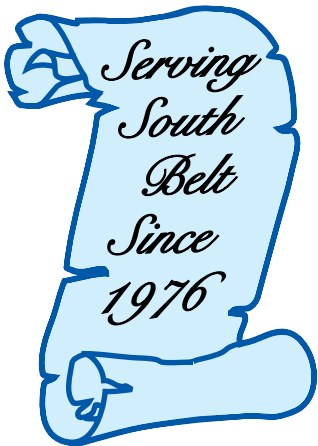




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## City, county election Tuesday, Nov. 6

**By James Bolen**

Sixteen proposed amendments to the state constitution will be offered for approval on the Nov. 6 election ballot. Among these are Proposition 2, which would authorize \$500 million in additional state bonds for college student

loans; Proposition 4, which would authorize \$1 billion in additional state bonds for prisons, the Department of Public Safety, mental health facilities and other state projects; Proposition 11, which would require each legislator's final vote on most legislative bills to be recorded and post-

ed on the Internet; Proposition 12, which would authorize \$5 billion in additional state bonds for highways; Proposition 13, which would allow judges to deny bail to defendants in family violence cases who violate certain conditions of their initial release on bail; and Proposition 15,

which would authorize \$3 billion in bonds for a new program to fund cancer research.

For a full listing of the proposed amendments, visit [www.tlc.state.tx.us](http://www.tlc.state.tx.us).

On the county referendum is a series of bonds totalling \$880 million.

The funds would go toward improving county transportation, parks, infrastructure and Port of Houston facilities and would not require a tax increase.

Residents within the city limits will have a chance to vote for mayor, city controller, city councilmember District E and all at-large councilmember positions.

Candidates for mayor include incumbent Bill White, Amanda C. Ulman and Outlaw Josey Wale IV.

The sole candidate for city controller is Annise D. Parker.

Vying for the District E Council seat are Mike Sullivan, Annette Dwyer, William R. Williams and Manisha Mehta. Addie Wiseman, who currently serves District E, is unable to run again due to term limits.

Peter Brown is the lone candidate for the At Large Position 1 seat.

Candidates for the At Large Position 2 seat include Michael "Griff" Griffin and Sue Lovell.

At Large Position 3 candidates include Melissa Noriega and Roy Morales.

The two candidates running for the At Large Position 4 seat are Lawrence Allen and Ronald Green. The most hotly contested seat belongs to the At-large Position 5, with eight people competing.

These include Jack Chris-tie, Joe Trevino, John Curtis Gibbs, Jolanda Jones, Marlon Barabin, Ray Ramirez, Tom Nixon and Zaf Tahir. Polls will be open on election day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### Arts, crafts at Cokesbury

Santa's Cupboard Arts and Crafts Show will be at Cokesbury United Methodist Church, 10030 Scarsdale, Friday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tea room hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day. Baked goods and cookbooks will be offered by Methodist Women. For more information, call 281-484-9243.

### Turkey dinners for sale

Genoa United Methodist Church, 12501 Palmsprings, will sell turkey dinners on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 2 and 3, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dinners are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children (price includes dessert). Call the church at 713-946-2312 ahead of time to have take-out orders delivered to businesses on Friday.

### Cheer clinic at Dobie

The Dobie Cheer Clinic, *Come Cheer with the Champs!*, will be held Friday, Nov. 2, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Dobie High School. The cheer clinic is open to grades kindergarten through eighth. Participants in third- through eighth-grades are invited to cheer at the Dobie varsity football game on Nov. 3 at Newcomb Field.

The clinic is \$30 per person, which includes the clinic, a T-shirt and pizza. For more information, call Silvia Torres at 281-464-8240.

### Library events scheduled

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale: Movie Madness is Thursday, Nov. 1 and 8, at 4 p.m. Call 281-484-2036 for feature title.

Explore ancestries and family histories during the genealogy discussion group meeting scheduled for Monday, Nov. 5, at 2 p.m.

On Wednesday, Nov. 14, the Non-Toxic Band will help celebrate Children's Book Week at 4 p.m. Joe Romano and Susan Elliott will entertain all ages with their lively music.

There will be no computer classes in November. Storytime for preschoolers is Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Toddler time is Thursday at 10 and 11:15 a.m.

### Dobie band parents meet

The Dobie Band Parent Organization will meet Monday, Nov. 5, at 7:15 p.m. in the band hall. All band parents are urged to attend.

### Dobie Project Grad meets

Dobie Project Graduation meets Monday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria. For information, call Tonya Hebert at 281-935-1083.

### BHI hosts math night

Beverly Hills Intermediate will hold Math Family Fun Night Thursday, Nov. 8, at 6 p.m. There will be games, door prizes and more.

### Fall festival at Shadycrest

Shadycrest Baptist Church will hold its annual Fall Festival and Christian Antique Car Show Saturday, Nov. 3, from 1 to 5 p.m. The public is invited for food and games. A blood mobile and flu shots will be available. For information, call 281-485-1481.

### Vendors needed for craft fair

Moore Elementary will hold its fall carnival Saturday, Nov. 17, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be games, rides and crafts. Vendors are needed for the craft fair. Call 713-740-0656.

### READ at Thompson

Thompson Intermediate will host a School Community READ with author Doug Wilhelm Thursday, Nov. 8, and asks community members and parents to join students, teachers and staff in the school/community READ.

The school selected Doug Wilhelm's book, *The Revelers*, because of its relevance to social issues facing today's youth and because it is a great book to read and discuss with others.

Wilhelm will conduct a writing workshop with seventh-grade students and a 6:30 p.m. forum with parents and community members. Books are available upon request at no charge. To reserve a copy of *The Revelers* and a place at the forum, contact peer facilitator Cory Brunson at 713-740-0510 or [cbrunson@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:cbrunson@pasadenaisd.org).

### T.A.F.E. hosts walk-a-thon

Texas Association of Future Educators and Dobie High students and faculty will host a walk-a-thon Saturday, Nov. 3, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Dobie track. All money earned will go to the Leukemia Research Society.

Sponsors will be asked to donate a set amount for each lap completed within the two-hour time frame.

The walk is in honor of Vanessa Buentello's sister, Celena Buentello, who died Oct. 10, 2007.

To sign up, e-mail Allison Binnicker at [abinicker@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:abinicker@pasadenaisd.org), Elizabeth Binnicker at [ebinnicker@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:ebinnicker@pasadenaisd.org), or Elizabeth Hulsbrink at [ehulsbrink@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:ehulsbrink@pasadenaisd.org).

### Math night at Frazier

Frazier Elementary's Family Math Fun Night will be held at the school on Tuesday, Nov. 6. Kindergarten through second grade will be from 6 to 6:45 p.m., and third and fourth grade will be from 7 to 7:45 p.m., in grade-level classrooms. Each 45-minute segment will consist of two 20-minute sessions of math games and activities, each held in grade-level classrooms. All families who attend will have their names placed in a drawing for a family math gift basket.

### Location of proposed apartments



**Pictured above is the site where the future low-income Regency Park Apartments will be located on the eastbound side of Beltway 8 near Conklin. State law requires that the developer post a sign on the property to notify citizens of the project and of public hearings that would be held regarding it. Local civic groups were not notified of the development, and the sign is difficult to read while driving on the beltway.**

*Photo by David Flickinger*

## City, developer give concessions on proposed apartments

### City to change policy; developer willing to set up tutoring for resident students, join area chamber

**By James Bolen**

While Houston City Council approved the construction of the low-income Regency Park Apartments on Wednesday, Oct. 31, its members agreed to address issues brought up by community leaders for similar developments in the future.

Although the fight to block the project was unsuccessful, considerable concessions from the city and the developer were obtained. Among these will be a complete overhaul of the way the city handles the notification process (with input from the South Belt area). The developer will soon be meeting with school district and South Belt community officials.

A primary concern was whether the developer followed protocol when applying for state tax incentives.

State law requires that any low-income housing developer contact local state representatives and senators, the mayor's office and city council

members, the presiding county judge or commissioner, the local school district superintendent, the presiding officer of the school district's board of trustees and neighborhood organizations on record with the city, county and state whose boundaries include the proposed development site no later than 21 days prior to the date the application is submitted.

While all of the elected officials and the Pasadena Independent School District were notified, not all of the neighborhood organizations were. According to Toni Jackson, a representative for the developer of the proposed project, the community civic groups that were notified include the Arlington Heights Civic Club, the West Branch Community Association, the Minnetex Club and Braeburn Valley Homeowners Association.

Of these four groups, only the Arlington Heights Civic Club, located near Edgebrook and

South Shaver, is remotely near the planned apartments to be located at Beltway 8 and Southdown Trace Trail by Conklin.

The West Branch Community Association is located near Clay Road and Beltway 8, the Minnetex Civic Club is located near E. Orem Drive and Highway 288, and the Braeburn Valley Home Owner's Association is located near South Gessner and South Braeswood.

The City of Houston's Web site lists the civic groups of Beverly Hills, Gulf Palms (in Genoa where the children would attend the elementary school), Kirkwood, Sagemont and Scarsdale. None of these neighborhood organizations were notified, however, even though all of them are located far closer to the proposed construction.

Another concern is whether the developer provided the appropriate notification of a public hearing, which is also required by state law.

Both PISD Superintendent Kirk Lewis and Rep. Robert Talton said they received letters

## State returns funds for community college healthcare

On Tuesday, Oct. 23, Texas Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and Speaker Tom Craddick announced a plan to reinstate \$154 million in healthcare funds to all 50 Texas community colleges, including San Jacinto College. This, after the funds were originally vetoed in June.

In unveiling the plan, state leaders announced the creation of a task force to study higher education incentive funding. Additionally, leadership offices reached an agreement on the appropriate definition of proportionality to include

only those community college employees actually paid with state funds.

"This is a good first step," said Dr. Bill Lindemann, chancellor of San Jacinto College. "I appreciate the leadership coming together in a cooperative way to find a solution. San Jacinto sincerely appreciates the strong, unanimous support from its state representatives and senators."

Texas community colleges will receive \$99 million to pay the state's share of health benefits for eligible community college employees. An additional one-time payment of \$55 million to

transition to the agreed definition of proportionality for health insurance benefits will also be made. The funds will be allocated through a combination of budget execution or other existing transfer authority by Sept. 1, 2008. Any funds removed from another appropriation for

this purpose will be restored through a supplemental appropriation when the Legislature reconvenes in January 2009. These funds are critical in allowing the state's community colleges to remain affordable and accessible.

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## SJC tax rates 14.5365 for 3 years

At its regularly scheduled meeting on Oct. 8, the San Jacinto College District Board of Trustees voted unanimously to maintain the current adopted tax rate for the 2007 tax year.

The district is required by state law to publish truth-in-taxation notices that analyze increases in revenue whether the increases stem from increases in property tax rates or appraised values. (See Page 2A.)

For 2007, the district is anticipating increases in revenue from higher appraised values and new property that has been added to the rolls during the past year.

The district is not proposing an increase in the

tax rate – the proposed rate of 14.5365 cents is the same tax rate that was in effect for 2006 and 2005.

Property owners may see a tax increase or decrease based on the change in the taxable value of their property.

Of the total rate, 11.5927 cents is allocated for the purpose of maintaining and operating the college, while the remaining 2.9438 cents is paying interest and principal on the college's outstanding general obligation bonds.

The board of trustees will make its final vote at the regular meeting of the board Monday, Nov. 5, at the district office.

## Ellington Field book published

**By James Bolen**

Local author and historian Kathryn Morrow recently published a book titled "Defenders of America's Gulf Coast: A History of Ellington Field, Texas 1917-2007."

The release of the book coincides with the 90th anniversary of the base, which is to be celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 3.

The youngest child of an Air Force officer who served at Ellington Field, Morrow has always had an interest in the base and aviation.

In fact, while studying for her master's degree at the University of Houston-Clear Lake, the author chose Ellington's history as her thesis topic. Upon researching the project, Morrow discovered the base had a rich social history.

While the thesis dealt primarily with academic analysis, the book format allows Morrow to share more of the base's social significance.

For instance, the author points out Ellington Field's occupancy parallels that of the boom and bust cycle of Houston's economy.

Like many in the area, Morrow is vehemently opposed to the removal of the 147th Fighter Wing's fleet of F-16s from the military base. "It's a tragic mistake to take [the aircraft] away," she said, adding, "This area is extremely vulnerable."

In 2005, Morrow traveled to San Antonio to attend the Base Realignment and Closure hearings in hopes of persuading Department of Defense officials to keep the fleet of planes at Ellington Field.

Morrow, however, is a strong supporter of the joint military reserve being constructed at the

base. "I think it's wonderful," she said.

Also a professional researcher, Morrow has a keen interest in genealogy and often aids others trace their family lineage. In particular, she is interested in researching African-American ancestry. "I like to help people who are stuck, and African-Americans are stuck behind a wall of slavery," she said.

Drawing from this research, Morrow published the books "Guide to the Texas Slave Trade Series: 1818-1886" and "Southeast Texas Colored Voter Registration and Index."

Additionally, the author penned a series of research papers titled "Restoring Identities, Finding Families," which is aimed at documenting the names of slaves who were in Texas before the Civil War.

Combining her interest in Ellington Field's history and her affinity for African-American history, Morrow also wrote the book "79th Aviation Squadron: Black Soldiers at Ellington Field, Texas in WWII."

Upcoming projects for the historian include a biography about the grandson of Apache Chief Peaches, who would later work as a scout for the U.S. Army and a biography of South Belt resident Capt. A. J. High, who served in the then-U.S. Army Air Corps before piloting for Trans-Texas Airways, which would later evolve into Continental Airlines.

Morrow and her husband Michael live in Clear Lake and have four children and nine grandchildren.

To order one of the author's books, visit [www.kathrynmmorrowresearch.com](http://www.kathrynmmorrowresearch.com).

## Wiseman at The Gardens



**Houston City Councilmember Addie Wiseman (center) hosted a meet and greet at The Gardens on Thursday, Oct. 18. Wiseman is term limited and is in her last year as a councilmember. Pictured with Wiseman are, left to right, Martha Wilson, president of the Genoa Civic Club, Flo Parker, LaRue Welch and Cecil Strange.**

*Photo by Marie Flickinger*



# Readers’ Opinions

## Dolphins thank area for injury concern

On behalf of the Southbelt Dolphins Youth Football League I would like to thank everyone that checked on Jacoby Lewis Saturday after his injury during the game. Our prayers were answered. Jacoby ended up having an injury to his wrist. Thank You again for everyone showing support and for your prayers.

**Jeremy Ward**  
**Dolphins Athletic Director**  
**Publisher's note:** Lewis was injured and for a while, unable to move his legs.

## Troubled over lack of street lighting

I appreciate the fact that the school hours have changed for our local high school students as it makes traffic flow a bit smoother for some areas. However, did anyone give any thought to the student's safety while waiting for a school bus at 6:30 a.m.?

Today, a student was almost hit by a car at the corner of Sageglenn and Olive-wood due to lack of street lighting. It's almost impossible to see the stop signs much less someone crossing the street. In addition, the Texas Department of Public Safety has a sexual offender's home address listed as one very near

this bus stop. I'm certain that there are other areas in our neighborhood with similar concerns so, I'd like to ask you for assistance. Can you please provide the name of person(s)/agency responsible for providing adequate street lighting for this particular area? Just for the record, Harris County seems to think that it's the City of Houston's responsibility and vice versa. Perhaps it's the responsibility of P.I.S.D.? Greatly appreciate your assistance.

**Linda Sigue**

## Clanton supports Proposition 15

The American Cancer Society supports the cancer research proposal on the ballot now in Texas, Proposition 15. We encourage voters to vote for Prop 15.

As the foremost private not-for-profit funder of cancer research, we know the importance of an additional \$300 million a year dedicated to cancer prevention and research in Texas. Nobel Prizes were awarded this month and American Cancer Society researchers won two for scientific breakthroughs, which brings to 42 the number of Nobel Prize winning scientists that have been funded by the Society. We've funded research leading to the first chemotherapy, mammography technology, bone marrow transplanta-tion, the PSA prostate cancer test, a host

of lifesaving drugs, and discoveries related to genetics and molecular biology.

Despite these advances and those of the federal government's National Cancer Institute, it's not enough. About one-third of the 95,000 Texans who will be diagnosed with cancer this year will not survive. One in two men and one in three women in Texas will develop cancer during their lifetime. No dollar value can be placed on the lives lost and the families disrupted by cancer. New research could provide new discoveries that lead to thousands of lives saved from the ravages of cancer. A vote for Prop 15 could do more for the battle against cancer than any vote ever cast in Texas.

**Mark Clanton, MD, MPH**  
Chief Staff Medical Officer  
American Cancer Society

## Don't believe hype for Proposition 15

*With the hype surrounding Proposition 15 (the issuance of cancer bonds by the state) at a fevered pitched, I thought your readers might find of interest a commentary written by someone who recently lost his wife to cancer – but is strongly opposed to this expenditure of taxpayer dollars. Ron Trowbridge, Ph.D., has been published widely on the problems with the current drug approval process, including a piece in the Wall Street Journal. I hope your readers find you can use this piece, in which Dr. Trowbridge offers a different perspective on an emotional issue. Respectfully,*

**Michael Quinn Sullivan**  
President, Texans for Fiscal Responsibility

As one whose wife died of cancer, I might at first blush appear surprisingly to be the grinch who stole Christmas. But it would be intellectually remiss not to reveal the shortcomings and alternatives to Propo-sition 15, on the ballot November 6.

Texans will be asked to authorize the state (that is, taxpayers) to issue \$300 million a year for 10 years (\$3 billion) for research on the causes and cures for cancer. Actually, the cost would be \$4.6 billion, with \$1.6 billion added for interest on the bonds.

It is a humane cause, but voters need more information. Here are five points you probably won't hear from Proposition 15's well-intentioned supporters.

One. The average cost of getting a cancer drug through the FDA's clearance process is now \$1.4 billion, roughly \$700

million for Research and Development and \$700 million for clinical trials. And it takes an average of eight years for a drug to gain approval through the FDA's Phases 1, 2, and 3 of clinical trials. Were the full \$3 billion given tomorrow to Proposition 15's newly proposed Cancer Prevention and Research Institute, the bond issue could fund only two drugs that would take nearly a decade for market approval. And they'd better both work, without a flaw or hitch.

Meanwhile, pharmaceutical compa-nies are spending multiple billions of dol-lars each year on researching, testing, and providing cancer drugs.

Two. Just what would the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute spend money on? What types of cancer, what types of treatment? What types of researchers? Are taxpayers expected to provide an irrevocable, blank check for \$3 billion in good faith only?

Three. As Richard Epstein, Professor of Law at the University of Chicago and author of the recent book Overdose: How Excessive Government Regulation Sti-fles Pharmaceutical Innovation, urges, the FDA needs "to relax the rules on [drug] entry, not subsidize research, under the current system." There are many inves-tigational drugs in clinical trials that the FDA has found both safe and effective enough to continue testing on human beings. Earlier access to these drugs would extend the lives of tens of thou-sands of terminal cancer victims yearly.

My own wife received such an investi-gational drug, which extended her life by seven months and, more important, rid-ded her entirely of torturous, morphine-treated pain. Then, rather than relax the rules for such a safe and effective drug for many, the FDA took the drug off the market.

Four. Since Texas's Cancer Prevention and Research Institute would share its research advances ubiquitously with the other 49 states, the local Texas subsi-dies, notes Epstein, "would provide the greatest net benefit to cancer patients outside Texas, not those within it." It would therefore make greater sense to establish a national movement at the National Institutes of Health. All states share in the benefits, so let all states in some way help pay for them. "The liber-alization of (FDA) approval rules," notes Epstein, "has the real advantage of stim-ulating research everywhere."

Five. Texans would gain more research advantages and faster not by giving local subsidies to a cancer insti-

tute, but by proactively working to encourage passage of the ACCESS Act in Congress.

This Act (Senate Bill 1956 and House Resolution 6303) would permit earlier access to promising investigational drugs that the FDA has found both safe and effective enough to continue testing on patients. The decision to use these drugs would remain between the oncolo-gist and patient informed about possible risks. In an age of Vioxx fear and demand for drug safety, the FDA would still retain significant control and record-keeping under this Act.

Texans are a generous, compassion-

ate people. But our compassion cannot be measured by government debt and new tax burdens, it must be examined in the light of impact. Sadly, Proposition 15's most notable impact will be the expenditure of \$4.6 billion that could have been used more effectively and effi-ciently in private hands.

**Ronald L. Trowbridge, Ph. D.**  
*Ronald Trowbridge, Ph.D., is a fellow at Texans for Fiscal Responsibility and Empower Texans. In his distinguished career, Dr. Trowbridge was chief-of-staff to U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger and the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution.*

## College gets back funding

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Perry, in consultation with the lieutenant gov-ernor and speaker, will also appoint a task force to make recommendations, to be considered by the 2009 Legislature, on how future incentive funds should be allocated.

The state's leaders also committed to exploring future incentive funding increases for higher educa-tion.

"I am pleased a consen-sus was reached on appro-priate health benefit fund-ing. And I am encouraged that we not only clarified the truth-in-budgeting stan-dard for community col-leges, but we were also able to place a greater emphasis on achievement through incentive funding," said Perry. "Community col-leges are an integral part of our higher education sys-tem in Texas and, through incentive funding, we can begin to hold all our institu-tions of higher education accountable for the students they produce rather than just those they enroll."

# Congressman works to secure NASA funds

U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson, applauded the planned in-creased funding for NASA for 2008. He encourages his colleagues to support passage of the funding into law.

Lampson was recognized by House leadership and the Appropriations Subcommit-tee chairman for his efforts.

"For too many years, NASA has been woefully underfunded, and as a result we run the risk of our nation's space program losing its ranking and reputation as the global leader in scientific endeavors and exploration," said Lampson.

"With the looming retire-ment of the space shuttle, planned exploration of the moon, and the future of orbital and planetary pro-

grams at stake, we simply cannot afford to leave NASA's budget high and dry during this critical time."

NASA is funded in the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill, and the House Appropriations pro-posed funding NASA at \$17,622,500,000, a \$313,100,000 increase over the administra-tion's request.

Lampson arranged for several meetings between NASA Administrator Michael Griffin and congressional leaders and key members.

The meetings were suc-cessful in securing commit-ments to NASA's future pri-orities. NASA's proposed budget includes funding for aeronautics, education, ex-ploration and science, which

covers many priorities includ-ing space travel, hurricane satellites, environmental re-search and other scientific matters and projects.

Lampson also added that "the Johnson Space Center in the 22nd Congressional Dis-trict of Texas serves as a key component of the southeast Texas economy, employ-ing the best and brightest minds who work hard and serve as leaders in the sciences, edu-cation, business and human space exploration, not to mention the important roles they and their families play in our local communities. As long as I'm in Congress, I will aggressively champion NASA's cause and continue to push for more funding for future years."

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# Deaths

## Celena Buentello



Celena Marie Buentello, 13, died Oct. 10, 2007.

She is survived by her par-ents, Ramiro Buentello and Elsa Abrego Buentello, sister Vane, grandmothers Martha Abrego and Rebeca Buentello and many relatives and friends.

Buentello was in the eighth grade at Beverly Hills Intermediate and a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church. She also attended Moore Ele-mentary and Morris Fifth Grade Center.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 13, at Forest Park Lawndale.

## Klaus Gerlach

Klaus Gerlach, 83, died Monday, Sept. 3, 2007.

Gerlach was born Sept. 15, 1923, in Koenigsberg, East Prussia, Germany. He served as a flight instructor and fighter pilot in the German Air Force (Luft-waffe) from 1942 through the end of WWII when he crash-landed an FW-190 at an air-field in southern Germany. He awoke from his coma to discover the military hospital was under U.S. Occupation forces. The return to his homeland after the war was not possible due to the Russian occupation.

Gerlach's mother's brother, Gerch Vondergoltz, made it possible for him to immi-grate to the United States in 1950.

Gerlach reported to the draft board as required by U.S. immigration laws, but could not pass his physical which would have allowed him to join the Air National Guard at Ellington to fly P-51s in the Korean conflict.

Gerlach met and married Joanne Edwina Friedrichs in 1951 and had six children. He was a longtime employee of Stauffer Chemical Com-

pany, where he went from being a shift worker to man-aging start-up operations.

After retirement, he went back to work as consultant for Rhone-Poulenc.

Gerlach is survived by his wife, Beverly Gerlach; sister Barbara Saetteli in Germany; his children: daughter Moni-ca Cross and husband Alan, granddaughter Stacey and grandsons Jonathon and Zachary; daughter Alexandra "Zanna" Taylor and grand-daughters Leslie, Susan and Amanda; son Roderic "Rod" Gerlach and granddaughter Cara; daughter Gloria Cybul-ski and husband Don with granddaughter Victoria; daugh-ter Patricia "Patsy" Sewell and husband Lee; son Chris-topher "Chris" Gerlach, grand-daughters Jessica and Jade and grandson Donovan Klaus Gerlach.

A memorial celebration of life was held Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, at Forest Park Lawndale.

Memorial donations may be made to the charity of choice in memory of Klaus Gerlach.

## Joanne Edwina Gerlach

Joanne Edwina Friedrichs Gerlach, 81, died Saturday, Oct. 6, 2007, from complica-tions of Alzheimer's disease.

Gerlach, daughter of Lynne and John Edwin Friedrichs, was born Jan. 6, 1926, in St. Louis, Mo. She was the old-est child with three brothers, John, Richard and Phil, who all predeceased her.

She grew up in the St. Louis and Chicago areas and attended high school in Chicago during World War II. She helped with the war effort by working nights at Douglas Aircraft while attending school during the day. Later, she attended the University of Illinois in Chicago. In 1950, she left college to rejoin her parents in Houston, where she met Klaus Gerlach over the Christmas holidays. They married June 7, 1951, and had six children. She was a stay-at-home mom until the early 1980s, when she re-entered the workforce and was employed by Oshman's Sporting Goods until the age of 70. She lived in the Freeway Manor subdivision for more than 51 years.

Gerlach's passion was helping others. She started her volunteer work at an early age, and it lasted until she was

no longer physically able.

For the Red Cross, she trained others in CPR, first aid, swimming and lifesav-ing. She was a certified water safety instructor and taught and managed summer swim programs at Reveille, Glen-brook and Wilson public swimming pools for many years. She assisted the Red Cross in disaster relief in the Houston area.

Gerlach volunteered for multiple PTAs, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and anything else her children or their schools (A.B. Freeman, South Hous-ton Intermediate and South Houston High School) needed.

Throughout her life, Ger-lach gave more than 10 gal-lons of blood to various blood banks. She was an original member of Unity Church of Christianity in Houston and volunteered at the church for more than 50 years.

Gerlach had a love of reading and books which she shared with her family and friends. She believed in nat-ural foods, home births and healing, and practiced these beliefs throughout her life. She sold vitamins and miner-als for Nutralite (later Am-way) for many years because of her belief in the products. She was a member of Toastmas-ters and Silva Mind Control.

Gerlach is survived by her six children and twelve grandchildren: daughter Moni-ca Cross and husband Alan, grandchildren Stacey, Jona-thon and Zachary; daughter Alexandra "Zanna" Taylor, grandchildren Leslie, Susan and Amanda; son Roderic, grandchild Cara, and step-grandchild Serena; daughter Gloria Cybulski and husband Don, grandchild Victoria; daughter Patsy Sewell and hus-band Lee; son Christopher Gerlach, grandchildren Jessi-ca, Donovan Klaus and Jade.

A celebration of life was held Saturday, Oct. 13, at Forest Park Lawndale.

Memorial donations may be made to the Red Cross or the charity of choice in the name of Joanne Gerlach.

To visit Joanne Gerlach's memorial Web site, visit [www.mem.com](http://www.mem.com).

## Lee V. Benner

Lee V. Benner, 70, died Thursday morning, Oct. 25, 2007. He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Vivian; daughters and sons-in-law, Becky Benner of Houston, Beth and Dan Doster of League City, Bonnie and Joey Burden of Livermore,

Ky.; grandchildren: Courtney Conerly, Michael Burden, David Burden, Andrew Doster., Rachel Burden and Caleb Conerly.

Benner is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Gary and Ruby Benner, as well as numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Benner was preceded in death by his first wife, Virginia Benner, infant daughter Deborah Benner, stepson Danny Johnson, par-ents Lester and Willie Benner and two brothers, Kenneth Hood and Robert Benner.

Benner was born Aug. 5, 1937, in Pearl, Texas, and grew up in Temple, Texas. In



1960, he graduated from Lamar University with a bachelor's degree in educa-tion. His life's vocation was teaching, until his retirement in 2002 after 42 years of ser-vice. He taught and coach-ed in the Pasadena Indepen-dent School District for 37 years.

He also worked at South Houston High and Jackson Intermediate schools. Benner was a resident of the south-east Houston area for 42 years and of Sagemeadow for the last 18 years.

He attended Sagemont Church and was a former member of both Easthaven Baptist and then First Baptist Pasadena churches.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 30, at Niday Funeral Home. Burial followed at Grandview Mem-orial Park Cemetery. The Rev. Rex Forsythe officiated the service. Pallbearers were Dan Doster, Joey Burden, Michael Burden, David Bur-den, Andrew Doster and Joshua Wingate. Caleb Conerly was an honorary pallbearer.

Memorial donations can be made to the Lee Benner Memorial Scholarship Fund at South Houston High School, 3820 S. Shaver, South Houston, TX 77587.

## Carlton Earl Mathews



Carlton Earl Mathews, died Oct. 24, 2007.

Mathews was a 1978 J. Frank Dobie High School graduate and a longtime South Belt area resident.

Mathews is survived by his wife, Janet A. Mathews; siblings Cheryl Roberts, Charles Mathews Jr., Denise Mathews and Grace McWood-son (Curtis); mother-in-law and father-in law, Louise Jef-ferson and Limas Jefferson; and a host of other relatives and friends.

The funeral service was held Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2007, in the Rose Chapel of Mabrie Memorial Mortuary.

## Censi Koster Hausler

Censi Koster Hausler, 74, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2007. Hausler was born Nov. 12, 1932, in Bremen, Germany. She moved to Houston in 1952, became a U.S. citizen in 1958, and resided in the Sagemont area for the past 45 years.

Hausler is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Sherrie and Bobby Young and children Logan, Lauren and Adam and wife Nikhi; son and daughter-in-law Eric and Lisa Hausler and chil-dren Matthew, Nathan, Ehren and Evan; son and daughter-in-law Christopher and Cindi Hausler and children Megan, Jenna and Shanon; sister-in-law and husband Annemarie and Bob Wheeler; dearest friends Hannelore Cobb and Donna Mathews; and many fond neighbors and friends.

A celebration of Hausler's life will be held at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, in the chapel of Niday Funeral Home, 12440 Beamer Road, with the Rev. James Clark officiating.

# Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The San Jacinto College District

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year by 6.07 percent

on October 25, 2007, at 6:00 PM

and November 1, 2007,

at 6:00 PM.

The San Jacinto College Board of Regents

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will result in that tax increase at a public

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# Beverly Hills releases first nine-weeks honor rolls for 2007-2008

Beverly Hills Intermediate School recently released its honor rolls for the first nine-weeks grading period of 2007-2008. Students receiving recognition are as follows.

**Sixth grade**  
Deanna Marie Alanis, Miryam Alanis, Maria Isabel Alarcon, Eliza Selena Alvarado, Benjamin Dean Arnett, Stephanie Arroyo, Carolina Lynn Brewer, Zachary Thomas Bright, Deja Nadia Brooks, Briana Yolanda Brown, Peter Dinh Bui, Duc Anh Bui, Dustin Tyler Bulman, Carolina Bustos, Courtney Renee Caldwell and Gerardo Alberto Campos.

Nancy Evila Carrillo, Victor Manuel Castillo, Lizbeth Cavazos, Alexandra Guadalupe Cirlos, Eric Daniel Cortes, Giovanni Emmanuel Costilla, Judy Nga Dang, Ariadna Itzamar Delgado, Alyssa Graciela Deluna, Sergio Diosdado, Quang Thanh Do and Russell Glenn Dyess. Daryl Joe Edwards, Edgar Aljandro Escalera, Sarai Virginia Espinoza, Arleni Espinoza, Jacquelyn Mikayla Estrada, Joseph Donnelly Fee, William Fernandez, Laura Elena Flores, Ricky Ted Flores, Breshaun Nicole Franklin, Desire Marie Gabino, Stephanie Alicia Galaviz and Andrea Galvan.

Cassandra Marie Garcia, Efrén Garcia, Joslyn Rene Garcia, Evelin Cristina Garmendezreales, Carolina Garza,

Nicholas Rohan Ghansyam, Courtney Taylor Gonzales, Olivia Irene Gonzales, Hannah Celeste Graham, Cristian Giovanni Guerrero, Mikaela Guevara and Brianna Guevara.

Amy Denise Hallaron, Alondra Liset Harper, Amanda Nicole Head, Sara Nicole Hernandez, Leslie Marie Hernandez, Audrey Alexandra Hernandez, Alexis Nicholle Hicks, Kelsey Huerta, Diana Nelly Ibarra, Megan Jagdeo, Autumn Renee Johnson, Emmi Trang Kieu and Kassandra Lara.

Gina Le, John An Le, Tiffany Kim Trang Le, Jacoby Joseph Lewis, Lauren Alexis Lozano, Artezia Anntena Luna, Destiny Nicole Luna, Jenny Ly, Ivan Macias, Jonathan Javier Martinez, Marlene Martinez, Leomana Kilipaki Martinez, Andrew Medrano, Christopher Melendez and Diana Laura Menchaca.

Jacob Mendoza, Riley Ann Miller, Mohamad Osama Mohamad, Yvonne Marie Molina, Elizabeth Ashley Montemayor, Savannah Nicole Montoya, Luis Angel Mora, Christopher Andrew Morgan, Chansé Manuel Morris, Margherita Saleem Mosley and Geraldine Navarrete.

Amber Autumn Nguyen, Jennifer Nguyen, Anh Thu Cindy Nguyen, Kenny Nguyen, Lucia Nieto, Jaylin Noah, Mykayla Elizabeth Oconnor, Stephanie Orozco, Aliyah Cierra Ortega, Hector Oses, Alejorando Cruz Pack, Colin Andrew Pecot, San Juanita Zujey Pena and Aimee Gabriela Perez.

Eduardo Adrian Perez, Hong Thixuan Pham, Lesley Summer Preza, Kershell Price, Edward Rene Ramirez, Ka-

rina Nichole Ramirez, Jordan Robert Razo, Anyssa Marie Rios, Jonathan Isaac Rivera, Raza Mehdi Rizvi, Sabin Rese Rocha, Breanna Ashley Roddy and Raul Rodriguez.

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Juan Levi Tolentino, Emily Phuong Tran, Diana Thuy Duong Tran, Jennifer Gia Buu Trinh, Sabrina Paige Troxlar, Carlos Uriel Urruquieta, Cristian Vargas, Samanta Hisela Venegas, Kevin Antonio Vigil, Miranda Alexis Villanueva, Nam Hoang Vu and Ytzel Yzaguirre.

**Seventh grade**  
Oluchi Chinonyerem Aaranchukwunyer, Ivette Alejandra Alba, Analia Victoria Alcoba, Hector Alonso, Christopher Chukwunonso Anagbogu, Mason Patrick Ankenbruck, Jacquelyne Marie Baade, Jennifer Esmeralda Bardales, Ronnie Gene Barnes, Angelica Michelle Benavides and Cody Edwin Bennett.

Sobia My Bhatti, Kaytlin Simone Brooks, Taylor Lynn Burton, Jose Luis Cabreja, Jesenia Vanessa Campos, Melina Ceja, Isaac Adan Cisneros, Travis Pham Dao, Raven Elizabeth Davis, Emily Grace Espinoza, Andrew Joseph Flores, Adrian Rene Flores and David Eduardo Fraga.

Jennifer Elizabeth Galvan, Jason Vy Giang, Lisa Renee Gill, Martin Gonzalez, Catherine Lauren Gonzalez, Giovanni Paolo Gonzalez, Rebecca Michelle Guerra, Johnathon Dylan Guzman, Caleb Chase Hanley, Devin Lorin Hernandez and Jasmine Hernandez.

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Thione Tam Nhi Tran, Ngocque Thi Tran, Christina Tuong-Nhi Tran, Oranna Trockle, Robert Daniel Vargas, Davin Nicolas Velasquez, Gregorio Junior Villegas, Denny Hoang Vu, Sarah Renee Wacasey, Lauren Ashley Wilkerson, Loriana Issa Zaid and Jonathan Brandon Zapata.

**Eighth grade**  
Basem Salim Abouassi, Javier Aguirre, Andres Armenta, Emily Nicole Averitt-Cleavela, Alex Avila, Cynthia Joanna Avila, Juan Carlos Ayala, Javier Baena, Michael Phillip Baez, Veronica Beatris Bardales, Celeny Adriana Benitez, Aaron Matthew Brown and Kayla Corin Bryce.

Christine Bui, Sheila Estefanny Cardenas, Catherine Celeste Casas, Ana Karen Castaneda, Ricardo Antonio Castillo, Ana Isabel Cavazos, Alma Victoria Cervantes, Michael Wayne Clark, Katrina Carina Collins, Samantha Paige Coyle, Veronica Michelle Delafuente, Frances Elizabeth Delao and Gabriella Lisette Deleon.

Kemerly Lynn Dexter, Se-lene Diosdado, Aaron David Dryden, Eric James Everett, Morena Yesenia Flores, Courtney Franklin, Erick Frias, Dyana Lisette Galvan, Aaron Ruben Garcia, Samantha Gomes, Andrea Cecilia Gonzalez, Ileana Gonzalez, Diego Gonzalez and Ana Julia Gonzalez.

Paul Michael Goodin, Miranda Taylor Green, Allison Kay Hall, Briana Maritza Harper, Tyara Xiomara Hernandez, Evan Marsalis Her- ick, Phuong Elizabeth Hoang, Heather Lynn Hobartsch, Nguyen Bac Hong, Sadijah Joy Inman, Malcolm Xavier Jackson and Dante Dwayne Jackson.

Rachael Annalisa Jagdeo, Taiwan Launier Johnson, Chase Roderick Jones, Lindsey Michele Justice, Aaron Michael Kimzey, Charity Crystal Knight, Seth Sonny La, Wyatt Austin Lang, Jacob Andrew Lozano, Tony Lu, Phuong Kim Ly, Michelle Macias and Jennifer Clarissa Maciel.

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## Zachary wins medal



**Stuchbery student Zachary Couchman recently received a silver medal in the Special Olympics' Greater Houston Area Softball Tournament. A member of the Pasadena Comets, a team sponsored by the Pasadena Independent School District, this was Couchman's second time to win a silver medal. Couchman, 8, has Down Syndrome. He is part of instructor Johanna Hinton's (right) special needs class at Stuchbery. Hinton, who was presented the First Year Teacher of the Year award last year from PISD, is highly regarded by Couchman's mother, Kristine. "She's a complete godsend," she said of the educator, adding, "We've been truly blessed."**

## White competes



**Lauren White, 17, will compete in the Miss Teen Houston pageant on Nov. 4. White was born in Houston to Olvin and Loretta White and is the youngest of three children. She lives with her parents in the Clear Brook Meadows subdivision. White is a senior at J. Frank Dobie High School and participates in various school organizations. She is a member of Student Council and is on the yearbook committee. White is also on the school track team. Her extracurricular activities include Senior Hearts, in which the members do special activities to encourage the school's football players, and she is in photography. White is employed at Steve & Barry's University Sportswear.**

## Lariaette of the Week



**Elizabeth Garza was named Lariaette of the Week at the Dobie versus North Shore football game on Friday, Oct. 26. Garza was selected by director Shanna Grubb and assistant director Karie Yankee for her positive attitude and hard work during weekly practices.**

*Photo by Jerome Ramirez*

# Economic Alliance holds annual membership banquet Nov. 13

Four years after officially unveiling a new name, logo, and plans for economic development in southeast Harris County, the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region continues to stimulate economic development by capping off 2007 with its annual membership banquet on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hilton Americas.

As a special treat, banquet attendees can sample coffee from around the world. The Economic Alliance, along with the Port of Houston Authority and the Greater Houston Coffee Association host their third annual coffee symposium during the day on Nov. 13 and will feature premier brewed selections during the social time at the banquet.

National and international leaders in the coffee industry will attend the banquet which features the outstanding small businesses from the 12 chambers of commerce in the port region. The banquet, which is open to the public, draws more than 600 political, community and business leaders from throughout Harris County.

"The Economic Alliance is committed to advocate economic development, jobs and quality of life for our southeast Harris County communities," said Jan Lawler, president and CEO of the alliance. "Our annual membership banquet purposely coincides with our international coffee symposium to demonstrate the type of large scale economic initiatives possible through partnering of our members, communities, economic development and civic groups."

For tickets to the banquet, call the Economic Alliance

office at 281-867-1112.

The Economic Alliance Houston Port Region is a nonprofit entity incorporated in 1985 which provides economic development services to its funding Texas communities of La Porte, Deer Park, Baytown, Morgan's Point, Shoreacres, Pasadena, Pearland, Seabrook, South Houston, South Belt-Ellington, Galena Park, Channelview, Jacinto City, North Shore and Sheldon. Harris County and the Port of Houston also fund the Economic Alliance, along with 12 community chambers of commerce.

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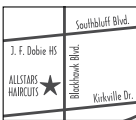
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#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY DOT!

**Dot Jonas** celebrates her birthday Thursday, Nov. 1. All her friends at the *Leader* wish her a wonderful birthday.

#### BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR CONSTABLE

Birthday wishes are sent to Harris County Precinct 2 Constable **Gary Freeman** who celebrates his birthday Thursday, Nov. 1, from family, friends and the *Leader* staff.

#### MARCUS CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY

Birthday wishes and lots of love are sent to **Marcus Rodriguez** on Saturday, Nov. 3, from his wife, **Veronica Rodriguez**, and family.

#### BIRTHDAY WISHES SENT TO DIANNE

**Dianne Helm** celebrates her birthday Tuesday, Nov. 6. Her parents, **Linda** and **Dan DuChemin**, send lots of love and praises that Dianne is recovering from a car accident that occurred last spring. The family will celebrate Sunday, Nov. 4, with a Birthday Card Shower.

Anyone wishing to send cards should mail them to Dianne Helms c/o the DuChemins, 10077 Iron Ore Rd., Conroe, TX 77303-2407.

#### SCHOOL DAZE

The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Nov. 1 through Nov. 7.

#### Atkinson Elementary

The day for birthday wishes for **Dina Argueta** is Nov. 5.

#### Burnett Elementary

Celebrating a birthday Nov. 1 is **Rebecca Wells**.

#### Genoa Elementary

**Melinda Beasley** celebrates a birthday Nov. 1. Double birthday greetings are sent to **Carolina Gauna** and **Sharon Parish** Nov. 4. On Nov. 6, **Adrienne Jackson** and **Rachelle Lopez** share a birthday.

#### Meador Elementary

On Nov. 1, **Mike Barton** marks a birthday. The day for birthday wishes for **Elvie Montes** is Nov. 2.

#### Moore Elementary

Blow out the birthday candles for **Kathy Young** Nov. 2. Marking a birthday Nov. 3 is **Cindy Burton**. **Allma Damian** and **Patricia Norman** enjoy a birthday Nov. 5. Birthday wishes are sent to **Cindy Gunter** Nov. 6.

#### Stuchbery Elementary

Nov. 3 is the day for a birthday party for **Nancy Goforth**. **Frank Zayas** has a birthday Nov. 7.

#### Morris Fifth Grade Center

Birthday greetings are sent to **Nydia Montemayor** Nov. 7.

#### Beverly Hills Intermediate

Blowing out the birthday candles Nov. 7 are **Tonie Noise** and **Marsha Valle**.

#### Thompson Intermediate

Blow out the birthday candles for **Prudencio Reyna** Nov. 3. **Barbara Poche** has a birthday Nov. 4. Marking a birthday Nov. 5 is **Sherial Caswell**. Sharing a birthday Nov. 7 are **Emily Cruz** and **VeAnn Richards**.

#### Dobie High

Nov. 1 is the day for birthday cakes for **Bobby Cotton** and **Susan Legrand**. Birthday wishes are sent to **Michael Cox** and **Pamela Kneedler** Nov. 3. Birthday greetings are sent to **Stacy Walton** Nov. 5. **Rhonda Dover** and **Charles Washington** share a birthday Nov. 7.

## Dobie Forensics/Debate Team wins trophy



At only their second tournament of the year, the J. Frank Dobie Forensics/Debate Team took home a third-place sweepstakes trophy. The tournament was held Sept. 21-22 at Katy's Taylor High School. Team members participating in the tournament were, left to right, (front row) Sheykela Cladwell, Beverly

LeMaire, President Tommy Lam Nguyen, Shohreh Abedinzadeh, Tramanh Hoang, Beth LeMaire, San Nguyen, Michael Tran, Ruby Garcia, Kim Do, (back row) Joseph Eapen, Sholeh Abedinzadeh, Chris Lanza, Ahshley Esquivel, Anaris Cavazos, Kathy Duong and Julio Gonzales.

## Remember when

#### 30 years ago (1977)

Tami Richardson of Sagmont Park and Donna Neal of Sagmont, both 13, were preparing for competition at the upcoming third annual America Gymnastic Meet.

The cutting down of trees by vandals upset many South Belt residents. Civic clubs, as well as one homeowner who had five trees cut in his yard, offered rewards for information leading to the arrest of suspects.

#### 25 years ago (1982)

The Dobie Longhorn Band received a Division I rating at UIL competition.

Robby Thomas, 20, was shot while pursuing two masked men who stole his billfold. Thomas underwent surgery for his injuries and was released within a week.

#### 20 years ago (1987)

Information regarding a city ordinance restricting the unauthorized painting of numbers on curbs was dispersed among local civic club leaders due to recent occurrences in the area.

The building of a county

courthouse annex in the South Belt area was delayed indefinitely following a defeat of a county bond issue to finance annexes.

#### 15 years ago (1992)

Wendy Schultz and Kyle Smith were named Dobie High School's homecoming queen and king.

The Dobie volleyball team defeated Kemper 15-8, 12-15, 15-13 in a bidistrict playoff match. Dobie had 19 kills to just seven for the Lady Cougars.

Incumbent South Belt Justice of the Peace Howard Wayland received 58.7 percent of the vote against his Republican challenger E. Janice Law to retain his position.

#### 10 years ago (1997)

The unique Guppy aircraft once again found a

home with NASA at Ellington Field. The Guppy's cargo area is more than 25 feet in diameter and can carry more than 54,000 pounds. The Super Guppy No. 4 was the second Guppy to call Ellington home.

The South Belt Security Alliance purchased and put into service a new white 1998 Saturn patrol vehicle.

#### 5 years ago (2002)

Golfcrest Country Club celebrated its 75th anniversary.

Approximately 34 percent of registered voters cast ballots for state and local races. The 34 percent voter turnout in Harris County was up from 19 percent the previous year.

#### 1 year ago (2006)

Mathew Knowles, father of singer and former

Destiny's Child member Beyoncé, presented a \$40,000 check to Beverly Hills Intermediate orchestra students from his Survivor Foundation to help fund their trip to the Midwest Conference in Chicago.

Precinct 2 deputy constables reported a suspect arrested Halloween night for assaulting two juveniles. HFD arson investigators reported two separate incidents of fires being intentionally set in an apartment and at a gaming center. One of those resulted in charges being filed on a suspect.

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce held a garage sale as a fundraiser.

San Jacinto South presented a serious comedy called *Rocket Man*, a show about the road not taken.

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## Asha Davis weds Kristopher Pugh

Dr. Asha Sherald Davis and Kristopher D'Walker Pugh, both of Winston Salem, N.C., were married Saturday, Sept. 1, 2007, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Plano. The Rev. Monsignor Henry Petter officiated the double-ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Roger and Sherald Davis of Plano, former longtime Sagelegen residents. The groom is the son of Rubin Dennis and Marie Walker-Pugh, of Beaumont. Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore a strapless Samovar designer gown by La Sposa. She carried a bouquet of white roses, white calla lilies and purple orchids. Nataki Davis Johnson of Plano, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Beryl Davis of Plano, Tuere Davis of Los Angeles, sisters of the bride, Dr. Nkechi Johnson of Elk Grove, Calif., Courtney Pugh of Beaumont and Dr. Carryn Rice of Columbia, S.C. Awo Ifagbemi Adekunle Odusanwo of Beaumont, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Tunde Aderinboyle of Hurst, Texas, James Chevis of Beaumont, Kulawat Nillwonase of Houston, Rubin Dennis Pugh of Beaumont, father of the groom, and Johnnie Walker of Beaumont, uncle of the groom. The bride is a graduate of Clear Brook High School in Friendswood. She received her bachelor of science degree from Xavier University, New Orleans, and received her medical de-gree from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. She is completing her residency at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital in Winston Salem, N.C. The groom, a graduate of Central High School in Beaumont and Galveston College School of Nursing, is employed as a nurse and is a student at Winston Salem State University. The couple honeymooned in the Turk and Caicos Islands and reside in Winston Salem.



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## Craft show Nov. 1-3

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 Hot food will be available. For information, call Judy Stupak at 281-703-7055.

## Bazaar set for Nov. 1-3

The 33rd annual Brooks Bazaar will be held Thursday, Nov. 1, from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The bazaar will be held in Clear Lake Presbyterian Church's Celebration Hall, 1511 El Dorado Blvd. Free parking is available.  
 The bazaar will offer all handmade arts, crafts and baked goods. All artists are from Clear Lake and surrounding areas.  
 South Belt residents Jany Reeves, a decorative artist, and Carol Daniel, machine quilting, will participate.  
 A special tree displaying donated ornaments will be presented, and all monies from the sales of the individual ornaments will go to the Bay Area Turning Point.  
 For information, e-mail Brooks@brooksbazaar.info.

### Wedding, engagement policies

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 Engagement and wedding announcements are published free on a first come, first served basis. Information must be submitted by Friday for the next issue.

## Parker, Wright marry



Mallory Parker of Sagemont and Saul Wright of Pikeville, Ky., were married Aug. 4, 2007, in a double-ring ceremony at the A.E. Bruce Religion Chapel on the campus of the University of Houston. Parents of the bride are longtime Sagemont residents Patti and Louis Parker. The groom's parents are Sandy and Barry Wright of Pikeville, Ky. The Rev. Wes Holloman of Sagemont Church officiated the ceremony. Serving as matrons of honor were Holly Westfahl and Shelby Smith, sisters of the bride, and sister-in-law Andrea Parker. Maids of honor were Abbey Parker, sister of the bride, and Megan Adkins. Serving as best men were Donnie Keathley, Sam Keathley, Nick Ruklanonchai and Tyler Williamson, all friends of the groom, and Trevor Parker, brother of the bride. Flower girl was Julie Westfahl, niece of the bride. Corban Parker, nephew of the bride, served as ring bearer. After a brief honeymoon in South Padre Island, the couple reside in Lexington, Ky., where both are continuing their education at the University of Kentucky.

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# Apartments . . .

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bers of any upcoming public hearings. While a sign was posted on the property, it is nearly impossible to read while driving the beltway.  
The developer said that public hearings were held, and no one from the South Belt community showed up to oppose the project. It is difficult, however, to attend a meeting of which one is unaware.  
Notified civic groups such as the West Branch Community Association, which is roughly a 45-minute drive from the proposed complex, have little interest in such projects, as they are unaffected by them and have no reason to oppose their construction.  
Councilwoman Anne Clutterbuck, who represents District D located in the far southwest side of town, said she was very surprised to hear that a civic group in her district was notified of the South Belt development. "This is a long distance from the property," she said, adding, "You have to notify the people who will be directly affected. There's a problem when people adjacent to the property are not notified and people in Districts A and C are."  
Of particular concern to PISD is funding for any future students that the new apartments will draw. The district, which is already operating on a shoe-string budget, will likely be negatively impacted once the apartments are constructed. "There is little doubt that the cost of educating children of poverty is higher and has greater impact on our budget and on our school facilities. Without proper notification, it is difficult to make adequate plans to address the needs of these students," Lewis said.  
At the request of Marie Flickinger, publisher of the *South Belt-Ellington Leader*, the developer said he would provide after-school tutoring at the complex for students in need.  
The developer also agreed to join the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce and meet with Lewis and Flickinger regarding the community's interest, according to Steve Ford, a representative of the developer.  
Councilwoman Ada Edwards, who chairs the city's Housing and Community Development Committee, said she intends to follow up on information provided by local leaders. "Thank you for bringing clarity to a system that is flawed," she said, adding, "We'll look into the notification process, and I look forward to correcting it."

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# Moore Elementary announces honor, merit rolls

Moore Elementary School recently named its honor and merit rolls for the first nine-weeks of 2007-2008. Students receiving recognition are as follows.  
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Brittany Gutierrez, Sofia Hernandez, Trevor Hondros, Alec Johnson, Morgan Moore, Aaron Nguyen, Andy Nguyen, Emily Nguyen, Michelle Nguyen, Randy Nguyen, Anosacha Peete-Meyers, Jayveon Peoples and Trey Pettis.  
Amy Phan, Ariel Phillips, Taylor Pleasants, Jake Richnow, Gabriel Sanchez, Neema Shafaei, Olivia Simmons, Betzabe Solis, Haley Spencer, Sydney Tran, Taylor Tran, Nicholas Vega, Cristian Vela and Isabelle Villarreal.  
**Merit roll**  
Vianett Campos, Lizbeth Chapa, Sean Dempsey, Melody Le, Caleb Morante, Alan Nguyen, Dennis Pham, Kareem Salomon, Karina Santos, Daniel Tello and Christian Willet.  
**Second grade Honor roll**  
Nicholas Barrientes, Garrett Barrientos, Hillary Bazaldua, Nathan Bennett, Lily Bui, Karissa Cook, Rafael Coreas, Alexander Cuaping, Citlali Feria, Gracie Garcia, Klarissa Garza, Eleazar Gonzalez and Maria Hernandez.  
Alice Ho, David Hoang, Chelsey Holman, Carolyn Huerta, Elizabeth Jasso, Kevin Le, Vina Le, Frankie Lopez, Kevin Ly, Rachel Mondragon, Thanhlong Nguyen Vo, Jordan Peoples, Melody Perry, Rosa Phan and Ana Rodriguez.  
Jenna Rodriguez, Brianna Rodriguez-Hernandez, Madison Tobias, Patrick Tran, Ann Truong, Pablo Tufino, Luisa Valdez, Gavin Valvaneda, Cindy Vuong, Aleena Zaid.  
**Merit roll**  
Diana Adame, Tryston Anderson, Ivan Arellano, Lauren Burleigh, Caden Carter, Ty Critchfield, Bryce Feagin, Gabriel Fonseca and Daniel Goforth.  
Jacob Gossett, Holly Hernandez, Ramon Hernandez, Kaylie Irving, Naureen Islam, Lily Kieu, Hannah Klugh, Christopher Marshall, Savana Mata and Bailey Anne Mullen.  
Andrew Nguyen, Nam Nguyen, Vy Nguyen, Brittany Puente, Daniel Silguero, Hy Tran, Vivian Tran, Marcey Tsikis, George Villarreal and Tannon Willis.  
**Third grade Honor roll**  
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Devin Sanchez, Sophia Sanchez, Michael Slaten, Torrey Tapper, Andrew Tran, Elizabeth Tran, Adrian Velasquez and Autumn Weber.  
**Merit roll**  
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Armstead, Alayna Cano, Thomas Carte, Joseph Casteneda, Angelique Chau, Brynn Dempsey, Alvin Deveza, Fremontrea Elzy, Tiffany Flippen, Nadia Garcia and Erika Garza.  
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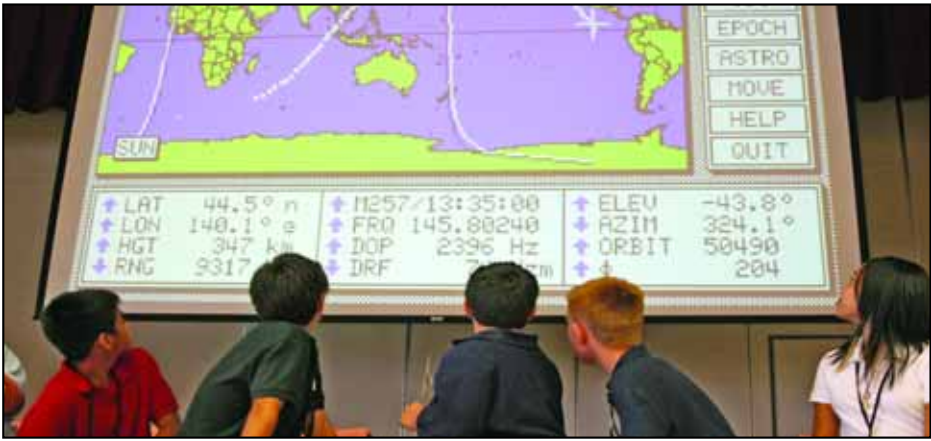
Taylor Nguyen, Raul Perez, Genaro Salinas, Mireya Sifuentes, Johnny Tran, Zion Walker, Dustin Warden and Jacob Worsham.

**Fourth grade Honor roll**  
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Henderer, Grace Jackson, Rebecca Nickelson, Na-seem Shafaei, Mayalen Suarez and Daniel Velasquez.  
**Merit roll**  
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Carnish, Kara Desselle, Destiny Fraustro, Giselle Garcia, Erika Hernandez, Anna Le, Albert Nguyen, Kevin Pham, Joey Tran and Nicklaus Velasquez.

## Westbrook participates in HAM radio link



On Sept. 14 at 1:40 p.m., students at Westbrook Intermediate had the chance to participate in a HAM radio link to the International Space Station. Pictured are, left to right, (top photo) Armando Morales, Alexander Dwyer, Connor Wooley, Greg

Brotzman, Sierra Soto, (bottom photo) Dr. Lori Broughton (principal), Sierra Soto, Adil Muhammad, Ryan Bell, Zoya Husain and Keith Esthay. A video of the presentation can also be viewed on CCISDTV at ccisd.net. Submitted photos



## Brook band busy



Clear Brook Band Color Guard members dance to *Repercussion*. Left to right are Stephanie Rivera, Jessica Reed and Allison Urbanowich. Drumline member Marshall Fails stands in the background.



Cymbal players are an important element of the Clear Brook drumline. Shown are, left to right, Laura Gasvoda, Melanie Sweeney and Joanna Grannon.



Clear Brook leaders wait eagerly on the field for results at the Bands of America Houston Regional. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) drum majors Sarah Fernandez, Amanda Kennedy, Beth Grosse and Alex Judd, (back row) color guard captains Paige Dunn and Amy Waehner.

## Band wins awards

The Clear Brook High School band has been hard at work practicing and performing *Repercussion* at competitions and football games.  
The percussion section received the outstanding drumline award.  
It was ranked first overall in the Drum at the Falls competition at Cypress Falls High School.  
The entire band competed against approximately 30 bands in both

the Bands of America Houston Regional and the Bands of America Arlington Regional.  
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Not only will the Dobie-South Houston game feature homecoming festivities for the Trojans, but also a 50th anniversary party for the school and its current and former students.

Given South Houston principal Steve Fullen was at Dobie last year as an assistant principal, one could be made to believe the big celebration was purposely set up to include the Longhorns.

Whatever the case may be, the Longhorns are intent on crashing the party. After all, a South Houston win will put the

Trojans in the playoffs and eliminate Dobie at the same time. Longhorns' head coach Bobby Cotton understands that at least on paper, the Trojans are the favorite.

At 6-2 overall, the Trojans are in the midst of one of their finest seasons in recent memory. By contrast, the 2-6 Longhorns are in one of their worst.

None of it will matter on Nov. 3, Cotton said.

"We've talked to the players about what is going on at South Houston with the homecoming, the 50th anniversary and everything else," Cotton said. "This is

certainly our chance to play spoiler."

Perhaps if Dobie was out of the playoff hunt, the outcome would not mean as much to the locals. Yet even with just two wins, the Longhorns can make the playoffs with back-to-back wins to end the season.

After taking on South Houston, Dobie plays at Newcomb Field Nov. 10 against La Porte, which is 1-4 in district play.

If Dobie beats South Houston and then finishes in a two-way tie with the Trojans, the Longhorns would advance to the play-

offs for the first time in three seasons. The task will be tough, though.

Milton Howell, South Houston's dual-threat quarterback, is in the running for District 22-5A most valuable player honors this season.

Slowing Howell and his teammates will be tough enough for the Dobie defense, but Cotton is equally concerned about the South Houston defense.

"I've been going against South Houston since before I arrived at Dobie," Cotton said. "This is the best South Houston I've seen in 11 years of facing them. Howell is a threat, and I think their defense is underrated."

Despite his concerns, Cotton believes in the Longhorns.

"No, it's not going to be easy," he said. "But we feel like we are in position for a thorough performance in all phases of the game. I hope South Houston's fans have fun but we win."

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**DOBIE Players of the Week**  
  
**Anthony Phillips**      **Josh Monette**  
**Dobie vs. North Shore**  
Phillips returned to the lineup and registered 66 yards on 17 carries against a tough defense. Monette was the stopper for the Longhorns' defense from his linebacking spot.  
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## McDonald's hoops set Nov. 15-17

The 2007 McDonald's Texas Invitational high school boys and girls basketball tournament is set for Nov. 15-17 in the Pasadena and surrounding areas.

Both the boys and girls field of teams feature some of the region's and state's top talent.

The boys teams are divided into separate 24-team Division I and Division II brackets. The same goes for the 24 girls teams, which will take part in 12-team Division I and Division II brackets.

The Clear Brook boys are in Division I and will play Hightower and San Antonio Taft during pool play Nov. 15.

Dobie is in Division II, where it will face Galena Park and Conroe Nov. 15 in pool action.

The Clear Brook and Dobie girls are in Division I. The Lady Wolverines drew DeSoto in pool play Nov. 15, with Dobie set to play San Antonio Taft.



## Brook, Dobie VB finished

District 23-5A champion Dulles pushed Clear Brook, including junior Samantha Sikes (right) out of the state playoffs with a 25-10, 28-26, 25-15 victory Oct. 30 at Clear Springs High School. The Lady Vikings entered the match unbeaten in district play and used their power to unseat the fourth-seeded Lady Wolverines of 24-5A. Meanwhile, Dobie beat La Porte in a three-game sweep Oct. 26 to secure the third seed in 22-5A. From there, the Lady Longhorns went on to lose in straight games, to 21-5A second seed Atascocita Oct. 29.

Photo by John Bechtle

# Outnumbered Coyotes shock Tyler

First one man down and then two, the San Jacinto College soccer team refused to give up.

That bold act of determination paid off as the

Coyotes defeated Tyler 4-3 in penalty kicks, grabbing the Region 14 title over the Apaches for the fourth straight year.

Just like that, Tyler is

out and San Jacinto is two wins away from a national tournament berth.

**Mid-South next**  
The Coyotes will now take on Ranger in one

semifinal at the Mid-South district tournament at Tyler Nov. 2-3. Defending district champion Northern Oklahoma will meet Hinds, Miss., in the other. The final comes Nov. 3, with the winner moving on to the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament, also at Tyler.

**Improbable win**  
Despite two previous appearances at the national tournament, Coyotes' head coach David Santesteban categorized his team's win over Tyler this time as perhaps his most gratifying moment in the sport.

Red card penalties eliminated one Coyote player early in the second half. Another red card later took away a second player. The Coyotes finished both 10-minute overtime sessions with eight players against 10 for Tyler.

Packing in tight on defense and seeking little offense, the Coyotes held on.

Goalkeeper Oscar Rodriguez saved the game for San Jacinto, coming up with a terrific save on a penalty kick in the second overtime.

From there, the Coyotes stole the show in the penalty kick session, scoring four times.

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## Dobie aced at Region III tennis

Dobie was quickly swept from the Region III fall team tennis tournament, losing 19-0 to Houston Memorial in the round on 16 Oct. 26 at Clear Springs High School. The loss ended a 12-13 season for the Longhorns, who finished second in the 22-5A regular season standings and then claimed second place in the postseason tournament. Houston Memorial went on to defeat Clear Creek in the quarterfinals but then lost to Clear Lake. The Region III title again went to Katy Taylor, which won its 13th straight crown. At left is Allison Wells, who will return in 2008.

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# North Shore FB handles Dobie

North Shore displayed its prominence in subarsity football play Oct. 26, winning four games against Dobie.

Despite the losses, the Longhorns played with pride in each of the games and gave themselves a chance to win. In the end, the Mustangs had the upper hand.

### North Shore JV 42 Dobie 0

Dobie's junior varsity team lost a 42-0 decision to North Shore as the Mustangs simply had too much power.

Andre Spiller and Mark Verduzco played well offensively for the Longhorns, who slipped to 3-4-1 overall and 2-2-1 in district action.

Maurice Poullard and Verduzco stood out on the defensive side for Dobie.

### North Shore sophs 42 Dobie 21

The Longhorns' sophomore team came out playing well but could not keep up with North Shore in a 42-21 defeat.

Tony Henderson recovered a fumble in the end zone in the first quarter as the Longhorns got on the scoreboard.

Josh Cano added a 13-yard run in the third quarter. Hosea Woodley then fired a 40-yard scoring pass to Irving Garza in the fourth quarter.

Cano, Garza and Woodley were solid offensively,

while the defensive leaders included Andrew Williams, Robert Rubio, Marvin Henderson and Robert Martin.

### North Shore freshmen 20 Dobie Orange 0

The North Shore freshman team scored eight points in the fourth quarter to break open a tight game en route to a 20-0 win over the Dobie Orange team.

North Shore led 6-0 after one quarter and later extended its edge to 12-0 entering the final period of play.

Along the way, the Longhorns had their chances to pull closer in the game. However, ill-timed penalties and costly mistakes were too much to overcome in the end.

Devonte Meyers and Julio Alvarez drew accolades from the Dobie coaching staff for solid play in the game.

On defense, the Longhorns stayed close as Lawrence Henderson, Justin Edwards, Chris Wiggins and Corey Flippen all made key plays in the game.

The win for North Shore gave the Mustangs a sweep of the series between the two schools.

The Longhorns' freshman Orange team is now 4-4 overall this season, including 3-2 in the District 22-5A standings.

The Longhorns' subvarsity teams will play South Houston Nov. 1 in a four-game series.

| South Belt football predictions     | <br>John Bechtle | <br>Eli Tanksley | <br>Toni Muse | <br>Emory Gadd | <br>Joe Craddock |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dobie vs South Houston              | South Houston                                                                                    | South Houston                                                                                     | South Houston                                                                                   | Dobie                                                                                            | South Houston                                                                                      |
| Brazoswood at Clear Brook           | Clear Brook                                                                                      | Brazoswood                                                                                        | Clear Brook                                                                                     | Brazoswood                                                                                       | Brazoswood                                                                                         |
| Pearland at Galveston Ball          | Pearland                                                                                         | Pearland                                                                                          | Pearland                                                                                        | Pearland                                                                                         | Pearland                                                                                           |
| Dickinson at La Marque              | Dickinson                                                                                        | La Marque                                                                                         | La Marque                                                                                       | La Marque                                                                                        | La Marque                                                                                          |
| Texas City at Angleton              | Texas City                                                                                       | Texas City                                                                                        | Texas City                                                                                      | Texas City                                                                                       | Texas City                                                                                         |
| Kempner at Dulles                   | Kempner                                                                                          | Kempner                                                                                           | Kempner                                                                                         | Kempner                                                                                          | Dulles                                                                                             |
| Channelview at Baytown Lee          | Lee                                                                                              | Lee                                                                                               | Lee                                                                                             | Channelview                                                                                      | Lee                                                                                                |
| Houston Christian at Lutheran South | Houston Christian                                                                                | Houston Christian                                                                                 | Houston Christian                                                                               | Houston Christian                                                                                | Houston Christian                                                                                  |
| Smiley at Galena Park               | Smiley                                                                                           | Galena Park                                                                                       | Galena Park                                                                                     | Galena Park                                                                                      | Galena Park                                                                                        |
| Barbers Hill at C.E. King           | Barbers Hill                                                                                     | Barbers Hill                                                                                      | Barbers Hill                                                                                    | Barbers Hill                                                                                     | Barbers Hill                                                                                       |
| This week's record                  | 7-3                                                                                              | 8-2                                                                                               | 6-4                                                                                             | 5-5                                                                                              | 8-2                                                                                                |
| Season record                       | 64-25                                                                                            | 68-21                                                                                             | 64-25                                                                                           | 57-32                                                                                            | 67-22                                                                                              |

## Sports news, notes

### SBHLL offers board spots

The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League has several board positions available for the 2008 spring season.

The positions available include equipment manager; major/minor director; major/minor player agent; pee wee/machine pitch player agent; concessions assistant; junior/senior vice president; junior/senior concessions director; junior/senior director and junior/senior player agent.

Anyone interested in being on the board for 2008 and/or for any questions, direct e-mail requests to sbhll@hotmail.com.

### Select baseball players needed

A South Belt area age 9-under select baseball team is seeking players for competition in an upcoming winter league in the area.

For more information about the team, call Craig Redmon at 281-236-5112.

### South Belt youth soccer board

The South Belt Youth Soccer Club will hold a board election at the next general membership meeting, Nov. 12, at the MUD building located at the corner of Blackhawk and Hall Road. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

The officers' election will include the following positions: president; second vice president; secretary; field manager and uniform manager.

The term of the officers will be for two years starting Dec. 1, 2007.

For more information about the league, its schedule or the election, visit the Web site at sbysc.org.

# Both tricks and treats for locals in BAFL playoff opening tilts

Just in time for Halloween, there was a mixed bags of both tricks and treats for local programs in the Bay Area Football League playoffs Oct. 27.

Three of the four Southbelt Dolphins entries advanced to the semifinals after big wins.

Ellington's Rams sent two of their three playoff teams to the next round. Meanwhile, the Sagemont Cowboys' sophomores and juniors were eliminated in the first round.

Next up are the semifinals, including freshman and junior play at Indians Field in Santa Fe and the sophomores and seniors at Pearson Park in Alvin.

Those games will be played Nov. 3.

#### Dolphins still going

Despite a disappointing triple overtime loss at the sophomore level, the Southbelt Dolphins still have three teams alive in the semifinals.

The senior division team fell behind 14-0 at halftime against the Magnolia Sharks before staging an

exciting second-half comeback.

Trevin Hooks got the Dolphins rolling in the second half as he recovered a Magnolia fumble and raced 40 yards for a touchdown. Hooks then fired a two-point pass to Cody Pinkins as the lead was cut to 14-8.

The Dolphins finally took the lead as Christian Sanders dashed 60 yards for the go-ahead score.

Magnolia drove down the field in the final minutes but ran out of time at the Southbelt 25-yard line.



Despite trailing 14-0 at halftime, the Southbelt Dolphins' senior team rallied for a 15-14 victory over Magnolia at Santa Fe. On this play, the Dolphins'

The win propels the Dolphins into the semifinals Nov. 3, where they will face the Pearland Texans at 10:45 a.m. in Alvin.

Southbelt's junior team ran its record to 11-0 after beating the Pearland Patriots 40-13 at Blackhawk Park.

The game was tied 13-13 at the half before the Dolphins rallied, winning the game for an injured teammate.

Running back Jacoby Lewis scored the game's first touchdown on a 40-yard run before suffering an injury. He was taken by ambulance to an area hospital but is expected to make a full recovery.

In the absence of Lewis, Southbelt pounded Pearland. Jason Lester blocked a punt and then recovered the loose ball for a touchdown. Demetrius Davis ran for the extra point, and the two teams were tied at halftime.

Keavian Deleon had four touchdowns in the second half for Southbelt as the Dolphins pulled away.

Deleon caught 35- and 30-yard passes from quarterback Kevin Caballero for two touchdowns and added runs of 40 and 45 yards for scores.

Jacoby Perro ran for a pair of conversions, and Davis added his second conversion of the contest.

Michael Arnesen, Michael Garcia, Josh Bolling,

Trevin Hooks (32) makes the tackle on Magnolia's Chris Lopez. The Dolphins are headed to the semifinal playoff round next.

Mercado, Ryan Puga and Marcus Rodriguez as they helped in the win.

The Dolphins' defense came up with the shutout as Justyce Battles, Joshua Bennett, Jacoby Davis, Byron Flores, Dominic Franklin, Javen Hedge-

man, Josh Huff, T.J. Kilby, Mitchell, Ethan Riojas, Josh Huff, Elijah Silva and Ty Wright

At press time, updated scores from the first round of the playoffs were not posted on the Bay Area Football League Web site.



The Dolphins' sophomore team defeated the Pearland Patriots 40-13 as Demetrius Davis (10) and his teammates moved on to the semifinals.



Texas City won the junior division playoff game against Sagemont, but the Cowboys never gave up. Defender Jamarco Stephen (right) came up with a big stop on this play to keep the score close.

## Sports calendar

### FOOTBALL

#### Thursday, Nov. 1

Clear Brook JV at Brazoswood, 6:30  
Clear Brook sophomores at Brazoswood, 4:30  
Clear Brook freshman A hosts Brazoswood, 4:30  
Clear Brook freshman B hosts Brazoswood, 4:30  
Dobie JV vs. South Houston, Auxiliary, 4:30  
Dobie freshman Orange at South Houston, 4:30  
Dobie freshman White at South Houston, 4:30

#### Friday, Nov. 2

Clear Brook varsity hosts Brazoswood, District, 7:00

#### Saturday, Nov. 3

Dobie varsity (visitor) vs. South Houston, Newcomb, 1:00

#### Thursday, Nov. 8

Clear Brook JV hosts Pearland, 6:30  
Clear Brook sophomores host Pearland, 4:30  
Clear Brook freshman A at Pearland, 4:30  
Clear Brook freshman B at Pearland, 4:30  
Dobie JV at La Porte, Laird, 6:30  
Dobie freshman Orange hosts La Porte, 4:30  
Dobie freshman White hosts La Porte, 4:30

#### Friday, Nov. 9

Clear Brook varsity at Pearland, The Rig, 7:00

#### Saturday, Nov. 10

Dobie varsity hosts La Porte, Newcomb, 1:00

### VOLLEYBALL

#### Thursday, Nov. 1

Thompson hosts 7 Light tournament, TBA  
Beverly Hills at 7 Light tournament, Thompson, TBA  
Thompson at 8 Light tournament, Queens, TBA  
Beverly Hills at 8 Light tournament, Queens, TBA

#### Friday, Nov. 2

Thompson hosts 7 Light tournament, TBA  
Beverly Hills at 7 Light tournament., Thompson, TBA  
Thompson at 8 Light tournament, Queens, TBA  
Beverly Hills at 8 Light tournament, Queens, TBA

#### Thursday, Nov. 8

Beverly Hills 8 Dark at Bondy, 4:30  
Beverly Hills 8 Light at Bondy, 5:45  
Beverly Hills 7 Dark at Bondy, 4:30  
Beverly Hills 7 Light at Bondy, 5:45  
Thompson 8 Dark hosts Park View, 4:30  
Thompson 8 Light hosts Park View, 5:45  
Thompson 7 Dark hosts Park View, 4:30  
Thompson 7 Light hosts Park View, 5:45

### SOCCER

#### Friday, Nov. 2

San Jacinto vs. Ranger, Tyler, 5:00

### BASKETBALL

#### Saturday, Nov. 3

Brook girls program at Crosby tri-scrimmage, 10 a.m.  
Brook boys program hosts tri-scrimmage, 9 a.m.  
Dobie boys program hosts tri-scrimmage, 1:00

#### Tuesday, Nov. 6

Brook varsity girls host Crosby, 7:30  
Brook JV girls host Crosby, 6:00  
Brook freshman A girls host Crosby, 4:30

#### Thursday, Nov. 8

Brook girls at Clear Creek JV tourn., Clear Springs, TBA  
Brook girls host Clear Creek freshman tourn, TBA  
Brook varsity, JV boys at Humble tri-scrimmage, 4:00

#### Friday, Nov. 9

Brook varsity girls at Scarborough, 7:00  
Brook girls at Clear Creek JV tourn., Clear Springs, TBA  
Brook girls host Clear Creek freshman tourn, TBA

#### Saturday, Nov. 10

Brook girls at Clear Creek JV tourn., Clear Springs, TBA  
Brook girls host Clear Creek freshman tourn, TBA  
Dobie boys program hosts tri-scrimmage, 10 a.m.

### TENNIS

#### Tuesday, Nov. 6

Dobie freshmen at Friendswood, 3:30

#### Thursday, Nov. 8

Dobie JV at Friendswood, 3:30

## South Belt football predictions

|                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>Freshman Division at Santa Fe</b><br><i>12:30 p.m. – League City vs. Southbelt</i><br><i>2:15 p.m. – Ellington vs. Hurricanes</i><br><u>Games played at Indians Field Nov. 3</u> | <b>Sophomore Division at Alvin</b><br><i>12:30 p.m. – Ellington vs. Hurricanes</i><br><i>2:15 p.m. – Patriots vs. League City</i><br><u>Games played at Pearson Park Nov. 3</u> |
| <b>Junior Division at Santa Fe</b><br><i>9 a.m. – Texas City vs. League City</i><br><i>10:45 a.m. – Southbelt vs. Santa Fe</i><br><u>Games played at Indians Field Nov. 3</u>       | <b>Senior Division at Alvin</b><br><i>9 a.m. – East End vs. Texas City</i><br><i>10:45 a.m. – Southbelt vs. Texans</i><br><u>Games played at Pearson Park Nov. 3</u>            |



## Eighth-grade Lady Bears, PV split

Beverly Hills' eighth-grade volleyball program won a match and lost another against Park View Oct. 25.

In eighth-grade Dark play, the Lady Bears won the best-of-three match two games to one to edge Park View.

Tanya Palomares and Tracy Montes got Beverly Hills off to a great start in the first game.

Nyla Vasquez, Terral Smith and Shanequa Gaston also played well in

the match as the Lady Bears went on to win the first game.

Later in the match, Jenna Medina delivered several great winning serves. Dorothy Tran and Gaston contributed from the back row, combining for 22 digs.

Although the eighth-grade Light team eventually lost, Shannon O'Connor, Courtney Franklin and Ashley Ramirez came through with big plays in the first game.

Charity Knight and

Karen Jimenez also played well in the match for the Lady Bears.

The eighth-grade Light team fell to 5-2 with the loss. The win for the Dark team pushed that team's record to 6-1.

Beverly Hills also split the two seventh-grade matches against Park View, with the Lady Cowboys winning the Light match and Beverly Hills taking the Dark match.

The Lady Bears are unbeaten in seventh-grade Dark play at 7-0. The seventh-grade Light team is now 4-3.

## BHI football tops Indians

Despite losing a game for the first time this season, Beverly Hills' football program came away with three wins in four games over South Houston Oct. 23-24.

**8A Bears 36 South Houston 0**

Staying unbeaten at 7-0, the Bears' eighth-grade A team blasted the Indians 36-0.

Andrew Robison got the offense moving with an 82-yard touchdown burst in the first quarter. In the second quarter, Anthony Simmons rambled 6 yards for a touchdown and then kicked the extra point for a 14-0 Bears' lead.

Junior Cedeno and Chris Garcia came through big defensively later in the game. Cedeno went 42 yards for a touchdown after an interception, and Garcia forced a safety.

Cedeno and Simmons had scoring runs in the third

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## Lady Lions, Jackson split

Thompson and Jackson battled in intermediate volleyball play Oct. 25 as both schools won two matches.

The Lady Lions won the seventh- and eighth-grade Dark division matches, while Jackson claimed the other two.

Thompson is now 2-5 overall in both eighth-grade divisions. In seventh-grade play, Thompson's Light team is 4-3, while the Dark team is 2-5.

## Stuchbery PP&K winners



**Winners of the Punt, Pass and Kick contest at Stuchbery Intermediate included, left to right, Deja Goodwin, Jalon Bolden, Marissa Longoria and Kaelon Woods. Shown with the students is physical education instructor Sharon Woodruff. Longoria went on to take first place in the 8-to-9-year-old age division at the district competition held Oct. 15 at Newcomb Field.**

## Meador student takes PP&K



**Sandra Gonzalez, a fourth-grade student at Meador Elementary, was the champion in the Punt, Pass and Kick 10-to-11-year-old girls' division Oct. 15 at the Pasadena Independent School District competition at Newcomb Field. In the competition, students were given one punt, one pass and one kick attempt. The total distances were added together to determine the winner in each age group. Gonzalez placed first out of 38 entries after practicing for two weeks.**

## Lions dash past Bulldogs

A four-game sweep of Southmore Oct. 23-24 put Thompson's football teams solidly in playoff contention entering the final week of the regular season.

**8A Lions 22 Southmore 6**

A 22-6 win over the Cowboys gave Thompson's eighth-grade A team a 4-3 overall record, including 2-1 in zone play.

**8B Lions 34 Southmore 6**

Darrell Allen, Oscar Rodriguez and Chris Stockman each had a hand in two touchdowns as Thompson's eighth-grade B team pounded Southmore 34-6.

The win, Thompson's fifth in seven overall games, left the Lions atop their zone at 3-0.

Allen's 15-yard run to the end zone coupled with a 12-yard touchdown burst by Stockman gave the Lions a big edge early. Eric Guzman kicked both extra points as Thompson led 14-0 after one quarter.

Southmore closed within 14-6 at halftime, but the Lions roared back.

Stockman's 25-yard run in the third quarter gave the Lions some breathing room. Oscar Rodriguez dived into the end zone on a 10-yard run later to ice the game.

A 30-yard scoring pass from Allen to Rodriguez finished the scoring in the fourth quarter.

Oscar Delossantos, Joe Garcia, Guzman, Jeraldo Luna, Rodriguez, Stockman and Allen paced the offensive attack.

On defense, Southmore had trouble moving the football as Jalen Corona, Nicolas Galicia, Shane Garcia, Luna, Tad Robertson, Michael Rodriguez, Oscar Rodriguez and Je Kale Williams came through with solid games.

**Lions 7A 26 Southmore 0**

Building a 26-0 lead at halftime, the Lions' seventh-grade A team won by the same score over the Bulldogs.

The win put the Lions in first place in their zone at 3-0.

Jonathan Jones scored on runs of 50, 45 and 15 yards. Adrian Ramirez tacked on a 60-yard scoring dash.

Austin Hicks, Nicolas Martinez, Matthew Mikes, Bradley Waters, Tyler Wolfe and Daniel Gonzalez led the

offensive charge.

The shutout on defense was guided by Jonathan Bravo, Brian Campbell, Joseph Cooper (interception), Hicks, Jones, Tyler Keel, Wolfe, Martinez, Sean Peace, Ramirez, Andre Timmons, Jaime Trejo and

Oscar Campos.

**7B Lions 6 Southmore 0**

The Lions' seventh-grade B team ensured the sweep of Southmore with a tight 6-0 win. Thompson is now 2-1 in the zone and 4-3 overall.

| Pasadena ISD Girls Volleyball Standings |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------|---|---|
| 8th Grade Light                         |   |   |
| Team                                    | W | L |
| Park View                               | 7 | 0 |
| Bondy                                   | 6 | 1 |
| Beverly Hills                           | 5 | 2 |
| Southmore                               | 4 | 3 |
| San Jacinto                             | 4 | 3 |
| Miller                                  | 3 | 4 |
| Thompson                                | 2 | 5 |
| Queens                                  | 2 | 5 |
| Jackson                                 | 2 | 5 |
| South Houston                           | 0 | 7 |
| 8th Grade Dark                          |   |   |
| Team                                    | W | L |
| Southmore                               | 7 | 0 |
| Bondy                                   | 6 | 1 |
| Beverly Hills                           | 6 | 1 |
| Queens                                  | 5 | 2 |
| South Houston                           | 3 | 4 |
| Park View                               | 3 | 4 |
| Thompson                                | 2 | 5 |
| Miller                                  | 2 | 5 |
| Jackson                                 | 1 | 6 |
| San Jacinto                             | 0 | 7 |
| 7th Grade Light                         |   |   |
| Team                                    | W | L |
| Park View                               | 7 | 0 |
| Bondy                                   | 6 | 1 |
| Thompson                                | 4 | 3 |
| Beverly Hills                           | 4 | 3 |
| South Houston                           | 4 | 3 |
| Southmore                               | 4 | 3 |
| Queens                                  | 3 | 4 |
| Jackson                                 | 2 | 5 |
| Miller                                  | 1 | 6 |
| San Jacinto                             | 0 | 7 |
| 7th Grade Dark                          |   |   |
| Team                                    | W | L |
| Beverly Hills                           | 7 | 0 |
| Bondy                                   | 6 | 1 |
| Queens                                  | 6 | 1 |
| Southmore                               | 5 | 2 |
| San Jacinto                             | 3 | 4 |
| Park View                               | 3 | 4 |
| South Houston                           | 3 | 4 |
| Thompson                                | 2 | 5 |
| Jackson                                 | 0 | 7 |
| Miller                                  | 0 | 7 |

| Pasadena ISD Football Standings 8th Grade A (Zone) |        |   |   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|---|---|---|
| Team                                               | Zone A | W | L | T |
| South Houston (6-1-0)                              |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Thompson (4-3-0)                                   |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| San Jacinto (5-2-0)                                |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Queens (3-4-0)                                     |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Southmore (0-7-0)                                  |        | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Zone B                                             |        |   |   |   |
| Beverly Hills (7-0-0)                              |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Miller (6-1-0)                                     |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Park View (2-5-0)                                  |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Bondy (2-5-0)                                      |        | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Jackson (0-7-0)                                    |        | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 8th Grade B (Zone)                                 |        |   |   |   |
| Team                                               | Zone A | W | L | T |
| Thompson (5-2-0)                                   |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Queens (5-2-0)                                     |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| South Houston (5-1-1)                              |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| San Jacinto (4-3-0)                                |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Southmore (0-7-0)                                  |        | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Zone B                                             |        |   |   |   |
| Beverly Hills (6-1-0)                              |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Miller (3-4-0)                                     |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Bondy (4-2-1)                                      |        | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Jackson (1-6-0)                                    |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Park View (1-6-0)                                  |        | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 7th Grade A (Zone)                                 |        |   |   |   |
| Team                                               | Zone A | W | L | T |
| Thompson (3-4-0)                                   |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Queens (3-3-1)                                     |        | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| San Jacinto (2-3-2)                                |        | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| South Houston (2-5-0)                              |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Southmore (1-6-0)                                  |        | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Zone B                                             |        |   |   |   |
| Beverly Hills (7-0-0)                              |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson (6-1-0)                                    |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Bondy (5-2-0)                                      |        | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Miller (4-2-1)                                     |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Park View (0-7-0)                                  |        | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 7th Grade B (Zone)                                 |        |   |   |   |
| Team                                               | Zone A | W | L | T |
| San Jacinto (6-1-0)                                |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Queens (3-4-0)                                     |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Thompson (4-3-0)                                   |        | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| South Houston (2-5-0)                              |        | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Southmore (0-7-0)                                  |        | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Zone B                                             |        |   |   |   |
| Beverly Hills (7-0-0)                              |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Miller (6-1-0)                                     |        | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Bondy (4-3-0)                                      |        | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Jackson (3-4-0)                                    |        | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Park View (1-6-0)                                  |        | 0 | 3 | 0 |

# CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, NOV. 1**  
Noon  
**Free Exercise Classes** – for plus size women are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Call Connie Guillory or Beatrice at 281-922-2343.  
6:30 p.m.  
**Diabetes Support Group** – A support group for young adults with diabetes. All subjects are open for discussion: new technologies, research advances, fears, phobias, dating and other personal matters. Meets the first Thursday of each month at 1315 St. Joseph Parkway #1705, Medical Place One. Contact Dan Steiner, CDE, at 713-756-8536 for more information.  
7 p.m.  
**The Bay Area Writers League** – Meets the first Thursday of each month at Barnes and Noble at Bay Area Boulevard and the Gulf Freeway. Newcomers are welcome.  
**FRIDAY, NOV. 2**  
10 a.m.  
**Free Line Dance Class** – The Friendswood Senior Citizen Program offers free line dancing classes. The class is held at the activity building, located at 416 Morningside. All area senior citizens, 55 or older, are invited. Previous experience not required. For more information, call 281-482-8441.  
**SATURDAY, NOV. 3**  
12:30 p.m.  
**Gulflhaven Health Ministries** – Presents Stepfast Lifestyle Series classes every Saturday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Stress, weight management and other issues are addressed. For more information, call 713-944-6912 or 713-991-7815.  
6 p.m.  
**Frontier Squares** – Meets to square dance at the NASA Gilruth Center on Space Center. Refreshments provided. For more information, contact Gina Sherman at 281-554-5675 or George Wieland at 281-286-5682, or visit [www.frontiersquares.com](http://www.frontiersquares.com).  
**SUNDAY, NOV. 4**  
2 p.m.  
**Grief Support Group** – For any adult who has lost a loved one. Meets every Sunday, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas from 2 to 3:15 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. For more information, call 281-487-8787.  
**MONDAY, NOV. 5**  
9 a.m.  
**Houston Area Parkinson Society** – Free exercise and speech therapy from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for a complete list of services offered.  
10 a.m.  
**Free Walking Classes** – for plus size women are held Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Call Connie Guillory or Beatrice at 281-922-2343.  
6 p.m.  
**Scrabble Club #511** – Meets every Monday at the IHOP on Fuqua from 6 to 9 p.m. All who enjoy the game or want to learn to play are invited to join. For more information, call 281-488-2923.  
6:30 p.m.  
**Civil Air Patrol Meeting** – Weekly at Ellington Field in the Civil Air Patrol Building. Call 281-484-1352 and leave a message for more information.  
7 p.m.  
**Grief Support Group** – "Friends Helping Friends" meets every Monday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Christus St. John Hospital in Nassau Bay. Those who have lost a spouse or other family member are invited to participate. For information, call Betty Bielaf Flynn at 281-474-3430, Diana Kawalec at 281-334-1033 or Bonnie Clyburn at 281-481-4862.  
**TUESDAY, NOV. 6**  
11:30 a.m.  
**Local NARFE Meeting** – The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets the first Tuesday of each month in the Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 NASA Parkway. A meal will be available for \$6. For more information, call Bob Mitchell at 281-333-2881.

Noon  
**Free Exercise Classes** – for plus size women are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Call Connie Guillory or Beatrice at 281-922-2343.  
1 p.m.  
**Trailmixers** – Meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Luby's Cafeteria on Fuqua. Former and current employees of J. Frank Dobie High School are welcome for lunch and conversation.  
**Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** – Exhibits include dioramas, an old-time kitchen and a turn-of-the-century doctor's office. Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. 204 S. Main. For information, call 713-472-0565.  
1:30 p.m.  
**Houston Area Parkinson Society** – Free exercise and speech therapy from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Bayshore Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center, 4021 Brookhaven, Pasadena. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for a complete list of services offered.  
5 p.m.  
**Houston Area Parkinson Society** – Free water therapy from 5 to 6 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for a complete list of services offered.  
6:30 p.m.  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** – Meets at Sagemont Recreation Center, 11507 Hughes. For information, call Erma Coskey at 713-946-6049.  
**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 7**  
10 a.m.  
**Free Walking Classes** – for plus size women are held Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Call Connie Guillory or Beatrice at 281-922-2343.  
Noon  
**Hobby Airport Lions Club** – meets at noon on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Meetings are held at the Golden Corral at Fuqua and I-45. E-mail [HobbyAirportLions@gmail.com](mailto:HobbyAirportLions@gmail.com) for more information.  
4 p.m.  
**Houston Area Parkinson Society** – Free exercise held from 4 to 5 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Pearland, 3005 Pearland Parkway, Pearland. Visit [www.hapsonline.org](http://www.hapsonline.org) for a complete list of services offered.  
6 p.m.  
**Alzheimer's Support Group** – The free group meets the first week of each month in the third floor classrooms 3 and 4 of Bayshore Medical Center, 4000 Spencer, Pasadena. For more information, call 713-944-4782 or 713-266-6400.  
6:30 p.m.  
**Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center** – Domestic violence support group for male survivors meets each Wednesday at 210 S. Walnut off NASA Parkway. Call 281-338-7600 for information. Participants may join at any time as this is an open group.  
7 p.m.  
**Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center** – Confidential domestic violence support group for women meets every week. For information, call 281-338-7600 or visit [www.bayareaturningpoint.com](http://www.bayareaturningpoint.com). BATP is located at 210 S. Walnut off NASA Parkway between Interstate 45 South and Highway 3. The 24-hour crisis hotline is 281-286-2525.  
**THURSDAY, NOV. 8**  
9:30 a.m.  
**NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse** – NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse holds its meetings the second Thursday of the month, at 9:30 a.m. at the Lighthouse Fellowship of Friends, 144 Park Avenue in League City. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others to the interdenominational meeting.  
Noon  
**Free Exercise Classes** – for plus size women are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Call Connie Guillory or Beatrice at 281-922-2343.  
6:30 p.m.  
**Houston Chapter of Inmate Families Organization** – Meets at the Montrose Library, 4100 Montrose. Call 713-515-3736.

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14234 PROVIDENCE PINE TRAIL: Bayglen subdivision off Clear Lake City Blvd. Sat. & Sun., Nov. 3 & 4, 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Multi-family. Estate items. 11-1

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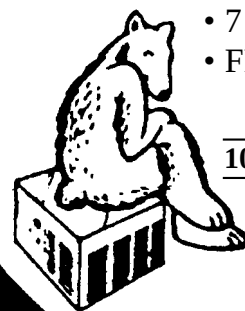
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Kicker Chris Torres (4), holder and quarterback Randell Duff and the rest of the Dobie varsity football team will have their hands full against a talented South Houston team aiming to use a win over the Longhorns to make the playoffs.

Photo by David Flickinger

## Dobie-South Houston is big

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The Longhorns will no doubt leave all the pageantry to South Houston and focus on the win.

Last season while the quarterback of Pasadena, Howell led a first-half charge that had the Eagles in contention before the Longhorns took over in the second half.

But that was last season, and this South Houston team is more talented and deeper than that of the Pasadena bunch that took the field against Dobie last season.

Simply put, the Longhorns will have to play their finest game of the season yet in order to come away with a win over the Trojans.

A South Houston win will do two things. First, it will send the Trojans to the playoffs. Second, it will eliminate Dobie from post-season consideration.

The Longhorns don't want to see either of those outcomes unfold at Newcomb Field amid all of the off-the-field excitement for the Trojans.

"This is a big one for both teams," Cotton said. "We still have a chance to make the playoffs, and South Houston can, too. I know our guys will be ready to play."

"We've played eight other games this season, but basically our season comes down to these last two weeks. We have to get

things started with a win over South Houston."

It's been years since the annual Dobie versus South Houston game meant this much to both teams. That's what is bound to make it so much fun.

NS stops Dobie 38-0

Dobie's performance did not show up on the scoreboard during a 38-0 loss to North Shore Oct. 26 at Galena Park Independent School District Stadium.

The Mustangs built a 28-0 halftime lead and coasted to the win, but for the third straight week Dobie, now 2-6 overall and 2-3 in District 22-5A action, played well. "I was proud of our guys," Cotton said. "They played hard for us."



Point guard Amy Gonzalez (above), one of two starters back for the Clear Brook varsity girls' basketball team, will be asked to lead the way as head coach Sherman Chew blends new talent in the mix.



Third-year varsity letterwinner Kelsey Kaiser is the veteran of a Dobie varsity girls' team that this season will rely largely on players from last year's highly successful subvarsity teams.

### High school basketball

## Local units carry big hopes into '07-'08 varsity season

Plenty of questions will begin to find answers as the high school basketball season nears opening night.

How will the playoff-rich Clear Brook and Dobie girls' programs respond under the guidance of first-year coaches?

Do the Wolverine boys have what it takes to make a legitimate run at the District 24-5A championship this season?

Will this be Scott Talton's 27th and final season as the head coach of Dobie's varsity boys?

Can anyone unseat the Cy-Fair girls for the Region III title? Is Kingwood's domination in Region III boys' play over?

Hold your horses; the answers may take awhile to develop, but they will come. Girls' scrimmages and boys' practices are now under way. Opening tip-offs are coming.

Chew now in for CB girls

Longtime head coach Pamela Crawford is now at Clear Springs High School, so the Lady Wolverines of Clear Brook are now under the leadership of Sherman Chew.

Hired away from Big Spring (District 4-4A), Chew is also the school's girls athletic coordinator. His current order of business, though, is to get the Lady Wolverines back to the top of the district.

Clear Brook's six-year stay at the head of 24-5A was broken by Alvin last season.

So what's in store for this season? That's anyone's guess.

Alvin lost the core of its top talent — including Darchell Hatch and Britney Bailey. Clear Lake and Clear Creek, the other playoff representatives from last season, also lost solid talent.

The problem for Clear Brook? The Lady Wolverines lost a total of 10 years of varsity experi-

ence when three players (Kelli Griffin, Jasmyne Watson and Deltrice Daniel) graduated and signed college scholarships. Chew must, therefore, rebuild. Varsity starters Amy Gonzalez and Kiara Redmon will have to carry the load early on while five other returnees and a group of former junior varsity players develop.

"The girls are working hard and are preparing themselves to assume their roles on the team this season," Chew said.

"We have seven returners and two starters coming back. I think the fall league helped our other returners gain some game experience. If they will step up, we should be able to do well in our district."

Chew is aware of what was accomplished before him with Crawford leading the way. But he's eager to have his chance.

"I'm excited to be here," Chew said. "We are going to be just fine."

Brook boys talent-rich

Like it or not, Clear Brook boys' head coach Jason Pillow may have to spend quite a bit of the pre-season fending off district championship speculation.

As a general rule, coaches don't like to hype their teams much for fear of providing motivation for opponents.

Well, just looking at Clear Brook on paper, Pillow may have a hard time opposing those who believe his team belongs at the top of the standings.

Third-year starter Anthony Miles is one of the district's top talents at guard. He was a first team all-district pick last season. Also back is all-district second team member Eric Milam.

Clear Lake lost eight seniors to graduation, and Pearlard's roster was also thinned out by graduation outside of guard Anthony Gatlin.

Clear Creek and Galveston Ball return a total of five all-district players

combined, but the Wolverines likely have enough talent in the tank to be at or near the top.

Dobie boys again solid

Coming off a trip to the area playoff round last season, Dobie's varsity boys' basketball program is back in the hunt after four down seasons.

The team's best overall player from last season, Warren Webb, has exited along with shooter Ryan Storrier. Tough inside man Brandon Reed is also gone, but the Longhorns have several talented holdovers in place.

Leading the way is senior Scott Talton, the coach's son who has now logged two full varsity seasons.

Talton will be asked to fire away from deep, while posts Kenny Anderson and Patrick Johnson will need to play better than ever as seniors.

The two big men excelled at times, but the team's offense was centered around its perimeter shooters last season. Webb, for his part, played the role of Superman in a bidistrict win over Port Arthur Memorial and later signed to play at Tarleton State.

Opposing coaches have talked during the offseason about the vast improvement of the two posts. But coach Talton, knowing words are sometimes cheap, simply wants his team to play and let everything else take care of itself.

Right now, the coach simply wants to get a couple of key players healthy. Randell Duff, currently playing football, will also be a key addition.

D.J. Sanderson, projected to start at the point, is nursing a sore knee. Johnson has battled a strained abdominal muscle.

Defending district champion La Porte has a starting five that rivals that of any team in the region but lacks depth.

Deer Park and Sam Rayburn lost district most valuable players to graduation.

North Shore will again be talented, but there are few legitimate reasons why Dobie shouldn't make a run at La Porte while making the playoffs for a second straight season.

New ways for Dobie girls

Dobie's varsity girls program jumped into the limelight with two Region III tournament appearances in four years.

Yet as the Lady Longhorns head into this season, the bright past is nothing more than a memory.

Longtime head coach Doug Gibson has been replaced by Shane Brown. Four-year letterwinner Karima Christmas, a McDonald's all-American, is now at Duke.

There is plenty of talent in place at Dobie, but few players outside of point guard Kelsey Kaiser have much varsity experience.

Briandrea Williams is also back, and Nicole Pharms has recovered from a knee injury that took away most of her junior season. Brown will also rely heavily upon players from a junior varsity team that lost only a handful of games last season.

Optimism high

All four of the local high school varsity teams were in the playoffs last season. The story should remain the same this time around.

It may take a while for some of the aforementioned questions to be answered, but it should be a fun ride while finding out.

Local fans will get a chance to see their favorite teams in action early this season.

Each team will compete in the McDonald's Invitational Nov. 15-17 at various locations across the Pasadena and surrounding areas.

The event features a 48-team boys field and 24



David Santesteban, the Coyotes' head coach, hopes a gutsy, character-building win over Tyler in the Region 14 final will give his team the momentum it needs to earn a third trip in four years to nationals.

Photo by John Bechtle

## Coyotes take aim at NJCAA soccer

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Rodriguez did the rest, making a stop as the Coyotes defeated Tyler for the fourth straight time in the Region 14 title match.

Next up is the expanded Mid-South District tournament. Last season, Northern Oklahoma and San Jacinto played in a winner-take-all district final to decide the national representative.

This time, though, the task is tougher. The Coyotes must first take care of Ranger, which they beat 6-1 in the regular season, before then facing the Northern Oklahoma-Hinds, Miss., winner.

Northern Oklahoma stunned San Jacinto last season at Coyote Field 2-0 en route to nationals. The teams played to a tie earlier this season in a match dominated by the Coyotes.

Despite going 14-2-1 this season and holding the

nation's No. 1 ranking for a couple of weeks, this team has at times impressed Santesteban and at others disappointed him.

Now, Santesteban believes the players will feed off their inspiring effort against Tyler.

Down two men, San Jacinto refused to quit. Santesteban was in awe of the effort displayed.

"What a character win for us," Santesteban raved shortly after the match, obviously still excited about the win. "These guys laid it all on the line and came up with one of the most rewarding wins I've ever been a part of. I am so proud of them."

Now the Coyotes must come back to earth, win two more games and punch another ticket for nationals.

"At this time of the year, emotion is good," Santesteban said. "We have that."

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## Beverly Hills football chases off Indians

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quarter as the Bears continued to dominate the action. Fernando Romero had an interception, and Garcia, Emmitt Pitts, Kenneth Gomez, Malcolm Jackson, Cedeno, Taiwon Johnson, Fabian Davalos and Karey Henderson all excelled on the defensive side of the football.

On offense, Luis Blanco, Jackson, Emecta Uchendo, Nick Ruiz, Jacob Reynoso and Michael Baez drew praise from the Beverly Hills coaching staff.

8B South Houston 18

Beverly Hills 14

The Bears' eighth-grade B team suffered a tough 18-14 loss to South Houston. However, the game between the two teams did

not count in the zone standings, so the Bears still lead their zone at 3-0.

7A Bears 40

South Houston 0

Keeping alive its hopes of an unbeaten season, Beverly Hills' seventh-grade A team blanked the Indians 40-0.

Marco Montelongo and Travaris Minkins cleared the path with great blocks as Jamie Parker scored from 3 yards out to open the scoring. Later in the quarter, Donte Morris ran to the end zone as part of a 39-yard score as Hector Alonso, Luis Araujo and Reggie Branch had key blocks.

Stephan Gehringer threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to Josh Santiago in the sec-

ond quarter. Janluca Rodriguez booted the extra point for 20-0 lead.

Just before the half, Gehringer powered his way into the end zone on a 5-yard play as the Bears led 26-0. Aaron Gonzalez and Devante Staten were credited with great blocks on the play.

Kelton Bailey and Brandon Terrell had scoring runs in the second half as the Bears cruised to a 7-0 overall record.

Michael Abston, Kalon Bailey, Bryant Bennett, Jay Hedgeman and David Jaimes were also key players for the Bears in the win.

7B Bears 42

South Houston 6

Getting the job done thoroughly on offense, the

Bears' seventh-grade B team stayed unbeaten at 7-0 with a 42-6 pounding of South Houston.

Dwight Tucker and Patrick Hurst scored two touchdowns each for the Bears.

Geffin Wadkins came through with the game's most exciting play as he followed a key block from Elmer Espinal for an 85-yard touchdown run.

Rudy Ventura did his part with five makes on extra points.

Defensively, the Bears were led by Adrian Lara, Andrew Flores, Dominique Jackson, Abraham Romero, Adrian Trancozo, Gio Maldonado, William Morris, Jose Cabreja and Steve Espinoza.