

Holiday closures set

South Belt-Ellington Leader

The *Leader* office will be closed from noon Wednesday, Nov. 23, through Friday, Nov. 25.

Clear Brook City MUD

Clear Brook City MUD will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of the Thanksgiving holidays. The office will have trash pickup on Thanksgiving. Residents who have trash services on Friday will have regular pickup. All trash must be curbside by 6 a.m. the day of pickup. No cash may be accepted in the drop box. Residents who have trash services Thursday will have trash pickup on Thanksgiving. Residents who have trash services on Friday will have regular pickup. All trash must be curbside by 6 a.m. the day of pickup.

Movie in the Park Nov. 18

Clear Brook City MUD and Harris County Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia's office will host *Movie in the Park* Friday, Nov. 18, at Clear Brook City Park, 11911 Blackhawk. Screening for "Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation" will begin at approximately sunset. Free popcorn, snow cones and cotton candy will be available while supplies last. For information, call 713-274-2222.

State to investigate election

Gov. Greg Abbott on Monday, Nov. 14, called for an investigation into the widespread problems with Harris County's Nov. 8 elections. Voters in Harris County were frustrated by confusion and delays including missing keys, insufficient paper ballots and staffing problems, Abbott said.

"I'm calling on the Secretary of State, the Attorney General's Office and the Texas Rangers to initiate investigations into allegations of improprieties in the way that the 2022 elections were conducted in Harris County," said Abbott. "The allegations of election improprieties in our state's largest county may result from anything ranging from malfeasance to blatant criminal conduct. Voters in Harris County deserve to know what happened. Integrity in the election process is essential. To achieve that standard, a thorough investigation is warranted." The offices of state Sen. Paul Bettencourt and Harris County Precinct 1 Commissioner Rodney Ellis both released statements following the governor's recent announcement. See the related statements on Page 2.

Sageglen to meet Nov. 21

Sageglen Community Association will hold a homeowners meeting Monday, Nov. 21, at the Sageglen Community Building, 11610 Sageyork, beginning at 7 p.m. Precinct 2 Sgt. Robert Sanchez will speak on local crime prevention. Margaret Maddox, Sageglen's attorney and legal counselor, will also be on hand to answer any questions. All residents are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served. For information, call 281-481-2160.

Knights sell barbecue

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a barbecue fundraiser at St. Luke the Evangelist, located at 11011 Hall Road, Saturday, Nov. 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Brisket sandwiches or sausage-on-a-stick will be available. Cost will be \$6, or \$12 with chips and drink. All proceeds will go to support Knights of Columbus charities.

Kirkwood to meet Nov. 24

The Kirkwood Civic Club's monthly meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 24, at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes. For additional information, call Kirkwood Civic Club President Ericka McCruteon at 281-989-9990.

Sagemeadow HOA meets

Sagemeadow subdivision's monthly homeowners meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer. This month's guest speakers will be Chuck Tylka from the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department and Dean Baier from the Sagemeadow MUD. Come meet the new property manager. The meeting is open to the public. For additional information, visit www.sagemeadow.org.

Kirkmont III, IV to meet

Kirkmont III and IV will hold their annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Kirkmont MUD Building, 10102 Blackhawk. All homeowners/residents of these sections are urged to attend. The annual maintenance fees and deed restrictions will be discussed, and board members elected. Homeowners attending the meeting may be eligible for a discount on their 2023 maintenance fees. For information, call Alfredo Huerta at 832-283-4895.

Knights collect blood

The Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a blood drive at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church social hall, 11011 Hall Road, on Sunday, Nov. 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. This collection drive is in memory of John Urdiales. Residents can still donate blood if they received the COVID-19 vaccine. Appointments are preferred but not necessary. To schedule an appointment, visit www.comitforlife.org. For more information, call Val Comeaux at 713-582-5358.

Local COVID cases decrease

The number of active COVID-19 cases in the South Belt community continues to drop, with all three local ZIP codes reporting decreases this past week. As of Tuesday, Nov. 16, there were 66 active cases in 77089, down 14 from the previous week. To date, 137 from the ZIP code have died from the disease, up three from the previous week.

In ZIP code 77075, there were 27 active cases, down 27 from the previous week. To date, there have been 82 deaths in the ZIP code, no increase from the previous week. In 77034, there were 39 active cases, down 11 from the previous week. To date, 91 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease, up one from the previous week. According to Harris County officials, the vast majority of the fatalities suffered from pre-existing health issues.

Statistics are updated daily and include numbers in the Houston city limits and throughout Harris County. To view an interactive map, visit covid-harriscounty.hub.arcgis.com/pages/cumulative-data.

No local COVID-related deaths for 1 week

No deaths reported in 77089, 77075 77034 for 1st time in 16 months

This past week marked the first time in approximately 16 months there were no COVID-related deaths in the immediate South Belt area.

As reported in the Nov. 10 edition of the *Leader*, ZIP codes 77089, 77075 and 77034 all reported no new deaths between Nov. 1 and Nov. 8, according to Harris County Health data.

The last time this happened was the week between July 21, 2021, and July 28, 2021.

At the time of the most recent death-free week, ZIP code 77089 had reported 134 COVID-related deaths to date. ZIP code 77075 had reported 82 deaths from the disease, and ZIP code 77034 had reported 90 deaths.

That same week, ZIP code 77089 had 80 ac-

tive COVID-19 cases; ZIP code 77075 had 54 active cases; and ZIP code 77034 had 50 active cases.

During the previous death-free week in July 2021, by comparison, ZIP code 77089 had reported 68 COVID-related deaths to date. ZIP code 77075 had reported 55 deaths from the disease, and ZIP code 77034 had reported 54 deaths.

During that same week in 2021, ZIP code 77089 had 80 active COVID-19 cases; ZIP code 77075 had 54 active cases; and ZIP code 77034 had 50 active cases.

That same week in 2021, Harris County surpassed the 5,000th COVID-related death mark.

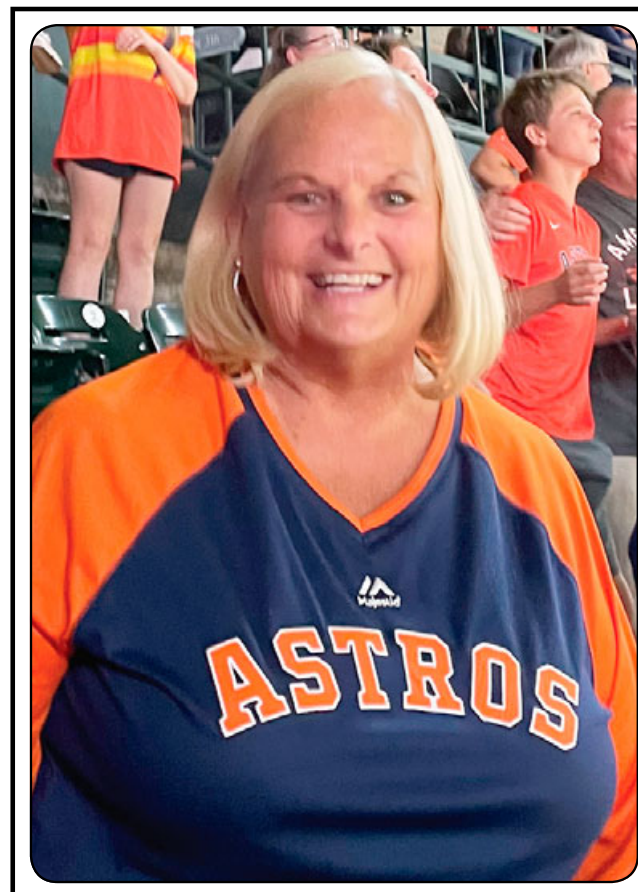
While the number of active COVID-19 cases and correlating deaths has occasionally spiked over the last two years as new variants emerge, the overall figures have been consistently declining since the vaccine for the disease was made available to Harris County residents in January 2021.

At the time of the 2021 vaccine release, ZIP code 77089 had reported 43 COVID-related deaths to date (up four from the previous week); ZIP code 77075 had reported 25 deaths from the disease (up two from the previous week); and ZIP code 77034 had reported 27 deaths (up four from the previous week), according to data from Harris County Health.

That same week, the *Leader* reported ZIP code 77089 had 510 active COVID-19 cases; ZIP code 77075 had 335 active cases; and ZIP code 77034 had 295 active cases.

Countywide at that time, there had been a total of 2,658 COVID-related deaths reported in Harris County, and there 35,477 active cases reported.

While this week's statistics are still relatively low compared to 2021 figures, the death-free trend has not continued, as ZIP code 77089 is now reporting 137 COVID-related deaths to date, up three from the previous week; and ZIP code 77034 is reporting 91 deaths, up one from the previous week. See related sidebar entry.



Bolton supports Astros

After serving 40 years in education with Pasadena ISD, former Meador Elementary Principal Beverly Bolton has been enjoying her much-earned retirement. Since retiring this past May, Bolton has been on four cruises and has seven more planned for this upcoming year. She also recently completed her goal of visiting all 50 states. The former principal has also gotten back into doing stained glass and plans to soon take piano lessons. Bolton is shown to the left at a recent Astros game.

Meador's Bolton enjoys retirement

Former longtime Meador Elementary Principal Beverly Bolton has been making the most of her newfound retirement, traveling the world and taking up new hobbies.

Having just returned from an extended Mediterranean cruise, the local educator told the *Leader* she has seven additional cruises already booked for the next year.

"Since retiring, I have been on four cruises," said Bolton. "Most recently, we just returned from a Mediterranean cruise on Nov. 2, where we started our travels at the Vatican in Rome, traveled throughout Italy, Spain, Malta, Gibraltar and Portugal. Of course, now I am working on how many countries can I visit. I am just getting started, as we have cruises already booked leaving from Sydney, Australia, another one leaving from London, England, traveling through Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Germany. Of course, I also look forward to the convenience of cruising out of Galveston, to almost every port in the Caribbean."

Bolton also recently completed her goal of traveling to all 50 states.

"When cruises were shut down during COVID, my travel friends (Pasadena ISD employees Darlene Davis, Susan Blue and Lorie Morris) and I made our way up through the east coast, completing my goal of traveling to all 50 states."

The former principal said she is also getting back into doing stained glass and plans to soon enroll in piano lessons, a childhood request from her mother.

"When I was 7, my mom wanted me to take piano lessons," Bolton recalled. "But, when you grow up with brothers, baseball sounded much more fun."

Bolton said she didn't let her travels interfere with her watching the recent Astros playoff games.

"We had a seven-hour time difference when we were in Italy during the playoffs, and I streamed the Astros at 2 a.m. in the morning to watch the 'Stros beat the New York Yankees.'"

Originally from the Dallas area, Bolton said she always wanted to be an educator.

"Since I was old enough to go to school, I never wanted to be anything but a teacher," Bolton said.

Bolton attended Sam Houston State University on a tennis and academic scholarship from 1979-1982, earning a bachelor's degree. She later received a master's degree/mid-management certification from the University of Houston-Clear Lake in 1997.

Bolton began her four-decade Pasadena ISD career in 1982 by teaching fourth grade at Freeman Elementary, where she would stay for 13 years. While at the campus, Bolton taught both fourth and fifth grades, before making the switch to Meador, where she would serve the remaining 27 years of her Pasadena ISD career.

"At that time, Darlene Kelley Davis was our assistant principal, who mid-year became principal at Meador Elementary," remembered Bolton. "She asked me to make the move with her and

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Beamer Ditch work to resume in early 2023

Work halted in February after contractor abandoned project

Harris County officials are hoping to soon resume work on the Beamer Ditch improvement project, which abruptly stopped earlier this year when the contractor apparently just walked off the job.

Construction was to be broken into three phases. Phase 1 was to run from Sagerock to Scarsdale; Phase 2 was to run from Scarsdale to

Astoria; and Phase 3 was to run from Astoria to Beamer near the South Belt Stormwater Detention Basin. Work came to a halt, however, this past February when Complete Concrete – the contractor hired by the county to complete the job – completed only the first phase of work.

Phase 1 of construction culminated with the reopening of the Scarsdale bridge Feb. 9.

Work on Phase 2, however, never began.

Begun in January 2021, the Mud Gully Channel Conveyance Improvements Project was originally scheduled to be complete by fall 2022, but officials from the Harris County Flood Control District said the endeavor was only 30 percent complete at the time of the unexplained pause in construction.

Funding for the \$10.7 million project is divided between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Harris County, with the county's portion being part of a \$2.5 billion bond package.

The project has been marred by problems since work began, with workers accidentally busting a city water line on the first day of construction.

After Complete Concrete deserted the project, massive pieces of concrete piping were left at the construction site, along with pieces of equipment belonging to the county.

While not necessarily the contractor's fault, the property also grew unkempt with uncut grass and weeds. Harris County crews have recently

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Engle named CCISD superintendent

The Clear Creek ISD board of trustees recently named Dr. Karen Engle the lone finalist for the superintendent of schools position.

"We are ecstatic that Dr. Engle is coming out of retirement to lead this exceptional school district," said Clear Creek ISD Board President Jay Cunningham.

The board named Engle interim superintendent following the voluntary retirement of Dr. Eric Williams last school year.

Engle is a former Clear Creek ISD student, attending Clear Lake City Elementary and Webster Intermediate before graduating from Clear

Lake High School. She went on to pursue a career in education which brought her right back to CCISD. Over her career, she served the school district as an assistant principal, elementary and high school principal and as an assistant superintendent of secondary education. She retired from Clear Creek ISD in December 2021.

"This is my home," said Engle. "I have come to cherish the shining star that represents our people, purpose and our promise."

By state law, the name of the lone finalist must be public for a minimum of 21 days before the hire is official.

Truck crashes through apartment complex

A pickup truck crashed through an apartment complex around 6:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 14, in the 10900 block of the Gulf Freeway near Edgebrook. According to Houston Police Department officials, it was unclear at press time what caused the driver

of the vehicle to crash through three separate first-floor units at the Del Mar Apartments. Firefighters had to shore up the structure to safely extricate the driver from the truck. No residents were injured in the accident. The investigation is ongoing.

Pct. 2 deputies make large drug bust

Acting on numerous tips from alert residents, deputies with Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garica's office recently raided a suspected drug house in the 5700 block of Laurel Creek Way near the intersection of Allen Genoa and Richey.

The Precinct 2 Special Operations Unit, along with help from the U.S. Marshals office and numerous patrol deputies, executed a search warrant on the residence Wednesday, Nov. 2.

The raid was executed following several weeks of investigation, which allowed deputies to collect enough evidence to get a search warrant signed on Nov. 2.

Upon gaining entry to the house, deputies discovered an elaborate setup that included display cases and even a drive-thru/walk-up window that had been installed.

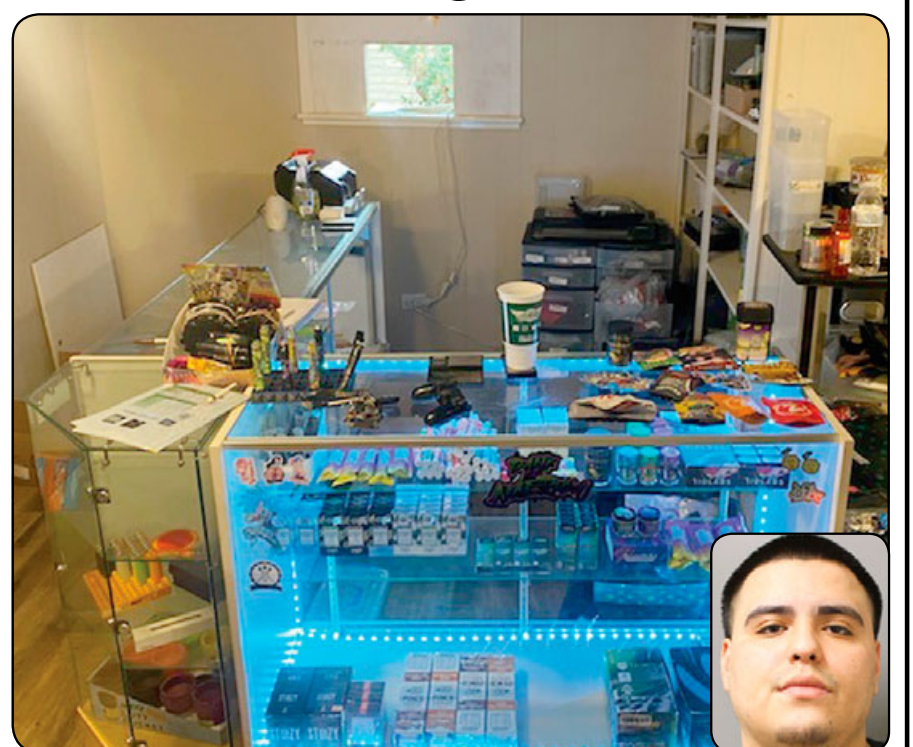
A search of the residence yielded large

amounts of narcotics, including cocaine, psilocybin mushrooms, Xanax, Oxycodone, morphine, Ecstasy and marijuana. Deputies also recovered numerous amounts of narcotics packaging items, several firearms and numerous other items deemed to be evidence in this case. In all, more than a truckload of evidence was collected.

The primary suspect, identified as 24-year-old Jesus Rodriguez, was on scene and taken into custody without incident. Upon completion of this investigation, Rodriguez was charged with two felony counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, and one felony count of possession of marijuana.

A post about the incident on Garcia's Facebook page went viral, prompting nearly 1,000 comments – many of which were done in jest, given the sophistication of the setup at the house.

Drive-thru drug house busted



Following numerous complaints from area residents, deputies with the Precinct 2 Special Operations Unit recently executed a search warrant on a suspected drug house in the 5700 block of Laurel Creek Way that featured an elaborate setup, including display cabinets and a drive-thru/walk-up window (shown above). Deputies confiscated large amounts of narcotics, including cocaine, psilocybin mushrooms, Xanax, Oxycodone, morphine, Ecstasy and marijuana. Jesus Rodriguez, 24, (inset) was charged with multiple felonies.

Sen. Bettencourt on election investigation

Sen. Paul Bettencourt & Rep. Valoree Swanson refiled SB 220 & HB 549 in response to election irregularities.

Voter irregularities in Harris County are jeopardizing public trust in elections and needs to be fixed!

Senator Paul Bettencourt (R-Houston) refiled Senate Bill 220 yesterday in response to the serious improprieties reported to Texas' Secretary of State (SOS) concerning Harris County's election administration during the November 8th election. SB 220 will allow the SOS to appoint Election Marshals from the Department of Public Safety who will be able to be dispatched to investigate potential voting violations that occur during the November Uniform elections and primaries.

"What happened in the Nov. 8 election in Harris County is absolutely abominable and can NEVER happen again! Which is why I will continue to champion voter integrity bills like Senate Bill 220. Citizens should have absolute confidence in their elections, they should be able to show up to a polling location and cast their ballot without being undermined by incompetent government because that's what democracy's all about but that's what's being denied here!" Sena-

tor Bettencourt exclaimed.

Senate Bill 220 will also provide emergency judges to be able to hear cases within three hours of reporting during early voting and within one hour during election day. These judges would be appointed by the eleven regional administrative law judges across the state. Representative Valoree Swanson (R-Harris County) filed the House companion bill in the Texas House of Representatives Bill 549.

"I stand with Senator Bettencourt in fighting the rampant fraud of failing elections officials in Harris County. I am proud to have filed HB 549 as the House version of Senator Bettencourt's bill, which gives the Secretary of State the authority to send the Texas Rangers to stop election cheating as it happens and investigate active election fraud. We will protect election integrity in Texas!" stated Representative Swanson.

Unfortunately, election irregularities in Harris County are not a new phenomenon. SB 220 was previously filed as SB 1589 during the 87th Legislative Session and was passed out of the Senate Committee on State Affairs. Senator Bettencourt expects to file additional voter integrity legislation ahead of the 88th Legislative Session.

Elected officials share their words Commissioner Ellis responds on election investigation

Harris County Commissioner Rodney Ellis condemns Gov. Greg Abbott's decision calling for a state investigation into Harris County's midterm elections.

In response to Abbott calling for a state investigation into allegations of improprieties in Harris County's midterm elections, Ellis issued the following statement condemning the Governor's decision:

"Taking a page from Trump's 2020 election subversion playbook, Govern-

or Abbott and election deniers across Texas have laid the groundwork to cast doubt on Harris County's midterm elections for over a year.

"Before votes were ever cast or counted, they weaponized partisan election probes, conspiracy theories, and anti-democracy laws like SB 1 to put this play into motion.

"The people rejected those tactics last Tuesday, and I'm confident that democracy will still win the day."

Death

Sarah Sue Delgado



Sarah Sue Delgado was born in Denison to Grady and Zenobia Potts in their home on June 25, 1944. She passed away on Nov. 6, 2022. Sarah, or Yaya as she was later known by, enjoyed painting, shopping, music and cooking.

breakfast she would go shopping for either a pair of black pants or to the grocery store. Richard would jokingly tell her, "Anything to be in the streets."

After five years of marriage, they had three children: Heather Delgado Adams, Mason Delgado, and Justin Delgado. She instilled in them to work hard, to never give up, and to always believe in themselves. The Delgado family would "adopt" a family or child every Christmas because, according to Sarah, since they were blessed she wanted to bless others.

She taught for 38 years, teaching eighth-grade history and theater arts at both Baker Junior High and La Porte Junior High. She loved her students and would always find the good in each of them.

She was asked more than once to be the Teacher of the Year but always turned it down, her reason being that more than just one teacher was needed to help shape a student's life. After retirement, she said that she had dreams of being back in her classroom because all she ever wanted to do was teach.

She was very active at her church, St. Luke the Evangelist. She taught classes for the confirmation sacrament before she became the coordinator for 13 years. She added her own twist to the program by having the kids act out the lessons, sing, and dance.

Sarah is preceded in death by her husband. She is survived by her three children and her grandchildren Izzy Delgado and Bryson Adams.

The funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, Nov. 11. Interment followed at Galveston Memorial Park in Hitchcock.

In My Opinion

King discusses RCV as alternative

Voters in seven states voted on a record ten ranked-choice voting (RCV) initiatives last week, including proposal to use RCV for most elections in Nevada. In Nevada and seven other jurisdictions, the RCV initiatives passed. When these results are added to RCV initiatives over the last five years, voters have now approved RCV in 25 out of 30 elections, an astonishing 83% win rate.

These results are consistent with recent polling. A University of Maryland poll this year found 62% of Americans support the adoption of RCV voting in federal elections. A recent poll by the University of Houston found that a plurality of Texans now favors

RCV. The polling generally shows RCV enjoys its highest level of support among voters that are younger, more affluent, and better educated. Independents and Democrats support RCV by slightly higher margins than Republicans. But generally, RCV has, at least, plurality support across all demographics and partisan voting histories.

If you are unfamiliar with RCV, it allows voters rank the candidates in their order of preference instead of just voting for one candidate. If no candidate receives a majority of votes, the votes for candidate with the least number of votes are reallocated to the remaining candidates based on those voters' second choice. This process continues until one candidate receives more than 50% of the votes.

Bill King

Middleton files bill banning taxpayer-funded lobbying

Senator-elect Mayes Middleton has filed a bill banning taxpayer-funded lobbying. The bill, Senate Bill 175, prohibits public funds from being used to hire registered lobbyists.

"For too long, your hard-earned tax dollars have been diverted to the pockets of Austin lobbyists that then lobby against both parents and taxpayers.

Last session, taxpayer-funded lobbyists undermined parents by fighting against the ban on critical race theory in Texas classrooms, opposing the Protect Girls' Sports Bill (which prohibits boys from playing

in girls sports), and using parents' own tax dollars to lobby against parents having a greater voice in their children's education," said Middleton. "Further, we have seen taxpayer-funded lobbyists go on the attack against parents. The National School Boards Association asked the Biden administration to investigate parents as domestic terrorists for showing up to school board meetings."

"Taxpayers should not be bankrolling efforts to advocate against their interests. Every step of the way, taxpayer-funded lobbyists have lobbied against

key conservative priorities including: property tax relief, election integrity, disclosures of what bonds truly cost taxpayers, the constitutional ban on a state income tax, and they even opposed the bill to fund and protect the teacher retirement system pension," Middleton said. "As legislators, we must end this inexcusable waste and abuse of taxpayers' hard-earned money, and directly represent our constituents without a middle-man."

Senate Bill 175 will be considered in the 88th Legislative Session, beginning Jan. 1.

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SB Jack, Jill of America celebrates 30th anniversary

The South Belt Houston Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. commemorated its 30th anniversary on Oct. 24. The chapter has made an impact across the southern Houston area for more than three decades.

To honor the chapter's 30 years of dedicated service, the mayor of Pearland declared Oct. 24, 2022 as South Belt Houston Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Day in Pearland. "Continuing the legacy of excellence is what we continue to pursue, making it our mission to enhance the lives of children both within our organization and in the surrounding communities," said Natasha Goode, sitting chapter president.

To honor the leadership that has guided South Belt Houston through the terrain of the past 30 years, a private reception was held for the circle of women who have held the distinct title "president." Hosted at Goode's home, the ladies enjoyed an evening filled with love, laughter and

memories.

In grand splendor, South Belt Houston's 30th anniversary celebrations culminated with a banquet at the Junior League of Houston. The event's theme was "Honoring the Past, Treasuring the Present and Shaping the Future." Guests delighted and reminisced as they viewed video montage, live skits and music. Additionally, guests also paid tribute to Mother Mem-

bers who have passed away. South Belt Houston was also recognized from the national office of Jack and Jill of America, with nationally ranked officers in attendance.

Hosted at the Green Tee Country Club in Pearland, the South Belt Houston Chapter was installed in 1992 with 24 mothers. Currently, the chapter is home to 83 families that continue to make an impact in the community and the lives

of children in Pearland. Manvel, Rosharon, South Houston, and surrounding areas.

Headquartered in Washington, DC, Jack and Jill of America was founded on January 24, 1938, by the late Marion Stubbs Thomas in Philadelphia, Pa. Thomas, along with several additional like-minded mothers, desired to provide social, cultural and educational opportunities for their children between the

ages of 2 and 19. The organization now boasts 252 chapters nationwide that represent more than 40,000 family members.

Each chapter plans annual programming activities guided under a general five-point programmatic thrust: cultural awareness, educational development, health (education and advocacy), civic (legislative advocacy and service) and social/recreational areas.

South-Belt Chamber members receive training



Pictured above are the Executive Committee of the South-Belt Chamber of Commerce members, left to right, Denise Burleigh, executive secretary of the board; April Ferguson, executive director; Rebecca Liley, chairman of the board; and Ezreal Garcia, vice-chair and 2023 incoming chairman. The Texas Council of Chamber executives' meeting in Georgetown served to train and provide the framework and sound guiding principles for chamber operations, as well as focus on strategy and future success.

Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

Bracewell Library is located at 9002 Kingspoint. For information, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/>. For online learning, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/online-learning-7556> or call 832-393-2580. Hours are: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Wednesdays, noon – 8 p.m.; Fridays, 1 – 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Closed Sundays.

Tuesdays, 10:30 – 11 a.m. Outdoors storytime for all ages. Plan to enjoy a good story at Bracewell in the fresh outdoors, weather permitting.

Visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/learn-explore/library-events> for more library events.

Parker Williams Library

Parker Williams Library is located at 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. Visit the website at <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library> or call 832-927-7870.

The book drop is open. No late fees will be charged during the library closure. Social media links are Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary and Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary.

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- After receiving notification that holds are ready for pickup, call 832-927-7870.
- Have a library card number and PIN handy.
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- Be prepared to show a library card or other form of ID for verification.

Hours are: Monday – Thursday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 – 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Closed Sundays. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library>.

Leader checks out social media

By Natalie Abarca

A member of the *South-Belt/Sagemont Crime Alert* Facebook page posted photos of three young males that were seen on Teaneck Drive Wednesday, Nov. 9, from midnight to 12:30 a.m. The member states the young males were checking for unlocked doors and taking items from vehicles. The member shared to let the community know and advises others to lock their doors.

A member of *People of Sagemont* Facebook page posted that her mother was

robbed outside of H-E-B on Blackhawk, Thursday, Nov. 10 at 4:30 p.m. The member states that her mother was already in the vehicle when a black male opened the passenger side door and grabbed her purse. Her mother tried to fight for her purse but was unsuccessful. The person was in a black Infinity. The member's mother made a police report, and also stated the suspect is still out there and already attempted to use her mother's credit cards instantly at a Walmart in Ke-

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South Belt Elementary celebrates November Super Steers



South Belt Elementary officials selected their Super Steers for the month of November. These students were chosen based on their outward display of the character trait of the month, respect. Shown above are, left to right, (first row) Tatum Toomer, Elliciana Mireles, Easton Rodriguez, Abby Hernandez, Emerson Von, Evan Rodriguez, Layla Alvarez, Elijah Silva, Jonathan Portillo, (second row) Dan Ngo, Jasmine Guevara, Nathanael Lozano, Chesney Rouse, Adrian Alvarez, King Scott, Aman Adil, Clark Bekkers, (third row) Gilberto Bonilla, Christian Machado, Mohammed Adi, Jaslene Valencia, Romie Glass, Carlos Rivera, Ethan Martinez, Daniel Garcia, (fourth row) Raymond Strong, Cesar Reyna, Keenan Ploucha, Jose Tenorio, Amadeus Garcia, Haven Orsua, (fifth row) Daniel Patterson, Aarish Nizam, Vincent Nguyen, Londyn Moses, Aubrey Barajas and Taniyah Mitchell. Not pictured is Oscar Morales.

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Meador's Bolton enjoys retirement

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work as a peer facilitator (now called an instructional coach) for math and reading. She encouraged me to return to school to get my master's degree in administration. I attended UHCL for my master's, and when the position became available in 2000, I became the assistant principal at Meador. She and I made a great team. When she retired in 2012, I became the principal."

The longtime educator said she was happy to retire from Meador at an academic high-point.

"This past year, the first year after coming back 100 percent after COVID, teachers and students had worked so hard to back up, catch up and then move forward," said Bolton. "It just made my heart smile, when I received phone calls from Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Karen Hickman, and ASCD, Alyta Harrell, to inform me that on the STAAR results from May, Meador students outscored every school in all of PISD. The Texas Education Agency rated Meador as an A school, with an overall state rating score of 98. We received 5 out of 5 distinctions for ELA-Reading, Mathemat-

ics, Progress, Closing the Gaps and Post Secondary Readiness. Knowing where students were at the beginning of the year, and knowing how hard both teachers and students worked this past year, was a huge success and honor, to say we did it. Meador is Better, our motto, is really true. I am honored and so proud to retire, knowing our school was at the top."

Bolton said a key to Meador's success is treating students and staff as family.

"I believe leading teachers to success, and establishing relationships with each one of them was the beginning of our accomplishments at Meador," said Bolton. "I loved doing what you do as a principal to create a family atmosphere where everyone comes to work to see their friends, and help each other and teach students, not just a place to come to work for a paycheck. Watching teachers befriend each other on their own time, laugh and learn together gave me great joy, and made it an honor to be called their principal to see our school family work so well together. When teachers are happy, they make kids happy, and when kids are happy, parents are happy. This

of course make a happy principal. This has proved to be Meador's recipe for success for many years."

Bolton continues to keep in touch with former staff members, and through the use of social media, has been able to reconnect with several former students. This past May, three former students were able to attend her retirement party at the local campus.

"A big surprise was seeing three students from fourth grade from about 1985, Jerry Oates, Bernie Adalpe and Scotty Williams, who took time out of their schedules to attend my retirement party at Meador," said Bolton. "They said I was their favorite teacher, and that has to be the biggest compliment any teacher could get from a now-man after 40 years."

Bolton said she is proud to be licensed to continue to work for Pasadena ISD as a substitute.

"I have already applied and have a new badge to be a sub for administrators in PISD," said Bolton. "I want to continue to be a part of the greatest district ever. I will always be proud to call PISD my school district."

Beverly Hills Intermediate recognizes 2nd six-weeks honor roll

Beverly Hills Intermediate officials recently named the honor roll students for the second six-weeks of the 2022-2023 school year.

Seventh grade

Yaslin Acosta, Lilah Aguayo, Daniel Alvarez, Giovannie Alvear, Chloe Anderson, Yndianaid Ayala Hernandez, Amiyah Barnes, Angelica Barragan, Zadie Battarbee and Hailey Bonilla. Darryl Campbell, Jaxson Canales, Javanni Capuchino, Damian Chavez, Julian Chavez, Ives Collazo Muniz, Ethan Cortez, Alondra Cruz, Phi Dang and Alyssa Davis. Anita Djato, Ricky Doan, Jacqueline Enriquez, Karla Fernandez, Noah Foxworth, Trinity Franks, Alexander Garcia, Miguel Garcia, Ethan Guerrero and Rebekah Hale. Elizabeth Hernandez, Luna Hernandez, Natalia Hernandez, Rafael Hernandez, Ineke Hicks, Lizbeth Hinojosa, Angela Huynh, Carden Huynh, Cruz Jasso and Jason Jasso. Karmen Jasso, Serenity Johnson, Zaria Johnson, Emya Lamb, Nhu Le, Alexander Limachi, Ava Lopez, Ashley Ly, Emmery Lynn and

Karely Maldonado, Isaias Martinez Gamez, Cayson Martinez, Hammad Matin, Kyndall McClain, Matthew Mellott, Julianna Mikulski, Luke Monford, Janenish Muniz, Angel Myles and Ann Nguyen. Cathy Nguyen, Jocelyn Nguyen, Johnny Nguyen, Justin Nguyen, Khai Nguyen, Lucas Nguyen, Steven Nguyen, Ethan O'Bryant, Avery Payne and Martin Peng. Luis Perez, Alex Prashad, Torny Provost, Allyson Quinteros, Andrew Quinteros, Harsh Rana, Bree Rennett, Rubi Reyes, Je'licia Rivet and Alyssa Rodriguez.

Joseph Rodriguez, Dayra Rojas, Kamari Ross, Kailani Rudd, Davien Sanni-Thomson, Emiliano Servin, Kamari Sherman, Bella Sherwood, Destiny Sidiropoulos and Ariel Sierra.

Natalie Soto, Sanaa Stephens, Kolby Stubblefield, Shelby Talavera, Genesis Tamez, Dawson Tran, Kahlan Tran and Kathleen Tran. Tammy Tran, Yen Tran, Gabriel Trevino, Omar Vega, Jose Villanueva, Julian Wagner Gonzales, Ethyn Ybarra,

Emilio Zavala and Candi Zuniga.

Eighth grade

Janisleidis Aguila, Vianka Alanis, Victor Alanis, Carlos Albarran, Kevin Alfaro, Aracely Alvarado, Sunisa Anderson, Kobe Arredondo, Maria Arredondo and Roy Azinge.

Gissell Barba, Arianna Bermudez, Qumaine Bernard, Vanessa Blanco, Brooke Bond, Charles Bruno, Hermallony Campos, Nicholas Cantu, Aaliyah Carter and Alonah Carter.

Rebecca Castelan, Gabrielle Castilleja, Britny Cedillos, Lucas Cena, Jacob Chavez, Ashlyn Coleman, Melanie Colindres, Jordyn Cooper, Sebastian Cordova and Eduardo Cortez.

Lenneth Cruz, Sophia Cruz, John Dang, Katelin Dang, Gabriel Darby, Angel Davis, Tahj Davis, Ashley De Arcos, Natalie De Paz and Sadie Dias.

Elizabeth Dinh, Matthew Dunn, Devin Duong, Kevin Duong, Ariannah Esguerra, Joel Esparza, Ruben Flores, Makayla Flowers, Ariana Garcia and Cesar Garcia.

Diego Garcia, Giselle Garcia, Mauricio Garcia, Elijah Garza, Valeria Garza, Roberto Gomez, Emanuel Gonzalez, Jady Gonzalez, Marcos Gonzalez and Valeria Granados.

Angelina Guajardo, Jimena Gutierrez Verdin, Jamal Halley, Alan Hamlett, Cleveland Hill, Kevin Hoang, Henry Hong, Hannah Hua, Maliah Jackson and Emma Jacob.

Joshua Jamaica, Daniel Jasso, Monica Jasso, Ka'mauri Johnson, Ashia Jones, Ariana Kainer, Anh Le, Huy Le, Vu Le and Jennifer Lopez Carrasco.

Desirae Lozano, Thong Luong, Trinity Lyons, Juliet Maldonado, Alexander Martinez, Julissa Martinez, Serina Martinez, Molly Mata, Pretty McCoy and Grace Menahem.

Yasmin Mendez, Emma Mendiola, Jillian Mikulski,

Mckenzie Milburn, Jenna Molina, Nadia Mondragon, Ashley Moreno, Emmanuel Morgan, Sophia Moya and Charleston Nash.

Joshua Negrón, Alissa Nguyen Hoang, Duy Nguyen, Hieu Nguyen, Huyen Nguyen, Jocelyn Nguyen, Kelvin Nguyen, Khanh Nguyen, Linh Nguyen and Mark Nguyen.

Minh Nguyen, Tuan Nguyen, Vincent Nguyen, Jeremiah O'Neal, Aidan Ojeda Obregon, Estafani Orellana Ramirez, Joseph Oviedo, Luciano Padilla, Kaitlyn Pecina and Nevaeh Perez.

Truc Pham, Vincent Pham, Andrew Posey, Amelie Ramirez, Fabian Ramirez, Juan Ramirez, Mia Ramirez, Marco Rincon, Gavin Ritenour and Ismael Rodriguez Marquez.

Fernando Rodriguez Rodriguez, Kayli Rodriguez,

Tatiana Rodriguez, Tarvorio Rogers, Aiden Romero, Xavier Rubalcava, Daniel Salamanca, Alexander Sanchez, Eniko Sanchez and Noah Serna.

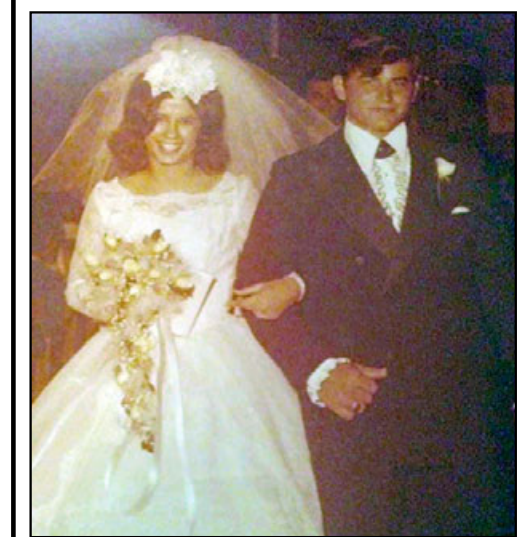
David Shaffner, Faraell Sims, Jacob Solis, Jonathan Solis, Alina Sosa, Samyria Spriggs, Nehemiah Stepany, Cecilia Suarez, Jennifer Tan and Eva Taylor.

Aiden Tellez, Taylor Thomas, Marlee Tillman, Tiffani Tillman, Ja-Nasia Tompkins, Ximena Torres-Zuniga, Miriam Torres De Leon, Daniel Tran, Kaylie Tran and Tuyet Truong.

Thomas Turrubiarres, Cynthia Vagliente, Royal Valentine, Aiden Vara, Melanie Vigil, Julian Villasenor, Tina Vo, Novyanna Von Dran, Minh Vu, Sidney Walker, Christopher Wickliff, Courtney Williams and Amaya Wilson.

Fernando Rodriguez Rodriguez, Kayli Rodriguez,

Saleses celebrate 50 years



Danny and Debbie Sales celebrated their golden anniversary on Oct. 6, 2022. Attending Ross Sterling High School together, they started dating their senior year, graduating in the summer of 1971 and marrying in October 1972. Danny started his window cleaning business, Dan's Window Cleaning. He was a senior in high school when he started and still operates his business today. Debbie retired from Blue Cross Blue Shield in 2017. They have lived in Kirkwood South since 1983.

Melillo lists nine-weeks honor roll

Melillo Middle School faculty announced their honor roll students for the first nine-weeks of the 2022-2023 school year.

Fifth grade

Kingston Adkins, Avaián Aguilar, Jay Alanis, Jeanine Armenta, Zahir Balbi Loiz, Arian Banda, Jeremy Battle-Goodrum and Eliana Benavides.

Alexia Bravo, Hannah Bui, Dora Campos, Ruben Castillo, Vincent Castoreno, Noah Cervantes, Jayden Cevallos Mejia, Sophia Chacon, Sofia Charles, Curtis Chau, Blakely Chavez and Melanie Chavez.

Mina Crane, Rachel Cummings, Abigail De Hoyos, Zuriel Erguiza, Madelynn Figueroa, Diego Flores, Jaquelin Flores, Viviana Gamez, Adelyn Garza, Nicholas Gomez and Anthony Gonzales.

Edson Guevara, Lillian Hayden, Bella Hernandez, Jesse Hernandez, Max Hernandez, Ethan Ho, Aaden Howard, Tristan James, Simone Jones, Ace Juarez, Anayah Khan and Jayleen Lam.

Lailani Liandro, Hannah Luu, Mateo Mancillas, Kylie Marshall, Ayden Martinez, Emily Martinez, Matthew Martinez, Mia Martinez, Jordan McCombs and Jayden Miko.

Dorin Murray, David Nguyen, Sharon Nguyen, Suri Nguyen, Triton Nguyen, Fergie Ochoa Arce, Xara Oddo, Skye Orsua, Maite Ortega, Alessandra Paz, Camila Pena and Aaron Posadas.

Kyle Ramos, Brooklynn Reyes, Jayden Rice, Alexavier Rodriguez, Estefania Rodriguez, Georgia Rodriguez, Kobe Rodriguez and Viviana Salazar.

Dahlia Salinas, Ezekiel Sanchez, Levi Sanchez, Aubree Sandino, Jocelyn Santos, Riley Savoy, Chandler Schluter, Hailey Sichanh, Robert Solar and Evelyn Spears.

Isabella Squier, Zoie Sudario, Emanuela Tchamou, Dilan Torres Burgos, Tate Tran, Carney Truong, Joe Vargas, Zylah Vargas, Alessandra Vasquez, Haylie Villalta and Anna Wilkerson.

Sixth grade

Osama Abdallah, Salma Abdallah, Addyson Alegria, Me'Shai Alexander, Samuel Alexander, Jay Amaya, Emily Armenta, Alexandria Arnes, Mason Baca and Fernando Balanta.

Samantha Barraza, Edmundo Bravo, Alexis Brown, Nevaeh Bumgarner, Alexander Buntaer, Brianna Bustos, Samuel Campero, Xavier Cantu, Brandon Castro and Sabrina Cavazos.

Daniel Cerda, Felix Cervantes, Carissa Cortez, Minh Dang, Katherine Dao, Layla Davila, Emilio De La Garza, Delilah DeLeon, Jesse DeLeon, Gael Diaz, Peyton Dowell, Shaikh Faizan, Charlotte Flores and Gabriela Franklin.

Addison Freeman, Nathaniel Gansit, Matteo Garciduenas, Garren Gardner, Victoria Garza, Mia Gonzalez, Mikayla Gonzalez, Howard Green, Jayden

Grimaldo and Carlee Guerrero.

Emma Gurusquieta, Hannah Harmouche, Dario Harrison, Elijah Hernandez, Alexis Hodges, Allison Hua, Daveyn Jackson Little, Hazza Jama Osman, Bradley Jones, Alice Lam, Ronaldo Le and Saul Lozano.

Andrew Malone, Alexander Maravilla Cabrera, Maddox Martinez, Nathaniel Martinez, Hiba Mateen, Chloe Maycott, D'Marvia McVea, Desiree Mejia Leon, Erick Montejano and Alyana Montes.

Demeco Moses, Nathaniel Musquiz, Annie Nguyen, Ethan Nguyen, Hillary Nguyen, Kate Nguyen, Simon Nguyen, Thu Nguyen, Troy Nguyen, Angel Ortiz, Aracely Ortiz, Artemio Ortiz, Rhema Palma, Chanelle Phan and Robert Pfeister.

Simon Quach, Melody Ramirez, Christopher Reyes, Joseph Reyes, Grayson Riley, Amber Rodriguez, Demi Rodriguez, Ethan Rodriguez, Victoria Rodriguez and Zoey Rogers.

Joshua Salazar, Gabriel Sanchez, John Sanchez, Phoebe Schluter, Madison Silva, Jakob Tellez, Jocelynn Thach, Jayden Tran, Lauren Tran, Travis Tran, Vy Tran, Kallie Troxlar, Lucas Tulud and Jose Turrubiarres Gomez.

Saniyah Usher, Hailey Vargas, Alexander Vasquez, Ethan Vega, Emily Villarreal, Reese Villegas, Brandon Vivier, Christina Vu, Kelvin Wiley, Marius Winston, Joir'Dan Wyatt and Zaire Zavala.



Atkinson Elementary recognizes honor, merit rolls

Atkinson Elementary officials recently announced their honor and merit roll students for the first nine-weeks of the 2022-2023 school year.

Third grade Honor roll

Faith Adame, Leilah Cisneros, Scarlett Cruz, Nhayuen Luu, David Sanchez, Shufeng Cao, Sofia Gutierrez Verdin, Jan Carlo Marquez and Adrian Manzanarez.

Merit roll
Braylon Gutierrez, Lucas Vega and Jason Nguyen.

Fourth grade Honor roll
An Nguyen, Maddox Sanchez, Valerie Hernan-

dez, Lyla Resendez and Kira Jones.

Merit roll
Joselyn Martinez, Tommy Nguyen, David Chavez, Devo Cline, Christlyn Nguyen and Malachi Rendon.

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Genoa Elementary celebrates 1st nine-weeks honor, merit rolls

Genoa Elementary faculty recently announced their first nine-weeks honor and merit roll students for the 2022-2023 school year.

First grade Honor roll

Camila Amaya, Christopher Biagas, Lillianna Bishop, Everly Carrasco, Caitlyn Do, Isabel Genis, Ramon Gonzales and Arlette Goyortua.

Miliano Guerrero, Aanaya Hernandez, Rebecca Leal, Remy Marquez, Josiah Martinez, Ayden Mitchell, Samantha Munoz and Bryanna Ortega.

Adrianna Portillo, Zoziah Ramirez, Ezalayah Romero, Joshua Salgado, Zaiden Santana, Alexa Soto, Angelo Torres and Bryce Turner.

Merit roll

Connor Dougherty, Eli Hernandez, Vanessa Herrera Linh Le, Gabriel Munoz and Priscilla Portillo.

Second grade Honor roll

Adan Avina, Jesse Cisneros, Anthony Cortes, Alyza Cruz, Adamaris Cuellar, Arian Davila, Avea Davila,

Preslee Davis, Damien Desjardes and Sebastian Garza. Ivana Gonzalez, Uriah Harris, Juan Hernandez, Alia Landa, Zarah Lanika, Henry Le, Camila Majano, Angelina Maldonado, Jaqueline Marchante and Lucia Marquez.

Marianna Mora, Nohe Ordonez, Leah Pantoja, David Porras, Jaelyn Rangel, Matthew Resendez, Jarel Rivera, Joselyn Robles, Savannah Rodriguez, Galilea Rojas, Melanie Sandoval and Laila Vargas.

Third grade Honor roll

Kenley Allen, Annabelle Barkley, Kamryn Biagas, Mariella Carmona, Tristan Carranza, Lindsay Castro, April Chapa, Juanelian Chapa, Micaela Compean, Gavin Cornejo, Kaylee Cuevas, Govanni Davila and Oswaldo DelaRosa.

Sayda Diosdado, Octavio Garza, Aaron Gonzalez, Sebastian Gonzalez, Andrea Hernandez, Peyton Lee, Gerson Lopez, Bryan Losoya, Nicolette Martinez, Peyton Mitchell, Brandon Molina,

Christopher Molina and Mateo Morgado.

Anthony Munoz, Jaliyah Owens, Arianna Ramirez, Mya Ramirez, Julianna Rosales, Sayda Segura, Victoria Steck, Angela Trinh, Allison Velasquez and Jaxson Wilson.

Merit roll

Ernest Alford, Joseph Gonzalez, Tuyet Ngo, Juan Puente, Leonidas Quintero and Analyse Rodriguez.

Fourth grade Honor roll

Evie Aghimien, London Alexander, Rylynn Cope, Karen Dao and Angela De los Santos.

Steve Garcia, Trint Gardner, Jacob Granados, Abigail Gutierrez and Victoria Hernandez.

Jennifer Herrera, Justin Jimenez, Quamaize Kinney, Miguel Marquez, Sofia Martinez, Grace Rodriguez, Jayden Salinas and Julia Sorria.

Merit roll

Moeced Khan, Nicholas Nguyen, Samantha Rodriguez, Isaac Torres and Alexis Vega.

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Meador Elementary recognizes principal, assistant principal



Above, Meador Elementary staff celebrated their principal Jennifer Chavez for National Principal Appreciation Month. At right, staff also recognized Chavez (right) and Kevin Fox (assistant principal) on Boss's Day.



Beamer Ditch work to resume early 2023

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mowed the ditch, but area residents complain that it needs to be cut again.

Nearby Peevey Funeral Home told the *Leader* that the property had become such an eyesore, they were hiring their own workers to mow the site closest to their property prior to the county doing so.

Harris County Flood Control District officials said that while the matter has been in litigation for several months, they are hopeful to have it resolved soon and resume work early next year.

HCFCFD published the following press release:

"The Harris County Flood Control District is working through a required legal process that began when the construction contractor's lack of progress forced the Flood Control District to declare the Mud Gully project abandoned and the contractor surrendered the right to remain in possession and control of the work.

Currently the contractor's surety and the Flood Control District are finalizing an agreement that will allow a

new contractor to finish the project.

Once finalized, the agreement will be submitted to the Harris County Commissioners Court for approval.

The Flood Control District is aiming to resume construction by early 2023.

In the interim, the Flood

Control District has been notified of maintenance concerns and will continue to implement mowing and debris removal as needed.

The Harris County Flood Control District will provide an update on our progress when the agreement is posted for Commissioners Court

approval and looks forward to restarting construction as quickly as possible.

Visit www.hcfcfd.org/ Mud-Gully for project updates; or to leave a question or comment, click the "Submit A Comment" button located under the Project Description section."



Meador celebrates National LSSP Week

For National Licensed Specialist in School Psychology Week, Meador's LSSP, Dr. Ana Moreno was treated to sweets and flowers by the staff.

Dobie9 names honor roll

Officials of Dobie9 have announced the second six-weeks honor roll for 2022-2023 school year.

Leonela Aguila, Anderson Manuel Aguilar, Kayla Joan Akinfenwa, Blessing Abiola Akinloye, Sureal Alessandra Alcorta, Jalynn Cole Alix, Joel Marvin Alvarenga and Jaiden James Alvarez.

Angel Manuel Amador, Evan Amezcua, Paloma Arguello-Contreras, Hussai Arias, Jasmine Giselle Arreola, Sean Adrian Arroyo, Kendall Rae Ashworth and Lahna Aileen Avendano.

Ivan Emmanuel Ayala, Mikalya Amerie Bain, Kaitlyn Alexandria Baines, Blue Jakob Banda, Zarean Robert Barrientez, Kyra O'Rianna Batiste, Piper Fallon Batarbec and Nathaniel Ryan Belleville.

Suheyee Isabella Belman, Dairon Beltran Hernandez, Christopher Jimenez Berrum, Tanner Van Bo, Katia Jade Boardman, Diana Abigail Bonilla, Jordyn Aniya Brown and Megan Van Bui.

Isabella Nicole Byron, Victoria Isabella Caballero, Julian Alejandro Calderon Vargas, Nicole Alexis Campos, Anthony Cancel, Ashley Valeria Cantarero, Sophia Carbajal and Sofia Careaga.

Lealanie Miranda Casiano, Antonio Tristian Castillo, Kimberly Abigail Castillo, Mikayla Jewel Castillo, Ramon Lucas Ceja, Alonzo Pernel Chapman, Daniel Enrique Chavez and Jaslynn Grace Chavez.

Zenaída Yelem Cisneros, Aubri Leshay Cole, David Nicolas Contreras, Jonas Andrew Cruz, Hailey Sunshine Cubos, Aidan Lee Dang, Christina Dang and Kevin Dang.

Arianna Yasmina Davidson, Jeremiah Deshaum's Davis, Katelyn Michelle de Leon, Jordan LT de Robles, Daphney Ayannah Delon, Josselyn Maria Delgado, Julie Delgado and Aiden Diaz.

An Ngoc Thien Do, Hayden Thu Do, Jeulis Ron Marxeus Estabillio Domingo, Kenneth Josue Dominguez Gonzalez, Anthony Xavier Dominguez, David Godwin Ekong, Diego Esparza and Chloe Delilah Estes.

Cooper James Estes, Kamillah Estrada, Cheyenna Nicole Evans, Charles Henry Ewing, Norman Esteban Fabian Alba, Oliver Leonardo Fabian Guzman and Diana Ayleen Figueroa-Maldonado.

Fernanda Flores, Valentin Eloy Flores, Savannah Georgia Flores-Lewis, Roxann Frances Franco, Reynold Galvan, David Garcia, Edward

Matthew Garcia and Johnny Alejandro Garcia.

Julietta de Jesus Garcia, Alyria Aivee Garcia-Garza, Emily Evgenia Golenko, Christopher Fabian Gomez, Ethan Xavier Gomez, Frank Gonzales-Adame, Miranda Sofia Gonzalez and Pavel Emiliano Gonzalez.

Daniela Guerrero, Abel Baldomero Gutierrez, Abigail Aleina Gutierrez, Harrison Julian Henderson, Seanghor Heng, Jonathan Pierce Henton, Ashley Hernandez and Jose Bartolo Hernandez.

Michael Hernandez, Himabelli Herrera Conde, Morgan Alexandria Hill, Aiden Nghia Ho, Trinity Thy Hoang, Rosa Maria Jimenez Velasco, Alexander Raul Jimenez and Ami Lynn Johnson.

Davion Cortez Johnson, Jordan Patricia Johnson, Siah Mackenzie Johnson, Esdel Esequiel Juarez, Cady Trevon Lagrone and Alex Anh Le.

Danton Coppell Le, Richard Le, Daniel Omar Lebron Delgado, Kailey Alise Ledezma, Jandel Jael Leon Ortiz, Kevin Leon and Rafael Lopez.

Santiago Lopez, Daveon Xavier Love, Francia Aganit Luengo Montano, Ilana Raquel Luna, Linh To Luu and Peyton Evan Lynn.

Ava Macias, Kristin Bre'Ann Madise, Xavier Martinez, Ty William Mata, Katherine Elizabeth Matute, Tristan Michael Mckissick, Dulce Mejia Hernandez and Isaac Orlando Mendez.

Kiara Lynn Merkersen, Mehreen Mortaza Mir, Cristian D'Angelo Monge, Simon Montemayor, Nathan Lee Montez, Anthony Ives Moussambani Mandje, Jacoby Austin Muniz and Angie Damaris Monoz.

Addison Elizabeth Murdoch, Jawad Naser, Heidi Marcelle Wouapi Ngonou, Tommy Minh Ngo, Andrew Huynh Nguyen, Chloe Bao-Nhu Nguyen, CJ Ho Nguyen and Dan The Nguyen.

Diana Ngoc Nguyen, Gia Vy Nguyen, Hannah Anh Nguyen, Hoang Phu Nguyen, Linh Phuong Nguyen, Mary Ngoc Nguyen, Matthew Hien Nguyen and Minh Tuan Nguyen.

Nhan Tue Nguyen, Tif-

fany Nguyen, Joell Francisco Nieves, Thu Hoang Anh Ninh, Kamillah L Olivia, Jonathan Carlos Oriana Sarmiento, Edgar Ariel Orozco and Awele Favour Ngozi Marvelous Ogochukwu Ozieh.

Tanya Jolynn Palomino, Amairani Zoe Pena, Isabella Daniela Pena, Stephany Perez, Don Nhat Pham, Hannah Pham, Thi Minh Ngoc Pham and Cynthia Pineda.

Emyly Guadalupe, Jazmin Elizabeth Pineda, Wilson Alexander Ponce, Alevia Jayoni Powell, Brianna Caroline Puga, Jezzel Aaron Ramales, Joaquin Eleazar Ramirez and Yvette Ramos.

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Alejandro Saucedo, Naven Ray'Ann Scott, Janelle Nicole Segueda, Raymundo Manuel Solis, Isaiah Julian Solorzano, Maite Vianney Sosa, Daniel Lee Soto and Sarah Nissi Soto.

Mia Bella Sudario Garza, Thao Nguyen Thanh Ta, Angie Francisca Tinajero, Anthony Tinajero, Jenna To, Kian Carter Ton and Victoria Ximena Torres.

Aiden Hao Nam Tran, Kaylanie Yen Nhi Tran, Kylie Tran, Parker Minhquoc Tran, Khang Nguyen Duy Truong, Fernando Vargas, Madeline Judith Vasquez and Aidan Veitia.

Kevin Ladirimir Velasquez, Brandon Ventura, Armando Silas Vergara, Noah Alexander Villareal, Amy Lisbeth Villegas Magana, Thu Kim Vu, Bao Hoang-Gia Vu and Leon Vu.

Zoey Vuong, Clayton Elijah Washington, Sy Niyah Wiggins Rane', Xandria Alis Williams, Kaedyn Jale Chase Woodard, Ta'mya Del'Shaun Woods and Yuliana Michelle Zambrano.

CCISD teachers awarded \$145,000

The 2022 Clear Creek Education Foundation Sur-Prize Patrol was in full gear the morning of November 4, surprising campuses across Clear Creek ISD, awarding \$145,000 in grants.

The purpose of the grant program is to fund innovative projects that impact student learning. "Hats off to our teachers this year who took the extra time to submit some truly innovative programs for our students. It's going to be an exciting year to see the results of these grants," stated Deborah Laine, executive director.

A Special Innovative Grant (SIG) is a large grant amount of up to \$50,000 designed to encourage and support innovative teaching and learning on a large scale. Teachers are given the opportunity to apply for SIGs each summer.

Programs funded included a Trauma-Sensitive Re-set Room for Clear Path High School supported by Community Health Network; a \$50,000 grant to Entry Level Welding Certifications for CCISD High Schools sponsored by Quarter Century Club Partners and The Heritage Group; a Powermatic Industrial Planer for Clear Creek High School and Elementary VEX IQ Competition Refresh,

both sponsored by the Clear Creek Education Foundation Board and Partners; Learning without Boundaries for all of CCISD, sponsored by Clear Creek Education Foundation and Partners; and ukuleles for Bayside Intermediate (sponsored by Bob and Janis Martin and Whitcomb Elementary (sponsored by Norman Frede Chevrolet).

Grant funding is made possible by many community partners across Clear Creek ISD. "The support of the Clear Creek Education Foundation and our community is fundamental to our student's success, given today's needs for industry readiness from the next generation! To be able to give back to this community with the help of CCEF, we are that much closer to furthering the success of all our students!" stated grant recipient Mr Hilliard, teacher at Clear Creek High School.

Since its founding in 1992, CCEF has been a nonprofit dedicated to building public education in Clear Creek ISD through grants and programs that empower every student to achieve academic and personal success. CCEF has contributed more than \$5 million to CCISD for innovative programs in the classroom.

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45 years ago (1977)
Lori Barlett was the All-Around first place winner of the Class III Compulsory qualifying gymnastics meet for the city of Houston.

20 years ago (2002)
Thompson Intermediate School commemorated its 30th anniversary with a celebration at the school.

40 years ago (1982)
A new two-tone blue Silverado pickup truck and a new red Trans Am were stolen off the Dobie High School parking lot.

35 years ago (1987)
What remained of Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League records were turned over to the Harris County District Attorney's Office for investigation following the disappearance of the league's former president, Chuck Wade.

30 years ago (1992)
Dobie senior Mark Wingo signed a baseball scholarship with the University of Houston.

25 years ago (1997)
Dobie and Clear Brook football teams advanced in the 5A Division II playoffs by defeating Angleton and La Porte, respectively. Both teams played their next games in the Astrodome.

20 years ago (2002)
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Nov.17 through Nov. 23.

15 years ago (2007)
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Over The Back Fence by Natalie

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DONNA!
Donna Whitted celebrates a birthday Wednesday, Nov. 23. Best wishes are sent to her from husband Gary; children Heather and husband Richard Williams, Jacob and wife Amber Whitted and Aaron Whitted; grandchildren Riley and Kinley Whitted and Bryce and Pressley Williams; and mother Frances Valigura.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Nov.17 through Nov. 23.

Atkinson Elementary
Sing a triple chorus of a birthday song to Lisa Byron, Elizabeth Cecil and Nancy Vazquez Nov. 18.

Bush Elementary
Gilberto Garza marks a birthday Nov. 21. Remember to wish Maria Montelongo a happy birthday Nov. 22.

Frazier Elementary
Break out the birthday party favors and cake and ice cream for Gustavo Gomez on Nov. 17.

Genoa Elementary
Sing a birthday tune Nov. 21 to Macarena Araujo. Break out the birthday balloons Nov. 23 for Carrissa Enriquez.

Meador Elementary
Enjoy some birthday cake for Ruth Osuna Nov. 17. The day for a celebration for Malorie Ehrlich is Nov. 21.

Moore Elementary
Remember to wish Maria Canales a happy birthday Nov. 20. Lily Sanchez enjoys a birthday Nov. 23.

Stuchbery Elementary
Sing a happy birthday song Nov. 18 to Gloria Reza.

Melillo Middle School
Nov. 18 is the day to break out the birthday cake and ice cream for Christian McCary.

Roberts Middle School
The day for a party for Iris Nava is Nov. 18. Greetings for a wonderful birthday are sent to Jessica Borden Nov. 19.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Light the birthday candles Nov. 17 for

Alma De Leon. Sing a happy birthday song to Brandy Knust Nov. 18.

Dobie High
Join in the birthday fun Nov. 18 with Blaise Trahan. Blow out the candles for Clinton Hopper who enjoys a birthday Nov. 20.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
Thursday, Nov. 17: Cynthia McGowen, Donna LaRoche, Blake Robinson and Joe Jasso; Friday, Nov. 18: Patrick Patterson and David Rendon; Saturday, Nov. 19: Jennifer Cook and Albert Craft; and Sunday, Nov. 20: Thomas Marks, Tim Hasse and Sica Marcello; Monday, Nov. 21: Jennifer Huggins and Edie Mari, Tuesday, Nov. 22: Gene Perez and Sheri Jennings; and Wednesday, Nov. 23: Linda Greuter, Dornela Salas, Monika Patterson, Johnny McNeil and Don Doss.

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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES

Dobie, Brook hoops to test talent at McDonald's Texas Invitational

DI Boys' Championship
Sat., Nov. 19, 6 p.m.
Phillips Field House

DI Girls' Championship
Sat., Nov. 19, 3 p.m.
Phillips Field House

JFD boys' basketball again defeats Silsbee

For the second straight season, the Dobie varsity boys' basketball team opened its season with a win over state-ranked Silsbee, getting 19 points from junior Dylan Jackson in a 75-65 win over the Tigers Nov. 12 at Silsbee.

The Longhorns, featuring Jackson among eight returnees in all from the 2021-2022 District 22-6A championship squad, had four players in double figures in getting the opening day win.

Malachi Hobbs added 16 points in the Silsbee win, while Camren Fowler

and Jaden Shanklin had 10 each.

Dobie will now turn its attention to the McDonald's Texas Invitational, hosting Bridgeland at 9 a.m. and North Crowley at 1:30 p.m. in pool play games on the Dobie main campus Nov. 17.

The Longhorns, part of the prestigious 32-team Division 1 field at the McDonald's event, will shift to bracket play Nov. 18-19.

For up-to-the-minute bracket updates, visit www.texasinvitational.com.



Jacque Giron (with ball) and her Dobie varsity girls' basketball teammates are part of the prestigious 32-team girls' field as the McDonald's Texas Invitational plays out Nov. 17-19 at 10 locations across the Pasadena ISD and Deer Park ISD ranks. Dobie is in the Division I bracket and will host Barbers Hill, Houston Memorial and Converse Judson in pool play.

Photos by Donna Alsdorf



Dobie senior Jaden Shanklin is one of eight returnees as the varsity basketball squad looks to get off to a host start at the McDonald's Texas Invitational. The Longhorns are in the always-tough Division I bracket.

Nov. 17 Pool Play Games
Dobie boys host Bridgeland
9 a.m., Dobie H.S. main

Dobie girls host Barbers Hill
noon, Dobie H.S. main

Dobie boys host N. Crowley
1:30 p.m., Dobie H.S. main

Dobie girls host Memorial
6 p.m., Dobie H.S. main

Brook boys vs. Fulshear
3 p.m., Beverly Hills Int.

Brook boys vs. George Ranch
7:30 p.m., DPISD Aux.

Brook girls are third at CCISD's Whitley

The Clear Brook varsity girls' basketball team earned another third-place trophy at the Peggy Whitley Classic Nov. 8-10, winning six of seven games overall as part of a terrific opening week of the season.

The Wolverines slipped past Shadow Creek 60-54 in a matchup of area round playoff participants from last season to grab third place for the second straight season.

It was the second straight win for Brook over Shadow Creek as the locals opened the season Nov. 5 with a win over the Sharks at Delmar Fieldhouse.

Clear Brook also defeated Houston Memorial 65-56 Nov. 8 at Chardel Terrell had 25 points for the winners.

Whitley, the former longtime varsity girls' basketball head coach at Clear Creek High School and a member of the Clear Creek ISD Hall of Honor, delivered the commemorative trophy to the Wolverines at the tournament bearing her name.

Clear Brook crushed Willis 84-28 and edged Cy-Woods 38-29 in pool play Nov. 10 at Clear Brook.

Going against Deer Park and former Clear Brook head coach Warren Brooks Nov. 11, the Wolverines cruised to a 50-27 win to reach the final four at the Whitley event.

Pearland reached the title game with a 67-45 win over Clear Brook, but the Wolverines rebounded for the third-place victory

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State champs eliminate Longhorns 49-3

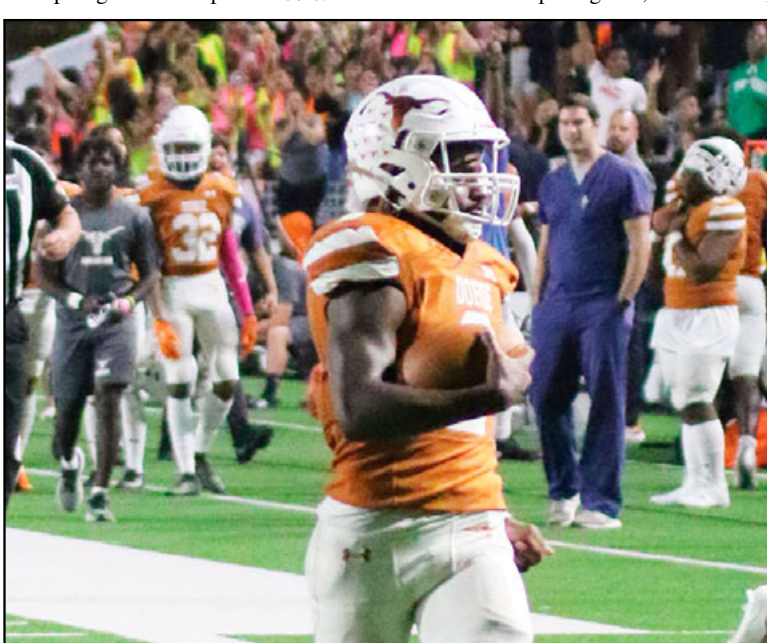
North Shore's quest for a fourth state championship began as two previous others have, with a bidistrict playoff win over Dobie.

Holding Dobie to a yard of total offense in the opening half, North Shore,

undefeated champion of District 21-6A, advanced to meet Dickinson in the area round Nov. 18 following a 49-3 win over the Longhorns Nov. 10 at Galena Park ISD Stadium.

Atascocita, meanwhile, has a Division I area round date with Clear Springs after District 24-6A playoff

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A 49-3 bidistrict playoff loss to North Shore Nov. 10 ended Dobie's 2022 varsity football season, but Cameron Mathews (2) provides a key to the future after he rushed for 1,122 yards as a sophomore.

Photo by David Flickinger

Brook's Herrera stars at Franciscan



Clear Brook High School Class of 2020 graduate Maria Herrera has continued her storied collegiate tennis career at NCAA Division III Franciscan University of Steubenville (Ohio). The Presidents' Athletic Conference announced its All-Conference awards for women's tennis late last month as Herrera was named PAC Player of the Year for the second straight season. Five other Barons earned all-conference recognition. Herrera advanced to state in spring season mixed doubles during her career at Clear Brook and has been dominant collegiately the past two seasons.

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2022 McDonald's Texas Invitational Nov. 19 Championship Trophy Games

Boys' Division I Silver Championship

Nov. 19, Sam Rayburn H.S., noon

Girls' Division I Silver Championship

Nov. 19, Sam Rayburn H.S., 3 p.m.

Boys' Division I Bronze Championship

Nov. 19, South Houston H.S., 3 p.m.

Girls' Division I Bronze Championship

Nov. 19, South Houston H.S., 1:30 p.m.

Boys' Division 2 Gold Championship

Nov. 19, Pasadena Memorial H.S., 3 p.m.

Girls' Division 2 Gold Championship

Nov. 19, Dobie9 H.S., 3 p.m.

Boys' Division 2 Silver Championship

Nov. 19, DPISD Watkins H.S., 3 p.m.

Girls' Division 2 Silver Championship

Nov. 19, Pasadena H.S. Gym 2, 1:30 p.m.

Boys' Division 2 Bronze Championship

Nov. 19, Dobie H.S., noon

Girls' Division 2 Bronze Championship

Nov. 19, Dobie9 H.S., 1:30 p.m.

Girls' Division 1 Consolation Championship

Nov. 19, DPISD Watkins H.S., 1:30 p.m.

Girls' Division 2 Consolation Championship

Nov. 19, DPISD Auxiliary H.S., 1:30 p.m.

South Belt football predictions



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Troy Leland



Stephen Sutton



Debbie Vaughn

Dobie at North Shore	North Shore	Dobie	North Shore	Dobie	North Shore
South Houston at Summer Creek	Summer Creek	Summer Creek	Summer Creek	Summer Creek	Summer Creek
C.E. King at Channelview	Channelview	CEK	CEK	CEK	CEK
Texas City at Lake Creek	Lake Creek	Lake Creek	Lake Creek	Lake Creek	Lake Creek
Atascocita at Deer Park	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita
Brazoswood at Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek
Alief Taylor at Clear Springs	Springs	Taylor	Springs	Springs	Springs
Dickinson at Pearland	Dickinson	Pearland	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson
Magnolia West at Galveston Ball	West	Ball	West	Ball	Ball
Dawson at Clear Falls	Dawson	Falls	Dawson	Falls	Falls
Last Week's Results	8-2	6-4	9-1	8-2	9-1
Season record	79-41	84-36	96-24	83-27	100-20 (winner)

Beverly Hills runners take wins at PISD meet

Beverly Hills seventh-grade cross-country runners were at the top of the charts as the Pasadena ISD hosted a prechampionship meet at Pasadena Memorial High School.

The Bears' Destiny Sidiropoulos won the seventh-grade girls' gold medal as the top finisher, covering the two-mile course at 14 minutes, 15 seconds for the crown.

A time of 14:49 was good enough for South Houston's Keyanna Smith to finish second, with San Jacinto's Greicy Banda third in a time of 14:47.

Beverly Hills' Cruz Jasso delivered a big-time performance at the lone PISD meet involving each of the district's 10 programs, claiming the gold medal as the top overall medalist in the seventh-grade boys' division.

At 12:09, Jasso was the winner by a wide margin. Bondy's Yael Marin led the Patriots to the team title as he was second at 12:48, with Miller's Owen Crus third with a time of 13:07.

BHI 7th girls third

Sidiropoulos led her team to third place as a group, while Bondy was the seventh-grade girls' team champion.

After Sidiropoulos, Beverly Hills' Kamara Ross placed seventh overall in a time of 15:15, and Savannah Jones' time of 15:41.8 was 16th-best.

The Bears' Mikayla Rodriguez was next in line for her team as a clocking of 16:18 placed her 27th, and Idalis Villegas' time of 17:09 was 41st best.

A time of 18:04.8 had Beverly Hills' Hailey Bo-

nilla 67th, with teammate Victoria Flores in at 18:06 for 68th place. Kendyl Harris finished 70th with her time of 18:16.

Kameron Ross (18:25), Emmery Lynn (18:57), Kimberly Perez (19:19) and Zaria Johnson (19:37) also competed for the Bears.

The Beverly Hills seventh-grade girls' team wound up fourth in the final team standings.

The Lions' Alayna Rodriguez took fourth place overall with her time of 14:59, and Angelina Amaya's time of 15:25 placed her 11th.

Nina Lowton of Thompson was 56th with her time of 17:34, and a time of 18:03 gave Thompson's Daniella Tamayo 65th place.

Miriam Casa was in at 19:05 for 80th place, while Isabella Jimenez was 86th at 19:43. Camila Serreno's time of 19:43.3 was 89th.

The Beverly Hills eighth-grade girls were second as a team behind San Jacinto.

The Bears' Aracely Alvarado was fifth overall in a time of 15:33, and Yamelith Rames placed 14th with a time of 16:54. Fifteenth place went to Alicia Diaz in a time of 17:00, and Cecily Garza ran 18th in a time of 17:23.

The Bears' Ashley Moreno posted a time of 18:35 for 39th place, and a time of 18:38 placed Abigail Hernandez 41st. Tiffany Villanueva placed 43rd with a time of 18:43.

BHI 7th boys ninth

The Bears were ninth overall as a team behind Jasso as Jordyn Thomas placed 34th with a time

of 15:04, and Yahir Torres was in at 16:00 for 55th.

A time of 16:14 for the Bears' Steve Vasquez was 59th, and 63rd place and a time of 16:32 went to Kolby Stubblefield. Damian Curiel of Beverly Hills was 67th in a time of 16:53.

Thompson's seventh-grade team wound up in fourth place as a group, with Alec Alvarez fifth in a time of 13:19 to lead the way.

At 13:42.7, the Lions' Devin Umanzor was 10th, and Alijah Banda's time of 14:36 was 25th-best.

Leiland Irizarry of Thompson was in at 14:43 for 27th place, and Quenton Taylor's time of 15:44 was 48th. Adrian Taylor ran well for the Lions as his time of 16:45 placed him 65th.

The San Jacinto boys cruised to the eighth-grade team title with three runners in the top 10. The Tigers scored a low of 61 for the crown, with Miller second with 77.

Thompson was eighth as a team. San Jacinto's Sebastian Jimenez won a race to the finish line with Southmore's Ryan Martinez, with Jimenez taking the gold medal in a time of 12:31.

Martinez took silver with his clocking of 12:36, and third place and a bronze medal went to Josh Gonzales of San Jacinto (12:46).

As for the Lions, a time of 13:05 placed Dennis Umanzor sixth, and Wilfredo Javier was at the finish line in a time of 13:30 for 13th overall.

The Lions' Matthew Gayton clocked in at

16:11.8 for 65th, and 69th place went to Cody Nguyen at 16:29. Thompson's Markieth Smith was 79th-best with a time of 16:55, with Mossimo Carrasco 91st at 17:30.

Thompson also had Kendrick Ramos (93rd at 17:33) and Christopher Rubio (98th at 18:20) running.

BHI 8s are ninth

Nathanael Garcia Campos led the way for the Beverly Hills eighth-grade

squad as he was 45th in a time of 15:16, with teammate Victor Alanis 53rd in a time of 15:45.

The Bears went back-to-back at 67th and 68th, with Aiden Sifuentes (16:25) and Tayvine Blackmon (16:28) contributing. Gavin Ritenour placed 71st with a time of 16:34 to round out the Bears' scoring.

Beverly Hills also got an outstanding effort from Jaime Rodriguez (89th at

17:26), Warren Hawkins (92nd at 17:32), Xavier Rubelcava (95th at 17:39), Charleston Nash (99th at 18:25), Marlee Tillman (105th at 19:05) and Ruben Flores (106th at 19:18).

The Pasadena ISD district championships were scheduled to be contested Nov. 14 as the top boys' and girls' competitors chased medals.

The championship results will appear Nov. 24.

JFD girls headed to McDonald's



Dobie senior Ociana Means (23) and her teammates are part of the varsity girls' Division 2 field at the McDonald's Texas Invitational basketball tournament and will be looking to advance to a bracket championship game Nov. 19. Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Eighth Grade Boys		Eighth Grade Girls	
San Jacinto	61	San Jacinto	28
Miller	77	Beverly Hills	91
Bondy	90	Southmore	121
Southmore	117	Bondy	130
Jackson	153	Jackson	160
Queens	172	Miller	166
Park View	175	Park View	212
Thompson	231	Thompson	226
Beverly Hills	304	South Houston	237
South Houston	305	Queens	243

Seventh Grade Boys		Seventh Grade Girls	
Bondy	49	Bondy	66
San Jacinto	107	San Jacinto	70
Miller	112	Beverly Hills	92
Thompson	115	Miller	105
Southmore	163	South Houston	142
Jackson	168	Queens	165
Queens	192	Jackson	179
Park View	194	Thompson	216
Beverly Hills	212	Park View	250
South Houston	215	Southmore	310

Dobie tennis reunion reunites past stars as Longhorns remember years of success on the courts



Twenty-one former Dobie High School tennis players attended the program's annual alumni match. Taking to the courts were, left to right, (front row) Van Le ('12), Tina Nguyen ('12), Erica Hay ('21), Jennifer Ho ('21), Megan Rodriguez ('22), Tracy Tran ('22), Katherine Nguyen ('01); (back row) Ivette Alba ('13), Sean Lam ('95), Kevin Nguyen ('13), Donny Tran ('95), Lil' Tommy Nguyen ('18), Andy Van ('12), Coach Manuel Moreno Jr., (24th year/'00-present); Kristi Morales ('20), Brandon Padilla ('16), Dylan Ta ('21), Piseth So ('22), Kenny Duong ('22) and Dat Bui ('04). The current team and exes had met earlier on Aug. 20, but rain forced the rescheduling.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill," 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 713-686-6300 or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.
7:30 a.m. Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets either at 6117 Broadway St., Pearland, or on Zoom. See Pearland Chamber of Commerce website calendar or call 281-485-3634.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners Group, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300.
6 p.m. Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter - Meets at 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Email OpaGivesHugs@gmail.com or call 713-870-3951.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
1 - 3 p.m. Parker Williams Genealogy Group - meets at the library, Beamer at Scarsdale. Email Liz Hicks at erotrot@usa.net for details.
3:30 - 6:30 p.m. Bay Area Singles Club - at the FW Lodge Post 6378, 5204 Hwy. 3, in Dickinson. Call 281-470-2750 or 281-337-3112.
7 p.m. Congregation Shaar Hashalom - All services are live and Zoom online. For details visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.
7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group, 2930 FM 518, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.
8 p.m. Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
8 p.m. AA - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19
7:30 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. Congregation Shaar Hashalom - See Friday's notice.
11 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787 or visit https://www.houstonalanon.org/.
1 p.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - offers a knitting class. Call 281-479-7285 prior to coming.
Jam-3:30/ Bands-6:30 p.m. Bay Area Bluegrass Association - at Webster Civic Center, 311 Pennsylvania Ave. Pickers may come early. For details, visit http://www.bayareabluegrass.org.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20
8 a.m./ 10:15 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - worship at 11456 Space Center Blvd., in back of a medical/retail community. Call 281-479-7285.
2 p.m. Grief Support Group - Meets at Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787.
5:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-step program, in the Life Kids Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635.
8 p.m. AA - See Friday's notice.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Call 713-472-0565 for appointment.
10:30 a.m. TRIAD - Meets at Madison Jobe Senior Center, 1700 East Thomas St., in Pasadena. Call 713-477-0175.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's noon notice.
1:30 - 3 p.m. Hometown Heroes Dance - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, Call 281-554-1180.
5 p.m. New Directions Singles - Meets at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Parkway. Call Grant at 281-814-4750.
6 p.m. Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. COVID-19 vaccination required. Call 281-488-2923.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club meets virtually at https://youngprofessionalstoastmasters.com/. Visit the website or call 281-467-1880.
7 p.m. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - Friendswood chapter meets at Methodist Church, 110 N Friendswood Dr. in the educational bldg, room 201. Call 832-858-4617 or 713-875-8820.
7 p.m. NA - See Friday's notice.
7 p.m. AA - St. Luke's 12 Step Recovery, open meeting in the Education Bldg, room 4, 11011 Hall Rd., For details, call 832-725-8479 or 281-309-2801.
7 p.m. The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society - Meets at Clear Lake Park Bldg., 5001 NASA Pkwy., Seabrook. For details, visit www.clgms.org.
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22
7 a.m. AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - See Monday's notice.
10 a.m. American Begonia Society - Houston Satellite meets at Helen Hall Library, 300 W. Walker, League City. Call 281-481-2458.
11:30 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - See Sunday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
7 p.m. NA - See Friday's notice.
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
2:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hometown Heroes Humpday Dance - See Monday's notice.
7 p.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - See Sunday's notice.
7 p.m. NA - See Friday's notice.
8 p.m. AA - See Friday's notice.

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Dobie's Ramirez picks San Jac softball

At right, Dobie High School Class of 2023 senior and Longhorn varsity softball standout Clarissa Ramirez was one of nine current high school seniors to sign letters of intent to join the San Jacinto College women's softball program beginning with the 2023-2024 school year. The San Jacinto College softball program has been one of the best in the country in recent seasons among two-year programs as head coach Kelly Saenz has taken the Coyotes to consecutive National Junior College Athletic Association Division I National Championship tournaments in 2021 and 2022. Former Dobie players Leslie Longoria and Shellee Ferguson are currently playing at San Jacinto College.



JFD softball's Quiroz signs with Angelina College



Dobie varsity softball standout Sandra Quiroz (seated center) will continue her education and playing career at Angelina College beginning with the 2023-2024 school year after signing a letter of intent to join the Roadrunners' junior college program. Those with Quiroz at the signing included, left to

right, (front row) Noah Hinojos, Juliana Hinojos, Nancy Catalan, Emma Hinojos, Mike Hinojos, (back row) Julie Hinojos, Michael Hinojos, Sergio Catalan and Marco Quiroz. Sandra Quiroz will play her senior season at Doble beginning in February.

Clear Brook baseball trio signs collegiately



Clear Brook varsity baseball player Caden Peebles will continue his education and playing career at LeTourneau University after signing a letter

of intent with the Yellowjackets of the American Southwest Conference. Peebles will first play his senior season with the Wolverines in 2023.

Team Tennis honorees named

First Team

Boys' Doubles

- 1) Devin McGaughey/Jake Riggs, Deer Park
- 2) Michael McNeil/Ayden Molina, Deer Park
- 3) Conner Dennis/Jake Gabriel, Deer Park

Girls' Doubles

- 1) Isabella Jandron/Olivia Trautmann, Deer Park
- 2) Melanie Morales/Jordan Morman, Deer Park
- 3) Kennedy Cooper/Hannalee Helms, Deer Park

Mixed Doubles

- 1) Jackie Ramirez/John Abou Elias, Deer Park;
- Victoria Chioreanu/Jacob Condado, Pasadena Memorial

Boys' Singles

- 1) Jake Riggs, Deer Park
- 2) Devin McGaughey, Deer Park
- 3) Michael McNeil, Deer Park
- 4) Jake Gabriel, Deer Park
- 5) John Abou Elias, Deer Park
- 6) Nolan Tran, Doble

Girls' Singles

- 1) Isabella Jandron, Deer Park
- 2) Olivia Trautmann, Deer Park
- 3) Kennedy Cooper, Deer Park
- 4) Jordan Morman, Deer Park
- 5) Melanie Morales, Deer Park
- 6) Hannalee Helms, Deer Park

Second Team

Boys' Doubles

- 1) William Ho/Ryan Le, Doble
- 2) Nestor Garza/Thang Tran, Doble
- 3) Diego Flores/Nolan Tran, Doble

Girls' Doubles

- 1) Ashley Huynh/Hailey Maldonado, Doble
- 2) Tiffany Tran/Natalie Vo, Doble
- 3) Leena Pham/Kayla Tran, Doble

Mixed Doubles

- 1) Leslie Figueroa/Dominic Ortiz, Doble

Boys' Singles

- 1) William Ho, Doble
- 2) Dominic Ortiz, Doble
- 3) Thang Tran, Doble; Agustin Velazquez, Sam Rayburn
- 4) Ryan Le, Doble
- 5) Diego Flores, Doble
- 6) Ayden Molina, Deer Park

Girls' Singles

- 1) Victoria Chioreanu, Pasadena Memorial
- 2) Tiffany Tran, Doble
- 3) Natalie Vo, Doble
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- 5) Leena Pham, Doble
- 6) Kayla Tran, Doble

Honorable Mention Doble

- Haley Maldonado
Amalia Reyes

Dobie's Perez picks McNeese State



Dobie softball standout Bella Perez (seated) will continue her education and playing career at McNeese State University after signing a letter of intent with the Cowboys. Those with her at the signing included, left to right, (standing) Pilar Perez (mother), Nick Perez (father) and Jacob Perez (brother).

State champs defeat Longhorns

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squad were victorious in three of four playoff openers over 23-6A foes.

In North Shore's win over Doble, Mustangs' quarterback Eyan Jackson threw for four touchdowns, and receiver Chris-

topher Barnes had two of the scoring catches. On the ground, North Shore's Rashaad Johnson had five grabs for 97 yards.

Sophomore running back Cameron Mathews had 1,077 yards rushing and 11 touchdowns during

the regular season as he will return for two more seasons as the Longhorns' key performer on offense.

Doble last won a playoff game in 2004, so no doubt the locals are tiring of playing North Shore in the first round.

Brook boys fall on buzzer-beater

C.J. McCain of Texas City drained a three-pointer at the buzzer as the Stingarees stunned Clear Brook 56-54 Nov. 11 at Texas City in the varsity boys' basketball opener for both programs.

The win was career No. 500 for Texas City head

coach Chris Mason, who has spent much of his tenure in the Region III ranks, including a stop at La Porte.

Clear Brook took on Cy-Falls Nov. 15 after press time and will now play in the McDonald's Texas Invitational Nov. 17-19 as part of the Di-

vision 2 field. The Wolverines open the event Nov. 17 at Beverly Hills Intermediate, facing Fulshear at 3 p.m.

Brook then faces George Ranch at Deer Park ISD's Watkins campus court at 7:30 p.m.

Wolverine girls' hoops are third

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over Shadow Creek. In the championship game, Pearland downed Hightower 49-39 to move to 7-0 this season behind the dominant play of North Carolina signee RyLee Grays.

With the second straight third-place trophy in the case, Clear Brook has had the quick start it had hoped for. Six wins against just the one loss to regional finalist Pearland qualifies as a fast start. The Wolverines turned last season's fast start into the program's first-ever undefeated league title.

Some Of the cast has changed. Mileka Loydrake is now head coach after serving as the top varsity assistant a season ago.

Reiza Castillo is back for her sophomore season after collecting most valuable player honors as a freshman, and Terrell has already been one of the area's best players this season.

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Clear Brook Class of 2023 varsity baseball player Tyler Gaudet is set to continue his education and playing career at Northeast Texas Community

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Clear Brook Class of 2023 varsity baseball player Nicholas Gillilan is set to continue his education and playing career at Centenary College of Lou-

isiana after signing a letter of intent. Located in Shreveport, Centenary is part of the NCAA Division III Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference.