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Holiday closings set

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The Leader office will be closed Wednesday, Nov. 22, through Friday, Nov. 24, for the Thanksgiving holidays. The Thursday edition of the Leader will be available Wednesday, Nov. 22.

Clear Brook City MUD

The Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 23, and Friday, Nov. 24, in observance of Thanksgiving. The office will re-open on Monday, Nov. 27, at 8 a.m. Payments may be left in the drop box located on the drive-thru window side of the building. Residents who receive Friday trash service will have regular services Nov. 24. All trash must be at curbside no later than 7 a.m.

Schools

All local Pasadena ISD and Clear Creek ISD schools will be closed Monday, Nov. 20, through Friday, Nov. 24, for the Thanksgiving holidays. School will resume for both districts on Monday, Nov. 27.

Stuchbery turns 50

Stuchbery Elementary will hold a 50th anniversary celebration Wednesday, Nov. 29, in the school cafeteria from 6 to 8 p.m. All alumni and current and former staff are invited to attend. For information, call 713-740-0752.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-528/NASA Road 1 to Fuqua will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 8. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed. At least two northbound and two southbound main lanes and frontage road lanes on the Gulf Freeway from FM-528/NASA Road 1 to Fuqua will be closed from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Friday, Dec. 8. Alternate entrance/exit ramps will be closed.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-528/NASA Road 1 to SH 96/League City Parkway will be closed nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Dec. 31. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-518 to FM-517 in League City will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Saturday, Nov. 18. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

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.

Kirkmont 3, 4 to meet

The Kirkmont Section 3 and 4 Community Association will have its annual meeting Thursday, Nov. 16, at Kirkmont MUD Building, 10102 Blackhawk, at 7:30 p.m. The annual maintenance fees and deed restrictions will be discussed, and board members will be elected. Homeowners attending the meeting may be eligible for a discount on 2018 maintenance fees.

Stuchbery seeks volunteers

Stuchbery Elementary is seeking adult volunteers to sit and read with kindergarten students on Wednesdays from 8:30 to 9 a.m. To volunteer, contact Lauren Palos at 713-740-0752 or lpalos@pasadenaisd.org.

PLT's Alice in Wonderland

Pearland Little Theatre will present Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland* Nov. 17-19 at the San Jacinto College South Fine Arts Building. Show times are 7 p.m. Nov. 17; 3 and 7 p.m. Nov. 18; and 3 p.m. Nov. 19. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.pearlandlittletheatre.org.

Scarsdale club to meet

Scarsdale Civic Club will hold its monthly homeowners meeting Thursday, Nov. 16, instead of the end of month due to Thanksgiving. The meeting will be at 12127 Teaneck at 6 p.m.

Cabrini women sell cookies

The Women's Club of St. Frances Cabrini will hold its Cookie Walk on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 8 a.m. to noon in Francesca Hall, 10727 Hartsook. A large assortment of homemade holiday cookies will be sold by the pound. Come early for the best selection.

Sageglen to meet Nov. 27

The Sageglen Community Association will hold its meeting Monday, Nov. 27, at the community building at 11610 Sageglen at 7 p.m.

Dobie Theater to perform

Dobie Theater will present *Peter and the Starcatcher* Thursday, Nov. 16, through Saturday, Nov. 18. Tickets for the play are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and children. Thursday and Friday performances will be at 7 p.m., and the Saturday performance will be at 2 p.m. See related story on Page 3A.

Turner addresses homeless encampments

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner recently addressed the city's growing problem with homeless encampments.

The press conference was held just two days after a fatal shooting took place at such a camp in Midtown under the Interstate 69 overpass near Caroline and Wheeler. It was the second homicide to occur at an encampment this year.

"What we face here is danger and disease,"

Turner said.

Turner attempted to put a stop to the camps this past April by passing an ordinance that prohibited temporary structures, tents and unauthorized outdoor cooking devices in public areas. The ACLU of Texas, however, filed an emergency motion to stop it, and in August, a federal judge upheld the measure.

"It was working," Turner said. "The situation

has worsened since the federal restraining order."

Dr. David Persse, who heads the city's Health and Human Services Department, spoke at the event, too, saying the encampments also pose a health risk, as the transients often defecate outside, possibly spreading Hepatitis A. While there have been no known cases of Hepatitis A originating from Houston homeless camps, there have been fatal outbreaks in similar spots in other parts of the country.

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"These conditions simply cannot be allowed to exist," Persse said.

The city's homeless situation has been an escalating problem in the South Belt community over the past 18 months, with numerous residents voicing their complaints to the Leader, local police and on social media sites. The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce has held two separate meetings in the last year with community leaders, city officials and area law enforcement to address the concerns.

While most of the South Belt community has been spared the homeless encampments, they can frequently be spotted under the Gulf Freeway overpass at Edgemoor and sometimes along Fuqua between Sabo and Interstate 45.

Local police have noted that combating the homeless problem is often difficult, as their hands are tied, unless the individual is obstructing traffic or panhandling in an aggressive manner or near a school or ATM.

Both Turner and law enforcement officials have urged residents to not give directly to the homeless but rather donate to area shelters.

"I understand the desire for people to give," Turner said at a press conference last September. "I am telling you it is making the situation worse and not better, all over the city."

Turner has been a strong proponent of housing the homeless. Such programs, however, are costly, and many of affected individuals prefer to live on the street.

The mayor is emphatic that something must be done about the worsening situation for the good of both city residents and the transients themselves.

"This neighborhood (Midtown) deserves better, this city deserves better and, very candidly, people who are in these encampments deserve better," Turner said.

Man finds purse

Good Samaritan, South Belt resident Ruben Alaniz, recently found a lost purse at St. Luke's Church on Hall Road and brought it to the Leader in an attempt to locate its owner. The purse contained a driver's license belonging to Jacquelyn Susanne Garcia, but calls to her listed number were unsuccessful. Garcia may contact the Leader should she wish to retrieve the item.

Veterans honored at St. Luke's Church



St. Luke's Church honored its veteran service members at Mass Sunday, Nov. 12, to celebrate Veterans Day. The local Knights of Columbus council also served breakfast to the veterans. Shown above are, left to right, (first row) Gilbert Ramos, the Rev. Douglas Guthrie, Joe Tristan, (second row) Heather Sepulveda, Juan Ortiz, Vivian Cisneros, Gilberto Monarez, Jerry Stebenne, Ponce (John) De Leon, Gilbert Aguilar, Joe Hinojosa, Arthur Mendoza, Jim Towey, Glenn Williams, Larrol Burleigh, (third row) Jim Muecke, Paul

Tran, Fran Sharpless, Gustavo Jordan, Rigoberto Fernandez, John Urdiales, John Devora, Martin Keough, Marlon Hulin, Ivan Ontiveros, Doug Orrell, Gilbert De Leon, Vic Vega, Nicholas Torres, Frank Flores, Jesse Longoria, (back row) Michael Heredia, Paul Manriquez, Paul Foreman, Chris Sharpless, Gilbert Hernandez, William Petty, Dennis Dusek, Jim Sharpless and Charlie Najvar. Not shown are Nick Castaneda, Jack Madigan, Gilbert Valverde, Luis Alvarez and Donald Graham. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Local man arrested following alleged death threats, arson

A South Belt man is facing multiple felony charges after allegedly threatening to kill his former girlfriend and her daughter.

Until recently, the man, Kenneth Brown, 57, was renting a room in the 11200 block of Sageglen from his girlfriend, who herself, lives in an apartment in Montgomery County. The female, however, reportedly broke up with the man recently and asked him to move out of the house.

On Monday, Nov. 6, the woman was at the

Montgomery County complex when she spotted Brown on her surveillance camera approaching her apartment wearing latex gloves and holding a knife in one hand and a hammer in the other.

The woman confronted Brown and asked what he was doing. Brown reportedly responded that he was there to kill the woman and her child.

According to police, the female was able to talk Brown down and invited him inside the

apartment, where she proceeded to tell him that she still no longer wanted to date. Brown then allegedly set fire to the bedrooms of both the woman and her daughter, before fleeing the scene.

The following day on Nov. 7, the woman called police to report that she spotted Brown on surveillance footage entering the Sageglen house. Deputies from the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office responded to the call, but their hands were tied, as there was not an open warrant for Brown in Harris County yet.

Brown told deputies he was merely at the house to retrieve some of his belongings, and when his key unlocked the door and he knew the

home's alarm code, officers were forced to let him go.

Later in the day, however, Brown wasn't as lucky, as the Montgomery County district attorney had spoken to the Harris County district attorney and arranged to have an arrest warrant issued.

When Brown returned to the house to get some furniture, deputies were called again, and he was apprehended.

Brown was arrested and charged with a felony count of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Additional charges related to the arson are expected to follow.

New parks open at two area schools

Two new parks are opening at local Pasadena Independent School District campuses.

One, located at Hancock Elementary at 9604 Minnesota, opened Wednesday, Nov. 15, while the other, to be located at Jessup Elementary, is scheduled to open Thursday, Nov. 16.

The new facilities are part of the SPARK School Program.

Begun in 1983 as a joint project between the City of Houston and Harris County, the SPARK School Program works with schools and neighborhoods to develop community parks on public school grounds. In the past 30 years, SPARK has built more than 200 community parks throughout the Houston/Harris County area.

Each park is unique, with its design based on ideas and needs of the school and surrounding neighborhoods. While all of the parks are different, a typical park consists of modular playground equipment, a walking trail, benches, picnic tables, trees, an outdoor classroom, and a public art component.

The Jessup park features a mural that is a collaboration between local artist Rose Toro and students from Jessup and South Houston High School.

SPARK parks are available for public use after the school day has ended and on weekends.

Green to retire after nearly 50 years

U.S. Rep. Gene Green, whose 29th Congressional District encompasses much of the South Belt community, announced on Monday, Nov. 13, he will not seek re-election in 2018.

The longtime congressman released the following statement:

"Serving as an elected official is one of the greatest honors our country can bestow on a person. I have been blessed and fortunate to serve almost 46 years in elected office. Since 1973, I have served as a Texas state representative for 13 years, Texas state senator for seven years and since 1993 as a member of the United States Congress. Our family has known politics and public service throughout their lives. My wife, Helen, has been a partner every step of the way for our 47 years of marriage.

"The goal of every elected official should be to serve and help your constituency to have a better life for their families. I am proud of sponsoring events in our district such as having Immunization Day each year for the past 20 years to provide free vaccinations for children and Citizenship Day each year for the past 22 years to help illegal residents to become citizens of our great country. We have also held job fairs twice a year to help people find employment and Paying for College Workshops to help students find the resources to allow them to afford to go to college.

At home or in Washington my goal is to impact legislation for the benefit of our constituents. Serving on the Energy and Commerce Committee helped to put a Texas view on the expansion of health care access and expand job opportunities in our district.

"We have held many town hall meetings each year and have been accessible to people in our district. Our staff in Houston and Washington has been dedicated to helping our constituents with problems in many different areas such as Social Security, Veterans Affairs and Immigration. I have been blessed to have such a dedicated staff to help me do the job of a member of Congress.

"I have been fortunate to have never lost an election since 1972, and I am confident that I still have the support of my constituents and would be successful if I ran for another term in Congress. However, I have decided that I will not be filing for re-election in 2018. I think that it is time for me to be more involved in the lives of our children and grandchildren. I have had to miss so many of their activities, and after 26 years in Congress, it is time to devote more time to my most important job of being a husband, father and grandfather.

"I and our staff will continue to serve our district until our term is over at the end of 2018."

LSA king, queen crowned



On Friday, Oct. 27, at the Lutheran South Academy football game against John Paul Corpus Christi, seniors Owen Hill and Annie Chuoke were crowned the school's 2017 homecoming king and queen. Hill is the son of Joe and Mitzie Hill of Seabrook, and Chuoke is the daughter of Joe and Ellen Chuoke of Texas City. Photo submitted

Veterans honored, scholarships presented at ceremony

All four of the San Jacinto College campuses held simultaneous Veterans Day flag-raising ceremonies on Thursday, Nov. 9, to honor the men and women who have previously and continue to serve in the United States Armed Forces.

This was the first year that the college's new Maritime Technology and Training Center held a Veterans Day ceremony. Each year the San Jacinto College Foundation presents two veteran students at each campus with a scholarship in honor of Veterans Day.

The 2017 veteran student scholarship recipients were: Alyssa Trusky and Amaree Collins, San Jacinto College Central campus; John Paulus and Alexander Lawrence, San Jacinto College Maritime campus; Laura Jackson and Irvin Fuller, San Jacinto College North campus; and Houston Green and Ricardo Lopez, San Jacinto College South campus.



In honor of Veterans Day, San Jacinto College veteran students Laura Jackson and Irvin Fuller were each presented with a scholarship from the San Jacinto College Foundation at the college's annual Veterans Day flag-raising ceremony at the North campus. Shown are, left to right, Jackson; retired Rear Adm. Robert Greene; and Fuller.

Photo by Melissa Trevizo



In honor of Veterans Day, San Jacinto College veteran students Houston Green and Ricardo Lopez were each presented with a scholarship from the San Jacinto College Foundation at the college's annual Veterans Day flag-raising ceremony at the South campus. Shown, left to right, are Melissa Peters, San Jacinto College Foundation alumni and annual giving coordinator; Uquay Baker (holding Lopez' certificate), San Jacinto College South campus veteran services coordinator; Dr. Alexander Okwonna, San Jacinto College South campus dean of health and natural sciences; and Green. Lopez is not shown.

Photo by Andrea Vasquez

SJC announces calendar

San Jacinto College has released its upcoming calendar of events and deadlines.

Holiday mini and spring registration

Registration for the holiday mini semester beginning Monday, Dec. 18, and the spring 2018 semester beginning Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, is now open.

For more information on steps to register, visit sanjac.edu/apply-register/overview/ registration.

A Confusion of Human Beings theater production

The San Jacinto College South campus department of theater and film will present

the fall production *A Confusion of Human Beings* Nov. 16 through 18, in the Black Box theater located in the Marie Spence Flickinger Fine Arts Center (building 15).

All performances begin at 8 p.m., and admission is free.

University of Houston Clear-Lake Visit

A representative from the University of Houston Clear-Lake will be on the San Jacinto College Central campus Monday, Nov. 20, at 1 p.m. in C.1.

Community Education Center events

The San Jacinto Education Center, located on the College's Central campus in room

C-1.108, will host the following November workshop that is free and open to the public:

Stretching and Relaxation, Nov. 17, from noon to 1 p.m.

To register, email communityeducation@sjcd.edu.

Thanksgiving holiday

San Jacinto College will be closed Wednesday, Nov. 22 through Sunday, Nov. 26, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

No classes will be held during this time and all administrative offices will be closed.

Regular class schedules and business operations will resume on Monday, Nov. 27.

Lariaettes hold annual Winter Dance Clinic

The Dobbie Lariaettes will hold its annual Winter Dance Clinic on Saturday, Dec. 16, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Dobbie High School, with a parent show starting at 12:30 p.m. in the gym.

This event is open to pre-K through 12 grade, and is a great opportunity to let one's daughter or son spend a day dancing, playing games and doing crafts with the Lariaettes while one gets all the Christmas shopping done. Pre-registration is \$35 and due Tuesday, Nov. 28, or \$45 at the door. Cash or money order only. Participants of the clinic will also have the opportunity to perform in the Lariaette Spring Show on April 5 through 7, 2018. For more information, contact Victoria Armenta varmenta@pasadenaisd.org.

Local library events set

Parker Williams Library

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.: Thursday, Nov. 16, 4-5:30 p.m. Community craft (ages 7 and older); Thanksgiving and Fall. Meet in the library community room where children will make a stained-glass turkey and adults will make a festive, fall leaf bowl.

Friday, Nov. 17, 5 p.m. Anime Club: *Knights & Magic* (TV-14) for ages 14 and older.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 10:30 a.m. A representative from the Memorial Hermann Community Benefit Corporation presents *Healthy Holiday Eating*, tips for staying on track during the holiday season between Thanksgiving and New Year's in a healthy way without sacrificing traditions or taste. Register is requested.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 1:30 p.m. NANOWRIMO Write In. For those participating in National Novel Writing month, meet at the library to brainstorm some plot twists or character development.

Monday, Nov. 20, 2:30 p.m. Teen DIY and a movie: *Wonder Woman* (PG-13) and Wonder T-shirt, for ages 13 and older. For those who embody truth and justice or are on Thanksgiving break, meet at the library for a special midday showing of *Wonder Woman* and design a Wonder Woman T-shirt with a gold Wonder Woman inspired iron-on. Materials and snacks are generously provided by the Friends of the Parker Williams Library. For details, visit http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0451279/?ref=fn_al_tt_1.

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2-4 p.m. Introduction to Magic: The Gathering (ages 8 and older). Meet in the library community room for a dueling card game. For those who know how to play, general gameplay is allowed at any time.

Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2-4 p.m. Community craft (ages 6 and older): Clean Out the Craft Closet! Bring the young ones to the library community room for a craft project.

Below are the programs that occur every week:

Wednesdays, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m. For children, ages 3 years to 5 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.

Thursdays, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m. For toddlers from birth to 3 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and bubbles.

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

For more information on library events, call the library at 281-484-2036. Library hours are: Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; and Sunday, closed, Monday, 1 - 9 p.m., Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For the Thanksgiving holiday, Parker Williams Library is closed Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 5 p.m. through Sunday, Nov. 26, and re-opens Monday, Nov. 27, at 1 p.m.

Bracewell Branch Library

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

Thursday, Nov. 16, 6 p.m. Book club

Thursday, Nov. 16, 6:30 p.m. Creative knitting

Saturday, Nov. 18, 10:30 a.m. Spanish computer class

Saturday, Nov. 18, 3 p.m. Citizenship class

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 10:30 a.m. Family storytime

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 11:15 a.m. Preschool playtime

General hours are: Thursday, noon - 8 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 5 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, closed; Monday, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. The library is closed Wednesday, Nov. 22, 6 p.m. through Friday, Nov. 24, for Thanksgiving.

Deaths

Carolyn Sue Londagin Demel



Carolyn Sue Londagin Demel, 68, died unexpectedly in her home on Sunday, Oct. 22, 2017.

She was born in Dallas to C.D. "George" Londagin and Mamie Juanita Cox Londagin on Feb. 3, 1949. She had one older sister, Geraldene "Geri."

Her family moved to Houston, where she graduated from South Houston High School in 1967. Later that year, she married Milton Frank Demel. They had three children and were longtime residents of the South Belt area.

Carolyn was an icon in the community and loved being involved with her children in youth sports and activities. She was involved in little league softball as a coach and umpire.

She was director of the Sagemont Cowgirls drill team and was known to many as "Ms. D."

She started the Houston-Aires Precision Dance Team in 1986 and, as director, built a team that was a force to be reckoned with for the next 12 years winning competitions, awards and accolades too numerous to list.

Carolyn taught many young girls about perseverance, discipline, and the drive to succeed, often being viewed by these young women as a "second mom" figure.

When her husband passed away in 2000, Carolyn went to work for HARCO Insurance Services, where she worked closely with her sister for 16 years and helped

establish the HARCO Public Entity Dept. where she became manager. She was devoted to her municipal utility districts, their legal representatives and consultants.

Carolyn was respected by her co-workers, her TML, Liberty underwriters and all the clients with whom she worked while at HARCO. Her passion for her districts was always obvious to everyone.

She was an avid dog lover and was very devoted to the care and love of her "fur babies" Annie, Zuzu and Fizzie.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, Traci D. Schulz and husband Fred, Randy F. Demel and wife Tara, and Angela D. Jones and husband Kevin; seven grandchildren; and her sister Geraldene Rougeau-Eubank and husband Bill.

A Celebration of Life is planned for Nov. 18 at Leavesley Park Jones Hanger, 901 Buckingham Dr. in Friendswood, beginning at 11 a.m.

Those who knew her are welcome to come share their memories. Her ashes will be interred alongside her husband at the Houston VA National Cemetery at a private family event.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Pugshearts of Houston, a charity close to Carolyn's heart. Donation information may be found at www.pugshearts.com.

Don Earl Tapper



Don Earl Tapper, 79, a United States Army retiree, died on Veterans Day, Nov.

11, 2017, after a hard-fought battle with a lengthy illness.

Don's love for his country was exceeded only by his love for his family. He is survived by Heidi, his devoted wife of 57 years; daughter Lisa and son-in-law Mark Phelan; son Michael Tapper; son Mark Tapper; daughter Robin Applegate; grandchildren Monica Stokes, Allania Tapper, Torrey Tapper, Chad Tapper, Troy Tapper, Heidi Applegate; great-grandchildren Brooklyn, Harper and Kennedy Stokes, Scarlett Lathrop, Kaci and Kinsley Tapper; former daughter-in-law Connie Tapper; brothers Harry and Billy Tapper; and his faithful dog Rocky.

He was preceded in death by his parents George and Charlotte Tapper and sister

Diene Dean. Don was born on May 22, 1938, in Detroit, Michigan. A Vietnam veteran, he proudly served, with distinction, in the U.S. Army for 21 years. After retiring in 1976, he worked in the maritime industry as a boat captain until 2012. A longtime South Belt resident, he was an active member of the VFW and the American Legion Post 490.

A private interment will be held for family and close friends at Houston National Cemetery on Nov. 17.

Arrangements are being handled by Jeter Memorial Funeral Home of Friendswood.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to a charity of one's choice that serves veterans.

Leader checks out social media

By Kaitlyn Tran

There is an All Texas Dachshund Rescue Wiener-Dog barbecue on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 1 to 5 p.m. For more information, visit the *Southbelt This and That* Facebook page.

Dobbie High School's National Honor Society is looking for volunteer opportunities. The club consists of Dobbie's top juniors and seniors. If there are any events who are in need of more than ten people, contact the *Dobbie's National Honor Society* Facebook page.

A member of the *Southbelt This & That* had a truck broken into. The thieves stole tools in the Clearwood area.

Recycling services in old Beverly Hills will begin on Thursday, Nov. 16 and in Sagemont Friday, Nov. 24.

A husky named Trixie Austin ran away Nov. 12. She has a tag and is chipped. Trixie has been treated for heart worms and her owners need her back. For more information, visit the *Pets of Southbelt* Facebook page.

A member of *Pets of Southbelt* was dog sitting when the dog, Buster, escaped from his kennel. Buster

is brown and white. If anyone has any information regarding Buster, visit the Facebook page.

There is a reward for a lost male Yorkie puppy missing from Gullwood Drive and Scarsdale since the morning of Sunday, Nov. 5. For more information, visit the *Pets of Southbelt* Facebook page.

RZA (Rizza), a Husky and Lab mix, needs a loving home. He is 2-3 years old, weighs 75 lbs., and is potty trained. There are no medical issues or heart worms. RZA will come with a leash, harness, bowls, bed and toys.

A member of the South Belt community is missing their cat Sophie Frappachino. Their cat has been missing since Oct. 22. She is 3 years old, chipped and spayed. For more information, visit the *Pets of Southbelt* Facebook page.

Another member of the South Belt community is missing their cat. Their cat was last seen Aug. 17 on Glastonbury Drive near Old Alvin Road in the Hickory Creek Subdivision. She is an 11-year-old female cat with green eyes. The cat is white with gray spotting on her head, back and tail. For information, visit the Facebook page.

A pit bull named Gordo went missing from Hitch Pros Bed liners & Truck Accessories at 7718 Lettie St. off Telephone Road. He is wearing a collar with his shot tags. There is a reward for him, if you have any information, visit the *Pets of Southbelt* Facebook page.

There has recently been a lot of dogs wandering around the Shell gas station on Blackhawk and Kirkville. Be careful driving.

UHCL sets calendar

The University of Houston-Clear Lake has announced its calendar of upcoming events.

Open registration for UHCL spring semester

Students returning to University of Houston-Clear Lake for the spring 2018 semester can register for classes online through Jan. 12.

Late registration runs from Jan. 13 through 23. Classes begin Jan. 16. For course schedules or registration, visit www.uhcl.edu/academics.

Public invited to view graduating artists' work

University of Houston-Clear Lake's graduating seniors are displaying a variety of original works at the annual Fall Graduates Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition through Dec. 8 in Arbor Building North, 2700 Bay Area Blvd.

The exhibition, which includes paintings, drawings and multimedia pieces, is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Jeff Bowen, coordinator of Audience Development at 281-283-3376 or visit www.uhcl.edu/art-gallery.

Tickets online for Bayou Theater's spring shows

Looking for holiday stocking stuffers? Tickets for the second half of the Bayou Theater's 2017-2018 season are now available for purchase on University of Houston-Clear Lake's website.

Performers include folk band Bumper Jacksons, award-winning duo Dailey & Vincent and the sibling singing trio from Texas, The Quebec Sisters. Ticket prices vary with each performance, and student prices are available.

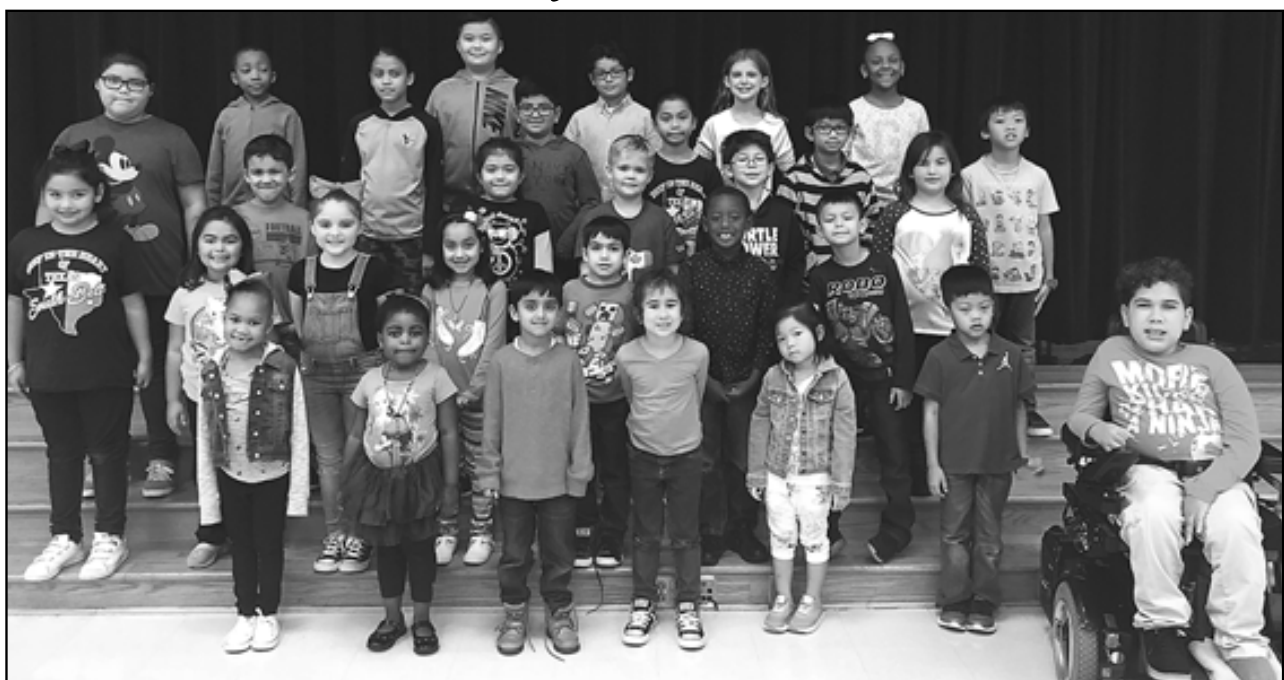
To purchase tickets or for more information, visit www.uhcl.edu/bayou-theater.

Learn how to manage workplace change and conflict

Managers can learn how to respond to change - and

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South Belt Elementary announces November VIPs



South Belt Elementary has announced its VIPs for the month of November. The students shown were chosen by their teachers based on their ability to display the character trait of the month: Acceptance. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Simone Jones, Anna Wilkerson, Aryan Cancel, Alicia Sypien, Chelsea Huynh, Korvin Ton, Anthony Cancel, (second row) Sophia Hernandez, Carissa Cortez, Riley Hensley, Ava Ortiz, Oscar Yanez, Jayden Richardson, John Sanchez, (third row) Caylee Martinez, Isaiah Machado, Angel Mena, Hayden Walker, Luke Kellen, Bella Gonzales, (fourth row) Lance Heath, Persephone Soria, Nathan Gaytan, Elijah Ugalde, Jonny Pham, Andrew Nguyen, (back row) Jalen Tran, Julian Arcevalo, Sheyanne Kellen and Macy Cooper.

Photo by Lakitha Green

Thompson receives visit from Japanese representatives



Representatives from Hadano, Japan visited Thompson Intermediate and brought donations to help with Hurricane Harvey relief efforts. Hadano and Pasadena have had a friendship association for 53 years. Shown are, left to right, Yoshimi Masaoka; Kunio Mochizuki, deputy superintendent of board of education and president of Hadano Pasadena Friendship Association; Yichi Yagi, vice mayor; DeeAnn Powell, PISD superintendent; Melissa Allen, Thompson principal; Yasushi Roppogami; Junichi Kamuzawa; and Tomoya Murakami.

Photo by Jennifer Dacy

Moore third-graders salute veterans



Moore Elementary third-grade students performed a Salute to Veterans program. Shown above, left to right, (front row) are Andilyn Garcia, Joseph Oviedo, (second row) Lena Nguyen, Linkin Dinh, (back row) Grace Menahem, Sophia Cruz and Alexis Martinez. Shown



Shown above, participating in a day to honor veterans, left to right, are (front row) Payton Hernandez, Olivia Razo, Reina Estrada, Michael Johnson, Muzna Hasan, Jorge Martinez, (second row) Noah Wilhoite, Asia Jones, Jaelynn Duong, Charleston Nash, Minyar Odeh, Zadock Lerma, Allan Martinez, Anthony Le, Sheryl

Burnett releases school awards

Burnett Elementary has listed awards for All Star Readers, Math Wizards, honor roll, merit roll, "On a Roll" roll, Principal's Award, Good Citizenship and Perfect Attendance.

All Star Readers Kindergarten
Hanna Barboza, Sebastian Becerra, Broderick Brags, Chloe Escobar, Malaika Farr, Sara Galicia, Emily Gonzales, Gibson Jordan, Royce Lara, Anna Malik, Miracle Nwosu, Preston Poskey, Javier Robles and Savannah Yeager.

First Grade
Jay Amaya, Anderson Castillo, Destiny Cathey, Alayna DeLaGarza, Joanna Espitia, Christian Gomez, Phenix Gomez, Aiden Gwosdz, Santiago Hernandez, Saul Lozano, Aylinn Maldonado, Brisa Martinez, Dream Mathews, Jacob Mendez, Ryleigh Navarre, Isaac Perez, Ayden Pernilla, Lucero Riveira, Logan Rodriguez, Chelsie Salgado, Nawaf Sharif, Benjamin Tovar, Lauren Tran, Abisai Visuet, Surya Washington and Elliana Wright.

Second Grade
Angelina Amaya, Lynette Aviles, Abrey Banda, Terry Betties, Lucas Bravo, Tre'lyn Brown-McCoy, Miriam Casas, Genaro Chaves, Alexis Cordova, Steven Corporan, Ariez Curtis, Edgar Douglas, Kayla Fitzpatrick, Lily Freeman, Adrian Garcia, Jessalyn Garcia, Kaedy Garcia, Abigail Gonzalez, Keira Gonzalez and Rebekah Hale.

Adan Hernandez, Jonathan Hernandez, Erik Honang, Jasara Key, Javier Legaspi, Anjalie Liceaga, Connor Maldonado, Barbara Melchor, Vivianna Montez, Aubrey Navarre, Jade Nguyen, Ryan Nguyen, Michael Nwosu, Melany Pineda, Vincent Pineda, Jose Quiroz, Yulianna Ramirez, Christopher Romero, Jeannette Salinas, Dayana Santamaria, Juan Tamayo, Cayla Tang, Minh Vo and Amilya Yates.

Math Wizards Kindergarten
Hanna Barboza, Jadier Benitez, Broderick Brags, Malaika Farr, Sara Galicia, Sophia Garza, Emily Gonzales, Gibson Jordan, Hector Lopez, Fernanda Pineda, Alex Quilantan, Javier Robles, Iker Sanchez and Aldo Velasquez.

First Grade
Phenix Gomez, Logan Rodriguez and Lauren Tran.

Second Grade
Lynette Aviles, Lucas Bravo, Edgar Douglas, Kayla Fitzpatrick, Ezequiel Henriquez, Adan Hernandez, Anjalie Liceaga, Vivianna Montez, Aubrey Navarre, Jade Nguyen, Michael Nwosu, Melany Pineda, Vincent Pineda, Christopher Romero, Juan Tamayo and Cayla Tang.

Honor Roll Third Grade
Caela Griffin, Jasmine Russell and Adrian Villatoro.

Fourth Grade
Kennedy Cavazos, Isaura Correa, Travis Keith and Victoria Nwosu.

Merit Roll Third Grade
Paige Duong, Alisha Escobar, Levi Palmer, Mikeal Pantaleon and Jacob Torres.

Fourth Grade
Davia Constantino and Parker Tran.

"On a Roll" Roll Third Grade
Anderson Aviles, Walter Lopez, Donovan Mathews, Elianne Mendoza, Tylin Merriweather, Kennedy Mundy, Axel Pion, Melany Rangel, Diego Reyes, Isaiah Romero, Diego Solano, Daria Thomas, Sebastian Udokah, Jazlynn Wimbush and Jalen Young, Kamira Zambrano.

Fourth Grade
Rick Bonilla, Aniya Brannon, Aaron Carballo, Kimberly Castillo, Italo Chavarria, David Contreras, Bryan Deleon, Orlando DePaz, Jeremiah Gutierrez, Alan Hernandez, Miranda Hernandez, Jeremy Jackson, Adriana Martinez, Dulce Mejia, Rosalynn Nguyen, Alex Perez, Maria Perez, Emyly Pineda, Araceli Rodriguez, Kevin Velasquez, Nyrell Visuet and Laisha Zarazua.

Principal's Award Third Grade
Samantha Andalla, Alma Argueta, Angela Argueta, Anderson Aviles, Louis Aviles, Alexavier Barrera, Breniyah Brags, Mya Cantu, Gloria Castaneda, Andrea Chicac, Noe Cortez, Angel Dominguez, Anthony Dominguez, Joseph Driver, Paige Duong, Alisha Escobar, Brandon Galicia and Diego Garay.

Alicia Garcia, Mercedes Garcia, Aliah Garner, Joseph Gonzales, Caela Griffin, Skye Guzman, Jaxon Humphrey, Jacob Hurtado, Ximena Jasso, Adrian Lopez, Calissa Marquez, Abilyn Martinez, Aliza Mendoza, Elianne Mendoza, Tylin Merriweather, Samuel Moreno, Mark Nguyen, Ngoc Nguyen, Toby Nguyen, Amarissa Nunez, Isaiah Ochoa, Emilio Palomo, Mikeal Pantaleon, Andy Pineda, Axel Pion and Eliana Poskey.

Kaden Ramirez, Melany Rangel, Lyla Rohmfeld, Jessica Rummel, Jasmine Russell, Kaley Sagastizado, Gael Salinas, Erik Sanchez, Geovanny Sanchez, Jonathan Sanchez, Kallye Sigue, Diego Solano, Ashlee Taylor, Jacob Torres, Adria Villatoro, Izelliah Williams, Jazlynn Wimbush, Jalen Young and Kamira Zambrano.

Fourth Grade
Gael Aguirre, Erik Alvarado, Blue Banda, Rick Bonilla, Aniya Brannon, Cheyanne Bravo, Kyncea Brown-McCoy, Megan Bui, Ashley Cantarero, Omar Cantarero, Kimberly Castillo, Kennedy Cavazos, Italo Chavarria, Candy Condebarca, Davia Constantino, David Contreras, Isaura Correa, Hailey Cubos, Lila Davis, Alexis DeLaRosa, Bryan Deleon, Amy Flores, Diego Garcia and Jaslene Garcia.

Jennifer Garcia, Jackson Gomez, Olivia Gonzales, Alan Hernandez, Everardo Hernandez, Miranda Hernandez, Himabeli Herrera, Jakob Hinojosa, Travis Keith, Kimberly Ledesma, Melani Lopez, Kenia Machuca, Adriana Martinez, Torey McKenzie, Ariela Medina, Dulce Mejia, Jazliyah Moreno, Matthew Nguyen, Rosalynn Nguyen and Jeffrey Nwosu.

Victory Ordouz, Michelle

Harris County Flood Control estimates \$74 million in drainage infrastructure repairs

The Harris County Flood Control District has compiled a preliminary list of \$74 million in priority repairs for Harris County's bays, creeks and other drainage infrastructure in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, according to a recently completed county-wide assessment that is expected to eventually top \$100 million.

While some priority repairs are already complete or in progress, the Flood Control District has verified approximately 500 additional repair projects totaling more than 150 channel miles across Harris County's 22 watersheds.

Those projects will be submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other federal agencies that assist in disaster recovery for reimbursement under the federal Hurricane Harvey disaster declaration. Meanwhile, the Flood Control District continues to review and prioritize more than 4,200 additional reports of sinkholes, slope failures and erosion for short-term or long-term repair.

The Flood Control District recently launched an interactive map showing reported areas of erosion and channel debris, post-Harvey. Residents can use the map to locate the documented areas of concern identified by the Flood Control District as well as a photo of the damage. Additional information will be added as available.

To view the map visit <https://www.hcfdc.org/hurricane-harvey/drainage-net-work-repairs/>.

"Hurricane Harvey, with its excessive rainfall and long duration, did extensive damage to the District's drainage infrastructure," said Russ Poppe, Flood Control District executive director. "Repairing that damage will require sustained effort over many months, working closely with our federal

partners that will be helping fund these efforts. We ask for the public's patience as we work our way through this process, focusing on the most severe damages first. Our goal is to restore our drainage system to pre-Harvey conditions as quickly as possible."

As of mid-October, more than 4,290 reported areas of concern included:

- Erosion - 1,474 points
- Failed Concrete - 430 points
- Failed Pipe - 524 points
- Silt Build Up - 262 points
- Sinkhole - 384 points
- Slope Failure - 820 points
- Concrete Void - 396 points

The Flood Control District considers a number of factors in prioritizing drainage infrastructure repair projects, including whether the damage poses an immediate and severe threat to residential or commercial areas, or to public infrastructure such as utilities or schools.

Repairs such as sinkholes and slope failures, failed outfall pipes and concrete voids also are prioritized according to severity.

The \$74 million estimate to repair countywide Harvey drainage infrastructure damage is preliminary and does not yet include repairs to stormwater detention basins. The number of priority repair projects will likely grow, and the total cost of those repairs is expected to exceed \$100 million.



The Treadway family, (front row) Blake, Evan, (back row) Candace and Brandon, were at South Belt Elementary on Saturday, Nov. 4, to participate in the school's annual Turkey Trot and Fall Carnival. Students were encouraged to dress in wacky costumes. Photos by Marie Flickinger

UHCL reports holiday hours, events

The University of Houston-Clear Lake, located at 2700 Bay Area Blvd., has released the following information:

Habitat work days
Help keep UH-Clear Lake's unique, natural campus beautiful during Habitat Volunteer Work Days. Join other volunteers for important upkeep, including clearing paths, cleaning the pond and other conservation tasks at the weekly Habitat Work Days.

Judaism classes offered
Classes introducing participants to Judaism gives an opportunity to ask any and all questions regarding Judaism or the Jewish community. In the classes, Judaism's beliefs regarding sin, sacrifice, atonement, heaven/hell/the afterlife, devil/Satan, monotheism, the Messiah and other topics will be examined.

The class goes through a vocabulary of Jewish life, holidays and holy days, life cycle events and Judaism's view of the controversial issues of the day. The class is mandatory for anyone looking to convert to Judaism. The cost is \$72 for a semester or \$144 for the year and covers the cost of all hand-outs used in the class. The class will meet on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Congregation Shaar Hashalom and will be conducted by Rabbi Stuart Federow.

The congregation, located at 16020 El Camino Real, is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For more information, visit www.shaarhashalom.org or contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at cs@shaarhashalom.org.

PARC sets meeting
Everyone is invited to the Pearland Area Republican Club meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 21. PARC welcomes Stacy Adams, Brazoria County commissioner, as the special guest speaker. Adams will discuss the critical ongoing Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts in Brazoria County. Plan to bring a friend for free refreshments at the Church of Christ Annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd., Pearland. Doors will open at 7 p.m.

Tax-Aide needs volunteers
Every year the AARP Foundation's Tax-Aide group assists more than 50,000 elderly and low-to-moderate income taxpayers in Houston and surrounding communities.

Tax-Aide is seeking volunteers to work as tax-preparers, facilitators, greeters, technology coordinators and translators (those who speak both Spanish and English are especially needed).

In January, volunteers will learn tax law, basic income tax preparation and the use of the latest electronic filing software in a five-day comprehensive training course.

Volunteers having basic computer skills are desirable. Tax-Aide asks for a commitment of a minimum of four hours per week from Feb. 1 to April 15. To sign up, go to www.aarp.org/giving-back.

Israeli Folk Dancing dates set
And the dancing continues. What meant to last only for four to five months is now in its eighth year, as the participants do not want to stop dancing.

The sessions are not built on one another, so missing a few sessions or just starting still affords catching up quickly.

The dances are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. November dates are 20 and 27. December dates are 4, 11 and 18. There are no dancing sessions on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

The cost is \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members and \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for non-member and will cover expenses. Dancing is an excellent cardiovascular exercise while having fun and everyone is welcome to join the group.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real and is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. The entire community is invited to attend.

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

University of Houston-Clear Lake and all its offices will be closed Nov. 23 and Nov. 24 in observance of Thanksgiving. UHCL's Alfred R. Neumann Library reopens on Saturday, Nov. 25, for its regular hours, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

In case of an emergency, contact the UHCL Police Department at 281-283-2222.

41st annual art sale
Browse local artistic creations including framed paintings, pottery and sculptures at the 41st annual art sale beginning Nov. 27 in Atrium I at University of Houston-Clear Lake. The art sale is one of the longest-running student organization events, sponsored by the UH-Clear Lake Art Association. Hours are Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, contact the association at artassocia@uhcl.edu.

15th Houston area community college student exhibition
Get a glimpse at the future of the art world at the 15th Houston Area Community College Student Exhibition at UH-Clear Lake's Art Gallery. The exhibit runs through Dec. 14 and will showcase art from students throughout the Houston metro area. Gallery hours are Monday -Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.

Free parking is available in the visitor lot or Student Lot D. For more information, contact Jeff Bowen, coordinator of audience development, at 281-283-3376 or visit www.uhcl.edu/art-gallery.

Foreign language class registration
Learn a new language and get personal attention from experts at UHCL's noncredit foreign language program at UH-CL. Registration runs through Jan. 16. Small classes and private tutoring are available for Spanish, Mandarin, Italian, German, Japanese, Russian and other languages. English courses for professionals are also available, and classes focus on conversational skills.

Group courses cost \$156, with private instruction of 10 sessions available for \$600.

To learn more or to register, visit www.uhcl.edu/fl or call the foreign language and English enhancement program at 281-283-3033.

National Diabetes month set

Diabetes affects 24 million people in the United States. In efforts to combat this disease, National Diabetes month is observed each November to increase awareness and provide individuals with key information on treatment and prevention.

Diabetes is a disease that impairs the body's ability to produce or respond to the hormone insulin. This results in abnormal metabolism of carbohydrates and elevated glucose levels in the blood and urine.

It is one of the leading causes of death in the United States, according to the American Diabetes Association, with an individual being diagnosed with the disease every 21 seconds.

Shiela Ford, a registered nurse, who also serves as department chair of nursing at San Jacinto College, offers the following information about type 1 and type 2 diabetes.

What are the top symptoms of prediabetes and diabetes?
Ford: The most common symptoms of diabetes include excessive urination, excessive

thirst and excessive hunger. In most instances individuals may not notice symptoms with prediabetes. It is often found during physicals in which the hemoglobin A1c is noted to be elevated. The HgbA1c is a blood test that can be done to indicate what an individual's blood sugars have been during the last two to three months. Normal range for HgbA1c is between 4 and 5.6 percent. HgbA1c levels between 5.7 and 6.4 percent indicate an increased risk for diabetes. Levels at 6.5 percent or higher indicate diabetes.

How can someone prevent diabetes?
Ford: Type 1 is typically due to the pancreas not creating enough insulin. This condition is managed with insulin. However, type 2 diabetes can be prevented. Diabetes doubles the risk of heart attack or stroke and can cause kidney failure, blindness and lower limb amputation. Research and education have dramatically decreased diabetes-related complications. Prevent type 2 diabetes by maintaining a healthy weight, physical exercise and low carbohydrate diet.

The San Jacinto College Community Education Center will host an event in observance of National Diabetes month that will include a special guest speaker who will give an overview of the disease, symptoms, treatments and prevention.

This event will take place on Nov. 16 from 1 to 2 p.m. on the Central campus in the Interactive Learning Center, C-1.108. The San Jacinto College Central campus is located at 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena.

Dobie Theatre presents Peter and the Starcatcher

Tony-winning *Peter and the Starcatcher* provides a humorous and fantastical backstory of Peter Pan and his arch-nemesis Captain Hook.

In this wickedly imaginative play, one finds out about the Neverland one never knew. From marauding pirates and jungle tyrants to unwilling comrades and unlikely heroes, *Peter and the Starcatcher* playfully explores the depths of greed and despair and the bonds of friendship, duty and love.

Peter and the Starcatcher is directed by Scotty Fuls, choreography and musical direction by Susan Shoffner. The creative team includes Juliet Weigand, assistant director, prop, publicity, house manager;

Kelly Hancock, costume and sound designer; and Nathan Wernig, set and light designer.

Tickets for the *Peter and the Starcatcher* are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and children, and may be purchased at the door.

Performances are Nov. 16 through 18, Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m.

South Belt Elementary announces first nine-weeks school honors

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Ethan Nguyen, Nicole Nnadi, Abby Palma, Carter Pham, Nathan Precella, Daniel Ramirez, Melody Ramirez, Grayson Riley, Emily Rodriguez, Ej Reynolds, Levi Sanchez, Marion Schoder, Jude Scmitt, Brianna Scott, Nathaniel Simpson, Nathan Torres, Evan Treadway, Leonardo Trevino, Christina Vu, Kelvin Wiley and Ghazel Zamzam.

Second Grade

Devin Aguilera, Jacob Aguirre, Isaiiah Ambriz, Shelby Armstrong, Iduna Baruwaw-Etti, Joseph Bello, Aja Breaux, Elizabeth Cervantes, Adam Cid, Kenya Delong Thompson, Bryce Edwards, Miguel Galan, Aly Garza, Robert Granados, Jasmin Hernandez, La'riah Houston, Rya Hurd and Miguel Johnson.

Crysta Keim, Isaiiah Machado, Jayme Martinez, Brandon McNeal, Ngoc Ngo, Mia Nguyen, Mj Olayimika, Emma Olvera, Emma Park, Kinora Ploucha, Gabi Ramirez, Alayna Rodriguez, Jordyn Rodriguez, Emma Stone, Lori Suarez, Dexter Sullivan, Alec Tamegnon, Audrey Teters, Michael Timmons and Leslie Torres.

Good Citizen

Kindergarten

David Alvarenga, Aubrey Arredondo, Trey Capers, Ari-an Faulkner, Aaron Martinez, Adan Palmares, Aubree Sandino, Tyrin Simmons, Zoie Sudario and Hannah Walker.

First Grade

Ashton Carter, Emilio Dela Garza, Myla Figueroa, Mia Gonzalez, Sophia Hernandez, Blake Hughes, Jaden Jimenez, Michelle Medrano, Adiana Padilla, Jayden Richardson, Jude Scmitt and Cielo Wright.

Second Grade

Juwayriyah Ali, Alijah Banda, Iduna Baruwaw-Etti, Langston Edwards, Bella Gonzalez, Jasmine Hernandez, Crysta Keim, Gabe Laurila, Jordyn Rodriguez, Kolton Smith, Bella Starks and Hayden Walker.

Third Grade

Paige Bernard, Alyssa Espinoza, Mary Figueroa, Nathan Gaytan, Kelijah Jackson, Kelvin Lopez, Juliana Perez, Katieline Salinas, Evan Taylor, Aidyn Vega, Alex Vouffo and Rachel Wilson.

Fourth Grade

Julian Acevedo, Cecelia Cruz, Alex Le, Santiago Lopez, Lauren Moorer, Jawad Naserayden Munoz, Chloe Nunez, Jocelyn Sims, Emily Taylor and Jalen Tran.

Honor Roll

Third Grade

Ayan Aljaffri, Nathan Arriaga, Ibrahim Asif, Xander Fitterman, Courtlyn Fletcher, Vivian Hang, Alexia Hoang, Hayden Limas, Kelvin Lopez, Audrey Lopez, Samantha Lopez, Dylan Mohwinkel, Morgan Momie, Zainab Naveed, Cody Nguyen, Hayly Nguyen, Andrew Ngyen, Julian Perez, Jonny Pham, Vihaan Prkash, Kendrick Ramos, Aubree Rodriguez, Donovan Serna, Evan Taylor, Jetziel Velasquez, Angelina Vu, Nathan Vu and Rachel Wilson.

Fourth Grade

Julian Acevedo, Mia Bella Garza, Kylie Campos, Alonzo Chapman, Audrina Hernandez, Jayden Lee, Sarah Massey, Bao Ngo, Haley Nguyen, Michelle Nguyen, Makayla St. Romain and Jalen Tran.

Merit Roll

Third Grade

Ibrahim Ali, Olivia Antoine, Alyssa Espinoza, Macy Figueroa, Kareli Garza, Nathan Gaytan, Nolan Hua, Anthony Jennings, Alyssa Laurila, Sheyla Le, Sujina Pandit, Christiane Simpson, Jadyen Valludo Cantu, Katia Vazquez and Alex Vouffo.

Fourth Grade

Shawn Armstrong, Mario Martinez, Mary Nguyen,

Chloe Nunez, Daniel Soto and Noah Villareal.

Math Wizards

Kindergarten

Nadira Alexander, Christopher Alvarado, David Alvarenga, Mauricio Amaya, Mauricio Amaya, Giselle Ayala, Rylee Bacon, Elijah Barron, Kaleah Barsock, Dora Campos, Andy Castillo, Alessandra Cervantes, Sofia Charles, Alexis Davila, Diego Davila, Christian Garza, Daniel Gonzales, Anthony Gonzales and Stephen Gonzalez.

Rylee Hayes, Simone Jones, Sydney Landis, Reagan Landis, Roland Le, London Leal, Daniel Mabry, Mateo Mancillas, Breanna McNeal, Jaydon Miko, Nathaniel Molina, Aryan Nepal, Drake Nguyen, Drake Nguyen, Nathan Nnadi, Skye Orsua, Cruz Ortiz, Adan Palmares and Sophia Peters.

Nyzir Peterson, Arelly Piron, Kyle Ramos, Alexavier Rodriguez, Viviana Salazar, Aubree Sandino, Tristin Santos, Noah St. Ange, Zoie Sudario, Alicia Syypien, Liam Thomas, Korvin Ton, Korvin Ton, Noelly Torres, Isaac Torres, Hannah Walker, Anna Wilkerson, Evan Zaman and Hussein Zamzam.

First Grade

Jennifer Aguirre, Samuel Alexander, Samantha Barraza, Lila Collazos, Brooklyn Coronado, Carissa Cortez, Emilio Dela Garza, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Bennett Fitterman and Carter Fletcher.

Mia Gonzalez, Mikayla Gonzalez, Lance Goree, Riley Hensley, Elijah Hernandez, Durriyah Hill, Blake Hughes, Bradley Jones, Alice Lam, Long Lebryan Flores, Phuwadet Maingot, Juliet Martinez and Isaiiah Mata.

Chloe Maycott, Brady McNeal, Michelle Medrano, Annie Nguyen, Hillary Nguyen, Abby Palma, Daniel Ramirez, Melody Ramirez, Ej Reynolds, Grayson Riley, Levi Sanchez, Marion Schroder, Nathaniel Simpson, Nathan Torres and Leonardo Trevino.

Perfect Attendance

Kindergarten

Avery Aguilar, Nadira Alexander, David Alvarenga, Mauricio Amaya, Giselle Ayala, Rylee Bacon, Elijah Barron, Orlo Boardman, Malachi Cabaallero, Lizzy Carling, Sofia Charles, Alexis Davila, Diego Davila, Kinsley Freeman, Christian Garza, Anthony Gonzales, Max Hernandez, Xavier Jimenez, Simone Jones, Sydney Landis, Reagan Landis, Roland Le and Mateo Mancillas.

Breanna McNeal, Nathaniel Molina, Warren Nedd, Alan Nguyen, Deji Oregbesan, Skye Orsua, Adan Palmares, Porus Pandey, Nyzir Peterson, Arelly Piron, Aaron Posadas, Kyle Ramos, Alexavier Rodriguez, Viviana Salazar, Aubree Sandino, Noah St. Ange, Zoie Sudario, Liam Thomas, Noelly Torres, Isaac Torres, Abby Villanueva, Hannah Walker and Hussein Zamzam.

First Grade

Samuel Alexander, Christopher Alvarez, Samantha Barraza, Brock Bernard, Maham Bukhari, Lola Carrizal, Ashton Carter, Alex Chavez, Lila Collazos, Brooklyn Coronado, Kaci Curry Shepard, Kate Dao, Gabriella Davila, Emilio Dela Garza and Gael Diaz.

Ava Dyer, Myla Figueroa, Bennett Fitterman, Bryan Flores, Gabriella Franklin, Matteo Garciduenas, Adelyn Garza, Mia Gonzalez, Lance Goree, Howard Green, Erieh Henderson, Riley Hensley, Aubrey Hernandez, Elijah Hernandez, Durriyah Hill, Jaden Jimenez, Allesandra Labra and Alice Lam.

Longe Le, Pablo Lopez, Phuwadet Maingot, Juliet Martinez, Melanie Martinez, Mason Martinez, Isaiiah Mata, Chloe Maycot, Michelle Me-

drano, Gabriel Melchor, Annie Ngyen, Nicole Nnadi, Isaac Ortiz, Ava Ortiz, Abby Palma and Carter Pham.

Nathan Precella, Daniel Ramirez, Ej Reynolds, Grayson Riley, Kelvin Riley, Emily Rodriguez, Joshua Salazar, Levi Sanchez, Jude Scmitt, Nathan Torres, Giselle Tran, Evan Treadway, Brandon Vivier and Ghazel Zamzam.

Second Grade

Aaden Aguilera, Devin Aguilera, Jacob Aguirre, Noah Aleman, Juwayriyah Ali, Isaiiah Ambriz, Shelby Armstrong, Bethany Avelar, Alijah Banda, Iduna Baruwaw-Etti, Teyona Beason, Joseph Bellow, Aja Breaux, Kayleigh Broussard, Adam Cid, Issac De Luna and Delilah Deleon.

Kenya Delong Thompson, Ruby Dent, Kayla Derobles, Trent Edwards, Bryce Edwards, Miguel Galan, Chloe Garcia, Bella Gonzales, Roberto Granados, Jasmin Hernandez, Josue Herrera, Jaylen Hill, La'riah Houston, Rya Hurd, Nathalie Huynh, Miguel Johnson, Jerron Lendsey and Timothy Lloyd.

Isaiiah Lopez, Elizabeth Lopez, Andres Lopez, Isaiiah Machado, Marissa Martinez, Jayme Martinez, Caylee Martinez, Brandon McNeal, J'von McNeal, Paula Medrano, David Melchor, Luke Monford, Santiago Morales, Ngoc Ngo, Grace Nguyen, Mia Nguyen, Mj Olayimika, Meredith Onguso and Damian Perceida.

Kinora Ploucha, Gabi Ramirez, Julie Rich, Alayana Rodriguez, Jordyn Rodriguez, Mia Roppolo, Lilianna Salazar, Paul Salinas, Logan Stewart, Emma Stone, Lori Suarez, Dexter Sullivan, Alec Tamegnon, Nala Tealer, Audrey Teters, Kayla Thomas, Danica TitusWilliams, Benson Ton, Leslie Torres, Justion Tran and Hassan Zamzam.

Third Grade

Damian Aguilera, Olivia Antoine, Jaslyn Arredondo, Nthan Arriaga, Abraham Asif, Paige Bernard, Jordan Bernard, Evan Bowden, Alexandria Byrd, Mariya Colbert, Chancelor Conley, Khloe Coronado, Leslie Costa, Shawn Deedman, Alyssa Espinoza, Macy Figueroa, Joey Garcia, Kareli Garza and Ayden Garza.

Nathan Gaytan, Romeo Gill, Ayzel Gonzalez, Gage Gonzalez, Alyssa Goree, Tristan Grause, Vivian Hang, Aven Hilario-Ruiz, Alexia Hoang, Carolyn Jaramillo, Jeremiah Johnson, Marina Kostikoglou, Taylor Lastik, Javian Lewis, Hayden Limas, Kelvin Lopez, Audrey Lopez, Cody Martinez, Felipe Martinez, Mackenzie Martinez and Kailien McLaren.

Mariana Mejia, Dylan Mohwinkel, Morgan Momie, Katieline Moore, Evan Mora, Zainab Naveed, Andrew Nguyen, Nicholas Nguyen, Luciano Padilla, Sujina Pandit, Juliana Perez, Matthew Perez and Jonny Pham.

Bianca Pineda, Kendrick Ramos, Jadan Rogers, Nolan Rogers, Matthew Salazar, Carlos Sanchez, Aniya Scott, Jaliya Silas, Christiane Simpson, Alex Soria, Jaidya Stewart, Donovan Suerna, Elijah Ugalde, Issac Urquieta, Katia Vazquez, Aidyn Vega, Alex Vouffo, Nathan Vu, Kyland Willridge and Louis Yates.

Fourth Grade

Julian Acevedo, Kayla Akinfenwa, Sural Alcora, Leovani Alvarez, Xavier Ambriz, Shawn Armstrong, Ivan Ayala, Alex Baumgartner, Nathaniel Belleville, Jakeida Cervantes, Khyden Davis, Vanessa De La Fuente, Madelyn Esposito, Joel Fisher and Ozzi Fuentes.

Jonathan Garica, Mia Bella Garza, Cedric Gillispie, Evelyn Gonzalez, Jakob Hasbell, Tavaris Haulcy, Lance Heathe,

Ava Hernandez, Daniel Hernandez, Audrina Hernandez, London Herrera, Aiden Ho, Aiden Hughes, Richmond Huynh and Vi Huynh.

London Johnson, Sheyanne Kellen, Danton Le, Alex Le, Jayden Lee, Jacob Little, Jaylyn Lopez, Morgan McGee, Lennyn Mendoza, Quac-Bao Ngo, Jennifer Nguyen, Daniel Nguyen, Haley Nguyen, Michelle Nguyen, Chloe Nunez, Max Perez and Kinotsu Ploucha.

Giovani Ramirez, Tai Robinson, Ria Rodriguez, Justin Salinas, Oscar Salinas, Cy'moria Silas, Daniel Soto, Makayla St. Romain, Emily Taylor, Mina Tran, Jalen Tran, Blake Treadway, Gavynn Trevino, Ivan Valdez, Fernando Vargas, Noah Villareal, Joseph Vivier, Thu Vocaleb Brown, Christopher Vu and Morgan Williams.

Principal's Award

First Grade

Jennifer Aguirre, Samuel Alexander, Saleen Alvarado, Christopher Alvarez, Shaun Anderson, Genesis Banda, Samantha Barraza, Brock Bernard, Maham Bukhari, Madison Campos, Lola Carrizal, Ashton Carter, Gabriel Castillo, Gabriel Castillo, Sabrina Cavazos, Alex Chavez, Lila Collazos, Brooklyn Coronado, Carissa Cortez and Kate Dao.

Gabriella Davila, Samantha De Luna, Tori Dehoyos, Emilio Delagarza, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Iris Durrette, Ava Dyer, Myla Figueroa, Bennett Fitterman, Carter Fletcher, Matteo Garciduenas, Adelyn Garza, Alyna Gonzales, Mia Gonzalez, Lance Goree, Aaron Guillen and Riley Hensley.

Aubrey Hernandez, Elijah Hernandez, Jeanette Hernandez, Sebastian Hernandez, Durriyah Hill, Blake Hughes, Sabillah James, Ramon Jaramillo, Jaden Jimenez, Bradley Jones, Alessandra Labra, Alice Lam, Jayda Lasker, Long Le, Phuwadet Maingot, Juliet Martinez and Melanie Martinez.

Mason Martinez, Chloe Maycott, Brady McNeal, Michelle Medrano, Gabriel Melchor, Hillie Monroe, Annie Nguyen, Leilly Nguyen, Ethan Nguyen, Isaac Ortiz, Ava Ortiz, Adiana Padilla, Abby Palma, Carter Pham, Nathan Precella, Melody Ramirez, Ej Reynolds and Jayden Richard-son.

Grayson Riley, Emily Rodriguez, Erieh Rodriguez, Joshua Salazar, Levi Sanchez, Jude Scmitt, Marion Schroder, Brianna Scott, Dre'den Simmons, Nathaniel Simpson, Evelyn Spears, Kelan Toney, Nathan Torres, Gisele Tran, Evan Treadway, Leonardo Trevino, Brandon Vivier, Christina Vu, Kkelvin Wiley, Cielo Wright, Oscar Yanez and Ghazel Zamzam.

Second Grade

Aaden Aguilera, Devin Aguilera, Jacob Aguirre, Noah Aleman, Juwayriyah Ali, Isaiiah Ambriz, Shelby Armstrong, Bethany Avelar, Alijah Banda, Iduna Baruwaw-Etti, Teyona Beason, Braden Bell, Joseph Bellow, Kaci Bernard, Aja Breaux, Kayleigh Broussard, Anabella Cancel, Sophie Centeno, Elizabeth Cervantes, Adam Cid and Sophia Cleary.

Delilah Deleon, Issac Deluna, Kayla Derobles, Karson Edwards, Trent Edwards, Bryce Edwards, Langston Edwards, Miguel Galan, Chloe Garcia, Aly Garza, Adrian Garza, Bella Gonzales, Rober Granados, Jasmin Hernandez, Josue Herrera, Jaylen Hill, La'riah Houston, Rya Hurd, Nathalie Huynh, Miguel Johnson, Crysta Keim, Luke Kellen and Gabe Laurila.

Isaiiah Lopez, Elizabeth Lopez, Andres Lopez, Isaiiah Machado, Donovan Martinez, Marissa Martinez, Caylee Martinez, Jayme Martinez,

Brandon McNeal, J'von McNeal, Paula Medrano, Damian Melchor, Angela Mena, Ava Morin, Zamira Mosely, Keith Moy, Hailey Naughton, Ngoc Ngo, Grace Nguyen, Mia Nguyen, Mj Olayimika, Emma Olvera, Emma Parker, Damian Perceida, Kinora Ploucha, Gabi Ramirez and Julie Rich.

Alayana Rodriguez, Abby Rodriguez, Jordyn Rodriguez, Mia Roppolo, Lilianna Salazar, Makayla Salazar, Paul Salinas, Abbie Sanchez, Kaillynn Scott, Kolton Smith, Bella Starks, Logan Stewart, Emma Stone, Lori Suarez, Dexter Sullivan, Nala Tealer, Audrey Teters, Kayla Thomas, Krystal Thomas, Kenya Delong Thompson, Michael Timmons, Benson Ton, Chris Torres, Leslie Torres, Justin Tran, Hayden Walker, Danica Titus Williams and Hassan Zamzam.

Third Grade

Damian Aguilera, Ibrahim Ali, Ayan Aljaffri, Olivia Antoine, Jaslyn Arredondo, Nathan Arriaga, Ibrahim Asif, Jordan Bernard, Paige Bernard, Evan Bowden, Alexandria Bryd, Jayden Castro, Chancelor Conley, Khloe Coronado, Leslie Costa, Carlos Delgado, Alyssa Espinoza, Macy Figueroa and Xander Fitterman.

Kareli Garza, Ayden Garza, Tristan Gause, Nathan Gaytan, Romeo Gill, Lynley Gillis, Ayzel Gonzalez, Isabella Gonzalez, Gage Gonzalez, Alyssa Goree, Vivian Hang, Alexia Hoang, Kelijah Jackson, Carolyn Jaramillo, Anthony Jennings and Marina Kostikoglou.

Sheyla Le, Hayden Limas, Kelvin Lopez, Audrey Lopez, Felipe Martinez, Mackenzie Martinez, Aurianna Mata, Kailien McLaren, Mariana Mejia, Adlin Mena, Dylan Mohwinkel, Morgan Momie, Katieline Moore, Evan Mora, Zainab Naveed, Cody Nguyen, Andrew Nguyen and Luciano Padilla.

Sujina Pandit, Juliana Perez, Jeremiah Perez, Matthew Perez, Ethan Perieda, Jonny Pham, Bianca Pineda, Vihaan Prkash, Nicholas Ram, Kendrick Ramos, Jeremiah Rivero, Aubree Rodriguez, Nolan Rogers, Emily Salinas, Katieline Salinas, Carlos Sanchez and Aniya Scott.

Donovan Serna, Jaliyah Silas, Christiane Simpson, Alex Soria, Peresphone Soria, Jaidya Stewart, Marissa Tavera, Evan Taylor, Samantha Trevino, Isaac Urquieta, Faith Vallado, Rachel Vallado, Jadyen Vallado Cantu, Jasmin Vasquez, Katia Vazquez, Aidyn Vega, Jetziel Velasquez, Jabari Venosa, Alex Vouffo, Angelina Vu, Nathan Vu and Heather Yout.

Fourth Grade

Julian Acevedo, Anthony Aggire, Kayla Akinfenwa, Diego Alaniz, Sural Alcora, Xavier Ambriz, Shawn Armstrong, Joshua Arredondo, Adrian Arreola, Kendall Ashworth, Ivan Ayala, Kaila Baltzell, Nathaniel Belleville, Katia Boardman, Cadence Braden, Caleb Brown, Akira Brual, Kylie Campos and Anthony Cancel.

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Abigail Gutierrez, Renya Harvey, Jakob Hasbell, Tavaris Haulcy, Lance Heath, Ava Hernandez, Audrino Hernandez, London Herrera, Aiden Ho, Aiden Hughes, Richmond Huynh, Vi Huynh, Layla Jack, Londyn Johnson, Davion Johnson, Sheyanne Kellen, Danton Le, Alex Le, Jason Lehman, Jacob Little, Nicholas Lopez and Jaylyn Lopez.

Martinez, Sarah Massey, Lilianna Mata, Mia Mata, Morgan McGee, Lennyn Mendoza, Jessica Moise, Madison Moore, Lauren Moorer, Ayden Munoz, Jaward Naser, Bao Ngo, Jennifer Nguyen, Minh

Nguyen, Daniel Nguyen, Haley Nguyen, Mary Nguyen, Michelle Nguyen, Chloe Nunez, Ethan Perez, Kinotsu Ploucha and Justin Quintanilla. Giovanni Ramirez, Amanda Ramirez, Leila Reyes,

Carolina Rodriguez, Gia Rodriguez, Justin Rubio, Justin Salinas, Matthew Salinas, Oscar Salinas, Cy'moria Silas, Joycelyn Sims, Daniel Soto, Makayla St. Romain, Addison Taylor, Emily Taylor, Ashley

Teng, Mina Tran, Jalen Tran, Gavynn Trevino, Ivan Valdez, Andrea Valdez, Fernando Vargas, Aubrie Vasquez, Joseph Vega, Noah Villareal, Joseph Vivier, Thu Vo, Morgan Williams and A'zyla Williams.

Resendezes celebrate 50th anniversary



Eloy and Linda Resendez celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 15 at the Co-Cathedral with Archbishop Daniel Cardinal DiNardo. They were married in Port Lavaca on Oct. 28, 1967. Eloy served in the United States Army and, subsequently, was employed in the oil and paper industry for 43 years. Linda majored in education at the University of Houston in Victoria and



taught as a bilingual teacher for the Pasadena Independent School District. They are both retired and were residents of South Belt for more than 20 years. Joining in the anniversary celebration were their children Eloy Thomas Resendez and Audi Ihlenfeld; grandchildren Madison, Amelia, Jonah and Gus Resendez; and family and friends.

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SJC opens doors to SBA following Harvey

The U.S. Small Business Administration continues to assist those recovering from Hurricane Harvey by opening a loan closing center in Deer Park, sharing space with the San Jacinto College Small Business Development Center.

The SBA offers loans for homes, businesses and renters. To help those affected by the hurricane, the SBA also offers business physical disaster loans, economic injury disaster loans and home disaster loans. "We verify the damage, process the loans in Fort Worth, Texas, and close the

loans," said Roger Busch, public information officer with the SBA. "We are really a full-service bank without the checking and savings. We have centers throughout the counties affected from the hurricane, from Corpus Christi, Texas, to Louisiana." Busch noted that the deadline to register with FEMA has been extended through Nov. 30. Once registered, individuals may apply for a disaster loan through the SBA.

Although the Deer Park location is primarily for disaster loan closing, the office offers a wealth of additional information for those needing assistance. Busch said anyone can visit any of the SBA offices for the information they need about obtaining a disaster loan. The SBA loan closing center, hosted by the San Jacinto College SBDC is in the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region building, 203 Ivy, Suite 300, in Deer Park. "We are here to support the SBA in disaster recovery," said Richard Prets, director of the San Jacinto College SBDC, which provides business consulting, training and solutions to entrepreneurs of small and emerging companies. "We were fortunate enough to have the space in our SBDC office and welcome them as they process disaster loans to help individuals and small businesses recover from Hurricane Harvey."

Meador receives generous donation




Meador Elementary staff appreciates Beck & Masten South for its generous donation of backpacks and school supplies to the school. Shown are, left to right, Rene Garcia, Beck & Masten South; Nickole Kamran, Beck & Masten South; Beverly Bolton, Meador principal; and Tara Merida, counselor.

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Cowgirls win record eight trophies in annual BAFL competition



The Sagemont Cowgirls competed in the BAFL Drill Competition on Saturday, Nov. 11, at Santa Fe High School. After a lot of hard work, dedication and practice in the heat and rain, the Cowgirls swept the competition. Even after surviving Hurricane Harvey, with some girls having been displaced, they came out on top winning No. 1 overall and beating out 11 teams. The last time the Cowgirls won first place was 2011. This year, the Cowgirls came home with Super Sweepstakes, Congeniality Award, Most Creative Choreography, Most Original Routine, Best in Class Military, Best in Class Prop, Best in Class Novelty and Number One Overall. A total of eight trophies were won for the South Belt area. The girls were under the direction of Coach Savanna McCormack and Drill Director Kerri Blanton.



The South Belt area Cowgirls Drill Team are shown with some of the many trophies won at the BAFL Competition held on Nov. 11, left to right, (front row) Ashlyne Medina, Katelyn Mendoza, Angelina Sanchez, Michelle Ayala, Alyssa Mariscal, Laila Garza, Nichelle Rodriguez, Ava Herrera, Zoe Espinoza, (back row) Dayyani Arboleda, Hailey Villela, Madysin Saenz, Chelsey Blanton, Jamiah Molden, Juliana Aguirre, Paris Hudson, Neveah Martinez, Mia Payne, Saniyah Thomas, Janeiya Piper, Abigail Yanez and Pretty McCoy.

Shown with a trophy is Coach Savanna McCormack. She is a South Belt resident and a Dobie graduate who has coached the team for four years.

Pasadena Independent School District holds annual Fall Chess Tournament



On Saturday, Nov. 11, Pasadena Independent School District held its Eighth Annual Fall Chess Tournament at Beverly Hills Intermediate. At the tournament 230 students participated, 35 campuses were represented including 6 high schools, 10 intermediate schools, 6 middle schools, and 12 elementary schools. A total of 29 of the schools that participated were from PISD, five were from Deer Park ISD, and one was a private school. In all divisions, each student played five games, receiving one point for each win and a half-point for each draw. The students are named left to right and they are also standing starting with the first place winner on the left.



The third-grade top finishers are, left to right, Juan Aubrey Reyes, Frazier; Philip Perez, Golden Acres; and Martinez, Laura Bush; Haydon Gomez, Golden Acres; David Garcia, Genoa.

The fourth-grade top finishers are, left to right, Eliat Rodriguez, Parks; Alfredo Balderas, Morales; Harold Fernandez, Genoa; Israel Rivera, Gardens; and Aaron Gloria, Genoa.



Above, the fifth-grade top finishers are, left to right, Alex Acevedo, Milstead; Christopher Sahagun, Milstead; Vinh Nguyen, Roberts; Yeison Carbajal, Milstead; and Nicolas Soza, Melillo.

Below, the sixth-grade top finishers are, left to right, Arath Dodin, Roberts; Austin Avalos, Kendrick; Rey Aguirre, Melillo; Nathaniel Luna, Roberts; and Devin Vazquez, Milstead.




Above, the secondary unrated top finishers are, left to right, Nicholas Ochoa, Beverly Hills; Jonathan Rivera, Park View; Andreas McGlotha, Beverly Hills; Jordan Peralez, Beverly Hills; and Anh Bui, Beverly Hills. Below, the secondary rated top finishers are, left to right, (front row) Tyler Dean, Deer Park High School; Timothy Phan, Dobie; Antonio Rodriguez, Deer Park High School; Edward Ellis, Deer Park High School; Tin Ly, Dobie; (back row) and James R. Early, PISD data specialist, research and evaluation district chess coordinator.

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Dobie to retire Christmas-Kelly's No. 13

No. 13. Karima Christmas-Kelly always thought it was her lucky number, and apparently the decision-makers at Dobie High School believe so, too. Fans there to see the Dobie varsity girls' noon game Friday, Nov. 17, at Dobie, will be in for a special treat as they will witness Christmas-Kelly's official jersey retirement at center court.

A Big Shootout champion as an eighth-grade student at Beverly Hills Intermediate, Christmas-Kelly joined the Dobie varsity girls' basketball team for the start of her freshman season. Interestingly enough, that 2004 season was the first in which the Texas Invitational Basketball Tournament included a girls' bracket. It was Christmas-Kelly who was the star of stars.

The freshman led a veteran Dobie team to the championship with a win over Clear Brook in the title game. She was named tournament Most Valuable Player and proceeded to build on her successes.

Christmas-Kelly was an all-district performer as a sophomore before a shoulder injury limited her to a handful of games as a junior. She guided Dobie to a 32-7 record as a senior and was named the Most Valuable Player in District 23-5A.

Christmas-Kelly signed with Duke University out of Dobie and was a two-time All-Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament selection. She has enjoyed an extensive professional playing career, including seven seasons in the WNBA and overseas commitments. She is currently a member of the Dallas Wings of the WNBA and resides in Atlanta.

Christmas-Kelly was married last April to her husband, Austin Kelly. The pair met while attending Duke University together.

JFD baseball sets golf

The Dobie Diamond Club will host its annual golf tournament fundraiser Saturday, Dec. 2, at the Pearland Country Club. Individual players (\$80) and foursomes (\$320) may register prior to the tournament by calling Dobie booster club member Chris Escalera at 832-630-4007. Prices the day of the event increase to \$100 and \$400.

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Dobie girls' hoops to retire legend's No. 13

Nov. 17, 1:40 p.m.

At right, Dobie High School graduate Karima Christmas-Kelly drives toward the basket during a WNBA game in the 2017 season. Christmas-Kelly, a 2007 Dobie High School graduate, will have her jersey No. 13 retired during a special ceremony Friday, Nov. 17, at the school. A four-year starter at Dobie, Christmas-Kelly was the first female Most Valuable Player of the Texas Invitational in 2007 after leading Dobie to the championship with a win over Clear Brook. Later that season, she played a key role as Dobie went on to win its first-ever Region III title, which included a berth in the Class 5A state semifinals. Christmas-Kelly signed with Duke and had a solid career with the Blue Devils before being drafted in the second round of the 2011 WNBA Draft by the Washington Mystics. Now a veteran of seven WNBA seasons, Christmas-Kelly plays for the Dallas Wings and is married to Austin Kelly. The couple reside in Atlanta.

Photo courtesy of Dallas Wings/Getty Images



McDonald's Texas hoops takes court

By Reesha Brown, PISD Communications
Eighty teams, featuring some of the state's most heralded athletes, will travel down the "road to state" to compete in the 2017 McDonald's Texas Invitational Basketball Tournament - one of the nation's premiere early season championship games. The tournament, starting Thursday, Nov. 16, is a launching pad for potential state champions and state tournament contenders and opens at 10 venues in the Pasadena and Deer Park area, including Dobie High School and Beverly Hills Intermediate.

The Invitational will follow the same format as in recent years, with 48 boys' teams and 32 girls' teams competing in the event. On the boys' side, 48 teams have been divided into two 24-team divisions. Each division has been divided into eight three-team pools. After two pool-play games Nov. 16, the teams will be divided by record into gold, silver and bronze brackets, each bracket working toward a champion in bracket play Nov. 17-18.

On the girls' side, 32 teams are divided into two 16-team divisions, and each division is divided into four four-team pools. Three pool games will be held between Nov. 16 and Nov. 17. After pool play, teams will be placed by record into gold, silver and bronze brackets. All girls' bracket games will be contested Nov. 18.

The tournament lineup is guaranteed to thrill as some of this year's contenders include some of the state's champions from 2016. On the boys' side, there's Spring Westfield (Class 6A), which took home gold in the Division 1 boys champion under the direction of Texas' sharpshooter and 2016 Most Valuable Player Jase Febres. This year, Febres is continuing his basketball career with the University of Texas men's basketball program, where he is a Big 12 top newcomer. There's defending girls champion Duncanville (Class 6A), ranked No. 1 in Texas by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches, under the guidance of head coach Cathy

Nov. 16 Games
Dobie boys host Westside Clear Brook boys vs. Baytown Sterling
9 a.m., Dobie High School
Dobie girls host St. Pius Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
9 a.m., Beverly Hills Intermediate
Dobie girls host Katy Taylor Clear Brook boys vs. Pas. Memorial
4:30 p.m., Phillips Field House

Nov. 17 Games
Dobie boys host Katy Taylor Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
9 a.m., Beverly Hills Intermediate
Dobie girls host St. Pius Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
9 a.m., Beverly Hills Intermediate
Dobie girls host Katy Taylor Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
1:30 p.m., Dobie High School
Dobie girls host St. Pius Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
6 p.m., Beverly Hills Intermediate
Dobie girls host Katy Taylor Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
6 p.m., Beverly Hills Intermediate
Dobie girls host St. Pius Clear Brook boys vs. Mansfield Summit
6 p.m., Beverly Hills Intermediate

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Astros' series championship suggests analytics play role

By Andrea Vasquez
San Jacinto College

More than likely, the roar of the Houston Astros' World Series championship win against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Nov. 1, could be heard from the International Space Station. Houston is, after all, the Space City.

But one of the major players, in what some are calling the greatest World Series of all time, never set foot on the field.

That's because they don't make jerseys for touchscreens. Those tiny machines held vital statistical information to each team's offensive and defensive strategies.

The World Series was in fact a numbers game. Though not as visually appealing as one of George Springer's home runs, math played a consistent role in the Astros' journey to the top.

San Jacinto College mathematics department chair and Astros super fan, Regan Boudra says that today's technology provides a more precise, accurate game than ever before.

"Think about a baseball player in 1936 – the only information they could rely on was their physical experience with the teams they played," said Boudra.

"Now, we can put numbers and measurements on top of what our eyes see on the field and recall it with a click.

"The tracking software that's available can tell teams so much more about

opposing teams' strengths and weaknesses along with their own, which allows for more data-driven decision making when it comes to developing pitching plans for every batter in the lineup."

Last season, in a technology collaboration with Apple, Major League Baseball implemented game changing on-field capabilities by providing all teams with iPad Pro and the specially designed MLB Dugout app, which allowed teams to generate their own strategic statistical reports, data visualizations and scouting videos allowing them to make real-time critical game decisions.

"These capabilities have taken the game to a whole new level. We can calculate statistics that we haven't been able to before," added Boudra.

"These statistics formulas are really so intricate that they're essentially impossible to calculate by hand with so many data points, but modern computing can crunch the numbers with ease. That's what's great about having computers in the dugout now," added Boudra.

Analytical data can also be the unexpected curve ball that beats a player at his own game.

Former major league power hitter Ryan Howard suffered a decline in his career due to his batting statistics.

In his game films, teams saw that Howard

consistently hit along the first base line.

Their defensive strategies against his at bats proved effective, as he could not adapt his game to counteract those that opposing teams put in place.

For the Astros, Boudra says that analytics played a major role in their defensive shifts that were taken to the extreme this season, adding to the momentum that brought Houston the World Series win.

"The Astros used defensive shifts more extensively than any other team the past few seasons.

Depending on the batter's hitting tendencies and the pitcher-catcher plan of attack, you saw them reposition players for where the hitter was most likely to hit the ball.

What makes this championship so special is that fans have witnessed the entire journey. We've seen this team's absolute lows in the 2011, 2012 and 2013 seasons.

Then came the infamous, bold *Sports Illustrated* prediction in 2014.

Going forward, the front office began to use advanced metrics to develop an aggressive team makeup of homeruns, steals, defensive shifts and strikeouts paired with groundball pitchers that lead to unanticipated success in 2015.

By adding more contact hitters this season, it definitely pushed them ahead and allowed them to make the leap to World Series Champs."

The system worked for the Astros, who now own the city's first world championship in the sport of baseball, and the team plans to go for a repeat performance next season as well. Perhaps some of the same analytics will pay off.

For more information about San Jacinto College, call 281-998-6150, visit sanjac.edu or join the conversation on Facebook and Twitter.

South Belt football predictions final results

						
	Troy Leland	John Bechtle	Eli Tanksley	Toni Muse	Emory Gadd	Debbie Vaughn
Dobie hosts La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	Dobie (X)	La Porte
Clear Brook at Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson
Deer Park at Pasadena Memorial	Memorial (X)	Memorial (X)	Deer Park	Deer Park	Memorial (X)	Memorial (X)
Pasadena vs. Sam Rayburn	Rayburn (X)	Pasadena	Rayburn (X)	Rayburn (X)	Pasadena	Rayburn (X)
Clear Springs vs. Clear Lake	Springs	Springs	Springs	Springs	Springs	Lake (X)
Alief Taylor at George Ranch	George Ranch	Alief Taylor (X)	George Ranch	George Ranch	Alief Taylor (X)	Alief Taylor (X)
Dawson at Alief Hastings	Dawson (X)	Dawson (X)	Dawson (X)	Dawson (X)	Dawson (X)	Dawson (X)
Elkins at Texas City	Texas City	Texas City	Texas City	Texas City	Texas City	Texas City
Baytown Sterling at Channelview	Sterling (X)	Channelview	Sterling (X)	Sterling (X)	Sterling (X)	Sterling (X)
Westbury Christian at Lutheran South	Westbury	Westbury	LSA (X)	Westbury	LSA (X)	Westbury
This week's record	6-4	7-3	6-4	7-3	4-6	4-6
Season record	66-24	63-27	64-26	59-31	56-34	62-28

San Jacinto College women's volleyball caps strong final season

The San Jacinto College women's volleyball team made its final appearance at Anders Gymnasium in Pasadena at the conclusion of the regular season before coming up one win short of an appearance at the National Junior College Athletic Association's Division I Volleyball Championships. The Ravens' sophomores taking part in a special pre-match ceremony included, left to right, Raven Oates (1) Bradyn Rice (5), Addie Bryant (6), Mir Tillman (8), Moerani Maire (9), MarKayla Dickie (12), Mari Buvinic (13), Madison Rhoder (15), Elena Hadzhieva (20) and Savannah Sheridan (22). The team finished 26-7 this season.

Photo by Jeannie Peng Mansyur



Sports Calendar

BASKETBALL
Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 16-18
 Dobie varsity girls at McDonald's Invitational, TBA
 Brook varsity boys at McDonald's Invitational, TBA
 Dobie varsity boys at McDonald's Invitational, TBA
 Brook JV boys at Cy-Fair invite, TBA

Monday, Nov. 20
 Dobie varsity girls host Dulles, 12:30
 Dobie varsity boys host Clear Lake, 5:00
 Dobie JV boys host Clear Lake, 3:30
 Dobie JV girls host Dulles 11 a.m.
 Dobie sophomores host Clear Lake, 3:30
 Dobie freshman A girls host Dulles, 9:30 a.m.
 Dobie freshman A boys host Clear Lake, 2:00
 Dobie freshman B boys host Clear Lake, 2:00

Tuesday, Nov. 21
 Brook varsity girls host Fort Bend Austin, 4:00
 Brook JV girls host Fort Bend Austin, 2:30
 Brook freshman A girls host Fort Bend Austin, 1:00

Wednesday, Nov. 22
 Brook varsity boys host South Houston, 1 p.m.
 Brook JV boys host South Houston, 11:30 a.m.
 Brook sophomores host South Houston 11:30 a.m.
 Brook freshman A boys host South Houston, 10 a.m.
 Brook freshman B boys host South Houston, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 28
 Dobie varsity girls at Clements, 7:00
 Dobie varsity boys host Clear Brook, 7:00
 Brook varsity girls at C.E. King, 7:00
 Dobie JV boys host Clear Lake, 5:30
 Dobie JV girls at Clements, 5:30
 Brook JV girls at C.E. King, 5:30
 Dobie sophomore boys host Clear Brook, 5:30
 Dobie freshman A boys host Clear Brook, 4:00
 Brook freshman A girls at C.E. King, 4:00
 Dobie freshman A girls at Clements, 4:00
 Dobie freshman B boys host Clear Brook, 4:00

Wednesday, Nov. 29
 Beverly Hills 7th Dark girls hosts Jackson, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 7th Light girls hosts Jackson, 6:15
 Beverly Hills 8th Dark girls hosts Jackson, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 8th Light girls hosts Jackson, 6:15
 Thompson 7th Dark girls at Southmore, 5:00
 Thompson 7th Light girls at Southmore, 6:15
 Thompson 8th Dark girls at Southmore, 5:00
 Thompson 8th Light girls at Southmore, 6:15
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Thursday, Nov. 30 through Saturday, Dec. 2
 Brook varsity boys at Krueger-Carlisle invite., TBA
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 Dobie varsity boys at Katy invite., TBA
 Brook JV boys at Alief ISD invite., TBA
 Dobie JV boys at South Houston invit., TBA
 Dobie sophomore boys at Pasadena ISD invite, TBA
 Dobie freshman B boys at Memorial invit., TBA

Highly competitive McDonald's basketball tips off

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 Self-Morgan. Duncanville has won the McDonald's Texas Invitational Division 1 gold bracket title in 2011, 2012, 2015 and 2016.

Duncanville is a favorite this season as well, among others.

The girls' teams will also feature three Class 6A teams ranked in the top 10 of the TABC, including Dickinson, Cy-Ranch, and Judson, along with North Shore and Seven Lakes.

Barbers Hill, which will also be competing at the invitational has been ranked No. 3 in the Class 5A division with University of Texas commit Charli Collier leading the way.

The boys' teams will feature four teams ranked in the Class 6A preseason Top 25 by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and two schools ranked in the Class 5A.

These include: Dickinson, Tompkins (top 10), North Crowley and Atascocita, along with 5A contenders Lancaster and Manvel (top 10).

Since its inception in 1999, the Texas Invitational has continued to highlight the state's top players and teams while also raising funds for Pasadena and Deer Park ISDs education foundations.

The event annually draws more than 400 community volunteers, including students across Pasadena ISD who are given an opportunity to showcase their culinary, hospitality and videography skills while helping patrons.

The tournament is sponsored by the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce in partnership with both district's education foundations.

The event receives financial support from more than 125 businesses and organizations. All proceeds are returned to both foundations.

The boys' and girls' pool play games will stream on Baller.tv (https://www.baller.tv/mcdonalds-texas-invitational), Nov. 16 and Nov. 17

from Phillips Field House. The championship games will stream on Legacy Sports Network Nov. 18 from Phillips Field House. The championship games will also be available through the FOX Sports Go app.

For all the updates, visit the McDonald's Texas Invitational Basketball Tournament through the website: www.texasinvitational.com/.

Dobie High School Varsity Boys' Hoops Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 16-18	at McDonald's Texas invite	TBA
Nov. 20	Clear Lake	5 p.m.
Nov. 28	Clear Brook	7 p.m.
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	at Katy Invitational	TBA
Dec. 5	at Dawson	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Pearland	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	at Friendswood	6 p.m.
Dec. 19	*Beaumont West Brook	3 p.m.
Dec. 22	*at South Houston	7 p.m.
Dec. 27-28	at Conroe Invitational	TBA
Jan. 5	*Sam Rayburn	7 p.m.
Jan. 9	*at Pasadena	7 p.m.
Jan. 12	*Deer Park	7 p.m.
Jan. 16	*La Porte	7 p.m.
Jan. 19	*at Pasadena Memorial	7 p.m.
Jan. 23	*at Beaumont West Brook	7 p.m.
Jan. 26	*South Houston	7 p.m.
Jan. 30	*at Sam Rayburn	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	*Pasadena	7 p.m.
Feb. 6	*at Deer Park	7 p.m.
Feb. 9	*at La Porte	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	*Memorial	7 p.m.

* - District 22-6A game

Brook High School Varsity Boys' Hoops Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 16-18	at McDonald's Texas invite	TBA
Nov. 22	South Houston	1 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Dobie	7 p.m.
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	at Clear Creek ISD Classic	TBA
Dec. 5	at G.C. Memorial	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Galveston Ball	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	at Westfield	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	at Cinco Ranch	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 19	*Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Dec. 22	*at Clear Creek	4 p.m.
Dec. 28-30	at Pasadena invite	TBA
Jan. 5	*at Friendswood	7 p.m.
Jan. 9	*Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Jan. 12	*at Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Jan. 16	*Alvin	7 p.m.
Jan. 19	*at Dickinson	7 p.m.
Jan. 23	*at Clear Falls	7 p.m.
Jan. 26	*Clear Creek	7 p.m.
Jan. 30	*Friendswood	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	*at Clear Lake	7 p.m.
Feb. 6	*Clear Springs	7 p.m.
Feb. 9	*at Alvin	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	*Dickinson	7 p.m.

* - District 24-6A game



College Park's Quentin Grimes (with ball), one of the top recruits on the nationwide high school boys' basketball scene, played in the 2016 McDonald's Texas Invitational, earning All-Tournament accolades. The 2017 tournament will again feature several of the country's top players.

Lady Longhorns win four of seven early

Last season was fun, but now it's time to turn the page.

Players who make up the 2017-2018 Dobie varsity girls' basketball roster are learning just how challenging it can be to stay at the top of the mountain.

At this time last season, the team was beginning a journey that would end with a 22-6A co-championship and bidistrict playoff win over Kingwood in hand. An area round loss to Clear Creek followed.

But graduation took away from the team the majority of its scoring punch. Just three players, in fact, returned this season.

So far, the results have been mixed for the new-look Lady Longhorns. The locals began the season with a solid victory on the road at Friendswood.

Dobie then went 2-1 at the Lady Gander Tip-Off Classic in Baytown, with wins coming over Clear Brook and Baytown Lee sandwiched around a loss to 22-6A foe La Porte.

On Nov. 14, the Lady Longhorns dropped a 48-38 decision to Alvin, and head coach Shane Brown will now lead his team into the Nov. 16-18 McDonald's Texas Invitational with plenty of optimism.

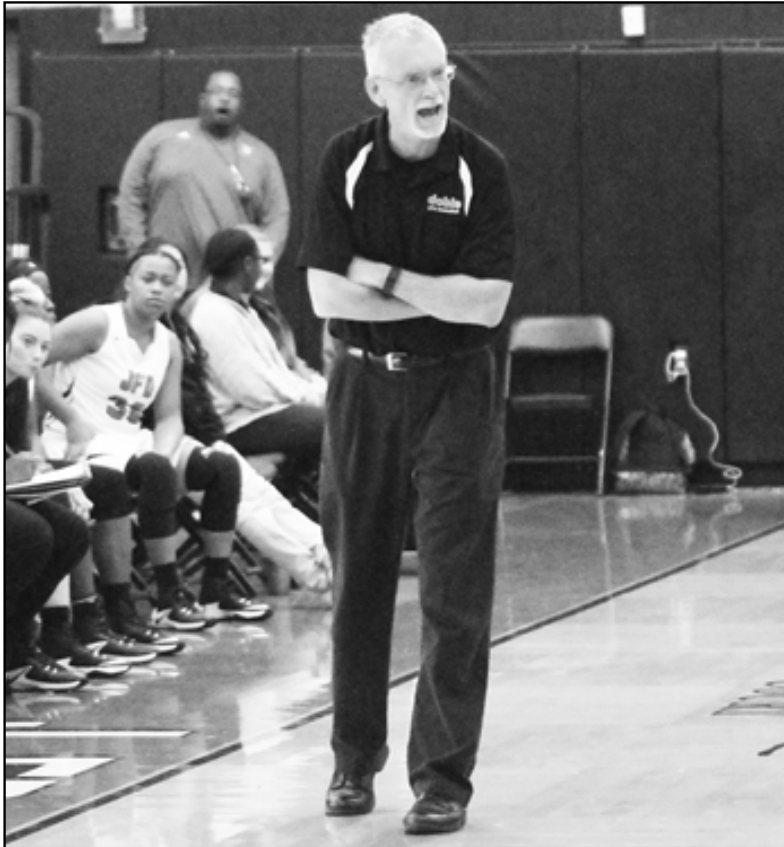
"We're young, plain and simple," Brown said.

"We have talent, but we lack the experience. Every game is a lesson for

us, and we learn more and more about ourselves each game. When it came to Alvin, it was all about being physical, patient on offense and talking to each other on defense. We didn't do that

very well, and the result of that showed on the scoreboard. Hopefully, we've learned those lessons so when we play next time, we will see improvement in those areas.

"I really like the group we have. I'm absolutely excited about the potential of this team. If they get it, they'll have a chance to have a pretty successful season."



Veteran Dobie varsity girls' basketball coach Shane Brown led his team to the co-championship in 2016-2017. This time around, with a younger and less experienced team in tow, Brown knows the progress back toward a title repeat may take some time.

Clear Brook catcher Machado picks UTSA baseball

At right, Clear Brook High School varsity baseball player Gavin Machado will continue his education and playing career at the University of Texas at San Antonio after signing a letter of intent with the Roadrunners. Those with Machado at the signing included, left to right, (front row) Raydin Garcia (brother), (middle row) Rafael Garcia (father), Ray Garcia (brother), Mya Garcia (sister), Aglaee Garcia (mother), Michele Staley (Clear Brook High School principal), (back row) Brayden Blackwell (Clear Brook baseball assistant coach), Gene Flores (Clear Brook varsity baseball head coach) and B.J. Durant (Clear Brook baseball assistant coach). Machado, the Wolverines' starting catcher and a four-year letterman, will complete his playing career at Clear Brook this spring before preparing to leave for San Antonio.

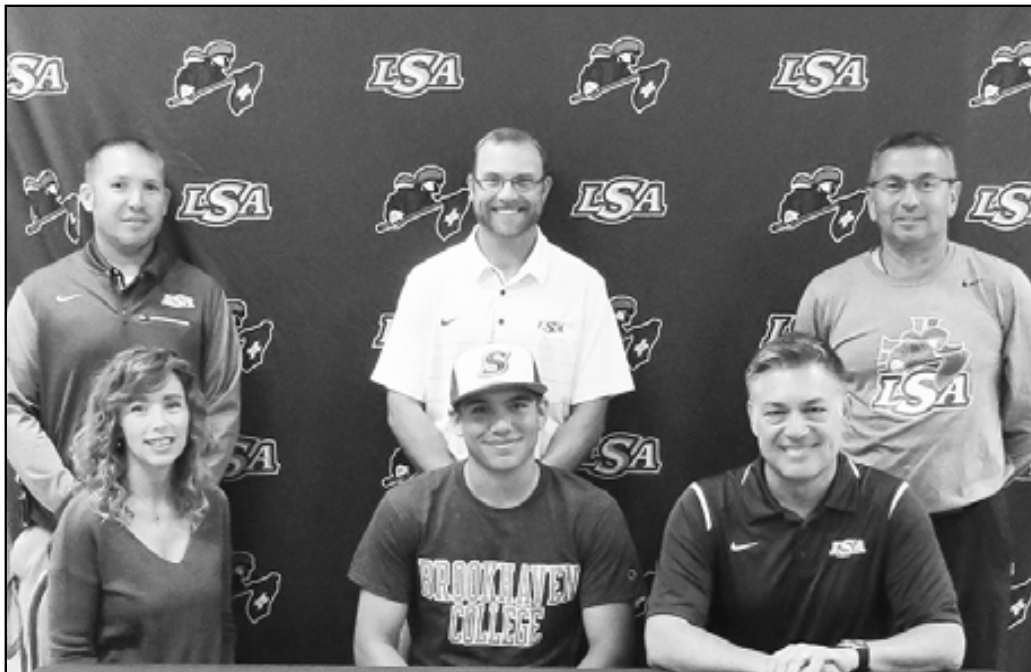
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LSA baseball's Doxakis signs; picks Bears

At right, Lutheran South Academy varsity baseball player Christian Doxakis (seated center) will continue his education and playing career at Brookhaven College in Farmers Branch, Texas, after signing a letter of intent with the Bears. Those with Doxakis at his signing included, left to right, (seated) Leah Doxakis (mother), Jim Doxakis (father), (standing) A.J. Bettcher (LSA varsity baseball assistant coach), Aaron Schneider (LSA varsity baseball head coach) and Tom DeLaGarza (LSA varsity baseball assistant coach).

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LSA's Johnson to pitch at Central Ark.



Lutheran South Academy varsity baseball pitcher Kolby Johnson (seated center) will continue his education and playing career at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway, Arkansas, after signing a letter of intent with the Bears. Those with Johnson at his signing included, left to right, (seated) Sylvester Johnson (father), Katrina Johnson (mother), (standing) A.J. Bettcher (LSA varsity baseball assistant coach), Aaron Schneider (LSA varsity baseball head coach) and Tom DeLaGarza (LSA varsity baseball assistant coach).

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CALENDAR



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.
 Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has dance lessons Thursdays, following the senior luncheon. Lewis and Betty Whistler teach lessons in two-step, triple two-step, west coast swing and night club two-step at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. A \$25 activity card is required for non-residents which is free to senior League City residents.
 6 p.m.
Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter - A social group focused on the culture, music, heritage and language of Texas German immigrants. Meets the third Thursday, monthly, 6 p.m., Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors welcome. Call 281-481-1238 for details.
 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 - 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.
 Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - West End Group, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church, 12005 County Rd. 39, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. Call 713-856-1611.
 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 18
 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.
 10 a.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.
 11 a.m.
StartSchoolLater.net (SSL) Houston Chapter - informational meeting about the link of teen sleep deprivation to depression and low academic performance. Public is welcome, 11 a.m., on the last Saturday at the Parker Williams Library, Room F, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd., 77089. For details, call 281-229-1409.
 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 for details.
 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 Aroffo 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 19
 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 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.
 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 to 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.
 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 20
 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 for details.
 10:30 a.m.
Seniors and Law Enforcement Together - SALT meetings are 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Madison Jobe Senior Center, 1700 East Thomas St., 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.
 11:30 a.m.
Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
 Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
 2 p.m.
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.
 3:15 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise and speech therapy for adults with Parkinson's, 3:15 - 4:45 p.m., Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org.
 6 p.m.
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.

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CALENDAR

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details.
6:30 p.m.
Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting - Mondays at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland. Enter door next to recycling bins. For details, call 713-865-3668 or visit www.oahouston.org.
7 p.m.
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.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.

7 p.m.
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.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 to 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:30 p.m.
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. Interested persons welcome. Door prizes. Free parking. For details, visit www.clgms.org.
7:30 p.m.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For details, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., 77089. For details, call Russell at 832-483-6715.

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

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

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
1 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has free Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dance, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card. Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details, call Neva Schroder at 417-838-2204.

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Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention - Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse support group for women. Visit www.bayareaturn.org for information.

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

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.

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

THANKSGIVING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has beginner ballroom lessons taught by Eileen Bauerlein on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 1:30 following the senior luncheon at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. A \$25 activity card is required for nonresidents which is free to senior League City residents.

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Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch is \$15. Variety of interesting speakers. For details, call 281-900-7257. Email nalix@texascitizensbank.com.
1:30 p.m.
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.
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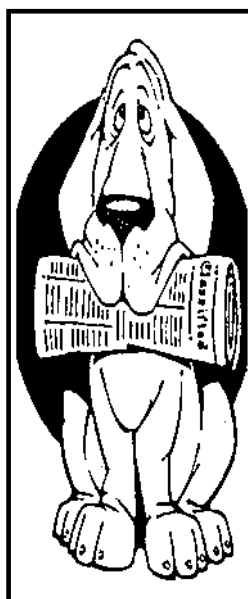
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La Porte's third-quarter rush ends Longhorns' season

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor
If only for a brief few

moments, it appeared the Dobie Longhorns' varsity football team was poised to punch its ticket to the Class 6A Division I playoffs, where a bidistrict

matchup at Atascocita would have included Dobie.

But then La Porte figured things out offensively, scoring 28 unanswered points over a 7-minute, 20-second span of the third quarter. La Porte also capitalized on a Dobie fumble on a kickoff and an interception.

Just like that, the Bulldogs had turned a 21-10 deficit into a 38-21 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

The two teams traded scores over the final stanza as the Bulldogs ended Dobie's season with a 45-27 victory Nov. 10, at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

"We were ahead 14-10 at halftime, which was a good feeling," Dobie head coach Mike Norman said.

"Then we stop them to open the second half, and go down and get a touchdown. Obviously, you feel like you're in a good spot."

"But then we had the fumble on the kickoff, and then an interception. Just like that, we were down 31-27 and things got away a little bit there."

By virtue of its win over Dobie, La Porte bagged fourth place in the standings and is headed to the postseason.

La Porte, which wound up 3-3 in District 22-6A action, hung on to secure the fourth and final playoff spot in the league. The Bulldogs will play Nov. 18, at Turner Stadium in Humble against Summer Creek.

District 22-6A champion Deer Park will host North Shore Nov. 17, in a Division I battle at Abshire Stadium in Deer Park.

Second-place Memorial is headed to the Division II bracket, where the Mavs will go against District 21-6A champion Atascocita Nov. 17 at Humble ISD's Turner Stadium.

South Houston, in the postseason for the second straight season, will host Kingwood in a postseason rematch from 2016. Those two teams will meet Nov. 17, at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

For Dobie, another off-season has begun. The Longhorns have now gone 2-4 in District 22-6A play with wins over Pasadena and Sam Rayburn two years straight.

De'Jon Bright's 6-yard touchdown run capped a quick six-play, 67-yard drive as La Porte got within 21-17.

After a Longhorn punt, the Bulldogs quickly drove down the field again, with Bihm covering the final 20 yards for a touchdown and a 24-21 La Porte lead.

Collins rambled 14 yards for a touchdown, and Bihm's one-yard keeper for a touchdown was the end of the Bulldogs' 28-point surge. By then, however, the visitors had flipped the scoreboard in a big way and led 38-21.

Sims and Guy hooked up again for a 60-yard touchdown as Guy out-raced the Bulldog defense following the catch. For Dobie, it was the first game with two touchdown passes this season.

Collins ended the scoring with an 11-yard run with just over 3 minutes to play as La Porte will prepare to play this week.

With two more long touchdown runs, Morris capped a terrific four-week stretch of play with 191 yards on 20 carries. Guy had three catches for 93 yards and two touchdowns as he heads into the off-season as Dobie's top returner at receiver.

La Porte's Bihm called his own number 14 times for 126 yards. Collins had an even 100 yards on 15 carries, and George rushed nine times for 98 yards.

The Bulldogs had trouble containing Guy down the field but got five quarterback sacks, including three by Ryan Kendzior. La Porte also forced six Dobie punts in the game.

The season ends on a not-so-high note for Dobie, but the future looks very good.

Morris wound up finishing the season as the leading rusher in District 22-6A with 1,198 yards. He will be back for his senior season in 2018. Guy, who was the Longhorns' most productive receiver in district play, has two years remaining.

"I'm so proud of that young man," said Norman, referring to Morris and the

things the junior tailback dealt with both on and off the field this season.

"Kris gave us a tremendous effort all season, and was the leading rusher in the district. That was just a great effort from Kris all season long."

The Longhorns also have several freshmen and sophomores on the varsity roster now who either earned a spot early on or were pressed into duty at the varsity level due to injury. Those players will return, as well.

"I feel like we have some great speed, and some playmakers either on the varsity roster now or certainly coming," Norman said. "The injuries hit us this season, and I really feel like over this last stretch of games, we were getting into the rhythm

that we had anticipated having all season."

Norman is also excited about the talent pool making its way up the ranks.

The Dobie junior varsity Orange team finished second to Deer Park in district, as did the Longhorns' freshman White team.

Dobie's junior varsity White and freshman Orange squads came away with district titles.

District 22-6A Standings Varsity Football Final

(As of Nov. 12)

Teams	W	L
Deer Park	6	0
Memorial	5	1
South Houston	4	2
La Porte	3	3
Dobie	2	4
Pasadena	1	5
Sam Rayburn	0	6



In the winner-take-all regular season finale between the Dobie and La Porte varsity football teams, the Longhorns' Cameron Guy (83) goes high to reel in a 25-yard scoring pass from Jacob Sims while beating the Bulldogs' Anthony Wilson (25). La Porte won the game 45-27. Photo by Jade Wise/Pasadena ISD

Challenger honorary soccer ball makes triumphant return home

November 3, 2017 marked the poignant end of a 31-year journey for a soccer ball, a family and a school.

During halftime of that November 3 Clear Lake versus Clear Creek football game, a special reunion took place bringing people bound together by a soccer ball that was intended to fly on the Space Shuttle Challenger 51L mission in 1986.

Challenger astronaut Col. Ellison Onizuka had originally intended to take the ball on his journey into space on the ill-fated flight.

His daughter, Janelle Onizuka, was a member of the Clear Lake High School soccer team in 1986.

She and her teammates had signed the soccer ball before giving it to her father before the flight.

Soon after the Challenger accident, the soccer ball was discovered in the accident debris and eventually returned to Clear Lake High School.

Expedition 50 Cmdr. Col. Shane Kimbrough offered to take the soccer ball with him on his recent mission to the International Space Station, allowing the ball to complete its journey into space.

The November 3 game was the backdrop for the very special return of the soccer ball to its original owners.

After the Clear Lake High School marching band set the stage with their halftime performance, Space Odyssey, Kimbrough presented the soccer ball to Janelle Onizuka.

"This ball has been on quite a journey," Kimbrough said. "Over 73 million miles, it's orbited our planet 2,768 times, it's been in every module of the International Space Station and now it's my distinct honor to present it back to the Onizuka family."

The Onizuka family, in turn, handed over the space artifact to Dr. Karen Engle, Principal of Clear

Lake High School, where the ball may continue to signify a journey of many miles, and perseverance, to all who view it.

Lorna Onizuka also presented a signed photograph of the Space Shuttle Challenger crew to Engle.

"It is very special because there are not very many of them. But I would like very much for Clear Lake High School to have this," said Onizuka.

Also on field for the special presentation were several members of the 1986 soccer team and their coach Amy Woolsey; Cheryl McNair, widow of Challenger astronaut Ronald McNair; former astronaut and former Johnson Space Center director, Mike Coats; former astronaut Loren Shriver; former astronaut Jim Buchli; astronaut Mike Fincke; NASA Johnson Space Center Acting Deputy Center Director Vanessa Wyche; Superintendent Dr. Greg Smith and Clear Lake High School soccer coach Jered Shriver.

Dickinson eliminates Wolverines; locals must now retool offensively

Missed opportunities. Like it or not, that's likely to be the theme of Clear Brook's varsity football season after the Wolverines fell short of the Class 6A playoffs.

Instead, Dickinson, with quarterback Montrel Parker and running back

Myles Lewis combining for five touchdowns, advanced following a 48-21 victory over the Wolverines Nov. 10, at Sam Vintanza Stadium in Dickinson.

Clear Brook was bidding for a second consecutive playoff appearance

but instead saw three drives to the red zone end with no points. All three moments proved costly to the Wolverines.

There was an interception, a blocked field goal and a fumble along the way as the Wolverines moved the ball effectively in the game but simply did not score enough points.

Dickinson, meanwhile, built a 20-7 halftime lead, then extended the advantage to 34-7 after three quarters on the way to the easy win.

Offensively, the Wolverines got touchdown passes from Jaizac Garcia to both Caleb Chapman and Tyler Swanagan. The other score came on a run by Garcia.

So district champion Clear Springs moves on to the postseason along with Clear Lake, Friendswood and Dickinson.

Clear Brook, meanwhile, may see the end of a special era. Chapman has verbally committed to play receiver at Texas A&M University.

Mark Milton, a dynamic player in a variety of areas, has committed to Baylor University.

Garcia and running back Jarrett Smith will also likely have multiple choices as to where to continue their collegiate playing careers, as will defensive back Braelon Hill, who was injured this season.

Great programs boast of reloading instead of rebuilding, but there's just no way to get around it for the Wolverines, who must retool the offense.

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Dobie junior tailback Kris Morris (20) had 191 yards, including two long scoring runs against La Porte, giving him a District 22-6A league high of 1,198 yards rushing. He stung the Bulldogs for scoring runs of 73 and 67 yards despite a 45-27 loss. Photo by Jade Wise/Pasadena ISD

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