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### LSA presents My Fair Lady

Lutheran South Academy will present its annual spring musical, *My Fair Lady*, April 14-17 at the San Jacinto College South Campus Fine Arts Center. Performance times are 7 p.m. on April 14, 15 and 16, and 2:30 p.m. on April 17. Tickets are \$7 (\$5 for students). Advance tickets are available at [www.lutheransouth.org](http://www.lutheransouth.org). A limited number of tickets will also be available at the door.

### SBAST tryouts scheduled

The South Belt Area Swim Team tryouts will be held April 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Ashley Pointe pool. For information, visit [www.sbast.org](http://www.sbast.org). Additional tryouts will be held on Saturday morning, April 16, from 10 a.m. to noon.

### Sagemont Park meeting set

The Sagemont Park Community Improvement Association (SPCIA) will hold a quarterly homeowner's meeting on Thursday, April 21, at the Sagemont Park Recreation Center, 11507 Hughes Road, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Items on the agenda include proposed deed restriction changes, deed restriction violations, and community improvement issues and actions. This meeting is open to all Sagemont Park homeowners and residents.

### 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 additional information, contact Elizabeth Puente at 832-528-4388 or [epuente@pasadenaisd.org](mailto:epuente@pasadenaisd.org).

### St. Luke's holds garage sale

St. Luke the Evangelist Early Childhood Center will have a garage sale this Saturday, April 16, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cenacle Learning Center at 1750 Riverstone Ranch Drive. Booth spaces are available for \$25. Call 281-741-7497 for more information.

### TRIAD meets April 18

TRIAD will meet Monday, April 18, at 10:30 a.m. at Madison Jobe Senior Citizens Center in Pasadena. The speaker will be Christina Garza, Public Affairs Specialist, FBI. Learn how to avoid identity theft, scams, fraud, and elder abuse. Refreshments will be provided. For additional information, call 713-477-0175.

### Genealogy group meets

The Parker Williams Genealogy Group will meet April 18 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.

### PIP meeting April 19

The Positive Interaction Program will meet Tuesday, April 19, at 7 p.m. at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria in the staff meeting room on the first floor. Guest speaker will be Tiffany Reedy, who will speak on child and adult protective services.

PIP consists of police and citizens working for safer neighborhoods. For additional information, call Officer Richard Buitron at 281-218-3900.

### Melillo Carnival April 22

Melillo Middle School will hold its eighth annual Spring Carnival April 22 from 6 to 8 p.m. Events include a dunking booth, obstacle course, rock wall, DJ and music, cake walk and silent auction baskets. Concessions will have turkey legs, sausage-on-a-stick, snow cones, nachos, popcorn and chopped barbecue sandwiches.

### Dolphins continue sign-ups

The Southbelt Dolphins will accept registration for cheer/drill/mascot members (age 4 through 13 as of Aug. 1, 2016) April 22 and May 26, at Armadillo Lanes from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For information, direct email to Tiffany Scimmon at [SBDDrill@yahoo.com](mailto:SBDDrill@yahoo.com).

### Lariaettes set Spring Show

The J. Frank Dobie Lariaettes and Dance Department will hold its annual Spring Show, *When I Grow Up...* April 28, 29 and 30 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at Dobie. Admission is \$10, and tickets can be purchased presale from any Lariaette, or at the door while supplies last. Come and support the Lariaettes and dance students as they perform for the last time during the 2015-2016 school year.

### Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-1959/Dixie Farm Road to FM-528/NASA Road 1 will be closed nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Saturday, May 14. Alternate exit and entrance ramps closed.

## Pasadena ISD receives \$500K grant

The Pasadena Independent School District was one of five districts in the state to be selected by Raise Your Hand Texas as a blended learning demonstration site. Each of the school districts will receive up to \$500,000 in grant funding over three years and comprehensive implementation

support through the Raising Blended Learners initiative.

Each of the demonstration site grant winners seek to apply blended learning strategies to remedy a specific challenge in their schools.

More than a dozen additional districts were selected as pilot sites and will receive implementation support without grant funding to promote the expansion of blended learning statewide.

"Pasadena ISD will now stand as an implementation model from which districts across the state can learn," said Alison Badgett, interim executive director for Raise Your Hand Texas. "District leadership is committed to using blended learning to personalize instruction and drive improved performance. We look forward to supporting Pasadena ISD's efforts to enhance student achievement and sharing what we learn statewide."

As defined by the Christensen Institute, blended learning is a mix of online learning and brick-and-mortar schooling that takes place when students learn at least in part online, with some student control over the time, place, path, and/or pace of their learning. This is a departure from the broader trend of simply equipping classrooms with devices and software and different from full-time virtual education, which does not include peer engagement and in-person student-teacher interactions.

The five winning demonstration sites – a mix of small and large, urban and rural, public school districts and public charter schools – will serve as proof points for the effective implementation of blended learning and were chosen through a 10-month consideration process involving 75 semi-finalist teams. Pasadena ISD is joined by Cisco ISD, Birdville ISD, KIPP Houston, and

Point Isabel ISD.

"We are excited to be a demonstration site for the state of Texas," said Vickie Vallet-McWilliams, PISD director of Instructional Technology. "I can't express how grateful we are to be a part of this grant that provides us resources to move forward with our plan for personalized learning."

The pilot network of sites will implement smaller scale, non-grant-funded pilots and will help catalyze statewide expansion of blended learning. Raise Your Hand Texas will commit expert implementation assistance, coaching and professional development to these pilot sites.

To help other districts and schools interested in learning more or pursuing blended learning, Raise Your Hand Texas also launched a public blended learning resource portal with curated national resources and materials, as well as content created exclusively for the Raising Blended Learners initiative.

Raise Your Hand Texas is investing in third-party research evaluation and will publicly report on implementation, beginning in the 2016-17 school year, to drive broader statewide adoption of blended learning approaches.

The Raising Blended Learners demonstration initiative is funded by the Raise Your Hand for Texas Education Fund, Educate Texas, and The Meadows Foundation. Funding will support technical assistance for the Raising Blended Learners grantees and pilot network, including support for ed-tech selection, budgeting and financial analysis, teacher and school leader professional development and project management.

For more background about blended learning, the initiative and the application process, visit [www.raiseyourhandtexas.org](http://www.raiseyourhandtexas.org).

### JFD duo head PISD inductees



Dobie High School baseball legends John Scheschuk (left) and Shane Nance admire their freshly-minted Pasadena ISD athletics hall of fame plaques after being inducted along with five other 2016 members April 9 at Phillips Field House. Also inducted was Sam Rayburn star athlete and former longtime Dobie volleyball head coach Donna Branch. For more, including banquet photos, see *Leader* sports. Photo by Al Carter, PISD

## Local water quality examined

By Crystal Saucedo

In the wake of the water crisis in Flint, Mich., many South Belt residents have expressed concerns over the quality of local water.

There are three municipal utility districts in the South Belt area. Every year, around the end of June, the Clear Brook City, Sagemeadow and Kirkmont MUDs are required to mail, throughout their districts, a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). Results from a specific Public Water System can be found at [dww2.tceq.texas.gov/DWW/](http://dww2.tceq.texas.gov/DWW/).

Each MUD lists on the website all of the water system facilities, water system facilities flows, sources of water, water purchases and buyers of water. Every year the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) requires community public water systems to send its customers the CCR to provide information about the quality of its drinking water.

The CCR is a summary of information that the water system collects in compliance with federal and state (TCEQ) regulations. The goal of the CCR is to provide the consumers information about their drinking water in an easy-to-read format.

Included in the CCR is information about the sources of water used, chemical contaminants, bacteriological contaminants, compliance with drinking water rules, educational health information, water system contact information and public participation opportunities. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) in 1996. The SDWA added a provision requiring all community water systems to deliver a CCR to their customers. Each community Public Water System is responsible for ensuring the distribution of the CCR and that the report is

correct and consistent with the compliance monitoring data.

Community Public Water Systems that serve 500 people or fewer are required to provide notice at least one time per year by July 1 by mail, door-to-door delivery or by posting in an appropriate location that the report is available upon request. Each community Public Water System also must make a good faith effort to reach consumers who do not receive water bills such as apartment complexes, businesses, community centers, schools, etc.

If a community Public Water Systems serves more than 500 people, then they must follow the same distribution rules as a community Public Water Systems that serves under 500 people, but they are required to directly deliver a copy of the CCR to each bill paying customer. For community Public Water Systems that serve 100,000 or more people they must follow the requirements for all other community Public Water Systems and are required to post the current years CCR to a publicly accessible site on the Internet.

The TCEQ also provides a report on the surface waters in Texas. The Texas Integrated Report of Surface Water Quality is a requirement of the federal Clean Water Act and represents a periodic snapshot of conditions over seven to 10 years. The report provides the evaluation of the quality of surface waters and produces the report every two years in even numbered years.

The difference between Houston and other places, such as Flint, is local water districts have the responsibility of ensuring safe drinking water. In April 2014, Flint's water source was switched from Lake Huron to Flint River. The river was never required to be treated with corrosion control agents, which meant the pipes were never sealed allowing lead to come off and into the water.

## Beamer extension moves forward

The construction project to extend Beamer Road to Bay Area Boulevard is continuing to move forward, according to Harris County Project Coordinator Larry Allen.

A joint project between Harris County and the Texas Department of Transportation, the \$10.3 million endeavor will extend Beamer roughly one mile from Tall Ships Lane, the street's current dead end in the Heritage Park subdivision, to West Bay Area Boulevard.

While all the street paving is already complete, the roadway may not open until a sound

barrier has been constructed near the El Dorado intersection.

"TxDOT is dragging their feet," Allen said.

According to Allen, the project is expected to be complete by this July.

A second phase of construction to widen Beamer from Tall Ships to Dixie Farm Road is currently in the design stage.

Allen said this stretch of the road poses far more problems than the southern portion, as there are more than 80 pipelines that designers must either navigate around or move altogether.

## Chamber to host top-10 luncheon

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will host its annual top-10 luncheon honoring local high school graduates on Wednesday, April 20, at Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Drive, at 11:30 a.m.

The event will honor the top-10 graduating seniors from J. Frank Dobie High School, Lutheran South Academy and Clear Horizons High School.

The featured speaker at the function will be Dr. Victor Van Phan, an orthopedic surgeon from Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital. A 1988 Dobie graduate, Phan will share his inspirational

journey with other students.

The chamber's Education Committee is currently seeking area businesses to sponsor graduating students. Each honoree will be presented with a small gift at the general luncheon. The students' names and sponsors will be printed in a keepsake program.

Student sponsorships are \$35. Individual reservations are \$20 each. The deadline for reservations is Friday, April 15.

For additional information, contact the chamber office at 281-481-5516 or [info@southbeltchamber.com](mailto:info@southbeltchamber.com).

## Dog parade to take place April 16

The inaugural Strut Your Mutt Doggy Parade will take place Saturday, April 16, at Clear Brook City Park, located at Blackhawk and Scarsdale, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Organized by longtime Sageglen resident Mary Maddox, the event will give local dog owners a chance to enjoy a day in the park, while entering their pet(s) 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.

The event will feature several activities for children under 10 years old, as well as local dog

experts and pet stores.

Raffles will be held, with all proceeds going to the Houston Humane Society. Hot dogs will be served at noon by the Sageglen Civic Club.

All food and activities will be free of charge.

Registration will start at 9:30 a.m., with contest judging beginning at 10 a.m. in the gazebo. Early registration is available at the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District office, 11911 Blackhawk, and the Sageglen Civic Club office, 11610 Sageyork.

All dogs must be on a leash and have proof of current rabies vaccination.

## Cook-off scheduled for April 29-30

The 20th annual South Belt Spectacular Cook-off will 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.)

Organized by the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, the event is the sole fundraiser for the annual South Belt Fourth of July fireworks display, also to be 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. A Kids Fun Zone will take place Saturday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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.

Police, fire department and EMS vehicles will also be on display, including a Houston Police Department helicopter.

Attendees will also have a chance to take photos with a live Watusi bull named Oliver.

While no outside alcohol will be allowed for patrons, it will be for sale on the cook-off grounds, along with barbecue sandwiches.

At press time, a couple of cooking spots were still available.

Sponsorship opportunities are also still available.

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

A cookers' meeting will take place Tuesday, April 19, at The Gardens, located at 12001 Beamer at Hughes Road, at 6:30 p.m.

Organizers are currently seeking volunteers and food judges.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact event organizer Linda Arnone at 281-484-4325. See related ads on Page 5A and 6A.

## Harrison, Delgado enjoy park

Numerous local families enjoyed a day in the sunshine Saturday, April 9, at the inaugural South Belt Family Fun Event at Clear Brook City Park. Sponsored by the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District and Constable Chris Diaz's office, the event featured a 1.5- and 3-mile fun run/walk, a disc jockey, line dancing, inflatables, a martial arts demonstration, a reptile display and multiple children's games. Organizers are hoping to make the function an annual event. Shown to the left are event organizer Judy Harrison and Judge Jo Ann Delgado. Pictured behind Harrison is county aide David Matthews. See more photos on Page 6A of next week's *Leader*.

Photo by Marie Flickinger



# In My Opinion

## Hewitt urges help for 8-year-old friend

Just 11 days after his 8th birthday, Alex Goodman from Pearland was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. He is in the Texas Children's Hospital tak-

ing his 3rd chemo, now. If anyone would like to help with expenses, visit [www.facebook.com/warriorsforalex](http://www.facebook.com/warriorsforalex) or contact family at 281-914-2538. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and "Thank you *South Belt Leader*" for being here. I've been reading this paper for 34 yrs. Love it!  
**Patty Hewitt**

## Catholic Daughters sponsor Sock & Wipe Drive

For the last several years, Court Mother of Unity 2292 has sponsored a sock and wipe for the military and are asking for the donations once again. Socks must be tube socks so they don't slip down into the boot, and they may be either black or white. Wipes must be individually wrapped so they may be tucked in a shirt pocket or back pack.

Donations may be dropped off at the *South Belt Leader* office at 11555 Beamer Road, St. Luke's Church at 11011 Hall Road in the church Narthex, or call 281-484-4170 for pick up. Also, a check may be made out to CDA Court #2292, with Military Drive in the subject line, and sent to Catholic Daughters, 11010 Hall Road, Houston, TX 77089. The drive will run through Mother's Day, May 8.

## Interfaith Care Partners meet on April 15

Interfaith Care Partners Ministry group at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 10727 Hartsook St. (near Almeda Mall), a gathering for persons with Alzheimer's, dementia or memory loss, meets the third Friday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Gatherings consist of a continental breakfast, arts and crafts, exercises, entertainment, a singalong, a devotional break, lunch, and end with a game. Those with a family member or know of someone with these challenges, are welcome to attend.

All services are provided free of charge. An initial interview must be conducted by Interfaith Care Partners staff to welcome new participants into this program.

The next gathering will be held in the Mother Cabrini Center at the church on Friday, April 15. For more information or to register a loved one, call Interfaith Care Partners at 713-682-5995 or visit the website at [www.interfaithcarepartners.org](http://www.interfaithcarepartners.org).

## Library seeks book donations

The Friends of Parker Williams Branch Library, located at 10851 Scarsdale Blvd., is seeking donations of nice condition adult fiction pocket paperbacks and children's books. Items may be dropped off at the front desk of the library.

## 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.

## Local library events set

### Parker Williams Branch

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

Thursday, April 14, at 4:30 p.m. – Hour of Code. Gives school-aged children some exposure to various computer programming languages.

Friday, April 15, at 4:30 p.m. – Early Teen SRP Volunteer Orientation. Any teen (12 yrs +) who is interested in volunteering at the library during the summer may register for this early volunteer orientation.

Saturday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m. – Keith Stine of SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) shares his expertise on *Starting Your Own Construction Contracting Business*. Call the library to register.

Tuesday, April 19, at 4 p.m. – Teen Movie and Craft. Feature presentation is *Toy Story*.

Remaining free Computer Classes in April include: 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 Friday, April 15, and Monday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 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 these 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 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.

Free

# Kids Fun Zone

at the South Belt Cookoff

Saturday

April 30th

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Free admission for ages 12 & under

Free Games & Rides for Kids include...

**Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Rock Climbing, Obstacle Course, Moonwalks, Face painting, Hair-braiding, Enchanted Encounters' Snow Queen & Sleeping Beauty, Giant Trampoline, Inflatable Adrenaline Rush Jr., Train Rides, HPD Helicopter, Police, Fire & Ambulance Displays, Photo Opportunity with Oliver the Watusi Bull & More.**

Food & refreshments will be available for purchase.

**20th Annual South Belt Cookoff at El Franco Lee Park Friday, April 29 & Sat., April 30**

Sponsored by Southeast Volunteer Fire Department

Admission \$10 - Free admission for ages 12 & under Saturday Admission \$5 before 4 p.m.; \$10 After 4 p.m.

Proceeds fund South Belt July 4th Fireworks, area scholarships & community youth programs



## Flores crowned Mini Miss at pageant

Gianna Mata Flores was crowned Mini Miss in the Pasadena Strawberry Festival Pageant on Saturday, April 9. The event was held at the Deer Park Courts and Theatre Building. She also won Best Personality and Best Fashionable. Flores had to compete in two outfits on stage and give an introduction speech of herself. She is 5 years old and lives in Sagemont where she attends South Belt Elementary. Mini Miss Flores will ride in the Pasadena Strawberry Festival Parade on May 14. She is the daughter of Jilleana Mata and the granddaughter of Debbie and Willie Mata. J&B Insurance sponsored Flores throughout the pageant.

Photo submitted

# Annual Space Science Day Community Night at San Jac

NASA's annual Space Science Day Community Night brings the excitement of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and space exploration to the San Jacinto College South campus once again on April 14.

The free and family-friendly event boasts numerous activities and exhibits from NASA-Johnson Space Center and San Jacinto College science faculty. Some of the activities include examining moon rock and meteorite samples, building hovercrafts, Oreo Cookie moon phases, virtual Mars Rover landing, making a robotic arm, planetarium, trying on a NASA space suit, and fun photos in the NASA photo booth.

This year, as part of NASA Space Science Day Community Night, guests will also be able to enjoy a Star Party on the observation deck of the South campus science and allied health building, getting a chance to view the night sky using the college's 16-inch reflector telescope.

The event will also feature guest speaker, NASA Johnson Space Center Planetary Scientist, John Gruener. Since his career began at NASA in 1986, Gruener has worked on the Space Shuttle

and Space Station programs, designed missions to the moon and Mars, and space farming. Gruener's guest lecture will begin at 7 p.m. in Room S1.115.

NASA Space Science Day Community Night takes place on Thursday, April 14, from 5 to 9 p.m. in the San Jacinto College South campus science and allied health building (Building 1) atrium. Free popcorn and snow cones will be available. The South campus is located at 13735 Beamer Road in Houston.

## Adopt-A-Beach cleanup on April 23

Sign up now to volunteer for the nation's biggest coast-to-coast cleanup on Saturday, April 23. The 2016 Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach Spring Cleanup takes place at 31 sites coast-wide.

Volunteers can sign up online at [www.TexasAdoptABeach.org](http://www.TexasAdoptABeach.org) or show up on-site Saturday morning to take part in a fun-filled day that makes a difference at the beach.

"Sign up now to join forces with thousands of other Texans who care about the coast," said Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush. "Marine debris kills wildlife and hurts tourism, but it's a problem we can fix. Come out and be a part of the solution on Saturday, April 23." Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Clean-up will be from 9 a.m. to noon at different sites coast-wide.

Each volunteer will be given data cards, gloves, pencils and trash bags. All volunteers are advised to wear closed-toe shoes, and bring sunscreen and plenty of drinking water. The Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach cleanups are held rain or shine.

## Free legal clinic offered to veterans April 16

Veterans who need legal advice or legal assistance can visit a free legal clinic on Saturday, April 16, from 9 a.m. until noon at American Legion Post 129, 206 S. Durant St. in Alvin.

The clinic is a public service of the Brazoria County Bar Association and the Houston Bar Foundation's Veterans Legal Initiative, a coalition of local bar associations that provides pro bono legal services to U.S. veterans in 18 counties in Texas.

No appointment is necessary. Any veteran, or spouse

## Alice in Wonderland at BHP April 23, 30

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.

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.

Directed by Whitney Wyatt Nolder, the shows will feature Ryleigh Shubert, Samantha Copsey, Jordan Jones, Daelyn Hall, Josey Hall, Christopher Vasconi, Julie Hall, Alisha Alvarado, Grace Williamson, Juliet Vasconi, Joylynn Hall, Camille Jones, Joylynn Hal, and Jodean Hall.

Tickets will be \$3 for youth and \$5 for adults and will be available at the playhouse box office.

For more details, call 281-337-7469 or visit <http://www.harbourtheater.com>.

# Deaths

## Pamela Hunter



Pamela Hunter, 59, longtime South Belt resident, died on Friday, April 8, 2016. She was born on July 26, 1956.

Hunter is preceded in death by her father, Joe Hunter, and sisters Patricia Hunter and Paula Hunter.

Survivors include her son, Joseph Manuel; daughter Samantha Manuel Harrell;

mother Sylvia Hunter Brannon; grandchildren Ayden and Emily Harrell; sisters Phyllis Hunter Gray and Peggy Hunter Hansford; and numerous nieces and friends.

## Katherine Irene Flores



Katherine "Kathy" Irene Flores, 64, of South Belt,

died on Monday, April 11, 2016. She was born July 30, 1951, in Castroville, Texas.

Flores loved playing Bingo and spending time with her three grandchildren. For the past several years, she was employed by Keuhne-Nagal as an Explosive Coordinator.

Flores was preceded in death by her father, Ruben Flores.

She was survived by her son, James A. Flores and wife Bernadette; mother Josephine Burrell; sister Josephine Flores and brother Ruben C. Flores and wife Rachel, all of San Antonio; and grandchildren Haley M. Flores, Chloe R. Flores and James D. Flores.

A viewing for family and friends will be held Friday, April 15, 2016, from 5 to 9 p.m. at Forest Park Lawn-dale, 6900 Lawndale Street in Houston.

The service will be Saturday, April 16, at 2 p.m.

## E-STEM Magnet School parent meetings set, 2016 application online

If an elementary student loves to solve problems, the Ed White E-STEM Magnet School may be the campus of choice for them. E-STEM is an acronym for Elementary - Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Students in E-STEM schools participate in a highly enriched curriculum that focuses on STEM subjects. They are expected to think critically and solve real-world problems.

E-STEM schools have an increased focus on engineering through basic design application and technology that is infused throughout the entire curriculum.

E-STEM education is implemented in every grade level for students who attend

Ed White Elementary as their home school. The school district has also approved the addition of extra spaces in kindergarten and first grade for students who are outside the attendance zone. The students for these spaces will be chosen through an application process and a lottery system. Students in grades 2-5 may transfer into the program through a first come, first served transfer request as space allows.

Parent information meetings are scheduled at Ed White Elementary STEM Magnet School, 1708 Les Talley Drive, El Lago, TX 77586, on April 14 and April 25. Both meetings will begin at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The application deadline is 3:45 p.m. on May 13, 2016. Students who complete the online application by the deadline will be entered into a lottery system to determine which students in K-1 enroll in the E-STEM magnet school. The lottery will take place electronically at 9 a.m. on May 27, 2016.

Transportation will not be provided for students unless zoned to Ed White Elementary.

Parents may contact Laura Mackay at [lmackay@ccisd.net](mailto:lmackay@ccisd.net) for more information about the E-STEM program.

To apply online, visit [http://edwhite.ccisd.net/e-s\\_t\\_e\\_m\\_program/how\\_to\\_apply/](http://edwhite.ccisd.net/e-s_t_e_m_program/how_to_apply/).

## Dobie UIL One-Act Play advances to Regionals

For the second time in three years, the Dobie Theatre Department has earned a birth at the Regional level of the University Interscholastic League, One-Act Play competition. The contest will be held at the San Jacinto College Central campus on Saturday, April 23.

Dobie is one of six schools to perform at the

contest, which begins at 12:30 p.m.

Two shows will advance from the Region level of competition and move on to State, which is held in Austin each year.

"Making it to Region means our show is among the last 24 schools still in competition, and the 6A division begins with about 250 schools. We're ecstatic,"

said Cheramie Hopper. Mrs. Hopper is the lead director for this year's show, and a part of the Theatre Department faculty at Dobie.

The team is competing with an original script titled *Ahosi*, which was written by Theatre Department head Clinton Hopper. "This is a story about a woman trying to save her daughter from evil. It's based on the myths

and folk tales of the Ashanti tribe of western Africa," he said.

The company is made up of 15 actors, five crew members and four alternates.

The Region One-Act Play contest will be at San Jacinto College Central on April 23. The performances begin at 12:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10, cash only, at the door.



Dobie UIL One-Act Play performers are, left to right, (front row) Danielle Jones, Jaylon Bolden, Dimitri Brooks, Stephanie Ogbonmwan, Fiorella Morin, Aylin Rojas, Savannah Rodriguez, (middle row) Lillian Spigner, Kimber Vanek, Ahmed Badr, Joseph Brown, Jazmyn Bolden, Jade Jacobo, Adriana Melendez, David Mendiola-Garcia, (back row) Legacy Jefferson, Elyssa Armenta, Ariana Okhuozagbon, Griselda Campos and Sean Saperstein. Not pictured is Jazmine Howard.

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## South Belt Elementary selects March VIPs



South Belt Elementary School VIPs for the month of March were chosen by their teachers based on his or her ability to display the character trait of the month, *generosity*. March VIPs are, left to right, (front row) Avery Mendiola, Emma Parker, Hailey Naughton, Gabriela Ramirez, Kolten Smith, Isaiah Machado, (second row) Kayla Calderon, Max Martinez, Evan Mora, Zainab Nav-

eed, Andrew Nguyen, Ethan Pereida, (third row) Jocelyn Garcia, Mia Bella Garza, Macy Cooper, Cadence Braden, Audrina Hernandez, Minh Nguyen, (fourth row) Keltia Sanchez, Jordan Scimmons, Jenaya Powell, Hanna Imran, Victoria Ortiz-Ramirez, Abriana Neco, (back row) Haley Precella, Stephen Wiggins, An Ngo, Antonio Hernandez and Quynh Ky.

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## PISD campuses honored for Texas Bluebonnet program

The Pasadena Independent School District Office of Libraries and Instructional Materials awarded trophies to 23 campuses in the district for achieving a high level of student participation in the Texas Bluebonnet reading program.

The Bluebonnet program encourages students to read more, explore new books across various genres and identify their favorite books.

Through the statewide program, students in grades 3-6 voted for at least five of their favorite Bluebonnet titles using the district's online voting platform. Students also had the opportunity to rate their favorite books and share comments. The votes were submitted to the Texas Library Association and added to the statewide count to determine the Texas Bluebonnet Award winning book.

Officials were proud of the district's overall participation in the reading program with 48 percent of students in the district voting — a significant increase of 25 percent since the last school year.

In 2015, seven campuses were honored for a high level of participation. This year, Libraries and Instructional Materials awarded gold, silver and bronze trophies to 23 campuses with the highest

percentage of participation.

Christine Van Hamersveld, director of Libraries and Instructional Materials, attributes the increase in student participation to the accessibility to reading materials for students in the district.

"School libraries now offer innovative ways for students to have access to the

resources they need to learn and become avid readers," said Van Hamersveld. "We are so proud of this year's participants and the hard working staff for doing an excellent job of promoting, facilitating and celebrating great children's literature and the Bluebonnet voting program."

The winning Bluebonnet title this year is *When the Beat was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop* by Laban Carrick Hill.

The winners are:

**Gold**  
Bush, South Houston, Young, Teague, Frazier, Morales, Williams, Stuchbery, South Belt, Kruse, Jes-

sup, Meador, South Shaver, Moore and Mae Smythe elementary schools, and Lomax Middle School.

**Silver**  
Melillo Middle School and elementary schools Pearl Hall, Freeman and Fisher.

**Bronze**  
Elementary schools Parks, L.F. Smith and Pomeroy.



Principals and librarians from 23 campuses in the district were recognized at the administrative council meeting for achieving the highest level of student participation in the Texas Bluebonnet reading program. Pictured are, left to right, Learning Resource Specialist and Librarians (front row) Stephanie Redwine, Teague; Amanda Maslonka, Freeman; Amanda Davis, Bush; Brenda Aguilar, South Shaver, (middle row) Terrie Hinojosa, Lomax; Jamie Garcia, Fisher; Dileya Martinez, Pomeroy; Cindy Walker, Moore; Carla Moody, Morales; Karen Barton, Meador; Julie Scott, Young; Kerry-Ann Thompson; Jessup, (back row) Laura Davis, L.F. Smith; Lisa Ford, Mae Smythe; Allison Sutton, South Belt; Debra Yocum, Melillo; Catherine Pleasants, Parks; Norma Rodriguez-Garcia, Williams; Katherine Monford, South Houston; Lauren Nalepa, Stuchbery; Cynthia Rosenbaum, Kruse; Christine Roberts, Frazier; and PISD Superintendent DeeAnn Powell.

Photo by Connie Doolin

## Lutheran South NJHS collects for needy



The National Junior Honor Society of Lutheran South Academy has collected and packaged 228 bags of personal care items (shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotion, etc.) for the Boys and Girls Harbor in La Porte. With about three to four items in each bag, that is more than 700 items to be distributed. The students will deliver them later this month. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Halle Lin, (second row) Cara Breeding, Connor Ruth, Matthew Ghebranious, Mikayla Leaverton, (third row) Katie Barlow, Hannah Stringfield, Anna Hirth, Natalie Block, (fourth row) Laura Demchak, Kendall Jennings, Micah Johnson, Katie Wendt, (fifth row) Lindsey MacPhail, Kennedy Staples, Isabella De La Cruz, (sixth row) Blake Baggott, (seventh row) Caitlyn Whitworth, Devon Carson, Jackie Lachney, Mackenzie Rutledge, (eighth row) Grace Marietta, Grace Anderson, (back row) Jackson Olin, Tony Patsatzis, Jay Ozyz, Adam Escobedo, Jacob Leipold, Bishop Soliman and Lance Covington.

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## Pasadena ISD celebrates School Library Month

April is National School Library Month and Pasadena Independent School District is joining districts across the nation in celebrating the important role librarians and library programs play in educating students.

This year's theme is *School Libraries Transform Learning* and the district is raising awareness of innovative approaches to enhance reading experiences for students.

"Research confirms that student achievement and reading scores increase when they have access to a quality school library program," said Christine Van Hamersveld, director of libraries and instructional materials.

While campus-level activities involving book fairs and

author visits will be happening throughout the month, a district wide celebration will take place April 16 with the annual *Name That Book Reading Challenge*. The event tests knowledge of classic literature and contemporary books and garners student participation from each campus in the district.

Teams of students meet with their campus librarian and begin preparing for the *Name That Book* competition after receiving their summer reading list. The event uses modern technology including a Promethean ActivExpression student response system designed to allow students to submit answers quickly and track their team's progress during the competition.

*Name that Book* is a sample of how school libraries in the district have transformed learning among students. For instance, through community support of the 2014 school bond, libraries are now equipped with Promethean ActivExpression technology, comprised of an interactive board, projector and keypad devices that promote class participation and facilitate real-time feedback.

Additionally, all students have access to Kindle Fire tablets and wireless Internet service in campus libraries.

Each campus in the district has a certified librarian who serves several roles involving organizing large volumes of print material to support learning in all content areas, guiding students

to research topics, and supporting classroom instruction with supplementary reading materials. Librarians also help students access print and online materials.

"Modern school library programs provide students with physical and virtual access to the tools they need to learn, create and share and school librarians serve as instructional leaders for all grade levels and subjects," Van Hamersveld said.

Print and digital resources are available to students year-round. Last school year, more than 1.5 million district students visited the library during class and nearly 340,000 students visited the library independently and checked out over 2.6 million books. Additionally, students

downloaded 450,000 electronic printed books.

"Students at every campus in Pasadena ISD are fortunate to have an exemplary school library program, led by a certified school librarian," Van Hamersveld said. "These educators teach, guide and empower students to learn in a unique way and grow as individuals."

The 2016 School Library Month celebration marks 31 years of the national observance. The first ceremony began on the west steps of the U.S. Capitol on April 1, 1985.

## SJC named Hispanic Serving Institution award recipient

San Jacinto College is one of three Texas Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) to be designated a recipient of the Excellence in Retention and Transition for Hispanic Serving Institutions award by Texas A&M University for its engineering sciences associate degree program.

Each award recipient institution receives a \$1,500 award and an invitation to present at Texas A&M University's HSI Mid Years Engineering Experience Conference (MYEEC). The international conference focuses on the middle years between engineering students' first year and the final year, which includes an emphasis on sophomore retention, and discipline specific and professional preparation in their junior year.

Both Andrew Vines, San Jacinto College South department chair for chemistry, engineering, geology, and physics, and Karen Duston, San Jacinto College South engineering program coordinator and professor, presented their paper, "Instilling Student Confidence," which highlighted successful student success strategies of the college's engineering sciences associate degree program including confidence in the engineering program, confidence in student support, and confidence in completion of the program and successful

matriculation into a four-year engineering program.

"Our program's approach is multi-faceted, including undergoing mock Accreditation Board for Engineering Technology (ABET) reviews to ensure the rigor of our program; holding student informational and registration sessions; promoting special events like National Engineers Week; and constantly meeting with our university partners to ensure our students seamlessly and successfully transition into four-year engineering programs," said Vines. "Our students are prepared academically, personally, and professionally to complete our option-based Associate of Science in Engineering Science degree program and transfer into a four-year engineering field of study with little to no learning curve; they are prepared to take on the challenge of becoming the next generation of engineers."

Providing an engineering pathway for underrepresented students is one of the program's main goals. "This award is validation of San Jacinto College's strategies to increase success for our underserved populations in STEM programs of study, especially bridging the gap for female Hispanic and Latina students pursuing engineering," said Duston.

According to the Na-

tional Science Foundation's recent annual report, "Women, Minorities, and Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering," Hispanic women make up only two percent of today's science and engineering workforce. The American Association of University Women's 2015 report, "Solving the Equation" also states that even as recent as 2013, underrepresented minority women made up only three percent of engineering bachelor's degrees in the U.S.

To date, the San Jacinto College engineering sciences associate degree program has seen an overall college-wide enrollment increase of 1,000 percent since fall 2014, with 900 percent of that occurring at the south campus alone. What began at the south campus with an initial program enrollment of 29 students has now grown to nearly 300 students enrolled for the spring 2016 semester. This spring, the college has nearly 500 students enrolled in the engineering sciences associate degree program and this May will graduate the first eight students of the program, with all of them transferring into four-year university engineering programs.

In fall 2015, San Jacinto College signed an articulation agreement with the University of Houston Cul-

ter and Texas Tech University. For more information on the San Jacinto College associate of science in engineering science program, visit sanjac.edu/engineering.

## J.T. Edwards to speak at Republican Club meeting

The public is invited to meet with J.T. Edwards, Texas State Republican Executive Committee Member, at the Tuesday, April 19, Pearl and Area Republican Club meeting at the Pearl and Area Church of Christ annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd. in Pearland.

Edwards will explain the convention nomination process and answer questions about a brokered convention. The public is welcome to attend and bring a friend. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting begins at 7 p.m.

## Fun at Frazier Teddy Bear Track & Field



Frazier Elementary School held its annual Teddy Bear Track & Field for kindergarten and first and second grades on Friday, April 8. The students had a day filled with fun competitions, good food, and time spent with friends. Students from the PALS program at Dobie High School volunteered time to make the day a success. Adriana Cortez's second-grade girls pull the rope in Tug-a-War. Cheering them on is Cortez (left) and Dobie PALS student, Fatima Sidrian (right). Pulling the rope from front to back are Brianna Yanez, Nayelly Marquez, Madeline Vasquez, Nayla Martinez, Krystal Molina and Julietta Garcia.

Photos submitted

Students from Emily McLaughlin's kindergarten class pictured are, left to right, (front row) David Garcia, David Corral, Aaron Garvey, Trace Parker, Jeremiah Ramos and Aaron Owens, and (back) Dobie PALS student Javier Guerra.



## Super Bowl chairman to deliver San Jacinto College commencement address

Ric Campo, chairman of the Super Bowl LI Host Committee, and chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Camden Property Trust, will speak to May graduates at the San Jacinto College commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 14, 2016.

The May commencement ceremony will bring together San Jacinto College graduates from each of the four campuses for one combined ceremony. It will take place at 7 p.m. at NRG Stadium.

"Ric Campo is a true champion for the City of Houston," said Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College chancellor. "He understands the importance of a strong local economy,

and supports the need to create jobs here along the Texas Gulf Coast. I am excited for our 2016 graduates to hear his message."

Campo began his real estate career after graduating from Oregon State University in 1976. After working for a private Houston real estate company, Campo co-founded Camden's predecessor companies in 1982 and has spent nearly 30 years building the company.

Campo is active in the Houston community, in addition to his role as chairman of the Houston Super Bowl Committee. He serves on the board of directors of several organizations that focus on the eco-

nom development, business outlook, and future growth of Houston, including Central Houston, Inc., the Greater Houston Community Foundation, and the Greater Houston Partnership. Campo is also the chairman of the Houston First Corporation, which is a local government corporation that facilitates the city's economic growth through the business of conventions and the arts.

He is an executive advisory board member for the University of Houston C.T. Bauer College of Business; is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, where he serves on the executive board; the National Multi Housing

Council, where he serves on the executive committee; and was past chairman of the Urban Land Institute. The Houston Business Journal named him its 2016 Landmark Award winner for lifetime achievement in real estate.

San Jacinto College remains focused on helping students complete what they start. In each of the last three academic years, the college has issued more than 5,000 certificates and associate degrees, including 6,144 during the 2014-2015 academic year. More information about the San Jacinto College commencement ceremony can be found at sanjac.edu/commencement-ceremony.



The San Jacinto College engineering sciences associate degree program has been named a recipient of the Excellence in Retention and Transition for Hispanic Serving Institutions award by Texas A&M University. Pictured left to right: Brenda Jones, San Jacinto College South provost; Andrew Vines, San Jacinto College South department chair for chemistry, engineering, geology and physics; Karen Duston, San Jacinto College South engineering program coordinator and professor; Laurel Williamson, San Jacinto College deputy chancellor and president; and Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College chancellor.

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## AARP 199 meets April 15

AARP Webster Area Chapter 199 will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, April 15, at Bay Area Community Center, 5002 E. NASA Parkway in Seabrook (the large building with a blue roof inside Clear Lake Park on the north side of NASA Parkway). Everyone is invited to come to the meeting, and to enjoy coffee, cookies and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before the meeting starts at 10 a.m.

Each month, the group has entertainment or a speaker on various topics of interest to seniors. Every two months the group has a potluck lunch.

The speaker for Friday, April 15, will be Janice Flewelling, B.S.N., M.Ed., C.N.R.N., who will present a program on *Living with Arthritis*. Flewelling has 38 years experience in nursing and is certified in Neuroscience Nursing. There is no cure for arthritis, but there are ways to minimize pain, stay mobile, and stop or slow the disease's progress. This program will discuss the most common forms of arthritis and strategies for living better with the disease.

The group also organizes day trips by bus to local area points of interest at minimal cost. The next day trip will be on May 12 to Humble for a pontoon boat ride on Spring Creek and the San Jacinto River, and then to see the Humble Historical Museum. Lunch will be at The Potato Patch. The following day trip will be on July 17 to see *The Drowsy Chaperone*, a live musical comedy at College of the Mainland Theatre in Texas City. Dinner will be at Grand Prize Barbecue Restaurant.

For those who are interested in joining the group, annual dues are \$6 per year/per person. However, one must be a member of national AARP to join any local chapter. For more information, contact Liz Shepperd at 281-486-7770 or Qeshepperd@yahoo.com.

## 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. Remaining April dances are 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 csh@shaarhashalom.org.

**GARAGE SALE**  
**April 16 - 7 am - 3 pm**  
**Blackhawk HOA Community Wide GARAGE SALE!**  
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# Over The Back Fence by Alexis

**ENJOY YOUR BIRTHDAY, SALLY**  
 Best wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to former South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce Executive Director **Sally Mitchell**, who celebrates a birthday Saturday, April 16, from her family, friends and the staff at the *Leader*.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KELVIN**  
 Best wishes for a great birthday are sent to **Kelvin Lopez** from parents **Natalie and Jose Abarca** and **Kevin Lopez**; grandparents **David and Ellie Flickinger**; great-grandparents **Marie and David Flickinger**; and brother and sister **Noah and Isabella Abarca**.

**SANDRA CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY**  
 Greetings for a wonderful birthday are sent to **Sandra Williams**, who celebrates a birthday Monday, April 18, from her co-workers at Central Ace Hardware, family, friends and the staff at the *Leader*.

**30 YEARS FOR ANGELA AND DAVID**  
 Congratulations are sent April 19 to **Angela and David Griffin**, daughter-in-law and son of *Leader* staffer **Bobby Griffin** and husband **Kenneth**, from friends and family, as they celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary. Angela and David, both Dobie graduates, are currently living in Plain City, Utah, with their sons, **Robert and Kenneth**.

**AARON CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY**  
 Happy birthday greetings are sent to **Aaron Giles** who turns 22, April 20, from grandparents **Ken and Bobby Griffin**, parents **Jim and Tracy Giles**, sister **Kristen** and brother **Cody**. Aaron is a 2012 Dobie graduate and completed courses at San Jacinto College.

**ANN CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY**  
 Sageglen business owner **Ann Brannen** celebrates her birthday April 20. Best wishes

are sent from the staff at the *Leader*.  
**SCHOOL DAZE**  
 The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays April 14 through April 20.  
**Burnett Elementary**  
 Sing a happy birthday song to **Keri Grayson** April 20.

**Bush Elementary**  
**Trang Nguyen** enjoys a birthday April 16.  
**Frazier Elementary**  
 A special birthday greeting is sent to **Aimee Shelton** April 15. A special birthday greeting is sent to **Kevin McDonald** April 17.

**Meador Elementary**  
 Blow out the birthday candles April 19 for **Anna Ayala**.  
**Moore Elementary**  
 The day for a party for **Sara Saxon** is April 20.

**South Belt Elementary**  
 Light the birthday candles April 17 for **Allison Sutton**. Blow out the birthday candles for **Carol Webb** who celebrates a birthday April 20.  
**Stuchbery Elementary**  
**Silvia Ramirez** enjoys a birthday April 17.

**Melillo Middle School**  
 The day for a cake for **Patty Gordon** is April 19.  
**Roberts Middle School**  
 Sing a happy birthday song on April 15 to **Stephani Herring**. Light the birthday candles April 17 for **Danielle Goodrum**.

**Beverly Hills Intermediate**  
 Blow out the birthday candles April 14 for **Michelle Lester**. Blow out the birthday candles April 17 for **Darcy Heard**. Double birthday greetings are sent to **Rosalind Hubbard**

and **Kathryn Lincecum** April 18.  
**Thompson Intermediate**  
 On April 19, **Angela Veltman** is wished a happy birthday.

**Dobie High**  
 Light the birthday candles for **Janice Meyer** who enjoys a birthday April 14. **Joseph Janis** has a birthday on April 17. The day for a birthday gift for **Christine Kerr** is April 18. Celebrating a birthday April 19 is **Carey Sink**.

**FACEBOOK FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS**  
 The *Leader* sends happy birthday wishes to its Facebook friends who celebrate a birthday this week:

Thursday, April 14: **Derrick Leadon, Keshia Benford, Sean Allenberg, Deanna Morales** and **Michael Morris**; Friday, April 15: **Annette Black, Marsha Fischer, Lorita Lynn Destin** and **Veronica Lopez**; Saturday, April 16: **Janice Elliott, Alex Torres, Marissa Jones** and **April Carter-Akin**; Sunday, April 17: **Heike Jurado-Gabino, Tatiana Gonzalez, Allison Sutton, Danielle Goodrum** and **Jason Sherrill**; Monday, April 18: **Deadra Lozano, Carla Rackley, Lydia Sonier, Allison Rogers** and **Tchad Taormina**; Tuesday, April 19: **Greg Bartlett, Imeanda Martinez, Tiffany LeCompte, Tre McCrummen, Marisa Ramirez** and **Kristen Brockman**; and Wednesday, April 20: **Ann Brannen, Sandra Teng, Andy Crawford** and **Shelly Nails**.

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

## SHHS Trojan Fierce earns top awards at competition



On March 6, the SHHS Trojan Fierce competed in the United Cheer Nationals in Ft. Worth and returned with a National Champion title and Top Performance award. The squad works hard for these awards and this has been a fantastic year. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) **Gulissa Rosales, Jada Hope, Jaslyn Vasquez, Captain Brianna Ramirez, Melanie Jimenez, Mariel Gonzalez, Mattie Eckart**, (middle row) **Britney Castaneda, Emily Quiroz, Tierra Eggins, Jasmine Perritt, Juliana Rosales, Viviana Montemayor, Janice Aguirre**, (back row) **Marco Aguilar, Julio Rodriguez** and **Alberto Betancourt**. Photo submitted

# Remember When

**35 years ago (1976)**  
 Kirkwood Civic Club held its first open meeting since reorganization of the group began.

Interested citizens from the South Belt area participated in a unique experience

called *South Gulf Freeway Town Meeting '76*, which was designed to improve the community life for area residents.

**35 years ago (1981)**  
 Pasadena School trustees awarded a contract for construction of five portable buildings at Thompson Intermediate. The low bid of \$188,005 was awarded to Rogers Bros. Construction, Inc.

The San Jacinto College Board of Regents purchased equipment for the South campus drafting and rental technology programs and started proceedings to annex a section of land at the intersection of Beamer Road and Scarsdale Boulevard.

**30 years ago (1986)**  
 The Brio site, which was expected to undergo the second phase of a cleanup study, would be dismantled of abandoned equipment if legal matters weren't involved.

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation once again delayed the writing of contracts for improvements to the Fuqua and Scarsdale interchanges at I-45 which had been pulled from an overall I-45 improvements plan for more expedient completion.

**25 years ago (1991)**  
 The first step in a projected \$2.8 million capital improvement began with

Houston City Council's approval of a contract for the planning and design of the extension of Blackhawk from Fuqua to Almeda Genoa.

Under a new state public school finance bill, PISD stood to gain state aid per student, while CCISD expected to lose \$20 million over four years.

**20 years ago (1996)**  
 The Dobie Academic Decathlon won the national title in Atlanta competition. Sagemont subdivision went on the city's curbside recycling program.

**15 years ago (2001)**  
 The Thompson academic team's win of 42-38 over Snowcrest Junior High, Weber County, qualified the team for the final four of the National Academic tournament.

San Jacinto College honored more than 100 employees from South, Central, North and District for their years of service at the college.

Southeast Volunteer Fire Department attended training at the Harris County Fire Fighters Association field day held in College Station.

**10 years ago (2006)**  
 Cpl. Raymond Lomello of Precinct 2 Constable Gary Freeman's office was credited with a traffic stop that resulted in the seizure of approximately 683 pounds of marijuana. The approximate street value was more than \$819,000.

Alyta Harrell was named the new principal at Beverly Hills Intermediate School. Harrell officially began her new duties in July and replaced Stephanie Wright, who retired after 30 years with PISD.

Pearland City Council approved an agreement with the developers of Riverstone

Ranch which opened the door for future development of a new residential area between the subdivision of Riverstone Ranch and Pearland Parkway.

**5 years ago (2011)**  
 With massive state budget cuts looming, Pasadena Independent School District officials identified which employee contracts would not be renewed for the 2011-2012 school year. Of the 340 layoffs, 180 were teacher positions, while the remaining 160 were administrative jobs and support staff. For the South Belt area, this meant the loss of 24 area teachers.

The J. Frank Dobie Lariatettes were named the National Grand Champions at the Showtime Dance National Competition in Galveston. The drill team won first place in all four of their team routines – Team Jazz, Team Pom, Team Modern and Team Novelty. The Lariatettes also won the Applause Award for their Team Pom routine to *Born to be Wild*. The Lariatette military officers were named National Champion Officers, and the Jazz Troupe was named runner-up National Champion Large Ensemble.

**1 year ago (2015)**  
 A second-grade teacher at Laura Bush Elementary School resigned amid allegations he took upskirt photos of an 8-year-old female student. Luis Rudolfo Pasos, 43, was later charged with two felony counts of indecency with a child. When initially confronted about the allegations by police, Pasos reportedly attempted to destroy his phone by breaking it in half and throwing it into a storm drain. He later led police to the broken phone, where it was recovered and analyzed by experts.

# Line by line with the prophets

*"Our society is illuminated by the spiritual insights of the Hebrew prophets."* – Lyndon B. Johnson.

Come and get familiar with the prophets' insights while reading the ancient text together. Starting with Isaiah, participants will learn and discuss each verse.

Although the study is line by line through the text, one doesn't have to have attended previous classes. Everybody is welcome to attend anytime.

## Bay Area Singles Dance April 16

The Bay Area Singles Club monthly dance will be held Saturday, April 16, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the VFW Lodge, Post 6378, at 5204 Highway 3 in Dickinson. Bring party snacks to share. Cost is \$7 for members and \$9 for nonmembers.

For more information, call 409-948-1156 or 281-484-4762.

## Open Garden Day April 18

Harris County Master Gardeners Association at Precinct 2 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>.

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**Charyl Lyons' pre-kindergarten morning class**  
Pictured are, left to right (front row) Amaria Nicholas, Dominick Mejia Leon, Surya Washington, William Williams, Lorraine Forgy, Faith Vazquez, Jazmyn Ortega, Ayden Sullivan, Desiree Mejia Leon, and Adriana Guerrero, (second row) Kathy Garcia, Gregory McNeil, Azaliyah Treviño, Steven Bearss, Ziria Venters, Joshua Byron, Logan Dominguez, Chase Flower, Carissa Mendez, Sebastian Hernandez, (back row) Police Officer Mark Mills, Jose Turrubiarres and Charyl Lyons. Photo by Silvia Ramirez



**Charyl Lyons' pre-kindergarten afternoon class**  
Pictured are, left to right (front row) Alejandro Cavazos, Rebekah Cortez, Sophia Vanegas, Ella Donaldson, Allison Hua, Kayden Carmona, Zahriah Barrera, Izaiah Vargas, Khang Nguyen, and Michael Mejia, (second row) Osias Dominguez, Prince Hubbard, Jackson Cox, Jessica Tran, Ronaldo Le, Blessing Nwaodu, Kortez Clay, Izaiah Cantu, Jayden Barrera, Madison Valdez, (back row) Officer Mark Mills, Kathy Garcia and Charyl Lyons. Photo by Silvia Ramirez



**Linda Reyes' pre-kindergarten bilingual morning class**  
Pictured are, left to right (front row) Arielle Martinez, Melanie Marin, Emiliano Diaz, Anthony Rubio, Erick Montejano, (second row) Linda Reyes, Julius Segura, Josue Rico, Jennifer Aguirre, Cesar Tarin, Fernando Balanta, Alexa Tzintzun, Victoria Avina, Joel Arteta, (back row) Officer Mark Mills and Silvia Ramirez. Photo by Charyl Lyons



**Linda Reyes' pre-kindergarten bilingual afternoon class**  
Pictured are, left to right (front row) Evelyn Padilla, David Salguero, Daniel Aguilar, Francisco Sanchez, Aaron Cruz, Dulce Tenorio, (second row) Aleyah Reyes, Franco Mena, Christopher Reyes, Francisco Chavez, Bianca Elel, (back row) Officer Mark Mills, Linda Reyes and Silvia Ramirez. Photo by Charyl Lyons

## San Jac events set

San Jacinto College recently released its upcoming Calendar of Events.

The San Jacinto College South campus is located at 13735 Beamer Road in Houston; the Central campus is at 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena; and the North campus is at 5800 Uvalde Road in Houston.

**Registration for summer classes**  
Registration for classes beginning May 16 and June 6 is open. Visit [sanjac.edu/apply-register/overview/registration](http://sanjac.edu/apply-register/overview/registration) for more information on steps for registration.

**Steel band concert**  
On Friday, April 15, at 7 p.m. at the Slocumb Auditorium, the steel band and a vocal quintet will join forces with the Skyline Vocal Jazz Quintet, based in San Francisco, for an inter-collegiate collaboration to perform a premiere of Phil and Michelle Hawkins' new work (title not yet determined).

The concert will feature five movements: a Brazilian-flavored *Baião*, a Caribbean selection titled *Feels Like Rain*, a Jamaican-flavored ska tune *Shiny Things*, an odd-metered selection called *Ant Xanthen*, and a Trinidadian-styled calypso *My Garden*.

**Softball games**  
The San Jacinto College softball team will play Coastal Bend College on Friday, April 15, at 1 p.m.; Laredo Community College on Saturday, April 16, at 1 p.m.; and Louisiana State University at Eunice on Monday, April 18, at 2 p.m. The games will take place at the South campus. For a full schedule, visit [sanjacsports.com](http://sanjacsports.com).

**Shear Dolls fundraiser Spa Day**  
The cosmetology program at the San Jacinto College North campus will host a Spa Day on Saturday, April 16, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., for its Shear Dolls student club. Services will include haircuts, treatments, coloring and styling; and manicures and pedicures. Rates vary with proceeds funding the club's upcoming trip to the Premiere Orlando International Beauty Event. For more information, email [cynthia.woodcock@sjcd.edu](mailto:cynthia.woodcock@sjcd.edu).

**Baseball game**  
On Saturday, April 16, the San Jacinto College baseball team will host Galveston

College in a double-header, with the first game starting at 3 p.m. The game is free, open to the public, and will be played at the North campus John Ray Harrison Field at Andy Pettitte Park.

**Wigs for Kids**  
The San Jacinto College cosmetology program will accept hair donations for the Wigs for Kids organization April 18 through April 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the San Jacinto College South campus in Room 200 of the Jones Technical Building.

Anyone who drops by the college to have 12 inches of hair cut (the minimum required for donation purposes) will receive a free haircut. Hair must be free of all dyes and chemicals, and gray hair will not be accepted. The college will also accept cash donations on behalf of Wigs for Kids.

For those who wish to donate but do not meet the 12-inch hair requirements, \$10 haircut and style and \$5 blow dry and style services will be offered.

**International Festival**  
Students from the Spanish club and Spanish and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes will host the annual International Festival on Wednesday, April 20, at 10 a.m. in the Monument Room inside the Student Center at the San Jacinto College North campus. Culinary students will provide the event's international cuisine.

**Jazz concert**  
On Thursday, April 21, at 7 p.m., the jazz ensemble and combo will present a concert at the Central campus Dr. Monte Blue Music Building under the direction of music professor Jeffrey Adams. The concert will showcase performances by student musicians. Many different styles of jazz will be featured. The jazz ensemble from Dobie High School will also perform during the concert.

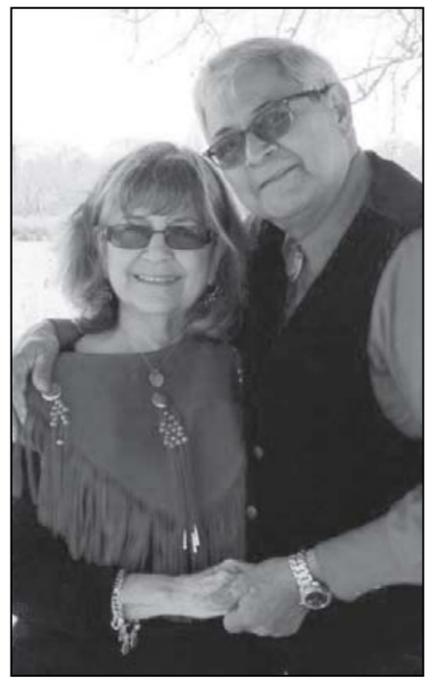
**Summer camps**  
San Jacinto College will host a variety of fun and enriching summer camps for kids of all ages at each of its campuses.

There will be something for every interest from athletics and career exploration, to music and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math), and everything in between. To find out more and to register, visit [sanjac.edu/summer-camps](http://sanjac.edu/summer-camps).

## Olveras celebrate 50th anniversary



**Juan and Elba Hernandez Olvera celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Feb. 11, 2016. The couple were married Feb. 11, 1966, in Brownsville, Texas. They were high school sweethearts. The couple have one daughter, Kathy, and her husband, Ray Ramirez, and six grandchildren: Kevin and wife Christina Ramirez, and Kelly, Ryan, Katherine, Rachel and Rebekah Ramirez. Family and friends gathered for a party at Las Haciendas. A Mass will be celebrated in December in which the Olveras will receive a special blessing.**



## Maritime companies scout for interns and employees at San Jacinto College

Ten maritime companies looking to hire interns and full-time employees recently conducted interviews with students at the San Jacinto College Maritime Technology and Training Center on the Maritime Campus.

After a day of maritime transportation classes, the students gathered their resumes, took to the hallways, and waited their turns to speak with company representatives to vie for internships. Companies that interviewed students included Higma Marine, Buffalo Marine, Cheryl K Marine, Cheryl K Marine, Harley Gulf Marine, Marquette Transportation, Martin Marine, G&H Towing, Harbor Services, J.A.M. Services, and BaySmart.

"It's really cool that companies come here and interview us in our classrooms," said Richard Zienty, who interned last summer with Buffalo Marine and rode from Houston to Lake Charles and everywhere in between. "I'm interviewing for my second

internship this summer, but I'm also looking to get hired with a company."

Texas ranks third in the nation, with Houston ranking second, for all domestic maritime industry jobs, according to a PricewaterhouseCoopers Study released by the American Maritime Partnership. Having a maritime training program just around the corner allows local maritime companies access to a pool of candidates ready for work in the maritime industry.

"We've had great experience with the interns from San Jacinto College," said Mark Murphy with Cheryl K Marine. "For us and the industry as a whole, it's a great thing to have the school here. The interns come to us with the basic knowledge needed to help them get started in the industry. It also makes on-the-job training a lot easier."

Murphy and his colleagues added that mariners with associate degrees also tend to do well on the business side with crunching numbers, understanding process improvement, and communicating with managers.

For maritime student Zachery Leleux, interviewing for a chance to work in the industry is one step closer to his dream of becoming a professional mariner.

"I've always wanted this as my career," said Leleux, who previously interned with Higma Marine for 20 days on four different vessels. "I grew up wakeboarding along this ship channel, and now, I'm here training and watching day-to-day operations."

The college's new maritime campus opened in January 2016. The facility is located at 3700 Old Highway 146 in La Porte, Texas, across from the Bayport Terminal along the Port of Houston.

The college has offered maritime training since 2010 in the form of noncredit

courses for working mariners to upgrade their certifications and licensing for U.S. Coast Guard requirements. In 2012, the college introduced the state's first, and only, associate degree for maritime transportation to address the industry's need for more mariners with a college education.

The college also offers a program for those who wish to work in other areas of maritime by introducing an associate degree for cargo handling/logistics, transferable to the Texas Southern University maritime logistics program and the University of Houston College of Technology logistics program. An introduction to Ships and Shipping courses accompanies the college's business administration associate degree, which is transferable to Texas A&M University in Galveston through an articulation agreement.

For more information about maritime training at San Jacinto College, visit [sanjac.edu/maritime](http://sanjac.edu/maritime).

## Chili cook-off winners named at UHCL

University of Houston-Clear Lake's 27th annual Chili Cook-Off on April 2 featured themed booths ranging from gnomes, mad hatters and zombies, with two university offices taking home top chili honors. Hunter the Hawk also celebrated his third birthday with cupcakes for cook-off attendees.

UHCL's Office of Admissions won first place in the judged chili category, and UHCL Career and Counseling Services won the popular vote for best chili. Spirit awards, Cook's Choice and the SGA Award, which goes to a booth hosted by a student organization, were also selected.

Award-winning teams and their themes included:  
**Popular Vote Categories**  
• Popular Vote for Best Chili: Career and Counseling Services - No Beans About It  
• Cook's Choice: Communication and Digital Media Association - The Grand CDMA  
• Popular Vote for Best Spirit/Booth: Hawk Leadership Institute - Zombie Leadership Institute

**Judged Categories**  
• Judged Chili, First Place: UHCL Office of Admissions - Bahama Mamas  
• Judged Chili, Second Place: University Forest Apartments - It's A Small World  
• Judged Chili, Third Place: Hawk Leadership Institute - Zombie Leadership Institute  
• Judged Spirit/Booth Award: Delta Xi Nu - Netflix & Chili  
• SGA Award: Delta Xi Nu - Netflix & Chili.  
UHCL's Chili Cook-Off is hosted by the university's Of-

ice of Student Life. For more information, call

Student Life at 281-283-2560 or email [studentlife@uhcl.edu](mailto:studentlife@uhcl.edu).

## Student conference at UHCL

Catch a glimpse into the work of area college and university students at the 22nd annual Student Conference for Research and Creative Arts at University of Houston-Clear Lake April 18-23.

Showcased events will include oral presentations, poster presentations, group projects and roundtable discussions. Conference activi-

ties will be held in the UHCL Bayou Building, 2700 Bay Area Blvd.

Conference administrators are seeking volunteers and evaluator attendees. Those just wishing to see the projects and hear the presentations are welcome to attend free of charge. For more information, visit <http://www.uhcl.edu/researchconference> or email [studentconf@uhcl.edu](mailto:studentconf@uhcl.edu).

## Ballroom Dance May 7

The public is invited to a Ballroom Dance on Saturday, May 7, at Hometown Heroes Park Ballroom, 1001 E. League City Parkway in League City. Recorded danceable music will play from 7 to 10 p.m. Denis Kojinov and Jeanette Chevalier of <http://www.dancesportclub.com> will be showcased. Admission is a \$8 donation sponsored by Let's Dance, a nonprofit organi-

zation, and coordinated by Neva and Bill Schroder.

Tables for singles will be reserved, and also reserved tables for teenagers, making everyone welcome whether or not they have a partner.

The dance will take place on a 3,630 square-foot of floating hardwood floor. The event will be smoke-free and alcohol-free per city policy.

For more information, call Neva at 417-838-2204.

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# Chamber holds 32nd annual installation banquet



Shown above are Constable Chris Diaz and Tammie Nielson of Harris County Commissioner Jack Moran's office.



Approximately 200 people attended the 32nd annual South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce banquet.



Shown above are Rebecca Lilley (Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital), Council Member Dave Martin and Kyle Price (MHSB).



Leader publisher Marie Flickinger (right) gives a hug to Legacy Award winner Donna Haulbrook. Shown with the pair are, left to right, emcee Emory Gadd, Sherry Trainer and Les Haulbrook.



PISD officials shown above are, (clockwise from front left) Nelda Sullivan, Alyta Harrell, Fred Roberts, DeeAnn Powell, Kenny Fernandez and his wife Kasie, D.C. Trainer and Rebecca Lilley (Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital).



Mayor Sylvester Turner is shown above with Judge Jo Ann Delgado and Judge George Risner, who swore in new chamber officers.



Shown above are chamber staff member Sally Mitchell, outgoing chamber President Chris Clark and Leader staff member Alexis Lochner relaxing after the event.



Jonathan Ebizie, date Rhashedah Ekeoduru, and Mayor Sylvester Turner.



Precinct 2 Lt. Mike Kritzler is shown above with Amber McBee of Clear Brook City MUD. McBee volunteered to help the chamber with the event.

Photos by Bruce Summers, Summers Photography and Davy & Marie Flickinger, South Belt-Ellington Leader

## UHCL to host healthcare students

Explore degrees in healthcare administration at a University of Houston-Clear Lake Healthcare Administration Open House from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, at the Texas Medical Center, 2151 West Holcombe in Houston.

The event will feature tours, information, meet-and-greets with university faculty and staff, and free applications. Activities are come-and-go.

Highlighted degree programs include Master of Healthcare Administration, Master of Healthcare Administration/Master of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration, and Bachelor of Applied Science in Healthcare Services.

## Summer camp to offer hands-on tech experience

University of Houston-Clear Lake's Cyber Security Institute will offer two options for high school juniors and seniors to explore the world of cybersecurity with hands-on camps in June. Participants in the Cyber Security Summer Camp will be introduced to the field of cybersecurity, including the vulnerabilities of cyberspace and ways to defend against them.

Camp activities also feature hands-on experience with network configuration, Linux, vulnerabilities scanning and more, and participants will compete in games and contests to test their new skills.

Registration is \$300 and will be discounted by \$25 for registrations received by April 15. The first camp runs June 6-9, and the second is June 13-16. For more information, visit <http://www.uhcl.edu/cyber-camp> or email Wei Wei, Assistant Professor of Computer Information Systems, at [wei@uhcl.edu](mailto:wei@uhcl.edu).

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# SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

## Dawson varsity softball stuns Lady Horns, 2-1

In a key District 22-6A varsity softball clash, Dawson's Courtney Day won a pitcher's duel with Dobie's Michelle Kristoff, with the Lady Eagles winning 2-1 courtesy of a six-inning rally. Dobie scored an unearned run in the bottom of the third inning to take a 1-0 lead, but the Lady Eagles responded with a pair of sixth-inning runs to go on to win. Kristoff allowed just one earned run, but Dawson, despite committing four errors, earned the huge win. Dawson has now won eight straight games and stands at 11-3, tied with Alvin for second place. Pearland is first at 12-1, with Dobie fourth at 9-4 in 22-6A play.

## Pasadena ISD athletics hall of fame now includes Dobie trio

Donna Branch. Shane Nance. John Scheschuk. Three names and faces that have been as big a part of successful athletic programs at Dobie High School as any other, have now joined Pasadena ISD royalty. The Dobie trio were inducted into the Pasadena ISD athletics hall of fame April 9 at Phillips Field House in Pasadena. Branch was actually a star athlete at both Sam Rayburn High School and

San Jacinto College before eventually becoming the head volleyball coach at Dobie High School. Under Branch's guidance, the Lady Longhorns enjoyed plenty of team success, and numerous athletes were able to move on to the collegiate ranks following high school. As for Nance and Scheschuk, their play at Dobie is simply as good as any other Longhorn in any sport. The stats and facts speak for themselves.

Also included in the class of 2016 were former Pasadena High School multi-sport stars Lilly DeLeon and Horace "Smitty" Duke, Sam Rayburn star Brian Brazil and Walter Woodard, perhaps the district's most fervent sideline supporter ever. Other past PISD athletics hall of fame inductees include John Bryan, Trevor Cobb, Guwain Guy, Randy McEachern, Alicia Mills, Scott Talton and

Continued on Page 6B  
At right, Donna Branch of the class of 2016 Pasadena ISD athletics hall of fame, shares a story with Dobie principal Franklin Moses at the annual banquet April 9. A star athlete at Rayburn, Branch went on to win nearly 523 matches as Dobie's varsity volleyball head coach before retiring after the 2002-2003 season. She's currently an assistant principal at Dobie. Photo by Al Carter, PISD



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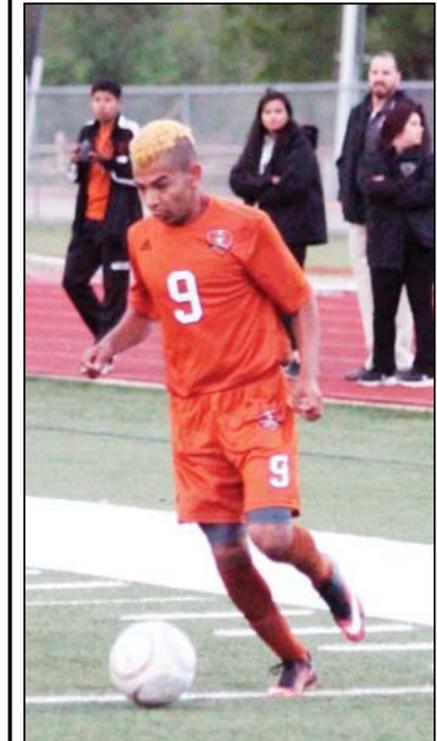
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## Dobie's Villalta, Fuentes snag league awards



Back-to-back undefeated District 22-6A varsity boys' soccer champion Dobie dominated top honors as the league's all-district awards were released following the completion of the regular season. Above, senior forward Josue Villalta (9) was named the 22-6A Most Valuable Player, while

senior Rigoberto Fuentes (above) was named the Goalkeeper of the Year for his outstanding work in the nets. Five other Longhorns' players took home first-team honors, and Dobie's Justo Manrique was named Co-Coach of the Year. For more, see Pages 2B and 6B. Photos by John Bechtle

## Cabreja also advances Ho, Luu win 22-6A doubles

Overall, it was a successful run for the Dobie varsity tennis team at the 22-6A championships, and it was even better for three of the team's players. The boys' doubles team of David Ho and Albert Luu is headed to regionals after winning the bracket at the 22-6As April 8-9 at the Harry Taylor Tennis Center in Pasadena. And boys' singles player Luis Cabreja, who entered the district round as the top seed, is also headed to Deer Park High School for the Region III tournament, set for April 20.

What a run it was for Ho and Luu, who entered the tournament as the No. 3-seeded duo. The Dobie pair won three straight matches in straight sets, taking down teams from Pearland, Manvel and Dawson to reach the championship match April 9. In that one, Ho and Luu

finished off their title run with a big three-set win over Rahman/Tharash of Pearland. The set score was 6-3, 5-7, 6-4. Cabreja did not come away with the boys' singles title he had coveted, but, nonetheless, played well enough to reach regionals and continue his career at Dobie.

The power-serving Cabreja lost just three games in the first three rounds to reach the finals. Pearland's Allen Zhang, the No. 2 seed, handed Cabreja a 6-1, 6-1 loss en route to the boys' singles championship, but Cabreja battled his way back to get to regionals. Continued on Page 3B

## Last at-bat rally lifts Horns



The recovery operation is still alive and well for the Dobie varsity baseball team. JFD's Isaiah Vasquez came through with the game-winning walk-off hit in the bottom of the seventh inning, lifting Do-

bie to a 5-4 victory over Pasadena at Maguire Field in Pasadena April 12. The win, Dobie's third straight in league play, improved the locals to 5-6 in District 22-6A play after a disappointing 2-6 run in the first half of action. There's still more games to win - the Longhorns can afford few mishaps at this point - but right now life is good. Continued on Page 3B

At left, Dobie's Isaiah Vasquez kept the good times rolling with a walk-off hit as the Longhorns won their third straight with a dramatic 5-4 victory over Pasadena April 12, at Maguire Field in Pasadena. Dobie now stands at 5-6. Photo by Javier Paredes

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## 22-6A Varsity Boys' Soccer All-District Selections

### Most Valuable Player

*Jose Villalta, Dobie, Sr.*

### Offensive Player of the Year

*Randy Bermea, Manvel, Sr.*

### Defensive Player of the Year

*Lorenzo Castillo, Manvel, Sr.*

### Goalkeeper of the Year

*Rigoberto Fuentes, Dobie*

### Newcomer of the Year

*Jalen Green, Pearland*

### Senior of the Year

*Eduardo Salas, Pasadena*

### Co-Coach of the Year

*Justo Manrique, Dobie*

*Noe Cerezo, Manvel*

### First Team Selections

*Defender – Denis Lopez, Dobie, Sr.*

*Defender – Jose Reyes, Dobie, Sr.*

*Defender – Aaron Montijo, Manvel, Sr.*

*Defender – Jeremy Drilling, Manvel, Sr.*

*Defender – Enis Sefa, Manvel, Sr.*

*Defender – Anthony Diaz, Memorial, Sr.*

*Defender – Ray Guajardo, Memorial, Sr.*

*Defender – Alexis Garcia, Pasadena, Sr.*

*Defender – Mason Daniel, Pearland, Sr.*

*Defender – Israel Sosa, South Houston, Sr.*

*Defender – Jesus Bautista, Alvin, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Santos Blanco, Dobie, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Sabino Lozano, Dobie, Jr.*

*Midfielder – Andy Garcia, Dobie, Jr.*

*Midfielder – Dillon Geer, Manvel, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Jose Perez, Memorial, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Jose Vasquez, Memorial, Jr.*

*Midfielder – Brandon Franco, Pasadena, Jr.*

*Midfielder – Omar Pacheco, Rayburn, Jr.*

*Midfielder – Jose Hernandez, Rayburn, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Jeremy Gordon, Pearland, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Toby Cruz, South Houston, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Jesus Limon, Alvin, Sr.*

*Midfielder – Nick Seydler, Dawson, Jr.*

*Forward – Eduardo Salas, Pasadena, Sr.*

*Forward – Julio Delgado, Dawson, Jr.*

*Goalkeeper – Ariel Sepulveda, Manvel, Sr.*

*Goalkeeper – Omar Lopez, Alvin, Jr.*

### Second Team Selections – Dobie

*Forward – Rafael Gomes, Sr.*

*Defender – Jonathan Montalvo, Sr.*

*Defender – Alejandro Polio, Sr.*

*Forward – Alejandro Flores, Jr.*

*Midfielder – Edwin Saldivar, Jr.*

# Dobie soccer rules 22-6A all-league soccer picks

What another great season for the Dobie varsity boys' soccer program!

At 18-3-3 overall after a 1-0 loss to North Shore in the regional quarterfinals, the Longhorns went nearly three months without losing a game.

At 13-0-3 in District 22-6A play, the Longhorns won a second straight league title while going unbeaten for, yes, a second time in a row. That's

a first in all-time program history.

Head coach Justo Manrique, now in his third season, has been one of the region's best at his craft since his arrival. In 2016, he earned his second straight Coach of the Year award, sharing the honor with Manvel's Noe Cerezo.

As for the players, Dobie's Josue Villalta was named the District 22-6A

Most Valuable Player, having helped guide the Longhorns to three league titles in four years as well as playing a role in six overall playoff wins in

his career. Goalkeeper of the Year winner Rigoberto Fuentes, one of only three players to have been a member of the varsity team for four seasons, also

played well in those six playoff victories. In all, the Longhorns had five players named to the 22-6A first team. Four others made their way onto the

second team and seniors Mateo Gutierrez, Edgar Arzate and David Saravia were chosen as members of the honorable mention list for the Longhorns.



A four-year varsity player, Dobie's Denis Lopez (4) made it difficult for opposing offensive players once again as the Longhorns posted a big goal differential figure this season. Lopez was also a first-team all-district performer in 2015.



Arguably Dobie's most important player, Sabino Lozano was a first team All-District 22-6A pick for the second straight season. A big presence on the field for the Longhorns since his arrival in 2014, Lozano will be one of the few returnees next season.



Jose Reyes picked up first-team all-district honors in 2016 after he helped guide the Longhorns to the league title for a second time. A second team all-league pick in 2015, Reyes is a three-year letterwinner for Dobie.

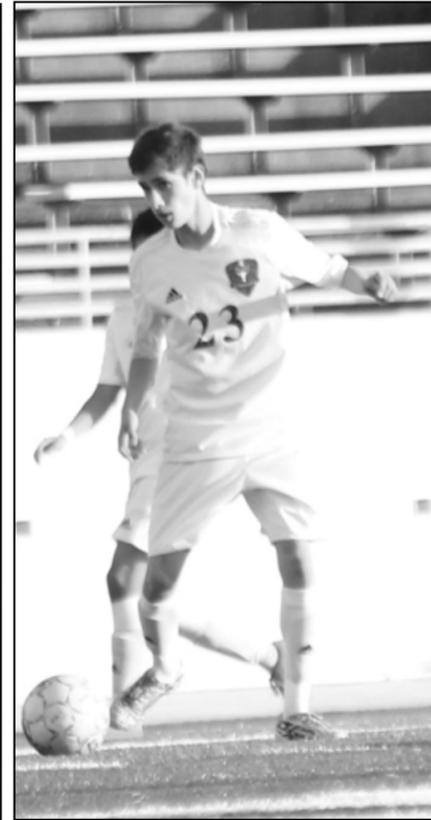
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Santos Blanco, a senior midfielder, played a big role as the Longhorns went unbeaten in District 22-6A play for the second straight season. Blanco, a first-team all-district pick in 2016, was also a key contributor to the 2015 squad.



After leading the Longhorns to a second consecutive unbeaten season in league play for 2016, Dobie's Justo Manrique (left) shared Coach of the Year honors with Manvel's Noe Cerezo. At right is Dobie assistant coach Marcos Escobar.



Andy Garcia joined the varsity team in 2014 as a freshman and found his way onto the 22-6A second team as a sophomore in 2015. This season, Garcia's play was strong enough to merit a first-team selection, one of five for the champion Longhorns.

## Dobie soccer's Villalta chooses Western Texas College program



Standout Dobie varsity boys' soccer player Josue Villalta (seated center) will continue his education and playing career at Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas, after signing a letter of intent with the Westerners. Those with Villalta at the signing included, left to right, (seated) Jose Villalta (father), Emma Villalta (mother), (standing) Michael Arroyo (Dobie assistant coach), Santos Blancos (teammate), Mike Norman (Dobie campus athletic director), Alejandro Flores (teammate), Franklin Moses (Dobie principal), Francisco

Sandoval (teammate), Denis Lopez (teammate), Mateo Gutierrez (teammate), Carlos Villalta (brother), Alejandro Polio (teammate), Edgar Arzate (teammate), Jose Reyes (teammate), Angel Palomares (teammate) and Justo Manrique (Dobie varsity boys' soccer head coach). Josue Villalta, the 2016 District 22-6A Most Valuable Player, is likely to be joined at WTC by Dobie graduate Sergio Quintanilla, who was the 2015 22-6A Most Valuable Player before signing with the Westerners just prior to his high school graduation.

# 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 Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League, South Belt Girls' Softball Association, Sagemont Cowboys, South Belt Senior League Baseball (Pony/Colt), South Belt Youth Soccer Club or 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 karenocorner9694@sbcglobal.net.

## 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 went on sale April 1 and are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 10-and-under. Tickets may be purchased at the BARC or on the DLTSF website.

## San Jac men's hoops tryout

The San Jacinto College men's basketball team will hold tryouts for the 2016-2017 season on Saturday, June 11.

Tryouts will take place at Anders Gymnasium on the San Jacinto College Central campus from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is a \$25 processing fee for the tryouts, and participants will be required to sign a waiver of liability.

Participants should plan to arrive no later than 10 a.m. Questions about the tryouts should be directed to Ravens' head coach Scott R. Germander at 281-476-1849 in the men's basketball office.

The San Jacinto College Central campus is located at 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena. For more information about San Jacinto College men's basketball or any of the other athletic programs, visit sanjacsports.com.

# JFD boys win team title, three seniors advance

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Cabreja rolled his way into the April 9 final against Zhang, whom he had defeated for the third-place trophy a weekend earlier at the Beachcomber Classic in Galveston.

It was that win over Zhang on the island that ultimately landed Cabreja the top seed in the 22-6A boys' singles tournament, but he could not repeat the feat this time.

"Luis just played a little tight and couldn't get much going against Zhang," Dobie head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. said.

"That's tennis for you. You have to go out there every time and make big shots against quality opponents to win tournaments,

and Luis just had a tough morning. To his credit, he rallied and grabbed second place. It's special for him, Albert and David to have the chance to play at regionals."

Speaking of Ho and Luu, the duo hadn't played doubles together much since the fall team tennis season, with Luu often preferring to play singles this spring.

But the JFD duo, who entered play as the boys' doubles No. 3 seeded team, simply got on a roll.

Ho and Luu won a tie-breaker in their first match against Pearland but went on to win.

Following two more wins, Ho and Luu were in the final against Pearland,

again. Despite missing chances to close out the match in both the second and early in the third set, the Dobie team scored the win. Ho and Luu's win also helped Dobie secure the overall 22-6A Boys' Team championship.

Elsewhere in boys' play, Dobie's Dillon Gee fell to Zhang in the first round of boys' singles by a 6-0, 6-0 count.

Also in boys' doubles, the Longhorns' Brandon Huynh and Son Tran also lost in the first round to a duo from Memorial.

In the mixed doubles, Moreno was more than pleased with the play of Tina Ha and Tommy Nguyen. Third-seeded to open the tournament,

Ha and Nguyen eventually took third place in the event.

Dobie's Alex Cuaping and Mylan Phan were defeated in the first round of another mixed doubles battle.

The Lady Longhorns were also successful. In singles, Leilani Vargas overcame an injury in the semifinals and advanced to the third-place match against teammate Karen Neira.

In that third-place match, Vargas and Neira engaged in a tough three-set match with Vargas emerging with a 6-7 (7-5), 6-3, 6-2 win.

As for the girls' doubles, Dobie's Emily Nguyen and Ann Truong won a first-round match but then exited in the second round.

Doan Bahn and Bao Nguyen were defeated in the opening round.

## Region III tournament

April 19-20, 8:30 a.m.

Deer Park High School

April 19 - Boys' singles, 8:30 a.m.; boys' doubles, 11 a.m.

Moreno was disappointed that some girls' players left the program after the fall team tennis season to pursue other interests.

He believes the girls' team would have had a great chance at the team title, but it wasn't to be. Moreno, citing the Lady Longhorns' strength in doubles, thinks things could have been different.

As it is, three senior boys are moving on to regionals, and that's great.



At right, Dobie's Luis Cabreja could not defeat Dawson's Allen Zhang for a second straight week, but was able to reach the Region III tournament in boys' singles with a victory thereafter. Zhang, the No. 2 seed in the 22-6A Championships, went on to claim first place. Cabreja is off to regionals as the No. 2 qualifier and will compete at Deer Park High School April 19.

## JFD baseball on a roll

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Dobie led 1-0 and then 2-0 before eventually stretching its advantage to 4-1 through five innings with ace Tyler Myers on the mound.

But the Eagles, who led Dobie in the late innings of the first game between the two teams before a Longhorn winning rally, tied the game at 4-4 heading into the seventh inning.

Vasquez's key hit gave the Longhorns another big

win just when it was needed. The Longhorns may not be able to catch Pearland or Alvin at the top of the standings, but at 5-6, the locals have put themselves back in the mix for a playoff spot with five games remaining.

Up next is a Friday, April 15, game at South Houston. Game time is 4 p.m. Dobie then will play a huge game against the Dawson Eagles, Tuesday, April 19, at Dobie. Game time is 4 p.m.



The man who first built the Dobie tennis program into what it is today - Bobby Kramer (second from left) - made an appearance at the District 22-6A Championships April 9 at the Harry Taylor Tennis Center. Those sharing a few stories with Kramer included, from left, current Dobie varsity tennis coach Manuel Moreno Jr., Rayburn head tennis coach Wade Leake and Kramer's wife, Linda.

## Youth VB league coming to Dobie April 19 forward

Current fifth- and sixth-grade students are invited to take part in a youth volleyball league hosted at Dobie under the guidance of head coach Dawn Gutierrez Sexton (right). Matches will begin April 19 and be played on Tuesdays and some Thursdays, from 5 to 7 p.m., at Dobie High School. Other match nights include April 26, May 3, May 19 and May 26. Cost is \$40 via cash or money order. In addition to match play, participants will receive instruction in all phases of the game, including passing, hitting, setting, serving, digging, blocking, service receive formations and more. For more information on the clinic, direct email to Gutierrez Sexton at dgutierrez2@pasadenaisd.org.



## Wolverines' 12U wins April Fools Bash baseball



The ABC Wolverines, a 12-under select baseball team with several players coming from the South Belt area, won the April Fools Bash at Big League Dreams in League City. Overall, the Wolverines went 4-1, scoring 42 runs and allowing just 10. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row)

Hayden See, Devin Molina, Stevie Balistreri, Fabian Ramirez, Dylan Martinez, Ayden Garcia, (back row) Andrew Salazar, Nolen Clasen, Miguel Smiley, Blake Haynes and Adam Rodriguez. Not pictured is Isaac Avitia.

# CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, APRIL 14

**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.

**NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse** - Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 a.m., Praise Chapel, 18516 Highway 3 in Webster. Public welcome and encouraged to bring others. For information, call 281-910-1971.

**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.

**Harris County Master Gardeners** - at Precinct 2 presents the free lecture series *Growing Herbs in the Gulf Coast Region* by Harris County Master Gardener Ed Drier, Thursday, April 14, 10:11-11:30 a.m., at the Clear Lake Meeting room, 5001 NASA Parkway, Seabrook. Note the day change from third Wednesdays to second Thursdays. For information, visit <https://hcmga.tamu.edu>.

**Upcoming: HCMG training classes** will be Wednesdays, June 1 to Aug. 17, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Clear Lake Park meeting room, 5001 NASA Parkway, Seabrook. Registration Fee: \$225. After classroom time is completed, 60 hours of volunteer time are required to complete the training. Space is limited. Must first attend one orientation: April 20, noon - 1 p.m., April 21 or April 26, 6 - 7 p.m. Call Kimberly Figgs at 713-274-0956 to preregister.

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

**CrossRoads UMC** - ESL classes Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Course, books and child care are free. For information, call 281-484-9243 or visit [www.crossroads-umc.org](http://www.crossroads-umc.org).

**SBAST** - Sharks tryouts are April 14, from 5 to 7 p.m., and Saturday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Ashley Pointe pool, 11610 Sageyork. For registration and information, visit [www.sbast.org](http://www.sbast.org).

**Congregation Shaar Hashalom's** - Rabbi Stuart Federow hosts free discussions on Judaism and religion in general, open to the public, second Thursdays of the month, at Victor's, 1425 NASA Pkwy. (next to "space" McDonald's). Congregation Shaar Hashalom is the Conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For information, contact the Synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at [csh@shaarhashalom.org](mailto:csh@shaarhashalom.org).

**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). For information, call 713-856-1611.

**Al-Anon (English Speaking)** - Provides support for family and friends of alcoholics and addicts. Thursday, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Room 215. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

**Alateen** - Provides support for teenage children, friends and family members of alcoholics and addicts. Thursday at 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 15**

**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.

**Interfaith Care Partners** - ministry at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 10727 Hartsook St., near Alameda Mall. The gathering, for those with Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, strokes, etc.

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**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.

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

**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., room 215, First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

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

**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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**SATURDAY, APRIL 16**

**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.

**SBAST** - The last Sharks tryout is Saturday, April 16, from 10

a.m. to noon, at the Ashley Pointe pool, 11610 Sageyork. For registration and information, visit [www.sbast.org](http://www.sbast.org).

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

**Woofstock 2016!** - Boondoggle's Pub, Chelsea Wine Bar and Bay Area Pet Adoptions hosts its annual spring Party with a Pooch, April 16, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Boondoggle's parking lot located at 410 NASA Road. 1. Admission is free. The party features local vendors, pet contests, music, training demonstrations, silent auction, and a parade of Bay Area Pet Adoption's adoptable dogs. The community is invited for barks and beers and fun for the entire family. The event benefits Bay Area Pet Adoptions, the only no-kill shelter in Galveston County. For information, visit [bayareapetadoptions.org](http://bayareapetadoptions.org) or call 281-339-2086.

**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 Parkway, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

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**Bay Area Bluegrass Association** - Produces a bluegrass music show and jam session the third Saturday of each month, August and December are exceptions. Stage show begins at 7 p.m., but pickers may bring instruments and come earlier. This event is open to the public and free. Johnny Arolfo Civic Center, 300 Walker, League City. For information, visit <http://www.bayareabluegrass.org>.

**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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SUNDAY, APRIL 17  
11:15 a.m.

**Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - Presents *Line by Line with the Prophets*, sessions by Rabbi Stuart Federow, 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at 16020 El Camino Real, 77062, the Conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. Everyone is welcome. This is a line by line study, but previous classes are not required to attend. Visit www.shaarhashalom.org or contact the Synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.

**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.

**Grief Support Group** - For any adult who has lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. For information, call 281-487-8787.

**Clear Creek Education Foundation** - Presents the 10th annual Clear Creek Education Foundation (CCEF) Fashion Show, I Love CCIISD, Sunday, April 17, 4:30 p.m. at Mercedes-Benz of Clear Lake, 500 Gulf Fwy. S., League City, 77573. The show features runway seating, hors d'oeuvre stations from 10 local restaurants and 80 students displaying positive attributes of CCIISD. The show is open to the community, but advance ticket purchase is required. For information, visit http://www.clearcreekeducationfoundation.org.

**Celebrate Recovery** - A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., Chapel of the Educational Building at Life Church in Houston, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for information or to RSVP for child care.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** - Candlelight Meeting, Sunday, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.

MONDAY, APRIL 18  
8:30 a.m.

**Harris County Master Gardeners - Open Garden Day**, with Harris County Master Gardeners at Precinct 2 on Monday, April 18, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at the Genoa Friendship Garden, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd. Free. Master Gardeners will be available to answer your gardening questions. Plants are for sale in the greenhouse. For information, visit https://hcmga.tamu.edu.

**Upcoming: HCMG training classes** will be Wednesdays, June 1 to Aug. 17, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Clear Lake Park meeting room, 5001 NASA Pkwy., Seabrook. Registration Fee: \$225. After classroom time is completed, 60 hours of volunteer time are required to complete the training. Space is limited. Must first attend one orientation: April 20, noon - 1 p.m., April 21 or April 26, 6 - 7 p.m. Call Kimberly Figgs at 713-274-0956 to preregister.

**AI-Anon Deer Park** - Mondays 10 to 11 a.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.

**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.

**Seniors and Law Enforcement Together** - SALT holds monthly meetings, 10:30 a.m., Madison Jobe Senior Citizens Center, 1700 East Thomas St. in Pasadena, third Monday of each month. No meeting in December. January meeting is on the second Monday. Meetings teach seniors how to avoid identity theft, scams, fraud, etc. Police officers and sheriffs may be in attendance. Free. Refreshments served. Meetings start timely and are one hour or less. For information, call 713-477-0175.

**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.

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon at 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

**Genealogy Group** - The Parker Williams Genealogy Group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. The public is invited to attend. For information, email Liz Hicks at erootrot@usa.net.

**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 complete list of services offered. For adults with Parkinson's disease only.

**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.

**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.

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

**Friends Helping Friends Grief Support Group** - 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.

**The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society** - Meets the third week of the month at Clear Lake Park Bldg., 5001 NASA Parkway, Seabrook. Guests welcome. Presenters explore a variety of subjects such as fossils, planetary geology, mineralogy, lapidary, jewelry making, rock, fossil and mineral collecting. Field trips to various collecting sites throughout Texas and surrounding states. All interested persons welcome to attend. Door prizes. Free parking. For information, visit www.clgms.org.

**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 is 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 more information, call Russell Garcia at 832-483-6715.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19  
7 a.m.

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

**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.

**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.

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**Rotary Club of Pearland** - Meets weekly, Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest

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**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.

**The National Active and Retired Federal Employees** - NARFE Chapter 941 meets the third Tuesday of each month, 2 p.m., El Franco Lee Park Community Center, 9500 Hall Road. Visitors welcome. For additional information, call Roy at 713-734-1461.

**Un Dia a la Vez Alano 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.

**CrossRoads UMC** - ESL classes Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Course, books and child care are free. For information, call 281-484-9243 or visit www.crossroads-umc.org.

**Breast Cancer Support Group** - Meets the third Tuesday of every month from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the lobby of the Clear Lake Regional Breast Diagnostic Center, 200 Medical Center Blvd., Suite 106, Webster. For more information call 281-526-6840.

**Pearland Area Republican's Club** - meets the third Tuesday of the month (except December, June and July) at the Pearland Church of Christ Annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd. in Pearland. For information, call Gary at 281-993-8335.

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

**Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center** - Weekly sexual assault support group offers a confidential self-help support group for victims/survivors of rape and sexual abuse. To attend or for information, call 281-286-2525.

**Positive Interaction Program** - meets the third Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria, in the staff meeting room, first floor. Bring a friend and work together to make PIP the best in the city. PIP consists of police and citizens working together to make neighborhoods safer. For information, call Officer Richard Buitron at 281-218-3900.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20  
7 a.m.

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

**Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club** - meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., Bravos Mexican Restaurant, 10906 Fugua. December may be an exception. For information, call Monica Montoya at 281-794-5531.

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon at 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

**Hometown Heroes Park** - has free Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dance, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card. Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details, call Neva Schroder at 417-838-2204.

**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!

**Un Dia a la Vez Alano 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.

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

**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 281-338-7600 or visit www.bayareaturningpoint.com for information. 24-hour crisis hotline is 281-286-2525.

**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 21  
7 a.m.

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

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**ABWA - Southeast Express Network** - American Business Women's Association-South meets monthly, Spring Creek Barbecue, 9005 Broadway (FM 518), Pearland. Lunch is 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$20). Includes networking with professional business women and guest speaker. Women of all ages/occupations invited. Bring business cards. Reservations appreciated. Visit www.seen-abwa.org. April's program includes Eric Swanson's *Attitude: Think and Grow Rich!*

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

**Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter** - A social group interested in the culture, music, heritage and language of German immigrants in Texas. Meets monthly on the third Thursday, 6 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors welcome. Call 281-481-1238 for information.

**CrossRoads UMC** - ESL classes Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Course, books and child care are free. For information, call 281-484-9243 or visit www.crossroads-umc.org.

**Survivors of Suicide Support Group** - offers support and coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adults who have lost a loved one to suicide. For information and location, call 713-533-4500 or visit www.crisishotline.org.

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

**AI-Anon (English Speaking)** - Provides support for family and friends of alcoholics and addicts. Thursday, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, room 215. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

**Alateen** - Provides support for teenage children, friends and family members of alcoholics and addicts. Thursday, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.

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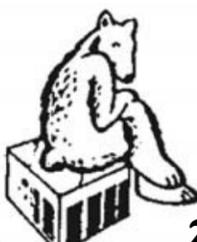
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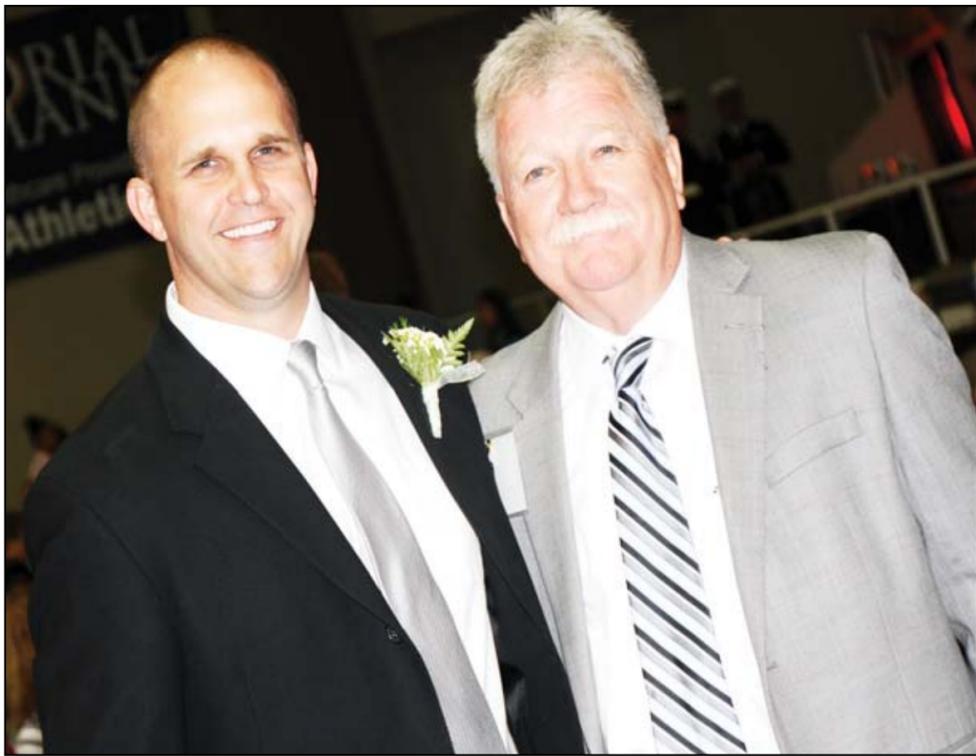
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John Scheschuk (left), a class of 2016 Pasadena ISD athletics hall of fame inductee, shares a moment with PISD board of trustees member Fred Roberts during the annual induction banquet April 9, at Phillips Field House

in Pasadena. Scheschuk, a Dobie High School multi-sport star, was actually a neighbor of Roberts during his time spent as a youth in the South Belt area.

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Dobie High School senior Melany Menjivar (center) accepted one of the two Pasadena ISD athletics hall of fame athletic trainer scholarships during the banquet April 9, at Phillips Field House. Menjivar, who played varsity girls' basketball at Dobie this season in addition to her athletic

training duties, plans to continue her education at Blinn College in Brenham beginning this fall. The class of 2016 senior is shown with banquet master of ceremonies and longtime Houston sports media voice Bill Worrell (left) and Bill Barmore, president of the PISD athletics hall of fame.

# JFD trio among Pasadena ISD hall of fame inductees

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Christa Williams. The district also awarded four seniors with academic scholarships to be utilized in 2016-2017. Rayburn's Omar Perales and Elizabeth Rosenbaum took home hall of fame scholarships, while Dobie's Melany Menjivar and Caleb Neel of Memorial accepted athletic training scholarships.

As has been the case from the inaugural event forward, the 2016 PISD athletics hall of fame banquet was a sellout, with district supporters gathered to honor some of the past greats.

The master of ceremonies was longtime Houston professional and collegiate sports voice Bill Worrell, a University of Houston graduate who took special pleasure in welcoming former Cougar greats Denoon and Nance into the hall of fame. Many South Belt area residents and Dobie High School graduates recognize Branch as the most successful varsity girls' volleyball head coach in school history.

Over 23 seasons, Branch led 10 different teams to district championships while amassing 523 career wins. In an era when just two teams qualified for the postseason, Branch guided Dobie teams to the playoffs 15 times over the 23 years.

Seven times Branch took Lady Longhorn teams to the regional quarterfinal round of the postseason. Two of those teams reached the Region III Final Four. But Branch's success in PISD extends back to the early 1970s, when she was a four-year varsity volleyball player at Sam Rayburn High School.

Softball did not become an official high school sport until 1993, but Branch was nonetheless a star in that

sport as a youth. While at San Jacinto College to play volleyball, Branch also excelled at throwing the javelin.

She garnered all-American status on the volleyball court and also finished as high as second nationally in the javelin.

And how fitting that Nance and Scheschuk entered the hall together, as their bond on athletics fields dates all the way back to Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League play.

At Dobie, Nance and Scheschuk both starred on the football field as well, but it was obvious that baseball was where their respective collegiate and professional futures lied in athletics.

Nance was just the third player in school history to start all four years as a varsity player. He was a hard-hitting, left-handed lead-off hitter, but was also one of the area's top pitchers as a Longhorn.

Nance and Scheschuk were part of district championship teams in 1994 and 1995, helping Dobie reach the Region III finals in 1995. Nance also guided Dobie to a third straight district title in 1996. A two-time all-Greater Houston choice, Nance was an all-state selection in 1996. A freshman All-American his first season at the University of Houston, Nance went on to stardom with the Cougars both as a pitcher and hitter.

Nance was drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers, and pitched three seasons total in the big leagues before injuries forced him to retire.

Scheschuk, meanwhile, left Dobie in 1995 as, like Nance, one of the most successful baseball players in program history.

He went on to star at Texas A&M University,

hitting .339 for his career with 28 home runs. In 1999, Scheschuk captained an Aggies' team that reached the College World Series for just the second time in program history.

Drafted by the San Diego Padres in 1999, Scheschuk played a few years in the minor leagues before leaving the game for the business world.

Late last year, Scheschuk was inducted into the Texas A&M Athletic Hall of Fame.

Denoon, a 1990 Pasadena High School graduate, was simply a force for Lady Eagles' varsity volleyball and basketball at a time when it was truly needed.

A district volleyball Most Valuable Player her senior year, Denoon was just as dominant on the basketball court.

The University of Houston welcomed Denoon into its women's volleyball program, where she was a three-time all-conference performer multiple times, including postseason play. A professional volleyball career, primarily in Puerto Rico, made Denoon an international star. She now coaches and trains within the sport in the Houston area.

Duke, a 1960 Pasadena High School graduate, lettered in baseball and volleyball as an Eagle and eventually enjoyed success for Team USA in the Olympic Games as a volleyball player.

Duke first attended the University of Dallas after leaving Pasadena, and he spun together quite the successful baseball career with the Crusaders.

Having seemingly mastered the diamond game, Duke became one of the nation's top-performing men's volleyball players over roughly a six-year span,

eventually gaining recognition by Sports Illustrated.

In 1966 Duke was named to the All-World Team, and competed in both the World Cup and World Championships. A year later, he guided the Americans to the gold medal at the Pan American Games in Winnipeg.

Many years of volleyball success continued for Duke. Named an All-Time Great by USA Volleyball Magazine in 1990, Duke was inducted into the University of Dallas Hall of Fame for his baseball prowess in 2000. He died in 2010 at his

home in Tennessee. Brazil, a 1983 Sam Rayburn graduate, starred for the Texans in three different sports.

Lettering in varsity football and track and field three times and twice more in basketball as a Texan, Brazil went on to star at

Texas Christian University on the football field. Now one of the state's most successful varsity football head coaches, Brazil has won a state championship at Lewisville Hebron High School (2005), where he is now in his 17th season.

Woodard was simply the most recognizable face within Pasadena ISD athletics for many of his 62 years, whether it was at Maguire Field, Phillips Field House, or anywhere else PISD teams competed.

In 2008, Woodard was honored by the PISD as "Coach of the Year" and praised as the league's greatest fan.

Woodard previously attended Pasadena ISD schools throughout his youth, graduating from Sam Rayburn High School in 1966. Woodard died in 2009.

## Arnett makes his mark at St. Mary's

In the midst of a terrific sophomore season at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, 2014 Dobie High School graduate Ben Arnett has landed his second Heartland Conference Golfer of the Week honor.

A sophomore, Arnett is second among the league leaders in scoring average per round this season at 73.08, and figures to be a contender at the Heartland Conference Championships April 17-19. He has fired a low round of 67 this season.

An all-time great while playing for Dobie, Arnett began his collegiate career at the University of Houston before transferring to St. Mary's.

In winning Golfer of the Week honors in March, Arnett led the St. Mary's team to a third-place finish at the Rattler Invite, finishing at (-5) in the event for third place overall individually.

Arnett previously garnered the Heartland Conference G/W award during the fall portion of the schedule.

The Rattler men's golf team is currently practicing in anticipation of the Heartland Conference Championships, coming

April 17-20 at Slick Rock Golf Club in Marble Falls, Texas. SMU will enter play as one of the team title favorites.



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