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CBCMUD begins work

Sewer rehabilitation work will begin Tuesday, Nov. 19, for several Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District residents. Affected subdivisions include Sageglen, Highland Meadow and Wood Meadow I and II. Residents should not be alarmed by smoke coming from roof vents and manholes, as it is part of the ongoing work. See related ad on Page 6A.

Prayer walkers meet Nov. 16

School Prayer Walks USA will host a prayer walk 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, at Hancock Elementary, 9604 Minnesota St. The community is invited to the nondenominational gathering to pray for the protection and peace of students and staff. For information, call 281-484-0901.

Knights to host blood drive

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a blood drive in the Social Hall at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road, Sunday, Nov. 17, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For information, call Val Comeaux, 713-582-5358.

Can-Do Food Drive

Pasadena will host their annual Can-Do Food Drive, the event will take place Thursday, Nov. 14, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Kroger, 6767 Spencer Highway at Red Bluff Road in Pasadena. For more information on the Can-Do Food Drive or to donate online, visit www.pasadenatx.gov/FoodDrive.

Beltway closures planned

At least one inside lane on both the eastbound and westbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed from Beamer to Cottingham daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Saturday, Nov. 23.

At least one inside lane on the northbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed at Genoa Red Bluff daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Monday, Nov. 18.

Both northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Vista will be closed daily, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Sunday, Dec. 8.

At least one inside lane on the southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed at Vista from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Sunday, Nov. 24.

At least one inside lane on the southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed from Sycamore to Spencer daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through Sunday, Nov. 24, and nightly from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Friday, Nov. 22.

At least one inside lane on the southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed at Pine continuously through 5 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, 2020.

At least one alternate lane on the northbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed from Vista to SH 225 daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through Sunday, Nov. 24.

The closures are associated with the ongoing project to widen Beltway 8 from two to four lanes each direction.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to SH 96/League City Parkway will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Tuesday, Dec. 31. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

The northbound exit ramp on the Gulf Freeway at NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 will be closed continuously through 5 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28, 2020. Motorists wishing to access these intersections may exit using the exit to FM 518 and proceed on the northbound frontage road to the intersections or exit using the Bay Area Boulevard exit ramp, U-turn and head south to the NASA Bypass or FM 528.

The northbound exit ramp on the Gulf Freeway between SH 96/League City Parkway and FM 518 will be closed continuously through 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. Drivers traveling north on the main lanes will continue to NASA Road 1, exit, then U-turn and come back to FM 518.

The closures are associated with an ongoing construction project to widen the freeway from three to five lanes in each direction and the frontage roads from two to three lanes in each direction.

Self defense classes reset

The American Society of Karate one-hour self-defense and karate classes will not meet Friday, Nov. 15, but will meet at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 22, at Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road, for the final November class. For more information, email Michael.Alonzo@ASKKarate.com or call 281-788-5930.

Sageglen to meet Nov. 18

The Sageglen Community Association will hold its next meeting Monday, Nov. 18, at the Sageglen Community Building, located at 11610 Sageglen, beginning at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 281-481-2160.

Atkinson Elementary celebrates 50th anniversary

By Reesha Brown, PISD

Atkinson Elementary will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a presentation at the campus Tuesday, Nov. 19.

The school first opened its doors in the Pasadena Independent School District in 1969. It was the second PISD campus to be named after a father-and-son team of former board members, Delbert Ellsworth "D.E." Atkinson and Delbert Leroy Atkinson, respectively.

Delbert E. Atkinson was a well-known leader in Pasadena, dating back to the early 1930s. He actively participated and held positions of high honor in various organizations, including

the Pasadena School Board, Pasadena Masonic Lodge, OCAW and First Methodist Church.

Like his father, Delbert L. Atkinson also made many contributions toward the growth and livelihood of the community. The son was elected to the Pasadena School Board in 1934 and in 1935 led efforts to combine the school districts of Genoa and South Houston with the Pasadena school district. This was successfully accomplished, and today the combined districts are known as Pasadena Independent School District.

Hollis Powell was the first principal to serve the Atkinson Elementary community. He held this position for 26 years, until his successor Lena Rohne

assumed the role in 1995. Under his leadership, the school, located at 9602 Kingspoint, experienced a steady increase in enrollment, starting its first year with 542 students, rising to 696 by 1973. In 1974, enrollment leaped to a whopping 959 students due to the opening of the Sagemeadow addition and delayed completion of the Frazier Elementary School building project in the area. From 1975-76, enrollment leveled out to approximately 656 students.

The boom in growth at Atkinson was not only attributed to an increase in population to the area, but also by the development of educational programs at the school. Atkinson was one of three schools in Pasadena ISD to pioneer the development of a media center in its school library. Equipped with cassette tapes, film strips, records, books, posters, math kits and more, At-

kinson set the bar as far as technology was concerned during that time.

Atkinson was privileged to be among the first four elementary schools in the school district to have a gym constructed at the campus. The facility was completed and put into use in 1975.

Throughout its 50-year history, Atkinson has continued to enhance the learning experience of its diverse group of students. The elementary school, which currently serves approximately 622 students in kindergarten through fourth grade, provides ESL services to students in all grade levels and offers bilingual classes for kindergarten through third grade students.

While the school has experienced many structural changes through renovations and additions

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Crew cuts out beltway driver



Despite multiple attempts by the city and other entities to recalibrate the traffic lights at the intersection of Beamer and Beltway 8, accidents continue to routinely occur at the area crossing. While many of the crashes are caused by driver errors such as running the red light, it remains unclear why the vast majority of the accidents take place south of the beltway on the eastbound lanes of traffic. Emergency crews are shown above extricating the driver from a vehicle the afternoon of Friday, Nov. 8. Photo by Marie Flickinger

San Jac recognized as leading college – again

San Jacinto College was recently named as one of the top 150 community colleges eligible to compete for the 2021 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, the nation's signature recognition of high achievement and performance in America's community colleges.

Awarded every two years since 2011, the Aspen Prize recognizes institutions based on strong and improving student outcomes, including learning, completion rates, employment rates and earnings and equity. Fifteen percent of community colleges nationwide have been invited to apply for the Aspen Prize.

"We are always honored to be recognized by the Aspen Institute for the work that is being done by our faculty and staff at San Jacinto

College in support of student success," said San Jacinto College Chancellor Dr. Brenda Hellyer. "Our faculty and staff are always finding innovative new ways to help our students learn in and out of the classroom to put them on a path to a successful career or educational journey. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, and all of the employees and students at San Jacinto College, I thank the Aspen Institute for this tremendous recognition."

The 150 community colleges named today as eligible to compete for the 2021 Aspen Prize were selected from a pool of nearly 1,000 public two-year colleges nationwide using publicly available data on student outcomes. Located in 39 states in urban, rural, and suburban areas,

serving as few as 500 students and as many as 75,000 students, these colleges represent the diversity and depth of the community college sector.

In 2017, San Jacinto College earned the Aspen Rising Star Award as one of the top five community colleges in the nation. In 2019, The Aspen Institute named San Jacinto College as one of the top 10 community colleges in the country.

Data shows that over the last two years, student retention, graduation rates, and degree completion have improved at the top tier of 150 Aspen Prize-eligible colleges.

"Community colleges play a vital role in developing talent and enabling social mobility across the country, and it's critical for them to get better at what they do," said Josh Wyner, executive director of the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program. "We're pleased to see evidence that these institutions are improving, that more are delivering on their promise. We're also pleased to play a role in honoring outstanding community colleges and sharing what works to ensure great outcomes for students—through graduation and beyond."

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Ellington recycling resumes

The City of Houston's Ellington Airport/Clear Lake Neighborhood Recycling Center recently reopened following a 90-day renovation project.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner attended the function and threw away the ceremonial first piece of debris at the new facility.

"As Houston continues to grow, sites such as this one become key components of our Solid Waste recycling infrastructure," Turner said. "More than 50 percent of all Houstonians reside in multifamily dwellings, which often do not offer recycling services. And as we continue to grow and generate more solid waste, it is critical that we continue to improve our diversion of material away from landfills, which have limited life."

According to Turner, city drop-off sites collect more than 14 million pounds (7,000 tons) annually, with the Ellington site collecting ap-

proximately 1 million pounds (500 tons) each year.

The city diverts roughly 27 percent of all materials collected annually, through recyclables, tree/grass waste, scrap metal and electronics/household hazardous waste.

The Ellington Airport/Clear Lake Neighborhood Recycling Center accepts recyclables at no charge to city residents. The facility is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Accepted items include ad inserts; aerosol cans; aluminum cans; cardboard; catalogs; glass bottles/jars; magazines; newspapers; plastics (No. 1-No. 5 and No. 7); steel cans; telephone books; and tin cans.

Junk waste, tree waste and garbage are not accepted at the facility.

In addition to the aforementioned self-service recycling services, the city's Solid Waste Man-

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Residents to redistribute used toys

An event will take place in the parking lot at Frazier Elementary Saturday Nov. 16, from 2 to 4 p.m., in which children will get to select free toys and games that have been donated from others in the South Belt community. The function will be held inside the school if there is inclement weather.

The project is the brainchild of Frazier parent Jeff Turnipseed, who also heads the Official South Belt & Sagemont Area Crime Alert Facebook group page.

"Don't throw away those old toys and games that aren't being played with that are still complete and in workable condition," Turnipseed said. "Bring them out and share them with other kids in our community." Turnipseed said it felt wasteful to let toys and

games go unused when other local youths could still benefit from them.

"It just makes more sense than throwing them away," Turnipseed said. "I thought I'd extend the idea to the rest of the community."

Residents are encouraged to donate used (and new) toys to the cause. Those wishing to participate in the event are asked to arrive a few minutes early to set up.

All items should be in complete and workable condition. Clothing in nice shape will also be accepted and donated.

"Make Christmas come early for your kids, and come pick up some free toys this Saturday," Turnipseed said.

For more information, call Turnipseed at 713-628-0010.

Atkinson seeks construction volunteers

Atkinson Elementary is currently seeking volunteers to help construct the school's first-ever playground at the campus Thursday, Nov. 14, through Saturday, Nov. 16.

Thursday and Friday will be preparation days, requiring 15-30 volunteers per day, while Saturday will serve as build day, with approximately 200 volunteers being sought.

The brainchild of Atkinson staff members Richard Whittaker and Kim Grzesiek, the project is a joint venture with KaBOOM! and the Rebuild Texas Fund and will be provided at no charge to taxpayers.

As a pilot environmental project for the

nonprofit groups, the school was selected in part due to the effects of Hurricane Harvey on the South Belt community.

Volunteer work is available for helpers of all skill levels. Workers should dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes.

Work will take place rain or shine. In addition to construction volunteers, organizers are also seeking help from local businesses to contribute raffle prizes and food donations for workers.

For additional information or to volunteer, visit atkinsonelementaryplayground.eventbrite.com.

Dobie Theatre presents "Mamma Mia!"

The Dobie Theatre Department will present its fall musical "Mamma Mia!" Thursday, Nov. 21, through Saturday, Nov. 23, in the school auditorium. Showtimes are 7 p.m. Nov. 21 and 22, and 2 p.m. Nov. 23.

More than 60 million people from around the globe have fallen in love with the characters, the enchanting story and ABBA's timeless music that makes "Mamma Mia!" the ultimate feel-good show.

This sunny, funny, international sensation unfolds on a Greek island paradise when on the eve of her wedding, a young woman's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men

from her mother's past back to the island they last visited twenty years ago. Nonstop laughs and explosive dance numbers, along with the magic of ABBA's hit songs that include "Super Trouper," "Dancing Queen," "Knowing Me, Knowing You," "Take a Chance on Me," "Thank You for the Music," "Money, Money, Money," "The Winner Takes it All" and "SOS" combine to make this enchanting show a trip down the aisle one will never forget.

More than 100 Dobie students and administrators will participate in this production.

All tickets are \$12 and can be purchased at the door. Attendees are encouraged to arrive early.

SJC's Mckisson releases film

Matt Mckisson, an independent filmmaker and graphic design student at San Jacinto College South, recently released his latest film "Reseda."

Set in Houston, the film is the story of four

unlikely housemates: Amos, a Jewish man inheriting a house from his estranged father; Baz, a formerly homeless workaholic; Lola, an old friend of Amos' with a sordid past; and Rocco, a

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Library opens new Bush family place



On Thursday, Nov. 7, a ribbon-cutting was held at the Parker Williams Library branch for the opening of its new George and Barbara Bush Family Place. Funded by the Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation and Phillips 66, the new space is one of eight in the Harris County Public Library system. The space will include early literacy toys, games, puzzles, books and more. Shown above at the opening ceremony are Harris County Public Library Director Edward Melton (left) and Parker Williams Children's Librarian John Harbaugh. Photo by James Bolen

Pasadena outstanding students for the month of October



CTTHS officials have selected twelfth-grader -J Jaime (holding sign) as Outstanding Student of the Month. Jaime is a senior computer networking student ranked in the top half of his class. Officials say the characteristics that make him stand out are his dedication to hard work in his pathway and the respect he garners from his teachers and peers. Jaime is currently the project manager in a combined project with Welding for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. This is a great example of his dedication to CTTHS and his desire to learn all he can while at CTTHS. He plans to attend University of Texas, Texas A&M, University of Houston or the University of Texas at San Antonio. Joining to recognize Jaime are, left to right, Steve Fleming, CTTHS principal; Michael Saperstein, branch manager at Parker Williams Branch Harris County Public Library; Constable Clint Wayne Brown; Jessica McCoy, 12-grade assistant principal; Jaime; Kenny Fernandez, South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce board chair and Pasadena ISD board member; Toni Lopez, PISD executive director; and Dr. Angela Stallings, Pasadena Independent School District assistant superintendent.



The Outstanding Student of the Month selected at Frazier Elementary is second-grader Emily Martinez (holding sign). The school staff chose her for the recognition because she is a very responsible student. She is a hardworking student who comes to school every day with a smile and is eager to learn. She always participates during the instruction and loves to share her ideas with her classmates. Emily is a student who is always on the lookout if her classmates need help. In addition, she is a very sweet girl, very respectful and kind. Joining to recognize her are, left to right, Alyta Harrell, Pasadena Independent School District associate superintendent; Adriana Cortez, Rubi Lara (parent); Martinez, Rhonda Parmer, Pasadena Independent School District associate superintendent; and Constable Clint Wayne Brown.



Third-grader Andrea Sanchez (holding sign) at Genoa Elementary School was chosen to be the Outstanding Student of the Month by school staff because she is very respectful to her peers and her teachers. Sanchez is known to be an all-around outstanding student. Shown above, left to right, enjoying the moment of recognition with Sanchez are Tiffany Bennett, Genoa principal; Dr. Angela Stallings, Pasadena Independent School District associate superintendent; and Kenny Fernandez.



At Meador Elementary, third-grader Arlett Guzman (holding sign) serves as an exemplary role model and citizen at Meador Elementary, according to school officials. She is helpful to her teachers and fellow students, uses kind words and is considerate of others, is responsible, has a daily positive attitude, and is a wonderful problem solver. Guzman works hard on all tasks and is very conscientious and is an all-around awesome student. For these reasons, she was selected Outstanding Student of the Month for the school. Shown above are, left to right, Beverly Bolton, Meador principal; Dr. Angela Stallings; Guzman; and Kenny Fernandez.



Dobie9 ninth-grader Alexis Cline was chosen Outstanding Student of the Month. Sabrina Hinton, geometry teacher, said Cline has a very strong work ethic and is dedicated to success. She knows what is expected, and is determined to achieve the best possible in everything she does. She is a model student. Chad Kearbey, counselor, touts Cline as a great kid with a great work ethic. Angela Badon, fine arts teacher, knows Cline as a hardworking student who is positive and polite. Jeff Spencer, English teacher said she exemplifies all the qualities listed above. Alexis is a very special student. Elizabeth Puente, Spanish 2 teacher, said Cline is always trying her best on all her work and never has any trouble with her—she's awesome! Cline is the only student in Dobie9 history to be nominated by five teachers. Shown (left) with her are parents Katlin Cline and Michael McMullen; Michael Saperstein; and Michael VanEssen, Dobie9 principal.

In My Opinion

Atkinson Elementary thanks donors

In the fall of 1969, Atkinson Elementary opened its doors and welcomed students. This year, we are celebrating 50 years. On Tuesday, Nov. 19, there will be a 50th Anniversary Celebration to recognize our many achievements. There have been many who have partnered with us through monetary donations, as well as supplies, flowers, cakes, food, discounts and supplies. Our Anniversary Celebration would not

be taking place without the generous and kind donations. We owe a huge debt of gratitude and wish to thank all of those who contributed.

Thank you for your support Atkinson PTO, Boudreaux's Cajun Kitchen, Kenny Fernandez, Armenta's Early Childhood, Flower Cottage of Deer Park, Flor Elizalde, Richard & Virginia Flores, El Bojillo Bakery, Party City, Michaels, Enchanted Florist, Nothing Bundt Cakes (Pasadena), Flowers for You, Frost Bank and Atkinson staff.

Lena Ortiz
Principal

Leader checks out social media

A member of *The Official South Belt & Sagemont Area Crime Alert* Facebook group shared a post of a woman that had an altercation with another woman and a man. The incident happened Saturday, Nov. 9, at Clear Brook City Park on Blackhawk Boulevard.

The woman states that she was confronted by another woman while she was putting up her bike. The alleged perpetrator got out of her vehicle and started asking questions and getting in her face. The victim asked the alleged perpetrator to stop. The alleged perpetrator started

to poke her chest, pushing the victim back. A black male jumped out of the vehicle and got in between both women.

There were other people trying to help, but were confused, due to the perpetrator acting like she was the victim in the situation. The victim states after eight to ten minutes both the man and the woman got into the vehicle and fled the scene. Local police were called and given the information. The victim wants to alert the community to keep a lookout of one's surroundings. The member also shared the description of the

vehicle as being a 2013 Toyota FJ Crusier. The post has been shared to several community groups. A member of *People of Sagemont 2* Facebook page posted advising the community that there was a person trying to break into the member's truck in the member's driveway. The incident happened Monday, Nov. 11, at 2:30 p.m. The member was able to describe the vehicle the suspect was driving as a black Silverado, single cab late '90s model. The incident happened near the Sagemont subdivision.

Ellington recycling resumes . . .

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Management Department hosts a monthly electronics recycling event at the Ellington site on the second Saturday of each month. The next event will take place Dec. 8.

Recycling electronics keeps potentially harmful materials, such as mercury, cadmium, lead and cathode ray tubes out of the waste stream and the environment. Accepted items include PCs,

servers, keyboards, mice, laptops, game consoles, monitors, small kitchen appliances, memory chips, hubs and routers, printers, copiers, scanners, fax machines, projectors, rechargeable batteries, cable boxes, car batteries, telephones, cell phones, PDAs, tape drives, hard drives, cords, cables and cameras.

To get to the Ellington site from the Gulf Freeway and Beltway 8, drivers should

Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library
The following events are scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint:
Thursday, Nov. 14, 6-7:45 p.m. Book club. Meet for a lively discussion of "The Immoralists" by Chloe Benjamin.
Thursday, Nov. 14, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spanish computer class for adults and seniors
Monday, Nov. 18, 10:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Citizenship class. The classes cover the 100 civics questions and how to prepare for the citizenship interview. Other topics include the citizenship application and qualifications. Class participation is by appointment only. Call the library to sign up.
Tuesday, Nov. 19, 10:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only. Call the library to sign up.
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 10:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 10:30 a.m. Toddler storytime; 11:15 a.m. Toddler playtime. Toddler around with the library staff for stories, songs, and activities that will help develop a toddler's social, motor, and literacy skills. This session is intended for children ages 6 months to 4 years and their caregivers.
Wednesday, Nov. 20. Computer courses: 2 p.m. Computer Basics; 3:15 p.m. Internet Basics; 4:30 p.m. Basic PowerPoint
For more information, call the library at 832-393-2580.
Bracewell hours are: Thursday noon - 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 1 - 5 p.m.; Sunday, closed; Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Parker Williams Library
The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.:
Saturday, Nov. 16, 2-4 p.m. IGD: Exploding Kittens Game-A-Thon, for ages 13 and older. Meet on the library floor in celebration of International Games Day there will be a game-a-thon for two hours of explosions, nopes and kittens.
Monday, Nov. 18, 2-4 p.m. Genealogy group: The Parker Williams Genealogy Group is an informal group that meets the first and third Monday to discuss family history research (beginner to advanced). Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in tracing family history.
Monday, Nov. 18, 6-7:30 p.m. Magic: The Gathering Gameplay, a dueling card game from Wizards of the Coast, for ages 8 and older. For those wanting to learn, a staff member will be present for instruction. A special thank you is given to Strike Zone for the generous donation of Magic: The Gathering cards. For more information, visit <http://www.hcpl.net/sites/default/files/feb-MTG-1.jpg>.
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 6 p.m. Teen Advisory Group, for ages 13 and older. For those who want books that are not offered at the library, meet in the library community room to voice an opinion and listen to a discussion on how the library staff can better serve its patrons.
Below are the programs that occur every week, unless the library is closed:
Tuesday, Babytime lapsit, 10:30 a.m. For babies from birth to 18 months, featuring a mother-baby lapsit time with fingerplays, songs and playtime.
Wednesday, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m. For children, ages 3 to 5 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.
Wednesday, 2-3 p.m.: Basic computer classes (Vietnamese). Learn mouse, keyboarding, basic internet skills and more at this weekly class in Vietnamese. Registration is requested.
Thursday, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m. For toddlers from birth to 3 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and bubbles.
Saturday, Vietnamese learning time, for adults and children ages 8 and older. Classes begin at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. It's a great time to take a class to help with a skill for work, gain understanding of a topic or learn a language. There are many free classes available online at the library website or on the internet, through universities or other sources. Practice navigating the internet to learn about these, or sign up for one. For more information on these programs, speak with Loc Bui.
For more information on all other programs, call the library at 832-927-7870.
Library hours are: Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday, closed; Monday, 1 - 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Publisher's Opinion

Your help is needed Saturday!

This Saturday there will be a lot of activity at Atkinson Elementary as the 50-year-old school gets its first official playground.
The playground is being donated by KaBOOM!, but requires approximately 200 volunteers.
I know it is going to be cold, but here's hoping some of you will volunteer your time and efforts on a great community project.
There will be activities to keep the young ones busy, so there is no need for a babysitter.
There will be some type of job for everyone, so no need to have special skills.
Here's hoping I will see you there Saturday. See our front page this week for more information.
Marie Flickinger

Deaths

James William Bacak

James William Bacak, 81, of Burton, Texas, died Nov. 4, 2019, in Brazos County.
The funeral service was held Monday, Nov. 11, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Somerville with burial at South Park Cemetery in Pearland. The recitation of the rosary was Sunday, Nov. 10, at Memorial Oaks Chapel in Brenham, Texas, followed by visitation.
He was born April 19, 1938, in San Antonio to John Benjamin Bacak and Bettie Mary (Polansky) Bacak. He was joined in death by his wife Irene Marie (Bruegging) Bacak; and his brother, Thomas Bacak.
Survivors include his children and their spouses Sandra Bacak of Houston, Chris Bacak and Yaping Zheng of Aubrey, Cheryl and Richard Moxley of Oakton, Va., Lisa and Robert Roth of Renton, Wash., Dwane and Dawn Bacak of Peachtree Corners, Ga., Glenn and Judi Francis of Katy and Chris Francis of Brenham; grandchildren Clare Bacak, Stephen Moxley, John Moxley, Kayla Moxley, Sara Roth, Emily Roth, Riley Bacak, Anya Bacak, Xavier Francis and fiancée Phoebe Matkin, Annamarie Francis Beladi and husband Jovan and Christina Carr; great-grandchildren Drake Beladi, Keeley Francis, Dylan Carr and Cheyenne Carr; sisters and brothers-in-law, Rose Ann Bacak, SSND, Barbara Bacak, SSND, Bettie Marie Opieola and Roy Lee Heinrich; sisters-in-law, Alice Bacak and Yupin Bacak; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.
James was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife Anita Joyce Bacak; brother and sister-in-law, John Robert and Doris Bacak; brother Henry "Hank" Bacak; sister Therese Heinrich; and brother-in-law Jim Opieola.
Memorial contributions may be directed to the Volunteer Services Council, Brenham State Supported Living Center. To donate online, visit <http://www.brenhamvsc.com/> and click on the "Donate" button. To donate via check, make check payable to Volunteer Services Council, 4001 Hwy. 36 South, Brenham, TX 77833.
Funeral arrangements for James Bacak were entrusted to Memorial Oaks Chapel, 1306 W. Main St., Brenham, TX 77833.

Mark Steven McGee



Mark Steven McGee, 62, born Jan. 23, 1957, died Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019.
He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Helen McGee Ortiz and Alfonso Ortiz; brother and sister Michael McGee and Laurell McGee; companion Victoria Montoya; children Jamie, Kelly and Adam McGee; and Erik Delacruz; many grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Paul McGee.
Born in Pasadena, Mark graduated from Dobie High School, and worked in maintenance for many years. He was a member and leader to the Boy Scouts of America.
He was an active outdoorsman and enjoyed spending time with all children in his life. He was known to always open his doors to all kinds of animals and was never without a beloved pet.
Mark will be remembered for his willingness to help others; he was one that anyone could always count on.
A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date to be determined. In lieu of flowers, any donations may be made to the Boy Scouts of America or another charity of one's choice.

Frederick (Fred) H. Fischer

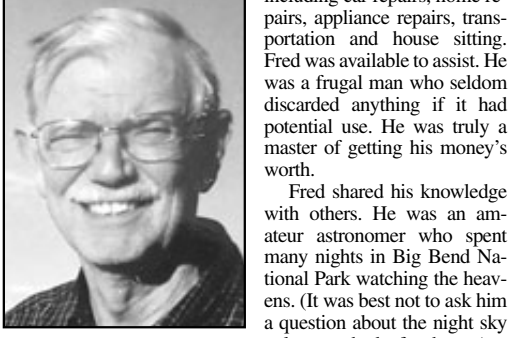


Fred Fischer, 75, was born in Columbus, Ohio, June 15, 1944. He died Nov. 7, 2019, in Houston. Fred was a South Belt area resident since 1977.
He is survived by his daughter Andrea Burleigh and husband Troy; granddaughter Janie McDaniel and husband Chase; grandson Zachary Burleigh; great-granddaughter Alaina Burleigh; sister Cynthia Siers and husband David, and sister Phyllis Fischer; along with many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by special friend Henrietta (Hank) Fleurichamp. He was preceded in death by parents Robert and June Fischer.
Fred was educated in the Williamston, W.Va., schools, receiving his degree in geology from Ohio State University.
Fred was a devoted father and grandfather. For many years he entertained friends and family with tales of his child rearing experiences.
Fred became a member of Alcoholics Anonymous over 39 years ago. He had a positive influence on countless members of the fellowship over the years and many became lifelong friends. He was a talented storyteller and became a living example of the very serious lessons of living a sober life, making the lessons clear to others, often using humor to make his point.
Fred shared his knowledge with others. He was a jack-of-all-trades and master of most, including car repairs, home repairs, appliance repairs, transportation and house sitting. Fred was available to assist. He was a frugal man who seldom discarded anything if it had potential use. He was truly a master of getting his money's worth.
Fred spent many days enjoying saltwater fishing and made an art of discovering the best fishing locations. He loved hunting for deer and birds with his friends in south Texas.
In one last act to serve others, Fred has donated his body for medical research. At a future date his ashes will be scattered around several of the locations he loved most.
A Celebration of Life will be held Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m. at A Community Servant Savior Presbyterian Church, 11303 Hughes Road.
In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation to the Wounded Warrior Project or to MD Anderson Cancer Research, and to honor Fred by giving of one's self to others.

Irene Marie Bacak

Irene Marie Bacak, 80, of Burton, Texas, died Nov. 4, 2019, in Brazos County.
The funeral service was held Monday, Nov. 11, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Somerville with burial at Davis Greenlawn Cemetery in Rosenberg, Texas. The recitation of the rosary was Sunday, Nov. 10, at Memorial Oaks Chapel in Brenham, Texas, followed by visitation.
She was born March 8, 1939, in Kansas City, Mo., to Edgar Joseph and Mary Frances (Donovan) Bruegging. She was joined in death by her husband James William Bacak; and her brother-in-law Thomas Bacak.
Survivors include her mother Mary Bruegging of Overland Park, Kan.; sons and daughters-in-law, Glenn and Judith Francis of Katy, Chris Francis of Brenham, Chris Bacak and Yaping Zheng of Plano and Dwane and Dawn Bacak of Peachtree Corners, Ga.; daughters and sons-in-law, Sandra Bacak of Houston, Cheryl and Richard Moxley of Oakton, Va., and Lisa and Robert Roth of Renton, Wash.; grandchildren, Annamarie Francis Beladi and husband Jovan, Xavier Francis and fiancée Phoebe Matkin, Christina Carr, Clare Bacak, Stephen Moxley, John Moxley, Kayla Moxley, Sarah Roth, Emily Roth, Riley Bacak and Anya Bacak; great-grandchildren Drake Beladi, Keeley Francis,

William "Bill" Reed Avent



William "Bill" Reed Avent, 84, died Nov. 1, 2019.
He was born to Mary and Benjamin Avent Sept. 25, 1935, in Houston where he remained a lifelong resident.
Bill served his country in the Texas Air National Guard. He graduated from Rice University in 1957 and was employed in the aerospace industry for 40 years. He retired from United Space Alliance.
During his career Bill received many recognitions for his dedicated service to human space flight. He was recognized for his work on the success of the Apollo 11 mission, the Skylab Program, and the Space Shuttle Columbia.
He received the Ap- proach and Landing Test (ALT) Award for his contribution to the success of the Space Shuttle Enterprise and worked on developing the software for the Space Shuttle Simulator.
He was honored by NASA with an award recognizing his dedication, commitment to excellence and achievements in support of the space program.
He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Benjamin Gordon Avent.
Bill is survived by his wife of 52 years Maria Michel Avent; daughters Diana Avent Muscanere and husband Sam, and Jeannette Mercedes Avent and Jan Fry; grandchildren Michael Scott Liska and David James Avent; and sister Rosemary Avent Brown.
Bill had been a resident of the South Belt area since 1968.

South Belt Chamber of Commerce honors outstanding students for October



Fred Roberts sixth-grader Rebecca Reyes was chosen Outstanding Student of the Month because she is a student that always goes above and beyond, according to school officials. They note she is a very hard worker in class, that she's top notch! If anyone needs help, Reyes is always willing to assist. She gets along with everyone and is very likable. She is definitely a special young lady who will go far in life. Shown are, left to right, Lashondra Evans, math peer facilitator; Precinct 2 Constable Clint Wayne Brown; Deronda Preston, counselor; Emily Ontiveros, counselor/parent coordinator; Jorly Thomas, Fred Roberts principal; Rebecca Dietz, assistant principal; Citlali Guerrero, assistant principal; and Graciela Hernandez, peer facilitator.



Beverly Hills Intermediate school officials named seventh-grader Joy Menahem (holding sign) Outstanding Student of the Month. She is a "straight A" student who not only excels in academics, but exhibits a kind and caring heart toward others. Menahem has been known to go out of her way to help her peers understand academic concepts. She is polite and respectful to her teachers, follows classroom rules and sets a wonderful example for others. She is an excellent singer in BHI's choral program and was chosen for All-Region Choir. She is involved in many extracurricular activities including chess club and academic pentathlon team, and is one of BHI's morning announcers. Shown with her are, left to right, Alyta Harrell, Pasadena ISD associate superintendent; Stacey Barber, Beverly Hills principal; and Precinct 2 Constable Clint Wayne Brown.



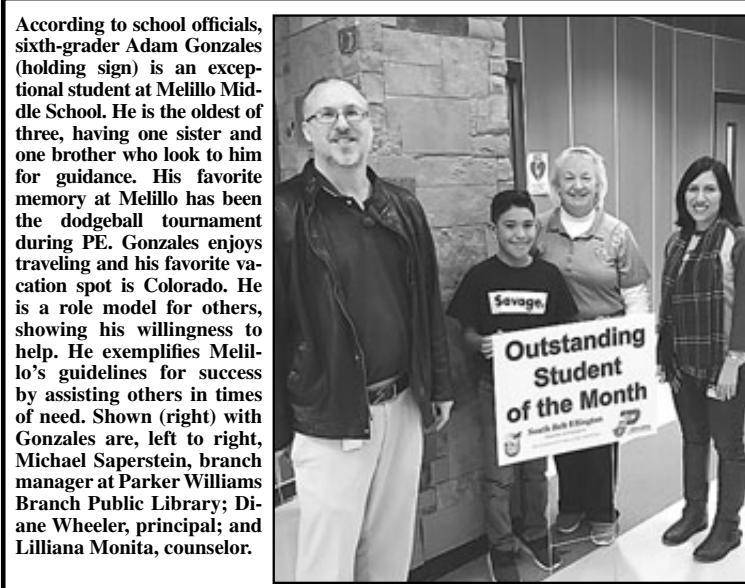
Bush Elementary School officials named third-grader Leslie Aguilar (holding sign) Outstanding Student of the Month and say, "Congratulations, Leslie!" since she is a responsible, motivated and passionate student. She comes to school every day with a smile on her face and is always eager to learn and help. She is extremely engaged in both of her classes and always willing to help her classmates on assignments and instructions. Aguilar is an awesome student who excels in her education daily. Shown with Aguilar are, left to right, Dr. Angela Stallings, Pasadena Independent School District assistant superintendent; Aide Buenrostro, third-grade teacher; Kenny Fernandez, South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce board chair and Pasadena ISD board member; Stephanie Miller, Bush principal; and Enrique Macias, third-grade teacher.



Third-grader Amiya Gordon (holding sign) from Burnett Elementary is known by school officials as an "outstanding student" and has shown maturity and leadership through serving others. She is a wonderful big sister, taking care of her 4-year-old sister who just started school with her. Gordon makes sure her sister is safe and doing what she is supposed to do by guiding her in every direction of school. She is also a leader who guides other 4-year-olds during dismissal, helping them to their destination. Gordon has made significant academic achievements as well, receiving Mathematician of the Month Award. School officials are very excited to nominate Gordon for October's Outstanding Student of the Month, sponsored by the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce. Shown with Gordon are, left to right, Precinct 2 Constable Clint Wayne Brown; Alyta Harrell; Alayah Jones, Gordon's sister; Stormie Jones, Gordon's mother; Tristan Jones; and Jae Lee, Burnett principal.



According to school officials, sixth-grader Brian Bullock is a true example of the Trailblazer Code at Morris Middle School. He motivates others including his teachers to read many chapter books by challenging them to finish before he does. He offers his best and remains responsible in his Personalized Learning class by working independently and with his groups to achieve academic greatness. He respects himself and others by offering to help in the library in his spare time. He inspires others with acts of kindness and smiles for everyone. Bullock strives to succeed in his academic and athletic pursuits. Shown are, left to right, Kenny Fernandez; Bullock; and Allison Lewallen, Morris principal.



According to school officials, sixth-grader Adam Gonzales (holding sign) is an exceptional student at Melillo Middle School. He is the oldest of three, having one sister and one brother who look to him for guidance. His favorite memory at Melillo has been the dodgeball tournament during PE. Gonzales enjoys traveling and his favorite vacation spot is Colorado. He is a role model for others, showing his willingness to help. He exemplifies Melillo's guidelines for success by assisting others in times of need. Shown (right) with Gonzales are, left to right, Michael Saperstein, branch manager at Parker Williams Branch Public Library; Diane Wheeler, principal; and Lilliana Monita, counselor.



Thompson Intermediate officials selected eighth-grader Belle Perridon (holding sign) to receive recognition as Outstanding Student of the Month. According to school staff, Perridon is enrolled in all Pre-AP classes, high school art and athletics, and works as an office assistant. She is a leader on campus and always reflects Lion Pride. She works hard each day and greets everyone with a smile. Shown with her are, left to right, Alyta Harrell; Travis Teichelman, assistant principal; Tanis Griffin, principal; Karissa Guerrero, math teacher; and Precinct 2 Constable Clint Wayne Brown.



According to Moore Elementary School officials, third-grader Abriella Garcia always has a smile to brighten your day and her positive attitude is contagious! She was named Outstanding Student of the Month because she is a hardworking student who tries her best on all that she does. She loves to help others and is available to lend a helping hand if needed. The school staff members note they are lucky to have Garcia as a Moore Mighty Hawk! Shown (right) with Garcia are, left to right, Michael Saperstein; Maury Klann, third-grade teacher; and Jill Lacamu, Moore principal.



Second-grader Alejandro Garcia (middle holding sign) from Jessup Elementary is an outstanding student. According to school officials, he is polite, respectful, and follows the rules. At the beginning of the year, Alejandro had difficulty in completing assignments, but he started to put more effort into listening and following instructions. He is now a hardworking student who completes assignments on time and puts maximum effort into every assignment. He is always looking for ways to improve academically. The school staff encourage him to keep up the good work! Shown with Garcia are, left to right, Kenny Fernandez; Dr. Angela Stallings; and Ryan Pavone, Jessup principal.



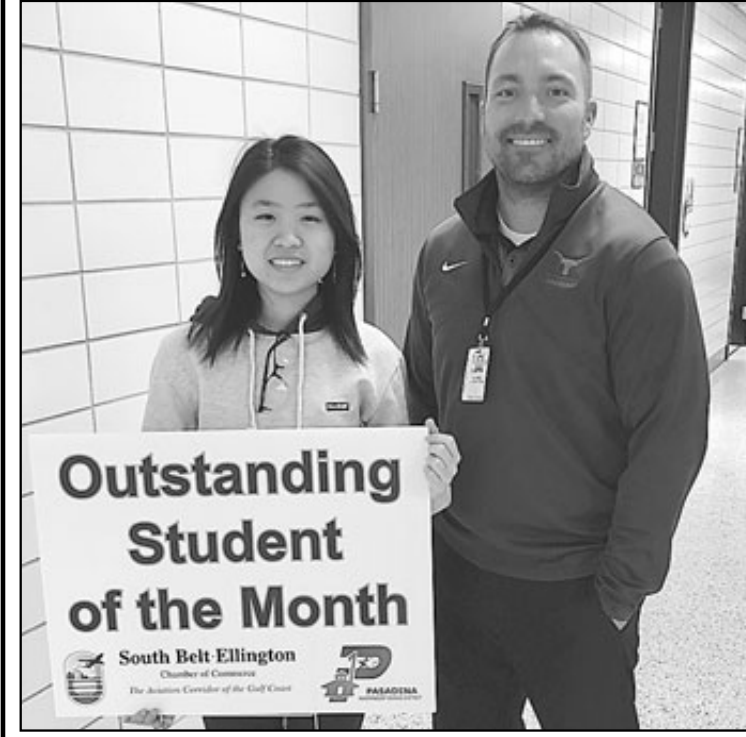
School officials at Hancock Elementary announced second-grader Eva Kuczynski (left holding sign) as the Outstanding Student of the Month. According to them, Eva is kind and respectful to her classmates and teachers. She volunteers to help others when they're struggling with their assignments. In addition, she often is found helping younger students in the hallway and assisting in the library. For these and many other reasons, Eva was selected for the recognition. Shown with Kuczynski are, left to right, Kenny Fernandez; Dr. Angela Stallings; and Elizabeth Valdez, third-grade teacher.



Stuchbery Elementary School officials chose third-grader Jose Turrubiarres-Gomez (holding sign) as Outstanding Student of the Month for exemplifying the characteristics of a Stallion, Stuchbery's mascot. According to school staff members, one can catch him encouraging other students to meet their goals. He is proficient in helping others and does not shy from asking to get better understanding for himself. He is supportive and likes to see others succeed. He is very respectful to his peers and teachers. Recently, he was selected by his class to serve on the student council. Everyone loves Turrubiarres-Gomez. Shown celebrating with him are, left to right, Alyta Harrell; Dylan Richter, third-grade teacher; Jose Hernandez, Stuchbery principal; Ella Escalona, third-grade teacher; and Sharon Woodruff, campus coach for mathematics.



Atkinson Elementary staff named third-grader Melissa Melendez as the Outstanding Student of the Month who is conscientious and always willing to go the extra mile when completing her work. She is always friendly and helpful to her teacher and other students and someone who is reliable in helping without waiting to be asked. She is soft-spoken and has a pleasant positive attitude each day. Shown with Melendez is, left to right, Michael Saperstein; Lucinda Melendez, Melissa's mother; and Belva Alaniz, third-grade teacher.



Leyna Pham (holding sign) is currently a junior in the Early College program and performs in one of the top orchestras at Dobie. Her dedication to her schoolwork has earned her membership in both the National Honor Society at Dobie and the Honors Program at San Jacinto College. Leyna works hard to achieve her goals, but is always quick to help her peers reach their goals as well. Pictured with Pham is Ryan Peal, dean of Early College.



South Belt Elementary kindergartener Theodore Franklin (right holding sign) is extremely kindhearted and is always concerned for others. If someone is upset or needs help, Franklin is one of the first students to offer a helping hand or hug. He works hard every day and is always eager to learn. Shown with Franklin are, left to right, Michael Saperstein; Candy Howard, South Belt principal; and Rebecca Terry, Early Childhood Coordinator in the Pasadena ISD.

San Jacinto College named leading school

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The top ten finalists for the 2021 Aspen Prize will be named in May 2020. The Aspen Institute will then conduct site visits to each of the finalists and collect additional quantitative data, including employment and earnings data. A distinguished jury will make award decisions in spring 2021.

Previous winners of the Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence are: Miami Dade College (Fla.) and

Indian River State College (Fla.), 2019; Lake Area Technical College (S.D.), 2017; Santa Fe College (Fla.), 2015; Santa Barbara City College (Calif.) and Walla Walla Community College (Wash.), 2013; and Valencia College (Fla.), 2011.

For a complete list of the top 150 eligible institutions and to read more on the selection process, visit Aspen's website at www.aspeninstitute.org/programs/college-excellence-program.

SJC's Mckisson releases "Reseda"

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former competitive gamer and gambling addict. Through years of strife and misadventure, this bunch redefines what it means to be a family.

Shot entirely in the Houston area, the film was produced on a \$3,000 budget. Most of the actors, including Ryan Pennock, Amanda Pennington, Kyle Wham, Tyondra Caple, Olivia Davis, Joshua Clouette and Mariah Harmony, are members of San Jacinto College's Theatre Department, having most recently put on a production called "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail."

The film has been submitted to 16 film festivals

across the world.

Mckisson has been making films since he was 10 years old, has a YouTube channel with 1,300+ subscribers ([youtube.com/Utubersquad](https://www.youtube.com/Utubersquad)), and in 2018, released his first feature film, "Instant Karma," an urban fantasy film, currently available to watch on YouTube.

"Reseda" premiered Nov. 9 at the 14 Pews Theater in the Heights and will be available for purchase and rental on Amazon Video, and available through subscription on Amazon Prime, starting Nov. 29.

To see a trailer, visit Mckisson's YouTube page. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/events/12428077027426146.



San Jacinto College theater students Amanda Pennington (left) and Kyle Wham are shown above starring in fellow SJC student Matt Mckisson's new film "Reseda."

St. Frances sells cookies

St. Frances Cabrini Women's Club invites the community to its fourth annual Christmas cookie walk Sunday, Dec. 1, from 8 a.m. to noon in the Francesca Hall, 10727 Hartsook.

Guests should plan to come and fill a container with homemade cookies - without the work - and enjoy more time with family and friends this holiday season.

The cookies make great gifts. Come early for the best selections. Cookies are sold by the pound.

HOPE hosts turkey giveaway

The annual turkey giveaway from Houston Organization of Public Employees Local 123 will be collecting applications for HOPE members who are in need of assistance this holiday season. HOPE Local 123 will be sponsoring fifty members to receive turkeys this Thanksgiving.

For those facing a financial hardship or those who know a HOPE member who is experiencing a hardship, an application should be completed for consideration. HOPE receives hundreds of applications every year.

The fifty members receiving a turkey will be selected by the leadership and will be based on greatest hardship/need. Applications will be accepted until the close of business on Nov. 18. Visit https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Cm7TWZfY_GihOFsbcQlRQDvN-c_2mhlpcw5bJMLHxQ/pre fill?link_id=0&can_id=afce77d754abb603e0b2c8334f94998&source=email-holiday-turkey-giveaway-2&email_referrer=email_658668&email_subject=holiday-turkey-giveaway

For more information, visit on Facebook at HOPELO cal123 or Twitter at @HOPELocal123 or call 832-962-4506.

SJC hosts STEM Dance

The San Jacinto College South Campus Lyceum Committee will host the national educational outreach organization STEM From Dance to show students and community members what happens when diversity, technology and dance merge to empower, educate and encourage the next generation of technical innovators.

Founder and CEO Yamilée Toussaint Beach will give a presentation, workshop and performance that illustrates how STEM - science, technology, engineering, and math - and dance can live and thrive in the same space, while providing innovative educational opportunities for under-served communities. The presentation will take place Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 5p.m., at San Jacinto College South campus in the Marie Spence Flickinger Fine Arts Center, Building S15.

The schedule of events include a morning presentation starting at 10 a.m., a workshop at 12:45 p.m. and a performance and mixer at 3:45 p.m.

For more information contact Andrea Vasquez, San Jacinto College senior communications coordinator at 281-998-6173 or email andrea.vasquez@sjcd.edu.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

DICK ORTH HAS 11-11 BIRTHDAY
Longtime South Belt resident, Dick Orth celebrated his birthday on Veteran's Day. While growing up, he thought the parades were all for him. Happy Birthday from family, friends and the *South Belt Leader*.

TONI CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY
Wishes for a special birthday are sent to longtime resident and Realtor Toni Muse who enjoys a birthday Wednesday, Nov. 20, from friends and the *Leader* staff.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Nov. 14 through Nov. 20.

Atkinson Elementary
Amber Newman celebrates a birthday Nov. 15. Sing a double chorus of a birthday song to Elizabeth Cecil and Nancy Vazquez Nov. 18.

Burnett Elementary
Send a warm birthday greeting Nov. 14 to Tammy Dayrit. Enjoying a birthday Nov. 17 is Nohemi Garcia.

Bush Elementary
Sing a chorus of a birthday song Nov. 14 to Emily Vega.

Frazier Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles for Maria Jarazo-Gonzalez Nov. 14. The day for a double celebration for Gustavo Gomez and Kristena Stokes is Nov. 17.

Meador Elementary

Cristal Tejada enjoys a birthday Nov. 17. **Moore Elementary**
Light the birthday candles for Maury Klann Nov. 17.

South Belt Elementary
On Nov. 15, Tanya Hensley is wished a happy birthday.

Stuchbery Elementary
The day for a birthday cake for Demetrius Robinson is Nov. 15. Sing a double chorus of a song to Jennifer Street and Jessica Tran who celebrate a birthday Nov. 16. Tonya Davis enjoys a happy birthday Nov. 17. Sing a happy birthday song Nov. 18 to Gloria Reza.

Melillo Middle School
On Nov. 15, Maria Lerma is wished a happy birthday. Nov. 16 is the day to break out the balloons and party favors for Roxanna Lara and Cassie Padgett. Join in the birthday fun Nov. 18 with Christian McCary and Carol Zann.

Roberts Middle School
Nov. 15 is the day for a cake for Kimberly Lidrbach. Greetings for a wonderful birthday are sent to Jessica Borden Nov. 19.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Send a nice birthday greeting Nov. 16 to Danielle Pitre. On Nov. 18, light the birthday candles on a double-layer cake for Brandy Knust and Melanie Mauldin.

Thompson Intermediate
Send a birthday greeting Nov. 7 to VeAnn

Richards. Gina Gibson marks a birthday Nov. 8. The day for a birthday cake for Carol Waters is Nov. 12.

Dobie High
Norman McIntyre enjoys a birthday Nov. 15. Nov. 16 is the day for a celebration for Irvin Theodile. Join in the birthday fun Nov. 18 with Blaise Trahan.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
The *Leader* sends birthday wishes to friends who have a birthday. For those wanting a birthday mentioned in this section, send an email to mynews@southbeltleader.com with "OTBF: Friends Celebrate Birthdays" in the subject line by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Thursday, Nov. 14: Gene Sockwell, Justin Sims, Kat Kiel, Valarie McCoy and Tracey Harnamji; Friday, Nov. 15: Larry Soto and Silvia Serna; Saturday, Nov. 16: Stephanie Hillmark and Bobby Taylor; Sunday, Nov. 17: Cynthia McGowen, Donna LaRoche, Blake Robinson and Joe Jasso; Monday, Nov. 18: Patrick Patterson and David Rendon; Tuesday, Nov. 19: Jennifer Cook and Albert Craft; and Wednesday, Nov. 20: Thomas Marks, Tim Hasse and Sica Marcello.

LEADER WANTS YOU IN THE NEWS
Email birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Student published by iWRITE Literacy

Promising author and Clear Springs High School junior Fiza Kuzhiyil is one of only 100 students nationwide to have her selected short story published in the 10th anniversary edition of iWRITE Literacy's I Write Short Stories by Kids for Kids anthology. This is the fifth time the organization has chosen to publish her stories, but the first time her work was selected as the Editor's Choice recipient.

The iWRITE Literacy nonprofit organization offers students in third through 12th grade the opportunity to submit short stories, poetry and artwork to their annual publishing contest.

The mission is to build student confidence through writing. Since 2009, the organization has published more than 650 student authors and illustrators from 11 different countries.

This year's iWRITE theme focused on international literacy. "As an Asian American I thought it would be really cool to write about immigrants and how they fit in to American culture," said Kuzhiyil. "The story is about an Indian American girl and how she finds her way and adjusts her sails to get to where she needs to be while staying true to her own culture," she said.

Kuzhiyil first developed her passion for writing in intermediate school. She felt encouraged to start sharing her work with others after getting good feedback from her teachers.

"Publishing stories for thousands of people to read is something not a lot of kids get to do, and writing is something that I am passionate about," Kuzhiyil said, adding that she hopes to continue writing in her future.

"I am dipping my toes in the industry before I even graduate high school, which is an amazing opportunity for me."

Kuzhiyil was honored at the 10th anniversary iWRITE luncheon and book signing Saturday, Nov. 2, at the Hyatt Regency Houston.

She read her short story for guests as the Editor's Choice recipient and autographed her pages within the anthology.

To learn more about iWRITE, visit www.iwrite.org.

Staff shows support

On Nov. 4, the staff at Atkinson Elementary surprised one of their staff members with custom T-shirts to wear in support of Elizabeth Eckols who was diagnosed with cancer for the second time. Eckols has treatments every other week and staff members wears their shirts to encourage her and to show that she is not alone in facing her battle. Shown are, left to right, Martha Reed, master list clerk; Elizabeth Eckols, executive secretary; Karen O'Connor, office clerk; Jessica Carlos, attendance clerk; Sandy Asbeck, school nurse; and Mykayla O'Connor, resource clerk.

Photo submitted



UHCL showcases Mercury director

University of Houston-Clear Lake showcase Mercury artistic director Antoine Plante said that the orchestra's upcoming performance of Mozart and Beethoven will be one of the biggest symphonic concerts of their season, with about 40 musicians onstage.

The performance, to take place at University of Houston-Clear Lake's Bayou Theater Friday, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m., will include some of the finest woodwind musicians from all over the world as well as two music fellowship students from the Juilliard School.

"It's exciting to address this repertoire, and to host musicians from other countries to strengthen our orchestra," Plante said. "And a few years ago, we started a program with Juilliard to audition master's-level students who are training in the style and music of the baroque and classical period instruments. We offer a fellowship to two students and give them the opportunity to visit us and have professional experience."

This year, Plante said, a violinist and a historical flautist would be joining them for this concert as well as several others planned for the season. "The music by Mozart and Beethoven are big favorites," he said. "An interesting feature of these pieces is that each of them in their own way have an approach to humor in the music."

The concert opens with "The Marriage of Figaro Overture," which is a four-minute, easily recognizable piece. "There are comical sounds throughout. It's amusing and fun," Plante said. "And in the 'Serenade for Strings and Timpani,' Mozart is having fun by putting a group of strings with a timpani. It's an unusual setup, but he put a timpani with strings and throughout the piece there's a back and forth that's humorous, and the last movement will actually make you laugh."

In the second half, continued Plante, there's a serious and dramatic overture that moves into Beethoven's "Symphony No. 1."

"There's a lot of humor and the repetition of three notes," he said. "The third movement of a symphony is usually a minuet, but this time, Beethoven turns it into a musical joke. The last movement, it seems as though he's making several tries up the scale to get it moving, but it stops before it finally gets there with energy."

He said that if one knows what to listen for, one will find the humor. "It's not as large as the romantic symphonies, but it's close, and it's fun to bring that to UHCL," he said.

Purchase tickets for Bayou Theater events at www.uhcl.edu/bayou-theater/tickets.

Dobie hosts BHI night



On Friday, Nov. 1, the Dobie varsity cheerleaders invited Beverly Hills Intermediate cheerleaders to cheer during the Dobie-South Houston football game. Shown are, left to right (front row) Emily Guzman, Katarina Lopez, Damaris O'Der, Jennifer Estrada, Laila Hernandez, Cathy Nguyen, Amy Guzman, Jessica Ngo, (back row) Lucy the Longhorn (Kemi Alade), Maddy Spray, Madeline Flowers, Michelle Kelley, Leena Pham, Olga Cisneros, Brianna Pedraza, Chloe Ray, Jazmyln Martinez, Maya Scott, Vianey Alanis, Yen Tran, Kyla Tran and Brianna Almaguez.

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Remember When

40 years ago (1979)
Bob Buchanan was elected president of the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Pony-Colt Baseball Association.

More than 300 area residents packed the Thompson Intermediate School cafeteria for a flood meeting. The residents received more answers to their flooding questions than they had at a previous meeting.

35 years ago (1984)
The city of Houston postponed annexation of Sycamore Valley until the end of the year.

Dan Carlisle, a 1981 Dobie High School graduate, was named Mr. University of Houston at the school's homecoming ceremony.

30 years ago (1989)
Houston homicide detectives investigated a robbery attempt of a Sagemont resident which resulted in the deaths of

three suspects.

Despite reservations from Harris County Judge Jon Lindsay concerning undercover drug busts by deputies under Precinct 2 Constable Gary Freeman, citizens had given their support to the constable's actions.

25 years ago (1994)
Houston police investigated the robbery of the Citgo station on Hughes Road.

A judicial ruling that prior testimony could be used in a slew of Brio trials was a victory for plaintiffs and the defendant, Southbend developer Farm & Home.

20 years ago (1999)
A 4-year-old South Belt resident died after being struck by a motorist in Deer Park.

After two overtime periods, the Dobie High School Longhorns defeated the Clear Brook High School Wolverines to advance to the area

round of the 5A Division II football playoffs.

15 years ago (2004)
For the second time in 14 months, a fire swept through the Scarsdale Village shopping center on Scarsdale at Beamer. The center was heavily damaged by smoke from the Food Town to the CVS store.

A 37-acre tract of land was donated by Exxon/Mobil to the Veteran's Museum in Texas to house a 203,000 square-foot building on Scarsdale at the Gulf Freeway. At the time, the area was used as a golf driving range.

The City of Houston announced it was adopting a "zero tolerance" policy to address the improper placing of curbside heavy trash. Residents were told to place the trash on no earlier than the Friday before the scheduled heavy trash date. Violations could result in fines up to \$2,000 per day if convicted.

Plans for a traffic light at the intersection of Blackhawk and Kirkville had moved forward and were in the hands of Harris County Precinct 1 officials. Due to traffic problems surrounding Moore Elementary and Dobie High School, PISD agreed to subsidize a portion of the design and cost of the light.

10 years ago (2009)
Representatives from several different local government entities came together at a meeting sponsored by Houston City Councilman Mike Sullivan to discuss possible solutions to flooding in the South Belt area for a follow-up meeting to a similar function held six months before.

5 years ago (2014)
A suspect was arrested after police said he attempted to burglarize the Macy's at Almeda Mall after the store was closed. According to police, the suspect set off an alarm around 10:45 p.m. He had reportedly been inside the store before it closed, then hid and waited for employees to leave. Once alone, the suspect loaded up on merchandise but was unable to find a way out of the store. Police responded to the incident by releasing a K-9 unit into the store. The dog found the suspect hiding in a clothing rack and bit him on the leg. The suspect was subsequently apprehended and charged with burglary and theft.

1 year ago (2018)
Texas Gov. Greg Abbott called for a special election Dec. 11 to fill the state Senate District 6 seat being vacated by Sylvia Garcia. The election was necessary because Garcia was elected to replace outgoing U.S. Rep. Gene Green, who resigned after serving for more than two decades in Congress.

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South Belt names VIPs for the month



South Belt Elementary announced VIPs for the month. The students shown above were chosen by their teachers, based on their ability to display the character trait of the month: Honesty. Shown are, left to right (first row) Diego Ramos, Raymond Strong, Emmanuel Thomas, Mila Maldonado, Michael Barry, Ryder Rhodes, Clint Nguyen, (second row) Phuc Nguyen, Angel Davila, Jaden Cervantes, Camila Corpus, Carson Pham, Abel Griffith, (third row) David Sepulveda, Max Hernandez, Hannah Bui, John Orlo Boardman, Aarish Nizam, Genesis Banda, (fourth row) Brady McNeal, Durriyah Hill, Melanie Martinez, Isaiiah Lopez, Mikayla Gonzalez, Bradley Jones, (fifth row) Aren McCalla, Jyles Washington, Jasmin Hernandez, Mia Roppolo, Isaiiah Machado, Madison Torres. Not Pictured are Natalie Cumpian, Daniel Garcia, Jaxon Mohummed and Evelyn Spears.

Photo by: Lakitha Green

Kaye, David Bergeron celebrate 40 years



Longtime residents of the South Belt area, David and Kaye Bergeron, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary Sunday, Nov. 17. David and Kaye have always been actively involved in the community, especially while their four children attended PISD schools and participated in area sports leagues. The couple's children Courtney Morehead Gordon, Amanda Bergeron Aden, Matthew Bergeron and Joshua Bergeron want to wish their parents the happiest 40th wedding anniversary and to thank them for always modeling what a marriage is supposed to be like. They feel so blessed to have them both!

Their grandchildren Jayden Robinson, Dylan Robinson, Olivia Kaye Aden and Joel Thomas Gordon send big hugs and congratulations to their Nana and Paw Paw Bergeron! They say, "Thank you for always being the BEST grandparents and spoiling us!"

Finally, David wanted to send a special message to his beautiful bride Kaye: "Kaye, I am thankful to God every single day that He brought such an incredible, kind, patient and loving person into my life. Thank you for loving me through hills and valleys of life. I couldn't imagine my life without you in it and I hope you know how much you mean to me."

Striking the classic pose on their wedding day (left) are David and Kaye Bergeron. Below, gathering for a family photo are, left to right, (front row) David, Kaye, (back row) Joshua Bergeron, Amanda Bergeron Aden, Courtney Morehead Gordon and Matthew Bergeron.



Meador celebrates Red Ribbon Week



Meador Elementary participated in Red Ribbon Week Oct. 28 - Nov. 1, with themed days, activities, and guest speakers to discuss the medical and legal dangers of drugs and to promote healthy habits.

Shown left are sisters in matching costumes second-grader Daria Gonzalez (left) and kindergarten Denia Gonzalez.

Shown above in front of a life-like background are, left to right, guest speaker Dr. Divya Subramanian of Baylor College of Medicine, fourth-graders Rachel Bensmith, Ishmael Rodriguez, Sanaa Stephens and Ruben Perez of Special Crimes Bureau Chief.

Shown below as the Toy Story group are, left to right, (front row) Nora Gonzalez, attendance clerk; Myriam Garcia, receptionist; Katia Garcia, bilingual master list clerk; (back row) Johanna James, secretary; Tara Merida, counselor; Beverly Bolton, principal; Amy Clowers, assistant principal; Celeste Skipper, nurse and Annette Stubbs, campus coach.



Hinojosas celebrate 52nd anniversary



Joe and Rosa Hinojosa celebrated their 52nd anniversary Oct. 23 at The Gardens Houston. The couple planned to celebrate their 50th anniversary, but due to Hurricane Harvey, the celebration was canceled. Home on leave from the Marine Corps the couple first met on their birthday Oct. 15, 1967, (they share the same birthday) and eight days later the couple married. They have three sons Joe D. and wife Angela Hinojosa, Chris and wife Selena Hinojosa, Jon R. and wife Blanca Hinojosa. Their family also includes grandchildren Justin, Michael, Alicia, Vanessa, Valere, Brianna and Jonathan Hinojosa.

Photo submitted

Texas flood claims total more than \$280 M

The National Flood Insurance Program has paid more than \$280 million to Texas policyholders six weeks after Tropical Storm Imelda impacted the state. Of that, nearly \$82 million are from advance payments on flood insurance claims. Advance payments can be dispersed in as little as five days to help kick-start recovery. Advance payments are deducted from a policyholder's final claim settlement amount. Advance payments may only be used according to the terms of the policy. For example, if a policyholder has a flood insurance policy for a building, the advance payment must be used to repair or rebuild the structure. Or if a policyholder has contents coverage, the advance payment must be used to repair or replace contents that were within the structure. Advance payments may not be used for temporary housing and living expenses.

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Meador art featured in calendar



Meador Elementary fourth-grader Mirian Andrade (left) designed art that was selected to be featured in the Peter Piper Pizza's 2019-2020 school calendar for November. Recent Meador fourth-grade student Jahre Williams' art was also selected for June 2020. Jahre entered the competition while attending Meador but has recently enrolled at Hancock Elementary. Andrade and Williams were the only students selected from Pasadena ISD and the Houston area to be featured in the statewide art contest. Shown with Mirian is Cecilia Stewart, Meador art liaison.

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St. Luke's Catholic Church honors parish veterans



St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church honored U.S. military veterans Sunday, Nov. 10, in remembrance of Veterans Day during the 9:15 a.m. celebration of the Mass and during a breakfast served by the Knights of Columbus afterward. Those in attendance shown above, left to right, (first row) are Dennis Mulcahy, Oliver Smith, Gilbert Hernandez, Ivan Capitillo, Joe Tristan, Joe Hinojosa, (second row) Rigoberto Fernandez, Gustavo Jordan, Arthur Mendoza, Gilbert Valverde, Keli Chavalier, Mary Toussant, Fran Sharpless, John Urdiales, Adam Serna, Larrol Burleigh, (third row) Frank Rosas, Gilbert De Leon, Matias Gonzalez, John Devora, Lewis Toussand, Jim Sharpless, Jimmy Delossantos, Raul Zepeda, Jim Towey, (fourth row) John Tornabie, Gilbert Ramos, Victor Casteneda, Paul Manriquez, Marlon Hulín, Butch McPherson, Dennis Dusek, Douglas Orrell, Paul Foreman, Michael Heredia and Joe Dominguez. Not shown are Larry Janacek, Dominic Cantalamessa, Joe Moreno, Milton Dittrich, Steve Cutrer, Martin Navarro, Adam Allen, Margarito Rivero Sr. and Robert Alvarez.

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Father pins son



Longtime South Belt resident Marcelino (Marc) Lozano was recently pinned ceremoniously by his father Marc Sr. at a swearing in held by Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz. Marc will be serving as a member of the district patrol who will spend some of his time working in the South Belt area.

Photo by David Matthews

Atkinson celebrates 50 years

Continued from Page 1A since its opening in 1969, faculty and staff at the school have remained consistently focused on fulfilling Atkinson's mission "to provide a positive educational experience for all children."

Atkinson is proud of its close connection with parents and the surrounding community and believes that this relationship contributes to the success of its students.

In 2019, Atkinson received all five of the five possible Distinction Designations that can be awarded to elementary schools from the Texas Education Agency. Atkinson's 50th anniversary celebration will take place Tuesday, Nov. 19, in the school's cafeteria and library from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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Dawson ends Brook's VB playoff run

Dawson lost a set for the first time this playoff season but still managed to advance, ending Clear Brook's dream volleyball season in four games Nov. 11 at Phillips Field House in Pasadena.

Clear Brook's all-time kills leader, Kailin Newsome, had 24 in her final prep match, but it wasn't enough to keep the Lady Eagles, now with 42 wins this season, from claiming a 25-19, 22-25, 25-21, 25-

22 victory in the regional semifinals.

The Lady Eagles will now continue their season Nov. 15 at Wheeler Field House in the regional semifinals while Clear Brook has seen its season end at 28-10, complete with the program's first-ever district championship.

Kenedi Miller, poised to be Clear Brook's top returning attacker next season, had 15 kills. Bel-

la Lockwood, who also saw her high school career come to a close, had 13 kills against Dawson.

Newsome wound up with 732 kills this season to extend her single-season and career-leading totals.

Newsome was able to join the record books at Clear Brook along with her older sister, Jaden Newsome, now a redshirt sophomore setter at the University of Missouri,

left the Lady Wolverines' program as the all-time leader in assists, kills and digs. Jaden Newsome had 3,511 assists at Clear Brook.

Setters Kayleigh Schultz and Kyla Carrier were also solid against Dawson, with Schultz having 29 assists to go with 25 for Carrier.

Newsome had 17 kills and Lockwood added 13 as Clear Brook ended Summer Creek's season

in the area playoff round, an easy 25-14, 25-8, 25-13 win for the Lady Wolverines.

As part of its historic season that included the program's first-ever league title, the Lady Wolverines won their first playoff matches since the 2011 campaign.

Dawson's regional semifinal victory was its 18th straight to date this season and 24th in 25 matches.

Dobie's Campa sets PR at state meet

The University Interscholastic League's prep cross-country season came to a dazzling close as the best of the best gathered at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock Nov. 9 for the all-classes state championships.

La Porte's Ryan Schoppe capped his brilliant career by capturing top honors in the Class 6A boys' 5,000-meter race with a time of 14 minutes, 14.02 seconds.

Aubrey O'Connell, a sophomore from Prosper High School, won a sprint to the finish line to win the 6A girls' 5,000-meter final in a time of 17:05.95.

Schoppe, an Oklahoma State University verbal commit, joined O'Connell as the big winners in the Class 6A ranks, and locally, junior Alberto Campa was the rage as his 2019 personal record time of 16:02.47 placed him 91st in the final race of the season.

Campa, 14th at the Region III Champion-

ships, is the first state qualifier from Dobie since the 1999 Longhorn varsity boys' team reached state in 1999.

This season, Southlake Carroll shone brightest in the Class 6A division, winning both the boys' (low of 80 points) and the girls' (low of 45 points) team crowns at state.

Kingwood, the District 22-6A and Region III girls' champion, was second at state behind Southlake Carroll.

To hear Campa tell it, perhaps the Dobie boys' soccer program's loss was a big gain for both him and the cross-country department.

Juggling his time between the two sports as a sophomore last school year, Campa said he felt as though he wasn't able to give a full effort to either sport.

He may have loved soccer but felt like a better athletic future would come in cross-country.

A hard worker in and



Alberto Campa saw his incredible junior cross-country season come to a close as his 2019 personal record of 16 minutes, 2 seconds placed him 91st at the University Interscholastic League State Cross-Country Championships Nov. 9 at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock.

McDonald's basketball here Nov. 21-23

The year was 1999. Tournament founder Ben Meador was able to pull together 15 varsity boys' basketball teams to compete in the three-day Texas Invitational event at just four locations.

All those years ago, Klein became the first tournament champion with a 67-40 victory over

Tomball. By 2004, the tournament expanded to include varsity girls' teams - 16 of them to be exact, with 32 boys' teams.

Today, the McDonald's Texas Invitational has long since grown to include 80 teams, that's 48 for the boys and 32 for the girls. Games are contested at 10 different gymnasiums

across the South Belt, Pasadena and Deer Park areas, and the event has raised millions to benefit the Pasadena ISD and Deer Park ISD education foundations.

For 2019, the tournament will play out Nov. 21-23 over those 10 locations, including Beverly Hills Intermediate, Dobie High School's main campus, Dobie9, Phillips Field House, Pasadena Memorial High School, Sam Ray-

burn High School, South Houston High School and Deer Park High School and Deer Park ISD's Watkins and Auxiliary campuses.

The Dobie varsity boys and girls teams will be in action during pool play Nov. 21. The JFD boys will host a tournament opener against Elkins at 9 a.m. and will return later in the day to face North Crowley.

The Dobie girls, who reached the area playoff

round a season ago under then first-year head coach Jasmine Hartman, will go against a trio of state-ranked opponents in pool play.

Allen, last year's Division I gold bracket champion, is back this season while Judson heads the girls' field.

Local fans can see the complete list of pool play games in addition to other tournament details on Page 3B.

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Historic season in hand, Dobie football eyes NS

Junior quarterback Cameron Gray continued his second-half push, rushing for three touchdowns as the Longhorns went on to win nine games in a regular season for the first time in 20 seasons with a 34-0 shutout of Memorial Nov. 7 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

The Longhorns improved to 7-1 in district play along the way, claiming second place overall behind District 22-6A champion Atascocita. Humble wound up third, with Kingwood fourth.

Dobie, the state's seventh largest school based on enrollment, thus advances to the 6A Division I playoff bracket as the No. 2 seed behind Atascocita.

With that seeding in pocket, the Longhorns will now face defending Class 6A Division I state champion North Shore in the bidistrict playoff round for the seventh time since 2011.

The 2019 bidistrict playoff matchup is set for Friday, Nov. 15, at Galena Park ISD Stadium. Kick-off is at 7 p.m.

North Shore is the District 21-6A champion and the top seed from that league in the Division I bracket. Deer Park is the No. 2 seed out of 21-6A in the Division I bracket and will play the same night against Atascocita at Humble ISD's Turner Stadium.

For those in the South Belt area, it's all about the matchup with the Mustangs, who have won nine straight games since an opening night loss to Katy.

Unfortunately for the locals, North Shore has emerged victorious in each of the previous six

games between the two teams.

Regardless of the outcome against North Shore, the Longhorns, including second-year head coach Kevin Berneathy, are owners of a historic season.

The last time a Dobie varsity football team won nine regular season games, there was no Class 6A designation.

The Longhorns went 12-0 in District 23-5A with two playoff wins before a loss to Katy led to a 12-1 overall finish.

But that was then, and this is now. There is little

sense in delving deep into the Longhorns' bidistrict matchup against a team that features multiple major Division I collegiate football recruits.

What is important is that Dobie football is certifiably back on the map with 16 regular season wins over Berneathy's two years.

Trusting the process is what the Longhorns are all about. While any road matchup in the playoffs is deemed tough, the Long-

horns are going to go to GPISD Stadium Nov. 15 intent on taking the Mustangs down. It would be Dobie's first postseason win since 2004 and would be huge.

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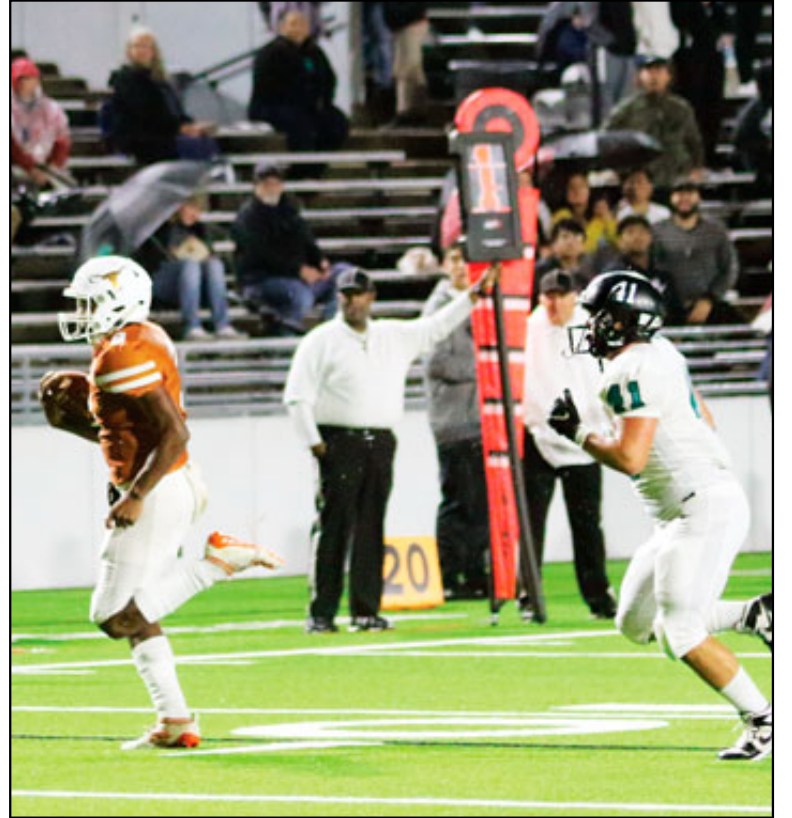
Bidistrict Football Playoffs

6A Division I Bracket

Dobie (9-1) at North Shore (9-1)

Friday, Nov. 15, 7 p.m.

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Dobie quarterback Cameron Gray (with ball) dashes toward the end zone as part of a 25-yard touchdown run to help give the Longhorns a 27-0 lead late in the game against Memorial Oct. 7 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Trailing the play is Memorial linebacker Adrian Tamez (41). Photo by David Flickinger

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Early deficit overcome Lady Horn hoops trip Friendswood

The wet, cold conditions outside didn't affect Friendswood's hot shooting early on, but the Dobie varsity girls' basketball team had more than an answer.

Outscoring the Lady Mustangs 42-14 over the second and third quarters, Dobie stormed back to defeat host Friendswood 57-40 in the season opener for both programs Nov. 11 at Friendswood.

Dobie, an area round qualifier a season ago, again has high hopes this season, but things did not start smoothly at all for the locals.

Down 12-0 to begin, the game, the Lady Longhorns

began their comeback and then some.

Using a balanced scoring attack that is likely to take hold for much of this season, the Lady Longhorns got 13 points from Charlee Peters and 11 more from Vanessa Lam in the win.

Dobie bounced back with a 16-5 run in the second quarter to lead and then came up with a huge 26-9 third-quarter run to extend things.

Friendswood's Ashlyn Ryall led all scorers with 17 points.

Dobie will face George Ranch Nov. 14 in a tournament opener at the Baytown Tip-Off Classic.

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Lajaunie tennis offers racket donation drive

Founders of the Darren Lajaunie Memorial Scholarship Fund are teaming with the Harry Taylor Tennis Center and Pasadena ISD schools to begin a racket donation drive. Those who wish are asked to donate their unused or unwanted tennis rackets to those Pasadena ISD students who would like to begin playing tennis but lack the most basic need – a tennis racket. Racket donations, including those made from wood, are currently being

accepted at the Harry Taylor Tennis Center within Strawberry Park and at Racquet Pro in Webster. Additional drop-off locations include the *South Belt-Ellington Leader*, 11555 Beamer; NobiliTea, 11510 Space Center in Webster; Frank Hall Attorney at Law, 4008 Vista in Pasadena and Partners In Primary Care, 3915 Spencer Highway. Visit the Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarships page on Facebook to gather additional information

about the racket drive or to learn more on how to assist with the Lajaunie scholarship fund moving forward. In order to arrange the pickup of a donated racket, call the Lajaunie Memorial Tennis Scholarship office at 281-480-6933. All donated rackets will be restrung and then given to junior tennis players as they learn the ins and outs of tennis at either the Harry Taylor Tennis Center or at their respective Pasadena ISD school campus.

Dobie freshman football defeats Mavericks twice

The Dobie freshman level football teams closed out the regular season Nov. 6 with a pair of wins over the Pasadena Memorial Mavericks. The Longhorns' freshman White team went on to grab the District 22-6A championship at 6-0 after it beat Pasadena Memorial 42-0. Kevant Charles was one of many offensive stars, with touchdown runs of 24 yards and a yard in the easy win. Julian DeValle had a 55-yard touchdown run and caught a conversion

pass from Raylin Hubbard. In turn, Hubbard also contributed in a big way with a 30-yard scoring reception from KeShawn Wilson. Nate Montemayor got involved with an 8-yard touchdown run. Khaleb Davis had a 12-yard touchdown run, and David Guzman did his part as he made good on four conversion kicks. Overall, the Longhorns finished the season at 6-2. The Longhorns' freshman Orange team beat Pasadena Memorial 38-7

and also completed its season at 6-2 overall. Jeremiah Bradley ran 50 yards for a touchdown, and Elijah Williams had two scored, including a 35-yard run to pay dirt and a 40-yard pass reception from Kyle Wallace. Jackson McCall played a key role with a 55-yard touchdown run, and Jalen Baldwin scampered 40 yards for a touchdown and also reeled in a conversion reception. Elijah Howard had a conversion pass reception from Wallace, and Logan Riley ran for a conversion.

Second Baptist edges Pioneers

Four turnovers proved costly as Lutheran South fell short in its bid for a district football championship, with Second Baptist claiming the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Division II District 7 crown with a 42-14 win Nov. 8. The two teams went into the final game of district play with the championship on the line for the second straight season. Second Baptist also prevailed last season, winning 28-21 in overtime. With the loss, the Pioneers finished the regular season at 8-2 overall and

4-1 in district play. The locals will travel to Corpus Christi Friday, Nov. 15, for a 7:30 p.m. game against John Paul II. Lutheran South quarterback Luke Harrison threw for 236 yards and rushed for a pair of touchdowns but was intercepted three

times. He was held without a touchdown pass for the first time all season. The Pioneers also lost a fumble as Second Baptist came up with big plays on defense when needed. Senior running back Beau Psenick rushed 11 times for 43 yards.

Wolverines rally past Clear Lake

The Clear Brook varsity football program will enter the offseason with some momentum after the Wolverines' varsity squad scored 14 fourth-quarter points to outlast Clear Lake in the regular season finale for both teams Nov. 8 at League City's Veterans Memorial Stadium. Sophomore quarterback Cameron McCalister passed for four touchdowns, and junior fellow sophomore running back Trent Lacy returned to the lineup with a big night as

the Wolverines rallied to defeat the Falcons 42-35. Lacy came into the season projected as the Wolverines' top option at running back but was limited to five games this season. Playing for just the second time in league play, Lacy burned Clear Lake for 139 yards rushing on 20 carries. Shane Porter, who began the season as the Wolverines' starter at quarterback, rounded out his high school career in style, grabbing 10 passes for 200

yards and three scores, including one of 70 yards. Loronzo Thompson, a three-year varsity starter at Brook, had a 23-yard scoring reception in his final game. With the win, Clear Brook finished at 2-8 this season with wins in two of its final three games. McCalister, who presumably will enter the offseason as the starter at quarterback heading into 2020, was 13 of 21 for 228 yards and the four scores through the air.

South Belt football predictions	Troy Leland	John Bechtle	Eli Tankesley	Toni Muse	Emory Gadd	Debbie Vaughn
Dobie at North Shore	North Shore	Dobie	North Shore	North Shore	Dobie	North Shore
Port Neches Groves at Fort Bend Marshall	FBM	FBM	FBM	FBM	FBM	FBM
Clear Springs at Dawson	Clear Springs	Dawson	Dawson	Dawson	Dawson	Dawson
Deer Park at Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita
Pearland at Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson
C.E. King at Humble	CEK	CEK	CEK	Humble	Humble	CEK
Clear Creek at Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit	Strake Jesuit
Kingwood at Beaumont West Brook	BWB	BWB	BWB	BWB	BWB	BWB
Kingwood Park at Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood
George Ranch at Clear Falls	Clear Falls	George Ranch	Clear Falls	Clear Falls	Clear Falls	Clear Falls
This week's record	8-2	8-2	8-2	8-2	8-2	8-2
Season record	83-35	80-28	82-26	80-28	86-22	66-32

Martinez wins South Belt 5K; event a huge success

Everyone involved was a winner as the inaugural South Belt 5K, Kids K and other events went off on a beautiful morning at El Franco Lee Park. Dobie cross-country

In all, 204 runners registered for the events that go to benefit the Barry E. Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund, and 150 of those took part.

runner Javi Martinez was the overall male champion at 18 minutes, 04.1 seconds, and Nikki Cannon 22:20.6 was the overall female winner. Other age group med-

alists included Michael Medina (male 19-under), Lawson Hartwick (male 20-29), Michael Kinzer (male 30-39), Chris Cook (male 40-49), Arno Roensch (male 50-59),

Bruce Boyd (male 60-69) and George Becker (male 70-79). Others were Abigail Ortiz (female 19-under), Hannah Hendricks (female 20-29), Britt Gambino (female 30-39),

Ahn Hunter (female 40-49), Carmen Lukner (female 50-59) and Donna Sledge (female 60-69). Alessandra Paz, an 8-year-old female, won the Kids K.



Happy Holidays! - Leader sports

At left, Dobie varsity boys' cross-country runner Javi Martinez dashes toward the finish line to win top overall medalist honors at inaugural South Belt 5K Run, benefiting the Barry E. Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund. Martinez came through with a finish of 18 minutes, 04.1 seconds to win the honor. Above, Martinez (third from left) and Dobie teammate Michael Medina, who was third overall, (second from left) chat with Thompson Intermediate coaching staffers Daniel Sawyer (far left) and his father, Doug Sawyer (far right) following the event. Martinez and Medina were student-athletes at Thompson Intermediate before heading to Dobie. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Swing Queens 6-under tops in Angleton



The 6-under Swing Queens of the South Belt Girls Softball Association went undefeated to capture first place at a youth tournament in Angleton. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Madeline Herrera, Sophia Paz, Shannon Logan, Arianna Quiroga, (middle row) Sydney Logan, Audryna St. Romain, Miranda Coronado, Isabella Granados, Isabella Gutierrez, Brianna Quiroga, (back row) assistant coach Manuel Coronado, head coach Pedro Gutierrez and assistant coach Armando Quiroga.

Dynamite 10-U goes unbeaten, wins in Deer Park



The South Belt Girls Softball Association's 10-under Dynamite team went undefeated in four games at the Misfits 2KX Round Robin Invitational in Deer Park, claiming the top prize. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Jaylyn Torres, Destiny Sidiropoulos, Aria Victorian, Jazlynn Wimbush, Madison Villatoro, Andilyn Garcia; (middle row) Samantha Uribe, Alicia Diaz, Makayla Lechuga, Alyssa Arredondo, Trinity De Leon, Gisselle Morales; (back row) coaches Mark Victorian, April De Leon, Juan De Leon and Ruben Garcia.

McDonald's Texas Invitational hoops delivers on team, star power

Defending Division I gold division boys' champion Allen and 2018-2019 Class 6A state girls' champion Converse Judson head the field at the upcoming McDonald's Texas Invitational, to play out Nov. 21-23 across 10 area locales.

Forty-eight boys' teams and another 32 girls' teams will vie for various division and bracket crowns over the three days. The Dobie varsity girls' team, which advanced to the Division II silver bracket championship game before a loss to Summer Creek a season ago, has moved up to Division I this season and will face a trio of state-ranked teams in pool play.

Summer Creek, which went on to win the Region III girls' crown last season, is back in the McDonald's mix as all eyes will be on senior forward Maliyah Johnson, a Texas A&M University verbal commit. Meanwhile, the Dobie varsity boys' team has also made the jump to the Division I field and will go against Fort Bend Elkins (9 a.m.) and North Crowley (1:30 p.m.) Nov. 21

during pool play at Dobie High School's main campus. The Longhorns were 12-20 overall a season ago but are excited about 2019-2020, with Marquice Scott back as the team's most experienced performer.

Aside from Allen, there is a host of teams capable of reaching the Division I gold bracket boys' title game Nov. 23, at Phillips Field House. Morton Ranch is among those, entering the season ranked No. 2 in Class 6A according to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

Dickinson, with four-year starter and University of Houston verbal commit Tramon Mark on the court, is ranked fourth in the state. Lewisville is ninth and District 22-6A rep Summer Creek is No. 10.

The Dobie girls won't face top-ranked Judson early on but will go against Class 6A No. 7 ranked Westside Nov. 21 at Dobie for a noon tipoff. Moving over to Phillips Field House Nov. 21, the Lady Longhorns will play

6A No. 22 Cypress Creek at 4:30 p.m. In Nov. 22 girls' pool play at Dobie, the Lady Longhorns have a 1:30 p.m. game coming against Class 5A No. 8 San Antonio Memorial. At the same time, two teams from last

season's state tournament, Summer Creek and Converse Judson, will go head-to-head at Phillips Field House. There's also a great matchup to conclude day one pool play as defending tournament overall cham-

pion Allen goes against Manvel in a classic boys' battle at Pasadena Memorial High School. That game is set for 7:30 p.m. Phillips Field House will host the girls' and boys' Division I gold bracket championship

games Nov. 23. The girl's title game is set for 3 p.m., with the boys' title game at 6 p.m. The tournament is a fundraiser for the Pasadena ISD and Deer Park ISD education foundations. Since the tournament's

inception in 1999 under the guidance of event founder Ben Meador, more than \$2.2 million has been raised to provide minigrants to teachers for innovative programs and teaching strategies impacting the lives of all

students in Pasadena and Deer Park. Three-day tournament passes are \$20 each prior to the start of and on the first day of the tournament. Prior to the tournament, those passes may be purchased at the Pasadena

ISD Athletic Department, 2906 Dabney St. in Pasadena. Tournament passes will be available at all venues Nov. 21. Single game adult tickets are \$5, and student tickets are \$2.

Thursday, Nov. 21 Pool Play Schedule & Locations

Locations	At Phillips	At Pas. Mem.	At Dobie	At S. Houston	At Rayburn	Friday, Nov. 22
Dobie H.S. 10220 Blackhawk	9 a.m. B- Ridge Point vs. Morton Ranch	9 a.m. B- Pas. Memorial vs. Conroe	9 a.m. B-Dobie vs. Elkins	9 a.m. B-Tompkins vs. S. Houston	9 a.m. B- Rayburn vs. Brazoswood	10:30 a.m. games Cy-Ranch vs. Cibolo Steele at D.P. Watkins
Bev. Hills Int. 11111 Beamer	10:30 a.m. B- Dickinson vs. Cy-Fair	10:30 a.m. B- Cinco Ranch vs. Allen	10:30 a.m. B-Sterling vs. Clear Creek	10:30 a.m. B-Dawson vs. Cy-Creek	10:30 a.m. B-Grapevine vs. F.B. Bush	Hastings vs. North Shore at D.P. South
S. Houston H.S. 3820 S. Shaver	Noon G - Memorial vs. Rayburn	Noon G- Cy-Creek vs. S.A. Memorial	Noon G-Dobie vs. Westside	Noon G- S.B. Memorial vs. South Houston	Noon G- Cy-Woods vs. Barbers Hill	Noon games North Crowley vs. Klein Oak at D.P. Watkins
Pas. Mem. H.S. 4410 Crenshaw	1:30 p.m. B- Summit vs. Ridge Point	1:30 p.m. B- Pas. Mem. vs. Bellaire	1:30 p.m. B- Dobie vs. North Crowley	1:30 p.m. B- S. Houston vs. Cy-Ridge	1:30 p.m. B- Rayburn vs. J.J. Pearce	at D.P. Watkins Cedar Park vs. Clear Springs at D.P. South
Rayburn H.S. 2121 Cherrybrook	3 p.m. B- Judson vs. Cy-Fair	3 p.m. B- Cinco Ranch vs. Manvel	3 p.m. B- Westside vs. Sterling	3 p.m. B- Dawson vs. Lewisville	3 p.m. B- F.B. Bush vs. Summer Creek	1:30 p.m. games Clear Falls vs. S.B. Memorial at D.P. South
DP Watkins & DP South 710 W. San Augustine	4:30 p.m. G- Dobie vs. Cy-Creek	4:30 p.m. G- Pas. Mem. vs. Cy-Fair	4:30 p.m. G- Westside vs. S.A. Memorial	4:30 p.m. G-Clear Falls vs. South Houston	4:30 p.m. G- Rayburn vs. Dawson	Deer Park vs. Angleton at D.P. Watkins
Dobie 9 10811 Monroe	6 p.m. B-Summit vs. Morton Ranch	6 p.m. B- Bellaire vs. Conroe	6 p.m. B-Elkins vs. North Crowley	6 p.m. B-Tompkins vs. Cy-Ridge	6 p.m. B-Brazoswood vs. J.J. Pearce	Cy-Woods vs. Pasadena at Pasadena
Phillips F.H. 2906 Dabney	7:30 p.m. B- Dickinson vs. Judson	7:30 p.m. B- Allen vs. Manvel	7:30 p.m. B- Westside vs. Clear Creek	7:30 p.m. B- Lewisville vs. Clear Creek	7:30 p.m. B- Grapevine vs. Summer Creek	C.C. Memorial vs. Lake Ridge at Dobie 9
Pasadena H.S. 206 S. Shaver	Tickets	At Pasadena	At Bev. Hills	At DP-Watkins	At DP-South	At Dobie 9
	All-games pass	9 a.m. B-Pasadena vs. Lake Creek	9 a.m. B- Judson vs. Klein Oak	9 a.m. B-Lamar vs. Deer Park	9 a.m. G- Angleton vs. Pearland	9 a.m. G-Summer Creek vs. North Crowley
	\$20 on/before Nov. 21 at PISD ticket office 2906 Dabney Pasadena, 77502	10:30 a.m. B-Hightower vs. Sam Houston	10:30 a.m. B- Hastings vs. Cy-Ridge	10:30 a.m. G- Atascocita vs. Nimitz	10:30 a.m. G - La Porte vs. S.B. Memorial	10:30 a.m. G- Cibolo Steele vs. North Shore
	At all venues Nov. 21	Noon G- Crosby vs. Pasadena	Noon G- Clear Falls vs. Galena Park	Noon G- C.C. Memorial vs. Deer Park	Noon G- Angleton vs. Lake Ridge	Noon G- Cy-Fair vs. Dawson
	\$15 on Nov. 22	1:30 p.m. B-Pasadena vs. Crosby	1:30 p.m. B- Clear Springs vs. Pearland	1:30 p.m. B-Deer Park vs. Angleton	1:30 p.m. G- Alvin vs. Langham-Creek	1:30 p.m. G- S.A. Johnson vs. Cedar Park
	\$10 on Nov. 23	3 p.m. B- Hightower vs. Richardson	3 p.m. B-Klein Oak vs. Summer Creek	3 p.m. G- Hebron vs. Atascocita	3 p.m. G- S.A. Clark vs. La Porte	3 p.m. G- Judson vs. North Crowley
	One-game ticket	4:30 p.m. G- Pasadena vs. Barbers Hill	4:30 p.m. G-Galena Park vs. S.B. Memorial	4:30 p.m. G-Lake Ridge vs. Deer Park	4:30 p.m. G- Angleton vs. C.C. Memorial	4:30 p.m. G- Judson vs. Cy-Woods
	\$5 adults	6 p.m. B- Crosby vs. Lake Creek	6 p.m. B- North Shore vs. Cy-Ranch	6 p.m. B-Lamar vs. Angleton	6 p.m. G- Pearland vs. Langham Creek	6 p.m. G- Cibolo Steele vs. Hastings
	\$2 students	7:30 p.m. B- Richardson vs. Sam Houston	7:30 p.m. B- S.A. Johnson vs. Clear Springs	7:30 p.m. G- Nimitz vs. Hebron	7:30 p.m. G- S.A. Clark vs. S.B. Memorial	7:30 p.m. B- Pearland vs. Cedar Park
	Children under 7 admitted free/with adult					
	All Nov. 22 pool play games are in girls' div.					

Sports Calendar

FOOTBALL
Friday, Nov. 15
Dobie varsity at North Shore, GPISD, 7:00

BASKETBALL
Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 14-16
Dobie varsity girls at Baytown Tip-Off tourn., TBA
Dobie JV girls at Pasadena H.S. tourn., TBA
Dobie freshman A girls at Pasadena H.S. tourn., TBA

Saturday, Nov. 16
Dobie all boys' teams at La Porte scrimmage, TBA

Monday, Nov. 18
Beverly Hills 8B boys at Miller, 4:30
Beverly Hills 8A boys at Miller, 5:30
Beverly Hills 7B boys at Miller, 4:30
Beverly Hills 7A boys at Miller, 5:30
Thompson 8B boys host Queens, 4:30
Thompson 8A boys host Queens, 5:30
Thompson 7B boys host Queens, 4:30
Thompson 7A boys host Queens, 5:30
Beverly Hills 8B girls host Miller, 4:30
Beverly Hills 8A girls host Miller, 5:30
Beverly Hills 7B girls host Miller, 4:30
Beverly Hills 7A girls host Miller, 5:30
Thompson 8B girls at Queens, 4:30
Thompson 8A girls at Queens, 5:30
Thompson 7B girls at Queens, 4:30
Thompson 7A girls at Queens, 5:30

Tuesday, Nov. 19
Dobie varsity girls host Alvin, 7:00
Dobie JV girls host Alvin, 5:30
Dobie freshman A girls host Alvin, 4:00
Dobie freshman B girls host Alvin, 4:00

CROSS-COUNTRY
Wednesday, Nov. 20
Thompson boys/girls at PISD meet, Crenshaw, 4:30
Beverly Hills boys/girls at PISD meet, Crenshaw, 4:30

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for more information, or drop in.
7:30 a.m.
Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. at Allendale's Kitchen & Cocktails, 5010 Broadway St., in Pearland. Variety of speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or email nalix@texascitizensbank.com.
9:30 a.m.
NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse - Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 a.m., Praise Chapel, 18516 Hwy. 3 in Webster. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others. For additional information, call 281-910-1971 or visit aglownet.org.
10 a.m.
Fun Bunch - for senior citizens, ages 55 and older, meets the second Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call Ronn Canon at 281-610-8999 or the chamber at 281-481-5516.
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email at jpochners@aol.com for additional information.
11:30 a.m.
ABWA - Southeast Express Network - American Business Women's Association-South meets the second Thursday, Spring Creek Barbeque, 9005 Broadway (FM-518), Pearland. Lunch is 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$20). Includes networking with professional business women and guest speaker. Women of all ages/occupations invited. Bring business cards. Reservations appreciated. Visit www.seen-abwa.org.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For more information, call 713-686-6300.
7 p.m.
Pearland Area Republican's Club - meets monthly on the second Thursday (except June, July and December) at the Pearland Church of Christ Annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd., Pearland. For details, email pearlandarearepublicanclub@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/PARCTX.
7 p.m.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Rabbi Stuart Federow hosts free discussions on Judaism and religion in general, open to the public, second Thursdays, at Sawa Restaurant and Grill, 16608 El Camino Real. This is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For additional information, contact the office at 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM-518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For more information, call 713-661-4200.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15
7 a.m.
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10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochners@aol.com for details.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building).

For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.
8 p.m.
Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share, learn Al-Anon principles, that they are not alone, and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16
7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - "Breakfast with Bill," Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
11 a.m.
Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochners@aol.com for details.
7 - 10 p.m.
Bay Area Singles Club - monthly dance at 7 - 10 p.m. at the VFW Lodge, Post 6378, located at 5204 Highway 3 in Dickinson, 77539. Bring party snacks to share. Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. For more information, call 832-483-3257 or 832-477-6778.
7 p.m.
Bay Area Bluegrass Association - bluegrass music show and jam session on the third Saturday (except December.) Stage show is at 7 p.m. Pickers may bring instruments and come early. Free. Johnny Arolo Civic Center, 300 Walker, League City. For

details, visit http://www.bayareabluegrass.org.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochners@aol.com for details.
2 p.m.
Grief Support Group - For adults who have lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. For details, call 281-487-8787.
5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., in the Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for details or to RSVP for child care.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email jpochners@aol.com for details.
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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Seniors and Law Enforcement Together - SALT meetings are 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Madison Jobe Senior Center, 1700 East Thomas St., in Pasadena on the third Monday. No December meeting. January meeting is on the second Monday. Meetings start timely and teach seniors how to avoid identity theft, scams, fraud, etc. Police officers and sheriffs may be in attendance. Free. Refreshments served. For details, call 713-477-0175.

Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.

Genealogy Group - The Parker Williams Genealogy group meets from 2 - 4 p.m. on the first and third Mondays at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. The public is invited to attend. For details, email Liz Hicks at erootrot@usa.net.

New Directions Singles - Age 50 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with activities and/or guest speakers at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Pkwy. For details, call Margarita at 832-715-9658.

Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details.

Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the South Belt Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd., next to the fire station. For details, call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565 or visit <https://youngprofessionals.toastmasters.com/>.

Survivors of Suicide Support Group - gives coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adults who have lost a loved one to suicide. For details email LynneAnnH@yahoo.com or visit www.crisishotline.org or call 832-416-1177.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). Call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.

The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society - Meets the third Monday at Clear Lake Park Bldg., 5001 NASA Pkwy., Seabrook. Presenters explore topics such as fossils, planetary geology, mineralogy, lapidary, jewelry making, fossil and mineral collecting. Field trips to Texas collecting sites and surrounding states. Door prizes. Free parking. For details, visit www.clgms.org.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for non-members. Everyone is welcome. For details, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

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

Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For details, call 713-472-0565.

Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochnsr@aol.com for details.

Free dance lessons - taught by Lewis and Betty Whistler (35 years of experience) at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E League City Parkway, on Tuesdays. Bringing a partner is not required. There is a different dance focus monthly. For details, call Betty at 832-517-5833. For questions about League City's activity card, call the park office at 281-554-1180.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., For details, call Jeanette

Sumrall at 713-946-3713.

2 p.m.

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees - NARFE Chapter 941 meets the third Tuesday, El Franco Lee Park Community Center, 9500 Hall Rd. Visitors welcome. For details, call Roy at 713-734-1461 or EFL Center at 281-464-9708. No meeting in Aug.

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

7 p.m.

Houston Skyscraper Shadows Civic Club - meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 7900 Fuqua (inside Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church). There is no meeting in December. For details, contact Cathy at houstonsskyscrapershadows.org or call 713-332-6294.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 22930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.

Positive Interaction Program - meets the third Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria, first floor staff meeting room. PIP is police and citizens working together making neighborhoods safer. Bring a friend. For information, call Officer Richard Buitron at 281-218-3900.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7 a.m.

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

9:30 a.m.

Carmelites - a nondenominational senior citizen social group that meets at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 15500 El Camino Real, in Clear Lake on the first and third Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for a time filled with fun, fellowship, lending library, coffee and bingo. The meetings are open to those ages 50 and older, with no dues. Day trips and extended trips are available. Deposits are being taken for Black Hills, Badlands and Legends of the West in South Dakota, July 15-21, 2020; and a Hawaiian Cruise on the Pride of America/Norwegian Cruise Line, Nov. 7-14 2020. For additional information, call Marilyn 713-444-6744.

9:30 a.m.

The Community Club - meets monthly on the third Wednesday at Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., in Pasadena. Social time is 9:30 a.m.; meeting is at 10 a.m. The club is a charitable organization of women helping the Salvation Army feed and care for homebound elderly/disabled people, children and the homeless, providing scholarships for Bridge Over Troubled Water clients. Day trips may be scheduled, followed by a guest speaker/program with fellowship and lunch. New members and guests are invited. For details, email Jmopry@yahoo.com.

10 a.m.

Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochnsr@aol.com for details.

11:30 a.m.

Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club - meets monthly, first and third Wednesday, Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena. December may be an exception. For information, email Teresa Dover at doverbookkeeper@aol.com.

1 - 3:30 p.m.

Hometown Heroes Park - has Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dances (not lessons) in a casual environment. A variety of rhythms are played from entry to advanced dancing levels at 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card (see Tuesday 12:30 p.m. dance for details). Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details information on the activity card, call the city at 281-554-1180.

7 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.

Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention - Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse support for women. Visit www.bayareaturningpoint.org for details.

8 p.m.

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

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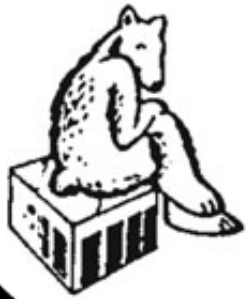
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Dobie's Campa excels at state x-country

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out of the classroom, Campa poured his focus on the cross-country scene. His first "aha" moment came prior to this season when the Longhorns trained and ran with some athletes from South Houston High School.

Trojan senior Jesus Alejandro placed 15th at the District 22-6A Championships last season, so Campa knew what it looked like to move up the ladder.

In a run, Campa defeated Alejandro and discovered just what was possible. Campa grabbed a win with a teammate at the Huffman Relays to begin this season, and he was, literally, off and running.

At district, Campa admitted he would have been pleased had he taken a top-10 finish. Instead, he took

third overall and moved on to regionals. At this year's Region III meet, Campa would have been happy to go top 30, but instead qualified for state as the No. 14 overall finisher. "That was just an incredible feeling," Campa said. "I waited for the results, but I knew I had a good shot. When I found out that I had made it to state, it was one of the best feelings I've ever had in competitions. All of the hard work has paid off."

Campa completed his season with the 91st spot in the 6A boys' 5,000-meter event and was pleased with his PR time. The course at Settlers Park included one of the first loops he had seen this year, but Campa navigated it well.

"Sometimes it can be overwhelming to train all of the time and still keep up with my studies, but I manage to do it. It's all worked

out for me so far, and now I want to keep it going and see what is possible."

In the classroom, Campa is one of the best among his peers. He currently ranks 21st in his Class of 2021, and plans to study either engineering or something within the medical field postgraduation. For now, though, there is more to do on the track.

The Dobie boys' cross-country team is led by Irvin Theodile, and Campa also gives credit to Lady Longhorns' head coach Mo Hickman, an accomplished runner in her own right.

"Coach Hickman, first and foremost, pushes me to be great out there on the course," Campa said.

"She has taught me what it is to run with knowledge of the courses and to be smarter with my training. It's really helped me a lot from then to

now." Campa plans to run at the Nike Cross-Regional event in The Woodlands with hopes of reaching nationals.

Next spring, Campa also plans to run the distance events, including the 3,200- and 1,600-meter events, as a member of the track and field team. He may also mix in a few 800s. Whatever the case, he's looking ahead.

"I believe I have the grades that will help me move to the next level," Campa said.

"I know I have to continue to work to improve, but I really believe I can. This year has taught me a lot about what I can do out there running."

"Sometimes I was surprised, but I started to build confidence that I could do well. From here, I'm just going to keep working hard."

JFD football bests Mavs; finishes with nine wins

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thing seems possible. Gray has developed into the type of dual-threat quarterback that Berneathy and his staff no doubt envisioned when they handed him the keys to the offense to open the season.

Continuing his strong push since Dobie's lone loss to Atascocita Oct. 18, Gray has rushed for five touchdowns and thrown for three more in his last two games. Overall his last three games, with South Houston included, Gray has accounted for 14 overall scores.

Granted, Rayburn, South Houston and Memorial are not nearly on the level of a North Shore, but the Longhorns will be far from one dimension come Nov. 15.

Aside from concerning itself with the whereabouts of Gray post-snap, North Shore will see a host of Dobie running backs throughout the game, perhaps a half dozen or more. The Longhorns' top rusher, senior Dontavon Crosby, finished second in the district with 891 yards on the ground.

Gray's top weapons on the outside include Jeremiah Ballard and Cameron Guy, and Gray will seek them out.

Then there's the Dobie defense. The group is opportunistic with 11 interceptions, and yards can be hard to come by. The Longhorns faced Atascocita quarterback Brice Matthews and did not fare well. North Shore's Demetrius Davis has thrown for 19 touchdowns this season and rushed for another 11.

Then there is Zachary Evans, arguably the state's top running back. He missed some time this year with some issues but is still a game-breaker from anywhere on the field. The Mustangs also possess Texas A&M commit Shadrach Banks at receiver.

But for Dobie, the focus is on them and what they do. Berneathy said the Longhorns have had a solid week of practice leading up to the game despite crummy weather conditions.

"It's like any other week to us in terms of focusing on trying to get bet-

ter every week and preparing like we normally do," Berneathy said.

On the idea of celebrating nine regular season wins, Berneathy said there is little time for that at present.

"We look at the film and reflect back on the last game, but right now the focus is on getting win No. 10," he said.

"Defensively, we have to be able to limit the big play. North Shore has

some explosive guys on offense, and they thrive on the big play. On offense, we have to be able to take care of the football, execute, and put ourselves in position to score when the chances are there. You

can't have missed opportunities against a team like that."

So the stage is set. Statistically, Dobie seems as ready as ever to take down the Shore. Getting it done is the goal.



Dobie receiver Jeremiah Ballard (81) tries to secure a downfield pass with Memorial defensive back Reid Winthrop (4) in coverage in the third quarter of Dobie's eventual 34-0 victory over the Mavericks Oct. 7 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. With the win, the

Longhorns finished with nine regular season wins for the first time since 1999 ahead of a bidistrict playoff matchup against North Shore. The Longhorns also finished the regular season ranked No. 15 in the Houston area Class 6A poll.



At right, Dobie kicker Joshua Hernandez (39) follows through on an extra-point try in the fourth quarter of the Longhorns' 34-0 win over Memorial Oct. 7 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Hernandez has made good on 44 point-after tries to this point in the season. Holding for Hernandez on this try was Nate Wallace (31).

Photos by David Flickinger

Dobie High School

Varsity Boys' Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 21	Fort Bend Elkins	9 a.m.
Nov. 21	North Crowley	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 22-23	McDonald's Texas Invit.	TBA
Nov. 25	Clear Lake	2 p.m.
Dec. 3	Clear Brook	7 p.m.
Dec. 5-7	at Katy tourn.	TBA
Dec. 10	*at Summer Creek	7 p.m.
Dec. 13	*at Pasadena	7 p.m.
Dec. 17	*Humble	7 p.m.
Dec. 20	*at Kingwood	7 p.m.
Dec. 31	*Atascocita	1 p.m.
Jan. 3	*at Rayburn	7 p.m.
Jan. 7	*South Houston	7 p.m.
Jan. 10	*at Memorial	7 p.m.
Jan. 17	*at Summer Creek	7 p.m.
Jan. 21	*Pasadena	7 p.m.
Jan. 24	*at Humble	7 p.m.
Jan. 28	*Kingwood	7 p.m.
Jan. 31	*at Atascocita	7 p.m.
Feb. 4	*Rayburn	7 p.m.
Feb. 7	*at South Houston	7 p.m.
Feb. 11	*Memorial	7 p.m.

* District 22-6A games

Brook High School

Varsity Boys' Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 19	at Baytown Lee	7 p.m.
Nov. 22	at Galveston Ball	7 p.m.
Nov. 25	at Brazoswood	1 p.m.
Nov. 27	South Houston	1 p.m.
Dec. 3	at Dobie	7 p.m.
Dec. 5-7	at Krueger/Carlisle tourn.	TBA
Dec. 10	*Friendswood	7 p.m.
Dec. 12-14	at Fulshear tourn.	TBA
Dec. 16	at G.C. Memorial	7 p.m.
Dec. 20	Fort Bend Austin	5 p.m.
Dec. 27-28	at Medina (PISD) tourn.	TBA
Dec. 31	La Porte	1 p.m.
Jan. 3	*at Clear Springs	1 p.m.
Jan. 10	*Dickinson	7 p.m.
Jan. 14	*at Alvin	7 p.m.
Jan. 17	*Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Jan. 21	*Clear Creek	7 p.m.
Jan. 24	*at Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Jan. 28	*Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Feb. 4	*at Dickinson	7 p.m.
Feb. 7	*Alvin	7 p.m.
Feb. 11	*at Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Feb. 14	*at Clear Creek	7 p.m.
Feb. 18	*Clear Falls	7 p.m.

* District 24-6A games

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Longhorns' varsity squad are, left to right, (front row) Johnathan Baldwin, Braden Gant, Adrian Young, Shannon Hayes, Sirron Ward, Marjaune Scott, (back row) Dwayne Mills, Jeremiah Ballard, JuJaun Robinson, Jalen Lendsey, De'marcus Carathers, Damian Garcia and Tomas Garcia.

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