheed, Genesi Reyes, Alex Rodriguez, Alyssa Rodriguez, Joseph Rodriguez, Melody Rodriguez, Achilles Rostro, Mariana Salazar and Ian Sanchez.
 Angel Shannon, Summer Sherrill, Daniella Thompson, Alexander Tiscareno, Maurice Ty, Alexander Vargas, Anel Villarreal, James Waters and Emilio Zavala.
Second grade Recognized roll
 Isreal Aguilar, Brooke Anderson, Rosaly Arellano, Janisleidis Augila, Sophia Breigheith, Jade Brooks-Ross, Diana Campuzano and Jessica Cardenas.
 Susanna Carrizales, Estrella Cortes, Samantha Cristancho, Jonathan Diaz, Matthew Espinoza, Andres Garcia, Kaelynn Garcia and Abraham Guillen.
 Maliah Jackson, Kennedy Jones, Emily Keggresse, Mattisen Love, Ethan Maldonado, Amy McCoy, Elijah Metz, Jillian Mikulski, Devin Moreno

- and Hieu Nguyen.
 Fidencio Rodriguez, Kayla Rosette, Daniel Salamanc, Jaedon Sinclair, Brianna Thompson, Miriam Torres, Julian Villasenor, Ashton Willis and Auri Young.
Third grade Honor roll
 Kiera Jnlouis, Alejandro

- Martinez, Xavier Martinez, Blaze Murua, Saleh Rasheed, Itzel Sosa, Eliud Urbina and Keyla Zeledon.
Merit roll
 Leonela Aguilu, Kevin Argueta, Brian Bulluck, Julian Calderon, Leroy Carter, Minh Nguyen, Cody Patterson, Oliver Saavedra and Fernando

- Vargas.
Fourth grade Honor roll
 Bryan Anderson and Yara Valois.
Merit roll
 Yacisshya Ciudad, Samuel Martinez, Yainely Robles, Aleks Saldana, Cindy Su, Abigail Teran and Anthony Zeledon.

Custodians honored at Stuchbery



Stuchbery Elementary appreciates its custodians. In honor of Custodian Appreciation Day (Oct. 2) students made cards and posters for the custodial staff. Pictured are, left to right, Victor Clorio, Monica Gamez, Rosa Allencastro and Maria Calvillo. Photo by Perla Montemayor

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Fish Fest, a community event

On Oct. 15, more than 60 students from Meador Elementary had the opportunity to go fishing thanks to community partner Harris County Precinct 1 which sponsors the event. Also involved are the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce

and the Traveling Naturalist Program. For many excited students, this was their first time ever to fish. Partnering with Harris County was Dobbie High School which supplied student volunteers. Meador students were provided a fishing pole, taught how to

cast and took home their catch. Some were even lucky winners of new fishing poles. Meador appreciates its community partners for creating fun memories for the students. South Belt resident David Matthews was in charge of the annual event.

Also helping to organize the event were Christina Hartman, Megan Clark and Stefan Kuhlman, staff members of the Harris County Pct. 1 Environmental Education program at Challenger 7 Park.

Right photos: On the game warden boat are, left to right, Tara Merida (Meador counselor), Illiana Rodriguez (Dobbie volunteer), and Abril Carmona and Anyscia Hagler (Meador students). Standing beside the boat are Jeff Putnam and John Griffin (game wardens).

Displaying fishing poles they won are, left to right, (front row) Sarah Espinal, Jaylen Robinson, Sarai Mejia-Acosta, Roel Camarillo, Rick Bonilla, Markina Green, (back row) Mia Campos, Meador Principal Beverly Bolton, John Salazar and Carina Avelar.

Holding up their catch are, left to right, (front row) Rick Bonilla, Husai Arias, Akayla Williams, Katherine Matute, (middle row) Xeon Gonzales, Dezire Lewis (two fish), Keontaye Glass and (back row) Meador Principal Beverly Bolton.

Photos by Tara Merida



Mikeal Gonzales shows off a fish he caught.



Bands perform music at festival

Sound of music filled Veterans Memorial Stadium recently as students from PISD's marching band ensembles gathered for the Pasadena Independent School District Pre-UIL Marching Band Festival.

The event gave students and band directors an opportunity to prepare for the UIL competition, which took place this year at Channelview Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 22.

Instead of earning ratings during the pre-UIL festival, the marching bands receive comments from judges to help prepare for the regular UIL competition. "We want to provide our students, teachers and the marching band programs with ongoing learning opportunities," said Nicholas Luggiero, assistant director of fine arts. "By having three highly qualified and experienced adjudicators give their critical analysis of our students' performances on the marching field, it helps to focus each group's efforts for their upcoming UIL competitions. It is the equivalent of a benchmark for our marching bands."

The Dobbie Longhorn marching band earned Division I "Sweepstakes" ratings at UIL Region Competition, and will now advance to the UIL Area Competition at Galena Park on Saturday, Oct. 29, at 10:45 a.m. The stadium is located at 15025 Wallisville Road in Houston.

Photos by Reesha Brown



Dobbie senior Christian Garza



Dobbie senior colorguard member Jazmyn Drumgo



Dobbie junior Jenna Rodriguez and sophomore Roberto Campa

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Chapman prepares for annual Silver Bells Nov. 6 at Golfcrest

Former South Belt area resident and businesswoman Gayle Chapman is serving as chair of the annual Silver Bells.

The annual event, sponsored by the Tri-County Republican Women, adds final touches to holiday jars and decorations.

The Silver Bells will be held on Sunday, Nov. 6, at Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Drive in Pearland, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The ticket price is \$40, which includes complimentary valet parking.

Guests will enjoy kicking off the Christmas season with Silver Bells' shopping, cash bar, luncheon, fashion show by Chicos and fantastic items in the live and silent auctions.

Featured in the live auction is a seven-day stay at the Steamboat Grand in Steamboat Springs, Colo.

For additional information or to purchase tickets, contact Gayle Chapman at 281-485-9585.



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Prior to being elected Constable in 2012, Chris Diaz served as Mayor of Jacinto City, taught at San Jacinto College and owned a small business.

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SECTION B

SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

JFD cross-country runners reach regional meet

Sometimes it's not about the team. While Dobie did not advance as a team in either the boys' or girls' District 22-6A Cross-Country Championships Oct. 20, at Northwest Park in La Porte, a pair of individuals were outstanding.

Junior Andrea Perez placed fourth in the varsity girls' race, covering the 5K course in a time of 20 minutes, 27.41 seconds to reach the Region III meet. The Longhorns' Jacob Salas also continued his season, placing ninth in the boys' race at 16:43.29.

Dobie girls' cross-country coach Tina Knight-Gray said Perez, having overcome several obstacles early in her career at Dobie, certainly deserves to advance to the regional level.

Out of District 24-6A, Clear Brook's Taylor Johnson just missed making her way to regionals, placing 11th at 19:37.32.

And in the 24-6A boys' race, the Wolverines finished fourth as a team but did not advance an individual runner to regionals.

At the district level, the top three finishing teams in addition to the top 10 individual finishers advance to regionals.

Perez and Salas will be in Huntsville Saturday, Oct. 29, where they will compete in the Region III Championships at Kate Barr-Ross Park. The Class 6A girls' race will be at 11 a.m., followed by the 6A boys' race at 11:40 a.m.

At regionals, the top four teams and top 10 individual finishers will qualify for the state meet.

Perez leads JFG girls

In the 22-6A varsity girls' meet, the Lady Bulldogs' Kelsey Ramirez led La Porte to the team championship.

Ramirez came in at 19:18.27 to claim top overall medalist honors, while the Lady Bulldogs scored a team-low 38 points for the team crown.

Pasadena Memorial finished second with 58 points. Dobie placed fifth at 119.

Dobie's Natalie Zaragoza placed 21st overall

with a time of 21:54.80, and Danielle Colunga was 23rd at 22:11.94.

Atziri Galarza placed 27th with a time of 22:24.95, and Darianne Monreal was 44th at 24:21.17. Dobie's fifth and final official scorer was Alexis Lopez, 50th with a time of 25:59.63.

La Porte boys win

Freshman star Ryan Schoppe, nephew of La Porte ISD Director of Athletics Todd Schoppe, rolled to the 22-6A boys' championship at

15:40.51.

As for Dobie, Salas was fourth at 16:43.29 to make his way to regionals, and the Longhorns also had Emison Amaya (46th at 18:25.28), Mike Nwololo (51st at 19:22.15) and Daniel Sepulveda (20:46.18) involved in the big race.

Brook just misses

Johnson made the regional meet as a junior and certainly hoped to advance during her senior season, but it wasn't to be. Clear Creek freshman

Elsa King snared top overall medalist honors with a time of 18:34.32, and Clear Lake won the team

crown with a low of 57 points, edging Friendswood (63).

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Despite loss, Brook FB a win away

The dream of winning a district championship is likely gone, but the ultimate goal of reaching the playoffs is still very much in sight for the Clear Brook Wolverine varsity football team.

Clear Springs, Dickinson and Friendswood have each solidified their respective standings in terms of the playoffs, leaving the likes of Clear Brook, Alvin and others to fight for a spot in the Class 6A, Division II playoffs.

Well, it's time for the Wolverines and Yellowjackets to go at it, and Alvin hopes it has the upper hand by hosting the contest Friday, Oct. 28, at Alvin ISD's Memorial Stadium. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.

Win or lose, Clear

Brook could probably still make the playoffs by defeating Dickinson at home on the final day of the regular season, but it's best to go ahead and take care of business now.

Clear Brook, 5-3 overall, is 3-2 in league play and needs that critical

fourth win to strengthen its playoff hopes. Alvin, meanwhile, is 4-4 overall with a 2-3 district record, but getting back to .500 in addition to defeating Clear Brook would be huge

for the Jackets, who face Friendswood in the final week of the season.

In Alvin, the Wolverines are going to get a big dose of the passing game as the Yellowjackets' Taylor Molina has thrown for nearly 1,400 yards this season, including 13 touchdowns against nine interceptions.

Molina's favorite target is Jose Medrano, whose 721 yards receiving and eight touchdowns also rank among the very best in the league. Alvin's Kobe Bailey also has four scoring catches.

Alvin's defense will go up against Clear Brook's multi-faceted attack. Tailback Jarrett Smith has a string of 100-yard plus rushing games to his cred-

it, and quarterback Jaizac Garcia has been one of the league's top passers along with Molina and Clear Springs' Will McBride.

And while Alvin has two solid receivers, the Wolverines counter with Caleb Chapman, Mark Milton and more.

Springs tops Brook

A win over Clear Springs would have given the Wolverines a share of the District 24-6A lead.

It wasn't to be as Springs, winners of seven straight after an opening loss to Pearland, rolled to a 44-28 victory to stay atop the standings.

The game featured big scoring runs by both teams. The Chargers scored the first 23 points of the game, only to see

the Wolverines pull within 23-21 at halftime.

But the Chargers countered with a pair of touchdowns on their first two drives of the second half, eventually leading 37-21 en route to the win.

McBride threw four touchdowns in the game to lead the Chargers, including two each to Peyton Sawyer and Todd Hudson.

Adding to the offense, Hudson rushed for 134 yards on 23 carries, and Sawyer had eight receptions for 130 yards.

Garcia did his best to keep pace with McBride, completing 13 of 18 passes for 243 yards and three scores.

Smith had 101 yards on

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Clear Brook at Alvin
Alvin ISD Stadium
Fri., Oct. 28, 7 p.m.



At left, Dobie's Broderick Martin (with ball) breaks to the outside, eluding South Houston's Carlos Alcantar on the way to a 57-yard gain. South Houston went on to win the key game by a 2-17 count.

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SoHo dims Dobie's hopes

By John Bechtle Sports Editor

There's still hope, but perhaps not for much longer.

Building a 24-3 lead into the fourth quarter, South Houston held off Dobie 24-17, essentially winning the battle for the final playoff berth out of District 22-6A.

With the win, South Houston improved to 2-3 in league play and has just one remaining game - Thursday, Oct. 27, against the Sam Rayburn Texans.

If South Houston wins, the Trojans are assured of a trip to the playoffs.

Should the Texans pull what would be considered an upset and send South Houston to 2-4, Dobie's dim playoff outlook would brighten.

The Longhorns would then be able to parlay wins over Pasadena and La Porte in the final two weeks into a 3-3 record, thus leap-frogging South Houston.

If Dobie and South Houston end the district

season tied at 3-3, the Trojans would advance to the postseason by virtue of their win over the Long-

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Dobie vs. Pasadena
Veterans Stadium
Fri., Oct. 28, 7 p.m.

CB volleyball in; JFD just misses

The high school volleyball season literally went down to the wire in districts 22-6A and 24-6A.

There was good news for Clear Brook, which closed out its regular season with wins over Alvin and Dickinson to capture the No. 4 seed in the upcoming playoffs.

Clear Brook, which finished at 8-6 in league play, will go up against District 23-6A champion Dawson in the bidistrict round, which is slated to take place. At press time,

details about the matchup were unavailable.

Dobie, however, will sit out the postseason after losing its season finale at Memorial Oct. 25.

At 6-8, the Lady Longhorns finished fifth, just one game behind fourth-place La Porte. The Lady Bulldogs secured the fourth and final playoff seed in 22-6A with a win over Sam Rayburn Oct. 25.

Brook enters fourth
Clear Creek closed out
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Dobie swimmers fourth at DP

The Dobie High School swimming team had an outstanding performance at the Deer Park Invitational Oct. 22, finishing fourth among the 14 teams in the competition.

Both the boys' and girls' team delivered several top-8 performances, and the team also landed many others within the top 16 spots.

Overall, Dobie's best finish came in the girls' 200-yard freestyle relay as Francesca Arellano, Allie Parker, Rebecca Shaffer and Madison Caballero teamed for second place.

The Dobie boys also excelled in the 200-yard freestyle relay, placing third as Josh Woernley and Samuel Parker teamed with Brian Sharpe and Daniel Shaffer.

The same four boys teamed for Dobie in the 200-yard medley relay placing fifth.

In the girls' 200-yard

medley relay, Arellano, Caballero, Parker and Shaffer produced an eighth-place finish for the Lady Longhorns.

Individually, Caballero was fifth in the 50-yard freestyle, and Parker was sixth in the 100-yard fly. Parker also swam her way to an eighth-place finish in the 100-yard backstroke event.

For the boys, Woernley was sixth in the 200-yard freestyle.

The entire game against Clear Springs but certainly kept enough pressure on the Chargers throughout the evening.

Now Brook has to score a big win down the stretch to advance.

So Clear Springs rolls into the final two weeks with a legitimate shot at claiming the District 24-6A title. Dickinson and Friendswood are also in good shape, with Clear Brook looking to defeat Alvin and advance to the postseason.

Of note, Sawyer, the dynamic receiver/return man for Clear Springs, is the son of former Dobie High School star Randy Sawyer.

Wolverines' football eyes playoff clincher

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 the ground, including a 2-yard touchdown run.

Two of Garcia's three touchdown passes went to Milton on receptions of 65 and 12 yards. Chapman reeled in a 13-yard scoring pass.

Milton finished with six catches for 118 yards in the game. Russell Hall also had three grabs for 58 yards in the game.

The Wolverines trailed







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South Belt football predictions

						
Dobie vs. Pasadena	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Clear Brook at Alvin	Brook	Brook	Brook	Brook	Brook	Brook
Alief Taylor at Dawson	Taylor	Taylor	Taylor	Taylor	Taylor	Taylor
Friendswood at Clear Springs	Springs	Friendswood	Springs	Springs	Springs	Friendswood
Clear Lake vs Clear Creek	Creek	Creek	Creek	Lake	Lake	Creek
Elkins at Galveston Ball	Elkins	Ball	Elkins	Ball	Elkins	Elkins
Fort Bend Marshall at Texas City	FBM	FBM	FBM	Texas City	FBM	FBM
La Porte at Pasadena Memorial	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte
South Houston vs. Sam Rayburn	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston	South Houston
Kingwood at Baytown Sterling	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood
This week's record	8-2	8-2	8-2	8-2	8-2	6-4
Season record	64-25	58-31	68-21	61-28	69-20	60-29

Sports Calendar

FOOTBALL
Thursday, Oct. 27
 Brook JV Black hosts Alvin, 4:30
 Brook JV Red hosts Alvin, 6:30
 Dobie JV Orange vs. Pasadena, Auxiliary, 6:30
 Dobie JV White vs. Pasadena, Auxiliary, 4:30
 Dobie freshman Orange hosts Pasadena, campus, 4:30
 Dobie freshman White hosts Pasadena, campus, 4:30
 Brook freshman Black at Alvin, 4:30
 Brook freshman Red at Alvin, 6:30

Friday, Oct. 28
 Brook varsity at Alvin, AISD Stadium, 7:00
 Dobie varsity vs. Pasadena, Veterans, 7:00

Thursday, Nov. 3
 Brook JV Black at Dickinson, Vitanza, 4:30
 Brook JV Red at Dickinson, Vitanza, 6:30
 Dobie JV Orange hosts La Porte, Auxiliary, 6:30
 Dobie JV White hosts La Porte, Auxiliary, 4:30
 Brook freshman Black hosts Dickinson, campus, 4:30
 Brook freshman Red hosts Dickinson, campus, 6:30
 Dobie freshman Orange at La Porte, campus, 6:30
 Dobie freshman White at La Porte, campus, 4:30

Friday, Nov. 4
 Dobie varsity at La Porte, Bulldog Stadium, 7:00

Saturday, Nov. 5
 Brook varsity hosts Dickinson, Challenger Stadium, 1:00

SOCCER
Saturday, Oct. 29
 San Jacinto College men's soccer hosts regionals, TBA

San Jacinto soccer to playoffs; locals hope national berth next

It's been a pretty good season for the San Jacinto College men's soccer team, what with the group from the South campus having only lost four matches all season against 16 wins.

Now, the locals would like to make it a better season. After a bye in the first round of the Region XIV tournament, the Coyotes will face a to-be-determined opponent at home Saturday, Oct. 29, at 7 p.m.

The winner of the semifinal matchup will advance to the Region XIV final round, with an invitation to the Nov. 4-6 District Championships on the line.

San Jac, for as prolific as it has been this season, has lost all four of its conference matches by an

identical 1-0 score. Coastal Bend, enjoying a resurgent season, dealt two of the 1-0 losses. Tyler, at 18-0 ranked No. 1 in the nation at this point, has also defeated San Jacinto twice by 1-0 scores.

Since the Coyotes and Apaches tangle seemingly every season in an effort to reach nationals, it only seems to point to a third matchup this season with a trip to nationals on the line for the pair.

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The Lady Wolverines also received a great effort from sophomore Allison Shiro, who closed strong for 40th place and a time of 23:27.22.

In the 24-6A boys' race, the Wolverines were also close but did not advance. Friendswood senior Tyler Melebeck grabbed overall top medalist honors with a time of 15:38, helping the Mustangs win the team title with a low of 40 points. Clear Falls was second with 43, and Clear Lake's 49 points were good for third place.

Clear Brook's Austin Kanjirathinga was 14th at 16:47.35, and his brother, Eric, placed 19th in a time of 17:02.12.

Also for Clear Brook, Ryan Brasseaux placed 25th at 17:17.35, and Jordan Greenshield's time of 17:25.37 was 28th. Sebastian Koran rounded out things for Clear Brook, placing 29th at 17:34.42.

District cross-country closes at Clear Brook

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 Johnson was the fastest to the finish line for the Lady Wolverines in her final cross-country event at the high school level.

After Johnson, the Lady Wolverines' Reagan Dunlap, a freshman, placed 32nd for the locals in a time of 21:46.11.

Next up, Clear Brook's Cassidy Lufkin, a senior, was 38th in the final girls'

standings as she clocked in with a time of 23:04.43.

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Pasadena ISD awards PPK champions



Pasadena ISD's Punt, Pass and Kick winners from the girls' 10 to 11-year-old division during sectionals Oct. 18 at Veterans Stadium were, left to right, champion Bella Perez of Melillo Middle School, runner-up Laysha Maldonado of Milstead Middle School and Alexis Lovett, the third-place finisher representing Kendrick Middle School. For more PPK news and photos, see Page 3B.

BAFL Week 11 Scores

	Sr.	Jr.	Soph.	Fr.
Cowboys	7	19	37	32
Dolphins	32	6	0	0
Bulls	0	18	39	21
Rams	1	20	0	0

BAFL Round of Eight Playoffs

Saturday, Oct. 29

Senior Division at Countryside Park

Southbelt Dolphins vs. Pearland Hurricanes, 10:45 a.m.
Sagemont Cowboys vs. Texas City Stingrays, 12:30 p.m.

Junior Division at Blackhawk Park

Sagemont Cowboys vs. East End Eagles, 10:45 a.m.
Ellington Rams vs. Pearland Patriots, 12:30 p.m.

Sophomore Division at Dawson High School

Southbelt Dolphins vs. Pearland Hurricanes, 10:45 a.m.

Freshman Division at Clear Lake Park

Sagemont Cowboys vs. Pearland Texans, 12:30 p.m.

Pee Wee Exhibition at Texas City High School

Ellington Rams vs. Pearland Patriots, 8 a.m.
Sagemont Cowboys vs. League City 49ers, 3:30 p.m.
Southbelt Dolphins vs. Pearland Patriots, 4:45 p.m.

Pasadena ISD Intermediate Football						Pasadena ISD Intermediate Football					
Through Oct. 18 games						Through Oct. 18 games					
8A Records	District	Overall			7A Records	District	Overall				
Division I	W L T	W L T	W L T	Division I	W L T	W L T	W L T	W L T			
Thompson	3 0 0	6 0 0		Bondy	4 0 0	6 0 0					
Beverly Hills	2 1 0	5 1 0		Beverly Hills	2 1 0	5 1 0					
Bondy	2 2 0	4 2 0		Thompson	2 1 0	3 2 1					
Miller	1 2 0	3 3 0		South Houston	2 1 0	3 3 0					
South Houston	0 3 0	2 3 1		Miller	0 3 0	1 5 0					
Game Scores						Game Scores					
Thompson 38, Beverly Hills 9			Southmore 14, Miller 12			San Jacinto 39, Queens 0			Beverly Hills 26, Thompson 22		
Bondy 28, South Houston 14			Queens 20, San Jacinto 6			Bondy 20, Southmore 0			Southmore 20, Miller 7		
Park View 26, Jackson 26						Park View 38, Jackson 0					
Division II	W L T	W L T	W L T	Division II	W L T	W L T	W L T				
Southmore	3 0 0	4 1 1		Park View	3 0 0	3 2 1					
Queens	3 1 0	3 3 0		Southmore	2 1 0	3 3 0					
San Jacinto	1 2 0	1 4 1		San Jacinto	2 1 0	4 2 0					
Park View	0 2 1	0 5 1		Jackson	1 2 0	1 5 0					
Jackson	0 2 1	0 5 1		Queens	0 4 0	0 6 0					
8B Records	District	Overall			7B Records	District	Overall				
Division I	W L T	W L T	W L T	Division I	W L T	W L T	W L T				
Thompson	3 0 0	6 0 0		Thompson	3 0 0	6 0 0					
Beverly Hills	2 1 0	5 1 0		Bondy	3 1 0	5 1 0					
Bondy	2 2 0	4 2 0		South Houston	1 1 1	2 3 1					
South Houston	1 2 0	3 3 0		Beverly Hills	1 2 0	4 2 0					
Miller	0 3 0	1 5 0		Miller	0 2 1	0 5 1					
Game Scores						Game Scores					
Thompson 14, Beverly Hills 6			Miller 12, Southmore 2			Thompson 36, Beverly Hills 8			Southmore 31, Miller 0		
Bondy 24, South Houston 0			San Jacinto 19, Queens 0			Bondy 24, South Houston 8			San Jacinto 46, Queens 0		
Jackson 27, Park View 0						Jackson 27, Park View 16					
Division II	W L T	W L T	W L T	Division II	W L T	W L T	W L T				
San Jacinto	3 0 0	5 1 0		San Jacinto	3 0 0	5 1 0					
Queens	3 1 0	3 3 0		Southmore	2 1 0	4 2 0					
Jackson	2 1 0	3 3 0		Jackson	2 1 0	3 3 0					
Park View	0 3 0	0 6 0		Park View	1 2 0	1 5 0					
Southmore	0 3 0	0 6 0		Queens	0 4 0	0 6 0					

At right, the Atkinson Elementary Punt, Pass and Kick champions represented the Eagles during the Pasadena ISD's sectional competition at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Before reaching sectionals, the students went head-to-head against their age-group classmates at Atkinson. The respective qualifiers included, left to right, 8 to 9-year-old boys' winner Julio Guererro, 10 to 11-year-old boys' winner Raydin Garcia, 10 to 11-year-old girls' winner Makenzie Lopez and Kierah Hightower, the school's 8 to 9-year-old girls' winner.



South Belt area schools excel

PISD hosts sectional Punt, Pass and Kick

Pasadena ISD held its annual Punt, Pass and Kick Sectional competition at Veterans Memorial Stadium Oct. 18, giving more than 8,500 eligible students districtwide a chance to showcase their football skills. A total of 275 students advanced to the sectional championship after winning the local competition at their home campuses.

Sponsored by the National Football League, Punt, Pass and Kick is a national skills competition for boys and girls, ages 8 to 15 in which students earn points for their distance and accuracy in punting, passing and place kicking. Boys and girls compete separately in four different age divisions including 8 to 9, 10 to 11, 12 to 13 and 14 to 15.

Pasadena ISD hosts the largest Punt, Pass and Kick sectional competition in the state, giving students a chance to gain bragging rights and move on to the Team Championship, which will be held at NRG Stadium home of the Houston Texans, in November.

The winners at sectionals will have their scores compared with other sectional champions. The top four from the pool of sectional champions in each age bracket in the girls' and boys' divisions will advance to the Team Championship, with the ultimate goal of making it to the National Finals during the NFL playoffs.

Punt, Pass and Kick is part of Pasadena ISD's physical education curriculum at its elementary, middle and intermediate schools. For 30 years, the program has continuously provided an avenue for P.E. teachers and coaches to teach the fundamentals of football and the importance of team work.

"Students who compete in this event have an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of the game, along with basic punting, passing and kicking skills," said Pam Tevis, the district's health, P.E. and wellness coordinator.

"In addition, students are exposed to the culture of football which helps them gain skills that can be applied to in the classroom and beyond." Punt, Pass and Kick sectional champions were recognized at Veterans Stadium, Oct. 20, before the start of the varsity football game between Memorial and Pasadena High Schools.

2016 Pasadena ISD Punt, Pass and Kick Winners

8 to 9-year-old Girls: 1st place – Emma Reeves, Turner; 2nd place – Karyme Leal, Frazier; 3rd place – Victoria Perrett, Pearl Hall

8 to 9-year-old Boys: 1st place – Jarvis Solomon, Frazier; 2nd place – Logan Johnson, Teague; 3rd place – Tyree Drumgo, South Belt

10 to 11-year-old Girls: 1st place – Bella Perez, Melillo; 2nd place – Laysha Maldonado, Milstead; 3rd place – Alexis Lovett, Kendrick

10 to 11-year-old Boys: 1st place – Esteban Nava - Shaw; 2nd place – Ivan Arredondo, Turner; 3rd place – Quincy Mack Jr., Morris

12 to 13-year-old Girls: 1st place – Hannah Villanueva, Jackson; 2nd place – Mia Juarez, Milstead; 3rd place – Abigail Morales, Schneider

12 to 13-year-old Boys: 1st place – Norberto Andrade, Kendrick; 2nd place – Alexsander Luna, DeZavala; 3rd place – Antonio Cavazos, Kendrick

14 to 15-year-old Girls: 1st place – Erika Reyes, Queens; 2nd place – Chloe Baeuchamp, Park View; 3rd place – Mayza Sharry, Miller

14 to 15-year-old Boys: 1st place – Joshua Hernandez, Thompson; 2nd place – Michael Lomas, Jackson; 3rd place – Armond Robinson, Park View

The Frazier Elementary Owls were well-represented at the Pasadena Independent School District's annual Punt, Pass and Kick competition Oct. 18, at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. The students qualified for sectionals by doing well at the Owls' PPK event. From left, the Frazier qualifiers were Nate Bennett, Jarvis Solomon, Karyme Leal and Saniyah Thomas. At the PISD competition, Solomon was the champion in the 8 to 9-year-old boys' division and Leal placed second in the 8 to 9-year-old girls' division.

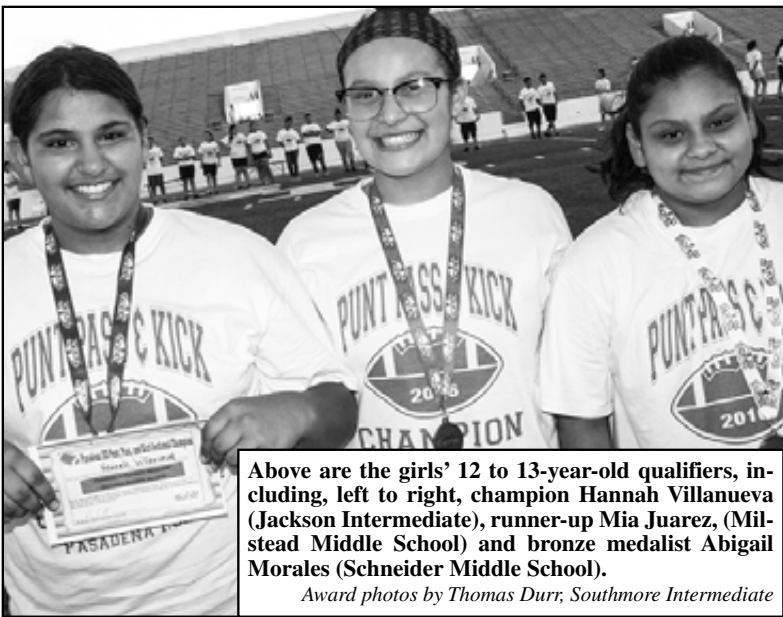


At left, the Pasadena Independent School District's 8 to 9-year-old boys' qualifiers included, left to right, Jarvis Solomon of Frazier Elementary, runner-up Logan Johnson of Teague Elementary and third-place winner Tyree Drumgo of South Belt Elementary.



At left, the girls' 8 to 9-year-old qualifiers from the sectional competition at Veterans Stadium included, left to right, champion Emma Reeves of Turner Elementary, runner-up Karyme Leal of Frazier Elementary and Victoria Perrett of Pearl Hall Elementary, the third-place winner in the age group.

Winners hope trip to Texans' NRG Stadium is up next



Above are the girls' 12 to 13-year-old qualifiers, including, left to right, champion Hannah Villanueva (Jackson Intermediate), runner-up Mia Juarez, (Milstead Middle School) and bronze medalist Abigail Morales (Schneider Middle School). Award photos by Thomas Durr, Southmore Intermediate



From the Pasadena ISD sectionals' 14 to 15-year-old girls' division, champion Erika Reyes of Queens Intermediate is shown with third-place winner Mayza Sharry of Miller Intermediate. Not pictured is runner-up Chloe Baeuchamp of Park View Intermediate.



At left, the boys' 10 to 11-year-old top-three from the Pasadena ISD sectional competition included champion Esteban Nava of Shaw Middle School, runner-up Ivan Arredondo of Turner Elementary and Quincy Mack Jr. of Morris Middle School.



At left, PISD recognized its top-three finishers in the boys' 12 to 13-year-old age division, including, left to right, champion Norberto Andrade of Kendrick Middle School, runner-up Alexsander Luna of DeZavala Middle School and Antonio Cavazos of Kendrick Middle School, the third-place winner.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

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

Clear Lake Bridge Club – 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.

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

CrossRoads UMC – Invites everyone to the Thursday night service beginning with a light meal and fellowship at 6 p.m. followed by a praise, worship and prayer service at 7 p.m. Directly afterward both pastors lead a Bible study in both English and Spanish. Everyone is welcome to join! 10030 Scarsdale Blvd.

Kirkwood Civic Association meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd. For more information call Ericka McCrutchon at 281-989-9990.

Well Spouse Support Group – meets the last Thursday at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale, with the spouse of a chronically ill/disabled person, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Childcare is free. No meetings in Nov. or Dec. For details, contact Jennifer Miller at houstonwellspouse@gmail.com or 713-724-2360, or visit http://www.wellspouse.org.

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

Al-Anon (English) – Support for family and friends of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 215. Call 281-487-

8787, or drop in. **Alateen** – Support for teens, friends and family members of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

Alcoholics Anonymous – Alcohol problems? Meets Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-204-2481.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

El Franco Lee Community Center – has a day trip for seniors, age 55 and older, to Orange, Texas, to visit the Shangri La Gardens on Friday, Oct. 28. The cost is \$5.25 (no refunds). Lunch is on your own at Robert's Steakhouse. The bus leaves the center at 7 a.m. Space is limited. There is a waiting list. The current entrance (due to construction) is on the east side closest to Dobie High School. Call the center at 281-464-9708 for details.

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

Clear Lake Bridge Club – Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) – West End Group, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church, 12005 County Rd. 39, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish) – Support for family/friends of alcoholics/addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, room 215, First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

Bay Area Genealogical Society – hosts a presentation by

Fidel Ramirez, technology director of Clayton Library Friends, discussing mobile apps and equipment for genealogy research. Meet-and-greet starts at 6:30 p.m. and the program is at 7 p.m. in the Chapel at University Baptist Church, 16106 Middlebrook Drive, Clear Lake. For details, visit www.TxBayAreaGen.org.

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

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous – "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

Free community exercise – offered Saturdays by certified personal trainer and "Brains and Balance" specialist Lisa Maki for active adults age 60 and older, who value mental acuity and physical stability. Age 59 and younger are welcome for \$3 per class. Call 832-212-5191 for details or to confirm a spot, 16202A Hickory Knoll Dr. in Clear Lake.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) – Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) – For women affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United

Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

Clear Lake Bridge Club – Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Congregation Shaar Hashalom – Presents *Line by Line with the Prophets*, sessions by Rabbi Stuart Federow, 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at 16020 El Camino Real, 77062, the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. Everyone is welcome. Previous classes are not required. Visit www.shaarhashalom.org or contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.

Clear Lake Bridge Club – Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.

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

Grief Support Group – For adults who have lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. For details, call 281-487-8787.

Celebrate Recovery – A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., in the Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for details or to RSVP for child care.

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CALENDAR

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30
 6:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Candlelight Meeting, Sunday, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in. 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611. 8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-204-2481.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31
 10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays, 10 to 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details. 11:30 a.m.
Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in. Noon

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611. 3:15 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise and speech therapy for adults with Parkinson's, 3:15 to 4:45 p.m., Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for details. 6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details. 6:30 p.m.
Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting - Mondays at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland. Enter door next to recycling bins. For details, call 713-865-3668 or visit www.oahouston.org. 7 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Friends Helping Friends Grief Support Group - meets Mondays, Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster, 7 to 8:15 p.m., in the Team Conference Room. Anyone who's lost a loved one is welcome. Free. For information, call Mrs. Barry Craven at 281-486-4241 or R. Sanchez at 281-337-4365. 7:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., 77089. For details, call Russell at 832-483-6715.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For information, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in. 9:30 a.m.
Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For details, call 713-472-0565. 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details. 11:30 a.m.

Local NARFE Meeting - National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets the first Tuesday at Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 NASA Pkwy. Lunch is \$6. For information, call Bob Mitchell at 281-333-2881. Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch is \$15. Variety of speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or visit nalix@texascitizens-bank.com. 1 p.m.
Trailmixers - Meets the first Tuesday at Luby's, 11595 Fuqua. Former and current employees of J. Frank Dobie High School are welcome. 1:30 p.m.
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., 1:30 p.m. For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713. 2 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class - Sunday and Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or call 281-488-6318.

6 p.m.
Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish) - Support for family/friends of alcoholics/addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, room 215, First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
Bay Area Quilt Guild - Meets the first Tuesday at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Fellowship is at 6:30 p.m.; meeting/program begins at 7 p.m. The guest speaker for November is Jackie Hillman, a longtime quilter, will present the program "The Goose is Loose on the Ranch", sharing ways to add originality and sparkle to the traditional flying geese block. Learn new techniques and see great quilts. Guests are welcome. For more information, call Debby Benson at 713-248-8757, visit www.Facebook.com/BayAreaQuiltGuild or bayareaquiltguild.org. 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611. 8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-204-2481.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in. 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details. Noon
Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club - meets monthly, first and third Wednesday, noon, Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena. December may be an exception. For information, call Monica Montoya at 281-794-5531.
American Business Women's Association Bay Area Vision Chapter - Meets at Bon Appetit Cafe, 18027 Point Lookout Dr., 77058, monthly, first Wednesday, noon to 1:30 p.m. Professional speaker often present. For details, contact Christie O'Rear at christieorear@gmail.com.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611. 1 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has free Hump Day Dance to practice ball-room dance, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card. Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details, call Neva Schroder at 417-838-2204.

6 p.m.
Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish) - Support for family/friends of alcoholics/addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, room 215, First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
Alzheimer's Support Group - meets the first Wednesday, classrooms 3 and 4 (third floor), Bayshore Medical Center, 4000 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena. For information, call 713-944-4782 or 713-266-6400. Free. 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention - Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse support group for women. Visit www.bayareaturningpoint.org for information. 8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in. 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details. Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611. 6 - 8 p.m.
CrossRoads UMC - Invites everyone to the Thursday night service beginning with a light meal and fellowship at 6 p.m. followed by a praise, worship and prayer service at 7 p.m. Directly afterward both pastors lead a Bible study in both English and Spanish. Everyone is welcome to join! 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. 7 p.m.
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Al-Anon (English) - Support for family and friends of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 215. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in. 7 p.m.
Alateen - Support for teens, friends and family members of alcoholics/addicts, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
The Bay Area Writers League - Meets the first Thursday monthly, Barnes and Noble, 1029 W. Bay Area Blvd., 7 p.m. Newcomers welcome. 8:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-204-2481.

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Dolphins' cheer takes second at BAFL battle



The South Belt Dolphins' cheerleading squad placed second overall at the Bay Area Football League's annual competition, held Oct. 16 at Friendswood High School. The squad also won the Judges' Award for Best Crowd Pleaser. Members of the squad are, left to right, (front row) Camila Contreras, Amari Finner, Tiondra Harris, Kimberly Tovar, Vanessa Delao, Kennedy Scimmons, Kalyn Montemayor, (back row) Ray-

ven Gavin, Ashley Rodriguez, Ericka Lopez, Selena Sanchez, Evbu Edigin, Ambreon Jones, Maria Manzano, Alexis Taylor and Isabella Lara. With the BAFL regular season now complete, the cheerleading squad is ready to root for the Dolphins' senior and sophomore division football teams that are competing in the first round of the postseason Saturday, Oct. 29.

Cowgirls' cheer places fourth



The Sagemont Cowgirls' cheerleading squad placed fourth out of a field of 18 at the Bay Area Football League's cheer competition held Oct. 16, at Friendswood High School. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Ashlyne Me-

dina, Abigail Yanez, Nylah Banks, Angelina Sanchez, Zoe Espinoza, (back row) Lauren Rodriguez, Madisyn Saenz, Hailey Villela, Chelsey Blanton and Katelyn Mendoza.

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Trojans outlast Longhorns 24-17

Continued from Page 1B horns. And South Houston did so by playing a solid, time-consuming game against Dobie.

South Houston scored on its first possession of the game, getting a 13-yard touchdown gallop from running back Ethan Ponce with 9 minutes, 52 seconds left in the first quarter.

Dobie came back with a 57-yard run from Broderick Martin on his first carry of the game, but the Longhorns' drive stalled as the Trojans came up with a fourth-down stop. With 4:28 left in the second quarter, the Trojans went ahead 14-0 on a 4-yard scoring run by quarterback Torrence Stevens, who finished the first half with 78 yards on 15 carries, including four third-down runs that became first downs.

Dobie ended its drought at the end of the first half, even as another Trojan

defensive stand prevented a touchdown. Instead of risking another stop on fourth down, Dobie settled for a 23-yard field goal from Sabino Lozano.

Dobie got the ball first to start the third quarter, but could not get much going.

With 8:52 left in the third, Stevens made it 21-3, adding a 5-yard touchdown run.

South Houston's Daniel Moreno made it 24-3 with a 37-yard field goal at the 11:09 mark of the fourth quarter.

Had it not been for a botched punt by South Houston thereafter, the score likely would have remained the same.

Instead, Dobie got a 17-yard touchdown run from quarterback Jeremy Davis with 6:48 left. Now up 24-10, the Trojans played conservatively, going 3-and-out.

Kris Morris punched it in from a yard out with 2:48 left, but the ensuing onside kick went out of bounds. From there, South Houston survived to grab the playoff race edge.

Dobie netters see season end at areas

Dobie's team tennis season is complete after a pair of losses to complete the District 21/22-6A Area Championships, but Longhorns' head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. couldn't be any happier for his team.

The Longhorns defeated Goose Creek Memorial 10-4 to reach the tournament semifinals. On Oct. 21, Dobie made the early-morning trip to Kingwood, where the state's 17th-ranked team awaited. The Mustangs wound up beating Dobie 19-0, and the Longhorns then lost a 17-2 match to Baytown Sterling in an afternoon session at Strawberry Park for third place, but Moreno was undeterred.

"We knew Kingwood was state-ranked, but we really played some competitive matches along the way and gave ourselves a chance to get some wins," Moreno said.

"I was so proud of this group. They battled all season, and really represented their school and their community so well. It's not the way we wanted to see the season end, but we played two very good teams. Against Baytown Sterling, I think we were a little tired, but that was after a long day of travel and tennis."

Kingwood won the area championship when Deer Park, who had lost to Kingwood 19-0 during the regular season, conceded the finals. Apparently, a trip to Kingwood simply wasn't worth it to the Deer. Kingwood and Deer Park will represent 21/22-6A at the Region III tournament at Deer Park High School's South campus Oct. 27-28.

Nguyen defeated Joel Herrera and Sandeep Singh of Sterling, 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 10-6.

Looking ahead to next team tennis season, the Longhorns should be loaded for a chance to win the District 22-6A crown after finishing second this season.

Seniors Steven Phan, Hellen Le, Alice Phan and three others not in the regular lineup will certainly be missed after making great contributions to the program, Moreno said.

But the large majority of the roster will return, including five of the top six boys' players and four of the top six girls' players.



Junior Ricky Perez is one of as many as nine regulars on the Dobie team tennis ladders slated to return next season. It's a statistic that has Dobie head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. excited about 2017-2018.

Brook volleyball in; Dobie out

Continued from Page 1B quite an impressive feat Oct. 25, taking down second-place Clear Falls in straight sets. Not only did the Lady Wildcats close out a perfect 14-0 run through the league, they went undefeated for the third straight season, having claimed 42 straight wins in one of the toughest district alignments the state has to offer.

Clear Falls, the No. 2 seed at 11-3, will face George Ranch in the first round of the postseason, with Clear Creek facing Brazoswood.

As for Clear Brook, the Lady Wolverines defeated winless Alvin Oct. 21, 25-16, 25-14, 25-16, getting to within a win of the postseason. In reach-

ing the postseason, Clear Brook lost its first game to Dickinson 25-19 but then swept past the Gators 25-21, 25-17, 25-15.

The bidistrict playoff round, which will include the Clear Brook/Dawson matchup, will play out Nov. 1.

Dobie out in 22-6A
A forfeit by Pasadena of a match originally won by Pasadena gave Dobie one last chance to slip into the playoffs. It wasn't to be.

Dobie pulled within a win of fourth place after defeating La Porte 26-24, 23-25, 26-24, 25-22 Oct. 21. That tied the two teams at 7-6 entering the final slate of matches Oct. 25. But while La Porte was sweeping past Sam

Rayburn on the final night, the Lady Longhorns lost to third-place Memorial by a 25-15, 21-25, 25-19, 25-20 count.

On the same night, Deer Park claimed a win over Beaumont West Brook to finish the District 22-6A schedule at 14-0. West Brook, the No. 2 playoff seed, finished at 12-2. Memorial went 9-5 to make the playoffs, and La Porte wound up at 7-7 for the fourth seed.

District 22-6A Varsity Volleyball

Teams	W	L
Deer Park	14	0
West Brook	12	2
Memorial	9	5
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