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Ministry holds sale at Leader

A ministry will hold a garage sale to benefit St. Luke Catholic Church Saturday, March 25, at the Leader office, 11555 Beamer and Beltway 8, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Clearbrook Landing to meet

Clearbrook Landing HOA's annual board will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, March 27, at the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. Suite 510. All Clearbrook Landing residents are encouraged to attend.

Assistance for tornado victims

The City of Pasadena has extended hours at the Pasadena Convention Center, 7902 Fairmont Parkway, to better assist those who suffered tornado damage Jan. 24.

Representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration will now be on site daily from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Both businesses and individuals may apply for loan assistance.

St. Luke's to hold fish fry

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host its Lent Fish Fry Friday, March 24, from 4 to 7 p.m., at St. Luke's Catholic Church Social Hall, 11011 Hall Road, and via an outside drive-thru.

Dinner includes fried fish, French fries, hushpuppies, ice tea and corn on the cob for \$15.

H-E-B hosts Easter egg hunt

H-E-B Blackhawk, 9828 Blackhawk at Beltway 8, will host a community Easter Egg hunt event Saturday, April 1, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Ages 1-4 will hunt eggs from 9 to 10 a.m.; ages 5-8 will hunt eggs from 10 to 11 a.m.; and ages 9-12 will hunt eggs from 11 a.m. to noon.

Local COVID cases reported

While the number of active COVID-19 cases in ZIP codes 77075 and 77034 continues to be roughly on par with the previous two weeks, the number of cases in ZIP code 77089 continues to grow.

As of Tuesday, March 21, there were 164 active cases in 77089, up 12 from the previous week. To date, 138 from the ZIP code have died from the disease. (Harris County reported 141 deaths the previous week.)

In ZIP code 77075, there were 17 active cases, down seven from the previous week. To date, there have been 83 deaths in the ZIP code, no increase from the previous week.

In 77034, there were 20 active cases, no change from the previous week. To date, 93 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease, up one from the previous week.

This marked the first deaths reported in ZIP code 77034 since Nov. 3.

According to Harris County officials, the vast majority of the fatalities suffered from pre-existing health issues.

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

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound main lane and one southbound main lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from FM 518 to FM 517 in League City daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday, March 31.

Both the northbound entrance and southbound entrance ramps from FM 518 in League City will be completely closed until further notice. Motorists should use the entrance ramps from SH 96.

The northbound exit ramp to FM 517 in Dickinson will be completely closed until further notice. Motorists should use the northbound exit ramp to Holland/Hughes.

Two outside northbound frontage road lanes on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from West Medical Boulevard to Bay Area Boulevard daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday, May 5.

One middle northbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to Bay Area Boulevard daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Monday, May 22. Two outside southbound lanes on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Texas City Railroad to SH 6/SH 146 in La Marque nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

The northbound entrance ramps from both FM 519/Main Street and FM 1765/Texas Avenue in La Marque will be completely closed until further notice. Motorists should use the next available northbound entrance ramp.

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.

Beltway closures planned

Two northbound and two southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed at Fairmont Parkway daily from 4 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday, March 31. Significant delays are expected.

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

South Belt Cleanup scheduled for March 25

Local volunteers to clean area covering roughly 6.25-square miles

After months of planning, the inaugural South Belt Cleanup is scheduled to take place Saturday, March 25, beginning at 9 a.m. at Beverly Hills Intermediate. (Rain-out date is April 15.)

Organizers are planning to clean an area covering approximately 6.25-square miles. Volunteers will clean up from the Gulf Freeway to Blackhawk, east to west, and from Fuqua to FM 1959/Dixie Farm Road, north to south. Volunteers will not clean Dixie Farm Road out of safety concerns.

A collaboration between Knights of Columbus St. Luke's and the Sagemont Civic Club, the inaugural South Belt Cleanup has attracted a wide range of local supporters. Additional partners include Precinct

2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia; Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia; Precinct 2, Place 1 Justice of the Peace Jo Ann Delgado; City of Houston Department of Neighborhoods; City of Houston Solid Waste Department; state Rep. Mary Ann Perez; Southeast Volunteer Fire Department; and the Leader. Sponsors include Pepsi and Los Niños Party Rental.

Beverly Hills Intermediate, Dobie High School, San Jacinto College, Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will also be participating in the cleanup. In addition to St. Luke's, local churches invited to take part in the event include Sagemont, South Belt and Grace.

Event organizer Mike Work, a member of

Knights of Columbus Council 9201, said he began working on the project after getting tired of seeing all the trash in the community, particularly along Beamer. To help promote the event, Work reached out to Sagemont Civic Club President Kay Barbour, who he discovered was already working on a similar endeavor. The two then joined forces to tackle the upcoming event.

"It was a no-brainer," said Barbour, noting the civic club's cleanup was to only address the

Sagemont subdivision. "We joined efforts."

The pair recruited the help of Mike Stokes, who had organized similar events in the past.

"Mike had previously worked with Dr. Mike Stokes doing cleanups in the past and had contacted him," said Barbour. "Dr. Stokes provided him with his notes and suggestions on how to run a successful event that would benefit our community."

Modeled after a previous long-running cleanup

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Arrests made in violent Truong robbery

Houston police offer jugging-prevention tips

Two teens have been arrested in the Feb. 13 attack that left robbery victim Nhung Truong, 44, paralyzed from the waist down.



Joseph Harrell

Joseph Harrell, 17, and Zy'Nika Ayesha Woods, 19, were both charged with aggravated robbery causing serious bodily injury. City of Houston officials announced at a press conference Friday, March 17.

"In fact, when I saw it, it just made me mad as hell," Mayor Sylvester Turner said of surveillance footage of the incident distributed by the Houston Police Department. (The suspect slammed her down like she was a bag of potatoes.)

Houston Police Chief Troy Finner also condemned the violent attack.

"This type of violence will not be tolerated in our city," said Finner.

Officials at the press conference said Truong was a victim of "jugging."



Zy'Nika Woods

According to Houston police, jugging refers to a crime in which the suspect(s) will sit in a bank parking lot and watch customers, then follow them in hopes of burglarizing or robbing them when given a chance.

Prior to being attacked, Truong had just made a large cash withdrawal from Bank of America on Blackhawk and Beltway 8.

Truong was robbed in front of a shopping center in the 9800 block of Bellaire - roughly 24 miles from the local bank where she made the withdrawal. Police said the suspects followed her to the second location.

During the robbery, the male suspect body slammed Truong, cracking her ribs and causing

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Cole celebrates retirement



A retirement party was held Saturday, March 18, for Bill Cole (shown above), who is retiring from the Houston Fire Department after serving nearly 35 years. Retiring from HFD Station 93 as an engineer/operator, Cole has served at six other HFD stations during his career with the fire department, including 18, 55, 9, 25, 33 and 72. A longtime South Belt resident, Cole said he intends to focus his attention on his personal business that provides lifeguard services and swimming pool cleaning.

Bill Cole retires from HFD

Longtime South Belt resident Bill Cole is retiring from the Houston Fire Department after serving nearly 35 years.

Retiring from HFD Station 93 as an engineer/operator, Cole has served at a total of seven different HFD stations during his career with the fire department. Other HFD stations served by Cole include 18, 55, 9, 25, 33 and 72.

Prior to joining the Houston Fire Department in 1990, Cole worked for the Galveston Fire Department for approximately 1.5 years.

A 1982 Dobie graduate, Cole was a standout athlete, being offered scholarships in both basketball and baseball. Following graduation, Cole attended Blinn College, where he played baseball. He went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Sam Houston State University.

Cole's athletic career didn't end in college. During his tenure with HFD, Cole played on

multiple fire department basketball and softball teams, helping them to win several state and national titles. Further, Cole played for a softball team out of Virginia called NOVA, helping them to win back-to-back national tournaments in Las Vegas. Cole also played on the HFD golf team.

Born in Connecticut, Cole is one of six children, and despite being 6 feet 6 inches tall, he is the shortest of four boys in his family.

Cole married his wife Kim in 1995. The couple have four children: Katie, Kristen, Kelly and Kinsey. His son Kelly is also a Houston firefighter.

As a father, Cole coached youth softball, baseball, basketball and football.

Throughout his career with the fire department, Cole's family has been supportive of his professional efforts, which - when combined with running his personal business - can sometimes total

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Pct. 2 car crashed during DWI arrest

An accident involving a Precinct 2 patrol car took place around 12:35 a.m. Sunday, March 12, in the 10500 block of Beltway 8 near the Gulf Freeway.



Kimberly Shaw-Reed

The incident began when Toll Road Division deputies stopped a vehicle at the above address for multiple traffic violations. Upon making contact with the driver, later identified as Kimberly Shaw-Reed, deputies noticed several signs of impairment.

Shaw-Reed was asked to exit the vehicle so that a standard field sobriety test could be administered.

While outside the vehicle, another car crashed into the Precinct 2 patrol car, as well as Shaw-Reed's vehicle, both parked on the beltway shoulder. Neither the deputies nor Shaw-Reed was injured in the crash.

The driver of the second vehicle, however, which crashed into the other two cars, suffered minor injuries and was transported to a nearby hospital to be treated. Once the scene was under control, it was determined Shaw-Reed was, in fact, intoxicated and arrested on a misdemeanor charge of DWI.

The hospitalized driver was also tested by police for DWI but passed, officials said.

Chamber names new director

Gloria Greene appointed to fill position

Gloria Greene was recently named the new executive director for the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce.



Gloria Greene

Appointed by the chamber's board of directors, Greene's position took effect March 6.

Green will replace outgoing chamber director Alesia Caldwell Black, who served as interim director prior to Greene's appointment.

Greene brings more than 20 years of combined business development, sales and marketing experience to the local chamber of commerce.

Her most recent roles include independent publisher for a community magazine, business development and marketing consultant for Gloria Greene Consulting & Associates and regional marketing director in the health care industry, where she worked for several years.

In her new role as executive director, Greene will be responsible for serving the chamber members, assisting with business development and growing group membership.

South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce Chairman Ezreal Garcia said he is looking forward to working with Greene.

"We are excited to have someone with Gloria's passion and chamber of commerce experience lead the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce," Garcia said in a statement.

Area resident murdered in Huntsville

Woman shot by ex-husband in murder-suicide

A South Belt resident was fatally shot by her estranged husband Wednesday, March 8, in Huntsville as part of a murder-suicide.

According to Huntsville police, Troy Anne (Tianne) Jones, 43, was shot in the back by her former husband Roy Wasbotten after handing over divorce papers. Wasbotten subsequently took his own life.

A Dobie graduate, Jones leaves behind a 15-year-old son.

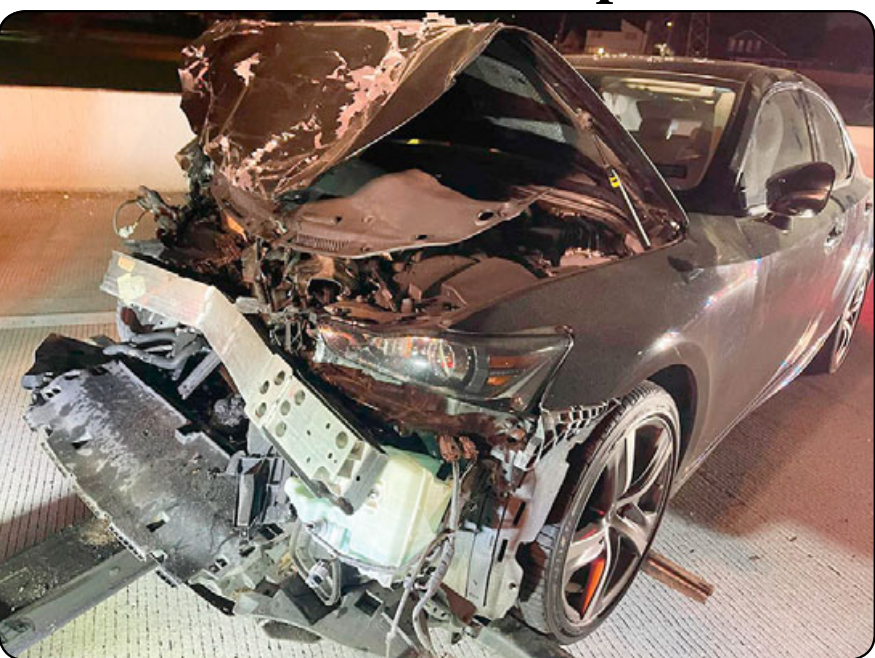
A memorial fund for the grieving son has been

established at GoFundMe.

To donate, visit https://www.gofundme.com/tianne-jones-memorial-fund?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pcp%20share-sheet&fbclid=IwAR3nTi-KyYX06gUB21vDe_6Hw6Z6ZStMuCFwc%200DIDxIwudF7A_ESR6mml.

A celebration of Jones' life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 25, at Forest Park East Funeral Home in Webster. See related obituary on Page 2.

Crash involves Pct. 2 patrol car



A Precinct 2 patrol car was involved in a crash Sunday, March 12, while parked during an unrelated stop in the 10500 block of Beltway 8 near the Gulf Freeway. The car belonging to the stopped driver was also involved in the accident. Neither that driver nor the Precinct 2 deputy were inside their vehicles and were uninjured. The driver of the striking vehicle was transported to the hospital with minor injuries.

In My Opinion

Bailey supporting 3-person team

I am voting for Marshall Kendrick in the upcoming race for Position 6 on the Pasadena ISD School Board. Marshall is a longtime resident of Pasadena. He is a proven leader. He is a retired successful business man. He is and has been active in many local civic events that have benefited this community for decades. He is a Christian man that lives a life that is Spirit led. He is a devoted family man committed to his wife, children and grandchildren. I have found him to be a man of utmost integrity and fairness with a love for his fellow man.

I have known and respected Marshall for over 30 years and our relationship has grown from active fellow church members at South Main Baptist Church, fellow Pasadena ISD Board Trustees and fellow community members to very close personal friends. In all these activities, especially the PISD board setting, Marshall and I have not seen eye to eye on all matters but I have always found him to be willing to listen, to consider and then evaluate and trust the system of the vote of the majority and move on; agreeing to disagree and always seeking what is best for the students of Pasadena ISD first and foremost!

Marshall has taken the position of Pasadena ISD board member very seriously for many years. In addition to a wealth of experience and knowledge of the district Marshall brings a strong business background and judgement to the board table. More importantly, he has a heart for the district, its employees and its students. He is invested heavily time wise as well as with his pocketbook as he and his family have supported all sorts of Pasadena ISD activities from FAA at Pasadena Rodeo time, the McDonalds Texas Invitational Basketball Tournament and many, many more school district and community events over the years. He is a giver with a servant heart.

I have the greatest of confidence in Marshall's desire for the students of Pasadena ISD to be presented with all sorts of educational and extracurricular educational experiences, giving them the opportunity to learn and grow. In addition, I know his Christian walk coupled with his experience and involvement in our community, his leadership and his love for this district set him up as hands-down the best candidate for the job at hand.

Marshall is running with Vickie Morgan and Kenny Fernandez, a team that has served together on the Pasadena ISD Board of Trustees for several years. I'll be voting for these three candidates on May 6 to continue the tremendous success enjoyed by the district as evidenced by recognition and accolades in education circles state and nationwide!

More importantly, I know their hearts. I know their collective desire to see the students of PISD excel in all aspects of their PISD life and their endeavors post high school, where ever that may lead them. Most importantly, they have no other agenda!

So, for the good of students today and our community for years to come I would invite you to join me in voting for Marshall Kendrick, Vickie Morgan and Kenny Fernandez.

Jack Bailey

PISD Board Member 2010 - 2021

King discusses population growth

I regularly talk to well-informed people who do not realize that world population growth is rapidly slowing and that global population will peak sometime between now and the end of the century. Currently, the UN estimates the most likely case is that the world's population will top out around 10 billion in 2080 and then begin a long, slow decline. Other modelers are projecting the peak will be reached in 2060 at 9 billion and then decline more rapidly. Some scenarios predict there will be fewer people on the planet at the end of century than now.

The UN's predictions for the U.S. are similar, with our population topping out at around 380 million near the end of the century. This is consistent with the Congressional Budget Office projections, which assume the U.S. annual population growth rate over the next 20 years will decline from .5% to .2%. Without immigration, the U.S. population would begin to decline around 2035.

Many of us grew up reading the Ehrlichs' Population Bomb, which predicted a worldwide apocalypse was just around the corner. The book, written in 1968, categorically predicted that "The battle to feed all of humanity is over. In the 1970s hundreds of millions of people will starve to death..." Of course, that did not happen and since around 2000, researchers have found there have been more obese people in the world than those who are undernourished.

In part, it did not happen because of an explosion of agricultural technology in the 1950s and 1960s known as the Green Revolution. But the Ehrlichs' prediction also never came to pass because they missed

Jim Muecke

Genealogical society to host webinar

The Bay Area Genealogical Society is holding a meeting at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 31. The subject of the meeting is getting to know Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center in Fort Wayne, Ind., of which the speaker will be Allison DePrey Singleton, MA, MLS. She is a senior librarian in the genealogy center. She provides research consultations, serves on the center's programming team and leads its family history webinars and educational initiatives. Allison was co-chair of the 2018 Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference and also a northeast regional co-coordinator for the National History Day in Indiana. Besides her employment activities, Allison is also on the board of the Indiana Genealogical Society and Indiana German Heritage Society. This will be an online webinar and pre-registration is required. Details will be posted on the Bay Area Genealogical Society website. Check out the topics and links to access meetings on BAGS website at www.TxBayAreaGen.org. For more information, email newsletter@TxBayAreaGen.org.

that by the time they were writing their book, women had already begun having fewer babies.

The critical metric for population growth is the average number of children women are having at any particular time, known as the "fertility rate." Other factors, such as childhood survival and longevity, also affect population growth but the fertility rate is the big driver. It takes a fertility rate of 2.1 children per woman to maintain a stable population, known as the "replacement rate." Anything above that and the population will grow and below that it falls.

When the Ehrlichs wrote their book the fertility rate was stunningly high at 5. That astronomical rate would go on to cause the world population to double just 40 years later. But what was not apparent to the Ehrlichs at the time was that the fertility rate had peaked about five years earlier at 5.3. That began a steady slide downward to 2.3 today, just barely above the replacement rate.

However, a decline in fertility rate does not show up at once. It takes a while for that lower rate to work through the generational cycle, something referred to as "population momentum." That is why you still see a hefty 25% increase in the world's population in the projections before it tops out in 2080.

Many countries around the world are already beginning to feel the effects of slowing population growth. Japan and Russia both face looming drastic population declines. China announced this year that for the first time its population had declined. Some countries have begun adopting policies to encourage young couples to have more children.

Of course, there is no question that the decline in population growth is very welcome news. Indeed, without the downturn we would be facing the apocalypse that the Ehrlichs foresaw as we put ever increasing demands on the earth's finite resources. And polling in the U.S. generally finds that most people would like to see a lower population.

But for the last three centuries our civilization has been based on steady population growth and astronomical population growth since the mid-twentieth century. Programs like Social Security and Medicare will not work in a world where the population is flat or declining, at least, not without some substantial modification.

Because lower fertility rates are correlated with educational attainment, the most uneducated, poorest parts of the world will be growing the fastest. The only places in the world currently with a fertility rate well above the replacement rate are sub-Saharan Africa and central Asia. This dichotomy will result in greater wealth disparity and conflicts.

The new population paradigm will cause many headaches which our children and grandchildren will have to wrestle. Some are obvious and some probably unforeseeable. It would be great if the world could start thinking through those issues now and begin to prepare. However, human behavior over the centuries has shown that kind of long-term planning is not one of our strong suits.

Bill King Muecke on Edgebrook park improvements

The City of Houston Parks Dept. has selected Landscape Art, Inc. as the contractor and construction has begun to upgrade the Freeway Manor Park on Theta street. A fence has been placed around the park so please do not try to enter. Also, be watchful for construction trucks/equipment traveling in this area.

Mayor Turner started the 50/50 Park Partners where a company can furnish matching funds with the city to upgrade the many parks in Houston. We were very fortunate the Freeway Manor Park was selected 11th of the 382 parks and 167 Green spaces, total of 39,501 acres for this upgrade. In early 2022 we started having community meetings at the park to discuss just what needed to be done. A number of good suggestions which the Parks Dept then identified and selected. Spring of 2022 Capline Corporation sent out a bus load of employees to clean the park, place mulch around trees and other needs.

The City of Houston has committed \$6.2 million to this project. The Parks Partners came up with \$1.03 Million dollars/matching funds, so bids went out. Included will be upgrades to the walking trail, some rebuild and lighting for the ball field, removal of the tennis court and a soccer field installed, additional park benches, repaving/stripping of the parking lot, playground equipment, and areas to BBQ. I understand that we were very fortunate to get this large investment for the park. The park should open sometimes this summer so you can enjoy these improvements. We do ask that you keep the park clean and safe by using the trash containers available. If holding a party, please clean the area before leaving. Parking is difficult on the narrow Bronson street so be extra careful as children will be crossing the street.

Jim Muecke

Bridge to host fashion show

The Bridge Over Troubled Waters is hosting their annual fashion show April 27. The Bridge is a domestic and sexual violence crisis center in Pasadena, serving all of Harris County for the past 45 years. The fashion show is the group's only fundraising event each year and is open to the public. Visit this link to purchase tickets, <https://www.classy.org/event/2023-fashion-show/e459494/register/new/select-tickets>. Contact 281-501-1877 for details.

Bay Area Quilt hosts semiannual quilt show

The Bay Area Quilt Guild will be conducting their semiannual quilt show at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2320 Hatfield Road in Pearland, April 14-15. There will be many quilts displayed for viewing along with vendors at the show.

At the regular meeting Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale, Deborah Bradley of the Texas Quilt Museum will speak. The guild supports charities by quilt making for The Bridge, Jane Around the World, Hermann Memorial NICU Pearland, and the Alvin Team Challenge for Women, and Veterans. The public is invited. For information, contact Carol Hanley Garcia at galaxy3318@aol.com or check the website at bayareaquiltguild.org.

Elected officials share their words

State Rep. Dennis Paul gives legislative update

A week ago marked the bill filing deadline and the 60th day of the session! In total, I have filed 30 bills on a wide range of issues affecting the people of Texas. This week I had two bills heard in committee. If you would like to track my legislation, visit <https://capitol.texas.gov/Members/MemberInfo.aspx?Leg=88&Chamber=H&Code=A3090>.

Our hearing for the House Committee on Higher Education is Monday, March 20, at 10 a.m.. We will hear testimony on various bills, including two of mine (HB 998 &

HB 2188). Visit <https://files.constantcontact.com/604e59bb401/a20a4481-54d9-45cd-8408-bd1d3dac7dbd.pdf?rdr=true> to see the bills and to watch online.

If you need any further information about the session, please keep reading and do not hesitate to reach out to my staff if you have any questions.

It is an honor to serve you in the Texas House of Representatives.

Dennis Paul
State Representative

County Commissioner Adrian Garcia reacts to Comptroller Hegar

A Travis County District Court has temporarily blocked Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar's determination that Harris County defunded the Precinct 5 Constable's office. If the ruling stands, it means the State of Texas may not block Harris County from setting a tax rate and budget.

Harris County Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia has issued the following statement:

"The Court looked at the facts, looked at the law, and made the right call: Harris County has only increased the budgets for our law enforcement since I joined Commissioners Court. In fact, I initiated many of these investments."

"The Comptroller should look at this order, see how future litigation will go, and

withdraw this complaint. We have the facts on our side, and we have the law on our side. We have important business to take care of in Harris County, especially when it comes to protecting the public by making smart investments in public safety, such as new criminal district courts."

"The Comptroller's actions are purely political and have created uncertainty that puts those efforts in jeopardy. It is time for him to withdraw his inaccurate findings and stop playing politics with budgeting, let us get back to serving the nearly 5 million people of Harris County."

The next hearing is March 23, 2023. A copy of Harris County's lawsuit is available here.

Adrian Garcia
Harris County Commissioner

Local library events set

In case of storms or adverse weather, refer to library website for details.

Bracewell Branch Library

Bracewell Library is at 9002 Kingspoint. Customers are encouraged to visit the building to browse, check out and return materials, use the computers and Wi-Fi, and check out holds. 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. Bracewell is closed Sundays.

Thursday, March 23, 3 - 4 p.m. Open lab - computer class. Registration required.
Thursday, March 23, 4 - 5 p.m. Family storytime. Registration required.
Monday, March 27, 3 - 4 p.m. Open lab - computer class. Registration required.
Tuesday, March 28, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. CMH The Basics fun shop.
Visit <https://houstonlibrary.libcal.com/calendar/events> for more library events.

Book drop

The book drop is open. Library materials can be returned. The library continues to provide online resources to enjoy the library virtually. Large items such as FLIP kits or laptops should not be placed in the book drop, but taken inside.

Additional resources

The Houston Public Library has electronic resources, books, audiobooks, databases for research, tutoring, language learning, education and parent information for Texas residents with a library card. To get a card, visit the home page at www.houstonlibrary.org under Here's What's Happening. Click on Free Resources for All to access digital resources and access a link for a temporary card. Also, under Here's What's Happening, the card titled Online Resources for Kids accesses a Virtual Storytime provided on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. The archived storytimes are found on Facebook under Houston Public Library Virtual Storytimes. Another virtual program is Craft.

Houston Public Library's many free online resources and digital services are available 24/7 with a MY Link Library Card at www.houstonlibrary.org, including e-books and e-audiobooks, streaming TV, movie and music services, online classes and tutoring and databases. Until further notice, only electronic items (i.e. e-books, e-audio books, etc.) are eligible for holds and check-out. HPL has a collection of free e-books and audio books. Visit the catalog for previously requested hold selection may be in a digital format. Instructions on downloading the e-book or audio book are on the site.

Parker Williams Library

Parker Williams Library and book drop are open. The library will follow state and county guidelines for mask and social distancing. Social media links are Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary and Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary.

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

Thursday, March 23, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Conversation club.
Thursday, March 23, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Toddler time.
Friday, March 24, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. AARP Tax aid.
Monday, March 27, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. AARP Tax aid.
Monday, March 27, 11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Family storytime.
Monday, March 27, 6 - 7 p.m. Reader Rendezvous book club.
Tuesday, March 28, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Babies 'n' books.
Tuesday, March 28, 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. Dungeons & Dragons.

Parker Williams "No-Contact Curbside Holds Pick-Up"

- After receiving notification that holds are ready for pickup, call 832-927-7870.
- Have a library card number and PIN handy.
- A pickup time and instructions will be given.
- Upon arriving, park in one of the two parking spots reserved for curbside holds.
- Be prepared to show a library card or other form of ID for verification.
Hours are Monday, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library> for details.

Online services

- Use HCPL Wi-Fi service with HCPL's drive-up Wi-Fi.
- Download e-books and audiobooks, stream movies, research and learn at www.hcpl.net.
- Attend an HCPL program or story time online through Facebook or YouTube.
- Check an account to renew loans or request books, e-books, comics or graphic novels.
- Stream classic films, indie cinema and award-winning documentaries on Kanopy.
- Listen to audiobooks through RBDigital or OverDrive.
- Read along and play with picture books on TumbleBooks.
Don't have an HCPL library card? Instant access can be obtained to all HCPL's digital materials and research tools with an iKnow Digital Access Card. Apply at <https://www.hcpl.net/services/iknow-card> for a HCPL card. For details, visit <https://www.hcpl.net>.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:30 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. and 10 a.m.*
Sunday	1 p.m. Misa en Español†
Monday, Wednesday & Friday	9 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday	7 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)
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Margaret Ann Kelso



Margaret Ann Kelso, 85, died Thursday, March 9. She was born Dec. 20, 1937, to Raymond and Lola Mae Gilmore. She married James "Pete" Kelso on Jan. 8, 1956, in Houston.

Margaret, a South Belt resident, was a wonderful and loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She worked as a bookkeeper for Homer's Hardware as well as several other stores in Houston before retiring to be with her family full time. She loved to travel, play cards and dominoes, going to concerts, and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her son, James Kelso; grandchildren, Carrie McCray, Elisabeth Breaux and Seth Kelso; and her great-grandchildren, Brooke Hewitt, Sophia Hewitt and Hadley Mae Kelso. She was preceded in death by her husband; great-grandson, Wyatt James David Hewitt; one sister; three brothers; and her parents.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. March 25 at Faith Baptist Church, 9850 Mango St.

Mary Catherine Cordray O'Rear



Mary Catherine Cordray O'Rear departed from this life peacefully Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at the age of 86.

Mary was born to Thomas Julius Cordray Jr. and Mary Lottie Dusek Cordray on June 29, 1936, in Galveston. Growing up, she was an avid softball player and even held a spot on the all-star girls' softball team. When she wasn't on the field, she could be found tending to her beloved Appaloosa.

Mary was a 1954 graduate of Ursuline Academy in Galveston. She married William "Bill" O'Rear, the love of her life, March 15, 1974. They spent many wonderful years building a life together and raising four beautiful children Phil Lewis, Glen Lewis, Jean Fullen, and Cathy Sutherland. Mary and Bill went everywhere together including shopping, because he would carry all her packages.

While her children were in college, Mary decided to follow her lifelong dream to go to college as well. She received her degree in business from the University of Houston-Clear Lake at the age of 50.

Mary was a proud retiree of NASA's Johnson Space Center. She always said she would go to space if she had the opportunity. She never made it to space, but she was able to ride in a hot air balloon instead. Mary was adventurous. She always wanted to skydive and enjoy roller coasters. Oddly enough, however, she would never step foot onto a boat.

Mary loved to crochet, work puzzles and spend time with family and friends. She especially loved her pet box turtle of over 40 years, Pip, who will miss her.

Mary is preceded in death by her parents, son Glen Lewis, and brothers, Tommy Cordray and Emil Cordray. She is survived by her son, Phil Lewis and wife Jennifer of League City; daughter, Jean Fullen and

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husband Bill of Galveston; and daughter, Cathy Sutherland and husband James of Lake Jackson. She is also survived by seven granddaughters Natalie Fullen Avandalehi and husband Kurosh, Elizabeth Fullen Granja and husband Jose, Valerie Fullen, Emily Lewis, Nicole Lewis, Sophia Sutherland, and Audrey Sutherland; two honorary granddaughters Wendy Frazier and Tonya Abel, all of whom she loved so much; and her beloved great-grandson, Miles, who was her reason to get on the floor and play.

A funeral Mass will be at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, at noon, Friday, March 24, with visitation one hour prior. Mary will be laid to rest at Mt. Olivet Catholic Cemetery, 7801 Gulf Freeway.

Pallbearers will be Phil Lewis, Bill Fullen Jr., James Sutherland, Jose Granja, Kurosh Avandalehi and Brad Fullen. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to St. Luke Catholic Church or the charity of one's choice.

Sonia Sandoval Guevara



Sonia Sandoval Guevara, 70, entered into God's heavenly presence and went to be with her Lord and savior, Jan. 31, 2023. She was born May 4, 1952. She was a longtime South Belt resident since 1975.

Sonia will forever leave her memories of enjoying traveling to visit her children in Texas and supporting her granddaughters through their childhood. She was a collector of collections and enjoyed the history of antiques. During the holidays, one would catch Sonia and her husband of 53 years eating BBQ or tacos in small-town restaurants. She enjoyed listening to live music and sitting outside watching the birds and dogs. She was committed to providing love to her many pets—and more importantly, singing and dancing in front of her children's fur babies. She will always be remembered holding Miss Eleanor, one of her favorite French Bulldogs—who will forever be by her side.

She is survived by her husband, Abel Guevara Jr.; her children Sasha Guevara, Abel Guevara III, Crisma Guevara; grandchildren Sashiana Munoz, and Cianna Huerta; and her siblings Alma Sandoval, Robert Sandoval, Noel Sandoval, Harvey Sandoval, Aracely Bradley and Hector Sandoval.

She is preceded in death by her father Mauro Sandoval; her mother Lilia Lopez Sandoval; daughter Mariol Guevara; and brother Mauro Sandoval.

A visitation and burial was held at Castle Ridge Mortuary, in Crystal City, Texas on Feb. 3, 2023.

Leader checks out social media

By Natalie Abarca

A member of People of Sagemont Facebook group posted photos of an incident that took place Wednesday, March 15, during the day.

The member was exiting at Beamer/Blackhawk when she observed a man on the shoulder picking up what looked like trash and was kind of skipping around, looking strangely.

She slowed down to exit and saw him pick up something long and silver that she thought he would use to shoot her. However, it was a pipe which he threw at her window as she sped up at the last second to avoid being struck. The pipe hit the passenger windshield of her car and broke it.

Cleanup is back . . .

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done by the Knights of Columbus around a decade ago, organizers hope to make the South Belt Cleanup a biannual event.

The previous events had been organized by Stokes.

"We have had such an amazing response from our community for this and are looking forward to everyone coming together for what will

hopefully be a biannual event," said Barbour. "We have had so much support from the county, the city and our community."

Organizers are currently seeking volunteers.

All volunteers must sign a waiver. Volunteers may register the day of the event by arriving early or by contacting Workatmr work2@att.net or 832-338-5156.

Cole said he intends to dedicate any newfound free time toward his business.

Friends and family gathered Saturday, March 18, to celebrate Cole's retirement.

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Pasadena Memorial names honor roll for 4th 6-weeks

Pasadena Memorial officials recently released the honor roll for the fourth six weeks of the 2022-2023 school year.

Ninth grade
Isabella Abrego Soriano, Helen Acosta, Shia Adriano, Amanda Aguilar, Estrella Aguilar, Nathaniel Alaniz, Jasier Altamirano, Gael Alvarado, Gwendalynn Alvarado and Jose Alvarez.
Raul Alvarez, Manuel Anderson, Aracely Andrade, Jair Araujo, Camilla Arguello, Alexander Arias, Manuel Arredondo, Victor Ayala Aguirre, Emberlynn Ayala, Savannah Ayers, Mahmood Azam and Camille Barahona.

Sonia Barraza, Kayleen Basurto, Preston Bellamy, William Berrios Hernandez, Veronica Berrones, Xavier Blanco, Ceanna Boekhoudt, Breana Borja, Alan Bracho, Kaitlyn Breen and Colton Broussard.

Elizabeth Bui, Ethan Bui, Nathan Bui, Tran Bui, Camden Butcher, Lucas Calderon, Tyson Caldwell, Daniela Camarillo, Valerie Campos, Angie Canenguez Flores, Dafne Carmona, Amaya Carr, Caitlyn Carr, Alec Carranza, Israel Carrascal and Angelique Carrasco.
Marlin Carter, Karen Castillo, Enrique Castrejon, Edwin Catalan, Max Cazares, Vanessa Cedillo, Gary Cepeda, Joshua Cerda, Aristeo Chapa, Eden Chapa, Jaslyne Chapa, Angelina Chavez, Nevaeh Chavez and Victoria Chioreanu.

Nathan Cisneros, Ava Cando, Jesse Contreras, Casey Crawford, Edelmiro Cruz, Adrian Cuevas, Camila Davila, Jacob Davis, Lilyana Davis, Alberto De Alba, Isaac De La O, Daniella De Leon, Alysabeth Deleon, Marissa Deleon and Ja'neia Denmon.
Calla Dockery, Esiah Duenez, Sofia Duffey, Kimberly Duran, Axel Escamilla Baltazar, Mariana Escamilla, Jennifer Fernandez, Angie Flores, Anthony Flores, Luis Flores, Signid Flores, Shelby Fox and Xavier Franco.

Andy Fresco Hernandez, Harold Funez, Oscar Gallo-Brizuela, Lia Garcia Colacho, Favio Garcia Cueva, Isabelle Garcia, Larissa Garcia, Lauren Garcia, Valeria Garcia, Caleb Gardner and Silvana Garza Perez.
Galilea Garza, Jose Garza, Julian Garza, Brissa Gaytan Montemayor, Josiah George, Madelyn Gerber, Aidan Girron, Alfredo Gomez, Ashley Gomez, Liliana Gomez, Osiel Gomez, Anthony Gonzales, Duvan Gonzalez and Janae Gonzalez.

Mia Gonzalez, Victoria Gonzalez, Bryan Goytortua, Sanaa Green, Alexea Gudino, Juan Guerra, Maria Guerra, Sofia Guerra, Henrik Guerrero, Mia Guerrero, Rangel Guzman, Diego Hernandez, Isaiah Hernandez and Kamila Hernandez.
Kian Hernandez, Damh-jon Houke, Matthew Izaguirre, Logan Johnson, Cadie Jones, Elena Juarez, Phoebe Kaatz, Rayne Larson, Linh Le, Ellen Licona, Micah Longoria, Nathan Lopez Herrera, Eliuth Lopez, Layla Lopez, Elizabeth Lozano and Katalina Lozoya.

Tyler Lucas, Jonathan Luna, Ace Ly, Natalia Macias, Alexis Madrid, Arely Maldonado, Daniel Mancía Mendoza, Nayelly Marquize, Anthony Martinez Hernandez, Marcos Martinez and Melvin Martinez.
Osbaldo Martinez, Vanessa Martinez, Marice Mattamana, Michelle Mendoza, Leilaine Menendez, Spirit Millan, Ivan Miranda, Charles Mitchell, Amirah Mohammed, Katy Moncayo, Miguel Mondragon and Adam Monreal.

Alfa Montalvo, Eric Montemayor, Saray Montenegro Reyes, Savannah Montes, Kailley Montoya, Dalia Morales, Delylah Morales, Devani Morales, Juliet Moreno, Mark Motal, Alexis Munoz and Jayden Munoz.
Mariangel Navarro, Victoria Navarro, Gidalti Neri, Anh Ngo, Delayla Nguyen, Tien Nguyen, Samantha Nix, Alex Nunez-Hernandez, Ma'layiah Nunley, Taleik O'guinn, Melanni Ochoa Flores and Alana Oliver.

Karla Ornelas, Lindsey Orocio, Jennifer Ortiz, Monserrat Osorio, Isabella Pacheco-Lathe, Lina Parada, Kera Peavy, Jasleen Penaloza, Ethan Perez, Gloria Perez, Khanh Phan, Erick Pinedo Villa, Victoria Prado, Anya Quezada and Noemy Quintanilla.
Priscilla Quiroga, David Ramirez, Lane Ramos, Luis Rangel, Natalie Rangel, Dayami Reyes, Samson Rios, Jayson Rivera, Devan Robison, Aylene Rodgers, Alexander Rodriguez, Ashly Rodriguez, Bianca Rodriguez, Davian Rodriguez and Osvaldo Rodriguez.

Grace Romano, Ryan Roque, Karen Rozon Santos, Aytza Russell, Sophia Sagastizado, Isabella Salas, Melanie Salcedo-Molina, Camila Sanchez, Julian Sanchez, Marlene Sandoval, Mario Santiago, Kassandro Saucedo and Emilia Schneider.
Morgan Schnettler, Dianey Serna, Alejandro Serrano, Tomas Serrano, Christian Slattery,

Abigail Smith, Braden Smith, Sebastian Solis, Ventura Solis, Sydney Stewart, Xavier Suarez, Matthew Tavira, Janie Texop, Khanh To and Keiry Torres Villanueva.
Dominic Torres, Issac Torres, Mario Torres, John Tran, Melanie Tran, Nicole Tran, Rachel Tran, Jolie Trejo, Samantha Trevino, Loc Truong, Rodrigo Valdez Gonzalez, Manuel Valladares Morales, Sofia Vallejo and Arturo Valles.

Elanya Vasquez, Rocky Vasquez, Luna Vazquez, Angel Vega, Jared Vega, Annette Vela, Jainel Vicente, Alice Vela, Joshua Villanueva, Daniela Villarreal, Jaxon Villarreal, Francisco Villatoro, Matthew Villegas and Kristen Williams.
Vanessa Wu, Juan Zamora, Tomas Zamora, Nora Zapata Overyides, Karen Zuniga and Yamil Zuniga.

10th grade
Leila Afilleje, Idaly Alarcon-reyes, Lidia Aldana Portillo, Kimberly Amador, Joselyn Amaro, Raquell Amaya, Kemora Andrade, Alphin Antony, Vanessa Arana, Brisa Arredondo, Yazmin Artega Del Real, Yesenia Artega Del Real and Amani Assalam-Mazyk.
Riyam Baba, Daniel Baez, Diana Bahena-Rodriguez, Aldrin Baluyut, Julio Barron, Sandra Barron, Danica Beard, Patrick Bernal, Daniel Berrones, Marycathryn Boyer, Lesley Braden, Aslyn Buenrostro, Eliazar Campos Quintana, Tommy Cao and Ellen Carrillo.

Sarahi Chavez Martinez, Tiffany Cole, Kevin Colindres, Jacob Condado, Addison Cooper, Izabella Cortez, Kimberly Cuencas Carbajal, Miranda Cuevas, Shane Dal, Elizabeth-Truc Dao, Levi Del Angel and Estrella Del Rio.
Charles Denham, Kendra Denon, Engelis Diaz Diaz, Jesus Diosabot, Kevin Drey, Alonso Escamilla, Jaime Escamilla, Briseida Escarzagua, Yonis Escobar and Diego Escobedo.

Daniela Esparza, Julian Estrada Zavaleta, Adam Estrada, Joselyne Estrada, Delayna Fernandez, Kayshia Flores, Monserrat Flores, Yaretzi Flores, Jennifer Galan, Joel Gallardo, Jasadee Gaona and Josue Garcia Mayorga.
Daniel Garcia, Gabriel Garcia, Nahomi Garcia, Veronica Garcia, Jesus Gardea, Arlene Garza, Gavin Garza, Victor Garza, Crystal Gibbens, Mauro Gomez, Mia Gomez, Gael Gonzalez, Isabella Gonzalez, Nashly Gonzalez, Nathan Gonzalez and Daphne Goytortua.

Dayanara Granados, Sophia Grote, Sayuri Guadarrama, Nayeli Gutierrez, Olivia Guzman, Dylan Hernandez, Jasmine Hernandez, Michelle Hernandez, Erick Herrera Salazar, Victoria Hieslip, Gavin Hinojosa, Ngoc Ho, Musbah Hoque and David Houser.
Kristine Huynh, Kara Ingersoll, Anyely Islas, Eugenio Islas, Jeremiah Isom, Joslyn Jauregui, Francisco Jimenez, Gisselle Jimenez, Rodrigo Jimenez, Christopher Jones, Marco Juarez, Natalia Le Goenaga, Britney Le, Ngan Le, Hector Lopez and Mario Lopez.

Miguel Lozano, Gabriel Marcos, Amanda Marler, Calie Martin, Carmelo Martinez, Jonathan Martinez, Kayla Martinez, Sean Mccoy, Crew Mcdonald, Alondra Medellin Rodriguez, Michael Medina, Yamileth Melendez and Angelina Mendez.
Ethan Mendoza Vazquez, Gabriel Mendoza, Heleny Mendoza, Juan Merino-Ruiz, Esteban Miranda, Liliana Miranda, Aiden Moes, Grecia Monarrez, Estefania Montalvo, Ilse-maria Morales, Leonardo Moran and Giselle Moreland.

Ibthaj Mubashir, Cassandra Munoz, Genesis Navarro, Bryanna Negrete, Judith Nelson, Tony Ngo, Christine Nguyen, Huong Nguyen, Shayla Nguyen, Vinh Nguyen, Orlando Ochoa, Mauricio Olivares and Gissel Olmedo.
Alan Olivera, Angela Orellana, Citali Ortiz Pedroza, Julian Ortiz, Sara Ortiz, Aldo Padron, Charles Palacios, Leonardo Palmeros, Faith Paredes and Jush Patel.

Osman Paz, Ashley Perez, Bethany Perez, Rafael Perez, Khang Phan, Bianca Pinto, Luis Portilla, Angelica Ramirez Escobar, Emma Reeves, Amber Reyes, Andre Reyes and Jaqueline Reyes.
Sebastian Reyes, Jayme Reyna, Rey Rios, Erica Rivas, Ernesto Rivas, Aaliyah Robles, Anthony Rodriguez, Emelyn Rodriguez, Cassandra Rodriguez, Nichelle Rodriguez and Rodolfo Rodriguez.

Manuel Romero, Michael Romero, Krissilyn Roque, Genesis Rosales Alfaro, Frank Rosas, Grace Rosenbaum, Alexander Rubio, Andrea Sagastizado, Christopher Sahagun, Isaac Salazar, Josiel Salazar, Julissa Salinas and Karen Sanchez.
David Santos, Christian Sims, Angel Soto, Megan Stuart, Lena Swick, Isis Talamantes, Makayla Talavera, Shaylen Thompson, Amayah Torres, Anthony Torres, Jalissa Torres and Alexander Tran.

Anh Truong To, Anaelizbeth Urioste, Kianna Valadez, Nevaeh Valadez, Jayden Valdez, Athena Velez, Silvia Vielma, Marianna Villalobos, Ilyana Villaseor and Vivian Whitaker.
Jo'anna Williams, Vivian Wu, Mariana Yado, Evelyn Yanez, Joan Zamora, Paulina Zapata and Nadia Zetino-Vallencia.

11th grade
Lorelai Adame, Mia Adriano, Maya Alaniz, Diego Alarcon, Emily Alvarado, Carlos Amaya Vargas, Perla Amezcua, Chloe Anderson, Gustavo Arana, Jaslyn Araujo, Diego Armenta, Leslie Arredondo, Rey Arredondo, Valerie Arredondo and Maya Artega-Houjumi.
Aaron Avila, Adrian Avina, Alejandro Avina, Prabhleen Bains, Angelo Baluyut, Alexis Bandera, Sindy Barrera Serrano, Lesly Barron, Jazmine Bates, Ana Bello, Giselle Beltran, Summer Billings and Judy Bittar.

Lynaida Bonilla, Hannah Brooks, Debanhi Bueno, Ethan Burden, Laura Caballero Lozano, Destiny Calixto, Alexa Camacho, Fernando Cantu Lopez, Israel Cantu, Tien Cao, Zachary Caracheo, Kaitlyn Carr and Aiden Carranza.
Lorenzo Carrasco, Emelia Casteel, Galilea Castillo, Karina Castro, Adrian Cazares, Angela Cedillo, Jorge Centeno, Karla Chapa, Emily Chavez, Nathan Chavez, Sofia Chavez, Trey Choate, Morgan Claxton, Isabella Condado, Daniel Contreras, Ricardo Cordova, Ashley Cruz, Jason Cruz, Santos Cuellar and Graciela Del Toro.

Aliyah Deleon, Carolina Delgado, Vedika Deva, Oscar Diaz, Sophia Diaz, Herleen Dinh, Vy Dinh, Fatima Diosdado, Elia Dominguez-Guerra, Princess Edogawerue, Juan Esquivel and Madeline Estrada.
Kei'lon Faraj, Gael Flores, Isabel Flores, Anita Frank, Carlos Funez, Valeria Garcia Mayorga, Christopher Garcia, Cristofor Garcia, Joliana Garcia, Daniel Garza, Fabian Garza and Helen Garza.

Sarah Garza, Mauricio Gloria, Ashley Gomez, Eddelyn Gomez, Erin Gomez, Mia Gomez, Daniel Gonzalez, Frida Gonzalez, Kayla Gonzalez, Shailyn Gonzalez, Vanessa Gonzalez and Genesis Guerra.
Nathan Gutierrez, Saul Guzman, Hanna Hagar, Alejandro Hernandez, Eliza Hernandez, Nathan Hernandez, Nicholas Hernandez, Vivien Hernandez, Lan Hoang, Nguyen Hoang, Leia Iduarte, Bella Isales, Devin Lara, Anna Le and Aleyna Leblanc.

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Cassandra Perez, Natalie Pineda, Wendy Quiroz, Krislin Raju, Katie Ramirez, Bailey Ramos, Mariana Ramos, Jayden Rangel, Jose Rangel, Patricio Reboloso, Angel Reyes, Ethan Rincon, Itzel Rios and Nicole Rios.

Zoe Rivera, Pablo Rodriguez Flores, Alexis Rodriguez, Emily Rodriguez, Jazely Rodriguez, Gabriela Romero Leal, Julissa Romero, Yahaira Romero, Alexandra Rosales and Brielle Rubio.
Karime Ruiz, Betzy Salazar, Jose Sanchez, Valeria Sanchez, Alexia Santellanes, Irma Santillana Hernandez, Jonah Santos, Ariathna Serrano, Savannah Smith, Emmanuel Solano and Ashley Solis.

Billy Suarez, Yecenia Tamez, Caiden Tobias, Leah Torres, Holly Tran, Michelle Tran, Tamara Trejo, Mai Truong, Emery Tullos, Josue Vallejo, Ngan Van, Aglae Vazquez, Andrew Velasquez, Brandi Verdin and Laisha Villarreal.
Aurora Williams, Bella Winthrop, Edlin Zapata, Zurriyah Zavala, Tereza Zebrowa, Josue Zetino Artega and Eyan Zetino.

12th grade
Anna Abrego Soriano, Britni Aguilar, Wendy Aguilar, Siani Alanis, Marcelino Alaniz, Ashley Aleman, Arly Alfaro, Ashley Alfaro, David Alvarado, Marco Alvarenga, Manuel Amezcua, Jabari Antoine and Josiah Aranda.
Sarina Arceneaux, Madison Arcizo, Brianna Arredondo, Viviana Arredondo, Chance Arriaga, Angel Arroyo, Jimena Avila-Garcia, Hajar Baba, Briana Baker, Angel Balderas and Juan Banda.

Jonathan Banegas, Francisco Barahona, Madeline Barreira, Jennifer Barrios, Alexander Bengochea, Jonah Bilanoski, Demetri Bragg, Ty Branch, Andrei Buenrostro, Brandon Bui and Kayleen Bui.
Bianca Burnett, Jomaih Burton-Britton, Emil Caballero, Eva Caldera, James Calderon, Haley Calvo, Eliana Cardenas, Hannah Carrasco, Homero Carrasco, Emma Carro, Olivia Casas, Kate Castillo and Shaylye Castrejon.

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Angel Garcia, Arianna Garcia, Jocelyne Garcia, Xander Garcia, Diego Garnica, Haley Garza, Jackelyn Garza, Noah Gaytan, Claudia Gomez, Izrael Gomez, Leissel Gonzalez Holguin, Brianna Gonzalez, Francisco Gonzalez and Josias Gonzalez.
Karolina Gonzalez, Leonardo Gonzalez, Luis Gonzalez, Marlen Gonzalez, Yajaira Gonzalez, Elizabeth Granda, Hailee Grappe, Julie Guevara, Jacob Guidry, Swazi Gumell, Aldo Gutierrez Cardenas, Eddie Gutierrez and Edgar Guzman.

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Christian Ibarra Gonzalez, Yahir Jaramillo Gonzalez, Christopher Jimenez, Shakty Juarez, Kyndal Kelly, Andy Lam, Yael Lara Garcia, Alani Lara, Nayah Laurent, Qui Le, Joel Leonzo Melendez and Lorenzo Lezcano.

Daniel Licerio, Grecia Lopez Serna, Evelin Lopez, Madeline Lopez, Madyson Lopez, Martin Lopez, Nikolas Lopez, Savannah Lopez, Caleb Loredo, Jeremiah Lozano, Joseph Luna, Guadalupe Madrigal and Justin Mai.
Laysha Maldonado, Steven Maldonado, Gabriela Marshall, Dannery Martinez Arjona, Marcos Martinez Moyeda, Felipe Martinez, Ivan Martinez, Jared Martinez, Joceline Martinez, Juliette Martinez and Liliana Martinez.

Oscar Martinez, Sophia Martinez, William Martinez, Zayla Martinez, Joseph Martin, Elizabeth Mejia, Cindy Melendez, Cristopher Mendez Maldonado, Carlos Mendez, Evelyn Mendoza and Joshua Mendoza.
Isabelle Milam, Christian Miller-wade, Jennifer Miranda, Abigail Mitchell, Tyler Mohr, Ariel Monroy, Michael Montemayor Benedetto, Anthony Morales, Ariana Moreno, Emily Moreno, Jose Morin and Isaiiah Munoz.

Lilly Munoz, Marina Munoz, Monica Munoz, Gerard Navarro, Michael Navarro, Thomas Newton, Brenda Ngo, Amy Nguyen, Angel Nguyen, Nancy Nguyen, Tan Nguyen, Tram Nguyen, Abigail Nolasco and Isabela Nunez.
Ana Ocampo, Bibiana Olivio, Tristan Olivio, Miguel Ovalle, Vanessa Paredes, Victoria Paredes, Diyanka Patel, Walker Patrick, Mariana Pena, Aneliz Perez, Kamilla Perez and Rogelio Perez.

Savannah Perez, Duc Pham, Vy Phan, Jose Pina, Lauren Puente, Diego Quintanilla, Sierra Quintero, Adria Rahman, Kevin Ramirez Jimenez, Agustin Ramirez, Stephanie Ramirez and Briana Ramos.
Evony Ramos, Erika Resendez, Faith Reyna, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Audrey Rivas, Alex Robles, Leslie Robles, Arwen Rodriguez, Bernardo Rodriguez, Claudio Rodriguez and Denisse Rodriguez.

Dylan Rodriguez, Kaitelyn Rodriguez, Melissa Rodriguez, Noah Rodriguez, Victoria Rodriguez, Elizabeth Rojas, Samira Romero, Moises Rubio, Aureli Rutiga, Janeise Salazar and Osvaldo Salazar.
Oziel Salazar, Haley Salisbry, Gabriela Sanchez Fuentes, Jeremiah Sanchez, Juan Sanchez, Fany Sandoval Morales, Mia Santamaria Wareham, Oscar Santiago Santiago, Faith Santiago and Michelle Santibanez.

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Hayden Stallings, Destany Steward, Alexander Stiltner, Luis Talamantes, Kimberly Tamez, Jade Tapia Coutino, Eunice Tejeda, Devan Thach, Dayanara Torres, Jacqlyn Torres, Jasmine Torres, Joann Torres and Amber Tran.

Hao Tran, Andres Trevino, Deisy Trevino, Xitilay Trevino, Ngoc Truong, Arianna Tucker-Nguyen, Johana Turcios, Cameron Urdiales, Jorge Urioste, Ismael Vasquez Rivera and Felicity Vasquez.
Isela Vasquez, Zalet Vazquez, Alexandra Vega, Juan Vela, Guillermo Velasquez, Angel Villalobos, Samantha Villanueva, Gabriel Villarreal and Victoria Villaseor.

Thao Vu, Tuong Vu, Emma Weiser, Justina West, Ava Wiggington, Taliyah Woods, Emily Yanez, Breanna Ybanez, Avy Zapata, Gabriella Zepe, Madelyn Zikogiannis and Adrianna Zuniga.

See to Succeed reaches milestone

See to Succeed, a Houston Health Department program helping address the critical need for vision care by providing free eye exams and eyeglasses to underserved children, reached a milestone recently. The program served its 100,000th child from the Houston area.
Each year, thousands of children with no access to vision care receive the help they need to succeed in school. The program serves school children ages 6 to 18 from 16 Houston-area school districts and charter schools. The vision clinic provided exams for children from the Pasadena Independent School District.
"Most of these children will feel successful once they receive their much-needed prescription glasses. It will help them succeed in school and more importantly, in life," said Stephen L. Williams, director of the Houston Health Department. "I want to thank the Houston Health Foundation and its board of directors for their continued commitment to helping this program thrive. Thank you to the entire See to Succeed team for the great work and long hours they put in with every clinic they provide at schools all over the Houston area." Each year, more than 40,000 children are diagnosed with a vision issue in the Houston region and half of the cases go unresolved.
Unaddressed childhood vision disorders hinder development, social interactions, self-esteem and school performance, especially in reading. Students unable to read at grade level are far more likely to drop out of school. People who had unresolved vision problems as children tend to

earn 50 percent less annually upon entering the workforce.
See to Succeed, launched by the health department in 2011, is a public-private partnership supported by the Houston Health Foundation. "Eleven years ago, See to Succeed partners, led by the Houston Health Department, recognized the magnitude of unresolved vision deficiencies among Houston's youth and resolved to do something about it," said Robin Mansur, president and CEO of the Houston Health Foundation. "Serving 100,000 children only proves how beneficial and much needed this program is to the community. Thank you to all our team, donors and partners for their support. We look forward to building this program so that all children in Houston are assured the chance to succeed in school with good vision."
For more information about See to Succeed, visit houstonhealth.org or houstonhealthfoundation.org.



Members from the Houston Health Department, See to Succeed program, and supporters celebrated the program's milestone. Shown here, left to right, are Alise Neff, Shannon Rogers, April Weisedel, Maricela Janak, Dr. DeeAnn Powell, Dr. Troy McCarley, Amber Macneish, and Gabriela Malone Hooker (center), third-grade student at Jensen Elementary. Neff and Macneish are PISD employees from the P.E./Health and Wellness department of the district's health department, but were there for the 100,000th student celebration as representatives from the Pasadena Lions Club. The Pasadena Lions Club assists the district each year with the See to Succeed event. The Houston Health Department coordinates this event in partnership with the Houston Health Foundation each year. This was PISD's 12th year to participate in See to Succeed. Janak is the school nurse from Jensen Elementary where Hooker was See to Succeed's 100,000th student served.

Veterans event set for March 27

On March 27, at Ellington Airport's Vietnam War Flight Museum Hangar Bay (12101 Blume) - it's Texas Veterans Town Hall time. The event is hosted by Vietnam Veterans of America, Veterans 4 Veterans, Operation Honor Our Local Vets, and Law 4 Warriors with support of local veterans organizations such as SERVE, VFW and American Legion Posts, Greater Houston Veterans Rotary, Houston Regional Veterans Chamber of Commerce and many more including veteran-owned businesses. VA's Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Medical Center staff will be in attendance and serving Texas veterans on the spot.
The public is invited to come out to learn more about PACT Act, New Family Caregivers Program, Community Care and Survivors benefits, get registered in VA health care and participate in PACT Act toxic screenings. These will be onsite by Michael E. DeBakey, VHA staff, (and possible onsite claims intake by VA's VBA Regional Office Houston. Attendees will also have the opportunity to meet supportive congressional members, staff and contacts, veteran service organizations and officers, veteran nonprofit leaders and veteran-owned businesses as the voices of veterans are shared and the veterans' community is supported. Veterans stories will be shared as they are learned.
The master of ceremonies will be Greater Houston Veterans Rotary President Bob Gebhard and the evening will also include casual viewing of military aircraft from past and present. To set up a booth, one is invited to set up their own table with outreach information to share. There is no fee to do

this but there is a lot to learn and great networking opportunities.
The opportunity is offered to those who attend to meet the photographer, daughter of Vietnam Veteran, Renee Rodriguez who will be sharing her photography experience and tribute to all United States veterans at the Rotunda of the Texas State Capitol in April, 2023.
Set-up is scheduled to occur between 5 and 6 p.m. Doors open between 6 and 6:30 p.m. and the event begins at 7 p.m. All media is welcome to come out and show support. Those interested in attending are encouraged to email legal@TexasVeteransTownHall.com.

CCISD sets calendar

The Clear Creek ISD Board of Trustees unanimously approved the 2023-2024 Academic Calendar during the regular meeting on January 23.
Calendar A has school beginning on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, and ending on Friday, May 31, 2024. Out of nearly 7,500 total votes, this calendar was the most popular amongst parents, staff and community members out of the four drafts available.
The District is continuing Instructional Planning days. These days allow teachers to plan lessons together based on the needs of their students and adjust as necessary. Early dismissal days will be announced at a later date and a transition day for incoming pre-K, kindergarten, sixth and ninth grades may be added.

Super Steers celebrated at South Belt Elementary



Shown are South Belt Elementary's Super Steers for the month of March for the 2022-2023 school year. The pictured students were chosen by their teachers, based on their ability to display the character trait of the month, fairness. Left to right are (first row) Julius Woods, Odalis Bedolla, Julianna Garcia, Aliyah Gonzales, Aniya Hasan, Tylan Atkins, Brycen Lemons, Johnny Adams, Melissa Salinas, (second row) Adrika Nopal, Brendee Martinez, John Thomas, An Phan, Montsarrat Sanchez, Cesar Campos, Lucas Gallegos, Kathaleya Acevedo-Ramos, (third row) Fabi

an Salazar, Alaina Perez, Romaisa Mian, Olivia Villanueva, Brady Capers, Ezekiel Reyes, Rhett Sullivan, London Jade, (fourth row) Camryn Gutierrez, Alessandra Gutierrez, Emma Hernandez, Lylah Richards, Xavier Udomah, Jordan Melchor, Ma'niyah Florence, (fifth row) Kourtney Gibson, Julianna Medina, Adalynn Gonzalez, Julian Glenn and Phuc Nguyen. Not pictured are first-grader Jariyah Adams, third-grader Hayleigh Garcia and fourth-grader Kyla Starks-Glispie.
Photo by Lakitha Thomas, counselor

PISD announces spring term fine arts calendar

Pasadena ISD officials recently released the calendar for the spring Fine Arts program for the 2022-2023 school year.
March
Morris Middle School's Orchestra's Fun Friday and Mini Concert at Morris Middle, March 24, 4:15 - 6 p.m.
"BIG ART Day!" at PISD Veterans Memorial Stadium, March 24, 5 - 9 p.m.
Middle School Band Pre UIL Festival at J. Frank Dobie High School, March 31, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Middle School Orchestra Benchmark Festival at Pasadena HS, March 31, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
High School Band Pre UIL Festival at J. Frank Dobie High School, March 31, 9 - 9:30 p.m.

April
High School Band UIL CandSR at J. Frank Dobie High School, April 12, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
High School Band UIL CandSR at J. Frank Dobie High School, April 13, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Beverly Hills Int. Orchestra - Spring Concert at Ledford Hall, April 13, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
High School Band UIL CandSR at J. Frank Dobie High School, April 14, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
High School Orchestra SandE (not going to state) at PMHS, April 15, all day event.
Int. Choir S and E for Thompson and Beverly Hills Int. at Beverly Hills Int., April 15, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
J. Frank Dobie High School Orchestra - Senior Recital at Dobie9 HS, April 20, 7 - 8 p.m.
Dixie Melillo MS Band - Gator Music Festival Contest at McAdams JH School, 11415 Hughes Rd., April 27, all day event.
Morris Middle School Orchestra - Final Concert and Awards at Beverly Hills Int., April 27, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Morris Middle School Band - Gator Music Festival Contest at McAdams JH Auditorium, April 29, all day event.
May
Morris MS - Band Spring Concert at the Beverly Hills Int. Auditorium, May 8, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
Thompson Int Band - Spring Concert at the Thompson Outside Gym, May 9, 7 - 8 p.m.
Beverly Hills Int. Band - Spring Concert held in the auditorium, May 9, 7 - 8:15 p.m.
Melillo Middle School Choir - fifth and sixth grade choir concert held in the cafeteria, May 11, 6:30 - 7 p.m.
Melillo Middle School Band - Spring Concert held in the cafeteria, May 18, 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Thompson Int. Orchestra - Spring Concert held in the inside gym, May 18, 7 - 8 p.m.

Perry discusses debut novel, life in South Belt

By M.T. Duke
Leader staff

Helen Miller Perry's career might have spring boarded with the release of her debut novel recently, but it was hardly the beginning for her. Set in the mid-1980s in a remote cabin in the Minnesota forest, her debut novel "To Live Again" is a certified page-turner. However, writing was not the start of a long and prosperous career for Perry that began long ago.

Perry, a former real estate agent, first moved to the South Belt area in 1961. Her two sons grew up to attend J. Frank Dobie High School while she and her husband were both active members of the community. In the years that have passed, she has seen the area change and grow immensely. Span-

ning a 45-year career in real estate at McCarver Realtors, ERA and the Bay Area Association of Realtors, Perry and her friend went on to create the first mobile real estate school, which she sold in 2019. Also, Perry continued to stay busy in her local church, acted as den mother for the Boy Scouts of America, was involved with in the HOA and continued her tireless and diligent work as a homemaker.

Her novel, though, came about by an interesting conglomeration of factors. Combined with a decades-long love for reading, a fascination with Native American history and culture, as well as a conversation with an old friend employed at NASA. Perry explained this friend relayed

to her over dinner one night, years ago, that satellite foot-casting discovered a change in the trees themselves. The reason behind this, NASA was unsure, so an individual was tasked with the assignment of remaining in a remote area of the Minnesota wilderness to further investigate and monitor the situation.

Later, Perry was driving home from work, mulling over the conversation. She thought to herself how that would make an interesting story, and so she wrote one. She sat down at her table with a legal pad, and according to her, "Five hours later I had started that novel." When asked about inspiration for these characters and their interactions, she says, "It just

came to me." Afterward, though, the story was left alone for years, until one day another friend of Perry's decided that as a birthday gift to Perry, they would publish what she wrote all those years ago. She says they spent approximately a full year editing and readying the work for publishing and now it is available for purchase on Amazon. Next month, April 13, a book signing will be held at the Battleground Golf Course in Deer Park during an 8 a.m. breakfast for anyone interested. Her local library, close to Cleveland, Texas, is also interested in hosting a book signing as well.

Kind enough to share a spoiler for what's ahead, Perry shared the scandalous information that a sequel, even though Perry says she hates to call it a sequel, is in the works, following the same characters as their journey grows and changes.

Overwhelmed by the positive feedback "To Live Again" has received, Perry is beyond thankful for the support both from friends and strangers alike, and is excited to further see how her writing impacts others.

A spotlight on athletic trainers

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Kids don't eat, apparently, and the job might be thankless altogether, at least some days, but the local teachers and trainers involved in sports medicine are not giving up on their athletes anytime soon.

Lori Mahan, athletic trainer at Dobie, expressed, "You can't be in this job thinking you're going to get recognition every time an athlete gets back."

basic wound care and first aid, minor rehabilitation as well as working in strengthening and conditioning athletes. They do all of this while working and learning under the direction of the athletic trainers on campus.

The education required for athletic trainers has changed considerably. Mahan stated a benefit to this is the variety in age groups, especially at Dobie. Each age group had to meet different education requirements the other might not have needed to meet, and this provides a wealth of experience and expertise to help the student trainers and athletes.

Despite the significance of them, athletic trainers are overall underappreciated. Steve Tran, an athletic trainer at Clear Brook High School, stated that unfortunately, since their work is so behind the scenes, they aren't really brought up until an injury occurs. Also, stigma surrounding the profession adds to the lack of recognition and appreciation. An unfounded opinion toward athletic trainers is they want to keep athletes from playing, they want to hold them back. The truth is in fact exactly the opposite.

"We're not here to prevent a kid from doing anything," clarified Lopez. Trainers work around the clock to keep athletes healthy and moving, but to do so in a safe manner. He went on to explain that reputation was difficult to get away from, but that is also why education is so important for not only students and parents, but the public as well.

The month of March is named National Athletic Training Awareness Month (NATA) and for good reason. These students and staff dedicate themselves to their profession wholeheartedly, even though they don't get all the praise and glory. However, Mahan did express that the recognition of a

rehabilitated player should go to the athlete, to further motivate them. So, it's a lot of hard work, and according to Lopez it's also a lot of paperwork and very little praise and glory. But, even in just talking to these trainers very briefly, it is evident how much they care not only about their profession, but also for their students.

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Walker (Class of 1974), Mary Campbell-Fox (Class of 1976), Chris Connelly (Class of 1977), Dina Jackson-Giesler (Class of 1981), Mark Chassay (Class of 1984), Bobby Burton (Class of 1987) and Christa Williams (Class of 1996). Fallen heroes inducted included Walter McRae Jr. (Class of 1972) and Chris Williams (Class of 1984). Former teacher Richard Golenko was the lone staff member to be inducted.

Former Harris County Commissioner Sylvia Garcia defeated fellow Democrat, state Rep. Carol Alvarado in the runoff election to fill the District 6 Senate seat of the late Mario Gallegos. Garcia received about 53 percent of the vote, while Alvarado received roughly

47 percent.

A 5-year-old boy was temporarily taken during a carjacking in the 10000 block of Fuqua. According to police, the incident occurred when the boy's parents were filling up water bottles at the Foodarama grocery store. Police said the couple left their son in their vehicle just outside the door of the store for less than two minutes. The keys were reportedly left inside the vehicle. When the couple exited the store, they discovered their truck had been stolen with their son inside. The crook quickly realized the child was inside the vehicle and dropped him off at the Walgreens located across the street. The boy walked inside the store, and employees called 911. Police were able to reunite the boy with his family within about 10 minutes. He was not injured. No immediate arrests were made.

It was a traumatic week for students and staff of the Pasadena Independent School District, with threats of violence being made to multiple campuses, including Dobie High School. Four arrests had been made in response to the threats. The first arrest involved a student from Bondy Intermediate, who allegedly made an online threat on social media; the second arrest involved a Dobie student for making a threat via Snapchat; the third arrest involved a Pasadena Memorial High School student for posting an online

threat against Rayburn High School; and the fourth arrest involved a Rayburn student, who threatened another student by making a hand gesture mimicking a gun and making threatening comments.

All of the students were charged with making a terroristic threat, a third-degree felony punishable by two to 10 years in prison. With the exception of the Pasadena Memorial student, all of those arrested were juveniles. All of the arrested students were suspended from school for one year, at which time they must be readmitted per state law. As a precaution, security was subsequently beefed up at all area campuses.

A woman was killed in a motorcycle accident on Monday, Feb. 26, at the intersection of Beltway 8 and the Gulf Freeway. According to police, the woman, 27, was traveling at a high rate of speed on the overpass that connects the southbound lanes of the Gulf Freeway to the eastbound lanes of Beltway 8 when she lost control of her motorcycle and struck a concrete wall, reportedly throwing her from the overpass. Paramedics responded to the incident and pronounced the woman dead at the scene. No other motorists or vehicles were involved in this incident.

A man was fatally shot outside an apartment complex about 2:20 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, in the 1200 block of Redford near Edgebrook and the Gulf Freeway. According to Houston Police Department officials, patrol officers responded to a shooting at the above address and found the victim, Rufus Banks, lying on a sidewalk unresponsive suffering from a gunshot wound. Houston Fire Department paramedics arrived and pronounced Banks dead at the scene. At press time, there was no known suspect(s) or motive. No immediate arrests were made.

Investigators said Harrell is also the suspect in another unrelated aggravated assault case.

Truong's family has set up a GoFundMe page to help defray medical costs. The fund has raised tens of thousands of dollars after the incident received national media attention. To donate, visit www.gofundme.com/t/help-my-mom-recover-from-spinal-cord-injury.

In the wake of the violent crime, Houston Police Department officials are offering tips to avoid jugging incidents.

When banking in person, the Houston Police Department recommends being aware of the following types of vehicles:

- Occupied vehicles backed into parking spaces with clear view of the front doors of the bank, ATM machines or commercial drive-thru lanes.
- Vehicles with dark tinted windows with little or no visibility of the occupants.
- Vehicles changing parking spaces for no apparent reason.
- Vehicles with multiple occupants.
- Houston Police Department officials further recommend the following tips to avoid being the victim of a jugging incident:
- Always be aware of one's surroundings.
- Conceal money before leaving the bank.
- Never carry bank bags, envelopes or coin boxes openly and easily seen.
- Be aware of anyone following from the area of a bank.
- If one suspects they are being followed or targeted, call 911 from cellphone and keep the dispatcher informed of location, direction of travel and keep driving until a marked police vehicle is able to locate them.
- One should never leave or try to hide bank bags in their vehicle when they exit at the next destination, even if it's at one's own residence.
- Try to make banking activities the last stop on one's list of things to do.

For additional information on jugging, as well as prevention tips from the Houston Police Department, visit nextdoor.com/agency-post/tx/houston/houston-police/prevention-tips-on-juggers-109821811.

Stallions shine in performance at Olympiad



Ten Stuchbery Elementary students were chosen to represent the school in the biannual Olympiad Elementary School Performance. Olympiad is a program that demonstrates physical education skills and activities that are taught in the classroom. All 36 Pasadena ISD elementary schools participated. Shown above, left to right, are (front row) Charlotte Kearby, Adalynn McMullin, Mae Green, Emiliano Aguirre, Isaac Salgado, (middle row) Aubrey Britton, Maddison Randall, Matthew Mooney, Bryce Lee Jones, Kayden Leal, (back row) coach Susan Brady, coach Kevin Albert and coach James Maslonka.

J. Frank Dobie High School releases fourth six-weeks honor roll

J. Frank Dobie High School recently announced their honor roll students for the fourth six-weeks of the 2022-2023 school year.

Ninth grade
Aubrey Adler, Leonela Aguilera, Anderson Aguilera, Kayla Akinfenwa, Blessing Akinloye, Sural Alcorta, Jalynn Alix, Daniela Alonso Valtier, Joel Alvarenga, Jaiden Alvarez, Angel Amador and Evan Amezcua.

Paloma Arguello-Contreras, Karla Arqueta De Leon, Hussai Arias, Jasmine Arreola, Sean Arroyo, Kendall Ashworth, Lahnay Avendaño, Ivan Ayala, Mikalya Bain, Kaitlyn Baines, Makayla Ballard St. Romain and Blue Banda.

Piper Battarbee, Nathaniel Belleville, Shuehley Belman, Arihanna Berrones, Tanner Bo, Katia Boardman, Alexis Bonilla, Diana Bonilla, Keily Bonilla, Yahir Bonilla, Jordyn Brown, Megan Bui, Isabella Byron and Victoria Caballero.

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Correa, Cecilia Cruz, Hailey Cubos, Kaileen Culpepper, Aidan Dang and Christina Dang.

Kevin Dang, Arianna Davidson, Jeremiah Davis, Jordan De Robles, Daphney Deleon, Gregory Deleon, Joseylin Delgado, Julie Delgado, Aiden Diaz, An Do, Hayden Do, Kevin Do and Jeulis Domingo.

Anthony Dominguez, David Ekokong, Diego Esparza, Chloe Estes, Cooper Estes, Kamilah Estrada, Cheyenne Evans, Norman Fabian Alba, Oliver Fabian Guzman, Emily Flores, Gavin Flores, Jorge Flores and Valentin Flores.

Savannah Flores-Lewis, Roxann Franco, Essence Gabriel, Lexi Galindo, Dianna Galvan, Reynold Galvan, Ethan Garay, David Garcia, Edward Garcia, Grant Garcia, Johnny Garcia, Julietta Garcia, Alyria Garcia-Zain, Emily Golenko and Christopher Gomez.

Ethan Gomez, Adam Gonzales, Olivia Gonzales, Frank Gonzales-Adame, Miranda Gonzalez, Salvador Gonzalez, Daniela Guerrero, Abel Gutierrez, Abigail Gutierrez, Hao Ha, Harrison Henderson, Seanghor Heng and Jonathan Henton.

Ashley Hernandez, Ava Hernandez, Michael Hernandez, Olivia Hernandez, Himabelli Herrera Conde, Morgan Hill, Zein Hjouj, Aiden Ho,

Kenny Ho, Trinity Hoang, Trinh Huynh, Davion Johnson, Jordan Johnson and Siah Johnson.

Marcus Jones, Isabella Labra, Cady Lagrone, Audrina Lanza, Keyla Lara Villanueva, Alex Le, Danton Le, Nathan-cuong Le, Richard Le, Janiel Lebron Delgado, Kailey Ledezma, Jandel Leon Ortiz and Kevin Leon.

Rafael Lopez, Santiago Lopez, Joshua Lozano, Franca Linh Lozano, Ilana Luna, Linh Luu, Peyton Lynn, Kenia Machuca Cedillo, Ava Macias, Kristin Madise, Matthew Mai, Johan Martin, Abraham Martinez and Lexie Martinez.

Xavier Martinez, Mia Mata, Ty Mata, Hania Matin, Katherine Matute, Tristan McKissick, Dulce Mejia Hernandez, Kiara Merkerson, Mehreen Mir, Jessica Moise, Cristian Monge, Simon Montemayor and Nathan Montez.

Anthony Morales, Hector Morales, Zariah Morales, Jazliyah Moreno, Nevaeh Mosley, Anthony Moussambani Mandje, Jacoby Muniz, Angie Munoz, Heidi Nganou, Tommy Ngo and Andrew Nguyen.

Anthony Nguyen, Chloe Nguyen, Cj Nguyen, Dan Nguyen, Diana Nguyen, Gia Nguyen, Hannah Nguyen, Hoang Nguyen, Linh Nguyen, Mary Nguyen and Matthew Nguyen.

Minh Nguyen, Ngan Nguyen, Nhan Nguyen, Thinh Nguyen, Tiffany Nguyen, Thu Ninh, Melanie Nunez, Thalia Oddo, Jeffery Ordonez, Edgar Orozco, Awele Ozieh, Tanya Palomino and Amairani Pena.

Isabella Pena, Matthew Perez, Stephany Perez, Don Pham, Hannah Pham, Thi Pham, Cynthia Pineda, Emyly Pineda, Jazmin Pineda, Adema Pol, Wilson Ponce, Alevia Powell and Brianna Puga.

Dyshaun Ragin, Jezreel Ramales, Joaquin Ramirez, Ricardo Ramos, Yvette Ramos, Lucas Reed, Jaylyn Requeno Ortiz, Kaitlyn Resendez, Alexander Resendiz, Destiny Reyes, Sebastian Rincon, Jose Rivas and Aileen Rivera.

Camron Robertson, Tai Robinson, Luis Rocha, Carlos Rodriguez, Vania Rodriguez, Genesis Roman, Roger Ruiz, Dylan Salinas, Cristian Sanchez, Jacob Sanchez, Alejandro Saucedo, Naven Scott and Jannelle Segueda.

Nicholas Sepulveda, Kaitlyn Sherwood, Raymundo Solis, Isaiiah Solorzano, Alison Soriano Gonzalez, Maite Sosa, Daniel Soto and Sarah Soto.

Mia Sudario Garza, Thao Ta, Angie Tinajero, Anthony Tinajero, Kian Ton, Jaiden Torres, Jose Tovar, Mia Tovar, Kaylanie Tran, Kylie Tran, Parker Tran, Jose Trejo Orte-

ga and Alexandra Trevino.

Khang Truong, Keyli Vanhoutsen-Guerrero, Fernando Vargas, Aidan Veitia, Leydi Velasquez Velasquez, Brandon Ventura, Armando Vergara, Theodore Villarreal, Joseph Vivier and Thu Vo.

Bao Vu, Leon Vu, Zoey Vuong, Clayton Washington, Madison Washington, Malakai West, Olivia Wheeler, Sy Wiggins, Xandria Williams, Kaedyn Woodard, Ta'mya Woods, Yuliana Zambrano, Christopher Zarate Moreno and Jose Zuniga.

Vince Bui, Rosette Calvillo, Kailee Canales, Emily Cano, Donny Cantu, Sydney Cao and Ariana Castaneda.

Thomas Castelan, Eugenia Caudillo-Fernandez, Victor Chapa, Danielle Chenier, Michael Collins, Kobi Conaway, Avangeline Cosse, Adriel Cruz, Bryanna Cruz, Kimberly Cumpian and Santiago Cuya.

Daniel Davila, Ulani Da-

vis, Galilea De La Garza, Johan Delapaz, Gyzelle Delgado, Anthony Dinh, Kristin Do, Vvy Do, Jocelyn Dominguez, Tyree Drumgo, Kirsten Duong, Sarah Espinal, Bethany Espinoza and Viviana Fernandez.

Jose Flores, Lindzey Flores, Peyton Fontenot and Ruby Fonuyou.

To be continued in next week's issue of the Leader.

Juggling arrests, tips

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Remember When

45 years ago (1978)
Enterprise, the nation's first space shuttle orbiter, was on display at Ellington Air Force Base.

Fire Department celebrated its 25th year of serving the South Belt area.

The Dobie High School Academic Decathlon Team won the Texas Academic Decathlon competition in Garland.

The San Jacinto College Board of Regents named Dr. Linda Watkins president of the college's South campus.

A near fatal accident happened when a young man had an insulin reaction. Due to the heroic efforts of nearby residents, the man survived.

Record crowds showed up to cast their votes in the Democratic and Republican primary elections. Many area polling locations were reported to be overcrowded.

The Genoa Transfer Station would need to obtain a new permit and have an existing one amended before the State Health Department would allow the landfill to accept garbage from Philadelphia.

Clear Creek Independent School District Superintendent Dr. John F. Ward, 50, died of cancer at his Clear Lake home.

Environmental and health experts from all over the country were planning to meet at San Jacinto College South for a summit on Brio. The purpose of the summit was to discuss a safe conclusion to the site.

Film crews from The Nashville Network filmed a segment featuring Sagemeadow resident Brian Aeschbacher who worked as a crew member for pro stock drag racer, Ron Ayers.

South Belt area business owners teamed with the Clear Lake Economic Development Foundation to form the Ellington Task Force to promote Ellington Field.

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Best Friends Boutique
Groom & Board

Tues.-Sat. 7am-6pm
11506 Hughes Rd. South Belt @ Hughes



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JOE!
Wishes for a very happy birthday are sent March 25 to longtime Sagemont resident **Joe Dominguez** from his wife **Yolanda**, family, friends and the staff at the **South Belt Leader**.

JUDGE DELGADO MARKS A BIRTHDAY
Judge **Jo Ann Delgado**, Harris County Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2, Place 1, celebrates a birthday March 26. Happy birthday wishes are sent to her from the **Leader** staff.

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO GEORGE RISNER
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1 year ago (2022)
A man was fatally shot outside an apartment complex about 2:20 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, in the 1200 block of Redford near Edgebrook and the Gulf Freeway. According to Houston Police Department officials, patrol officers responded to a shooting at the above address and found the victim, Rufus Banks, lying on a sidewalk unresponsive suffering from a gunshot wound. Houston Fire Department paramedics arrived and pronounced Banks dead at the scene. At press time, there was no known suspect(s) or motive. No immediate arrests were made.

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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES

Champion Dobie soccer to face Humble

Boys' Bidistrict Soccer
Dobie Longhorns
at Humble Wildcats
March 24, 7 p.m.
at Charles Street Stadium

The accolades speak for themselves. Whether it's the program best ever record of 20-0-4 or the 10-0-2 District 22-6A run that netted a ninth consecutive league championship, the Dobie varsity boys' soccer program put together another memorable season. Now it starts all anew. The Class 6A bidistrict playoffs start March 24 for the locals as they take on the Humble Wildcats, the fourth-place program out of District 21-6A. The Dobie/Humble winner will take on either Clear Creek or Elsie in the March 27-28 area playoff round.

state tournament after last making the program's lone appearance in 2017.

In his 10th season as head coach of the Longhorns, Justo Manrique has built a proven power as evidenced by the Longhorns' nine straight league titles.

The breakthrough came in 2017 with a program-first Region III crown that resulted in a state semifinal appearance. Yet other stellar regular seasons have ended too early for Dobie's liking.

What to expect this time? While the Longhorns don't necessarily possess a go-to guy on the offensive end, Victor Hernandez and Jordi Garcia are plenty capable, and this group has also paid off plenty of scoring chances.

At right, Dobie junior midfielder Daniel Saravia (6) and his teammates will begin a quest for the Region III crown March 24, going against Humble in the bidistrict playoff round.

Photo by Donna Alsdorf



Torres' mastery lifts Dobie baseball over Deer



Dobie's Cruz Torres, who beat Deer Park March 16 with a gem of a performance in a 2-1 win, has been one of the best pitchers anywhere with his 5-0 record.

Cruz Torres threw a complete game gem, allowing four hits and one earned run as he led the Dobie varsity baseball team to a 2-1 win over defending league champion Deer Park and a split of the two-game head-to-head series March 16 at Deer Park.

The Deer had outlasted Dobie 6-2 in eight innings in the series opener March 14 at Dobie, but Torres handcuffed the Deer to improve to 5-0 overall this season as the Longhorns entered a set with Pasadena beginning March 21 after press time.

Junior Orozco led the way to the win over the Deer, going 2 for 3 with a run scored. Omar Serna had a hit and scored a run,

while Matt Torres, a St. Thomas University commit, had a pair of hits and scored a run.

Dobie has now won 11 of 18 games with two ties mixed in as of press time before facing Pasadena March 21 at Maguire Field.

The Longhorns will host Teacher Appreciation Day March 24 at Dobie against Pasadena at 4 p.m., then host the Memorial Mavericks March 28 at Dobie in the first of two games between the two programs.

Pitching has been superb for the Longhorns to this point, and Torres has been as good as anyone. The Longhorns have shown they are for real.

Dobie hosts Pasadena
March 24, 4 p.m.
at Dobie main
(Teacher Appreciation Day)

Dobie hosts Memorial
March 28, 4 p.m.
at Dobie main

Dobie girls' soccer faces West Brook



The Dobie varsity girls' soccer program will face the Beaumont West Brook Bruins March 24 at Anahuac High School as the bidistrict soccer playoffs start. Dobie is a No. 3 seed out of District 22-6A. Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Longhorn softball returns to action

A much anticipated rematch with Deer Park will come March 31 at Deer Park, but for now the Dobie varsity softball program has returned to action with designs on keeping the wins coming.

The Longhorns won their third straight game March 10 at Channelview and then took off for spring break.

At 13-7-1 overall, Dobie has put together another solid run to this point and will now look to continue playing well in league play.

Senior catcher Bella Perez led the team in hitting at .545 through 21 overall games, with Sandra Quiroz, another senior, hitting .509. A third senior, Marisa Perla, had hit .486,

and the team's leader in runs batted in was Quiroz with 22, followed by Perla's 20.

Dobie will go against South Houston March 24 in a 6 p.m. game at the Pasadena ISD Complex and will play at Shadow Creek March 28 in a non-district game. That game starts at 6:45 p.m.

Dobie's second-round

game at Deer Park is March 31, at 6 p.m.

Dobie vs.
South Houston
PISD Complex, 6 p.m.
Dobie at
Shadow Creek
SCHS, 6:45 p.m.
Dobie at
Deer Park
DPHS, 6 p.m.

Ravens winners of four straight

Winners of four straight games with the rescheduled pair against Coastal Bend not announced, the Ravens went into action against Alvin March 22 after press time at 22-10 overall.

It all began March 13 with a 6-0, 5-4 sweep of a pair of games at Bossier Parish.

In the 6-0 win, the Ravens' Reanna Nieman spun a two-hit shutout and struck out 11 while Kendra Cutlip knocked in a pair of runs.

Emma Garcia went 3 for 4, scored two runs and drove in a run.

As for the 5-4 win, San Jacinto got three hits and two runs driven in from Arianna Wright and Kylie Hernandez homered and drove in two runs as the locals plated a run in the top of the ninth inning, then saw Nieman close out the win in relief.

The Ravens were in Athens, Texas March 15, topping Western Nebraska 10-2 and then getting past host Trinity Valley 7-4.

Wright homered and doubled in the win over Trinity Valley, and Nieman allowed no earned runs while striking out seven to earn the win.

Wright, a freshman from College Park High School, has been exceptional in pacing the Raven offense with a .494 batting average, 12 doubles, eight home runs and 30 runs batted in.

Foster, a freshman from Alvin High School, has hit .387 and is set to Wright's team-leading 39 hits with 36 of her own.

San Jacinto knew it had a standout in the circle with Haygood, and she has delivered a 7-1 record with a 1.32 earned run average.

Nieman, a freshman from Deer Park, has a 1.37 ERA.

BAFL Cowboys, Cowgirls' teams offer spots

The Sagemont Cowboys and Cowgirls are registering for the 2023 football season.

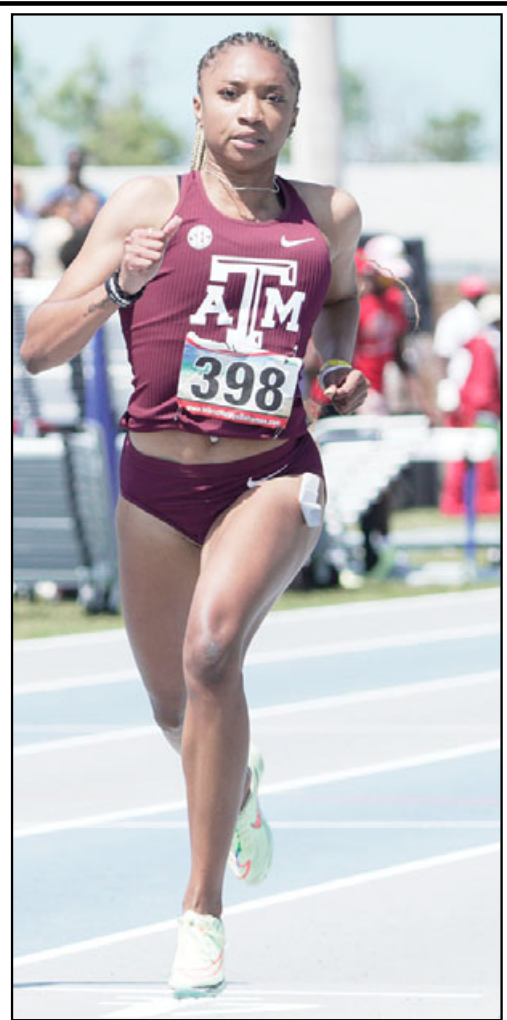
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Lutheran South Academy's Emily Bell is now the school record holder in the discus event after she came up with a personal best of 123 feet, 9 inches during the Clear Falls Knight Relays March 15. The Pioneers' Alma Martin also won a bronze medal for third place in the pole vault, going over the 10-00 mark for third place. Bell was a state medalist a season ago in the discus with a best of 120-3 for bronze.

Dickson dazzles with TAMU

At right, Clear Brook Class of 2022 graduate and current Texas A&M freshman track and field standout Camryn Dickson returns home March 25 as the Aggies will be at the Victor Lopez Invitational at the University of Houston. Dickson and her teammates were second overall at the Island Relays Bahamas Invitational March 17-18 to open the outdoor season. The Aggies' 4x100 relay squad won gold at 44.33 seconds as Dickson was joined by Jania Martin, Leah Burr, Semira Killabrew. Individually, Dickson dashed to a gold medal in the 100 at 11.81 as she served notice of the possibilities during the outdoor season opener. The Aggie men's squad won the team championship in the Bahamas.



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District 22-6A Basketball Boys' All-District Selections

Most Valuable Player
Robert Miller III, Memorial

Offensive Player of the Year
Kevin Juarez, Pasadena

Defensive Player of the Year
Nicholas Buffalo, Deer Park

Newcomer of the Year
Mike Matthews, Pasadena

Coach of the Year
Ryan Bright, Deer Park

First-Team Honorees
Dylan Jackson, Dobie
Josh Anderson, Deer Park
Camren Fowler, Dobie
Kamron Webb, South Houston
Elijah McNeil, Pasadena
Gary Brown, Memorial
Kailum Galtney, Channelview
Jordan Buckner, South Houston
Malachi Miller, Deer Park
Josh Larry, South Houston

Second-Team Honorees
Jaden Shanklin, Dobie
Julio Cisneros, Dobie
Jayden Baxter, Sam Rayburn
Ryan Clemons, Deer Park
Andrew Aguilar, Deer Park
Joseph Buckner, South Houston
Mijai Mickles, South Houston
Josiah Ware, South Houston
Marques Neal, Channelview
Jesse Hernandez Jr., Pasadena
Sean Dansby, Memorial
Sebastian Farias, Memorial
Samuel Leal, Sam Rayburn

Honorable Mention - Dobie
Kai Conerly
Kyler Thomas
Malachi Hobbs

Dobie's Fowler, Jackson earn 22-6A boys' basketball honors



At left, Dobie's Camren Fowler (14) was named to the 22-6A All-District first team boys' basketball squad after helping the Longhorns finish as the No. 4 playoff seed behind the trio of co-champions that included South Houston, Memorial and Deer Park. At right, the Longhorns' Dylan Jackson (1) was also named to the first team as the league's head coaches gathered to select the respective honorees. Memorial standout junior Robert Miller III was named the Most Valuable Player of the 22-6A ranks while Pasadena's Kevin Juarez was named Offensive Player of the Year. Deer Park's Nicholas Buffalo was 22-6A's Defensive Player of the Year, while Pasadena's Mike Matthews was named the league's Newcomer of the Year. Ryan Bright of Deer Park was named Coach of the Year in the 22-6A ranks.



SBGSA's 12-under Astros go undefeated, win Deerwater softball tourney

At right, the South Belt Girls' Softball Association's 12-under Astros won first place at the Deepwater Invitational, going undefeated over six games. Members of the team are, left to right, Laila Cabrera, Brooklyn Coronado, Kathya Contreras, Mia Gonzalez, Jasmin Ramirez, Lucia Gonzalez, Yuliana Aguirre, Khloe Dominguez, Chloe Gonzalez, Grace Garcia and Chelsea Morales. Not pictured are coaches Juan Gonzalez, Rene Gonzalez and Robert Ramirez. In winning the championship, the Astros defeated the Pasadena Tsunami 5-4 to claim the top honor. Previous to the championship game, the Astros defeated the La Porte Dirty Dozen 12-6, the South Belt Lady Oilers 6-3 and the La Porte Arsenal 7-4.



Garza fuels UTSA's 18-3 start



Dobie graduate Daniel Garza has excelled in a relief role as the University of Texas at San Antonio baseball program has rolled out to an 18-3 overall start following a three-game sweep of Florida Atlantic March 17 and March 19. Garza, a junior, is 3-0 with a 2.55 earned run average over 17 2/3 innings for the Roadrunners.

Thompson boys win track crown in finale

Thompson Intermediate's seventh-grade boys completed a dominant season, more than doubling the points of second-place Bondy, rolling to the Pasadena ISD track and field team championship with 188.5 points March 8 at Auxiliary Stadium in Pasadena.

Beverly Hills Intermediate's Cruz Jasso was one of the season finale's many stars, taking over as the Pasadena ISD's all-time record holder in the 2,400 run with a time of 8 minutes, 23.06 seconds.

Meanwhile, the Thompson Lions' eighth-grade team went down to the wire with San Jacinto, with the Tigers ultimately collecting 150 points for the team crown and Thompson second with 138 points.

Lions' 7s tops in PISD
A sweep of the three relay golds and 60 team points certainly helped the Lions roll to the team championship in the seventh-grade division.

In the 4x100 relay, Thompson took gold for a finish of 50.17 as the Lions' foursome included Terry Betties, Ethan Tran, Adrian Taylor and Jordan Ramirez.

Betties, Tran, Ramirez and Ke'Mareun Adams put together a time of 1 minute, 45.40 seconds in the 4x200 relay to give the Lions another 20 points and more gold.

The 4x400 relay capped

the day as the Lions, long since having collected enough points for the team crown, cruised to the win in a time of 4:15.91 behind the efforts of Xavier Arizmendez, Angel Ferrufino, Quintin Taylor and Earon Ramirez.

The Lions also came away with individual gold and other top-three medals to pile up the team points in other events.

Thompson's Adams, who was in on four gold medals in all, won gold in the 200 at 24.37, with Taylor second in a time of 25.29.

Adams also excelled in the field, where his toss of 40 feet, 1 inch easily won the shot put, with teammate Kevin Guero sixth with a throw of 30-03.

Adams went 11.95 for the top spot in the 100, with the Lions' Taylor second in a time of 12.06.

In the 1,600, the Lions' Alec Alvarez won a bronze medal for third place in a time of 5:55.41, and Thompson's Alijah Banda crossed the finish line in a time of 9:34.93 for sixth place.

The Lions also performed well in the 400 as Ramirez clocked in at 1:01.11 for second place. Arizmendez was fifth at 1:03.96, and Ferrufino's time of 1:04.12 was sixth best.

The long jump was another event of strength for the Lions as they went 2-3-4, with Taylor going

15-10 for second place and a silver and Tran taking a bronze for his third-place leap of 15-4.

The Lions' Ezekiel West placed fourth with a best of 15-3.

Betties was second in the 110 hurdles in a time of 16.68, with Caleb Johnson of Thompson fifth with a time of 18.17.

Taylor posted a time of 49.13 for second place and a silver in the 300 hurdles, while West was in at 51.40 for fifth place.

Ferrufino grabbed third place and a bronze at the 800 distance with a time of 2:33.36, while Arizmendez's clocking of 2:34.34 was fifth.

Jeremy Rougea went 29-5 for sixth place in the triple jump as he added to the Lions' win, and Harley Stewart was sixth in the discus at 82-9.

GAT 8s are second
While a disqualification in the 4x200 relay could have cost the Lions a shot at the team crown, the 4x400 relay group ended the season on the track with a gold medal at 3:51.60 as Rory Martinez and Franchesco Torres-Padilla teamed with Nolan Thomas and Emmanuel Vasquez for the win.

The Lions' 4x100 relay was in for second-place silver medals in a time of 47.85 as the Thompson foursome included Smith, Ke'Lijah Jackson, De Moses and Torres-Padilla.

Vasquez was the gold

medalist in the 800 in a time of 2:19.54, and the Lions' Wilfredo Javier timed in at 5:34.85 for fourth place at the 800 distance.

Jackson wound up third in the 100 in a time of 11.92, with Moses fourth in a time of 12.05.

A time of 58.76 was good for Thomas to place fourth in the 400. In the 200, Jackson's time of 24.47 was third for a bronze medal, while Moses went 25.47 for sixth place.

Rodrigo Martinez of Thompson was sixth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 18.52.

Bears' 8s are third
The Beverly Hills eighth-grade boys were well behind champion San Jacinto and second-place Thompson but put together 84 points for third place in the team standings.

Beverly Hills celebrated with a win in the 4x100 relay for gold medals and 20 big team points as a time of 47.76 came from the foursome of Brandon Dorsey, Ruben Vasquez, Isaiah Jones and Deshaun Singleton.

Brendon Harris brought home a silver medal for his second-place time of 17.83 in the 100 hurdles.

The Bears clocked in at 1:41.69 for second place in the 4x200 relay as the medalists included Vasquez, Dorsey, Jones and Harris.

Third place in the 4x400

relay went to the Bears as Singleton, Nathaneal Garcia Campos, Jordan Ware and Tayvine Blackmon teamed in the event.

Teammates Jordan Ware and Cleveland Hill both cleared 4-10 in the high jump, with Ware earning fourth place and Hill fifth.

At 17-00, the Bears' John Crumbley placed fourth in the long jump, and Crumbley also finished in a time of 47.31 for fourth place in the 300 hurdles.

A shot put throw of 34-8 earned the Bears' John Gonzalez fourth place in the event, and Kamari Sherman contributed with a sixth-place effort of 14-6 in the long jump.

Beverly Hills went 4-5 in the 800 for key team points as Garcia Campos (2:28.88) was fourth, with teammate Jaime Rodriguez (2:29.61) fifth.

Jasso paces BHI 7s

Jasso highlighted the entire meet with his district record in the 2,400 run as he delivered 10 points to the Bears' seventh-place, 47-point team total.

Back at it in the 1,600 run, Jasso was golden yet again as his time of 5:18.19 was easily the best in the event.

Kainoa Martinez was a gold medalist for the Bears in the 400 with the win in a time of 1:01.08.

In the 4x400 relay finale, the Bears were third for a bronze medal in a time of 4:22.93 as the group included Brendan Cortez, Jaxson Canales, Jasso and Devin Lopez.

The Bears were sixth in the 4x100 relay as Cortez, Jordyn Thomas, Canales and Jakaleb Crumbley combined for a time of 54.54.

Aaron Villareal was fifth in the discus with a best of 83-01.

Brook pair set records

Kamryn McLaurin, the District 24-6A varsity girls' basketball Defensive Player of the Year following a terrific sophomore season on the hardwood, quickly made the transition to the high jump runway as she is now the Clear Brook record holder as she cleared 5 feet, 8 inches in the high jump at the Clear Falls Knights Relays March 15.

Also at Clear Falls, senior and Mississippi College signee Kennedy Thompson took gold in the discus with a throw of 128-10. She also was fourth in the shot put at 35-4.

A week earlier, sophomore Chardel Terrell, an All-District first-team basketball star, grabbed the school record in the 1,600 run with a time of 5 minutes, 38 seconds in the event.

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7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill," Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., in Cornell Conference room. Call 713-686-6300 or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.
7:30 a.m. Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets at Pearland Chamber of Commerce, 6117 Broadway St., Pearland, or on Zoom. See Chamber of Commerce 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.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. FM 518, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). Call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.
7 p.m. Congregation Shaar Hashalom - All services are live and on Zoom. For details visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.
8 p.m. Serenity Now At-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts discover choices available. Call 281-484-9243.
8 p.m. AA - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26
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. Call 713-944-9186.
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, MARCH 27
9 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call Karen Hollon 713-472-0565 for tours.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
1:30 - 3 p.m. Hometown Heroes Dance - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, is now open. Volunteers teach lessons with a different dance rhythm each month. Park activity card holders attend free. Call 281-554-1180.
6 p.m. Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. COVID-19 vaccination required. Call 281-488-2923.
7 p.m. AA - St. Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting in the Education Bldg., room 4, 11011 Hall Rd. Call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.
7 p.m. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #0683 chapter meets at the Friendswood

Methodist Church, 110 N Friendswood Dr. in the educational bldg., room 201. Call Lynette 832-858-4617 or Dorothy 713-875-8820.
7 p.m. NA - See Friday's notice.
TUESDAY, MARCH 28
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - See Monday's notice.
9 a.m. American Begonia Society - Houston Satellite meets at Helen Hall Library, 300 W. Walker. Call Joe at 281-481-2458.
11:30 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - See Sunday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Southeast Houston Toastmasters - The Southeast Houston Toastmasters Club meets virtually. Visit south-easthouston.toastmastersclub.org or call 281-467-1880.
7 p.m. NA - See Friday's notice.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29
See Thursday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hometown Heroes Humpday Dance - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, League City, 77573, is open. Casual ballroom dancing is offered. Call 281-554-1180.
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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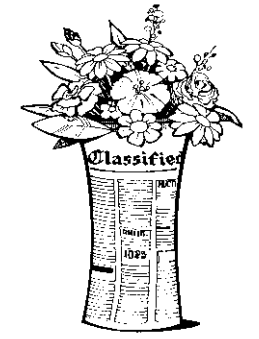
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Sam Rayburn's Moore was once a state softball great in memorable era

Editor's Note: The following is the sixth of nine weekly features recognizing the Class of 2023 Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame inductees.

In the March 30 issue of the *Leader*, former multisport head coach Rhonda Foster will be featured.

By Al Carter
PISD Hall of Fame
College recruiters had

no trouble tracking down Charla Moore, Sam Rayburn's gritty, golden-arm pitching ace, as she matured into one of the Houston area's top softball prospects. Finding Moore's earned run average was another matter.

Usually, you had to start with zero.

When her high school playing days ended in

1997, Moore had earned four varsity letters and three All-Greater Houston first-team commendations.

Twice she guided her Lady Texans team deep into the state playoffs, missing a state tournament berth by a scant one run her sophomore year.

As a junior, Moore posted a 28-3 record. As a

senior, she went 21-7 with an earned run average that almost vanished.

It was calculated in the form of microruns - 0.16, to be exact. Her career ERA in high school came out at 0.72.

Moore was part of a Pasadena ISD duo that helped make the southeast side of Houston a goldmine of gilded arms in 1996 and 1997.

Dobie's Christa Williams, a year older than Moore, went on to win two Olympic gold medals and pitch for UCLA and Texas. Moore found her collegiate niche in Austin as a career Lady Longhorn. Her career ERA of 1.87 still ranks on UT's Top 10 list.

Now a wife and mother to two boys, Charla Moore Crochet will be one of eight individuals inducted into the Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame at a gala banquet on April 20 at the Pasadena Convention Center.

In high school, Moore and Williams often squared off, most notably in 1995 when Rayburn and Dobie met for the Region III title.

The contest remained scoreless through 18 innings with both pitchers still in the circle. It finally ended with a 1-0 Dobie victory in the bottom of the 19th.

The game - which lasted five hours and 20 minutes - is still regarded as the greatest in the history of University Scholastic League softball.

For her part, Moore threw 236 pitches in the contest and was clocked at 68 mph in the final inning.

And her ERA for that one game? Try 0.38.

To find Moore in her formative years, one often had to peak behind her mask - one of the first protective masks ever to be used in softball.

While pitching one day at age 13, she was struck in the face by a line drive. The ball broke her nose and knocked out her front teeth.

Moore's mom refused to let her pitch again until she promised to wear a mask. To wear it, special permission had to be obtained from the American Softball Association.

But she only wore it for a season. By the time Moore got to high school, her power pitches were routinely putting opposing batters on the defensive.

Moore won 20 games or more each of her final three seasons at Rayburn and registered a career 735 strikeouts.

Of the 35 scholarship offers that came her way, Moore picked Texas, where, oddly enough, she joined ranks with Williams.

In 1998, Moore set a freshman strikeout record as the Lady Longhorns earned their first Womens College World Series berth.

With Moore and Williams together for a final year in 1999, UT won the Big 12 Tournament title and again made the NCAA tournament.

As a junior in 2000, Moore moved into the role of UT staff ace and earned second-team All-Big 12 honors while contributing to a third straight NCAA post-season series appearance.

As a senior, although plagued by low run-support from her teammates,

she still managed a slim 2.49 ERA. At season's end, Moore was voted most valuable player by her UT teammates.

Moore's name remains prominent in the Texas record book. For her ca-

reer, Moore ranks fourth in victories (56), fifth in shutouts (19) and sixth in strikeouts (421).

Moore now leads a team of more than 250 employees as a regional vice president for BearCom, a

communications support company.

Charla, husband Jay Crochet and their two boys make their home in Rosharon.

General admission seats for the Hall of Fame

banquet are available.

For details, contact Kathy Richardson at the Pasadena ISD Education Foundation office, by phone: 713-740-0034, or email: KRichardson@pasadenaisd.org.



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Dream Team wins 7-8 title

At right, the Sagemont Dream Team 7-8-year-old squad won its Pasadena Youth Basketball League division crown for the 2023 season. Members of the team are, left to right, Jaiden Jackson, Benny Vallejo, Jaxon Miller, Jordan Alvarez, Jace Ramirez, Kree Lyons, Kaptain Scott, (middle row) Liam Royal, Isiah Sanchez, Erick Herrera, (back row) coaches Kenneth Scott and Kellen Lyons. Not pictured are Logan Delone and coach Edward Delone.



Lajaunie tennis is registering

The Darren Lajaunie Scholarship Fund Tennis Tournament will celebrate its 12th year with an exciting new format for 2023 that includes three doubles jamboree mixer events as organizers continue to raise funds for youth tennis and graduating senior class educational scholarships.

As the sponsorship efforts start for 2023, various sponsorship levels are available to individuals or businesses at DLTennisScholarships.com, where the "Be A Sponsor" tab

may then be selected.

For students applying for the tennis camp and college scholarships on the same site, deadline for submissions is April 7, 2023. The scholarships will be awarded to all honorees in the latter part of April.

Dobie seniors who wish to apply for the college scholarships may do so by visiting the Lajaunie website or by picking up a packet in the school's counseling office.

The deadline for Dobie senior scholarship submissions is April 6, 2023. The scholarship fund is

named in honor of Lajaunie, a Dobie High School graduate and lifelong tennis enthusiast who died in 2011 after a lengthy cancer battle.

Over the years, the fund has provided dozens of youth tennis scholarships and college education scholarships to deserving players.

The three jamboree series events will be held at the Harry Taylor Tennis Center in Pasadena, with as many as 60 players (30 doubles teams) competing during the April 29, Aug. 19 and Dec. 2 events.

Individual players who

would like to register without a predetermined playing partner will be paired with another player prior to the start of the first of the three jamborees.

Players/teams will earn points for performance during each jamboree segment, with an emphasis placed on competing in each of the three three-hour Saturday events.

The first segment - April 29 - will include a fun-filled April Fools theme. Players may register at DLTennisScholarships.com.

Dominant Thompson girls sweep Pasadena ISD track championships

Scoring key wins in the 4x400 relays to cap things on the track, the Thompson seventh- and eighth-grade girls' squads held the winner's trophies high at the conclusion of the Pasadena ISD Track and Field Championships March 7-8 at Auxiliary Stadium.

The Lions used both depth and talent to keep leads in the point standings, yet still needed 4x400 relay wins and the subsequent 20 team points for first place to finish the goal. Mission accomplished.

In the seventh-grade division, Thompson put together 116 points to hold off Miller, which scored 99 points to take second. Bondy's 97 points were good enough for third place.

As for the 4x400 relay, Thompson was first to the finish line in a time of 4 minutes, 43.36 as Natalia Uzoukwu, Rene Philyaw, Maleiyah Hoop and Trinitee Hines combined for the gold.

The Lions' Sophia Saucedo, Alena Moya, Jazalynn Randall and Jazmine Cardon teamed in the eighth-grade 4x400 relay for the victory, the 20 team points and the team championship at 4:42.41.

With the relay win, Thompson finished with 149 points to outdistance Bondy's 137 points. Beverly Hills had 80 for third place.

GAT 7s are champs
The Lions wound up

with a sweep of the relays and individual gold medals in the 2400 run and shot put to highlight their win.

It was Philyaw, Hines, Yosselin Banegas and Hoop in the 4x100 win in a time of 56.20, while the same four competitors joined talents in the 4x200 for the gold medal at 2:00.50.

In a time of 10:39.52, Thompson's Angelina Amaya was the lone runner to break 11 minutes as she took the gold medal for the 2,400 win.

Taylor Palacios led the Lions' field event efforts as she tossed the discus 25 feet, 3 inches for the win. Thompson's Destanee Copeland was second for a silver medal in the 100 hurdles at 20.56, and teammate Aja Breaux placed fifth in a time of 20.94.

Breaux was Thompson's best in the 300 hurdles for a second-place time of 1:02.97.

In other events, Thompson's Alayna Rodriguez was in at 2:58.53 for fourth place in the 800, with teammate Stella Kudrle fifth in a time of 3:00.11. Rodriguez's time of 1:15.36 earned her sixth place in the 400.

Amaya also competed in the 1600, taking fourth with a time of 6:56.59. Benegas cleared 3-10 for fourth place in the high jump, and Breaux took sixth, making her way over the 3-8 mark.

A long jump of 11-6

earned Hoop sixth place, while Aly Garza of Thompson went 23-00 in the triple jump for sixth place.

GAT 8s get gold
Champions at the seventh-grade level in 2022, the Thompson eighth-grade girls also used a sweep of the three relay golds to repeat this time around.

In the 4x100 relay, the Lions teamed Taylor Willis and Randall with Jasmine McGee Cooper and Peresphone Soria for the

gold-medal win in a time of 56.43.

As for the 4x200 relay, Thompson posted a time of 1:59.71 for the victory as the group included Moya, Cardon, Randall and Soria.

Alexis Martinez starred for Thompson in the field events as she captured gold medals in the shot (27-3) and discus (68-05).

Willis claimed a gold medal for her win in the 100 hurdles at 19.24, and she returned in the 200 for second place in a time of

28.92.

Soria was the gold medalist in the long jump in dominant fashion with a best effort of 15-6, and teammate Ngoc Tae Nguyen went 12-4 for fifth place.

Thompson also ruled the action in the triple jump, with Soria taking a fourth overall gold medal at 29-11 and McGee Cooper's leap of 27-7 good for second place and a silver medal.

Cardon cleared 4-6 for a silver medal in the high

jump, with McGee Cooper third for bronze as she cleared 4-4.

In other events, McGee Cooper was fourth in the 100 at 14.59, and a time of 7:16.93 earned Thompson's Isabella Allen fifth place in the 1600.

Bears' 8s third as team
The Beverly Hills eighth-grade girls' team collected 80 points to place third in the final standings.

With a time of 57.48, Beverly Hills was second for a silver medal in the 4x100 relay as Ashlyn Coleman, Trinity Lyons, Amaya Wilson and Aniyah Walker teamed for the locals.

Morgan Alejo was third for a bronze medal at 1:13.29 in the 400.

A time of 30.61 earned Walker third place in the 200, while Wilson's time of 30.88 was fourth. Coleman took the silver for second place in the long jump, making her way to the 13-02 mark.

It was also Coleman, Lyons, Wilson and Walker in the 4x200 relay as the Bears took fourth place in a time of 2:07.20.

Yamelith Rames ran the 2,400 in a time of 11:45.21 for fourth place, while teammate Cecily Garza was in at 12:03.61 for fifth place.

Rames completed the 1,600 run at 7:17.45 for sixth place, and Eniko anery threw the discus 59-11 for fourth place. Sanchez was also fourth in the shot with a throw of 22-

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Alexis Martinez starred for Thompson's eighth-grade girls' team in the field events as she captured gold medals in the shot (27 feet, 3 inches) and discus (68-05) as the Lions won the Pasadena ISD team championship.

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