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HPD to hold PIP April 16

The Houston Police Department Positive Interaction Program will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 16, at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria in the CES Classroom, first floor of the main building. Guest speaker to be announced. Begun in 1983, HPD's PIP involves police and community members working together for safer neighborhoods. PIP meetings typically take place the third Tuesday monthly. For information, call Officer Richard Buitron at 832-395-1776 or Richard.Buitron@HoustonPolice.org.

MUD election workers sought

Sagemeadow MUD is seeking election workers for the May 4 board election. Early voting begins April 22. Pay is \$22 per hour. For more information, visit www.sagemeadowud.org.

Beverly Hills to meet April 11

The Beverly Hills Civic Club will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 11, at the Parker Williams Branch Library, 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer. New members are being accepted.

Sagemeadow meets April 18

Sagemeadow subdivision's monthly HOA meeting will be held at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer Thursday, April 18, at 7 p.m. This short meeting will precede a Meet 'n' Greet to encourage all homeowners to sign up in TownSq Giveaways. Light refreshments will be served while supplies last. All homeowners are strongly encouraged to attend. For information, visit www.sagemeadow.org. All meetings are open to the public.

Coffee with the Constable

Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia will be at Donut Haven, 10802 Hughes at Beamer, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. each Thursday for Coffee with the Constable. The next event will be Thursday, April 11. For additional information, call Kay Barbour, 713-419-3545.

Library seeks donations

Friends of the Parker Williams Branch Library is currently accepting donations of hardback and paperback books in good condition, as well as CDs and DVDs. Donations are accepted during business hours at the library located at 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer.

New Covenant feeds needy

New Covenant Christian Church, 10603 Blackhawk, distributes food the second and fourth Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. or until supplies run out. The purpose is to provide food for community people in need. The next event is April 13. For information, call 281-484-4230.

Ellington eRecycling set

The City of Houston Solid Waste Management Department's monthly electronic recycling event will take place Saturday, April 13, at the Neighborhood Recycling Center at Ellington Airport from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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

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

The collection events traditionally take place the second Saturday of each month. For additional information, visit www.houstonsolidwaste.org or call 311.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lanes and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from SH 96/Caldwell/Britany Bay to FM-519/Main Street daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and nightly from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Sunday, Dec. 31. The U-turn lane on the northbound Gulf Freeway frontage road (north to south) at FM-519/Main Street in La Marque will be closed until further notice. The U-turn lane southbound Gulf Freeway frontage road (south to north) at FM-519/Main Street in La Marque will be closed until further notice.

Local COVID cases reported

The number of reported COVID-19 cases in the South Belt community remains roughly on par with the previous week, according to Harris County health officials.

As of Thursday, April 4, there were 270 active cases in 77089, up one from the previous week. To date, 134 from the ZIP code have died from the disease, no increase from the previous week.

In ZIP code 77075, there were between zero and five active cases, no change from the previous week. To date, there have been 82 deaths in the ZIP code, no increase from the previous week.

In 77034, there were seven active cases, up one from the previous week. To date, 93 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease, an increase of one from the previous week.

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

Paxton files to stop \$9,000 giveaway to winners

Lawsuit filed over \$20.5 million for Harris County residents

The following is Harris County's Commissioner Rodney Ellis' statement on Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton's lawsuit against Harris County to halt the county's guaranteed income program.

Ellis, who spearheaded the county's guaranteed income program, dubbed Uplift Harris, issued the following statement criticizing Paxton for filing a lawsuit that claims the program violates the state's Constitution:

"This lawsuit from Ken Paxton reads more like a MAGA manifesto than a legal document. The reality is that Austin extremists like Ken Paxton could care less about the constitutionality of Uplift Harris; what they care about is maintaining a system that favors billionaires and starves working families of the support they need to thrive.

"At the local level, we refuse to be bystanders as soaring income inequality has led to 750,000 members of our community enduring a relentless cycle of poverty. We know from outcomes from other programs that recipients use resources for basic needs like housing, utilities, and food. These types of programs increase employment and provide stimulus to the local economy. Uplift Harris will be a transformational hand-up for thousands of families struggling to keep food on the tables. We are prepared to fight all the way to the Texas Supreme Court to protect it and invest in Harris County families."

In 2023, Harris County's Commissioners Court announced they would be implementing a program titled "Uplift Harris" which would award low-income families in Harris County, selected by ZIP codes, \$500 per month for 18 months. These \$9,000 in payments per lucky winner were announced as "no-strings-attached" with no restrictions on how recipients could spend the money. Harris County is the first and only county to pilot a UBI program

in the State of Texas. Sen. Paul Bettencourt (R-Houston) subsequently filed an opinion request to the Texas Attorney General in January 2024 after the program announced it would start receiving applications. Paxton filed a lawsuit against Harris County regarding the constitutionality of the program.

"When I first saw that Harris County was going to take applications on a Universal Basic Income, UBI, program I knew I had to act. I immediately submitted an opinion request to the Attorney General's office to look at this issue because I was very concerned that the "Uplift Harris" program violated the "gift clause" of the Texas constitution, especially since it is a lottery of who wins the money. There is 1 lucky winner for every 40 losers in this Leftist Progressive program," stated Bettencourt.

When the program opened, more than 82,000 applications were submitted for the program, which only had 1,928 available household slots which is one out of 41 "winners." Applicants are then screened for eligibility and are then entered into the lottery system for a chance to be selected. Harris County Public Health stated that a "lucky 6,000" are chosen for the final program and then randomized to 1,928.

"This scheme is plainly unconstitutional. Taxpayer money must be spent lawfully and used to advance the public interest, not merely redistributed with no accountability or reasonable expectation of a general benefit. I am suing to stop officials in Harris County from abusing public funds for political gain," said Paxton.

The Texas Attorney General argues that the program violates Article III of the Texas Constitution and flouts the State's prohibition against gratuitous payments of public funds to private persons without any return consideration to the State or its political subdivision, Harris County. Further, the attorney general

argues that the county violated Article I, Section 3 of the Texas Constitution because its classification of recipients is arbitrary because it employs a random lottery as opposed to a rational classification, and not all members of the classification used to select the winners will receive payments under the program.

"What an unbelievable waste of \$20.5 million taxpayer dollars this is! It is ludicrous

to pick 1,928 family winners out of a 'lucky 6,000' chosen for the program by Harris County Public Health, in their own words, out of 82,000 applications for UBI. Only the lucky few win and this is "Lottery Socialism" as it is pure, "no-strings-attached," random gifts of public money in Texas. This is just simply wrong on so many levels for a county to do this," concluded Bettencourt.

CCISD candidate forum set for April 11

The Clear Lake area chamber is hosting a candidate forum April 11 at 5:30 p.m. at Nassau Bay City Hall. Candidates running for Position 4, which represents the South Belt area including the South Belt-Ellington Commerce, are Jeff Larson, the incumbent and Albert Wit-

cliff, the challenger.

Residents may also attend in person.

To learn more about the election, including early voting dates and locations, visit <https://www.ccisd.net/elections> and see next week's *Leader*.

Area resident runs for HCAD board

Ericka McCrutcheon serves as Kirkwood Civic Club President

By Gerardo Galarza

May 4 brings in an upcoming election for HCAD (Harris Central Appraisal District) with candidates running for the possibility of earning a seat in office.

In November 2023, voters approved Proposition 4, expanding to include three public members onto the board of the HCAD. This upcoming election has brought in local Harris County residents to run for office in the hopes of amplifying the voices of their community.

Candidates include Bill R. Frazer, Kathy Bluford-Daniels and Ramsey Isa Ankar for Place 1; Austin Pooley, Kyle Scott, Janice W. Hines, Je- von German and Melissa Noriega, for Place 2; and Amy Lacy, James Bill, Mark V. Goloby, Pelumi Adeleke and South Belt resident Ericka McCrutcheon for Place 3.

Ericka McCrutcheon hails from West Palm Beach, but has been a South Belt resident since

1992. She is president of the Kirkwood Civic Club and is a co-counselor with her husband at Joint Heirs Fellowship Church. McCrutcheon and her husband, John, are also small business owners of Dunamis Group LLC, a remodeling company with a niche market in dialysis. Ericka also holds licenses in realty and property management for Royce Realty and is a Life/Health Insurance Agent and Medicare Specialist with Bankers Life and Casualty.

Through her experience in community outreach, McCrutcheon plans to ensure the integrity of the tax appraisal roll and valuations; ensure clean, level and uniform taxation; and ensure taxpayers receive fairness in property tax disputes. McCrutcheon assures she is a servant leader who is ready to take on these responsibilities in the pursuit of proper representation for her community.

Newly elected members take office on July 1, 2024.

Input sought on Clear Creek project

April 26 is deadline for public input on county/federal project

The 30-day public comment period on the Clear Creek Federal Flood Risk Management Project is currently underway and will remain open through Friday, April 26.

The Clear Creek Federal Flood Risk Management Project is a partnership project between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Harris County Flood Control District. As of the June 2019 Project Partnership Agreement between the two parties, the Flood Control District is the lead agency for this project.

Located in the Clear Creek watershed, the Clear Creek Project aims to reduce the impact of flooding in the watershed through a combination of channel conveyance improvements and stormwater detention basins.

The project was identified in 1962 and authorized by Congress in 1968. A recommended plan revision to the previous design plans from 1986 was approved under the General Reevaluation Report (GRR) completed by the USACE in 2013. The GRR plan included the following:

- Channel conveyance improvements: Clear Creek from State Highway 288 to FM 1959 (approximately 15.1 miles).
- Clear Creek Tributary Turkey Creek from FM 1959 to Clear Creek (approximately 2.4 miles).
- Clear Creek Tributary Mary's Creek from Harkley Road to SH 35 (approximately 2.1 miles).
- Clear Creek Tributary Mud Gully from Sage-downe Lane to Astoria Boulevard (approx-

mately 0.8 miles). Stormwater detention along Clear Creek (approximately 500 acre-feet).

- Bridge replacements or modifications.
- Environmental mitigation and enhancements.

(*Note: The second outlet channel gates from Clear Creek to Galveston Bay from the 1986 plan were completed in 1998 and are owned and operated by the Flood Control District.)

The project is currently in the Preconstruction Engineering and Design (PED) stage to update and optimize the GRR plan to reflect current conditions of the project area using the most current engineering modeling software.

During the PED evaluation, it was determined the GRR no longer meets the benefits approved by Congress, including having no adverse impacts. Here is a summary of the changes recommended in the PED plan:

- Channel conveyance improvements on Clear Creek will decrease from 15.1 miles (GRR) to 6.4 miles (PED) as the improvements will be concentrated on Clear Creek main stem between Cullen Road and Pearland Parkway.
- This includes the removal of both Mary's Creek and Turkey Creek.
- Stormwater mitigation volume is anticipated to increase from 455 acre-feet (GRR) to 2,360 acre-feet (PED) through the expansion and addition of the following stormwater detention basins:

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Squatters to be evicted



This house in Freeway Manor has reportedly been taken over by squatters and apparently will be returned to family members shortly. The original owner is reportedly deceased. See next week's *South Belt-Ellington Leader* for information on what can be done to avoid having one's home taken over by squatters.

County publishes 2023 health report

Harris County Public Health recently published its 2023 annual report, highlighting the department's achievements and ongoing commitment to protecting health, preventing disease and injury and promoting the wellbeing of all Harris County residents.

The report is now available on the Harris County Public Health's website at publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov.

The published report was shared during the March 26 Harris County Commissioners Court meeting.

"It is important that we share with the community and other stakeholders the valuable work we have done throughout the year to promote the Department's four strategic priorities - health equity, health protection, health promotion and operational excellence," said Harris County Public Health Executive Director Barbie L. Robinson. "For the past two years, we have shared our work in hopes of educating on the incredi-

ble work HCPH does day in and day out to protect the health and well-being of all community members who live, work, worship and play in Harris County. We look forward to our continued efforts to expand access to critical services, address public health threats with innovative solutions, and implement new, evidence-based programs designed to improve the lives of community members in need of our services."

The 2023 Annual Report includes the following key accomplishments:

- The publication and implementation of HCPH's Strategic Plan, outlining key directions to improve community health.
- The launching of five target populations (or cohorts) of ACCESS Harris County, a program aimed at addressing health disparities through an inter-agency coordinated care approach. The five cohorts include Violence Prevention, Black Maternal Health, Homelessness/Physical and

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Sabo, Hughes roadwork underway

Community members have been watching the construction at the intersection of Sabo and Hughes at Beltway 8. City of Houston crews are replacing a force main, causing the continuous closure of one southbound Sabo lane and one eastbound beltway frontage road lane for two to three months which means construction is expected to go through at least May of this year.

Photo by James Bolen

In My Opinion

Rosa praises Nahas, Memorial SE

My husband, Donald Graham, recently underwent quadruple bypass surgery at Memorial Hermann Southeast. Dr. Cesar Nahas (the surgeon to whom we were referred by our cardiologist Dr. Amanda Trang) and his entire staff were excellent. Dr. Nahas made what seemed improbable, possible.

His bedside manners, concern and genuine care assured us we had chosen the right surgeon and that we were in the best of hands. His office staff, preoperative staff and the surgical staff made us feel comfortable and indicated Dr. Nahas' knowledge, experience and successful outcomes were superior.

Although my husband has complicated health issues, Dr. Nahas' strong skills for which he is praised took us through this journey successfully. The postoperative staff in the cardiovascular ICU was caring, supportive, professional and attentive. Having excellent cardiovascular treatment right here in South Belt was so convenient and allowed for frequent family and friend visitations.

The proximity allowed me to be present for all the daily morning doctor visits. Surgery recovery is underway and we are grateful for Dr. Nahas and his staff and thank our merciful God. We also thank our community for the concern, visits and most especially, prayers.

Rosa Graham

Flora Gill explains election issue best

Flora Gill's letter to us asking about the upcoming elections. Frankly I loved her letter and felt the benefit to our readers would be better if we just printed it the way she wrote it. Unfortunately she is correct on her information, and we really cannot shine much of a light on it, because her letter is totally based on facts.

We just hope people will take the time to vote, even if they have to go to three locations. Hopefully, this is the last time it will be such a mess. Thanks so much to Flora. She hit the nail right on the head, I could not improve it.

The Sagemeadow Utility District, has early election voting from April 22 to April 30 and voting will be held May 4.

Publisher, Marie Flickinger

Gill questions May 4 voting locations

I would love for you to explain some of

the complexity of the upcoming May 4th election. Several precincts in your area will have to vote at 3 radically different polling sites in order to vote for everything that is on their ballot. All of these sites have different polling hours, locations, websites.

HCAD is being run through Harris County and the sample ballot is on HarrisVotes.com.

The early and election day locations will be familiar to people who vote in primaries and general elections. Notably, HCAD has early voting on a Sunday, and the other elections do not.

Additionally, CCISD position 4 is having an election. These elections are being held in some specific school locations. On Election day these polling sites are assigned, but early voting they could go to any of the locations. The candidates are on ccisd.net/elections. Currently, this election is not mentioned on your sample ballot on harrisvotes.com, even when you are squarely in district 4. I know there is a Clear Brook City MUD election that is being run at 11911 Blackhawk Blvd. HarrisVotes.com has a link and a phone number to that website, which is helpful.

Of course, none of these polling locations are the same for all 3 elections.

That would be too easy! Personally, I think the unnecessary complexity and cost should be a motivating factor to vote. What is the Texas Secretary of State trying to do? Why is it so complex for a few tiny local elections? Is this decoupling of elections deliberately confusing?

Of course there is a Primary Runoff at the end of May too! Potentially a 4th election in May! Oh boy! I think Texas has too many elections. I wish we had Rank Choice Voting instead, I wish these elections happened at the same time/place as the primaries/general elections. Why make it so complex and spread out? Keeping track is practically a part-time job.

I consider myself politically well informed. I do my research, and vote all the way down the ballot. Even with that, I have voted in a county election and not realized that I should have also voted in a school board election at the same time but at a school. I got to the polling site and was surprised to see that what I thought was an at-large candidate was not on the ballot and instead something else (that I was not familiar with) was on the ballot.

I was so confused and I didn't realize my mistake till I was seeing my ballot in person - which is too late!

Anyway, you do a great job of getting out the word about everything in the area. I hope you can shine some light on this for your readers and spread the word.

Thanks! Flora Gill

Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

Bracewell Library is at 9002 Kingspoint. Customers are encouraged to visit the building to browse, check out and return materials, use the computers and Wi-Fi, and check out holds. For information, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/>. For online learning, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/online-learning-7556> or call 832-393-2580. Hours are Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesdays, noon - 8 p.m.; Fridays, 1 - 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Bracewell is closed Sundays.

Thursday, April 11, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Family story time.
Thursday, April 11, 3 - 4 p.m. Open Lap - computer class. Registration required.
Monday, April 15, 11 a.m. - noon. Open Lap - computer class. Registration required.
Tuesday, April 16, 4 - 5 p.m. Youth-board games. Registration required.
Wednesday, April 17, 6 - 7 p.m. Conversational living English lessons. Registration required.
Wednesday, April 17, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Family night unplugged. Registration required.
Visit <https://houstonlibrary.libcal.com/calendar/events> for more library events.

Additional resources

The Houston Public Library has electronic resources, books, audiobooks, databases for research, tutoring, language learning, education and parent information for Texas residents with a library card. To get a card, visit the home page at www.houstonlibrary.org under Here's What's Happening. Click on Free Resources for All to access digital resources and access a link for a temporary card. Under Here's What's Happening, the card titled Online Resources for Kids accesses a Virtual Storytime provided on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. The archived storytimes are found on Facebook under Houston Public Library Virtual Storytimes. Another virtual program is Craft. The library's many free online resources and digital services are available 24/7 with a MY Link Library Card at www.houstonlibrary.org, including e-books and e-audiobooks, streaming TV, movie and music services, online classes and tutoring and databases. Only electronic items (i.e. e-books, e-audio books, etc.) are eligible for holds and check-out. HPL has a collection of free e-books and audio books. Visit the catalog for previously requested hold selection may be in a digital format. Instructions on downloading e-book or audio book are on the site.

Parker Williams Library

Parker Williams Library is open. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/reopening> for reopening information or the main website at <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library>. The library will follow state and county guidelines for mask and social distancing.

The book drop is open. Social media links are Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary and Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary.

The following events are scheduled for Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.:
Thursday, April 11, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Conversation club and from 2 - 4 p.m. Tech help.
Friday, April 12, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. AARP Tax aid.
Saturday, April 13, 1 - 2 p.m. YA craft: Beaded animals.
Monday, April 15, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. AARP Tax aid and 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. Book buddies.
Tuesday, April 16, 1 - 2 p.m. Citizenship 101.
Wednesday, April 17, 4 - 5:30 p.m. Cricut orientation and 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi.
Parker Williams "No-Contact Curbside Holds Pick-Up"

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

Online services

- Use HCPL Wi-Fi service with HCPL's drive-up Wi-Fi.
- Download e-books and audiobooks, stream movies, research and learn at www.hcpl.net.
- Attend an HCPL program or story time online through Facebook or YouTube.
- Check an account to renew loans or request books, e-books, comics or graphic novels.
- Stream classic films, indie cinema and award-winning documentaries on Kanopy.
- Listen to audiobooks through RBDigital or OverDrive.
- Read along and play with picture books on TumbleBooks.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)
Thursday 7:45 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday 4 to 5 p.m.

Parish Office: 281-481-6816
Children's Faith Formation: 281-481-4251
Adult Faith Formation: 713-538-2862
All are welcome to come to worship and serve the Lord in a spirit of love, sharing, and hope.

New Covenant Christian Church
Day Care Christian Based Child Care
Now Enrolling

New Covenant Christian Church provides Christian based child care for the local community. Director Nedra Jackson and her staff are here to take perfect care of your children while you work.

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Publisher's Opinion

How great to see multiple sections of South Belt working together!

Last Saturday, Mike Work headed up his second community cleanup in South Belt. What a fantastic project this is. So many different people working together.

Following the activity which Dr. Mike Stokes started in the community many years ago, Stokes organized the event using many volunteers, making it a true community activity.

Even the founder, Dr. Stokes came by to visit. Thanks to all who participated.

Following is a list of all those who signed up to participate.

A special thanks to: all Beverly Hills Intermediate athletic groups, BHI cheerleaders, BHI dance, BHI dance team, BHI National Junior Honor Society, BHI Lady Bears, BHI NJHS; Burleigh Chiropractic; Burnett Elementary; Burnett Elementary students, Burnett Elementary, student council, Burnett cheer; multiple civic clubs; Creative Group Economics; SN 76/77; J. Frank Dobie groups including boys basketball, football, Men of Dobie plus group and Key club, etc.

Frazier-team; Pasadena ISD; Going Above & Beyonds Harris County Commissioner Precinct 2, Justice of the

Peace Pct. 2, Place 2; Highland Meadow; J and B Financial; Knights of Columbus 9201; Melillo Middle School; NationalHonorSociety@PMHS, National Junior Honor Society, NHS, NHS Pasadena Memorial High; NJHS, NJHS (BHI); NJHS and Royal Bears Dance Team, NJHS National Junior Honor Society, NJHS Thompson, NJHS, Pasadena Memorial High School; PISD Aquatics; PMHS National Honors Society; Sagegleen Community Association; Sagemeadow; Sagemeadow HOA; Sagemont Civic Club; Serenity Johnson; Shippy Aquatic Center; Skyview Park; and South Belt Clean up.

A special thanks to the St. Luke Knights of Columbus who fed the hungry group.

These are the types of programs the community needs.

For many years, the *Leader* has taken the lead in the community.

But, it is time for the community to start filling a large part of that role. And it is happening! This project, plus Seth Webb's new civic group is a great beginning.

Keep it up!
Publisher,

Marie Flickinger

Another \$500 reward available



Clear Brook MUD is offering a \$500 reward for the arrest and conviction of those responsible for defacing district property. CBC MUD will press charges on any person destroying district property. In March, a similar reward was offered for information for the arrest and conviction of those who vandalized district property on the fence at Beamer and Sagegreen. It was defaced with graffiti. This vandalism cost homeowners more than \$1,000 to repair. All information regarding this graffiti should be directed to the constable officers, Constable Jerry Garcia or Officer Marco Leal at marco.leal@cn2.hctx.net or 281-481-9189.

Elected officials share their words

Councilman Flickinger explains mayorial changes to water bills

On April 2, Mayor John Whitmire announced significant changes to how the city charges customers for water use to restore transparency and trust in the system. Over the past year, we have heard from many residents regarding inaccurate water bills. In 2023, changes were made to city ordinance to address the concerns, but these policy changes were insufficient.

Starting April 1, 2024, single-family residential customers will have set usage calculated, which will be reflected in their May bill. This set usage will provide customers with consistent water bills while Houston Public Works (HPW) makes necessary improvements to ensure the accuracy of future monthly water usage readings.

Customers' set usage will be calculated as the average monthly water consumption, available on your account, using up to 36 months of data. More info on this here.

The calculation will NOT include charges during the City's drought or freeze, water leaks on a customer's property or charges for zero or estimated bills.

This set usage will prevent surprises in water bills, as the city works to accelerate the replacement of failed remote meter reading devices.

If customers are using less water than their set usage and have a working remote read device, they will be billed for their actual usage.

If customers are using less water than their set usage and do not have a working remote read device they will receive a credit for the difference between their actual usage and set usage once their remote read device has been replaced.

Single-family residential customers will continue to receive a set usage bill until an upgraded remote reading device is installed on their property or the accuracy of the current remote reading device is verified.

The city expects to install approximately 125,000 remote reading devices throughout Houston beginning immediately and will fast-track the replacement of failed devices.

Customers with an upgraded, working remote reading device will transition to a water bill reflecting their actual usage as early as August 2024. These customers will receive a notice 60 days before their bill is transitioned to the new billing format.

The primary issue causing high and often inaccurate water bills is failing water meter remote read devices. A failing transmitter does not affect your water meter's ability to accurately measure consumption, but it does affect the ability to accurately transmit consumption information.

The City currently has 125,000 failing devices with the capacity to read only 40,000 meters manually each month. This has necessitated estimated bills, calculated using an outdated algorithm. The city started the effort to replace

end-of-life remote read devices in 2019 and so far, 85,000 devices have been replaced. Replacement efforts were stalled during the pandemic when the chip shortage slowed technology procurement globally. Throughout the rest of the year, HPW will redirect meter-reading resources and add contractors to accelerate the remote read device replacement efforts, to replace the 125,000 devices that have already failed by the end of the year.

Customers who are in queue to have their failing remote read device replaced will receive a notice once their device has been upgraded and tested. After confirmation of a working device, customers will receive a 60-day notice before they are converted back to actual billing.

In addition, HPW is working on several changes and upgrades to the water billing system to ensure a holistic approach to tackling the various issues, including:

Expand in-person customer service availability. Customers can now schedule in-person appointments to ask questions about their bill. These appointments will take place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays between 10 am - 3 pm at 4200 Leeland (Houston Public Works Water Customer Service Office). There is also a virtual Microsoft Teams option. Customers can schedule appointments at houstonwaterbills.org or by calling 713.371.1400.

Employ new quality control measures to alert to possible inaccurate bills and easy resolution process for disputed bills. Streamline relief requests into one centralized form.

Redesign the utility bill to make it easier for customers to understand. Amend confusing city ordinances that bureaucratize water billing customer service.

Develop a leak detection feature for private water lines to notify single-family residential customers of leaks on their property.

Implement triggers to pause the auto-draft payment of a customer's bill when it exceeds a certain threshold.

More information about this program can be found at improvetwaterbills.org, including how to update your contact information to receive alerts about changes to your billing. If you have questions about this program, please reach out to the HPW contact center at (713) 371-1400 between 8:00 am and 7:00 pm Monday through Friday or email improvetwaterbills@houston.tx.gov.

I believe these changes represent a meticulous and careful approach to the issues that have plagued residents over the last few years.

I look forward to seeing how these changes positively impact residents and if anyone experiences any issues please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely, Fred Flickinger

Deaths

Anthony Leo Campise Sr.



Anthony Leo Campise Sr., 82, was born and raised in Houston.

In 1986, he left South Belt and built a new home in Pearland and moved with his wife and two children.

He passed peacefully to be with the lord and blessed mother in that home on Tuesday, March 26, how he wanted it, surrounded by family and in the arms of Christ.

Anthony loved his God and was very devoted to his blessed mother and instilled that sense of faith in his children. He was a very devout Catholic and taught his children how to pray and the importance of faith.

He also absolutely loved his family, especially his wife of 48 years, his children and grandchildren. He instilled the importance of family in his children and because of him, the family is a close-knit Italian family. They spent so many great times together whether it was a birthday party, holiday or just getting together to cook and converse.

He loved to go gambling with his wife, several friends and family.

He loved traveling to beach destinations with his wife and

occasionally his children. His favorites were Hawaii and The Bahamas. He also loved sports and passed that love onto his son, especially football and his Houston Texans of which he and his son became season ticket holders in 2010. Even when seasons were bad, he loved tailgating with a group of guys.

He loved Elvis Presley and would always sing and play Elvis music no matter where he was. He loved keeping up with old time Italian traditions and made sure he had his pasta and sugar on Sundays. He loved everything sweet, especially ice cream with chocolate syrup.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Sam and Antoinette Campise and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Anthony is survived by his wife Mary Jo Campise; son Anthony Campise II and wife Meagan; daughter Mary Campise Johnson and husband Tom; grandchildren Angelina Johnson, Juliana Johnson, Giavana Johnson, Anthony Campise III, Ava Campise; and brother Charles Campise and wife Theresa.

He definitely left behind a great legacy of faith, family, friends, sports and tradition. Family consider themselves better people for having had him in their lives. He will truly be missed and was loved and respected by so many, but he made sure toward the end that all knew he was in God's hands, the perfect place to be.

The funeral Mass was celebrated Thursday, April 4, at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church. A reception was held after the Mass in the social hall. The Rite of Committal was held at 2 p.m. at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery.

Patricia Ann Daly



Patricia Ann Daly, 82, of Pasadena, passed away Jan 6, 2024.

Pat grew up in Flint Mich. She moved to Texas with husband Dale, and son, Mark in 1965.

She worked at AT&T, formerly called Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, for more than 40 years and retired in 2005.

Pat was preceded in death by her husband, her son and her stepson, Ronald Daly.

She is survived by her daughter, Deanna Daly; her stepdaughters Susie Menard, Natalie Costas, Tammy Raschke; and her stepson, Donald Daly.

Pat will be dearly missed and always remembered. There will be a celebration of life held in her honor. Pat's family requests that friends join in celebrating her life at Pasadena Funeral Home, 2203 Pasadena Blvd., April 20, at 2 p.m.

A reception will follow at the Moose Lodge, 3919 Mickey Gilley Blvd. Pasadena, at 4 p.m.

Elected officials share their words

Dr. Carolyn Evans-Shabazz's update on community events

Dear Residents and Friends of District D:

This month celebrate a significant milestone in the history of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) - the inauguration of its new President Dr. Tomikia LeGrande. This momentous event not only marks a new chapter for PVAMU but also shines a light on the power of leadership and the impact of educational excellence in shaping our future. We extend our heartfelt congratulations and look forward to the positive changes and innovations that will come under this new leadership.

In District D, we have much to be proud of. Our community is thriving, pulsating with energy and enthusiasm as we work together to build a brighter tomorrow. From local businesses flourishing to educational achievements and community projects making significant strides, there's a sense of momentum and progress that's truly inspiring.

A Call to Action: Lend a Hand, Make a Difference

However, our work is far from done. This is a call to action for each one of you to lend a hand and contribute to the ongoing growth and betterment of our district. As we say, this isn't an April Fools' joke - the need for active participation and volunteerism is real. Whether it's joining a cleanup effort, attending a super neighborhood meeting, or simply helping a neighbor, your involvement makes a profound difference.

ment makes a profound difference.

Upcoming Events & Initiatives: District-Wide Cleanup: Join us for our community cleanup efforts this month. It's a fantastic way to meet neighbors, contribute to the environment, and take pride in our district. Dates and locations will be announced shortly.

Super Neighborhood Meetings: Engage in meaningful dialogue, share your ideas, and stay informed about the developments in our area. Participating in these meetings is a direct way to influence positive changes in our community.

Special Events: We have a lineup of events celebrating Women's History Month, educational workshops, health and wellness fairs, and more. Keep an eye on our calendar and don't miss out!

Remember, your involvement and engagement are what drive the success of District D. Let's continue to work hand in hand, celebrate our achievements, and tackle challenges together. Your voice, your participation, and your dedication are the bedrock of our community.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to making District D a wonderful place to live, work, and thrive. Here's to a month filled with meaningful celebrations, community engagement, and collective progress.

Warmest regards,
Dr. Carolyn Evans-Shabazz; City of Houston - City Council District D

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This is what South Belt community spirit is all about



For the last 48 years, the *Leader* has had a rule; if pictures in the newspaper can be seen, we have to have the names. For the first time ever, the *Leader* staff will break that rule, since it would be nearly impossible to get all the names in a timely manner. The *Leader* staff was so impressed by the many residents who took part in the South Belt Cleanup Saturday, April 6, so for this time only, the *Leader* will break its own rule. The group did such a fantastic job that the group at least deserves having its picture, even if all the names were not available. The South Belt community owes the group a huge "thank you". See additional photo on Page 1.

Moore celebrates "Texas, Our Texas" with program



Celebrating "Texas, Our Texas" for parents and staff March 5 were the students from Gail Bailey's first-grade class. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Silas Torres, Miriam Portillo, Scarlett Perez, Cassidy Cannon, Kenny Huynh, (second row) Angel De La Garza, Eldrid Fobb, Adriana Garza, Autum Silva, (third row) Brooke McAfee, Monica Holzbach, Lily Bosler, Camila Garcia, Kim Nguyen, Alezia Whitaker, (fourth row) Gail Bailey, first-grade teacher and music teacher, Sheryl Munn.



First-graders from Esmeralda Chacon's class at Moore Elementary enjoyed the "Texas, Our Texas" celebration held on March 5. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Samantha Sanchez, Abigail Izaguirre, Valentina Licon, Jose Chavez, Allison Lopez, (middle row) Jameelah Samayoa, Rene Marines, Gadiel Ventura, Christian Michel-Estevez, Victor Arzate, Miguel Garza, (back row) Chacon, Heidi Sarabia, Mariana Flores, Cristo Sarabia, Thiago Cruz, Erick Faisal and Sheryl Munn.



First-graders from Krystal Lam's class participated in the "Texas, Our Texas" celebration held at Moore Elementary March 5. Shown, left to right, are (front row) Sophia Fuentes, Allessandra Estrada, Lana Oliphant, Arthur Davis, Julian Sanchez, (middle row) Ethan Rodriguez, Darvin Nguyen, Abigail Wagner, Victoria Contreras, Amberlynn Reyna, Javier Garcia, (back row) Lam, Isaiah Calais, Charlotte Narvaez, Dang Tran, Cesar Salas, J'lyah Bass-Smith and Munn.



First-graders at Moore Elementary enjoyed the celebration on March 5 when they participated in the "Texas, Our Texas" events. Roxanne Carbajal's students shown, left to right, are (front row) Sophia Tahay, Willow Stockton, Darian Soun, Carolina Cervantes, Serafina Salazar, (middle row) Thomas Alba, Sophia Stephen, Oliver Hayden, Adalyn Anaya, and Sebastian Gonzalez, (back row) Carbajal, Maria Javid, Alfonso Zamarripa, Aniyah Reyna, Semaj Guidry, Elijah Roy and Munn.



Oscar Salazar Jr.

I am very grateful for all the support and encouragement I received from the South Belt community.

I lost the race, but I won many friendships and we still have a wonderful judge in Jo Ann Delgado on the bench.

As a first-time candidate for office, I learned many important lessons. It was a pleasure to interact with voters and other candidates at the polls.

I will continue to be active in our community to keep us moving forward in a positive way. I want to be an integral part of the team that has the best interest of our community at heart.

Our community is awesome and we want it to continue to be awesome.

This requires people who are able and willing to give of their time and talents.

Thanks, again, for your support and friendships.

*Sincerely
Oscar Salazar Jr.*



Students singing the Spanish counting song during the March 5 "Texas, Our Texas" celebration at Moore Elementary, shown, left to right, are (first row) Abigail Izaguirre, Miguel Garza, (second row) Gadiel Ventura, Christian Michel-Estevez, (third row) Erick Faisal and (fourth row) Heidi Sarabia.

Former See to Succeed patient envisions eye care career

By Courtney Morris
Terrifying in a good way – is how Sebastian Solis describes the moment he stared at the chalkboard through

glasses. The white squiggles and blobs transformed into words. “It wasn’t that I couldn’t

understand the content,” Solis said. “I just couldn’t see.” Complaining about headaches, the 6-year-old had visited the school nurse.

But it was his eyes, not his head. While his parents wanted to help, money was tight. Instead, his school bussed him to See to Succeed, where eye care volunteers examined him, diagnosed him with 20/200 vision, and fitted him for free glasses.

Solis remembers looking through tray after tray of frames in all colors and styles. “It was like being in a candy shop,” he said.

His new pair of Coke-bottle glasses helped him “see to succeed” throughout elementary school. Fast forward almost 20 years.

Interested in health care since high school, Solis had considered San Jacinto College’s radiography and nursing programs. But with his family’s history of vision problems, the eye care technology program seemed the natural step.

He started in fall 2022. “The thing that solidified everything was when I started practicing on fellow students that first semester,” he said.

“The minute I got into this roleplay of teaching the patient, I loved it.” In the spring semester, Solis learned he would get hands-on training by giving eye exams to real patients, Pasadena Independent School District students with

Merida earns recognition



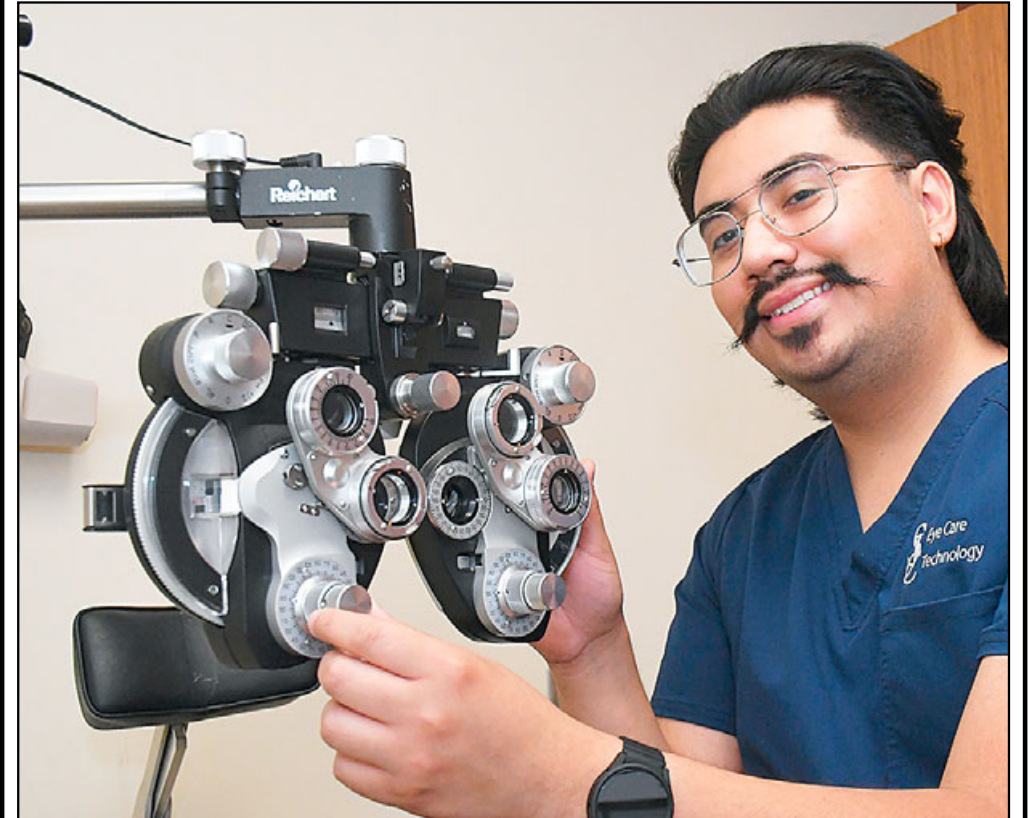
Meador Elementary counselor Tara Merida earned the Counselors Reinforcing Excellence for Students (CREST) award for the fifth consecutive year. Shown above, left to right, are Jennifer Chavez (principal), Alyta Harrell (Pasadena ISD associate superintendent).



Meador Elementary’s counselor, Tara Merida, is shown at the Pasadena’s ISD Leadership in Action ceremony where she was nominated for Commitment to Community - Relationship Focused.



Meador Elementary counselor Tara Merida is congratulated by, left to right, Dr. Try McCarley (deputy superintendent of governance, operations and school services), Dr. DeeAnn Powell (superintendent), Tara Merida (counselor) and Dr. Toni Lopez (deputy superintendent of staff and academic achievement).



Sebastian Solis is a former See to Succeed patient who now envisions an eye care career. Sebastian had his eyes tested and was given classes when he was a youngster in school. Now, a student at San Jac, he is assisting other youngsters who are being aided by See to Succeed through San Jacinto College.

Meador counselor wins award



Holding the CREST Advocacy banner are, Jennifer Chavez (principal), Tara Merida (counselor) and Kevin Fox (assistant principal). Merida was recognized at the Texas School Counseling Awards and Conference held annually in San Antonio.

Remember When

45 years ago (1979)
Construction of Clear Creek Elementary School off Beamer Road, in the subdivision of Sage Bend, was well underway.
A Harris County grand jury no-billed a sheriff’s deputy and a former deputy for their parts in the high-speed chase involving two South Belt area youths.
40 years ago (1984)
Vandals discovered that the gas pumps at Surrey’s Mobil were left on after closing and created a miniflood at the corner of Fuqua and Beamer, wasting 590 gallons of gasoline.
Dianna Reasoner, a 1981 graduate of Dobie High School and 1983 Miss Strawberry Festival, entertained troops in the U.S. Navy stationed in San Diego.

they met Pope John Paul II.
20 years ago (2004)
The Pasadena Independent School District board approved the hiring of additional personnel and a pay raise for teachers.
A record 38 teams were preparing to compete at the eighth annual South Belt Barbecue Cookoff to be held at El Franco Lee Park.
The Texas Education Agency named the Pasadena Independent School District as the eighth fastest growing district in Texas.
J. Frank Dobie grad Ben Carter was named to receive the Buck Weirus Spirit Award by the Association of Former Students at Texas A&M.
15 years ago (2009)
Sagamont Church purchased

chased a former dentist office on Hughes Road with plans to convert it into a counseling center.
A public hearing was held regarding the proposed construction of the low-income Dixie Gardens apartment complex on Dixie Farm Road. Arranged by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the meeting gave citizens a chance to voice their concerns about the possible development.
Houston City Councilman Mike Sullivan opened a satellite office on El Camino Real to serve the South Belt/Clear Lake area.
10 years ago (2014)
Two people were killed and several others injured following an accident that

took place at the intersection of the Gulf Freeway and Edgebrook. Teodoro Benavides, 82, and Jesus Serrano, 19, were both pronounced dead at the scene. According to police, Benavides was traveling north on the feeder road when for reasons unknown, he lost control of the vehicle, jumped over the median at Edgebrook and struck Serrano’s pickup truck and another vehicle that were stopped at the westbound traffic light.
Both victims died on impact. Several others were treated on the scene for minor injuries.
5 years ago (2019)
The fourth annual Family Fun Fest went off without a hitch Saturday, April 13, at Clear Brook City Park.

Sponsored by the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District and the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, the event featured a dog show, an Easter Egg hunt, inflatables, games, activities, food trucks and more.
1 year ago (2023)
Officials from the Harris County Flood Control District held a virtual meeting to provide updates on the future Friendswood Regional Stormwater Detention Basin project in the Clear Creek watershed.
The basin would be located on an undeveloped 105-acre site along the Clear Creek overbank at FM 1959/ Dixie Farm Road and Blackhawk Boulevard.
The court held that Prop-

osition B, approved by voters in 2018, was in conflict with Chapter 174 of the Local Government Code (collective bargaining), passed by the Texas Legislature and adopted in 2003 by Houston voters to govern their firefighters’ compensation.
Recently installed license plate-reading technology helped catch a serial theft suspect, according to Precinct 2 officials.
Work began on a city project to expand and make improvements to the Southeast Wastewater Treatment Plant, near Kingspoint, close to Atkinson Elementary.
The \$50 million endeavor will address the facility’s electrical, mechanical, structure, process and piping systems.

County publishes health report

Continued from Page 1
Behavioral Health, Re-entry and Latino Chronic Disease.
– Hosting multiple conferences focused on critical public health issues, including the first annual Maternal and Child Health Conference and the second annual Violence Prevention Conference.
– The expansion of the Holistic Assistance Re-

sponse Team (HART) program, providing integrated health and social services to vulnerable populations on nonemergency calls to the Harris County Sheriff’s Department.
– The enhancement of the Mosquito and Vector Control Division virology lab to improve monitoring and prevention of mosquito-borne diseases.

– The expansion and improvement of Chronic Disease Prevention Programming, reaching more than 16,000 individuals to educate them about chronic disease risk factors.
For more information and highlights, see complete 2023 Harris County Public Health Annual Report at publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov.

Comments sought for Clear Creek

Continued from Page 1
– Hughes Stormwater Detention Basin.
– IBC Stormwater Detention Basin (expanded).
– City of Pearland Stormwater Detention Basins (East and West)
– All bridge replacements

have been removed. (Note: Modifications under bridges may still be required.)
– Environmental enhancements including reforestation and wetland restoration.
– For Mud Gully, the changes between the GRR and PED plan were negligible.

English and Spanish and for public comment through April 26.
The PED plan was finally conditionally approved by the USACE in November 2023.
The final recommended adjustments outlined in the PED plan will be routed to the USACE for approval through the Post-Authorization Change Report process in the second quarter of 2025.
For additional information on the Clear Creek Federal Flood Risk Management Project or to view the job’s Supplemental Environmental Assessment, visit hcfed.org/CO3.

Over The Back Fence by Natalie

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHEILA
Sheila Brantner, longtime South Belt resident, celebrates a birthday April 12. Birthday wishes are sent from daughter Amanda Brantner; twins Tiffany and Courtney Brantner; and friends. Sheila has contributed many hours to the community. She volunteers at her church and at the South Belt Leader Toy Drive.
ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAY, SALLY
Best wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to Sally Mitchell, former South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce executive director, who enjoys a birthday April 16, from her family, friends and the staff at the Leader.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KELVIN
Best wishes for a great 15th birthday are sent April 16 to Kelvin Lopez from parents Natalie and Jose Abarca and Kevin Lopez; siblings Noah and Elliana Abarca and Isabella and husband Sebastian Delgado; grandparents David and Ellie Flickinger; and great-grandparents Marie and David Flickinger and Kina Reyes.
SCHOOL DAZE
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays April 11 through April 17.
Atkinson Elementary
Send a happy birthday greeting April 11 to Jessica Rocha.

Frazier Elementary
A special birthday greeting is sent to Lupe Moreno April 11. Birthday wishes are sent to Aimee Shelton April 15. Mary Zuniga celebrates a birthday April 16. April 17 is the day for a fun celebration for Ana Bustos.
Genoa Elementary
Melissa Portillo enjoys a birthday April 12.
Hancock Elementary
Light the birthday candles April 11 for Arianna Yarbough.
Meador Elementary
Natalie Cuyler enjoys a birthday April 16.
Moore Elementary
The day for a birthday party for Denise Narvaez is April 16. Break out the birthday cake and ice cream for Ashley Meyer April 17.

Stuchbery Elementary
Best wishes for a great birthday April 17 are sent to Silvia Ramirez.
South Belt Elementary
Remember to wish Allison Sutton a happy birthday April 17.
Melillo Middle School
Light the birthday candles April 13 for Melissa Martinez. The day for a cake for Carol Tekell is April 15. Send a birthday greeting April 17 to Giovanna Andrade.
Beverly Hills Intermediate
April 11 is a day of celebration for Rene

Nixon. The day for cake and ice cream with Jenny Hinojosa and Rachel Trader is April 13. Birthday greetings go out to Michelle Lester April 14.
Thompson Intermediate
Enjoy a double-layer cake April 11 with Araceli Cavazos and Lenora Dawson. Jazmin Tabarez enjoys a birthday April 17.
Dobie High
April 12 is the day for a birthday celebration for Stacey LeBlanc. Joseph Janis enjoys a birthday April 17.
FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
Thursday, April 11: Quinn Fox, Amanda Mancía, Dian Audas, Matt Black, Luke Ditta, Celina Monroe and Brandy Kennedy; Friday, April 12: Elysia Thomas and Shelly Little; Saturday, April 13: Derek Rudewig and Laura Townsend; Sunday, April 14: Deanna Morales and Michael Morris; Monday, April 15: Lorita Lynn Destin and Veronica Lopez; Tuesday, April 16: Marissa Jones and April Carter-Akin; and Wednesday, April 17: Tatiana Gonzalez, Allison Sutton, Danielle Goodrum and Jason Sherrill.
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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES

Dobie tennis to take on 22-6A field

Deer Park is again the host site for the first two legs of the spring tennis postseason as the District 22-6A Championships will play out April 11-12, followed by the Region III tournament later in the month.

The Deer, finishing up a couple of realignment runs in 22-6A before making the move to the 24-6A field for 2024-2025 and beyond, occupy the top seedings in each of the five brackets this season.

With the top two finishing individuals and doubles teams moving on to regionals, the Longhorns know the challenges that lie ahead, yet Dobie head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. is optimistic about his team's chances.

District 22-6A Championships
April 11-12, 9 a.m. start time
Deer Park High School

Hailey Maldonado has drawn the No. 3 seed in the girls' singles draw and could potentially go up against top-seeded Victoria Chioreanu of Memorial in the semifinals.

"It's a tough draw for Hailey as usually the bracket plays out 1 versus 4 and 2 versus 3, but like with the rest of our kids, we just have to go out there and play well."

"We have to beat the players and teams we are supposed to beat and then come up with some big wins late. Our kids are up to the challenge."

In boys' singles, Dobie is represented by Diego Flores at No. 3 and Nestor Garza at No. 4.

The Longhorns will have Leena Pham and Kayla Tran seeded third in the girls' doubles, with Abby Panza and Hallie Vu at No. 4.

Dobie's entries in the boys' doubles field include Rigo Alaniz and Ryan Le seeded third, with Pitou So and Nolan Tran seeded fourth.

As for the mixed doubles, Dobie has Amalia Reyes and Jacob Kostikoglou at No. 3, with Dulce Mejia and Jordan De Robles at No. 4.

JFD tracksters reach 21/22 area meet

Junior Stacie Harris was just one of Dobie's top track and field athletes looking to advance to the regional championships later this month as the school's programs began the postseason at the District 22-6A Championships.

A regional qualifier in the long jump as a sophomore in 2023, Harris stayed on course this season as she claimed the gold medal at 17 feet, 6 inches April 3 at Auxiliary Stadium in Pasadena.

Harris also captured gold in the 400 in a time of 1:00.44, while teammate Christina Rodriguez was third for a bronze medal at 1:03.11.

The top four finishers in all events made their way to the District 21-6A/

District 22-6A Championships, which began April 8 at Deer Park and were to continue through April 11.

As for the team standings, Deer Park bid adieu to the 22-6A ranks by putting together a couple of dominant performances. The team race was expected to include the Deer and Dobie from the start, and that's exactly how things went.

The Deer girls were in control throughout, eventually collecting 283 points, with Dobie a distant second with 147.

And while the boys' race to the team crown was a bit closer, the Deer came up with 194 points to outdistance second-place Dobie's 131.

The 21-6A/22-6A Area Championships were due

to present plenty of competition for all involved as individual athletes and relay teams pushed for the two-per-event regional qualifying berths.

The Dobie varsity boys, coming off several gold-medal wins at the district championships, were as prepared as possible to meet the challenge.

With the Atascocita and North Shore boys both posting top three U.S. times of sub-40 seconds at the 21-6A finals, the race to regionals in the 4x100 relay was due to be fast.

As for Dobie, its four-some entered the meet as the gold-medal winner at 42.39, with Marcus Jones, Titus Randle, Ke'lijah Jackson and Cameron Mathews teaming in the event.

The Longhorns doubled their fun in the 4x200 relay with a gold-medal win of 1:28.61 as the group included Jaylon Broussard, Juan Booker, Jones and Mathews.

Junior Tariq Riley came up with a school record of 49.68 in the 400 preliminaries and went on to win the gold medal in the finals at 49.81.

Senior Roderick Drumgo has signed with Sul Ross State University to play football collegiately but had unfinished business this spring as his throw of 55 feet, 1 inch in the shot won the 22-6A gold medal and sent him to the area round.

A best throw of 134-0 in the discus was good for the bronze medal as Drumgo advanced in that event as well.

A time of 22.21 was second-best for Mathews in the 200, and Broussard also advanced with a fourth-place time of 22.49.

The Longhorns scored key points in the long jump as sophomore Demarcus Hodges (19-11 3/4) and senior Malachi Hobbs (19-3) were silver and bronze medalists, respectively, to qualify for areas.

Hodges also advanced with a bronze-medal grab of 42-3 in the triple jump.

Booker (11.09) and Jones (11.29) moved on in the 100 as Booker was the third-place bronze medalist and Jones took fourth.

Sophomore distance runner Johan Villavicencio continued his season as he was the 22-6A bronze medalist in the 800 at 2:02.16.

In the 4x400 relay finale, Dobie was second in a time of 3:30.68 to advance with silver medals as the group included Jaylon Broussard, Villavicencio, Francisco Dunn and Riley in the meet finale.

Wolverine baseball at 5-3 in 24-6A mix

A pair of games against Clear Springs followed by a two-game set against Dickinson to close the regular season are liable to decide Clear Brook's final spot in the 24-6A varsity baseball hierarchy, and it's really been that way all season.

Case in point: The Wolverines traveled to previously unbeaten Clear Creek April 2 and dealt the Wildcats a late 3-1 defeat, only to see the Wildcats score a six-inning unearned run in a 1-0 win April 5 at Clear Brook as the two teams split a home-and-home series.

With the exception of Clear Creek's 4-0 start to league play, the remainder of the 24-6A has had trouble gaining any real traction.

While the seven-program alignment may lack a star-studded front-runner, five of the seven programs are well with-in striking distance of an eventual postseason berth.

Flores allowed just four hits as the hard-luck losing pitcher, while Clear Brook slipped to 5-3 in 24-6A action.

and Trenton Flores have been terrific, giving the Wolverines a chance to win every night.

In the Wolverines' 3-1 win over Clear Creek April 2, Harrison Payne's two-out, two-run single in the top of the first inning gave the Wolverine a 2-0 lead. Benavides took it from there.

After allowing an RBI double to Clear Creek's Ryan Babcock in the bottom of the first inning, Benavides surrendered just two baserunners the rest of the way.

Striking out seven and allowing just two hits, Benavides needed just 77 pitches to close out the win.

Three nights later, the Wildcats used a pair of Clear Brook throwing miscues to win 1-0.

Clear Creek starter Alec Bechler allowed just three singles in earning the win as the Wildcats improved to 5-1 midway through their 24-6A march.

Flores allowed just four hits as the hard-luck losing pitcher, while Clear Brook slipped to 5-3 in 24-6A action.



The Clear Brook boys swept the medal trio in the 200 at the 24-6A track and field championships with Jaylon Owens (center) edging teammate Joshua Shelton (right) at the tape for the gold medal at 21.295, with Shelton next for a silver medal in a time of 21.885. At 23.424, the Wolverines' Joshua Akinola (left) was third for a bronze medal as each qualified for the area round. Shelton was the gold medalist in the 400, while Akinola captured gold in the long jump.



Junior Tariq Riley came up with a school record of 49.68 in the 400 preliminaries and went on to win the gold medal in the finals at 49.81. In the 4x400 relay finale, Dobie was second in a time of 3:30.68 to advance as the group included Jaylon Broussard, Johan Villavicencio, Francisco Dunn and Riley in the last event of the meet.

Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Brook track stars reach 23-6A/24-6A area round

Qualifiers from Clear Brook continued their "postseason" run at the District 23-6A/District 24-6A Area Track and Field Championships April 10 after press time in Dickinson as the best of the best went head-to-head.

At stake are coveted berths in the Region III championship meet April

19-20 at Humble ISD's Turner Stadium. The top two finishers in each of the region's four area meets will automatically head to regionals.

Clear Brook promises to have several promising opportunities for the regional round after a sizzling performance at the 24-6A finals delivered a

slew of gold medals and a second-place team placing for the boys' squad.

A four-program sprint to the finish ensued in the varsity boys' division as Dickinson was able to prevail with 125 points, followed by 118 delivered by the Wolverines.

Clear Creek had 114 for third, and 101 points

earned Clear Lake fourth place.

In the boys' division, the Wolverines had many star-studded performances, led by senior Jaylon Owens' trio of gold medals as he won the 100 and 200 sprints and also carried the baton in the team's 4x100 relay win.

Senior Joshua Akinola

and sophomores Joshua Shelton and Darwin Bolden also came up with gold medal wins, adding big 10-point bumps for each to the Wolverines' bottom line.

Owens had several big wins in the sprints throughout the regular season, then continued his push at the 24-6As. He

won the 100 gold medal at 10.514 seconds, with Akinola right behind in a time of 10.644.

Both athletes were also in on the fun as the Wolverines swept the medal haul in the 200, with Owens, Shelton and Akinola finishing 1-2-3 for 24 team points.

Akinola came up with personal records in the 100 and 200 while punching his ticket for the area championships.

It was Owens edging Shelton at the tape for the gold medal at 21.295, with Shelton next for a silver medal in a time of 21.885. At 23.424, Akinola was third for a bronze medal as each qualified for the area round.

Shelton again figured to also be a top contender in the 400 moving forward as

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Peralta powers Dobie softball past Memorial, 11-1



Jackie Peralta (above) blasted a home run to lead the way to a run-rule shortened 11-1 win for Dobie over Memorial April 5 as the locals swept the season series over the Mavs. At 7-2 in 22-6A prior to the start of play April 9 after press time, the Longhorns had secured the No. 2 playoff seed behind



unbeaten Deer Park. Four runs in the second inning and six more in the third allowed Dobie to shorten the game to five frames. Freshman Persephone Soria tripled and drove in four runs, and Leslie Sarduy (above) had two singles, scored two runs and drove in another. Natalie Dehoyos knocked in two runs and scored twice as Dobie improved to 15-12 overall while getting past Memorial.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 11
7:30 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." Hope Community United Methodist, 2838 Lily St., Pasadena. Call 713-686-6300 or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.
7:30 a.m. Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets at either Pearland Chamber of Commerce, 6117 Broadway St., Pearland, or online on Zoom. See Pearland Chamber of Commerce calendar or call 281-485-3634.
9:30 a.m. NASA Aglow Community Light-house - 18516 Hwy. 3 in Webster. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others. Call 281-910-1971 or visit aglownet.org.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners Group, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300.
7 p.m. NA - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. FM 518, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14
8 a.m./ 10:15 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - has a worship and Bible study programs at 11456 Space Center Blvd. (in back of a medical/retail community). Call 281-479-7285.
2 p.m. Grief Support Group - For adults who have lost a loved one. Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy. Call 713-944-9186.
5:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step program, in the Life Kids Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635.
8 p.m. AA - Meets at CrossRoads UMC 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16
7:30 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
10:00 a.m. CCART - Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers meets at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 NASA Parkway. Annual dues are \$50.
11:30 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - See Sunday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Southeast Houston Toastmasters - Club #05324194 meets in-person at 10500 Scarsdale Blvd. (SB Chamber of Commerce). Visit seohouston.toastmastersclub.org or call 281-467-1880.
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FRIDAY, APRIL 12
7:30 a.m. AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
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MONDAY, APRIL 15
7:30 a.m. AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. 1:30 - 3 p.m. 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300.
Hometown Heroes Dance - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway. Volunteers will teach dance lessons. Call 281-554-1180.
6 p.m. Scrabble Club #511 - Meets at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Join in the fun and improve crossword skills. COVID-19 vaccination required. Email huff_reunion@juno.com for details.
7 p.m. AA - St. Luke's 12 Step Recovery open meeting in the education Bldg. in room 4, at 11011 Hall Rd. Call 832-725-8479 or 281-309-2801.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17
7:30 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's notice.
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hometown Heroes Humpday Dance - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway. Casual ballroom dancing offered. Call 281-554-1180.
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SATURDAY, APRIL 13
7:30 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. Congregation Shaar Hashalom - All services are live and on Zoom. For details regarding services or Judaism classes, visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.
11 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 18
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The Dobie varsity baseball team downed Channelview 9-3 April 2 and completed the two-game sweep with an 8-4 win April 5 to improve to 5-3 in league play heading into April 9 action after press time. Eduardo Loera (21) drove in a pair of runs in the first win for the Longhorns.

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