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Kirkwood South to meet

The Kirkwood South Homeowners' Association will meet Thursday, March 31, at Judge Jo Ann Delgado's courtroom, at Scarsdale and Beamer, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. For information, call Estella V. Davis at 832-462-3484.

Moore offers scholarships

The Moore Elementary Student Council will offer four scholarships to graduating seniors at Dobie High School who attended Moore in the fourth grade. Applications are available through the Dobie senior counselor's office and must be returned by Friday, April 1, to be considered.

Dobie baseball hosts Bingo

The Dobie Diamond Club will host Bingo Saturday, April 2, in the Dobie cafeteria. Doors open at 5:15 p.m. Proceeds help cover expenses for the banquet. Concessions will be available. All ages can play. For more information, email dobiediamond@gmail.com.

Genealogy group meets

The Parker Williams Genealogy Group will meet April 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the library at Scarsdale and Beamer. This group meets the first and third Mondays to discuss genealogy research. Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in tracing family history.

Highland Meadow to meet

The monthly meeting of Highland Meadow HOA has been moved up to Wednesday, April 6, and at an earlier time of 6 p.m. The meeting will be at the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. Members of the board are beginning the process of amending the by-laws.

Homeowners are encouraged to attend and let their opinions be known. Questions prior to the meeting may be directed to Gina Victor with C.I.A. Services Inc. at 713-981-9000 or at customer@ciaservices.com.

Health fair at Stuchbery

Stuchbery Elementary will hold its second annual Health & Wellness Fair on Thursday, April 7, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the school located at 11210 Hughes Road (in the cafeteria). The event is free and open to all ages. There will be door prizes and vendor giveaways. For information, contact Anita Guerrero at 713-740-0752.

Kirkmont Section 1 meets

The monthly meeting for the Kirkmont Association Inc., Section 1, will be Wednesday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. at 10102 Blackhawk. Resident questions, comments and concerns can be emailed to mykirkmont1hoa@yahoo.com.

Dolphins continue sign-ups

The Southbelt Dolphins of the Bay Area Football League will accept registration for cheer/drill/mascot members (age 4 through 13 as of Aug. 1, 2016) April 22 and May 26, all at Armadillo Lanes on Fuqua, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information, direct email to Tiffany Scimmions at SBDDrill@yahoo.com.

Health fair April 3

Gulfhaven Community Health Fair will be held Sunday, April 3, from noon to 4 p.m. at Gulfhaven Church, 10716 Sabo. Public invited. Includes free health screenings for blood pressure, glucose, body mass index, health presentations, kids' fun health, food, and prizes. Call 832-433-2732 or 713-562-4580 to register.

SBAST tryouts scheduled

SBAST tryouts will be held April 12, April 13 and April 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Ashley Pointe pool. For information, visit www.sbast.org. Additional tryouts will be held on Saturday morning, April 16, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Dobie Craft Show April 16

The Dobie Spanish Department is seeking vendors for a spring craft show set for Dobie on Saturday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Booths are \$30 and include one table and two chairs. Booths with power are \$5 extra. Vendors must provide their own extension cords. For more information, contact Elizabeth Puente at 832-528-4388 or epuente@pasadenaisd.org.

Rummage sale set

Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale, will hold a rummage sale Friday, April 1, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, April 2, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donations accepted.

Houston history meet set

Houston organizations are invited to a free leadership summit of Houston history and preservation groups, hosted by the Houston History Alliance, on Saturday, April 2, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the 1940 Air Terminal Museum, 8325 Travelair. Objectives are to build a consolidated calendar of Houston history, develop a joint history theme for 2017 and conduct sessions on marketing and fundraising challenges, education and outreach. There will be opportunities for networking and promoting 2016 efforts and events. RSVP to dfalloure@houstonhistoricalalliance.org. For information, call 713-392-3565 or visit www.houstonhistoryalliance.org.

Chamber, CBCMUD host family fun event

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce and the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District will jointly host the South Belt Family Fun Event Saturday, April 9, at Clear Brook City Park, located at Blackhawk and Scarsdale, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The event will feature a 1.5- and 3-mile fun run/walk, beginning at 6 p.m. The run/walk route will be equipped with multiple water stops. Medals will be awarded to all who complete the course.

In addition to the run/walk, the event will also include a disc jockey, line dancing, inflatables, games and more.

A display of live native reptiles will be provided by Karen Duston, a naturalist/environmental scientist from San Jacinto College South.

Senseis Charles Woodby and Dale Gargrave of Ikushinkan Dojo will provide aikido (a form of Japanese martial art) demonstrations on site.

The event will also feature a nature walk, and animal experts will be available to give dog care and training tips.

Multiple food trucks, including Cousin's Main Lobster and Star BBQ, will also be on site for the event.

Entry fee for the run/walk is \$20 for adults and includes a free T-shirt, if registered by Monday, April 4. Entry fee for the run/walk is \$1 for children under 12 but does not include a free T-shirt.

Proceeds benefit the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce Education Outreach Committee, which provides school supplies and uniforms to low-income children.

Event organizers are enthusiastic about the upcoming function.

"It will be something fun for the whole family," said Judy Harrison, who chairs the chamber Education Outreach Committee. "It will be an opportunity for the community to come enjoy the outdoors, enjoy the park and enjoy the festivities."

Early packet pickup and registration is Friday, April 8, at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce building, located at 10500 Scarsdale,

from 2 to 4 p.m.

Event-day packet pickup and registration will take place Saturday, April 9, at the Clear Brook City MUD building, located at 11911 Blackhawk, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Registration forms are available on Page 3A and on the chamber's website at southbeltchamber.com. Forms are to be completed and mailed, along with a check, to the chamber office. Forms may also be delivered to the office in person.

Strollers, as well as dogs on leashes, will be welcome.

Additional parking will be available at Weber Elementary, located at 11955 Blackhawk.

For information, contact the chamber office at 281-481-5516 or info@southbeltchamber.com.

Truck crash causes traffic delays



An overturned truck on the eastbound side of Beltway 8 near Blackhawk caused extensive traffic delays Tuesday, March 29. According to Houston TranStar, the accident caused multiple lanes of the beltway to be closed from around 11:30 a.m. to roughly 3:30 p.m. The above photo shows emergency crews turning the vehicle right side up.

Photo by David Flickinger

Ellington flight museum selects builder

The Lone Star Flight Museum has taken the next step toward opening its new facility in Houston, selecting D.E. Harvey Builders, Inc. as general contractor after a public, competitive bid process. The new 130,000-square-foot aviation and history museum will be located at Ellington Airport, future home of the Houston Spaceport and one of Texas's oldest continuously operating airfields.

"Harvey Builders is honored and privileged to be involved with a group of patriots dedicated to the preservation of the rich history of aviation and the enrichment of young minds through hands-on educational programs focused on the science, technology, engineering and math concepts that make flight possible," said Joe Cleary, president of D.E. Harvey Builders.

Over its 59-year history, D.E. Harvey Builders counts many leading national and local cultural and educational institutions, as well as aviation industry leaders among its clients. In addition to the Lone Star Flight Museum, Harvey's portfolio includes projects for the Smithsonian Institution, Continental Airlines, NASA and the Austin Mu-

sic Hall, among others.

"We are delighted to have a company like D.E. Harvey add its experience and expertise to our team," said Scott Rozzell, chairman of the Lone Star Board of Directors. "Together we are building a museum that will inspire and educate our community's youth while celebrating and preserving Texas' rich aviation heritage."

Harvey joins Webb Architects, exhibit designers D.G. Studios and project manager The Sarrazin Group, in a talented team that will be working with the staff, volunteers and supporters of the Lone Star Flight Museum to deliver a state-of-the-art facility that will include the nation's second Aviation Learning Center. Students and visitors to the museum will learn the STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) concepts essential to flight in a hands-on interactive environment. They can also embark on a journey from the origins of flight through the present day and learn how Texans shaped aviation and how aviation shaped Texas.

Construction for the project is scheduled for completion in early 2017.

Spots running out for annual cook-off

At press time, a handful of cooking spots were still available for the 20th annual South Belt Spectacular Cook-off, set to take place Thursday, April 28, through Saturday, April 30, at El Franco Lee Park, located at 9400 Hall Road. (Thursday will be for cooks only, while Friday and Saturday will be open to the public.)

Cooking teams that participated in last year's event had first dibs on available spots, but several teams failed to pay their deposit by the March 1 deadline, as did many teams on the event's waiting list.

Organized and operated by the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, the event is the sole fundraiser for the annual South Belt Fourth of July fireworks display, also held at the area park. In recent years, the event has also provided funds

for local scholarships and various youth organizations.

While evenings at the function are geared more for adults, Saturday afternoon is intended for families, with kids 12 and under being admitted for free with the purchase of an adult ticket.

Free children's activities include moonwalks, rock climbing, an obstacle course, a giant trampoline, pony rides, a petting zoo, a train, face painting and hair braiding.

Admission on Friday will be \$10. Admission on Saturday will be \$5 before 4 p.m. and \$10 after.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact event organizer Linda Arnone at 281-484-4325.

See related ad on Page 5A.

Morman speaks on state of Precinct 2

Dozens of community leaders and elected representatives were in attendance Thursday, March 24, as Harris County Commissioner Jack Morman delivered an address on the current state of Precinct 2.

Represented by Morman since 2011, Precinct 2 includes more than 380 employees operating 50 parks, 17 community centers, more than 1,300 miles of county roads, the Lynchburg Ferry and Washburn Tunnel. The precinct also includes 99 percent of the Houston Ship Channel and the Port of Houston. Composed of 15 separate cities, Precinct 2 has twice the number of cities as any other precinct in the county.

"If anything, I've learned we have to stand together, or we'll get run over," Morman said.

Morman discussed the recent opening of San Jacinto College's new Maritime Technology and Training Center, located along the Port of

Houston at 3700 Old Highway 146 in La Porte. Approved by voters as part of a 2008 bond referendum, the new center will provide students state-of-the-art training facilities in the growing industry.

The commissioner also spoke on the planned expansion of Beltway 8 and the replacement of the Beltway 8 Ship Channel toll bridge. The expansion will widen the beltway from two to four lanes in each direction along the Gulf Freeway to Highway 225. The replacement bridge will also be four lanes in each direction, rather than the existing two lanes. The improvements are expected to cost roughly \$1.5 billion, with around \$900 million being spent on the bridge portion. Work is currently in the design phase. Construction is scheduled to be complete in approximately four years. Morman said the new bridge is expected to last at least 100 years.

Area schools receive national honor

Atkinson, South Belt, South Houston and Turner Elementary have been named Honor Roll Schools for the Inaugural 2015 school year by the Educational Results Partnership and the Institute for Productivity in Education.

"This achievement is a reflection of the hard work and dedication of our students and staff," said Pasadena Independent School District Superintendent DeeAnn Powell. "Our theme this school year has been *Climbing to New Heights*, and these results are proof that we are doing just that."

The distinction recognizes high performing schools that use successful practices to boost student achievement. Schools named to the Honor Roll continuously demonstrate higher levels of student academic achievement, improvement over time and reduction in achievement gaps among various student populations.

These schools are among 713 throughout the nation to make the Honor Roll for achieving higher student outcomes and closing achievement gaps.

"Through national research, we have identified a common set of success factors in higher performing Honor schools and districts," said James S. Lanich, president and CEO of the Educational Results Partnership. "These include clear, specific learning objectives aligned to college and career readiness, along with evidence-based instructional practices."

The Honor Roll is part of a national movement that highlights student achievements, particularly among economically disadvantaged school communities.

Comprised of educational leaders throughout the country, the ERP hopes to improve student achievement nationwide.

City approves recycling contract

Glass will no longer be collected under agreement

On Wednesday, March 23, Houston City Council voted and approved a two-year, \$5.8 million contract with Waste Management to continue to provide uninterrupted, biweekly curbside recycling services to City of Houston residents.

As agreed upon in the contract, the only change in service that Houstonians can expect to see is the elimination of glass from the list of items that are acceptable in the green bins effective immediately. Items that will still be accepted include paper, cardboard, plastics and metal cans. Although a difficult decision to make, Council Member Dave Martin and his colleagues agreed that this sacrifice must be made in order to lower processing costs.

Martin believes that council has a fiduciary responsibility to spend tax payer dollars wisely, and believes that this temporary contract was the best option available to continue uninterrupted service with the current state of the commodities market and with the looming \$160 million budget deficit the city faces.

Looking ahead, Martin looks forward to working with Mayor Sylvester Turner and his Council colleagues on expanding potential recycling sites and seeking other cost-saving recycling alternatives.

For more information, contact the District E office at 832-393-3008 or by email at districte@houstontx.gov.

New hospital opens in Pearland

Facility a pavilion of Memorial Hermann Southeast

The cranes and construction crews are gone, and in their place is the new Memorial Hermann Pearland Hospital – a 250,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art healthcare facility that ushers in a higher level of quality and safe care to the Pearland community.

The new branch is considered a pavilion of Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, with many MSHS directors working double-duty between the two facilities.

The hospital, along with the Convenient Care Center and adjoining medical office buildings, make up a 40-acre, comprehensive medical campus. Memorial Hermann Pearland becomes the 14th hospital in the Memorial Hermann Health System.

"This is an exciting time for us as we open our hospital, and I say our hospital because many of our employees, including myself, live in Pearland," said Mario Garner, senior vice president

and CEO of Memorial Hermann Pearland. "We want Memorial Hermann Pearland to quickly become the hospital of choice for the residents of Pearland, Alvin, Angleton, Manvel and surrounding communities."

With its 64 beds, Memorial Hermann Pearland offers a number of high-quality services and specialties, including orthopedics and sports medicine, neurology, general surgery, heart and vascular, labor and delivery, gastroenterology and urology.

As an added amenity, Pearland Café, located inside Memorial Hermann Pearland, is open to the public, serving breakfast from 7 to 9:30 a.m. and lunch from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. daily.

While at the hospital, patients and guests can also view Pearland's historical timeline, located just off the hospital's main lobby. The timeline, which was developed in coordination with the

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Area leaders attend hospital opening



Memorial Hermann Health System officially opened its new Pearland hospital branch Wednesday, March 29, on the southbound side of Highway 288 near FM 518. The new hospital is considered a pavilion of Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital. Shown above at the opening are, left to right, Leader staff member Alexis Lochner, Justice of the Peace Jo Ann Delgado and MSHS Director of Physician Resources Rebecca Lilley. See additional photo on Page 6A.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

South Belt pet event set for April 16

South Belt resident Mary Maddox will host the Strut Your Mutt Doggy Parade Saturday, April 16, at Clear Brook City Park, located at Blackhawk and Scarsdale, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will give Clear Brook City MUD dog lovers a chance to mingle with others, while enjoying a day in the park.

Dog owners may enter their pets in multiple contests, including prettiest dog, ugliest dog, largest dog, smallest dog, best trick, best dog and owner costume, female diva dog, and male macho dog.

Area veterinarians will be on site to answer questions and give information about keeping pets happy and healthy. Area pet stores will hold raffles with all money going to the Houston Humane Society. There will be activities throughout the park for children under 10 years old. Sageglen HOA will serve hot dogs at noon.

Registration will start at 9:30 a.m., and contest judging will begin at 10 a.m. in the gazebo. All dogs must be on a leash and have proof of current rabies vaccination.

District Clerk Daniel to open passport offices in suburbs in April

At speaking engagements in the suburbs, Harris County District Clerk Chris Daniel typically describes the functions of his office, including the fast, efficient downtown passport service he launched in 2013.

It's not uncommon that one or two people in the audience will ask when the district clerk's office will open similar, efficient passport services near their homes.

Those questions no longer need to be posed. The district clerk's office will launch satellite passport services in Clear Lake, Humble, Spring and the Katy area in April.

"We heard from the people in the suburbs that they are tired of facing long lines to get passports," Daniel said. "My philosophy is that government ought to be responsive to people's needs. The satellite offices will help meet the needs for more efficient passport service in the suburbs."

Here is the schedule for the satellite offices:

- Clear Lake: The satellite office will operate the second Wednesday of the month starting April 13. The

service will be offered at the Clear Lake City-County Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane, Houston 77062, from 1 to 7 p.m.

- Humble: The satellite office will operate the second Thursday of the month starting April 14. The service will be offered at the Octavia Fields Branch Library, 1503 South Houston, Humble 77338, from 1 to 7 p.m.
- Spring: The satellite office will operate the third Thursday of the month starting April 21. The service will be offered at the Barbara Bush Branch Library, 6817 Cypresswood Drive, Spring 77379, from 1 to 7 p.m.
- Katy area: The satellite office will operate the third Wednesday of the month starting April 20. The service will be offered at the Katherine Tyra Branch Library, 16719 Clay Road, Houston 77084 from 1 p.m.-7 p.m.

Daniel said, "The longest lines I've seen for passports at post offices are in the suburbs. In Humble, I've heard that people wait a month out for appointments at the post office."

The district clerk's office may increase the number of days that the service is offered at satellite offices in the coming years if the offices do a brisk business.

"Harris County is vast. I'm hoping to save people a trip downtown," Daniel said.

The district clerk's office provides some property tax relief for homeowners by putting money into the county coffers.

County revenues from processing passports rose almost 40 percent in 2015, with the District Clerk's Office bringing in \$128,000.

Since its launching, the district clerk's passport service has brought in nearly \$300,000 for the county since the DCO launched the passport service.

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Frazier students medal at science fair



Five Frazier students medaled in the Pasadena Independent School District Science Fair on March 22. All five students were awarded gold medals for dedication and hard work. Frazier's science teacher, Patricia Singletary, works tirelessly with

the students on the projects every year. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Cyril Silas, Kaylie Bui, Madelene Tran, (back row) Jazzlyn Moya, Andrew Pavalonis and Singletary.

Photo submitted

Several Property Tax Workshops scheduled

Tax Assessor-Collector Mike Sullivan has released the schedule for the third annual Property Tax Workshops to educate property owners on ways to reduce their tax burden.

"Property owners will be receiving appraisal notices from the Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD) at the end of the month and I know many will be concerned about the rising appraisal values," said Sullivan. "That's why I'm excited to announce

that we're launching our annual Property Tax Workshops for Harris County residents. These workshops explain how property taxes are calculated and offer ways to reduce your tax burden through exemptions and protests. I want to ensure taxpayers understand their rights and are fully prepared before they protest."

This is the third year in a row we have offered these workshops. This year, 20 are scheduled throughout Harris

County. They are free and open to the public and staff from both the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office and HCAD will be available to answer questions.

"With tens of thousands of people moving to our region each year, many might not know how taxes are calculated, how they can protest and what tools are available. That's why I created these workshops along with HCAD, so we can go step-

by-step, to educate property owners on the different exemptions available and the protest process," said Sullivan.

Texas law allows property owners to protest their value if they believe it is inaccurate. Applicants may apply online through HCAD (www.hcad.org) or fill out and send the form included in the appraisal notice.

"When you protest, it's very important to provide as much information as possible, whether it's about comparable properties in your neighborhood or changes made on your property or land," said Sullivan. "All of this will aid in your protest and may lower the value, which will lower your property tax bill at the end of the year."

The Property Tax Workshops will run through May 26, 2016. The last day to file a property tax protest is May 31, 2016.

Residents who have questions about the Property Tax Workshops may call 713-274-8000 or email tax.office@hctx.net.

NASA Aglow welcomes Stringer

NASA Lighthouse, a part of Aglow International, meets at Praise Chapel the second Thursday of every month. The next gathering will be on April 14 at 9:30 a.m.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Marilyn A. Stringer, a licensed, ordained minister. She goes wherever she feels led and ministers to, and receives testimonies of, many. In July 1997, Stringer was given gifts of faith, miracles, signs and wonders by the power of the Holy Spirit. She is an anointed

teacher, preacher, evangelist and prophet, ministering in healing, deliverance, words of wisdom and words of knowledge.

Stringer had a house church for several years in her home, known as The Master's House.

Then she went into the prisons to hold regular Sunday services at various men's units and many were saved, baptized, and are now preaching. Stringer has spoken at retreats, churches, women's

meetings and other venues both in the United States and abroad. She was called to Israel in 2009 and has made several trips to tear down strongholds and release prophetic words.

Join other women to hear what Stringer speaks and then go to lunch with the group at a nearby restaurant.

NASA Aglow meets at Praise Chapel, 18516 Highway 3 in Webster. For more information, call 281-910-1971.

Sullivan reminds property owners to protest

Tax Assessor-Collector Mike Sullivan reminds property owners to be on the lookout for property tax appraisal notices from the Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD).

"Harris County residents will be receiving appraisal notices from HCAD by the end of this month," said Tax Assessor-Collector Mike Sullivan. "I want to remind taxpayers, especially new homeowners of ways to save money on their upcoming tax bill by applying for

exemptions and protesting their values."

Exemptions are the easiest way property owners can lower their tax burden. "When your appraisal arrives, make sure you are receiving the proper exemptions," said Sullivan. "If you forgot to apply for your homestead exemption last year, you can apply for both 2015 and 2016 tax years. Once approved, you could receive a partial refund on last year's 2015 tax bill."

Most common exemp-

tions:

- Residential Homestead – Taxpayer owns and lives in the home on January 1st
- Over-65 – Taxpayer is over the age of 65 and lives in the home
- Disability Homestead – Taxpayer has a qualifying disability
- Veterans Exemptions – 100 percent disability, partial disability and many others

Texas law allows property owners to protest their value if they believe it is too high. "You can apply online through HCAD (www.hcad.org) or fill out and send the form included in your appraisal notice," said Sullivan.

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ble properties in your neighborhood or changes to your property or land. All of this will aid in your protest and may lower the value, which will lower your property tax bill at the end of the year."

Visit www.hcad.org to view and apply for all property tax exemptions.

Taxpayers may also contact the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office at tax.office@hctx.net or 713-274-8000.

The Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector's office Property Tax Division maintains more than 1.6 million tax accounts and collects property taxes for 71 taxing entities including Harris County.

The Tax Assessor-Collector's office collects more than \$6 billion in property taxes.

Free tutoring at St. Luke's

St. Luke's Catholic church, 11011 Hall Road, offers free tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Education Building, Room 2, for grades K-12 and college. For more information, contact Joe Pavlicek at 281-484-1397.

Melillo Carnival April 22

Dr. Dixie Melillo Middle School will hold its eighth annual Spring Carnival on April 22 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Events will include a dunking booth, an obstacle course, a rock wall, DJ and music, a cake walk and silent auction baskets. Concessions will have turkey legs, sausage-on-a-stick, snow cones, nachos, popcorn and chopped barbecue sandwiches.

Local library events set

Parker Williams Branch

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

Thursday, March 31, at 1:30 p.m. – A book discussion will be held on *The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion* by Fannie Flagg; From 3 to 5 p.m. – Manila Folder Craft. Make a mini album using a manila folder. All supplies will be provided. This class is for adults and children 8+ years, with an adult; At 5 p.m. – Emoji Code Breaker. Pictograms and hieroglyphs are coming back in the form of emojis, but what do they mean? Ages 12+ years.

Free Computer Classes offered in April will include: Computer Basics on April 6, Internet Basics on April 13, Files and Folders on April 20, and Email Basics on April 27. All classes will be held from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Registration is required.

TaxAide is available Mondays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through April 18. Volunteers from AARP TaxAide will assist with federal income tax preparation, tax questions and filing tax returns.

This service is free and is available in the library meeting room on a first-come, first-served basis. Bring a photo-ID, Social Security cards and any other official documentation for oneself and all dependents, a copy of last year's income tax return, W-2 forms from each employer, unemployment compensation statements, and any other necessary forms to help the volunteer complete the return.

Wednesdays – Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Thursdays – Toddler Story Time, 10:30 a.m.; Saturdays – Vietnamese Storytime. Classes are at 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. For more information on Vietnamese programs, speak with Loc Bui. For more information on all programs, call the library at 281-484-2036.

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for April at the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint.

Tuesdays – Pre-K Storytime (ages 3-5 years and their parents/caregivers) from 10:30 to 11 a.m.; Storytime Craft from 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesdays – Baby/Toddler Storytime (ages 6-36 months and their parents/caregivers) from 10:30 to 11 a.m.; Baby/Toddler Playgroup (ages 6 months to 3 years and their parents/caregivers) from 11 to 11:30 a.m.; Computer Basics at 2 p.m.; Internet Basics at 3:15 p.m.; and Power Point at 4:30 p.m.

Saturdays, April 2, 16 and 30 – Spanish Computer Classes from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Saturday, April 16 – Manga/Anime Club (ages 10-14) will meet at 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 21 – Not Your Mama's Book Club will discuss *The Martian*, by Andy Weir, from 6 to 7:45 p.m.

Bracewell hours are Sunday and Monday - Closed; Tuesday and Wednesday - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday - noon to 8 p.m., Friday - 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturday - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information on programs, call the Bracewell Library at 832-393-2580.

WWII era Galveston remembered

Explore local history in the presentation, *World War II on Galveston Island: From Fort Crockett to the Balinese Room*, at University of Houston-Clear Lake from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, in the Bayou Building, Forest Room, 2700 Bay Area Blvd. Author and UH-Clear

Lake alumna Jan Johnson will guide audiences through 1940s Galveston, including the infamous Balinese Room with its sparkling celebrity guests and audacious underground gambling.

The event is part of the Clear Lake Association of Senior Programs *Visions in our*

Midst Distinguished Speaker Series. Admission is free, as is parking in the visitor lot.

For more information or to arrange for an accommodation for a disability, contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 281-283-2021 or email CLASP@uhcl.edu.

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Deaths

Raymond V. Garcia



Raymond V. Garcia, 78, died peacefully on Saturday, March 26, 2016. He was born on Oct. 25, 1937, in Houston.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Lillie and Ray Garcia, and sister DeLore Sandoval.

Garcia is survived by his wife of 56 years, Gloria Garza Garcia; son Raymond Alvin Garcia, wife Christi and grandsons Tyler Ray and wife Kirsten, Shane and Ross; daughter Susan Garcia Gould and husband Michael; son Randy Garcia, wife Nikki, and grandchildren Alexandra and Cameron; and sister Carmen Nieto.

Garcia grew up in the Denver Harbor area of Houston. He was an athlete and excelled in baseball. He was a member of the 1950 Little League baseball team that won the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Penn.

Garcia continued to play sports throughout his high school career. At Milby High, he played football and baseball. He also met the love of his life and high school sweetheart, Gloria Garza. The two began dating in high school and continued their courtship after graduation.

Garcia joined the Houston Police Department in 1959 as part of Academy Class #21. He enjoyed a long and illustrious career with HPD. He was the first Hispanic selected to the elite HPD motorcycle unit. As part of this unit, he was fortunate to meet and escort presidents and dignitaries from all over the world. He dedicated more than 40 years to the police force and retired in 2002. He also served as a military police officer in the U.S. Army.

Garcia was an avid outdoorsman at heart. He enjoyed hunting and had a deer lease in west Texas for many years. He also loved the land. Each summer, he would venture west to the mountains. He would take his family camping to Colorado where he eventually found the perfect

viewing for family and friends will be held Sunday, April 3, 2016, from 1 to 8 p.m. at SouthPark Funeral Home in Pearland, 1310 N. Main St. On Monday, April 4, viewing will be at 11:30 a.m. with the service to follow at 12:30 p.m.

piece of property to call his own. He built a cabin on a small piece of heaven outside Trinidad, Colo., in the Spanish Peaks Mountains. Every year, he looked forward to traveling to Colorado where he could trade the hot Texas summers for the cooler climate.

Garcia and his wife had three children who grew up in the South Belt community where their parents have resided for more than 49 years. They have five grandchildren.

Visitation will be Friday, April 1, 2016, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Forest Park Lawn-dale, with a Rosary at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 2, at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations in memory of Raymond V. Garcia be made to the Houston Police Retired Officers Association, P.O. Box 130787, Houston, Texas, 77219. The HPROA phone number is 713-802-2967. For more information on the HPROA, visit hpdretired.com.

Guadalupe Partida Jr.



Guadalupe Partida Jr., 83, longtime South Belt resident, died peacefully on Wednesday, March 30, 2016. He was born April 11, 1932.

He served in the United States Army during the Korean War.

Partida was preceded in death by his son, Luis Joseph Partida, and grandson Kyle Partida.

He was survived by his wife of 59 years, Mary Partida; children: Mario Partida (Norma), Mary Pyland (Joe), John Partida (Karina), Norma Reyes (Bobby), and Michelle Banda (Rudy); 19 grandchildren; and three great-granddaughters.

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On Monday, April 4, viewing will be at 11:30 a.m. with the service to follow at 12:30 p.m.

Alice in Wonderland at BAHF

An adaptation of Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland* will be presented by young students in the Fine Arts Academy at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse. This is a big show with numerous scenes and musical numbers, directed by Whitney Wyatt Nolder.

Performances will be on two Saturdays, April 23 and 30, at 3 p.m. in the downstairs Main Theater at the playhouse located at 3803 Highway 3 in Dickinson. Tickets are \$3 for youth and \$5 for adults and are available at the playhouse box office. For more details, call 281-337-7469 or visit <http://www.harbourtheater.com>.

Dobie AFJROTC Female Color Guard has successful year

The J. Frank Dobie AFJROTC Female Color Guard team is on the verge of making history. This year, the team is now the winningest female color guard team in the school's short six-year history. The team has entered four drill competitions and has come away with trophies in three of these events.

The team won a first-place trophy at the annual Battle on the Bayou Military skills competition. They competed against 13 other Army JROTC schools from the local area and won with ease.

Next, the team began to focus on the President's Day Drill competition hosted by the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District. This competition has quickly gained a reputation of being a high-level competition with many nationally ranked schools from San Antonio and Cy-Fair participating. The female team came away with a first-place trophy, achieving a well-earned victory.

The team's next tough competition was at the Bluebonnet Drill meet hosted by Houston ISD. They competed against 35 top level Army and Navy JROTC units. The

team executed a near flawless drill sequence and won a second-place trophy.

History can be made as the female team is now preparing for the Open Color Guard National Drill competition held in Daytona Beach, Fla., on April 30. The team will compete against more than 30 JROTC teams from around the United States and is approaching this competition with confidence and eager anticipation. They practice

several hours a day fine tuning their sequence, knowing every detail is important in order to finish out the year with a trophy from this prestigious event.

The unit is participating in fundraising. If any orga-

nization or person would like to assist the team to help offset travel expenses, any donation is greatly appreciated. For more information, contact the AFJROTC instructor at Do-

bie.



Dobie AFJROTC Female Color Guard Cadets Jennifer Gutierrez, Alexis Garza and Desiree Quijas. Photo submitted

Frazier's annual Health Fair a success

Frazier held its annual health fair on March 2. The event was a huge success with 24 vendors and more than 150 parents in attendance. Parents received information on nutrition, dental care, vision care, automobile safety, CHIPS, Medicaid, diabetes and many other topics. *Photos submitted*



Frazier students Jasiah Hopkins and Kayla Hopkins posed for a photo with H-E-B Buddy at the Frazier Health Fair.



Left to right, Olivia Nassar and Elena Nassar with their mother, Agota Domonkos, receive information from Olga DeSantiago from the Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services.



Rodan and Fields representative Sherri Brewton (standing behind table) shares skin care information with Frazier parent Kendra Rivera and her daughter, Frazier second-grader, Nichelle Rodriguez. Also pictured is Amanda Brewton (seated).

Students showcase work at elementary science fair; winners announced

Nearly 200 Pasadena Independent School District students filled Phillips Field House on Tuesday, March 22, to present projects and celebrate love of science at the district's annual Elementary School Science Fair and STEM Expo.

"We are proud of the students and thankful for the hard work, dedication and support of science education in Pasadena ISD," said Gladys Gonzalez, science specialist and the fair's organizer. "A total of 53 community volunteers and district employees served as judges, including representatives from Dixie Chemical; along with staff members from elementary and middle school campuses; district employees from Curriculum and Instruction; and from the Office of Special Programs."

The students were judged in five categories including Health and Human Services, Consumer Science, Physical Science, Life Science and Earth and Space. The campus level science fair competitions began in the fall. The top five winners at the elementary campuses moved on to the district fair for the last round of judging.

Gold and Silver medals were awarded in each category as well as special trophies for Top Scientist, Outstanding Experimental Design, Outstanding Real World Application, Most Creative and Honorable Mention.

Teague fourth-grader Erin Gomez was selected the district's Top Scientist. He credits his father for this achievement. "One day I asked my dad if there was a way to make a homemade antenna that works on digital and analog TVs," Gomez said. "He told me there were many ways. I did tests to get my answers."

Based on the results of the project, titled, *Antennas Tournament*, Gomez's father was right. "He was the inspiration for my work," Gomez said. The students were not the only ones who seemed passionate about science. "I really want our kids to have a great scientific foundation before they go on to middle school," said Karen Hickman, deputy superintendent of academic achievement. "If you want them to go on to college and pursue careers that include scientific work, it is really important for kids to start preparing now."

She continued to thank all those who made the science fair a success. "I appreciate the support from all the elementary school teachers, assistant principals, principals, who made this possible, along with the parents because these scientific projects would not happen without you," Hickman said.

Students also had the opportunity to connect with area science professionals during the STEM Expo. "They visited various booths and participated in engaging, hands-on demonstrations that integrated different branches of science," Gonzalez said.

"We had engineers, chemists, computer science technicians, astronomers, entomologists, and chemists who were excited to talk to students about their careers." Gonzalez said she is optimistic that the fair will encourage students to continue learning about science.

"The science fair and STEM expo is a day that students will remember for many years, and most importantly, it is a day when they can see themselves as young scientists and future professionals." Winners are as follows: Top Scientist: Teague - Erin Gomez (Antennas Tournament); Outstanding Experimental Design: Richey - Liany Martinez (Electrolysis); Most Creative: Kruse - Julian Izaguirre (Blow Tube); Outstanding Real World Application: Red Bluff - Nathaniel Bermudez (How Foods Affect Blood Sugar); Honorable Mention: Pomeroy - Isabella Salas (Juicy Leaves); Stuchbery - Abigail Panza (Extinguished Germs); and Kruse - Desirey DeLeon (Germies Drink Dispenser).

Stuchbery's Panza earns trophy



Left to right, Desirey DeLeon of Kruse Elementary, Isabella Salas of Pomeroy Elementary, and Abigail Panza of Stuchbery Elementary, received Honorable Mention trophies at the Pasadena ISD Science Fair. *Photo submitted*

Summer activities for children at UHCL

Block summer brain drain with University of Houston-Clear Lake's summer activities for children is now open for registration. Day camps and classes offer engaging explorations of science, the arts, nature, technology, writing and more. All activities take place at UHCL, 2700 Bay Area Blvd.

Environmental and Science UHCL's Environmental Institute of Houston offers day and half-day camps in June featuring nature walks, bird-watching, fishing, dip-netting, games, crafts and more as first- through eighth-

grade students learn about the environment and his or her place in it. For more information, call 281-283-3045 or visit <http://www.eih.uhcl.edu>.

Visual Arts UHCL's Art School for Children and Young Adults offers art classes in June for students ranging from age 3 1/2 to 12th grade. Classes include Art of the Middle Ages, Advanced Art, and specialized courses in drawing and painting, collage and printmaking and claymation.

For more information, call 281-283-3344 or visit <http://hsh.uhcl.edu/ASC>.

Writing, Math, Technology, Science and More Kids U from UHCL's Center for Educational Programs features a variety of themed half-day camps in June and July to inspire exploration and learning in students from Pre-K through 12th grade. Topics include kitchen

science, crime scene investigation, computer programming, video game design, public speaking, writing, survival skills, dinosaurs, Chinese culture and many more.

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Frazier students receive gold level trophy

Frazier's third- and fourth-grade students were proud recipients of a gold level trophy for their high level of participation in Texas Bluebonnet book voting. Students must read at least five of the 20 Texas Bluebonnet Award nominee books to be eligible to vote. More than 98 percent of Frazier's third- and fourth-graders achieved this goal. A few third- and fourth-grade students pictured with a selection of the 2015-16 Bluebonnet books and the trophy are, left to right, (front row) Kaylie Bui, Grace Arriola, Cyril Silas, (back row) Hallie Vu, Shalini Johnson and Titus Giang.



Photo submitted

SOUTH BELT FAMILY FUN EVENT

1.5 Mile or 3 Mile Fun Run/Walk
Saturday, April 9, 2016
 Walk/Run begins at 6:00 p.m.
 Clear Brook City Park at Blackhawk & Scarsdale



Proceeds Benefit South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce Education Committee

Entry Fees: \$20 Adult guaranteed t-shirt if registered by April 4
 \$1 Kids under 12 (no t-shirt) (non-refundable)

To Register: Return Entry Form and Fee to Chamber Office, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd.
Early Packet Pick-up: Friday, April 8, at the South Belt Ellington Chamber of Commerce 10500 Scarsdale from 2pm to 4pm
Event Day Packet Pickup and Registration: Saturday, April 9, at the Clear Brook City MUD Building, 11911 Blackhawk Blvd. from 4pm to 5:30pm

Finisher Medals to everyone who completes the course
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Master Gardeners list events

Harris County Master Gardeners Association at Precinct 2 will host the following activities free to the public during the month of April:

Lecture Series begins April 14

The HCMGA Lecture Series will present Ed Drier, Harris County Master Gardener, who will speak on *Growing Herbs in the Gulf Coast Region*, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Clear Lake Meeting Room, 5001 NASA Parkway. This event is free and open to the public. **Note:** The day has changed from third Wednesdays to second Thursdays in 2016. For more information, visit <https://hcmga.tamu.edu>.

Open Garden Day April 18

HCMGA will host Open Garden Day on Monday, April 18, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at Genoa Friendship Garden, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Road. Master gardeners will be available to answer gardening questions. Plants will be for sale in the greenhouse. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit <https://hcmga.tamu.edu>.

Perennial and Pepper Sale April 23

On Saturday, April 23, the Harris County Master Gardener Perennial and Pepper Sale will be held at Campbell Hall on the Pasadena Fairgrounds, 7600 Red Bluff in Pasadena. *Overview of Perennials* by Heidi Sheesley, owner of Treesearch Farms, will be presented at 8 a.m. Sale hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, visit hcmga.tamu.edu.

Upcoming training

Harris County Master Gardener training classes will be held on Wednesdays, June 1 to Aug. 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Clear Lake Park meeting room on the water side at 5001 NASA Parkway in Seabrook. Registration fee is \$225. After classroom time is completed, 60 hours of volunteer time are required to complete the training. Mandatory orientation in April is required. Space is limited; if interested call Kimberly Figgs at 713-274-0956 to preregister.

Israeli Folk Dancing in April and May

Israeli folk dances will be held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in April and May. April dances are 4, 11, 18 and 25. May dates are 2, 9, 16 and 23. There will be no session on May 30 (Memorial Day).

The cost, \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members, \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers, will cover expenses.

Everyone is welcome to join the group – even with no previous attendance.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real in Houston. The entire community is invited to attend. For more information, contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at cs@shaarhashalom.org.

Judaism and Religion in General:

Free monthly open discussions

Congregation Shaar Hashalom's Rabbi Stuart Fedorow will host free, open to the public, weekly discussions. Sessions are held the second Thursday of every month at Victor's, 1425 NASA Pkwy. in Houston (next to McDonald's), at 7 p.m.

Anyone can join the discussion and bring questions, thoughts and opinions to share with everyone present.

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

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

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO JUDGE RISNER

Belated wishes for a happy birthday are sent to Judge George Risner who celebrated a birthday Sunday, March 27, from the *South Belt Leader* staff.

BELATED WISHES TO JUDY

The *South Belt Leader* staff sends belated birthday wishes to Judy Harrison who enjoyed a happy birthday March 30.

SCHOOL DAZE

The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays March 31 through April 6.

Burnett Elementary

Lucia Pena marks a day of celebration on March 31. Blow out the birthday candles for Judy Vazquez April 3.

Frazier Elementary

Greetings for a wonderful birthday are sent to Felicia Olivares April 5.

Meador Elementary

On April 6, Aracely Almanza celebrates a birthday.

Moore Elementary

On March 31, a birthday wish is sent to Cheryl Ivens.

South Belt Elementary

Warm wishes for a wonderful birthday are

sent to Candy Howard March 31. Celebrating a birthday April 1 is Amy Aldridge. Warm wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to Suzanne Groo April 5.

Stuchbery Elementary

Carlos Torres enjoys a fool-proof birthday April 1. Birthday wishes are sent to Laurie Chmarney April 3.

Melillo Middle School

Blow out the birthday candles for Michelle Wheeler on March 31. The day for a double-layer cake for Charlotte Anthony and Charlene Gronewold is April 6.

Roberts Middle School

Enjoying a birthday March 31 is Maribel De La Fuentes. April 6 is the day for a birthday party for Candra Maly.

Thompson Intermediate

Light the birthday candles for Melissa Allen on April 1.

Dobie High

Blow out the candles on a cake for Johnetta Roy April 1. The day for a cake for William Daugherty is April 3. Birthday greetings are sent to Pam Salyer April 6.

FACEBOOK FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

The *Leader* sends happy birthday wishes to its Facebook friends who celebrate a

birthday this week:

Thursday, March 31: Sabita Harnamji, Beth McDonald, Marsha Flournoy, Ami Haviv, Sabine Jones, Eric Schwab, Gilbert Marlowe, Cheryl Padora, Eliza Gillock, Gloria Bustamante and Sandy Cline; Friday, April 1: Sharon Lay, Carol Baccaro, Charlie Heaton and Natasha Logan; Saturday, April 2: Raven Brooks, Minerva Segovia, Stephen Hooper, Mona Valerio, Suzette Corona, Yvette Cheatwood, Cathy White, Edward Gish and Lisa Bourque; Sunday, April 3: Erika Saavedra, Lillian Lee, Aimee Salazar-Arroyo, Maria Keim and Sharon Rhoads; Monday, April 4: Debbie Pitre, Monika Sandridge, Jenn Copeland, Wendy Banh Nguyen, Travis Doe, Katie Burns and Jared Fredricksen; Tuesday, April 5: Chris Gehringer, Davis Borsché, Jennifer Smith, Teri Polluck, Debbie Treloue, Cindy Russell and Don Adam; and Wednesday, April 6: Carol Barber, Jason Weston, Lena West, Jerry Devila and Natasha Nazareen.

LEADER WANTS YOU IN THE NEWS

Email birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line. Items must be submitted by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Lariaettes excel at final competition of the season

The J. Frank Dobie Lariaettes recently attended the final competition of the season, American Dance/Drill Team's Galveston Festival at Moody Gardens.

The team did an outstanding job, once again raising the bar and setting a standard of excellence. Not only did they sweep the awards ceremony, they were selected, for the second year in a row, a WOW Award winner for their Team Pom, and were asked to present an encore performance of the routine at the end of the night in front of all teams in attendance. This is considered a huge honor.

Other Awards won include:

Solos & Ensembles

- Fifth Runner-Up Overall Solo finalist – Macalyn Castro Cardenas
- Third Runner-Up Best In Class duet – Diana Castillo and Aliana Aleman

- Second Runner-Up Medium Ensemble – Lyrical Ensemble
- First Runner-Up Large Ensemble – Jazz Troupe
- Winner – Large Ensemble – Hip Hop Ensemble

Officers

- Sweepstakes and Gussie Nell Davis for scoring 90 and above on all three routines
- Judges Award for Officer Jazz

- Judges Award for Officer Lyrical
- Judges Award for Officer Hip Hop

- Outstanding Presentation
- Outstanding Choreography
- Outstanding Technique

- First Runner-Up Overall Best in Class Officers

- Team
- Sweepstakes and Gussie Nell Davis for scoring 90

and above on all four routines

- Voted Most Outstanding Team by all other teams in attendance
- Winner – Academic Champions Super Team Division
- WOW Award – Team Pom
- Judges Award – Team Kick
- Judges Award – Team Pom
- Judges Award – Team Pom

Modern Jazz

- Outstanding Presentation
- Outstanding Precision
- Outstanding Choreography
- Outstanding Technique
- First Runner-Up Best in Class Super Team Division
- Fourth Runner-Up Best of the Best Overall



Lariaettes pictured with their awards are, left to right, (front row) Megan Schuetz, Kellie Tyer, Marissa Krustchinsky, Naseem Shafaei, Brittany Gonzales, Macalyn Castro-Cardenas, Jade Mottu, Ikea Taylor, Alayna Cano, Gabriela Munoz, Diana Castillo, (second row) Aliana Aleman, Christina Saavedra, Alyssa Lopez, Holly Gonzales, Emily Le, Raegan Saxton, Laura Torres, Rachel Vu, Leslie Garcia, Francelli Monreal, Amanda Arambula, (third row) Charish Williams, Laura Stephens, Mayalen Suarez, Katrina Herazo, Marissa Flores, Crystal Garza, Emeraldal Ibarra, Nicole Yanney, Jazalyne Garza, (fourth row) Alexis Woodruffe, Alexis Sanchez, Julia Dasilva, Ni Truong, Zully Garza, Beatriz Hernandez, Sylar Rocha, (fifth row) Amanda Davila, Jennifer Cantarero, Maria Pedroza, Jazmin Guerrero, Astrid Silva, Aleida Gonzalez, Katherine Maslonka, Karina Gutierrez, Marissa Rodgers, Natalie Balle, Alexis Chicas, (back row) Adela Alanis, Catherine Fuentes, Maritza Hernandez, Alexis Lopez, Xochitl Romero, Andrea Del Villar and Vi Diep.

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35 years ago (1976)
A slated \$193 million bond issue for several improvements to the South Belt area went to the polls. The annual wheelchair basketball game was battled between the Ex-Service-men's Club at San Jacinto College and the Houston-based Easy Riders.

35 years ago (1981)
Final plans for a foot bridge to connect the Wood Meadow subdivision with Stuchbery Elementary were discussed at the site of the proposed bridge. The Clear Creek School district's board of education set a date to receive bids for the new intermediate school to be constructed in League City.

30 years ago (1986)
Hobby Airport's \$10 million Express Auto Park directly across from Hobby Airport opened with 1,450 parking spaces. A new teacher career ladder appeals process was adopted and was followed during appeals concerning placement for the 1985-86 school year in the Pasadena school district.

25 years ago (1991)
Although a South-bend health study had not stopped, 90 percent of the 40 people working the survey moved or were in the process of moving from the subdivision after seeing the preliminary results. Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League celebrated its 25th year in affiliation with Little League baseball.

20 years ago (1996)
Dobie 1992 graduate Amber Brannen was crowned queen of the 69th Texas Relays. Auto theft and auto burglary led crime statistics for Houston District 12 for the six-month period from Sep-

tember through February. Thompson academic team advanced to "elite eight" in the nationals. The *Leader* released a special edition featuring eight new subdivisions in the South Belt area. South Belt's triplets, Brooke, Blake and Brittany Montross, 5, children of Miriam and Walter (Monty) Montross, were the first set of triplets to play on the same baseball team in remembered history of the SBHLL. South Belt resident Verlin Fox was presented with NASA's Silver Snoopy Award. Cadet Daniel Edward Murphy, 20, of the Air Force Academy was killed in a one-vehicle accident while home on vacation.

10 years ago (2006)
A fatal shooting of a home invasion suspect was referred to a Harris County grand jury. Thompson Intermediate was the site of much confusion after several incidents resulted in punishment for all students. Conflicting reports indicated between 18 and 63 students were involved and resulted in many students protesting the punishment by arriving late to their classes. Local schools were preparing for the upcoming Jori Zemel bone cancer walk. The weekend included live music, rock climbing, moonwalks, sporting events for children, face painting, food and a memorial tribute. The Dobie drama department presented its UIL one-act play, *Peter Pan*, at Dobie High School March 16-19.

5 years ago (2011)
Three more arrests were made in connection to a string of home burglaries that police say could date back at least two years. Jesus Garcia, 18; Chris Munoz, 18; and Antoine Pham, 19, were all apprehended. Garcia was charged with possession of stolen merchandise, Munoz was charged with burglary of a habitation, and Pham was charged with hindering apprehension. The arrests brought the total number of charges to eight in connection with the area burglaries. All were former or current Dobie students. Three separate arrests were made that involved sex crimes that occurred in the South Belt area. Russell Evans Carver, 52, a Beverly Hills resident, was arrested for allegedly having inappropriate sexual contact with a 16-year-old girl from Michigan whom he met online. The director of the Dobie

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Pasadena Lions Club awards check to Stuchbery

The Lions Club of Pasadena rewarded Stuchbery Elementary with a check of appreciation on Tuesday, March 22, for raising the highest amount in proceeds for the annual Walk for Sight initiative.



Kevin Albert, Stuchbery P.E. coach, accepts a check of appreciation from Jennifer Key, Pasadena Lions Club representative, and Superintendent of Schools DeeAnn Powell, vice-president of the organization. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Lions Club director Stephanie Salazar; Stuchbery students Morgan Okun, Angel Padilla, Maria De Leon and Shaira Balanta, (middle row) Powell; Key; Albert; (back row) Lions Club director Richard Jennings; Don Lazenby, treasurer; Rick Schriever, representative; and Joey Bowers, representative.

Photo submitted



Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Heidi Kari Kari, Y Tran, David Lam, Michelle Avalos, Malaika Tapela, Madison Okun, Sydnie Hile, Gabby Matias, Liliana Cano, Destiny Killingsworth, Ebony Tejeda, Maggie Medina, Morgan Okun, Palin Cheawchan, Nicholas Sepulveda, Nicholi Soto, Jayden Rangel, (middle row) Bianca Amaya, Tiffany Escudra, Wendy Guevera, Bella Sanchez, Angel Padilla, Carlos Perez, Gio Melendez, Genesis Jimenez, DeeAnn Powell, Jennifer Key, coach Kevin Albert, Emily Cano, Vivianna Fernandez, Lalaini Yates, Maria De Leon, Joelle Jagdeo, Raul Guetierrez, Alejandro Del Villar, Daniel Davila, Abigail Panza, Denae Robinson, (third row) Jayden Escandon, Alyssa Mata, Katherine Blieth, Kelly Flores, Madelyn Sepulveda, Cymone Potier, Stephanie Salazar, Joey Bowers, Richard Jennings, Rick Schriever, nurse Anita Guerrero, Shaira Balanta, Jasmine Hernandez, Angelina Sanchez, Liyah Caballero, Gianna Barreiro, Avah Saenz, Walter Velasquez, teacher Johnny Tsikis, teacher Roseanna Ibarra, coach Susan Brady, (back row) Principal Carolyn Waller and Pam Tevis, PISD Coordinator of Health/P.E./Wellness.

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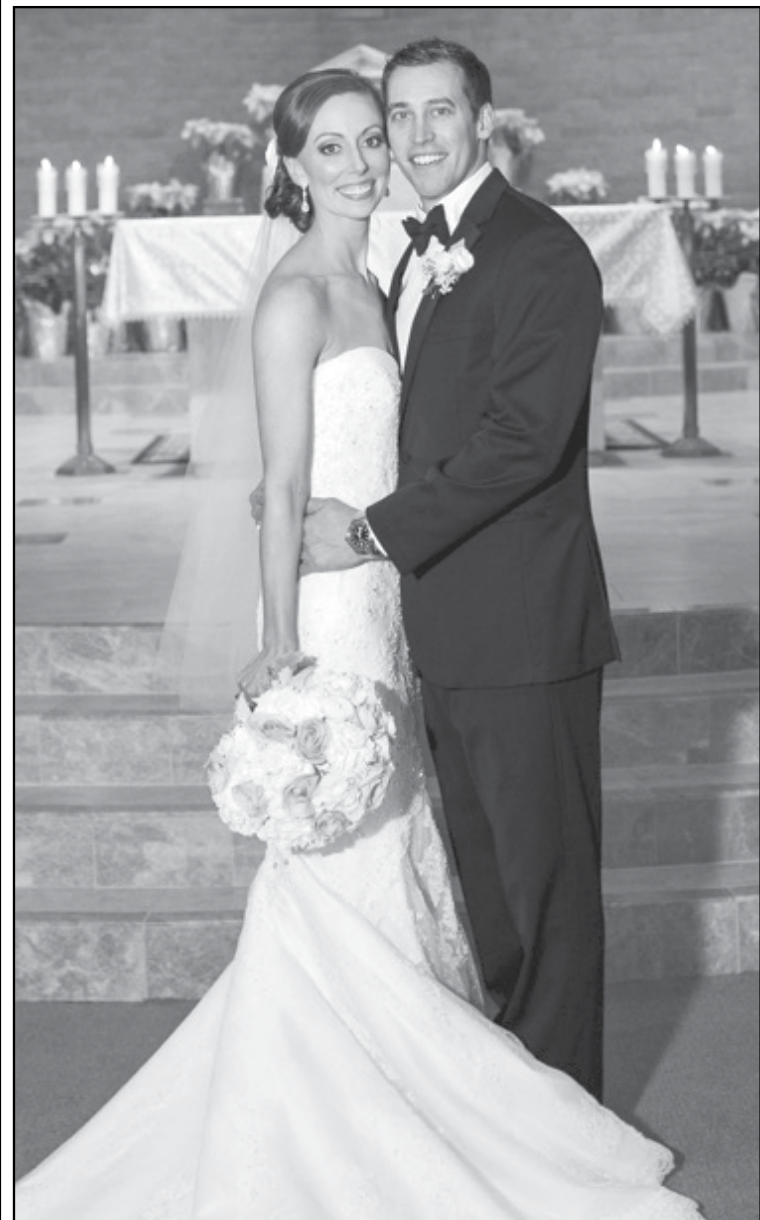
Proceeds for the annual Walk for Sight initiative. Hosted by the Lions Club in collaboration with the Pasadena Independent School District and local businesses, Walk for Sight provides funding for various health programs, benefiting students in need. Participating campuses were encouraged to raise at least \$500. Campuses that successfully achieved this goal received 10 percent of the proceeds to go toward the school's coordinated health efforts. Stuchbery significantly topped this amount by raising \$2,300. The district collectively raised about \$22,000 for the initiative this school year. "In P.E. classes, we not only try to teach children the importance of being healthy for a lifetime but also the importance of being good citizens," said Pam Tevis, the district's P.E., health and wellness coordinator. "The students enjoy knowing they are helping a friend in need. They also understand they are helping their school raise money for programs that teach them the importance of good health."

The walk has raised a net of \$180,000 cumulative over the last 13 years through sponsorships and local businesses, with the bulk of the money coming from the district. Proceeds raised from the walk have been used to provide more than \$42,000 in eye exams and glasses for district students. Participation in the initiative continues to increase, resulting in more funding for additional needs. In fact, the Lions Club has provided funding of \$65,500 for all Pasadena ISD nurses to have membership into the National Association of School Nurses for eight consecutive years. One of the many benefits of membership in NASN is that each nurse receives 25 eyeglass vouchers to be used as needed. Over the years, Walk for Sight has provided: \$17,630 in donations to the participating schools for coordinating school health; \$20,500 in donations to the Texas Invitational Basketball Tournament benefiting the Pasadena ISD Education Foundation; \$2,000 in donations to the DARE program; \$3,500 in donations to the Get Fit Jog program. "Much of the credit for the continuing increase in participation and coordination of this event goes to Pam Tevis and her staff, including the P.E. teachers," Don Lazenby, Lions Club treasurer said. "The kids do a fantastic job and they seem to have a great time."

The walk, which annually takes place around "Let's Make a Difference Day" in October, was canceled this year due to inclement weather. This did not stop students from continuing their fundraising efforts at the campus level. "Each year we try to add something to make the event a little more special for the students, parents and the community," Tevis said. "The hope is that Walk for Sight will inspire others in the community to 'volunteer' for the day and do a good deed for others."

This year, Walk for Sight is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016, which is on Let's Make a Difference Day.

Tollett, Legge marry



Lauren Ann Tollett of Sageglen and Justin Robert Legge of League City were united in marriage on Saturday, Jan. 9, 2016, at Sts. Simon and Jude Catholic Church in The Woodlands. A reception followed at the Carriage House in Conroe. The bride is the daughter of Jesse and Linda Tollett of Sageglen. She is a graduate of Clear Brook High School and a 2007 graduate of Texas A&M, earning a degree in education. She currently teaches fourth grade in the Clear Creek Independent School District. The groom is a graduate of Clear Creek High School. He is employed by LyondellBasell. He served in the U.S. Army for 12 years, completing two tours in Afghanistan with the 82nd Airborne Division. He is currently finishing his undergrad at the University of Houston with plans to graduate in May 2017. The couple honeymooned in Mexico and reside in Houston.

UHCL welcomed into national STEM-centered coalition

University of Houston-Clear Lake School of Education has been welcomed into partnership with the 100Kin10 coalition, which comprises more than 280 corporations, foundations, museums, nonprofits, school districts and other universities committed to delivering 100,000 new science, technology, engineering and

mathematics or STEM educators by 2021. The 100Kin10 organization formed after President Barack Obama called for the preparation of "100,000 new teachers in the fields of science and technology and engineering and math" during his 2011 State of the Union address. The call was in response to the growing crisis

as fewer and fewer students today opt for STEM-related careers at a time when nearly every aspect of our daily lives is deeply intertwined with technology, and when 26 percent of the current STEM workforce (scientists and engineers) is preparing for retirement. "We've long recognized the STEM need," says UHCL

School of Education Dean Mark D. Shermis. "We're honored to have been nominated and approved for membership in the 100Kin10 organization. "It's not only a testament to our dedication and commitment in helping solve the STEM crisis, but it also presents the opportunity for us to learn from other partner programs and share our own expertise across the network."

UHCL Assistant Professor in STEM Omah Duncan recently attended a 100Kin10 conference representing the university. Duncan is the former director of STEM for KIPP Houston Public Schools, a high performing public charter school district. She has high regard for the 100Kin10 organization and is thrilled the UHCL is now a part of it.

"It's a very thoughtful organization," Duncan says. "They make a point of asking and being very persistent and choosing people who are about the business of work. It's one thing to say that you want to do something, and something completely different if you do it. So, they are looking for people with lots and lots of 'do-ability,' along with the capability, capacity, support and encouragement to implement these ideas when they become available."

Duncan explains that partnership requires an ambitious commitment toward the 100Kin10 organization's goal of 100,000 STEM teachers. She adds that UHCL has stepped up to the challenge, pledging that

by 2020 it will not only train 400 preservice teachers to integrate STEM curriculum into their future classrooms, but, also, develop a STEM certificate to complement the current degree programs for Texas Teacher Certification. In addition, the university pledged to graduate 20 students from its new doctoral program, the Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction, with a STEM focus. The degree, at the forefront of this emergent field and one of the first of its kind in the nation, specializes in preparing professionals to be leaders in recruiting additional K-12 STEM teachers.

In return, Duncan explains that the 100Kin10 organization recognizes that for its partners to be successful in achieving such ambitious goals, it must pledge to provide tools and resources that allow members to think "outside the box," and "partner in uncommon, nontraditional, but hugely successful ways."

In fact, Shanna Graves, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education and Early Childhood Education Program Coordinator, has already submitted a fellowship grant proposal to investigate introducing STEM activities in pre-K through third-grade classes. While the outcome of the grant proposal is still unknown, Duncan is pleased with the many additional opportunities and idea exchanges that the national network offers.

"We're excited about the 100Kin10 partnership," says Brenda Weiser, Associate Professor of Teacher Edu-

cation, who serves as the program coordinator for the new Curriculum & Instruction doctoral program with STEM focus. "It's a win-win-win for all," she adds.

The School of Education has a long history of STEM-focused activities. In the past, UHCL received several multiyear science and mathematics grants that brought area classroom teachers to the UHCL campus for professional development and master level classes - programs like the Texas Regional Collaborative for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching and the UHCL Mathematics Institute.

In 2014, the university initiated a partnership with the Deer Park Independent School District to have the district's Parkwood Elementary, Katherine Alvarez, Brooke Anderson, Sean Anthony, Rosaly Arellano, Yisabelle Berroa, Sophia Breigheith and Sapphira Bright. Aaliyah Brown, Charles Bruno, Gavin Burchfield, Hermallony Campos, Diana Campuzano, Yareli Canastuj, Jannie Cardenas, Jessica Cardenas, Joseph Castillo, Estrella Cortes, Lexie Cowan, Samantha Crisancho and Leneth Cruz.

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Meador announces honor, merit rolls for 3rd 9-weeks

Meador Elementary School recently released its honor and merit rolls for the third nine-weeks grading period of the 2015-2016 school year.

Students earning status are:

First grade Recognized roll
Janisleidis Aguila, Isreal Aguilar-Martinez, Emily Alejandro, Mayte Almanza, Nathalie Almanza, Aracely Alvarado, Katherine Alvarez, Brooke Anderson, Sean Anthony, Rosaly Arellano, Yisabelle Berroa, Sophia Breigheith and Sapphira Bright.

Second grade Recognized roll
Leonela Aguila, Kevin Argueta, Hussai Arias, London Bates, Arihanna Berrones, Natalia Betancourt, Joseph Chacon, Damarion Copeland, Josselyn Delgado, Leah Erickson, Yazmyne Gaines, Madison Garcia, Timothy Guerra and Olivia Hernandez.

Third grade Honor roll
Bryan Anderson, Angelica Castillo, Joshua Cavazos, Yaeisssha Cuidad, Brenden Foxx, Jamael Martinez, Tre Ramirez, Aleks Saldana and Cindy Su.
Merit roll
Marvin Carter, Tatyonna Chappell, Anyscia Hagler, Jaylen Hernandez, Alani Lanza, Karol Martinez, Mateo Mercado, Edson Moreno, Kristi Nguyen, Lex Palm, Ileen Preza, Yainely Robles, Ruquayya Soudine, Lena Swick, Yara Valois and Michelle Zarate.
Fourth grade Honor roll
Alex Escobar, Ethan Hernandez, Arick Lastik, Alejandro Lopez, Yulissa Oliva and Arianna Ramos.

Yasmine Joseph, Alison Lopez, Angel Lopez, Alexander Luviano, Ethen Maldonado, Akyrian McDaniel, Lili Mercado, Jillian Mikulski, Ashley Moreno and Devin Moreno. Tristen Murua, Cheryl Ngechu, Hieu Nguyen, Gloria Ochoa, Alyssa Ramos, Mia Ramos, Tasneem Rasheed, Ximena Rea, Ja'cari Rice, Emma Rocha, Bayron Rodriguez, Fidencio Rodriguez, Eileen Rose, Jadrin Rubalcava and Daniel Salamanca.

Nolan Seymore, Krystal Silva, Daniella Thompson, Miriam Torres, Jennifer Tran, Payton Turner, Cynthia Vagliente, Alan Vallejo, Ella Valois, Xavier Vargas, Allison Villar, Julian Villasenor, Grace Vincent, Caleb Warren, Ashton Willis and Auri Young.

Kiera Nelson, Richard Le, Josue Luna, Alejandro Martinez, Evelyn Martinez, Xavier Martinez, Josiah McCoy, Nelson Mendez, Aliana Moreno, Blaze Morua, Jacoby Muniz, Minh Nguyen, Joaquin Ramirez, Saleh Rasheed and Rachel Rivera.

Stuchbery Science Fair winners



The winners from the Stuchbery Elementary School Science Fair are, left to right, Julian Cavazos, Abigail Panza, Giovanni Melendez, Melina Aguilera and Jasmin Mooney. These students also enjoyed their day at the Pasadena Independent School District Science Fair. They all received medals for the hard work they put into their projects. Panza won a trophy for her project.

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Enjoying Memorial opening



Houston City Councilman Dave Martin, left, and Kyle Price, Senior Vice President and CEO of Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital were two of the many dignitaries in attendance at Memorial Hermann Pearlland which just opened as a pavilion of Memorial Hermann Southeast.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

Pearland pavilion to Southeast

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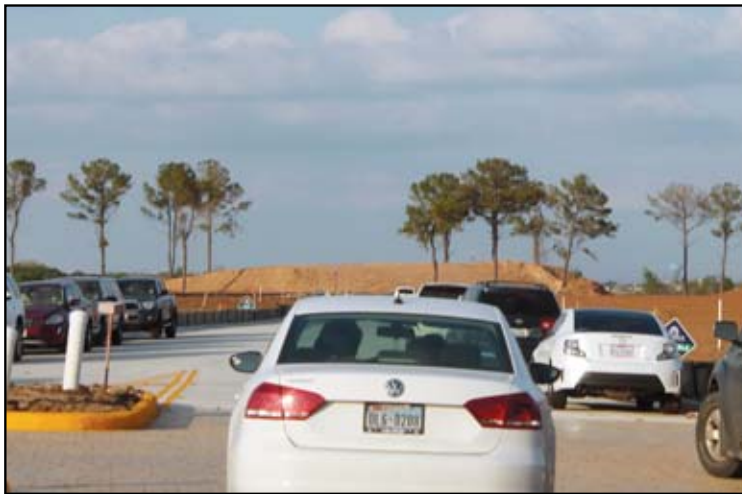
Pearland Historical Society, illustrates the history of Pearlland dating back to the early 1800s.

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Memorial Hermann Pearlland is located at 16100 South Freeway on the southbound side of Highway 288 near FM 518.

Traffic plagues county facilities



Parking at the hike-and-bike trail and adjacent park at Blackhawk and Scarsdale has been overflowing in recent weeks. The above photo was taken at the facility Sunday, March 27. Community leaders are currently in talks with county officials about possibly expanding the lot.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

Dominguezes enjoy bluebonnets



Longtime Sagemont residents Joe and Yolanda Dominguez recently returned from a trip to see the bluebonnets near the Columbus area with the Pasadena Madison Jobe group. About 50 went on the one-day road trip. The family moved to South Belt approximately 46 years ago.

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Morris' Scott to appear on TV

Morris Middle School sixth-grade student Maya Scott (pictured left) recently won the runner-up spot in the Pasadena Independent School District's annual spelling bee. Scott will now go on to compete in the Houston Public Media Spelling Bee - the nation's third largest spelling bee, with spellers from 1,000 schools in 42 Texas counties, representing more than 100,000 students. The contest will be televised live Saturday, April 2, at 2 p.m. on Houston Public Media (Channel 8) and streamed online at www.houstonpublicmedia.org/spelling-bee. Winners will then go on to compete at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in May in National Harbor, Md.

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SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

Area soccer playoffs

Dobie boys welcome Alief Taylor test as postseason rolls on

By John Bechtle Sports Editor
The varsity boys' soccer area playoff round features several tough match-ups, but perhaps none more intriguing than that of Dobie versus Alief Taylor.
Both teams were defeated in this same round last season, but now have a chance to get to the Re-

gion III quarterfinals with a win.
Dobie is trying to get to the third round of the playoffs for the first time since its Region III Final Four run in 2013, while the Lions are aiming to attend the quarterfinals for the first time in school history.
The Longhorns defeated Alief Taylor 2-1 during Pasadena ISD Cup action in early January, but that should matter little now.
The Lions took a 1-0 lead on Dobie in the first half, but the Longhorns responded with a pair of late goals to win. Dobie was also aided by the issuance of a red card against Alief Taylor, so the game might as well be dismissed as merely an early-season tussle between talented teams.
"Our motto has been that 'We Deserve This,'" Dobie head coach Justo Manrique said. "The re-

sults of this season have come through hard work. Right now, our focus is on us and doing what we do. "We certainly know what to expect from Alief Taylor, and I'm sure they know what to expect from us."
"I guess the only concern is that we don't play up to our potential, but our guys are ready, and they want this win this time around."
"I just feel like we will respond the way we hope to out there."
And it's the way Dobie has handled its business

long while since the locals lost, and they don't want to now, either.
Dobie and Alief Taylor are in the second round after easy wins in the bidistrict playoffs.
Despite having to travel to Beaumont the night before Good Friday, Dobie scored in the opening minute against an over-

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Sabino Lozano (23) of Dobie will have to play big during the area round playoff game against Alief Taylor if the Longhorns are to reach their goal of making the regional quarterfinal round or better. His goal against Port Arthur Memorial in the bidistrict round against Port Arthur Memorial paved the way for the Longhorns' easy 4-0 win. Meanwhile, Taylor advanced with a 4-1 win over Clear Springs.
Photo by John Bechtle

Area soccer playoffs

JFD varsity boys vs Alief Taylor

**Pearland Dawson High School
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District 21-6A champ DP drops Dobie

For the second time in three seasons, Deer Park has eliminated Dobie from the Class 6A varsity girls' soccer playoffs.
The Lady Deer, champions of District 21-6A this season, came away with a 4-0 win over fourth-place Dobie March 24, at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. In 2014, Deer Park used a big second half barrage of goals to turn a scoreless halftime game into a 5-0 win.
So Dobie's season is complete, while the Lady Deer advance to play the Brazoswood Lady Bucs in the area playoff round.
The Dobie/Deer Park

with the 2016-2017 school year, while Pearland, Manvel, Dawson and Al-22-6A ranks beginning vin will exit.

Intermediate soccer debuts within PISD

Boys' and girls' soccer in the Pasadena Independent School District's intermediate school ranks will make its long-awaited debut Thursday, March 31, and Friday, April 1, at chosen locations. The action will then continue Monday, April 4 and Tuesday, April 5, as the schedule plays on.
At each of the district's 10 intermediate schools, there will be single seventh- and eighth-grade boys' and girls' teams in
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Despite loss to Pearland, Lady Longhorns sit third

First-place Pearland kept its eventual district championship plans intact with an 11-2 victory over Dobie March 29, at the Pasadena ISD Complex.
After being no-hit in the first game between the two teams, Dobie managed two hits this time around.
But Pearland, which is now 9-0 in District 22-6A play, scored five runs in the top of the third inning and two more in the top of the fourth to take a commanding 7-0 lead. From there, the defending league champions closed

out the win.
Pearland's Alyssa Denham, who started in the circle and was part of the first no-hitter against Dobie, threw 5 2/3 innings this time, striking out 10 Lady Longhorns.
Despite the defeat, the Dobie squad is looking pretty good in the grand scheme of things.
Catching Pearland and winning the league title would appear to be out of the question, but Dobie, currently at 6-3, still has its focus on second-place Alvin.
The Yellowjackets, who

defeated Dobie in the first round of district play by a 6-1 count, is second at 7-2 in the standings.
Dobie and Dawson are

tyed for third at 6-3, with Memorial fifth at 5-4. The league's other three programs have had little success at winning games in

Brook softball rallies late

Down 2-0 in the top of the fourth inning and perhaps headed to a third straight loss, the Clear Brook Lady Wolverines simply refused to give in.
Instead, visiting Clear Brook plated seven runs in the top of the fourth inning and three more in the top of the fifth inning, stunning host Friendswood with a 10-2 loss.
Shelby Ermis, Janessa Calles and Alexis Barton each had two hits in the game, and Nicole Petty pitched five innings to earn the win for the Lady Wolverines.
Brook has now tightened things in the standings. See the 24-6A lineup on Page 3B

Horns suffer damp loss to Mavs

The Dobie varsity baseball team has completed a first half of District 22-6A play that, quite frankly, it would likely prefer to forget.
An 8-1 loss to Memorial, Dobie's fourth straight in all, sends the locals into the final eight regular season games at 2-6.
For a team that certainly had playoff aspirations when this all began, a turnaround would be welcomed.
First, Sam Rayburn,

winless in 22-6A play to that point, handed the Longhorns a 4-0 loss March 24 at Dobie.
Then came the Memorial game. The Mavs built a 4-0 lead through 3 1/2 innings, but the Longhorns gave themselves a chance to get back in the game.
Yet the way the frame turned out basically typifies the Longhorns' district season to this point.
Luis Salazar singled to right field to begin the

frame and went to second as Jesse Paredes was hit by a pitch. Although Euro Diaz popped up a bunt on a failed sacrifice for the first out of the inning, JoJo Castaneda walked to load the bases.
The Longhorns looked to be in business against Memorial starting pitcher Logan Portis after he had cruised through the first
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Sharks host tryouts

The South Belt Area Swim Team (SBAST) will host tryouts April 12 through April 14, at the Ashley Point pool, from 5 to 7 p.m.
Team tryouts will then continue Saturday, April 16, as the Sharks begin preparation for the 2016 spring/summer season. Those tryouts will be held from 10 a.m. to noon.
The team's first practice is set for April 18. The Sharks have been the South Belt area's primary youth swimming program since 1971.
For more information about the Sharks, visit online at www.sbast.org.
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Dobie senior shortstop Tyler Myers fields and fires a strike over to first base during the Longhorns' 8-1 loss to Memorial March 29, at Dobie. Through the first half of league play, the Longhorns are at 2-6.
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Dobie netters prep for D22-6A tourney



Count senior Luis Cabreja among the Dobie varsity tennis players who will be looking to extend the 2016 spring season as the Longhorns compete in the District 22-6A Championships April 6-7, at the Harry Taylor Tennis Center in Pasadena. Brackets will include that of boys' and girls' singles, boys' and girls' doubles and mixed doubles as players vie to reach the Region III Championships April 19-20 at Deer Park High School.

Defenders' eighth-grade hoopsters sweep to tourney win



The Houston Defenders, an eighth-grade Amateur Athletic Union basketball team, took first place at the King of The Court Invitational, contested at Dobie High School. The Defenders went 5-0 to complete their perfect run, which concluded with a championship triumph over the SPO Ballers by a 51-35 count. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Marquice Scott (Beverly Hills Intermediate), Tomas Garcia (Beverly Hills Intermediate),

Shannon Hayes (Thompson Intermediate), Isaiah Bibb (Creekside Intermediate), Darion Ramos (Bondy Intermediate), (back row) coach Mike Rogers, Trevon Washington (San Jacinto Intermediate), DeMarcus Carathers (Beverly Hills Intermediate), Jeff First (Space Center Intermediate) and K.J. Ellis (Bonnette Junior High School).

Track & Field

Despite Bondy girls' sweep, Beverly Hills finishes strong at PISD's

Give credit where it is due. The Bondy Intermediate girls' track and field program was the Pasadena ISD's best, cruising to league championships in both divisions after sweeping the regular season as well.

But then there was Beverly Hills, which wound up second in both grade divisions, finishing off a fine season for that program.

In the eighth-grade category, Bondy tallied an incredible 232 1/4 points to run away with the title. Beverly Hills was second with 87 points, and Thompson's 61 points were fifth.

As for the seventh-grade division, Bondy won with 165 points. Beverly Hills was next with 112, and Thompson placed in a tie for third with Miller with 74 points.

BHI 7s utilize speed
The Lady Bears' overall speed was on display early in the meet, with eventual district champion Breana Haywood and teammate Fre'Daiza Tucker going 1-2 in the 100-meter dash.

At 13.99, Haywood grabbed up the gold medal, with Tucker's time of 14.15 placing her second.

Amari Singleton came through in a big way for the Beverly Hills team. She first led the way in the 800-meter run, easily collecting a gold medal for her top finish of 2:36.14.

Returning for the 1,600-meter run, Singleton wound up winning a sprint to the finish for another gold medal, this one coming in a time of 6:13.52.

The Lady Bears again stepped up in the 200-meter dash, grabbing key team points. Janya Hunt was second in a time of 29.50, with Beverly Hills' Amya Ray third in a time of 29.67.

A bronze medal was the award for Beverly Hills' Devin Richard after her leap of 13 feet, 2 inches was second-best in the long jump.

Shifting to the triple jump, Richard scored another medal, this one for third place in the event. Her top effort was 26'1".

Ray then gained another bronze medal for third place in the 400-meter dash, finishing strong at 1:13.51.

Speed was the key for Beverly Hills in the 4x100- as well as the 4x200-meter relay.

At 55.84, the Lady Bears led the way to the tape in the 4x100-meter event as Yessenia Pena, Haywood, Hunt and Tucker represented the school in the event.

At the 4x200-meter relay distance, the Lady Bears' win came via a time of 2:01.07 as the same four athletes formed to make up the team.

Others who competed for the Lady Bears included Marisol Valadez, Toni Smith, Precious Oko, Jaelyn Brown and Zenaida Castillo.

GAT 7s are third
The Thompson seventh-grade program is excited about next season after several athletes stood out at the PISD championships.

Raven Finister came up with one of the Lady Lions' best individual efforts in the 300-meter hurdles.

At 58.37, Finister went home with first place and a gold medal.

The Lady Lions' best relay finish came in the 4x100-meter event as sixth-best in the event.

Diarra Hypolite placed fourth (19.78) with Horton fifth (19.91) in the 100-meter hurdles.

Yeilding, bunched with five other competitors at 4'2" in the high jump, eventually placed sixth.

Amaya Daniels, at 23'10", was sixth in the triple jump for the Lady Lions.

Thompson shot putter Marissa Soto placed fourth in the event with a throw of 24'9" during her session.

Khadryn Caldwell, Adrionay Lee, Erica Gonzalez, Deaira Jackson and Victoria Thomas also competed in the meet for the Lady Lions.

BHI 8s a distant second
Although Bondy commanded the scoreboard, the Lady Bears' eighth-grade team came up with a terrific effort to take second place.

In fact, Italy Bossett wasted no time in getting the Lady Bears to the winner's circle.

In the 100-meter dash, Bossett's time of 13.59 was just enough to claim the event's gold medal. Teammate Breanna Boutte was fourth with a clocking of 14.28.

Ashley Martinez came up with another district championship effort as she led the way to the finish line in the 800-meter run at 2:37.06.

Martinez went for the daily double in the 1,600-meter run, but just missed out on a second gold medal with her second-place time of 6:12.89.

Hurdler Taiya Mitchell added to the Lady Bears' gold-medal haul as she was the champion of the 100-meter event at 18.20, with teammate Vanessa Villarreal sixth at 20.15.

In the 200-meter dash, meanwhile, Beverly Hills' Avyon Armington placed second with a time of 30.02.

Maleyah Laird (31.43) and Tytiana Garcia (31.88) were fifth and sixth, respectively, for Beverly Hills.

The Lady Bears' 4x100-meter team was second to kick off the relay as Ivy Lewis, Boutte, Armington and Bossett posted a time of 55.64 for 16 team points.

Third place came the way of Beverly Hills in the 4x200-meter relay, with Madison McClelland, Sophia Perez, Armington and Bossett teaming for a time of 2:01.94.

To close out the relays, the Lady Bears were fifth in the 4x400-meter relay. This time, McClelland, Zoe Hernandez, Lewis and Perez teamed for a time of 5:08.08.

Other Lady Bears who took part in the championships included Sadie Capuchino, Yaritza Tino-co, Charde Terrell, Hailey Henry, Kim Ramos, Aaliyah Gaines, Osayi Edigin and Kiandra Porter.

GAT 8s are fifth
Thompson's eighth-grade girls' team finished off the season with a fifth-place finish at the championships.

Annette Eonne was one of several medalists for the Lady Lions, taking second in a time of 13.96 in the 100-meter dash.

Eonne was also second for a silver medal in the triple jump, making her way to the 30'7 1/2" spot for the Lady Lions. And teammate Ashley Lam's best leap of 27'11" was fifth-best in the event.

The Lady Lions' best relay finish came in the 4x200 as Ivana Williams, Ashley Lam, Maya Scott

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At 5:05.54, the Lady Lions' 4x400-meter relay team placed third for 12 team points and a bronze medal for the competitors.

That foursome for Thompson included Finister, Ambreon Jones, Thomas-Smith and Castaneda.

Mooney (fourth) and Ridge (fifth) competed well in the 200-meter dash to give the Lady Lions a lift. Mooney came in at 30.10, with Ridge at 30.37.

With a leap of 12'9 1/2", the Lady Lions' Thomas-Smith was fifth in the long jump.

In the 100-meter dash, Yeilding's time of 14.82 was good for fourth place.

Castaneda and Miller were contributors for the Lady Lions in the 400-meter dash.

At 1:14.03, Castaneda was fourth, and Miller's

Success in the relays ultimately made the difference as the Thompson Intermediate seventh-grade track and field team completed a dominant season, claiming the Pasadena ISD crown at the district's championships March 23, at Auxiliary Stadium.

The Lions finished first in each of the district meets leading up to the championships, and then held off the San Jacinto Tigers in the big one. In the end, Thompson's 133 points were just enough as the Tigers wound up with 125. Beverly Hills was fifth with 89.

San Jacinto turned things around in the eighth-grade division, winning with 142 points. Beverly Hills was second with 102. Thompson, closing out a bit of a rough season, tallied 36.5 points for eighth place.

Lions' 7s roar
Thompson relay teams combined to score 40 points, while second-place San Jacinto had just 16, giving the Lions their margin of victory and then some in the seventh-grade event.

The Lions made a statement in the 4x100-meter event, winning at 50.11 seconds for 20 points. That foursome included eventual 200-meter champion Darius Hale, Jonathan Salinas, Tristen Soria and Razmon Williams.

Hale, Soria and Salinas were joined by Jacob Perez in the 4x200-meter event as the Lions were second in a time of 1:44.88.

As for Hale, his championship time of 25.47 scored the win in the 200-meter dash, with Williams taking fifth place at 26.87.

Perez also got in on the district championship act in the field events, winning the triple jump with a great effort of 32 feet, 9 inches.

Dominant GAT 7s snag PISD championship

effort, but the Bears of Beverly Hills pushed hard until the end.

In terms of championships and medals, the Bears' relay team, as has been the case for much of the season, scored big.

Beverly Hills won both the 4x100- and 4x200-meter relays for a fast 40 points.

Simon Tran, Danny Nguyen, Dontavion Crosby and Deon Blacknell stood atop the podium after winning the 4x100 at 48.27.

Nguyen, Tran and Blacknell were later joined by Christian Cleckley as the Bears won the 4x200-meter relay in a clocking of 1:41.73.

Dontavion Crosby got himself a gold quickly as he won the 100-meter dash at 12.26, just edging teammate Danny Nguyen, who's time of 12.28 was second.

De'Marcus Carathers was the best of the best in the 100-meter hurdles as his time of 16.75 provided an easy win.

Carathers then scored another gold medal, this time in the high jump, with a leap of 5'4".

Christian Warren came up big for the Bears in the shot put, scoring a gold medal of his own with a championship throw of 42'8 1/2". Teammate Jason Brooks' best throw of 39'9" was fifth-best in the event.

The Bears' Cameron Guy was fifth in the 400-meter dash in a time of 59.04, and Carathers was sixth in the 200-meter dash with his time of 26.22.

At 35'7", Cleckley commanded the fourth position in the triple jump, and at 48.54, the Bears' Kobe Ruiz was fifth in the 300-meter hurdles.

The Bears' 4x400-meter relay squad came up with a time of 4:11.93 for sixth place as Tran, Black-

nell, Ruiz and Cleckley teamed for the locals. At 98'7", Beverly Hills Brooks placed fifth.

For the Bears, Adam Robicheaux, Darion Brisby-Powell, Jonathan Espinal, Sebastian Hinojosa and Giovanni Solis competed in the final meet of the season.

BHI 7s are fifth
The Bears' overall speed at the seventh-grade level helped the team to a fifth-place finish.

The fun began in the 100-meter dash as the Bears' Keon Thompson won the PISD title with a time of 12.37, and teammate Trevion Williams was sixth at 13.10.

Beverly Hills' Adrian Barragan also landed himself a championship, winning the 100-meter hurdles in a time of 16.65. At 49.10, Barragan placed fourth, just out of medal contention, in the 300-meter hurdles.

BHI's overall speed came into play in a big way in the relays, with the Bears winning the 4x200- and 4x400-meter relays for 40 total points. The Bears scored another 12 points for third place in the 4x100-meter relay.

In the 4x200, Thompson got the Bears out of the gate quickly, and Seth Ragain, Jordan Jones and Chezhiah Lynch followed as the foursome teamed for the win at 1:43.98.

Zachary Almazan, Ragain, Lynch and Barragan represented the Bears in the 4x400-meter event as the championship came with a time of 4:15.54.

As for the 4x100, the Bears' group of Thompson, Ragain, Williams and Lynch delivered a time of 52.92 for third place.

Ragain scored a bronze medal for third place in the long jump, making his way to the 16'0" mark.

The Lions' Jordan Velasquez, Hayden Guerrero, Jonathan Mendez, Miloca Lozano, Noah Gonzales, Javier Martinez, Jason Tao and Alejandro Pulido also competed.

Adams scores PISD alumnus award

Wayne Adams, a towering figure in athletics while a student at South Houston High School and a pillar of Pasadena Independent School District education endeavors for more than four decades, has been selected as the district's Distinguished Alumnus for 2016.

Adams, who recently retired from his vice chairman role with the McDonald's Texas Invitational Basketball Tournament, will be honored by the district at a ceremony on May 3 at the Orozco Professional Development Center.

Adams' involvement in both the Texas Invitational and the Pasadena ISD Education Foundation was a key to the success of the respective groups.

He was a founding member of the Education Foundation board, the group's second president and a consultant during the final portion of his 13-year association with the group.

His work with the Education Foundation coincided with 13 years on the organizing committee of the Texas Invitational. Serving as vice chairman for that entire span, he helped raise more than \$1.5 million, adding to proceeds used to fund mini-grant programs for Pasadena ISD schools.

Adams graduated from South Houston High in 1967 after a stellar career in football and track and

field. An imposing two-way lineman in football, he earned all-district, All-Greater Houston and all-state honors.

A weight man in track, he twice won district titles in the shot put and discus. His senior year, Adams won a silver medal in the shot at the state meet and won another silver at the Summer Olympics track championships that summer. His school and

district record in the shot stood for more than 40 years.

Adams earned three letters in football and started two seasons at offensive tackle for West Texas State. His teammates included future NFL rushing stars Mercury Morris, who went on to play for the Miami Dolphins, and Duane Thomas, who went on to star with the Dallas Cowboys.

While at Pasadena High School, Adams received the Masonic Lodge's Community Builder Award. He also served two years as learning coordinator for the Texas Principals Excellent Program, a Texas Education Agency program that mentors principals from low-performing schools.

After college, Adams taught one year in the Clear Creek ISD before returning to the Pasadena ISD for good. In all, he spend 42 years as a teacher, coach, assistant principal, principal and consultant for the district.

Adams' wife, Pat, is a retired teacher. His son, Mike, is an assistant principal at Pasadena Memorial High School. His daughter, Amy Clowers, is an assistant principal at Meador Elementary.

Wayne and Pat Adams have four grandchildren, which - along with golf - take up much of Adams' retirement time. The May 3 ceremony to honor Adams is set for 6:30 p.m.



Wayne Adams spent 42 years in education, primarily in the Pasadena Independent School District. A pillar of the district's education endeavors for more than four decades, he will be honored as PISD's Distinguished Alumnus for 2016 in May.

Sports news, notes

Seniors apply for SBASA funds

The South Belt Area Sports Association is again looking for deserving class of 2016 high school seniors who would like to vie for the group's annual scholarship awards.

Each year, the association presents \$500 scholarships to be applied toward collegiate academic costs to one deserving male and one deserving female student. Eligibility requirements for the South Belt Area Sports Association are:

The student must have completed a minimum of three seasons in any of the six youth sports leagues supported by the SBASA, including the Sagement-Beverly Hills Little League, South Belt Girls' Softball Association, Sagement Cowboys, South Belt Senior League Baseball (Pony/Colt), the South Belt Youth Soccer Club or the Southbelt Dolphins.

Eligible candidates must be satisfactory in both attendance and academic standing and should also have exhibited good citizenship, character and community involvement to date.

The scholarship may be used to defer costs in the approved areas, including tuition, fees, books or miscellaneous expenses.

The selection will be made by the SBASA committee. Financial need will be considered in the selection process.

The applications must be completed and returned to the Dobie or Clear Brook counseling offices by April 22, 2016.

The recipient must enroll in a minimum of 12 class hours at an accredited institution, including a four-year college or technical/vocational school.

The funds will be distributed to the chosen candidates once registration and other appropriate receipts are provided to the committee for approval.

Applicants should also submit a copy of their transcript and a senior portrait with the application. Questions should be directed to Rich Newell, president of South Belt Area Sports Association, at rdnewell2@auspex-inc.com or Karen O'Connor, secretary, at karenconnor9694@sbcglobal.net.

JFD swim hosts youth clinic

Dobie High School swim coach Bradley Nguyen and the Longhorns' program will host a pre-summer league clinic for youths age 6 to 12, April 5 through April 8 at the Beverly Hills Intermediate pool.

The April 5 workout will include freestyle skills, while the April 6 workout will cover the backstroke. The April 7 workout will cover breaststroke/butterfly skills and the April 8 workout will include work in all strokes. Nguyen will be assisted by JFD assistant coach Kyle Ediger as well as current Dobie swimmers. Cost of the clinic is \$50 cash.

The Pasadena ISD does not provide medical insurance for this type of event, so parents will be responsible for providing their own child's medical insurance. For more information, direct email to Nguyen at ktnguyen@pasadenaisd.org.

Lajaunie tennis event soon

The Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund (DLTSF) along with the Bay Area Racquet Club (BARC) in Houston will host the 5th Annual Darren Lajaunie Memorial Tennis Tournament Friday through Sunday, April 22 through April 24. The BARC is located on Kings Park Lane, off NASA Parkway.

The tournament will award members of the BARC's junior tennis players both youth camp and college scholarships. College scholarships will also be awarded to two tennis playing seniors (one boy and one girl) at Dobie High School.

Lajaunie began his tennis career playing at Dobie High School and graduated co-valedictorian in 1984. The Lajaunie family have been members of BARC since 2009. Last year DLTSF raised \$19,000 for the scholarships from sponsorships, donations, silent auction, dinner raffle and proceeds from Texas Land and Cattle night for DLTSF.

Unfortunately, Lajaunie lost his battle with melanoma on May 3, 2011. This scholarship fund and tournament is a way to honor his memory by helping junior tennis players enjoy tennis and by assisting with their education in college.

All registered players will receive a tournament T-shirt and hat, and enjoy complimentary Saturday morning breakfast snacks. A complimentary lunch will also be available for players, which will be donated by the Lajaunie family.

Members of the Dobie Tennis team will be allowed to play in the tournament free of charge. Dobie players should check the tournament website for all details related to the scholarships. Dinner tickets, which will go on sale April 1, are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 10-and-under. Tickets may be purchased at the BARC or on the DLTSF website.

District 22-6A Standings Varsity Softball

Teams	W	L
Pearland	9	0
Alvin	7	2
Dobie	6	3
Dawson	6	3
Memorial	5	4
Manvel	3	3
Rayburn	3	6
South Houston	1	7
Pasadena	0	9

District 24-6A Standings Varsity Softball

Teams	W	L
Brazoswood	6	1
Clear Springs	6	1
Clear Falls	5	2
Clear Creek	3	4
Clear Brook	3	4
Friendswood	3	4
Dickinson	2	5
Clear Lake	0	7

SoHo invite good to JFD tracksters

Inching one step closer to the District 22-6A championships, the Dobie varsity boys' and girls' track and field teams competed at the South Houston High School Invitational March 24, at Auxiliary Stadium.

Once again, both teams from Dobie experienced their share of success at the meet.

The Lady Longhorns, in particular, stood out as Justice Henderson was in on four first-place finishes in all, and Jade Giron and Camille Singleton also stepped up in a big way.

Henderson, who will join the University of Houston women's team later this fall, championed both the long jump and the 100-meter dash. She was also part of the mix as Dobie won the 4x100- and 4x200-meter relays.

In the long jump, Henderson's winning mark was set at 17 feet, 2 inches.

As for the 100-meter dash, Henderson's time of 12.64 seconds was quickest to the finish line.

Giron's individual victory came in the 400-meter dash, which came as a

result of a 59.34 clocking.

Singleton, once a district champion in the 400-meter dash, scored her win in the 200-meter dash, coming in at 26.64.

In the 4x100-meter relay, the Lady Longhorns scored 20 points for the win as Rayiona Green was joined by Giron, Camryn Ridge and Henderson for a time of 48.84.

Dobie's victory in the 4x200-meter relay came as Henderson, Giron, Ladayjah Cook and Singleton combined for a time of 1:44.00.

Green, Singleton, Giron and Cook were in on the action in the 4x400-meter relay, where Dobie's time was 4:13.00 for second place.

Jamesetta Seals captured second place in the shot put with a throw of 30'9", and Victoria Onozie was third at 30'2".

The teammates then changed spots in the discus, with Onozie third with a throw of 93'7" and Seals fifth at 87'9".

Cook ran the 400-meter dash, where her time of 1:04.54 placed the junior fifth. Ridge was sixth in the 100-meter dash with a

clocking of 13.84, and her 200-meter dash time of 28.44 was seventh.

Dobie boys excel
Travores Gilbert, Jacuray Shelvin and Jeremy Davis were among the first-place medalists for the Dobie varsity boys' squad.

In the triple jump, Gilbert made his way to the 41'9 1/4" mark for the gold medal, and his leap of 19'11 1/2" also won the long jump.

Davis, who like Gilbert was part of the Longhorns' varsity boys' basketball squad that reached the Region III semifinals, was the champion of the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 14.84.

With a throw of 47'7 1/2", Davis also claimed the top spot in the shot put, with Dedrick Simpson third at 45'10 1/2".

Shelvin, a sure-fire contender for the 22-6A title in the 100-meter dash, won the sprint this time at 11.14 seconds.

Daniel Williams also enjoyed a great meet for the Longhorns. He was second behind Gilbert in the triple jump after scoring at 40'11", and his time

of 15.84 in the 110-meter hurdles was third-best.

Williams also scored a third-place spot in the 300-meter hurdles at 42.44.

Kris Morris ran well in the 200-meter dash, as he posted a time of 23.44 for second place. Shelvin, meanwhile, was fifth in the same event at 23.94.

Simpson's best throw of 116'7" landed him fourth place in the discus, with Dobie's Brandon Flores eighth at 109'8".

Chris Penaloza also fared well for the Longhorns. He came up with a time of 51.64 in the 400-meter dash for fifth place, and was 10th at 18'7 1/2" in the shot put.

Maurice Douglas of Dobie was sixth in the 110-meter hurdles with his time of 16.54, and he was seventh in the 300-meter hurdles at 43.84.

Earl Newton was sixth in the 300-meter hurdles with a clocking of 43.64, and Jacoby Davis was seventh in the 400-meter dash with a time of 55.24.

In the relays, Dobie placed second in the 4x100 and third in both the 4x200 and 4x400.

Brook boys' track finding its footing

Sprinter Brandon Taylor is still the star of the show, but it appears the Clear Brook varsity boys' track and field team is rounding into form just in time for the District 24-6A championships.

A select group of Wolverines competed at the March 24 Clear Springs Charger Invitational, with Taylor staying unbeaten in the 100-meter dash with a run of 10.61 seconds in the final.

The Wolverines are getting healthy in other areas, and coach Aaron Troyer is close to being able to set the team's three respective relays moving forward.

In other events, the

Wolverines look strong.

As for those relays, Clear Brook took second place in both the 4x100- and 4x200-meter events at Clear Springs. In the 4x400-meter event, the Wolverines were third.

Showing their talent across the range of events, Jared Ackerman ran the 800-meter event at 2 minutes, 5.45 seconds for fifth place, and Jacob Reznik's run of 4:40.91 in the 1,600-meter event was also fifth.

Luke Barksdale, field event extraordinaire, scored, second- third and fourth-place positions in his respective events.

In the triple jump,

Barksdale's best leap was 44 feet, 3 1/2 inches for second place, and he went 21'4" in the long jump for third place. Barksdale narrowly missed a medal in the high jump, as his best leap of 5'10" was fourth.

Caleb Nettles and Corey Fairer stood out in the hurdles for the Wolverines.

At 41.97, Nettles was eighth in the 300-meter event, and his time of 15.87 was ninth in the 110-meter hurdles.

As for Fairer, he was 11th in both the 110s (16.04) and 300s (44.10), and Tyler Garcia placed ninth in the 300s at 42.36. Brook's Jamael Farooq

wound up 13th in the long jump with his best effort of 20'0", and he placed 18th in the 200-meter dash in a time of 23.63.

Brierson Moore of Clear Brook placed 10th in the 110-meter hurdles at 15.91, and George Burrell was 11th with a time of 2:07.41 in the 800-meter run.

In the 400-meter dash, Brook's Braelon Hill was 12th (53.21), with Caleb Chapman 14th (53.81) and Jaizac Garcia 16th (53.99).

At 23.96, Brook's Kenneth Pree was 23rd, and Jarrett Smith ran the 100-meter dash at 11.65 for 26th place.

PISD intermediate track concludes

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and Eonne combined for a time of 2:01.81 for second place.

Mikayla Gutierrez was a double-medalist for the Lady Lions. Her throw of 72'4" was good for second place and silver medal in the discus.

A throw of 26'11"

granted Gutierrez a bronze medal for third place in the shot put.

Teammate Hailey Schwerdfeger was sixth in the same event with a throw of 26'9".

At 5:01.49, the Lady Lions were fourth in the 4x400-meter relay, as that group included Scott, Wil-

liams, Miranda Serrano and Felicity Soto combined.

At 14'0", Lam was fifth in the long jump for the Lady Lions.

In the 2,400-meter run, Danielle Colunga came through with a sixth-place finish for her team at 10:32.87.

Williams, Scott, Lam and Eonne wound up sixth after teaming for a time of 58.06 in the 4x100-meter relay.

Others competing in the meet for the Lady Lions included Alexys Vela, Lexania Rodriguez, Carrie Cubos, Gisell Morales and Lauren Deramus.

Pasadena ISD Intermediate Soccer

Thursday, March 31

Thompson girls host Bondy

Beverly Hills girls host Southmore

Friday, April 1

Thompson boys at Bondy

Beverly Hills boys at Southmore

Monday, April 4

Thompson girls at Jackson

Beverly Hills girls at South Houston

Tuesday, April 5

Thompson boys host Jackson

Beverly Hills boys host South Houston

Monday, April 11

Thompson girls host Beverly Hills

Tuesday, April 12

Thompson boys at Beverly Hills

Monday, April 18

Thompson girls host Miller

Beverly Hills girls host San Jacinto

Tuesday, April 19

Thompson boys at Miller

Beverly Hills boys at San Jacinto

Monday, April 25

Thompson girls at Queens

Beverly Hills girls at Park View

Tuesday, April 26

Thompson boys host Queens

Beverly Hills boys host Park View

Boys' tournament – May 4-6

Girls' tournament – May 2, 3 and 6

Seventh-grade games are at 5 p.m. on campus

Eighth-grade games are at 6 p.m. on campus

Tournament games at Veterans, Auxiliary stadiums

Intermediate soccer begins; GAT, BHI meet April 11-12

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action. At Thompson, Dobie varsity girls' soccer head coach Bryan McDonald is helping out with the girls' program, while Daniel Sawyer handles the boys' program.

At Beverly Hills, Gill Bonnett is working with the Bears' boys' teams, with Tiffany Wright aiding the girls' teams.

PISD Director of Athletics Rodney Chant said the idea of intermediate soccer is something he and former district superintendent Kirk Lewis had hoped to implement sooner than later.

The funding was approved, and things came together quickly.

PISD has enjoyed one of the most successful runs of success on the high school soccer fields

in recent years, with boys' teams from Dobie, Pasadena and South Houston all reaching the Region III tournament.

Obviously, developing feeder programs at the intermediate level can only help.

"Absolutely, we feel that way, that it can only help us at the high school level," said Chant, when asked about the positives that will come from this program getting started.

"You're talking about building a foundation, and helping the kids get integrated into the sport and understanding the game prior to the high school level.

"We are very much looking forward to seeing the growth in the sport within our district that can come from this."

As is the case with any first-year program, there may be a few scheduling glitches, but seventh- and eighth-grade boys' programs will play at 5 and 6 p.m. on a given campus, while the girls' games will be played at the same times on the opposition's campus.

For instance, Thompson's boys will play one week at Miller Intermediate, with Miller's girls' teams coming to Thompson to compete.

The seventh-grade games are slated for 5 p.m. each week, with the eighth-grade games to follow at 6 p.m.

The games will be 30 minutes in length. Currently, there is a 5-game regular season schedule in place, to be followed by a tournament.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

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

Clear Lake Bridge Club – Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318 or the club at 281-480-1911. Cost: \$6/game or \$15/lesson.

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Well Spouse Support Group – meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale, the last Thursday of each month with those who are the husband, wife or partner of a chronically ill/disabled person, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free childcare provided. No meetings in Nov. or Dec. For information, contact Jennifer Miller at houstonwellspouse@gmail.com or 713-724-2360, or visit http://www.wellspouse.org.

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Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) – West End Group of AA, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church, 12005 County Rd. 39, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

Kadima Annual Convention – for fifth to eighth grades is hosted by the Jewish youth organization Southwest United Synagogue Youth (SWUSY) at the Dell Jewish Community Center campus, 7300 Hart Lane, Austin, TX, 78731, Friday (3 p.m.) to Sunday, April 1-3. A weekend of fun activities is planned, including a rodeo relay, games, a swim-up movie night, Shabbat meals, free time for sports, chilling with friends and many other activities. Participants must register online through Regpacks (all participants must be registered members of USY/Kadima before attending the convention). The youth of Congregation Shaar Hashalom (16020 El Camino Real) will participate in the convention. For more information, call 281-488-5861 or visit

www.shaarhashalom.org

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Al-Anon – meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Friday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For more information, call 281-484-9243.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

Alcoholics Anonymous – "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) – Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., (Hwy. 35), Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) – For persons whose lives are affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

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CALENDAR

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SUNDAY, APRIL 3

8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.
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MONDAY, APRIL 4
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Monday, 10 to 11 a.m., Literature Study, In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P. St., Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall, back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for information.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact instructor Dr. Dave Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6/game or \$15/lesson. For information, call the club at 281-480-1911.
11:30 a.m.
Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for information, or just drop in.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon at 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.
2 p.m.
Genealogy Group - Parker Williams Genealogy Group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. on first and third Mondays at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. Public is invited. For information, email Liz Hicks at erootrot@usa.net.
3:30 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise and speech therapy from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a list of services offered. For adults with Parkinson's disease only.
6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Mondays at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua, 6 p.m. Come and improve crossword game playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for information.
New Directions Singles - Group for ages 60 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with guest speakers, 6 p.m., at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Parkway. For information, call Margarita at 832-715-9658.

6:30 p.m.

Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting - meets Mondays at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland. Enter door next to recycling bins. For information, call 713-865-3668 or visit www.oahouston.org.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church on the Westminster side. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Friends Helping Friends Grief Support Group - meets Mondays, Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster, 7 to 8:15 p.m., in the staff meeting room. Anyone who has lost a loved one is welcome. Free. For information, call Betty Bielat at 281-474-3430 or Diana Kawalec at 281-334-1033.
7:30 p.m.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 session for nonmembers. Everyone welcome. For information, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - New AA meeting, Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery Program, open meeting meets every Monday, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Building, 11011 Hall Road, 77089. For information, call Russell Garcia at 832-483-6715.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday at 7 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, in the Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.
9:30 a.m.
Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, an old-time kitchen and a turn-of-the-century doctor's office. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For information, call 713-472-0565.
10 a.m.
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11:30 a.m.
Local NARFE Meeting - The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets monthly on the first Tuesday in the Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 NASA Parkway. A meal is available for \$6. For information, call Bob Mitchell at 281-333-2881.
Noon
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Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets weekly, Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Drive, Pearland. Lunch is served for \$15. Variety of interesting speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or visit nalix@texascitizensbank.com.
1 p.m.
Trailmixers - Meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Luby's Cafeteria on Fuqua. Former and current employees of J. Frank Dobie High School are welcome for lunch and conversation.
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1:30 p.m.
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - TOPS #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road, at 1:30 p.m. For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.
6 p.m.
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Bay Area Quilt Guild - Meets the first Tuesday of each month at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Fellowship begins at 6:30 p.m. and the general meeting/program begins at 7 p.m. April's agenda features quilter Kim Norton presenting *Machine Quilting Design*. Guests are welcome. Kim will also host a workshop on quilt design (for members only) on Wednesday, April 6. For information, call Debby Benson at 713-248-8757 or visit www.bayarea-quiltguild.org.
7 p.m.

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11:30 a.m.
Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club - meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., Bravos Mexican Restaurant, 10906 Fuqua, December may be an exception. For information, call Monica Montoya at 281-794-5531.
Noon
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1 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - invites dancers to the Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dance rhythms from 1 to 3:30 p.m. every Wednesday, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. Eileen Bauerlein is available to assist those needing help learning dance moves. For details, call the park office at 281-554-1180 or Neva Schroeder at 832-864-2721.
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
CrossRoads UMC - Invites everyone to the Wednesday night service beginning with a light meal and fellowship at 5:30 p.m., followed by a praise, worship and prayer service at 6:30 p.m., then a Bible study led by both pastors (English and Spanish). Everyone is welcome!

6 p.m.
Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish) - Provides support for family and friends of alcoholics or addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 215, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
Alzheimer's Support Group - The free group meets the first Wednesday of each month in the third floor classrooms 3 and 4 of Bayshore Medical Center, 4000 Spencer Hwy. in Pasadena. For information, call 713-944-4782 or 713-266-6400.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church in the youth building on the Westminster side. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Survivors of Suicide Support Group - The Southeast Houston group meets twice each month. The group offers support and coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adult individuals who have lost a loved one to suicide. For information on registration or to obtain a physical address for a location, call 713-533-4500 or visit www.crisishotline.org.
Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center - Confidential domestic violence support group for women, 7 p.m., 210 S. Walnut off NASA Pkwy. between I-45 South and Highway 3. Call 281-338-7800 or visit www.bayareaturningpoint.com for information. 24-hour crisis hotline is 281-286-2525.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

7 a.m.
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Diabetes Support Group - A support group for young adults with Type 1 diabetes. All subjects open for discussion: new technologies, research advances, dating, etc. Meets the first Thursday (or second if that day is a holiday) at various restaurants. Contact Dan Steiner, CDE, at 713-922-9677 for information.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, at the First Presbyterian Church (youth building) on the Westminster side. For information, call 713-856-1611.
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The Bay Area Writers League - Meets the first Thursday monthly, Barnes and Noble, Bay Area Blvd. and Gulf Freeway. 7 p.m. Newcomers welcome.
8:30 p.m.
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District 22-6A losses hurt Dobie baseball

Continued from Page 1B three innings. But with a 2-0 count on the Longhorns' Darius Hypolite, Portis turned and fired back to second base, picking off Paredes for the second out of the inning.

Hypolite walked to load the bases a second time for Dobie, but Jeffrey Mercado swung through a Portis fastball to end the inning. The Mavericks, who like Dobie had entered the game at 2-5, went on to extend its lead in a persistent drizzle at Longhorn Field.

So now it's on to the second half of 22-6A play, and the Longhorns begin that with a home game against first-place Pearl-land.

The Longhorns know for as tough as the first half of District 22-6A play began, the second half can be just as rewarding.

At left, Dobie reliever Jacob Salas throws a pitch in the top of the fourth inning against Memorial March 29, at Longhorn Field.

With losses in four straight district games, the Longhorns have endured their share of offensive struggles. Since building a 5-0 lead against Dawson March 17, the Longhorns have scored just one run over three-plus games.

When the season began, the Longhorns expected more. Yet there is still time for the locals to make a comeback.

Dobie will have to do so while playing road games at Manvel and at Alvin, and the team's final three regular-season games will be played away from Longhorn Field.

But none of that matters as long as the Longhorns are able to put some wins together. Even if the team become a playoff spoiler for another opponent, that will mean the wins are coming for a team that could use a few.



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Free NCAA Youth Basketball Clinic at Dobie April 2; other fun-filled family events to highlight Final Four

The NCAA is helping local youth celebrate the men's Final Four basketball weekend in Houston, as the association will host a free youth basketball clinic Saturday, April 2, at Dobie High School.

Students currently attending the third- through the eighth-grades are encouraged to attend the clinic, which will run from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Dobie High School.

Select NCAA coaches and current players will oversee the clinic as participants engage in a va-

riety of basketball skills drills as well as conditioning work. There will also be a speaking session focusing on life skills. Each participant will receive a clinic T-shirt as well as other NCAA promotional items.

Reese's Final Four Friday Additionally, there is Reese's Final Four Friday, to be held April 1, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at NRG Stadium.

Attendance is free as the Final Four teams engage in their final practices before the big games

April 2 and April 4.

The afternoon is topped off by the Reese's College All-Star Game, where the Nation's best Division I seniors showcase their skills one final time at NRG Stadium.

Music aplenty included The March Madness Music Festival will provide plenty of sounds and sights at Discovery Green during the Final Four Weekend.

The fun, food and music begins Friday, April 1, from 4 to 10 p.m., then continues Saturday, April

2, from noon to 9 p.m. The event concludes Sunday, April 3, from 3 to 10 p.m.

Final Four set As for the basketball, the NCAA Final Four will begin April 2 at NRG Stadium as the opening game

features a pair of NCAA tournament No. 2 seeds, Villanova versus Oklahoma. Tip-off of that game is set for 5:09 p.m., local time.

The nightcap features No. 1 seeded North Caro-

lina versus, Syracuse, a No. 11 seed. That game is set to tip-off at 7:49 p.m., Houston time. From there, the respective national semifinal winners will meet Monday, April 4, at NRG Stadium.

Dobie boys' soccer

Region III quarters on line

Continued from Page 1B matched Port Arthur Memorial team on a goal by Sabino Lozano.

Three more goals came, including a penalty kick at about the 20-minute mark of the first half.

With five minutes to go in the opening 40 minutes, Dobie led 4-0. Manrique substituted liberally at the intermission.

The same could be said for Taylor, which qualified for its second straight area round clash with a 4-1 win over Clear Springs.

Now it's on to the next round, with the Dobie/Taylor winner to meet either North Shore or Clements in the Region III quarterfinals either April 4 or April 5.

"I do expect a completely different game

than the first one," Manrique said.

"It's all about which team has improved the most over this season and who wants to advance the most. Our guys have a lot of heart, and they really want to get to the next round and beyond.

"I feel good about it. We have scored a lot of goals at Dawson High School (area round game site), and so we have good vibes.

"I'm just proud of the hard work we have put in to this point, and now it's time to show who we are."

TASCO hits the mark The Texas Association of Soccer Coaches got this one right.

In the TASCO pre-season rankings, No. 1 Cinco Ranch was followed

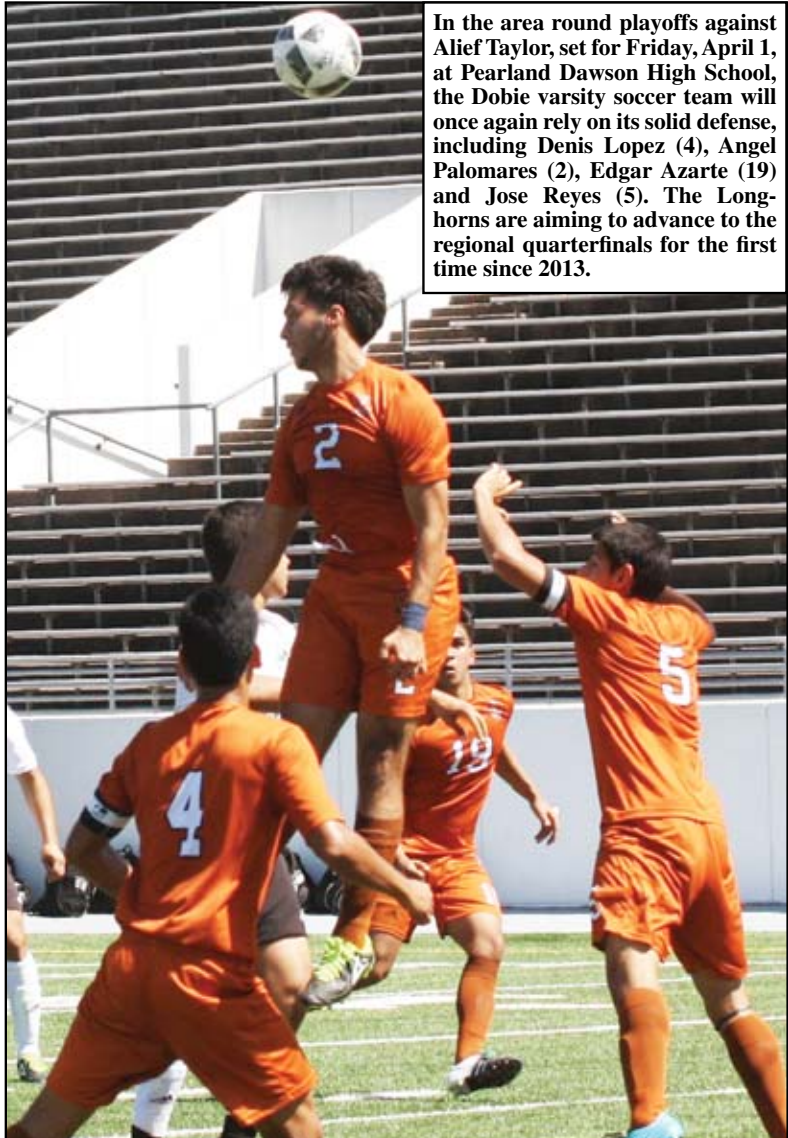
by Alief Elsik, Aldine, Cy-Lakes, Sam Houston, Katy Tompkins, Deer Park, Dobie, Houston Davis and Alief Taylor.

Well, all 10 of those teams advanced to the bidistrict playoffs, with Tompkins beating Sam Houston and Cy-Lakes taking down Aldine.

Now, six of the remaining teams will go against each other in three scintillating area round playoff games, including Dobie versus Alief Taylor, Tompkins versus Cy-Lakes and Alief Elsik versus Deer Park.

If Dobie advances, it will face either North Shore or Clements in the Region III quarterfinals. In 2015, Clements downed Dobie in overtime in an area round playoff game.

In the area round playoffs against Alief Taylor, set for Friday, April 1, at Pearlland Dawson High School, the Dobie varsity soccer team will once again rely on its solid defense, including Denis Lopez (4), Angel Palomares (2), Edgar Azarte (19) and Jose Reyes (5). The Longhorns are aiming to advance to the regional quarterfinals for the first time since 2013.



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