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Leader holiday hours set

The offices of the South Belt-Ellington Leader will be closed Friday, April 19, for the 2019 Easter holiday. Offices will reopen Monday, April 22, at 9 a.m. Potential news stories may be emailed to mynews@southbeltleader.com.

More pictures next week

Due to space limitations this week, photos from the annual Family Fun Fest and Harris County Easter egg hunt will run in next week's Leader.

CBCMUD holiday hours

The offices of Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District will be closed Friday, April 19, in observance of the Easter holiday. They will reopen Monday, April 22, at 8 a.m. For convenience, check or money order payments may be left in the drop box located on the drive-thru side of the building. No cash is allowed in the drop box. Clear Brook City MUD residents who have regular trash service pickup on Tuesday/Friday will have service on Good Friday, April 19. All trash should be at curbside no later than 7 a.m. Residents missing this trash pickup date will be serviced Tuesday, April 23. Residents with Monday/Thursday service will not be affected.

Melillo carnival scheduled

Melillo Middle School, 9220 Hughes Road, will hold its 11th annual Spring Carnival on Friday, April 26, from 6 to 8 p.m. Carnival highlights include a dunking booth, an obstacle course, a rock wall, a cake walk, a disc jockey and silent auction baskets. Concession items will include turkey legs, sausage on a stick, snow cones, nachos, popcorn and chopped barbecue sandwiches.

Gulf Freeway closures set

There will be a total closure of the northbound frontage road of the Gulf Freeway from NASA Road 1 to FM 518 through 5 a.m. Sunday, June 30. At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to SH 96/League City Parkway will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Monday, Dec. 31. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

The northbound exit ramp on the Gulf Freeway between SH 96/League City Parkway and FM 518 will be closed continuously through 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31.

Drivers traveling north on the main lanes will continue to NASA Road 1, exit, then U-turn and come back to FM 518.

The closures are associated with an ongoing construction project to widen the freeway from three to five lanes in each direction and the frontage roads from two to three lanes in each direction.

Ashley Pointe to meet

The Ashley Pointe homeowners association will hold its annual board meeting Wednesday, April 24, at the El Franco Lee Community Center, 9500 Hall Road, large meeting room, at 7 p.m.

Beltway closures planned

The eastbound and westbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed continuously through 9 a.m. Sunday, April 21.

At least one outside lane on the eastbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed at SH 288 daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, May 31.

Both northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Genoa Red Bluff will be closed daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Saturday, May 11.

At least one outside lane on the southbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed at Genoa Red Bluff daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Monday, April 22.

Both northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Crenshaw will be closed daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Saturday, May 11.

At least one alternate lane on both the northbound and southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed from Spencer Highway to Pasadena Boulevard daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and nightly from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Tuesday, April 30.

At least one alternate lane on the southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lane will be closed from Red Bluff Road to Pasadena Boulevard daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and nightly from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Tuesday, April 30.

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

CCISD registering now

The Clear Creek Independent School District has begun registering new pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students for the 2019-2020 school year. Online registration is underway, and is available at www.ccisd.net/enroll.

Pre-K and kindergarten registration and document drop off at zoned elementary campuses will take place Monday, April 29, through Friday, May 3, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. All campuses will reopen to receive required documentation on Monday, Aug. 5, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Visit www.ccisd.net/enroll for the full list of requirements and enrollment steps.

Harris County holds public flood meeting

Harris County officials held a public meeting Monday, April 15, to discuss the progress of two ongoing projects to limit flooding in the South Belt area.

Both the Clear Creek Selective Clearing project and Phase 3 of the South Belt Stormwater Detention Basin project are being funded with bonds approved by Harris County voters in August 2018.

Clear Creek Selective Clearing

The Clear Creek Selective Clearing project (Bond Project CI-001) is a major maintenance

project involving the north bank of Clear Creek starting at Dixie Farm Road and extending downstream potentially as far as the Gulf Freeway.

Selective clearing as practiced by the Flood Control District involves identifying and removing downed trees or trees at imminent risk of failure. The primary focus of this operation is to ensure that natural channels function at peak capacity to convey stormwater.

A secondary focus is to leave as much of the native understory as possible, while providing maintenance access and clearing non-native species.

This work is in addition to the Flood Control District's cyclical mowing and maintenance program.

The work in the channel and on channel slopes is performed by hand, using chainsaws, machetes and ropes. Contractors travel the channel mostly on foot. Access to the work areas will be via public easements or where the Flood Control District has established a right of entry with private landowners.

Selective clearing encourages the growth of healthy native tree and vegetation species that help minimize bank erosion and provide environmental benefits such as wildlife habitat. Selective clearing also supports regular channel maintenance.

Work began on the project Tuesday, April 16, and will take approximately five to six weeks to complete. Officials said work on the project will be complete before hurricane season begins on June 1.

The project is estimated to cost \$200,000. For additional information or to leave a public comment on the Clear Creek Selective Clearing project, visit www.hcfd.org/CI001.

Stormwater Detention Basin

Bond Project C-05 involves the design and construction of Phase 3 of plans to expand the South Belt Stormwater Detention Basin.

Stormwater detention basins reduce flooding risks and damages during heavy rain events by safely storing excess stormwater and slowly releasing it back to the bayou when the threat of flooding has passed. The basin provides stormwater storage needed for mitigation of expected increases in stormwater flows resulting from future channel improvements to Beamer Ditch (HCFC Unit A120-00-00, also known as Mud Gully), Turkey Creek (HCFC Unit 119-00-00) and other projects.

The basin is ultimately designed to hold up to 1,550 acre-feet or 505 million gallons of stormwater.

This project is located on a 174-acre site on Beamer Ditch/Mud Gully, near the intersection of Beamer and Dixie Farm roads in the Clear Creek watershed of southeast Harris County.

Phase 3 of the basin excavation is currently in the design stage, which is expected to be complete by mid-summer.

Construction is expected to begin in fall 2019 and be complete by winter 2021.

Project milestones

Phase 2
• This phase expanded the basin to include basin compartments south and west of the Phase 1 compartment.

• Construction began in November 2016 and was substantially complete in 2019.

• Harris County Commissioners Court awarded a \$15.78 million construction contract to James Construction Group LLC for Phase 2 of the basin project.

• The project continued the partnership between Harris County Flood Control District and Galveston County.

Phase 1
• This phase included excavation of the basin compartment northeast of Beamer Ditch/Mud Gully.

• Construction began in late September 2014 and was complete in 2018.

• Harris County Commissioners Court awarded an approximately \$3.46 million construction contract to low bidder Trans-Global Solutions Inc.

• The project was a partnership between the Harris County Flood Control District and Galveston County. Galveston County pledged up to \$10 million of total basin construction costs.

• Construction costs for Phase 1 were shared equally by the Flood Control District and Galveston County.

For more information or to leave a comment on Phase 3 of the South Belt Stormwater Detention Basin project, visit www.hcfd.org/C05.

Crews respond to Morris scare



Firefighters are shown above responding to a potential blaze at Morris Middle School, located at Fuqua and Beamer, the afternoon of Wednesday, April 17. Students were evacuated from the school for approximately 1.5 hours after smoke was detected inside the school. The smoke was determined to be coming from a faulty air conditioner. Students returned to class once emergency responders deemed the campus safe. No injuries were reported. See related social media entry on Page 2A. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Annual South Belt cook-off nears

Dozens of cooking teams are eager to show off their culinary skills at his year's annual South Belt Spectacular Cook-off, set to take place Thursday, April 25, through Saturday, April 27, at El Franco Lee Park, located at 9400 Hall Road. (Thursday will be primarily for cooks, while Friday and Saturday will be open to the public.)

Teams will be competing for prizes in a number of different categories, including best brisket, chicken, ribs, beans, chili, chef's choice and margaritas.

Now in its 23rd year, the event is the lone fundraiser for the annual South Belt Fourth of July fireworks display, also held at the area park. Any remaining funds will go toward local charities and future fireworks displays.

A crawfish boil will once again take place on Friday night.

On Saturday afternoon, children 12 and under

will be admitted for free from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On that day, children will have access to a wide variety of free activities, including inflatables, rock climbing, pony rides, a petting zoo, a train ride, a coin-in-a-haystack game, an obstacle course, a giant bungee trampoline, face painting, hair braiding, Disney princesses and superheroes, a police helicopter and cruiser, a fire engine and ambulance display and photos with a live Watasi bull named Oliver.

A live auction will also take place Saturday night when the cook-off winners are announced.

A few cooking spots were still available at press time. A 40-foot-by-40-foot spot costs \$225. Sponsorship opportunities are also still available at various levels.

To reserve a spot, contact event organizer Linda Arnone at 281-484-4325.

For additional information, visit <http://www.southbeltcookoff.com/> or <https://www.facebook.com/SouthBeltCookoff>.

City launches new alert system

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) announced a promotional campaign for AlertHouston, the city's official emergency notification system.

AlertHouston is an important component for the city's communications to citizens during severe weather or emergencies. Just this past weekend, residents were alerted of severe thunderstorm and tornado warnings through the system. Register at www.alerthouston.org.

To promote citizen registration, billboards in English and Spanish have been placed around the city, radio and television commercials will air in English and Spanish, and print and digital advertisements will be produced.

"We all know how important it is to communicate during times of emergencies, especially natural disasters," Turner said. "During Hurricane Harvey, the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management was the primary source of information for residents around the city of Houston who needed to know about preparing for a hurricane, massive flooding and putting together an emergency kit before the storm hit. That is why I have partnered with the Office of Emergency Management to launch a citywide campaign to promote registration for AlertHouston, the city's official emergency notification system."

Most alerts are geo-targeted, which is crucial for a city as large and expansive as Houston. Residents can register at <http://bit.ly/2N7ltYp> to receive emergency alerts through email, text message, voice call or mobile app push notifications via the Everbridge system (available in the iTunes or Google Play stores).

OEM provides timely information during emergencies through AlertHouston from six different categories:

- Emergency Incidents (such as hazmat situations or law enforcement activity)
- Severe Weather information
- Major Traffic and Transit Interruptions
- Missing People (AMBER Alerts and Silver Alerts)
- Information regarding Special Events and Planned Drills

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HCAD offers property tax workshops

The Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD) and the Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office are hosting a series of Property Tax Workshops to help homeowners understand the property tax system.

"We want to make it as easy as possible for homeowners to get their questions answered and to make sure they are receiving all the exemptions they are entitled to," said Roland Altinger, HCAD's chief appraiser. "Knowing their options

on the various ways to file a protest could help homeowners reduce their tax burden."

Experts from the Harris County Appraisal District and the Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office will give a short presentation on the property appraisal process and the Texas property tax system at the workshops. After the presentation, homeowners will be able to ask representatives from the Tax Office and HCAD specific questions.

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Early school voting begins April 22

Early voting for the local May 6 school board elections will begin Monday, April 22, and continue through Tuesday, April 30.

While both the Pasadena Independent School District and the Clear Creek Independent School District will still hold elections, the San Jacinto College District will not, due to a lack of filing.

Voters will decide who will fill three Pasadena ISD seats and one Clear Creek ISD seat. See related questionnaire on Page 3A.

Pasadena ISD

Open positions in Pasadena ISD include the Position 5 seat, currently held by Kenny Fernandez; the Position 6 seat, currently held by Marshall Kendrick; and the Position 7 seat, currently held by Vickie Morgan.

All three incumbents have filed to seek re-election, and all three have challengers.

Fernandez is being challenged by Jose A. Cazares and Chad Sullivan, the grandson of Pasadena ISD board member Nelda Sullivan.

Kendrick will be challenged by Albert Bledsoe.

Morgan is being challenged by Ted Capistran and Yen Rabe.

Terms are four years. Early voting will take place at the John Phelps Courthouse, 101 S. Richey in Pasadena; the South Houston Municipal Court, 1019 Dallas in South Houston; the San Jacinto College Central Campus Library, 8060 Spencer Highway in

Pasadena; the Harris County Scarsdale Annex, 10851 Scarsdale; and the Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane in Clear Lake.

Early voting hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. April 22 through April 27; 1 to 6 p.m. April 28; and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. April 29 and April 30.

Clear Creek ISD

Up for grabs in the Clear Creek ISD election are the District 1 seat currently held by Dr. Laura DuPont and the At-Large Position B seat currently held by Ann Hammond.

While both current board members are seeking re-election, only Hammond will face a challenger, as chemical engineer Scott Bowen has filed to run against her.

Terms are two years. Early voting will take place at the Education Support Center, 2425 E. Main St. in League City; the Learner Support Center (previously Clear Lake Ninth-Grade Center), 2903 Falcon Pass in Clear Lake; and Clear Brook High School, 4607 FM 2351 in Friendswood.

Early voting hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

San Jacinto College

There will be no election for the San Jacinto College District, as both candidates are running unopposed.

Position 3 incumbent Marie Flickinger and Position 4 incumbent Larry Wilson will both retain their seats.

Terms are six years.

PISD recognizes Newcomb



Former South Belt resident Bill Newcomb (center) was recognized as one of six individuals inducted into the 2019 Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame at a ceremony Saturday, April 13. A 1956 Pasadena graduate, Newcomb was a standout player in football, baseball and track. Newcomb played football at Texas A&M and McMurry College, before returning to PISD to coach and later serve as athletics director. Newcomb is pictured above with current PISD Athletics Director Rupert Jaso (right) and event sponsor Ben Meador. See related photo on Page 2B. Photo by Marie Flickinger

In My Opinion

Cazares wants new era of PISD success

I want you to know that although the current Pasadena ISD School Board members have had several important accomplishments in recent years, their definition of success is extremely distorted, and it is time for a much-needed change. They would have you believe that there is a long-standing tradition of excellence throughout the entire district. However, public records and academic accountability reports found in the Texas Education Agency website will reveal a completely different story.

For example, under Domain I, which measures Student Achievement in reading, writing, science and math (grades 3 through 12) using standardized tests, the district received a "C" rating. There are currently four elementary schools that have been labeled Improvement Required (South Houston ES, Williams ES, Freeman ES, and Hancock ES). For Domain II, Student Progress, Pasadena ISD received a "B" rating. This means that 44% of the 62 schools that were rated did not meet minimum state requirements. For Domain III, Closing the Achievement Gap and overall Postsecondary Readiness, the district received a "C" rating. For the complete 2017-18 school year, Pasadena ISD did not receive any academic distinctions. Does this sound like a tradition of excellence to you? Is this the success you would like to continue? These are the facts, plain and simple! I encourage you to do the research for yourselves and double check the current board's definition of success.

I want you as parents, tax payers, and voters to fully understand the current state of our schools. I have been in education for more than 26 years under various capacities. I have worked as a bilingual classroom teacher, campus leader, and district administrator. I have extensive experience in our state's accountability system and standardized assessment policies. I am knowledgeable in the various bilingual, regular, and special education programs being offered at our district. Most importantly, I am very aware of the challenges and trends in our current educational system. My vision for Pasadena ISD is to improve its overall academic ranking in comparison to other school districts across the state of Texas. For me, it's not just about having beautiful school buildings, it's about producing students that are going to have a positive impact in our community.

If elected as a member of the Pasadena ISD Board of Education, my primary focus will be to help our schools build students with strong leadership skills. Our kids need to know how to work in collaborative teams, communicate effectively, and be problem solvers. I would like to increase technical career course work, university partnerships, and technology-based instruction. I am in favor of expanding full-day Pre-K education. I would like to enhance funding for after school programs, expand funding for Gifted and Talented Education, as well as Special Education programs since this is a major need for our district. We must offer competitive salaries and affordable benefit packages for our classroom teachers. I am not in favor of increasing school taxes, but instead, I want to conduct a budget studies that assess the effectiveness of current school district programs, departments, and administrative level personnel.

I encourage you to always be involved in the schooling of your children. You can do this by casting your vote on May 4th (Election Day) or during early voting dates are April 22-30th. You can find your voting location at www.harrisvotes.com. Remember to vote for Al Bledsoe (Position 6), Yen Rabe (Position 7) and myself, Jose A. Cazares (Position 5) and help bring about a much-needed change to Pasadena ISD School Board! Lets create a new era of success! **Jose A. Cazares**

PISD School Board Candidate Position #5

Arnesen endorses Fernandez for PISD

PISD school Board elections are May 4th. My children have attended PISD schools going on 10 years now. Until a few years ago I was not aware of the school Board elections and how I could make a difference by voting. By becoming more involved in the community and meeting more people I found out how my voice can make a difference in my children's education. My oldest graduated from Dobie High School 3 years ago and I have a Freshman and 2nd grader still attending

PISD schools. My children having a good education is very important to me. I have nothing but good things to say about the schools they have attended so far.

I would like to formally endorse Kenny Fernandez for PISD position #5. I have known Kenny for at least 12 years. I first met him when volunteering for the SBHLL Board of Directors starting back in 2006-2007. He has always been very involved in the children of this community and it has shown even more since becoming a PISD Board Member a few years ago. Any time I have had a need involving the schools in the area he is my go to person. I know if there an issue or need that he will get it done and in a timely manner.

I encourage all parents with children attending school in PISD to get out and vote. Get to know the candidates and what they have done for our community. Education is very important to me and should be to you as well.

Cheryl Arnesen
SBHLL President
South Belt Dolphins President
(This is not an endorsement or opinion by SBHLL or SBD.)

Walker touts: re-elect current PISD board

Kenny Fernandez is running again for the Pasadena ISD school board again. I have known him for over 25 years. Since May of 2015, he has become instrumental in seeing that important accomplishments have been met for the schools.

There are a number of reasons as why he should be re-elected to the board. During his tenure these areas have been recognized:

- PASADENA ISD meets the needs of ALL students.
- Ranked 9th in the nation for academic performance among low socio-economic students.
- Graduation rate at 89.9 and well above the state average.
- National leader in personalized learning and technology integration.
- HIGH QUALITY Pre-K programs with over 2265 three and four year old children enrolled.
- Pasadena ISD is a National Model for Blended Learning.
- State of the Art Career and Technology High School.
- Early College High Schools at all high school campuses, with 625 students on target to receive their associates degree at graduation.
- Dual Credit/Advanced Placement/ Dual language.
- Award winning Fine Arts and Athletic programs

These are just a few of the SUCCESS stories across the district all while remaining fiscally conservative as recognized by numerous state and national awards.

I think, perhaps, we saw where so many of our art students won numerous awards at the Houston Rodeo including Grand Champion (\$240,000 at auction) and Reserve Grand Champion (\$180,000 at auction) for scholarships.

We've had National, State and District championships in academics, sports, and fine arts. These things don't just happen out of the blue. They require a concerted effort by students, teachers, administrators, and caring board members to help these kids achieve and learn.

The board has to work diligently to try keep costs down with no help from the state legislature sending unfunded mandates to districts. An unfunded mandate is where the state tells school district that they have to do something, but don't send any money to go with it...they dump it on the local taxpayers.

I did read where a school board candidate wanted to start high school at a later time. I can't speak to the problems that person brought up, but I know that students are not forced to take AP/Early College classes; nor are they made to join extra-curricular activities. If they have to work or have other obligations, they learn to balance their time and set priorities. I taught at Dobie for 27 years, so I do know how it works.

Kenny is a product of the Southbelt and the Pasadena district having gone to school at Atkinson, Beverly Hills, and Dobie. He understands the South Belt from a former student's point of view as well as the point of view of the home owner and business owner. We need to keep good people on the school board. Remember, you're voting for local control over your own schools - don't give that up!

Please vote for Kenny Fernandez, Position 5; Marshall Kendrick, Position 6 and Vickie Morgan, Position 7.

Mary Walker

Sullivan runs for PISD board position 5

Chad Sullivan is a 2007 graduate of the University of Houston - Clear Lake with a Bachelor of Arts - History, a 2002 graduate of Deer Park High School and, an Eagle Scout. Sullivan has been employed by Albemarle Corporation, as an Operator, for the last 10 years and is the Unit President for Albemarle USV Local 227. In 2010 Sullivan made his home in Riverstone Ranch so that his children could ultimately attend Dobie HS, as their mother is a 1997 graduate. In 2015 he began serving his community as a firefighter for the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department and is now a Lieutenant and Quartermaster for the department. Sullivan has coached little league baseball for 4 years, served on the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League Board from 2015-2018 and coached football with the Sagemont Cowboy staff for the last 3 years. Sullivan has been instrumental in applying for funds through the Albemarle Foundation to support the needs of children in his community, for example, South Belt Elementary received funds for the interactive gym program and start-up funds for the STEAM program. After Hurricane Harvey, the Sagemont Cowboys received funds to replace football gear that was lost due to flooding, just to name a few.

I'm sharing these details about Chad Sullivan so that you may have a mental picture of his background, ethics, and character and, that he's invested in his community, kids and this school district. He is a team player and desires to serve on the Pasadena ISD Board. He believes that by lending his experience and talent of excellent communication skills, relating to peers, the ability to communicate and listen with an open mind to the concerns of teachers, parents, students and board members, along with his attention to detail as it relates to guidelines, laws, contracts and agreements that the board must read, review and understand for the benefit of the district, the citizens of Pasadena ISD will greatly benefit by electing Chad Sullivan to Pasadena ISD Board - Position 5 on Saturday, May 4th. Early voting begins April 22nd - 30th. If you have questions or need help locating your voting location please email him at electchadsullivan@gmail.com.

Cynthia Sullivan

Waller encourages all: support incumbents

Please allow a me to take a moment of your time. My name is Carolyn Waller. I am a retired Principal of the Pasadena Independent School District. My proudest accomplishment however, was being able to serve the South Belt community as Principal of Stuchbery Elementary.

I would like to say a few things about the upcoming school board election. To the parents, families, and community members of the South Belt area, your voices in this election will help to move the Pasadena Independent School District forward. There are three candidates that are running for reelection that deserve the support of this community. Those candidates are Kenny Fernandez, Marshall Kendrick, and Vickie Morgan.

Each of these candidates have proven leadership skills. They have helped to propel the school district forward and

achievement of the students is a first priority. These candidates are not just board members by name. Each of them is very involved in church, community, business, and the schools they serve. Their input as leaders is valued and trusted among educators in the district.

The support each of these candidates have given me throughout the years as an educator was appreciated and valued. Creating safe, happy, working environments for the students, the staff, and families was and seems to be their focus. A future of success for the students of this district will continue to thrive under the leadership of these fine individuals.

I ask the community to consider each candidate and support Kenny Fernandez, Marshall Kendrick, and Vickie Morgan on election day. I know I will.

Thank you for allowing me to show my support for these candidates.

Carolyn Waller
Retired Principal,
Stuchbery Elementary.

Teichelman supports current PISD board

I was fortunate enough to work in the Pasadena School District for 30 years. Since retirement, I have worked as an administrator in numerous schools across the district. I have been so impressed with the dedication that the teachers, administrators, and support staff have for the students in Pasadena. This does not happen by accident. The current school board makes sure that they hire qualified, dedicated personnel to lead our district. They are supportive and listen to input from the employees and parents of the district. Kenny Fernandez, Marshall Kendrick, and Vickie Morgan care so much about the success of our students and work hard at assisting the district educators to accomplish their goals. In recent years, the school board has supported programs that have helped our students reach their potential. The students have accomplished so much in recent years and a lot of it is due to the programs that have been established in Pasadena with the support of the board. The different Pre-K programs give the four year olds a great start for their future education. Students are offered state of the art programs which include Dual Language, Early College Programs, Blended Learning, and an unbelievable Career and Technology High School. Students excel at these programs and have won numerous awards. It's amazing that the art students have accomplished so much, especially the art contests at the Houston Rodeo. The Fine Arts Department and the Athletic programs have had reward winning programs as well. The district has worked diligently to make sure that the bilingual, ESL students, and students in special education are provided with the assistance that they need. I am so lucky to know each of the current board members personally and have talked to them many times about their beliefs and concerns about the Pasadena Independent District. Please remember that your vote counts and I would really appreciate you voting for Kenny Fernandez, Marshall Kendrick, and Vickie Morgan in the upcoming election. Think about your own children and grandchildren, nieces and nephews and neighborhood children. Vote for leaders that truly care about the well-being of the students in Pasadena. Thank You!

Nancy Teichelman
Retired Principal from
Stuchbery Elementary School

Elected officials share their words

Olson joins Trump in support of American energy

On April 10, Rep. Pete Olson joined President Donald Trump as he signed two energy related executive orders. The first executive order takes a number of steps to cut red tape and improve the transportation of American energy. The second executive order aims to streamline the oversight and approval process to boost cross-border energy infrastructure. The event took place at the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) International Training and Education Center in Crosby, Texas.

"As America's global energy dominance continues to grow, we must ensure we have the infrastructure and laws in place to support the expansion of American Liquid Freedom," Olson said. "I was proud to stand with President Trump in Houston, the epicenter for energy production, as he signed these executive orders today. Streamlining the permitting and transportation of American energy

will ensure we continue to grow as an energy super power by supporting current and future energy projects."

- The first executive order:
- Ensures that the Clean Water Act is being followed in a way that will undo years of red tape that have slowed energy projects;
 - Requires that the Department of Transportation and the Department of Energy report on issues with energy transportation, including energy shortages in New England and hurdles to exporting energy from the West Coast;
 - Requires the Department of Transportation to create a pathway for the movement of Liquefied Natural Gas by rail.

The second executive order streamlines the process for considering an international oil pipeline to prevent future issues such as what happened with Keystone XL from happening again.

Bettencourt applauds Trump's executive orders on pipelines

Sen. Paul Bettencourt applauded the decision by President Donald Trump to sign two Executive Orders on April 10, in Crosby which will make it easier for companies in the energy sector to navigate the permitting and construction process regarding pipeline construction. Bettencourt along with Sen. Brian Birdwell, Sen. Brandon Creighton, Sen. Pat Fallon, Sen. Pete Flores, Sen. Kelly Hancock, Sen. Larry Taylor and Sen. Charles Perry attended the signing ceremony in Crosby to show support for this necessary reform.

Leader checks out social media

By Laura Benavides Scallan
Fire trucks were spotted at Morris Middle School on April 17, by a member of the *Southbelt This & That* Facebook page. It was determined that a piece of equipment overheated and started smoking. No one was injured and students were safe. About 15 emergency vehicles were reported on the scene and seven of those were fire engines. Firefighters cleared the area and allowed everyone to return to the building. See related photo on Page

1A.
A member of *The Official South Belt & Sagemont Area Crime Alert* Facebook page posted images of what appear to be a suspect attempting to make entry into vehicles on the night of Tuesday, April 16. The member states the incident was caught on camera in the Clearwood Crossing, Blackhawk, Fuqua area. The member did report it to the Neighbors App as well.
A member of the *Southbelt/Sagemont Crime Alert* Facebook page shared a post that was originally posted on the *People of Sagemont* Facebook page. The shared post states that a person's purse, air compressor and hose and niter saw were stolen from the back patio of one of the Sagemont Park Townhomes off Sabo Road. The incident occurred on the morning of April 10.

It was reported on the *People of Sagemont* 2 Facebook group that the McDonald's on I-45 and Dixie Farm Road has reopened.

Death

Larry Paul Pelty Sr.



Larry Paul Pelty Sr., 87, who was known to his family and friends as "L.P." died peacefully on Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Larry was born on June 17, 1931, in Farmington, Miss., the only son of Lawrence and Lavina Pelty. During his 87 years, he received an honorable discharge after serving his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, stationed in Germany.

He loved to learn, and attended Rice University and graduated from the University of Houston with degrees in languages, chemistry, physics as well as a master's degree in education.

Larry retired as an electrical engineer from Hughes Tool Company after many years of service. He was also 3rd Degree Black Belt in Taekwondo and a 32nd Degree Mason in the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Valley of Houston - Orient of Texas and a member of the Park Place Masonic Lodge.

Throughout his life, Larry embarked on many adventures including sailing on his sailboat, camping with his family and snow skiing in Colorado and New Mexico. He was a big fan of science fiction shows like *Star Trek*, *Stargate SG-1* and *Roswell*, spending many hours watching his favorite TV shows and movies.

He loved reading and learning, especially learning new languages, having studied several during his life. In his most recent years, he studied Hebrew and Mandarin. He also loved relaxing in the company of his family and friends and would always be available whenever anyone needed him.

Larry was also a regular visitor to Shan Hu restaurant for more than 35 years and could be found there every Friday night at 6:30 p.m.

for dinner with family and friends.

Larry is preceded in death by his parents.
He is survived by his son Larry Paul Pelty Jr.; granddaughters Alicia and Ava Pelty; and former wife Dee Stanley and her husband Pete Stanley. He is also survived by his dear friends the Derry family - Dave and Roni Derry, Laken Derry (William), and Brandon Derry and wife Chelsey and family; the Wade family - Gene and Judy, Deana Turner (Dan) and Missy Rogers, Bill and Beth Baker; the Park family; the Chao family - Sung Chao, Tiffany Chao and Terry Chao; close friends with whom he worked and enjoyed friendships including Eric Sullivan, James Overstreet, Bruce Burr, Willie Denmark and George Dolezal; and a few others who passed before him.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Friday, April 19. The chapel service and celebration of Larry's life will follow the visitation at 11 a.m. Both services will be held at Niday Funeral Home, 12440 Beamer Road, with interment to follow at South Park Cemetery, 1310 N. Main St. in Pearland.

Garcia reopens Precinct 2 parks after water, soil results

Commissioner Adrian Garcia has reopened five of the eight Precinct 2 parks with waterfronts in the Intercontinental Terminals Company incident area.

The decision to reopen the parks was made after testing results received and verified by both Harris County Pollution Control and Harris

Public Health indicated safe levels of recreation near or within the water parks listed below.

- The following Parks are now open to the public:
- Sylvan Beach
 - Meadowbrook
 - Rio Villa Nature Trail
 - Clear Lake Park
 - Bay Area Park

The following three parks remain closed until further notice:

- Juan Seguin
- River Terrace
- Moncrief

The parks were closed March 22, to allow for soil and water testing after materials from the ITC incident entered the Houston Ship Channel.

Prayer walk set for April 27

School Prayer Walks USA will host a prayer walk Saturday, April 27, from 9 to 10 a.m., at Dobie Ninth-Grade School, located at 10811 Monroe Blvd. The community is welcome to join in praying for the protection and peace of students and staff.

For questions or for additional information, call 281-484-0901.

Troop 468 hosts spaghetti dinner

Boy Scout Troop 468 will be hosting its 16th annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser on April 27 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 East Broadway in Pearland from 4 to 8 p.m.

Each dinner includes a generous serving of spaghetti with or without meatballs, salad, bread and a drink for \$6, eat-in or take-out. Individual desserts are available for separate purchase. There will also be a silent auction and baked goods sale.

All proceeds will benefit the activities and equipment of Troop 468. Tickets will be available at the door. Interested persons may email Stephanie Mayo at StephanieMayo.TM39819@troopmaster.email to prepurchase tickets or place an order for large quantity delivery for 10+ meals.

Local library events set

The following events are scheduled this week for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint:

Thursday, April 18, 6 - 7:45 p.m. Not Your Mama's Book Club, for adults. This month's book selection is *Lincoln in the Bardo* by George Saunders. Call the library to reserve a copy and get additional information.

Thursday, April 18, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Spanish computer class for adults and seniors
Monday, April 22, 10:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Citizenship class. The classes cover the 100 civics questions and how to prepare for the citizenship interview. Other topics include the citizenship application and qualifications. Class participation is by appointment only.

Tuesday, April 23, 10:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.
Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.

Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 a.m. Toddler storytime and playtime
Wednesday, April 24, Computer courses: 2 p.m. Computer Basics; 3:15 p.m. Internet Basics; 4:30 p.m. Basic PowerPoint

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

Parker Williams Library
Note: All Harris County public libraries close at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 18, and will reopen Monday, April 22, at the regularly scheduled time. This closure is due to the Easter holiday.

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.
Thursday, April 18, 2 p.m. Great Decisions: The Rise of Populism in Europe. Meet at the library every three weeks to learn about a new world affairs topic based on a video and article created by the Foreign Policy Association. The article for this week may be found in the library magazine section. The video will be shown during the first part of the discussion.

Thursday, April 18, 4 - 5 p.m. Introduction to Microsoft Access for adults, teens and tweens. Meet at the library to learn about Microsoft Access which enables one to create programs that track data over time and begin creating a program to use in one's organization. Registration is requested.

Monday, April 22, 9:30 a.m. GED Class registration, sponsored by Harris County Department of Education classes. These classes are free and will meet Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. from April 29 through June 11. Attending the registration date is required. Visit <https://hdcde.texas.gov/adult-education/faq/> for more information about requirements and a list of items to bring.

Monday, April 22, 6:30 p.m. "Geek, Play, Love," for tweens and teens. Meet at the library to play some modern games including Munchkin, Settlers of Catan, Dominion, etc. This session features the game Pandemic. Instructors are available for those who need to learn the game.

Tuesday, April 23, 10:15 - 11:45 a.m. Quilting and Conversation Club. Plan to participate in the new quilting project for 2019 by creating a section of a handmade quilt (it will be a bookshelf design) to be joined together at the end of the year. The group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday, April 23, 2 p.m. Poetry discussion, for adults and teens. Pick up a book from the library's selection or bring one to the library to discuss some of them.

Tuesday, April 23, 2:30 p.m. UPWORDS, for infants from birth to 24 months. The UPWORDS program, using the LENA Start™ curriculum, consists of 14 one-hour sessions during four months in which parents learn how to improve a child's early language. Progress is measured between sessions with LENA System™ technology which records speech at home for a day after each class. Reports will be generated with information on how much a parent is talking, when one could talk more, and how much the parent is growing with the baby. The program is scheduled through June 4. Preregistration is required. Contact the children's librarian at 832-927-7870 or in person.

Wednesday, April 24, 5 p.m. Poetry of Science. April is National Poetry Month. Meet in the library community room to combine the art of poetry with the vocabulary of science, making poetry with the various scientific terms and jargon that are thrown around classrooms during the year.

Below are the programs that occur every week, unless the library is closed:

Tuesday, Babytime lapsit, 10:30 a.m. For babies from birth to 18 months, featuring a mother-baby lapsit time with fingerplays, songs and playtime.

Wednesday, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m. For children, ages 3 to 5 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.

Wednesday, 2 - 3 p.m.: Basic computer classes (Vietnamese). Learn mouse, keyboarding, basic internet skills and more at this weekly class in Vietnamese. Registration is requested.

Thursday, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m. For toddlers from birth to 3 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and bubbles.
Saturday, Vietnamese learning time, for adults and children ages 8 and older. Classes begin at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. It's a great time to take a class to help with a skill for work, gain understanding of a topic or learn a language. There are many free classes available online at the library website or on the internet, through universities or other sources. Practice navigating the internet to learn about these, or sign up for one. For more information on these programs, speak with Loc Bui.

For more information on all other programs, call the library at 832-927-7870.

Library hours this week are: Thursday, April 18, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Good Friday, April 19, through Sunday, April 21, closed; Monday, April 22, 1 - 9 p.m.; Tuesday, April 23, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, April 24, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

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Pasadena Independent School District board election candidates answer questionnaire

The following are responses to the *Leader's* Pasadena Independent School District candidate questionnaire. The answers are strictly the candidates' and have not been edited in any way. The questionnaires are in order as they will appear on the ballot.

Jose A. Cazares

Pasadena ISD, Position 5



NAME: Jose A. Cazares
AGE: 48
OCCUPATION: Currently employed at the Houston Independent School District as a Teacher Development Specialist and Administrator.
EDUCATION:
• Master's Degree in Educational Administration received at Grand Canyon University, Arizona
• Bachelor Degree in Industrial Chemistry received at University of Tamaulipas, Reynosa Mexico
• Principal Grades (EC-12) Texas
• Principal Grades (K-12) Arizona
• Licensure Bilingual and ESL Teacher (Spanish - English) Elementary Bilingual/ESL-Spanish 04/17/1999 Life (Valid) Grades (1-8)
• Elementary Self-Contained 04/17/1999 Life (Valid) Grades (1-8)
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married

How long have you lived in the school district? (20 words or less)
Since August 5, 2005 (14 years)

Do you have any children who have attended Pasadena ISD schools? (50 words or less)
Yes, Jose Fernando Cazares (Graduated from Pasadena Memorial HS, Kamila G. Cazares (Pasadena Memorial HS) and Joel A. Cazares (Bondy Intermediate School)

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)
I am running to bring a much-needed change to the Pasadena Independent School District Board of Education. I want to focus on student achievement and student needs. I will work with teachers, school leaders, and community members to ensure that our children are ready for college. I am running because I want to give all our students an equal voice and a brighter future.

Do you have any experience in the field of education? (50 words or less)
I have been in education 26 years. I have worked as a bilingual teacher, campus leader, and district administrator. I have extensive experience in our state's accountability system and standardized assessment policies. I am knowledgeable in the various bilingual, regular, and special education programs.

What makes you qualified to hold this position? (100 words or less)
I want voters to understand that I am an individual that has a life long commitment to education. I have worked in education my entire professional career. I am aware of the challenges and trends our students, teachers and administrators face under our current system. My experience in this field is what makes me qualified to hold this important position. No one better than an educator to understand, lead, and fight for the well being of our students.

Why should people vote for you over your opponent(s)? (100 words or less)
People should vote for me because I have always been an educator. Only an educator understands the complexity of the job. Why would you have outsiders oversee an entire school district? They simply don't have the knowledge, skills, and experience it takes to understand the demands of the educational system we currently live in. The times have changed in our school district. Many of our current school board members have been there for many years. I believe it is time to allow for new ideas. Help me make Pasadena ISD stand out as an exceptional school district across the nation.

Have you ever attended a Pasadena ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)
I have had the opportunity to attend school board meetings as a proud parent. I'm always looking to stay informed of school board decisions by staying involved in my children's education. I keep up

with agenda minutes, board books, public record reports and vote during all school board elections.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)
I have always been involved with the good citizens of the South Belt community. I live 10 minutes away and have built lasting relationships as a coach for the South Belt Soccer League. If elected to the Pasadena ISD Board, I look forward to listening to your ideas and concerns.

Have you done any community service in the district? (50 words or less)
I am a member of the Houston Association of School Administrators. I am also a member of the Texas Association of Bilingual Educators. I am currently President of my community's Home Owner's Association. All in all, I am highly involved in educational related activities and various charities throughout my community.

Are you for or against a later start time? Explain why. (100 words or less)
I am for a later start time, however we need to be aware that changing school start times can have both benefits and drawbacks. Some reports explain that sleep deprivation leads to anxiety, irritability, lack of motivation and depression in our students. Delaying school start times can reduce these symptoms, as demonstrated by recent results of the University of Minnesota study. Additional benefits are reduced risk of teen crashes, improved academic performance, and better physical health. I am willing to keep listening and do what is best for our students.

What district-wide issues would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
If elected member of the Pasadena ISD Board of Education, I want to first and foremost prepare our students for a competitive global economy. My primary focus will be student achievement across all content areas. Our students need to know how to work in collaborative teams, communicate effectively, and be problem solvers. These are the skill sets that companies look for in their hiring process. In terms of policies, I plan to implement a data driven culture in which decisions are made based on student performance and academic results. I believe accountability should be shared equally across the school district.

What specific issues facing the South Belt area would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
The issue of over-population in our high school is a primary concern for me. I want to conduct detailed studies to assess and review the impact this is having on our students. I would like to propose building an additional high school in this area to accommodate the population increase. I do not think that building an entire facility to house ninth graders was a good solution to the problem. Let's work together to support not just the South Belt area, but also the entire city of Pasadena. Our kids deserve the best education possible!

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
The Pasadena ISD school board has had several accomplishments in recent years. The board has focused its policies and procedures to increase school safety. Through its funding decisions, the board clearly supports the social, emotional and physical well-being of all students and staff. They have passed several bond elections and have approved the construction of new and innovative school buildings throughout the district. The quick implementation of early college-high school programs is to be recognized.

What do you feel the district's biggest problem is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
A major problem is low academic achievement results displayed by students across the district. This is despite low passing standards set by the state. Pasadena's district statewide performance has been in decline over the past few years. The Texas Education Agency has rated multiple elementary schools as Improvements Required (South Houston ES, Williams ES, Hancock ES, and Freeman ES). Overall student's academic growth and achievement levels across content areas are below expectations. Pasadena lacks academic distinctions. This is by far the district's biggest problem.

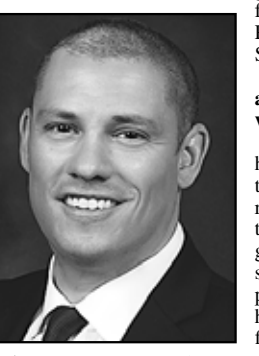
Have you ever attended a Pasadena ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)
Yes, I have attended 4 years' worth of board meetings; I presume well over 50 board meetings.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)
Yes, I live in the South Belt

area. Serve on the Pasadena ISD school board, Chairman of the Board of directors for South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, Deacon at Freeway Baptist Church, and several years of sponsoring Sagemont-Beverly Hills LL(played and coached), Sagemont Cowboys(played and coached) and South Belt Cookoff.
Have you done any community service in the district? (50 words or less)
I am on the committee at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber that awards the outstanding student of the month. I serve on the Pasadena ISD Athletic Hall of Fame. My wife and I founded the Rugby Race, which raised funds for playgrounds at several Pasadena schools, including South Belt and Moore.
Are you for or against a later start time? Explain why. (100 words or less)
The district has recently had two community committees that have addressed and recommended the school start time is sufficiently and strategically placed. I feel that high school students have the opportunity to go to school and have time to do their studies, fine arts, athletics, work, and care for their siblings. The high school start time also allows the younger students get to the bus stops at a daylight hour and return home when an adult or sibling is there. There are several topics I could touch on regarding this and they all lead to keeping the time as is.

Kenny Fernandez

Pasadena ISD, Position 5



NAME: Kenny Fernandez
AGE: 44
OCCUPATION: President/CEO of North American Shipping Agencies, Inc. and Owner of Little Longhorns Daycare.
EDUCATION: Pasadena ISD / San Jacinto Junior College / Sam Houston State University
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married Kasie (Pasadena ISD Teacher/Coach) / 2 children in Pasadena ISD schools

How long have you lived in the school district? (20 words or less)
I have lived in the South Belt (Pasadena ISD) area for 44 years.

Do you have any children who have attended Pasadena ISD schools? (50 words or less)
I have two children that attend Pasadena ISD schools (Pasadena Memorial HS and Carter Lomax MS). I am also a product of Pasadena ISD (Atkinson, Beverly Hills and Dobie).

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)
I have a vested interest in Pasadena ISD as a former student, husband of a PISD teacher, father to 2 students in PISD and son of a retired PISD teacher (DiAnn Fernandez). I have had the opportunity to work cohesively with an experienced board, the best administration/staff and several volunteers that honestly want the best outcome for each and every student in our great district. I would be honored to continue to serve in this respect and to fulfill the success that we have set out to do.

Do you have any experience in the field of education? (50 words or less)
Yes, I have taken continuing education classes at the local and state level each year I have served on our school board and I have exceeded the requirement of hours each year.

What makes you qualified to hold this position? (100 words or less)
The role of a school board member is to evaluate the superintendent, set policy and adopt the budget. Serving on our school board currently, I have 4 years of experience understanding the needs of our students and school district and how to evaluate our superintendent. Being that I have a household of stakeholders, a teacher and two PISD students, I understand the policies and how they impact staff and students directly. Owning two businesses I have a vast knowledge of budget, the importance of a budget and how to operate fiscally.

Why should people vote for you over your opponent(s)? (100 words or less)
I have a heart for the kids and a love for our district so much that I opened a daycare in the South Belt area and called it Little Longhorns Daycare. When I set out to run 4 years ago, I thought I knew what it was to be on the school board. Once I entered my first board meeting things moved faster than I thought, and I realized that I had a lot to learn. I have certainly learned a lot over the past 4 years and electing someone else would put our district back 4 years or more.

Have you ever attended a Pasadena ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)
Yes, I have attended 4

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)
Yes, I live in the South Belt

tion in Dobie HS is a concern for me. When class size grows, the quality of instruction diminishes. I understand the frustrations expressed by our teachers when they have too many kids to educate. Differentiation of instruction based on student need is impossible. Students are unable to build relationships with teachers. My response is to engage in a budget analysis to see if we can build a new high school for our community. Our kids deserve the best learning environment possible and that will be my priority if elected to the Pasadena ISD School Board of Trustees.

Have you done any community service in the district? (50 words or less)
I am on the committee at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber that awards the outstanding student of the month. I serve on the Pasadena ISD Athletic Hall of Fame. My wife and I founded the Rugby Race, which raised funds for playgrounds at several Pasadena schools, including South Belt and Moore.

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What district-wide issues would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
An ongoing issue that all districts face is teacher insurance coverage. I have first-hand experience that our insurance coverage isn't getting any cheaper and each year we have to discuss how to keep our insurance self-funded so that our district can have the options of coverage that best suits our employees and their families and not let the state take over and impose their coverage with limited options.

What specific issues facing the South Belt area would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
As a member of our South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, we have tackled the needs of clothing and school supplies for the students, but regardless of this election I want to see the tradition and pride back into the South Belt community. I want to see the elementary and middle school students wearing Dobie or Beverly Hills and Thompson shirts and see our South Belt families supporting our programs- speech/debate, fine arts, athletics, to name a few. Seeing the stands filled on Friday nights at Veterans Stadium and a sea of orange shirts and excited fans after a Dobie win.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
I cannot narrow down just one, but here's a few:
Ranked 9th in the nation for academic performance among low socio-economic students. Graduation rate at 89.9 well above the state average. National leader in personalized learning and technology integration. High quality Pre-K programs with over 2265 three and four year olds enrolled. Pasadena ISD is a National Model for Blended Learning. A state-of-the-art Career and Technology High School. Early College High Schools at all high school campuses, with 625 students on target to receive their associate's degree at graduation. Dual Credit/Advanced Placement/Dual language and award-winning Fine Arts and Athletic programs.

What do you feel the district's biggest problem is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
Unfortunately, we see state funding, or lack thereof from the state level as an ongoing challenge. We need our state legislature to support and fund public education more than they have in the past. Our school districts across the state continue to be underfunded and follow a model that was set in the mid 1980's. With the continued unfunded mandates by the legislature, our school districts are forced to implement state policies without state funding. I look forward to working together with our state legislature to see what can be accomplished.

Have you ever attended a Pasadena ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)
I have attended a few meetings, more so in recently, as I made the decision to run for the board and stepped back from other obligations. In total I have attended three or four. One being in this election cycle.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)
My wife, Jennifer (Cain) Sullivan, grew up in the area and graduated Dobie class of 1997. When looking for homes she was adamant that South Belt was a community that looked out for each other and here we are.

Have you done any community service in the district? (50 words or less)
Since moving to South Belt in 2010 I began serving my community by coaching little league baseball and football. I became a volunteer firefighter for Southeast Volunteer Fire Department. I will continue to find ways to improve our community and be involved.

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My daughter graduated from Pasadena Memorial High School.

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)
I am running for School Board Position #6 because I have worked with the students everyday in the classroom and know their needs. Especially in the Special Education area. Also, looking to serve the community in different areas as it relates to the education, safety of students and laws effecting education. This qualifies me to run and be elected to the Pasadena School Board. As I represent students, faculty and community.

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Chad Sullivan

Pasadena ISD, Position 5



NAME: Chad Sullivan
AGE: 35
OCCUPATION: Chemical Plant Operator
EDUCATION: College Graduate - University of Houston - Clear Lake
MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married / 2 Children
How long have you lived in the school district? (20 words or less)
My family has lived in the Pasadena school district for eleven years, nine in South Belt area.

Do you have any children who have attended Pasadena ISD schools? (50 words or less)
Currently I have a son in elementary school and one that will start in the 2020-2021 school year. I also have a step son who is out of school now.

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)
I want to be a voice of working families in Pasadena. I believe that I can relate to the issues they face at home and will listen to the needs of teacher and support staff that work every day to make the district successful. I want to build a stronger school system that is responsive to the home life of families and the communities our schools are a part of.

Do you have any experience in the field of education? (50 words or less)
During college I was a substitute teacher for PISD while studying to be a history teacher. I opted to work on the ship channel as an operator after my education.

What makes you qualified to hold this position? (100 words or less)
I am an Eagle Scout, a Unit-President for USW Local 13-227 where I represent my co-workers in contract enforcement, Lieutenant at Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, and previously a board member for South Belt Beverly Hills Little League. I am a parent and citizen who values a quality education and wants to ensure that the voice on the school board is the voice of all citizens of PISD.

Why should people vote for you over your opponent(s)? (100 words or less)
While I believe that the current board have had movement in the right direction, we should strive to bring success to all the students, teachers, and support staff district wide. Through my job, coaching little league football and baseball, and volunteering at our fire station I have had the chance to hear the concerns of parents and staff around our community and the larger Pasadena area. I would like to be the voice and represent every student and staff member district wide and maintain a close ear to every community.

Have you ever attended a Pasadena ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)
I have attended a few meetings, more so in recently, as I made the decision to run for the board and stepped back from other obligations. In total I have attended three or four. One being in this election cycle.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)
My wife, Jennifer (Cain) Sullivan, grew up in the area and graduated Dobie class of 1997. When looking for homes she was adamant that South Belt was a community that looked out for each other and here we are.

Have you done any community service in the district? (50 words or less)
Since moving to South Belt in 2010 I began serving my community by coaching little league baseball and football. I became a volunteer firefighter for Southeast Volunteer Fire Department. I will continue to find ways to improve our community and be involved.

Are you for or against a later start time? Explain why. (100 words or less)
I would like to look at the data and research and have a civil panel weigh in on the issue. There are far reaching impacts on after school activities, transportation, school maintenance, tutor time, etc. I would also need to know if this applies to all schools, a change to high school only, or somewhere in between?

What district-wide issues would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
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My daughter graduated from Pasadena Memorial High School.

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)
I am running for School Board Position #6 because I have worked with the students everyday in the classroom and know their needs. Especially in the Special Education area. Also, looking to serve the community in different areas as it relates to the education, safety of students and laws effecting education. This qualifies me to run and be elected to the Pasadena School Board. As I represent students, faculty and community.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
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would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
Budgets will always be a concern when you can not put a price on a good education. I want to work with a team that can find ways to efficiently use the existing funds and work on legislative initiatives that can bring more funding into the district. This should all be done while keeping our important staff from worrying if they will have a job the next school year.

What specific issues facing the South Belt area would you address if elected? (100 words or less)
The area around South Belt, while well established, is an outsider to the district geographically. Taking this into account, services and districting for schools can cause issues. South Belt also has an upcoming challenge of a charter school in the area that can put unneeded stressors on the district. When funding from the state and federal level are based on attendance we want to make sure that our schools get the needed funding to teach all students.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
Pasadena ISD has done an amazing job of increasing the graduation rate amongst its students. It has grown programs that aim to propel graduates into college, the vocational workforce, or into military service. This board has set out policies that accomplished a lot, but more could be done to make sure that graduates have a path post high school.

What do you feel the district's biggest problem is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)
Pasadena is a growing and diverse community; each segment has its own issues that need addressing and the schools need to be able to adapt to the community they serve. A vote for me is a vote for a voice that is going to listen to each community and look for policies and budgets that fit the needs. No area should be left behind, each area brings value to the district as a whole.

Do you have approximately 1,000 more students than any of the district's other four comprehensive high schools. If elected, what, if anything, would you do to address this enrollment inequality? (100 words or less)
Review of data from the district, the number of students is higher at Dobie when including the 9th grade campus. A total student count of 3,720 between Dobie 9 and Dobie it is higher than the next populous Memorial at 3,026 students. The two schools that are newest in construction have the technology to adequaely teach students at a higher capacity than schools that struggle with renovation upgrades. If the growth of Dobie continues I would look to cost and ability to upgrade the campuses that we can and perhaps do some redistricting of feeder schools.

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City begins OEM Alert

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Recovery information for people impacted by a disaster (such as the flooding from Hurricane Harvey or Tax Day).

"During any emergency, our goal is to be a trusted source of life-saving information for those who live in, work in or visit the city of Houston," said George Buenik, director of the Mayor's Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security. "As the mayor mentioned, we're excited about this campaign and the opportunity to spread the word on this important free service."

AlertHouston has grown from an email service to one that delivers timely, geo-targeted notifications by email, text message, voice call and/or mobile app push notification. More than 133,000 subscribers are now registered

in the system, and thanks to a new grant obtained by it, OEM can coordinate with regional partners to fund the system's first-ever promotional campaign. "We are proud of being a growing community, and we will continue to grow for years to come," Turner said. "Our welfare should always be our number one priority. As much as we want to control our surroundings, emergencies caused by nature or by man can have a powerful impact on our community. We ask that our residents register today, before the next disaster, to remain prepared at all times."

Supported by a mitigation grant from the Texas Department of Emergency Management, Turner and the Houston OEM partnered with Ad Impressions, b.ID Creative and Clear Channel Outdoor to produce the promotional materials.

Tax workshops set

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questions about their property.

"My office is collaborating with HCAD to present these Property Tax Workshops throughout the county to make it more convenient for residents to get their questions answered without coming to the tax office," said Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector Ann Harris Bennett. "Helping homeowners understand the payment

options, the deadlines and the interest and penalties added to their bill if they miss those deadlines could help them save money."

The Property Tax Workshops are scheduled during the day and early evening at various locations throughout the county. A complete workshop schedule is available on www.hcad.org under "About > Calendar" and www.tax.co.harris.tx.us under "Property Tax > Workshops."

BAQG holds biennial quilt show

The Bay Area Quilt Guild will hold its biennial quilt show "Nature's Bounty" on Friday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The show will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2320 Hatfield Road in Pearland. The cost of a wrist band that is valid for both days is \$10 and children 5 and under are free. There will be more than 150 quilts on display, raffles, vendors, gift boutique and silent auctions. For more information, call Debby Benson at 713-248-8757 or visit the website at bayareaquiltguild.org.



Community Garage Sale
Date: Saturday, April 27, 2019
Time: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Place: YOUR Garage or Driveway!
If needed... RAINOUT DAY would be May 4, 2019
It's that time of year again! Clean out your drawers, closets and your garage! A great way to get organized and make money is to participate in the community garage sale!
Your unused items could be someone else's treasure.
Garage sales are only allowed in the community twice a year on dates specified by the HOA generally in the Spring and Fall!

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Attend the church of your choice



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Worship Service • 10:45 a.m.
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Fr. Xavier Bilavendran, Parochial Vicar
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www.stlukecatholic.com

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Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 7:30, 9:15, 11:15 a.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. Misa en Español
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday 7 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated Thursday 7:45 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday 4 to 5 p.m.

Parish Office 281-481-6816
Faith Formation 281-481-4251
Youth Ministry 281-481-4735
St. Luke's offers ministries for ALL-families, men, women, youth, children, young adults, single, divorced, separated, widowed.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

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

CONGRATS TO 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 33rd wedding anniversary. Angela and David, both Dobie graduates, relocated to Texas last year with their son Robert.

CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY, AARON!
Special birthday greetings are sent to Aaron Giles who turns 25 on April 20, from grandparents Ken and Bobby Griffin, parents Jim and Tracy Giles, wife Ashley and son Jaxson, sister Kristen and brother Cody. Aaron is a 2012 Dobie graduate and completed courses at San Jacinto College.

ANN MARKS A BIRTHDAY
Insurance business owner, former Dobie High journalism teacher, and former longtime Sagegleen resident, Ann Brannen celebrates her birthday April 20. Best wishes are sent from her many friends and the staff at the Leader.

ENJOY THE DAY, KENNETH!
Happy birthday wishes are sent to Kenneth Griffin April 24 from his wife Bobby; son David Griffin and wife Angela and grandchildren Robert and Kenneth; daughter Tracy Giles and husband Jim and grandchildren Kristen, Cody, Aaron and wife Ashley and great-grandson Jaxson; and friends at the Leader.

AIDAN TURNED 10!
Lots of hugs, kisses and birthday wishes are sent to Aidan De La Rosa who turned 10

years old April 15 from his parents Kristin and Fernando De La Rosa, big brother Jacob, Gran and Pop (Rose and Larry Konzelman), and Grandma and Papo (Hilda and Fernando De La Rosa). Aidan is a fourth-grader at Frazier Elementary.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays April 18 through April 24.

Atkinson Elementary
The day for a party for Ana Garza is April 21. Burnett Elementary

Sing a happy birthday song to Keri Grayson and Katie Huehfeld April 20. Enjoy a slice of birthday cake April 22 with Jhanet Diehl.

Genoa Elementary
Join in the birthday celebration April 20 for Coretta Conant. Send a birthday greeting April 23 to Debbie Blair.

Meador Elementary
Birthday wishes are in order for Cherie Briscoe on April 23.

Moore Elementary
The day for a birthday party for Sara Saxon is April 20.

South Belt Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles for Robin Sanders April 22. Join in the fun with a birthday celebration for Lesley Cooper on April 23.

Stuchbery Elementary
Best wishes for a great birthday April 23 are sent to Charyl Lyons.

Melillo Middle School
Patty Gordon marks a birthday April 19. Send a birthday greeting April 24 to Nicole Ram.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
A party is in order April 18 for Rosalind

Dozier and Tyler Prestridge. Jennifer Teichelman celebrates a birthday April 19. April 21 marks a special birthday for William Anders. Send a birthday greeting April 24 to Criselda Bocanegra.

Thompson Intermediate
Light the candles April 19 on a double-layer cake for Christine Veltman and Kandace McMullin. Best wishes are sent April 21 to Daniel Birch-Merillas and Grace Garcia.

Dobie High
Christine Kerr enjoys a special birthday April 18. Send a birthday greeting April 19 to Christine Gomez and Carey Sink. April 22 is a day of celebration for Michael Taylor. Nataly Gonzalez-Hernandez and Tiffany Lambert enjoy a birthday on April 23. Blow out the birthday candles April 24 for Lynn Capell.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
The Leader sends happy birthday wishes to friends who enjoy a birthday:

Thursday, April 18: Deadra Lozano, Carla Rackley, Lydia Sonier, Allison Rogers and Tchad Taormina; Friday, April 19: Greg Bartlett, Tiffany LeCompte, Tre McCrummen, Marisa Ramirez and Kristen Brockman; Saturday, April 20: Sandra Teng, Andy Crawford and Shelly Nails; Sunday, April 21: Michael Barlow and Carol Talbot; Monday, April 22: Barbara Eikenburg, Sandy Young, Jenny Nguyen and Dawne Goforth; Tuesday, April 23: Lewis Reyna, Mandy Lewis and Ashley Coppens; and Wednesday, April 24: Dakota Golightly, Charles Chassay, Theresa Flower, Lisa Castellano and Claudia Espinoza.

LEADER WANTS YOU IN THE NEWS
Email announcements to mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Benson achieves perfect ACT score



Carly Benson

By Jade Wise
Carly Benson, a junior at Pasadena Memorial High School, earned the highest possible score of 36 on the ACT test, just a few weeks after only missing one question on the SAT test.

With only around two-tenths of 1 percent of students who take the ACT earning a top score, Benson joins a prestigious group of students. According to the ACT organization, in the U.S. high school graduating class of 2018, only 3,741 out of more than 1.9 million graduates who took the ACT earned a top composite score of 36.

"I'm very excited about it," said Benson. "I feel that it's a culmination of all my hard work paying off. Even before I started preparing for the ACT, I've been working very hard in school and this was just validation for me."

The ACT consists of tests in English, mathematics, reading and science, each scored on a scale of 1-36. A student's composite score is the average of the four test scores. The score for ACT's optional writing test is reported separately and is not included within the ACT composite score.

Benson estimates that she studied for the test for approximately 15 to 20 hours in preparation for the test.

"Going into the test, I was a little nervous but I also felt calm because I knew that I had prepared and was just focused on doing my best," said Benson. "I definitely exceeded my expectations."

Benson said that in her practice tests, she came

across a math question that she had not yet learned in class, so she approached Lana Finnen, her pre-AP pre-calculus teacher, for help.

"Carly is a fabulous young lady who is naturally very intelligent and has an amazing work ethic," said Finnen. "The question she asked me about was actually something we were going to work on the week following her testing date. I printed her off some reference sheets and gave her a quick crash-course so she could understand the concepts and fundamentals to be prepared."

Benson said that she is appreciative of teachers at the school, like Finnen, who go the extra mile to help students be successful.

"I feel that Pasadena Memorial has given me a lot of opportunities to be successful with things like offering the SAT test on campus and having teachers that are willing to go above and beyond to help - even though they don't have to."

Just a junior, Benson has not made a decision on her college destination yet, but she will likely have many open doors as ACT scores are accepted by all major four-year colleges and universities across the United States.

ACT's CEO Marten Rororda stated to Benson in a letter recognizing her exceptional achievement, "Your achievement on the ACT is significant and rare. Your exceptional scores will provide any college or university with ample evidence of your readiness for the academic rigors that lie ahead."

Jessup honors students with Early Act First Knight Virtue



Jessup Elementary awarded students with the Early Act First Knight Virtue of Respect on April 3. Shown above with their certificates are, left to right, (front row) Jesus Hernandez, Yetzeli Morales, Marquis Hall, Ariana Monette, Leila Mejia Santos, Jessica Hoang, (back row) Lady Charnell, William Perez, Ismael Ibarra, Ariel Lopez, Joseph Velarde, Johan Rojas and Gabriella Pritchett. Shown below are, left to right, (front row) Mario Canales Lainz, Sophia Torres, Adriel Sandoval, Jesus Molina, Maybelline Mata Hernandez, Leandro Estrella, (middle row) Kaylee Arriaga, Scarlett Rodriguez, Briana Dejean, Lily Enciso, Sophie Labra, Miguel Labra, Lady Charnell, (back row) Mia Izquierdo, Azul Serrato, Honesty Roel, Nataly Torres, Esther Par, Ivan Sanchez and Marquis Ford.



Remember When

40 years ago (1979)
A person or persons unknown broke into Cokesbury United Methodist Church and attempted to set the carpet near the altar on fire. Little damage was actually done.

The Dobie junior varsity track squad came in third place in the 10-team Dobie Invitational Track Meet held at Dobie High School.

35 years ago (1984)
Pasadena Independent School District released the results of data on SAT scores for the first time.

An avowed devil worshiper who lived in Wood Meadow was charged with attempted capital murder after a Friday the 13th attempt on the life of the manager of the McDonald's on Scarsdale.

30 years ago (1989)
Independent lab analysis of tar and dirt samples from the Dixie Oil Processors (DOP) Superfund Site revealed no dangerously toxic materials existed at the site.

Former football star of the 1970s, Pittsburgh Steeler running back Franco Harris, made a special appearance at Thompson Intermediate School.

25 years ago (1994)
Some city funds and a lot of energetic local residents combined to create a new ball field large enough for teenage boys to play baseball at Beverly Hills Park.

20 years ago (1999)
All six competing J. Frank Dobie High School choirs came home with awards from the UIL Concert and Sight-Reading Contest. The Concert Chorale earned a first-division rating in sight-reading, while Concert Men, Concert Women, JFD Chamber, JFD Men and JFD Women each came home with sweepstakes awards.

The third annual South Belt Spectacular BBQ Cook-off and family day was held at El Franco Lee Park. Twenty-four teams took part in the competition which had become a regular annual event for the South Belt community.

Commerce. The chamber of commerce began its "Shop South Belt 1st" campaign at a function at The Gardens.

U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay spoke about the Medicare Prescription Drug bill at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital.

10 years ago (2009)
Heavy rainfall struck the South Belt area hard, killing one and leaving dozens of others stranded in their vehicles.

Longtime South Belt resident Jose Luis Moreno died of an apparent drowning while trying to walk home from the flooded intersection of Beamer and Beltway 8. Moreno, 47, phoned his wife, Azucena, at roughly 5 p.m. from the McDonald's at the aforementioned intersection to notify her he would be late coming home from work due to high water. It was the last time he spoke with her, as his body was found at approximately 10 a.m. the following day floating in the bayou behind the 11400 block of Newton.

A white, wooden cross was placed where Moreno was found in his remembrance. The storm caused the chapel at St. Luke's church to flood with 6 to 8 inches of rain, causing the cancellation of Saturday's evening Mass. The church reopened Sunday, however, with Mass being

held in the parish's social hall. A large portion of the gym roof at Beverly Hills Intermediate collapsed during the storm due to the weight of rainwater. The remainder of the school was not affected, and classes resumed Monday as scheduled.

The annual South Belt Spectacular Cookoff at Tom Bass Park went on as scheduled despite the heavy rain. Organizers, however, were forced to cancel the event's silent auction and liquor raffle, as well as postpone the awards ceremony.

While previous storms had produced more overall rainfall, many residents told the Leader staff the downpour produced the highest water levels they had experienced in the area's history due to the storm's short duration. The Harris County Office of Emergency Management reported more than 9 inches of rainfall in the South Belt area.

Independent School District championships over a career that spanned three decades.

1 year ago (2018)
Charges were filed against a suspect wanted for fatally shooting his ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend outside the AMC movie theater at Beltway 8 and the Gulf Freeway on Saturday, April 14. The suspect, Adrian Mondragon, 22, was charged with murder in the 178th State District Court. According to police, the incident took place around 9:20 p.m., as Mondragon's ex-girlfriend and the victim were leaving AMC. Armed with a rifle, Mondragon reportedly confronted the couple, then fired a single shot, striking the victim in the chest. He was pronounced dead at the scene. While charges have been filed against Mondragon, he remained at large at press time.

An armed home invasion took place Thursday, April 11, in the 3100 block of Yost. According to police, the incident took place around 7 a.m. when the four men, wearing dark-colored hooded sweat-shirts and masks, forced their way into the house and robbed the residents at gunpoint. The suspects fled the scene in the residents' blue Mercedes-Benz C300, which was later recovered nearby. No immediate arrests were made.

5 years ago (2014)
Former Harris County Precinct 2 Sgt. Mike Kritzler was promoted to the rank of lieutenant for the local constable patrol. Former Precinct 2 Cpl. Robert Sanchez will replace Kritzler as sergeant.

Former longtime Thompson Intermediate head football coach Oakley Davidson died at the age of 78. Davidson won numerous Pasadena

Durham Park Community Garage Sale

Saturday, April 27, 2019
8:00 am - 2:00 pm
Rain or Shine



Garage Sale Sat, April 20 8am - 2pm

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Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District Election Notice

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO THE DULY QUALIFIED RESIDENT ELECTORS OF CLEAR BROOK CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT AND TO ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in and for Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District (the "district") between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 4, 2019 (the "Election Day"), at the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District Administration Building: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089.

Early voting in such election by personal appearance shall be conducted April 22-26, 2019 and April 29-30, 2019 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District Administration Building: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089.

1. BOND ELECTION.

An election shall be held to authorize the Board of Directors of the District to issue its bonds up to the amounts and for the purposes set out in the following propositions and to provide payment of any such bonds as set out in the propositions.

PROPOSITION A

Shall the board of directors (the "board") of Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District (the "district") be authorized to issue the bonds of the district, maturing serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed 40 years from their date or dates, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum authorized by law at the time such bonds are issued (in whole or any part thereof), all as may be determined by the board, in the maximum amount of \$45,500,000, which amount is in addition to the amount of bonds previously authorized, for the purpose or purposes of purchasing, constructing, acquiring, owning, maintaining, operating, repairing, improving, extending, or paying for any and all district works, improvements, facilities, plants, equipment, and appliances needed to provide waterworks systems, sanitary sewer systems, and drainage, as well as all expenses in any manner incidental thereto (the currently intended projects being described in the engineer's report filed in the office of the district); and in an amount not in excess of one and one-half times the amount maximum of indebtedness previously issued by the district for the purpose of refunding any bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the district for any of the foregoing purposes; and shall the board be authorized to provide for the payment of the principal of and the interest and redemption price on all of such bonds by the levy and collection annually of a sufficient tax upon all taxable property within the district, as authorized by the constitution and laws of the state of Texas, including particularly (but not by way of limitation) chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas water code, together with all amendments and additions thereto?

PROPOSITION B

Shall the board of directors (the "board") of Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District (the "district") be authorized to issue the bonds of the district, maturing serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed 40 years from their date or dates, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum authorized by law at the time such bonds are issued (in whole or any part thereof), all as may be determined by the board, in the maximum amount of \$2,900,000, which amount is in addition to the amount of bonds previously authorized, for the purposes of constructing, improving, and equipping a fire station, facilities, equipment, and acquiring land and interest in property to do so, as well as all expenses in any manner incidental thereto (the currently intended projects being described in the engineer's report filed in the office of the district); and in an amount not in excess of one and one-half times the amount maximum of indebtedness previously issued by the district for the purpose of refunding any bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the district for any of the foregoing purposes; and shall the board be authorized to provide for the payment of the principal of and the interest and redemption price on all of such bonds by the levy and collection annually of a sufficient tax upon all taxable property within the district, as authorized by the constitution and laws of the state of Texas, including particularly (but not by way of limitation) chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas water code, together with all amendments and additions thereto?

The estimated cost of constructing and/or acquiring the above-described improvements and incidental expenses are as follows:

Water, Sewer, and Drainage Construction Costs

Table with 2 columns: Item, District Share. Includes Water Re-Pressurization Plant (\$3,597,400), Water Plant No. 3 Improvements (\$1,387,700), Interconnect of District Water Planes (\$685,000), Radio Water Meters (\$1,797,600), Regional Life Station (\$955,360), Lift Station Odor Control Facilities (\$98,280), District Maintained Storm Sewer Outfalls (\$172,240), Administration Building Generator (\$15,880), Water Plants' Rehab and Maintenance (\$791,700), Offsite Utility Extensions (\$1,000,000), Life Station Rehabilitation/Maintenance Items Until 2030 (\$7,496,058), Water Distribution System Rehabilitation/Replacement (\$6,990,406), Storm Water Quality Features Replacement (\$333,000), Land Acquisition Costs (Water Pressurization Station, Regional Life Station, and Offsite Easements) (\$250,000).

Capital Improvements Projects

Table with 2 columns: Item, District Share. Includes Water Re-Pressurization Plant (\$3,597,400), Water Plant No. 3 Improvements (\$1,387,700), Interconnect of District Water Planes (\$685,000), Radio Water Meters (\$1,797,600), Regional Life Station (\$955,360), Lift Station Odor Control Facilities (\$98,280), District Maintained Storm Sewer Outfalls (\$172,240), Administration Building Generator (\$15,880), Water Plants' Rehab and Maintenance (\$791,700), Offsite Utility Extensions (\$1,000,000), Life Station Rehabilitation/Maintenance Items Until 2030 (\$7,496,058), Water Distribution System Rehabilitation/Replacement (\$6,990,406), Storm Water Quality Features Replacement (\$333,000), Land Acquisition Costs (Water Pressurization Station, Regional Life Station, and Offsite Easements) (\$250,000).

B. Development Projects - District Share

Table with 2 columns: Item, District Share. Includes Al-Lum 40 acres (\$4,000,000), 135-Acre Beamer Tract (\$9,000,000).

Table with 2 columns: Item, District Share. Includes Legal Fees (2%) (\$910,000), Financial Advisor Fees (2%) (\$910,000), Developer Interest (2 years at 6%) (-), Capitalized Interest (1 year at 6%) (\$2,730,000), Bond Discount (3%) (\$1,365,000), Administration, Organization, Creation and Issuance Fees & Expenses (\$240,000), TCEQ Bond Issuance Fee (0.25%) (\$113,750), Bond Application Report Costs (\$302,626), Attorney General Bond Fee (0.1%) (\$45,500).

TOTAL NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Total Non-Construction Costs (\$6,616,876), Total Bond Issue Requirement (\$45,500,000).

Fire Protection Construction Costs

Table with 2 columns: Item, District Share. Includes Fire Station within Ashley Pointe Subdivision (\$450,000), Ladder Truck and Related Equipment (\$1,450,000), Pumper Truck and related Equipment (\$550,000), Fire Protection Project Total (\$2,450,000).

B. Non-construction Costs

Table with 2 columns: Item, District Share. Includes Legal Fees (2%) (\$58,000), Financial Advisor Fees (2%) (\$58,000), Developer Interest (2 years @ 6%) (-), Capitalized Interest (1 year @ 6%) (\$174,000), Bond Discount (3%) (\$87,000), Administration, Organization, Creation and Issuance Fees & Expenses (\$36,600), TCEQ Bond Issuance Fee (0.25%) (\$7,250), Bond Application Report Costs (\$26,250), Attorney General Bond Fee (0.1%) (\$2,900).

TOTAL NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Total Non-Construction Costs (\$2,900,000), Total Bond Issue Requirement (\$450,000).

2. PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION.

On Election Day, the polls shall be open between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District Administration Building: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089.

Early voters may vote at the Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District Administration Building: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089 from April 22-26, 2019 and April 29-30, 2019 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The Early Voting Clerk and Deputy Early Voting Clerks shall be designated by Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District. Applications for early voting ballots may be directed to the Election Agent, Shailla Sreedharan, 1301 McKinney, Suite 5100, Houston, Texas 77010, no later than close of business on April 23, 2019.

All resident, qualified voters of the District shall be permitted to vote at the election, and on Election Day, such voters shall vote at the designated polling place. The election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, except as modified by the provisions of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and as may be required by law.

3. FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS.

As required by and in accordance with Texas Election Code section 3.009(b)(5) and (7) through (9), the District, as of its fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019, had outstanding an aggregate principal amount of debt equal to \$70,150,000; the aggregate amount of the interest owed on such District debt obligations, through respective maturity, totaled \$25,275,000; and the District levied an ad valorem debt service tax rate for its outstanding debt obligations of \$0.58 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. The District estimates an ad valorem debt service tax rate of \$0.58 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation if the bonds that are the subject of the Election are approved and are issued (taking into account the outstanding District bonds and bonds that are the subject of this Election, but not future bond authorizations of the District). The bonds that are the subject of this Election shall mature serially or otherwise over a specified number of years (but not more than 40 years from their date), as prescribed by applicable Texas law, though the District estimates that, based on current bond market conditions, such bonds will amortize over a 30-year period from their respective date of issue. The foregoing estimated tax rate and amortization period are only estimates, provided for Texas statutory compliance, and do not serve as a cap on any District ad valorem tax rate or the amortization period for bonds that are the subject of this Election.

AVISO DE ELECCIÓN A LOS VOTANTES DEBIDAMENTE HABILITADOS, RESIDENTES DEL DISTRITO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS MUNICIPALES DE LA CIUDAD DE CLEAR BROOK Y A TODAS LAS DEMÁS PERSONAS INTERESADAS:

Por medio del presente, se informa que se celebrará una elección en el Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook (el "Distrito") y para este de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. el 4 de mayo de 2019 (el "Día de Elección") en el Edificio de Administración del Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089.

La votación anticipada en persona en dicha elección se realizará del 22 al 26 de abril de 2019 y el 29 y 30 de abril de 2019, en el horario de 11:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. en el Edificio de Administración del Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089. Se celebrará una elección de bonos para autorizar a la Junta Directiva del Distrito a emitir sus bonos hasta las cantidades establecidas y para los propósitos indicados en las siguientes proposiciones y proporcionar el pago de dichos bonos de la manera establecida en las proposiciones.

PROPOSICIÓN A

¿Se deberá autorizar a la junta directiva (la "junta") del distrito de servicios públicos municipales de la ciudad de clear brook (el "distrito") a emitir los bonos del distrito, para que venzan en forma serial o de otra manera en un período que no exceda 40 años a partir de su fecha o fechas, devenguen interés a una tasa que no exceda el máximo autorizado por la ley al momento de la emisión de dichos bonos (en su totalidad o una parte de estos), todo según lo determine la junta, en la cantidad máxima de \$45,500,000, cantidad que es adicional a la cantidad de bonos previamente autorizados, con el propósito o los propósitos de comprar, construir, adquirir, tener propiedad, mantener, operar, reparar, mejorar, extender o pagar todas y cada una de las obras, las mejoras, las instalaciones, las plantas, el equipo y los aparatos del distrito necesarios para proporcionar sistemas de abastecimiento de agua, sistemas de alcantarillado sanitario y de drenaje, así como todos los gastos de alguna manera incidentales a esto (los proyectos propuestos actualmente se describen en el informe de ingeniería archivado en la oficina del distrito); y en una cantidad que no exceda una vez y media la máxima cantidad de la deuda previamente emitida por el distrito para el propósito de rembolsar cualesquier bonos u otras evidencias de deuda emitida por el distrito para cualesquiera de los propósitos anteriores; y se deberá autorizar a la junta para que proporcione el pago del capital y del interés y el precio para amortizar dichos bonos mediante la imposición y recaudación anual de un impuesto suficiente sobre toda propiedad gravable en el distrito, según lo autorizado por la constitución y las leyes del estado de Texas, incluyendo particularmente (pero no a manera de limitación) los capítulos 49 y 54 del código de agua de Texas, junto con todas las modificaciones y adiciones a este?

PROPOSICIÓN B

¿Se deberá autorizar a la junta directiva (la "junta") del distrito de servicios públicos municipales de la ciudad de clear brook (el "distrito") a emitir los bonos del distrito, para que venzan en forma serial o de otra manera en un período que no exceda 40 años a partir de su fecha o fechas, devenguen interés a una tasa que no exceda el máximo autorizado por la ley al momento de la emisión de dichos bonos (en su totalidad o una parte de estos), todo según lo determine la junta, en la cantidad máxima de \$2,900,000, cantidad que es adicional a la cantidad de bonos previamente autorizados, con el propósito de construir, mejorar y equipar una estación de bomberos, las instalaciones, los equipos y adquirir terrenos e intereses sobre la propiedad para hacerlo, así como todos los gastos de alguna manera incidentales a esto (los proyectos propuestos actualmente se describen en el informe de ingeniería archivado en la oficina del distrito); y en una cantidad que no exceda una vez y media la máxima cantidad de la deuda previamente emitida por el distrito para el propósito de rembolsar cualesquier bonos u otras evidencias de deuda emitida por el distrito para cualesquiera de los propósitos anteriores; y se deberá autorizar a la junta para que proporcione el pago del capital y del interés y el precio para amortizar dichos bonos mediante la imposición y recaudación anual de un impuesto suficiente sobre toda propiedad gravable en el distrito, según lo autorizado por la constitución y las leyes del estado de Texas, incluyendo particularmente (pero no a manera de limitación) los capítulos 49 y 54 del código de agua de Texas, junto con todas las modificaciones y adiciones a este?

El costo estimado de construir y/o adquirir las mejoras descritas anteriormente y los gastos incidentales son los siguientes: Costos de construcción de los sistemas de agua, alcantarillado y drenaje

A. Proyectos de mejora de infraestructura Parte del Distrito

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Planta de represurización de agua (\$3,597,400), Mejoras a la planta de agua Nro. 3 (\$1,387,700), Interconexión de los planos de flotación del Distrito (\$685,000), Medidores de agua vía radio (\$1,797,600), Estación de vida regional \$955,360, Instalaciones de control de olor de la estación de bombeo \$98,280, Desechos de agua de tormenta mantenidos por el Distrito \$172,240, Generador del edificio administrativo \$15,880, Rehabilitación y mantenimiento de las plantas de agua \$791,700, Extensiones de servicios públicos fuera del predio \$1,000,000, Rehabilitación de la estación de bombeo/Artículos de mantenimiento hasta 2030 \$7,496,058, Rehabilitación/Reemplazo del sistema de distribución de agua \$6,990,406, Revestimiento de la línea de distribución de agua \$312,000, Reemplazo de los elementos de calidad del sistema para agua de tormenta \$333,000, Costos de adquisición de terrenos (estación de presurización de agua, estación de vida regional y servidumbres fuera del predio) \$250,000.

B. Proyectos de urbanización Parte del Distrito

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes 40 acres de Al-Lum (\$4,000,000), Tramo de Beamer de 135 acres (\$9,000,000).

TOTAL DE LOS PROYECTOS DE URBANIZACIÓN:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Total de los proyectos de urbanización (\$13,000,000), Costos de Construcción Totales (\$38,883,124).

C. Costos ajenos a la construcción

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Parte del Distrito: Honorarios legales (2%) (\$910,000), Honorarios del asesor financiero (2%) (\$910,000), Interés del urbanizador (2 años al 6%) (-), Interés capitalizado (1 año al 6%) (\$2,730,000), Descuento de bonos (3%) (\$1,365,000), Cargos y gastos administrativos, de organización, creación y emisión (\$240,000), Cargo de emisión de bonos (\$302,626).

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes de la TCEQ (0.25%) (\$113,750), Costos del informe de solicitud de bonos (\$302,626), Cargo del Procurador General por los bonos (0.1%) (\$45,500), TOTAL DE COSTOS AJENOS A LA CONSTRUCCIÓN (\$6,616,876), REQUISITO TOTAL DE EMISIÓN DE BONOS (\$45,500,000), Los costos estimados antes mencionados son los siguientes: Costos de construcción de la protección contra incendios: A. Proyectos de protección contra incendios Parte del Distrito: Estación de bomberos en la subdivisión de Ashley Pointe (\$450,000), Camión escalera y equipo relacionado (\$1,450,000), Camión autobomba y equipo relacionado (\$550,000).

Total de los proyectos de protección contra incendios:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Total de los proyectos de protección contra incendios (\$2,450,000), B. Costos ajenos a la construcción Parte del Distrito: Honorarios legales (2%) (\$58,000), Honorarios del asesor financiero (2%) (\$58,000), Interés del constructor (2 años al 6%) (-), Interés capitalizado (1 año al 6%) (\$174,000), Descuento de bonos (3%) (\$87,000), Cargos y gastos administrativos, de organización, creación y emisión (\$36,600).

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Cargo de emisión de bonos de la TCEQ (0.25%) (\$7,250), Costos del informe de solicitud de bonos (\$26,250), Cargo del Procurador General por los bonos (0.1%) (\$2,900), TOTAL DE COSTOS AJENOS A LA CONSTRUCCIÓN (\$450,000), REQUISITO TOTAL DE EMISIÓN DE BONOS (\$2,900,000).

2. PROCEDIMIENTOS DE LA ELECCIÓN.

El Día de Elección, las casillas electorales estarán abiertas de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. en el Edificio de Administración del Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089.

Quienes voten por anticipado pueden hacerlo en el Edificio de Administración del Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089 del 22 al 26 de abril de 2019 y el 29 y 30 de abril de 2019, en el horario de 11:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. El Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook designará al Oficial de la Votación Anticipada y a los Oficiales Asistentes de Votación Anticipada. Las solicitudes de boletas de votación anticipada pueden dirigirse a la Agente Electoral, Shailla Sreedharan, 1301 McKinney, Suite 5100, Houston, Texas 77010, antes del cierre de actividades del 23 de abril de 2019.

Todos los votantes habilitados residentes del Distrito tendrán permitido votar en la elección y, el Día de Elección, dichos votantes votarán en el lugar de votación designado. La elección se realizará y celebrará en conformidad con las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas y sus enmiendas, salvo lo modificado por las disposiciones del Código de Agua de Texas y sus enmiendas, y como pueda ser requerido por ley.

3. REQUISITOS FINANCIEROS.

Tal como lo requieren y de acuerdo con las secciones 3.009(b)(5) y (7) hasta la (9) del Código Electoral de Texas, el Distrito, al inicio de su año fiscal que comenzó el 1 de enero de 2019, tenía pendiente una cantidad de capital total de deuda igual a \$70,150,000; la cantidad total del interés adeudado sobre dichas obligaciones de deuda del Distrito, hasta el vencimiento respectivo, sumó \$25,275,000; y el Distrito gravó una tasa del impuesto ad valorem para el servicio de la deuda para sus obligaciones de deuda pendientes de \$0.58 por cada \$100 de tasación gravable. El Distrito estima una tasa de impuesto ad valorem para el servicio de la deuda de \$0.58 por cada \$100 de tasación gravable si los bonos que son el objeto de la Elección se aprueban y se emiten (teniendo en cuenta los bonos pendientes del Distrito y los bonos que son el objeto de esta Elección, pero no las autorizaciones de futuros bonos del Distrito). Los bonos que son el objeto de esta Elección vencerán en serie o de otra forma en una cantidad especificada de años (pero no más de 40 años a partir de sus fechas), según lo prescrito por la ley pertinente de Texas, aunque el Distrito calcula que, sobre la base de las condiciones actuales del mercado de bonos, dichos bonos se amortizarán en un periodo de 30 años a partir de su respectiva fecha de emisión. La tasa de impuesto estimada y el período de amortización mencionados son solo estimaciones que se proporcionan para el cumplimiento normativo de Texas y no funcionan como límite para cualquier tasa de impuestos ad valorem del Distrito o para el período de amortización para los bonos que son el objeto de esta Elección.

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Por medio del presente, se informa que se celebrará una elección en el Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook (el "Distrito") y para este de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. el 4 de mayo de 2019 (el "Día de Elección") en el Edificio de Administración del Distrito de Servicios Públicos Municipales de la Ciudad de Clear Brook: 11911 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089. Se celebrará una elección de bonos para autorizar a la Junta Directiva del Distrito a emitir sus bonos hasta las cantidades establecidas y para los propósitos indicados en las siguientes proposiciones y proporcionar el pago de dichos bonos de la manera establecida en las proposiciones.

PROPOSICIÓN A

¿Se deberá autorizar a la junta directiva (la "junta") del distrito de servicios públicos municipales de la ciudad de clear brook (el "distrito") a emitir los bonos del distrito, para que venzan en forma serial o de otra manera en un período que no exceda 40 años a partir de su fecha o fechas, devenguen interés a una tasa que no exceda el máximo autorizado por la ley al momento de la emisión de dichos bonos (en su totalidad o una parte de estos), todo según lo determine la junta, en la cantidad máxima de \$45,500,000, cantidad que es adicional a la cantidad de bonos previamente autorizados, con el propósito o los propósitos de comprar, construir, adquirir, tener propiedad, mantener, operar, reparar, mejorar, extender o pagar todas y cada una de las obras, las mejoras, las instalaciones, las plantas, el equipo y los aparatos del distrito necesarios para proporcionar sistemas de abastecimiento de agua, sistemas de alcantarillado sanitario y de drenaje, así como todos los gastos de alguna manera incidentales a esto (los proyectos propuestos actualmente se describen en el informe de ingeniería archivado en la oficina del distrito); y en una cantidad que no exceda una vez y media la máxima cantidad de la deuda previamente emitida por el distrito para el propósito de rembolsar cualesquier bonos u otras evidencias de deuda emitida por el distrito para cualesquiera de los propósitos anteriores; y se deberá autorizar a la junta para que proporcione el pago del capital y del interés y el precio para amortizar dichos bonos mediante la imposición y recaudación anual de un impuesto suficiente sobre toda propiedad gravable en el distrito, según lo autorizado por la constitución y las leyes del estado de Texas, incluyendo particularmente (pero no a manera de limitación) los capítulos 49 y 54 del código de agua de Texas, junto con todas las modificaciones y adiciones a este?

¿Se deberá autorizar a la junta directiva (la "junta") del distrito de servicios públicos municipales de la ciudad de clear brook (el "distrito") a emitir los bonos del distrito, para que venzan en forma serial o de otra manera en un período que no exceda 40 años a partir de su fecha o fechas, devenguen interés a una tasa que no exceda el máximo autorizado por la ley al momento de la emisión de dichos bonos (en su totalidad o una parte de estos), todo según lo determine la junta, en la cantidad máxima de \$45,500,000, cantidad que es adicional a la cantidad de bonos previamente autorizados, con el propósito o los propósitos de comprar, construir, adquirir, tener propiedad, mantener, operar, reparar, mejorar, extender o pagar todas y cada una de las obras, las mejoras, las instalaciones, las plantas, el equipo y los aparatos del distrito necesarios para proporcionar sistemas de abastecimiento de agua, sistemas de alcantarillado sanitario y de drenaje, así como todos los gastos de alguna manera incidentales a esto (los proyectos propuestos actualmente se describen en el informe de ingeniería archivado en la oficina del distrito); y en una cantidad que no exceda una vez y media la máxima cantidad de la deuda previamente emitida por el distrito para el propósito de rembolsar cualesquier bonos u otras evidencias de deuda emitida por el distrito para cualesquiera de los propósitos anteriores; y se deberá autorizar a la junta para que proporcione el pago del capital y del interés y el precio para amortizar dichos bonos mediante la imposición y recaudación anual de un impuesto suficiente sobre toda propiedad gravable en el distrito, según lo autorizado por la constitución y las leyes del estado de Texas, incluyendo particularmente (pero no a manera de limitación) los capítulos 49 y 54 del código de agua de Texas, junto con todas las modificaciones y adiciones a este?

PROPOSICIÓN B

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Scott Bowen

CCISD At-Large Position B



NAME: Scott Bowen

AGE: 28

OCCUPATION: Chemical Engineer

EDUCATION: Rice University MBA, Texas A&M University (BS in Chemical Engineering), Clear Lake High School Class of '08

MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Single

How long have you lived in the school district? (20 words or less)

Since 1993, except when I was at Texas A&M.

Do you have any children who have attended Clear Creek ISD schools? (50 words or less)

No, but I am the oldest of 6 children in my family who all attended CCISD schools.

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)

I want to ensure the district continues to be managed well, is responsive to parents' concerns, maintains its standard of academic excellence, is fiscally responsible and keeps property taxes as low as possible, and by doing all of the above, make sure it continues to be attractive to people who want to live here and grow our community.

Do you have any experience in the field of education? (50 words or less)

Not as an instructor or an administrator, but I have been a student in CCISD schools for nearly half of my life.

What makes you qualified to hold this position? (100 words or less)

There is a ton of information available about how the district is performing, and my engineering and business background gives me the skill set to analyze and interpret it. Since I graduated from CCISD recently, I have a fresh perspective for what it was like to be in a modern public school--nobody else can bring that experience directly to the board. I'm not afraid to ask questions or to exercise oversight where it's needed.

Why should people vote for you over your opponent(s)? (100 words or less)

My opponent has voted for every single thing presented to her for the last several years. Cooperation is important, but the school board cannot be a rubber stamp--it is there to exercise a vital oversight role on behalf of the community and parents. I will approach my job humbly and respectfully, eager to learn and to broaden my perspective, but at the same time, I will never forget that my job is to express the will of parents and taxpayers to district administrators, not the other way around.

Have you ever attended a Clear Creek ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)

I've attended three meetings in person, and watched the video recordings of several more.

Do you have any community service in the district?

(50 words or less)

Often, when I'm able or asked, and I also sometimes volunteer for organizations in the greater Houston area.

Are you for or against a later start time? Explain why. (100 words or less)

Existing studies seem conclusive about the fact that teenage students would benefit mentally from later start times. Before enacting that as a policy, I'd want to be sure that students and parents were supportive of the change, and I would want to see what the effects would be on other school start times, bus schedules, etc. With these sorts of major changes, the devil is always in the details--that's why it is important to have board members who are unafraid to dig into new proposals and ask hard questions.

What issues would you address if elected? (100 words or less)

In addition to my listed priorities, I've heard from a lot of parents who are concerned about standards-based grading in elementary schools (which eliminates the normal A-F grading system that we all grew up with). We need to be careful about sweeping changes to the way students are taught and evaluated, especially at young ages. Any changes we make should come from parents who ask for them, not be implemented first and explained to parents later. As a board member, I would tap the brakes on major changes that don't have parent support and advocate for traditional education.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

Our graduates. Every year, CCISD graduates seniors who will go on to successful careers and make an impact all over the world. It's because we have a standard of excellence that is unmatched among public schools, and at our best we have high expectations for everyone and encourage kids to reach their full potential from the very beginning.

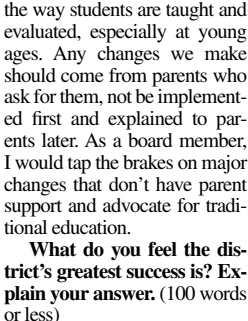
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AGE: 72

OCCUPATION: Retired Program Analyst, NASA Johnson Space Center

EDUCATION: BS Business Administration, UHCL

MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Divorced, two children

How long have you lived in the school district? (20 words or less)

I have lived in the Clear Creek ISD for 43 years.

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Yes, my daughter and son attended CCISD schools and graduated from Clear Lake High School.

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My daughter and son attended CCISD schools and graduated from Clear Lake High School. I have been an advocate for students through many years of PTA service and I am deeply invested in our CCISD Community.

Have you ever attended a Clear Creek ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)

I attended School Board meetings regularly for years before I ran for office in 2007 and have attended nearly all Board meetings for past 12 years since I was elected.

Do you have any community service in the district? (50 words or less)

I am a Board Member and volunteer in Assistance League of the Bay Area and Bay Area Alliance for Youth and Families, Communities in Schools Committee Member, Ex-officio Member of the Clear Creek Education Foundation, 30 years and still serving on PTA Board and active member of University Baptist Church.

(100 words or less)

I would continue to address Campus Safety and the implementation of the Safety Committee recommendations as well as the implementation of the recommendations from our Special Education audit. We have core value infused curriculum to teach students to be respectful of each other and want to continue to use curriculum like, "The Leader in Me," to address issues like bullying as part of an overall safe and civil campus atmosphere. While there are many choices in CCISD, want more career training opportunities offered as part of personalized learning.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

What makes CCISD great is in providing a wide range of outstanding educational opportunities so that every child can find, explore and achieve their hopes, dreams and aspirations. Everyone from a cafeteria worker to a principal cares for students and focuses on what is best for them. The board and district listen to the community and actively involve them in committees to ensure we are providing the community what they want and what is most important.

From building airplanes and robots to outstanding fine arts programs and athletics, every child has opportunity in CCISD to find their success story.

What do you feel the district's biggest problem is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

Misperception and Misunderstanding: A big problem is a misperception of the cost efficiency ratio. The District administrative cost ratio is extremely low at 4.45% and it has been below 5% since 2009, while TEA tends up to 8.85% an efficient ratio: The District is not top-heavy with "management." Another misunderstanding is that as property values rise, the increase in taxes also go to the school district, but until the Legislature changes the way it funds schools, that increase in taxes to school district has an equal reduction in funding from the state based on the per-pupil allocation.

What specific issues facing the South Belt area would you address if elected? (100 words or less)

I would continue to watch for the growth in the area to balance attendance areas and enrollment numbers. With community support, we have been able to open Roberts Middle School to relieve Melillo Middle School, we are in the process of building a larger Thompson Intermediate in the Riverstone Ranch neighborhood and we built Dobie 9, to help crowding at the Dobie Main Campus.

I would also continue to support the staffing, resources and programs that help our students succeed in this area.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

Our successes are MANY! Our academic performance has led to many accolades. Pasadena ISD is ranked #9 best city in the nation for high performance on the national EEI's list for academic performance among low-income students.

The district has been honored for our work in Advanced Placement, personalized learning, fiscal responsibility, and CTE to name a few. I am proud of the expansion of Full Day PK and the piloted 3 year old PK this year, Dual language, Early College High School, College and Career Planning, Fine Arts and athletics and continued focus on relationships and nurturing our students.

What do you feel the district's biggest problem is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

Unfortunately, Hurricane Harvey did more than just damage to our buildings. With so many homes destroyed in our area, enrollment was impacted in those hardest hit areas, which includes some South Belt schools.

We have worked to counter this with open enrollment, support of our McKinney-Vento to homeless students, and a continued focus on providing a well-rounded education for each child we serve. We continue to apply for grants and search for resources to support students and their families affected by Harvey.

We are hopeful the State Legislature will step up and address adequate school funding this session.

Dobie has approximately 1,000 more students than any of the district's other four

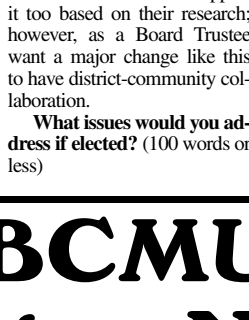
comprehensive high schools. If elected, what, if anything, would you do to address this enrollment inequality? (100 words or less)

With feedback from the community, the Board supported the Superintendent with the recommendation of construction of the Dobie 9 campus. The community made Dobie 9 a reality, with the passing of the 2014 bond election. Dobie 9 opened this past year and has been showing great promise in the areas of academics, attendance and overall student success.

Dobie Main Campus has less students than the largest comprehensive high school in the district, which is now Pasadena Memorial. We will continue to monitor and address enrollment, all while taking feedback from the communities that we serve.

Yen Rabe

Pasadena ISD, Position 7



NAME: Yen Rabe

AGE: 49

OCCUPATION: Teacher at Pasadena High School

EDUCATION: Bachelor's Degree- Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, Master's Degree- Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT

MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN: Married with 1 child

How long have you lived in the school district? (20 words or less)

15 years

Do you have any children who have attended Pasadena ISD schools? (50 words or less)

My daughter attended Frazer Elementary, Morris 5th grade Center, Melillo Middle, Thompson Junior High and graduated from Dobie High. I have a niece currently attending Melillo Middle.

Why are you running for this position? (100 words or less)

I am running for School Board Trustee because I would like to serve my community and be a part of the important policy making process that impacts not only our students but all taxpayers in the Pasadena ISD community. I see that it is necessary to have educators on the Board rather than just trustees with a business or community service background in order to put students' needs first.

Do you have any experience in the field of education? (50 words or less)

I have been a full time teacher for 14 years now. Before that I was a part-time substitute teacher for 8 years.

What makes you qualified to hold this position? (100 words or less)

My background in education provides first hand knowledge of students and teachers' needs. I also have a business background to understand the school funding issues.

Why should people vote for you over your opponent(s)? (100 words or less)

I have first hand experience in education where as my opponent does not. She has held the position for 33 years. It is time for a change. And I will provide new ideas and a fresh perspective to the position.

Have you ever attended a Pasadena ISD board meeting? If so, how many? (50 words or less)

Yes, I have attended several meetings. I have given 2 public comments at board meetings, one in the Spring

of 2007 and one in the Summer of 2015. For both times, no school board members reached out to me afterwards to talk. I had to reach out to them.

Do you have any direct ties to the South Belt community? (50 words or less)

I live in Clear Brook City MUD. The 3 positions up for election are at-large position so it is not fair that all of the candidates running for these positions have substantial ties to South Belt. The school district comprises also of South Houston and most of Pasadena.

Have you done any community service in the district? (50 words or less)

I am a member of Friends of the Library at Parker Williams Library, Houston Area Chapter Leader of Start School Later and I recycle paper, plastic, glass, etc at school and at home.

What do you feel the district's greatest success is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

The greatest success is providing many extracurricular activities like sports, Orchestra and Band for our students.

What do you feel the district's biggest problem is? Explain your answer. (100 words or less)

We expect so much from our hardworking students giving them many opportunities in their coursework (Early College, Dual Credit, AP credits), extracurricular activities, community service. And some students have jobs that end late. Yet we do not give them time to recuperate nor teach them healthy habits that they can use for the rest of their lives after graduation.

Dobie has approximately 1,000 more students than any of the district's other four comprehensive high schools. If elected, what, if anything, would you do to address this enrollment inequality? (100 words or less)

We should look at how we can solve this problem in enrollment in relation to the other 4 comprehensive high schools as well as at the Career and Technical High School. We have to look at why there is less enrollment in the other schools and address those issues.

(100 words or less)

I would continue to address Campus Safety and the implementation of the Safety Committee recommendations as well as the implementation of the recommendations from our Special Education audit. We have core value infused curriculum to teach students to be respectful of each other and want to continue to use curriculum like, "The Leader in Me," to address issues like bullying as part of an overall safe and civil campus atmosphere. While there are many choices in CCIS

SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

Longhorn baseball nears playoffs

A 10-0 win over South Houston has the Dobie varsity baseball team one win away from a playoff berth. Trouble is, the Longhorns just may have to win each of their three remaining games to avoid being seeded fourth. That seed would likely mean the Longhorns will face red-hot La Porte in the first round of the playoffs, something the locals won't shy away from but would likely prefer to avoid. The Longhorns have

done plenty of winning in district play this season, winning nine of 13 games to this point. Issue is, state-ranked Kingwood has been dominant, going 14-1 to this point with just one remaining league game coming. In fact, the Mustangs have secured the 22-6A championship. That leaves Atascocita currently second at 10-3, and the Eagles have three very winnable games coming, with one against Pasadena at Maguire Field April 18 followed

by a season-ending series against a 2-11 Humble squad. Summer Creek is tied with Dobie at 9-4, and will play a single game against Sam Rayburn (5-8) before finishing its regular season against South Houston (3-10). Dobie, now at 9-4 after Daniel Garza's brilliant pitching performance in a 10-0 win over South Houston April 16 at Dobie, will play at South Houston April 18 at 4 p.m., needing just one more victory to lock up a playoff berth.

In its final series of the season, Dobie will play at Memorial April 23 and then host the Mavericks (7-7) April 26. Like in the 22-6A varsity softball race, there are plenty of possibilities, with a play-in game for seeding certainly possible. One thing is for sure at this point, the Longhorns have taken care of their business in league play. **Needing a big win to Continued on Page 6B**

22-6A race one for the ages

The District 22-6A varsity softball race truly has been one for the ages as the regular-season finale comes April 18 - or does it? As Dobie prepares to take on rival Memorial at the Pasadena ISD Complex, almost anything can happen as the two teams are jockeying with Atascocita and Summer Creek for playoff seeding. A Dobie win will most likely hand the District 22-6A championship to Summer Creek and also force at least a two-team tie for second place in the

league. There could also be a three-way tie for that second spot. A Dobie loss, rather simply, will likely mean the Lady Longhorns will be seeded fourth in the postseason and would take on Deer Park in the bidistrict round. At this point, the Lady

Longhorns have held up their end of the bargain, taking down Sam Rayburn 10-0 April 12 and then delivering a 22-0 loss to South Houston April 16. Still, at 11-4 with one more district game left, the Lady Longhorns trail both **Continued on Page 6B**

Dobie staff offers annual physicals

The Dobie athletic training staff is encouraging any students planning on participating in athletics, band, JROTC, or dance and cheer next school year to take advantage of a great opportunity. Local physicians will be on site Wednesday, May 1, offering physicals for a prepaid price of \$20 each or \$25 each the day of the event. The physicals will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. on Dobie's main campus on Blackhawk, and freshmen coming from Dobie9 will have bus transportation available. In order to sign up and pay for the physicals, call Jesse Lopez at the main campus at 713-740-0370, ext. 0427 or Maria Rueda at 713-740-0370, ext. 04137. In order to be eligible to take part in any pre-season workout or practice as of the 2019-2020 school year, students must have an up-to-date physical on file at their campus.

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JFD spring football to kick off April 23

By John Bechtle Sports Editor
What a difference a year could make. At this time last year, Dobie varsity football head coach Kevin Berneathy was still learning the full names of his players, was hoping to fill coaching vacancies prior to the end of the school year and could have still been trying to decide the easiest commute to Dobie each day. There certainly was no need to consider taking part in spring football drills, so Berneathy instead opted to take advantage of the extra preseason

week allotted in August to programs that forgo action in the spring. Fast forward to now, and the Longhorns are just days away from the start of spring football workouts - April 23 to be exact. In all, the Longhorns will take part in 15 afternoon workouts, each currently set for 3 to 5 p.m. May 1 is reserved for the school's annual discount athletic physical **Continued on Page 6B**

At right, Dobie defensive back Johnathan Baldwin (left), shown forcing a turnover in 2018 against Pasadena running back Jacob Henriquez (9), returns to a defensive secondary that wound up being integral to the team's overall success. Baldwin, a junior-to-be, will join his teammates for the start of spring workouts April 23. Photo by David Flickinger



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JFD tracksters reach area championships



Dobie's 4x100 relay squad, from left, Keon Singleton, Michael Onozie, Keion Thompson and Rudshad Ball, took fourth in the event at the District 22-6A Championships at Turner Stadium in Humble. The top four finishers in each event at district

were invited to the 21/22-6A Area Championships April 17, after press time at Galena Park ISD Stadium. Dobie's qualifying time was 42.93 seconds in the event. For more on the 22-6A results, see Page 2B.

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LSA Pioneer track controls 7-5A event

Poised with a long history of success in the sport, it's no surprise to see the Lutheran South Academy track and field teams turning things up a notch or two at the right time. That's precisely what the Pioneers did, sweeping the boys' and girls' team crowns at the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools District 7-5A Championships April 10-11 at Fort Bend Christian Academy. Along the way, the Pioneers grabbed gold medals for district championships in the various events. In all, there were plenty of top-three medals to go around locally. LSA freshman Ayana

Smith was the star of the entire girls' field, bringing home gold medals in three different events, including the 100 and 200 dashes as well as the long jump. She was also a member of the school's 4x100 relay squad that won gold. Distance runner Noa Miller also came up big for the Pioneers, winning gold in the 800 and 1,600 runs. The fun for Smith started in the 100 dash as her time of 12.55 seconds easily won the event. Isla Dieter was third for a bronze medal at 13.69, and teammate Emily Adams was fourth in a time of 14.09. As for the 200, a time of 25.84 gave Smith the gold **Continued on Page 6B**

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At left, Dobie's 4x1 relay squad members, from left, Aajaylah Reed, Briana Haywood, Ambreon Jones and Rachel Smith will vie for a regional berth after finishing third at the District 22-6A championships to qualify.

At right, the Dobie boys' 4x2 relay squad including, from left, Keion Thompson, Michael Onozie, Bryce Shea and Keon Singleton, placed fourth at the District 22-6A Championships at Turner Stadium in Humble, clocking in at 1 minute, 32.62 seconds to qualify for the District 21/22-6A Area Championships, which were held April 17, after press time at Galena Park ISD Stadium. Area meet qualifiers will then go head-to-head at the Region III Championships April 26-27 at Clear Creek ISD's Challenger Columbia Stadium in Webster.



Atascocita sweeps District 22-6A track championships; JFD athletes advance

Host Atascocita wasn't very friendly at the District 22-6A Track and Field Championships, eventually claiming both team titles with impressive performances.

While the Humble ISD schools delivered the majority of the area round meet qualifiers, the Dobie squads did fare well, especially in the relays.

The District 21/22-6A Area Championships were subsequently held April 17, after press time at Galena Park ISD Stadium.

In the girls' division, Atascocita came up with 198 points to cruise to the team championship. Meanwhile, Atascocita was able to edge Sum-

mer Creek for the boys' title, earning 159 points for the team win, with the Bulldogs second with 157 points.

The Dobie girls scored 29 points to claim the fifth spot in the final standings. Sophomore Amari Singleton reached the next level in the 400 run after her time of 59.73 seconds

placed her fourth in the event. In the 4x100 relay, the Lady Longhorns were also area qualifiers, grabbing a bronze medal for third place in a time of 49.19. The Dobie foursome included Rachel Smith, Aajaylah Reed, Briana Haywood and Ambreon Jones. As for the Dobie boys,

Deon Brown advanced as he was fourth in the discus with a throw of 139 feet, 11 inches. The Longhorns also sent their 4x100 and 4x200 relay squads to areas after fourth-place finishes. The 4x1 group clocked in at 42.93 as Deon Singleton, Michael Onozie, Rushad Ball and Keion

Thompson made up the squad. With Singleton, Onozie, Thompson and Bryce Shea in the 4x2, the Longhorns took that fourth spot in a time of 1:30.72. Smith, a senior who will play volleyball collegiately, was sixth in the 100 dash with a time of 13.27.

Youths to be honored

Lajaunie tennis set for April 26-28

The 2019 Darren Lajaunie Memorial Tennis Tournament will return to the Harry Taylor Tennis Center in Pasadena April 26-28.

The DLTFSF will continue to award college scholarships to the seniors on the Dobie High School tennis team, in addition to qualifying members of the Harry Taylor Tennis Center.

The Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund volunteers are in the planning and sponsorship gathering stages for its eighth annual memorial tennis tournament.

Opening night special activities this year include HTTC hosting a complimentary cardio tennis clinic for adults, and a children's clinic full of fun tennis games for ages 12 and under. There will also be plenty of giveaway prizes.

Darren Lajaunie began his tennis career playing tennis at Dobie High School and graduated co-valedictorian in 1984. Members of the Dobie tennis team will be awarded entry fees to play in the tournament in his honor.

Tickets may be purchased at the HTTC or on the DLTFSF website. In May, the 2019 Dobie recipients will be awarded their scholarships at the school.

Entry fee for the tournament is \$35 for singles and \$22.50 per player for doubles. Players may also register at www.seteo.com.

The tournament will begin Saturday, April 27, at 8 a.m. and finish the next afternoon, with trophy presentations at the conclusion of each division of play.

Lajaunie Memorial Tennis
 Friday through Sunday, April 26-28
 Harry Taylor Tennis Center, Pasadena

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

The Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund website at www.DLTennisScholarships.com includes pictures from the 2018 tournament and information on this year's tournament, sponsorship opportunities, scholarships details and more.

Those who would like to donate may also do so on the website. The Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund is a nonprofit corporation, and all donations are tax-deductible.

Donations may now be made via the website with a credit card or one may mail a check or money order to: Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund, 3106 Mossy Elm Court, Houston, TX 77059, or contact Camille Lajaunie, committee chairperson at cjlajunie@gmail.com with any questions or for more information.

Opening ceremonies, including a scholarship awards dinner and silent auction, will be held Friday, April 26.

There will be several

PISD Hall of Fame welcomes Christmas-Kelly



Karima Christmas-Kelly (left), a 10-time letterwinner at Dobie High school and member of the school's 2003-2004 Region III varsity girls' basketball championship team, accepted her plaque commemorating her 2019 induction into the Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame April 13, at Phillips Field Houston. A Duke University women's basketball standout and subsequent graduate, Christmas-Kelly has enjoyed success profession-

ally both overseas and in the WNBA, where she is currently a member of the Minnesota Lynx. At right is Pasadena ISD assistant director of athletics Donna Branch, who as the former longtime varsity volleyball coach at Dobie actually welcomed Christmas-Kelly to Dobie in the summer of 2003 by placing her at the varsity level. Christmas-Kelly played volleyball for three seasons. See related Hall of Fame photo on Page 1A.

San Jacinto College softball now has won four straight

Michelle Kristoff earned a pair of wins as a starter and Meaghan Smith came on in relief for two more wins as the San Jacinto College softball team swept past Coastal Bend and Laredo on the road.

The wins were key for the locals, who are 11-7 in conference play and 28-23 overall, with the majority of the remainder on conference play coming at home.

In an 8-3 win over Coastal Bend, Kristoff allowed two earned runs over seven innings, striking out seven to get the win. Morgan Childs went 3

for 5 with two runs scored, and Ashley Ramber had two hits, scored a run and drove in another.

Lillie Grotenhuis had a hit and knocked in a pair of runs, and Kylee Hattton doubled and drove in two runs.

In a 6-0 shutout in the second game, Ariana Saenz was 3 for 4 and drove in five runs, and Samantha Martinez, Ramber and Tori Garcia all had two hits.

Smith went the final four innings, allowing four hits and no runs. San Jacinto then came up with a 3-1 win over Laredo as Kristoff tossed a solid game.

Childs was then 5 for 5 with three runs scored in the finale, a 9-5 San Jacinto College win.

Ashley Tran had three hits, scored a run and drove in two, and Martinez and Ramber both had a pair of hits in the win. Smith again came into the game in relief, going 4 2/3 innings for the win, allowing no earned runs during her outing in the contest.

Area sports news, notes

Rising Stars Track Club practicing, etc.

The Rising Stars Track Club, the area's longstanding youth track and field organization, is set to begin practices and registration at Dobie High School. Returning team members are encouraged to join workouts now through April, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the JFD track.

The team will also practice each Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. as well as each Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon until the season begins. Team officials will also accept registration each Saturday in conjunction with the practices. For more information, call head coach Ivory Kimble at 832-561-1248.

Pear Run to aid Pearland PD on May 11

The 2019 Pear Run will this year celebrate 15 years of police support, healthy living and exercise; and members of the jogging public are invited to get involved. Organized by the Pearland Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, the run through funds raised has previously assisted the Pearland Police Department, helping to purchase equipment, K-9 officer needs, officer memorials and more.

This year, the goal is to raise \$50,000 for a new mobile command center to be used in SWAT situations and at other large public events.

This planned command center will be state-of-the-art in technologies to keep citizens safe and assist with police activities. Participants are encouraged to register for the 10k or 5k Run, 5k Walk or the Kids Fun Run.

In addition, those who choose to be business sponsors for the event will have the opportunity to be seen by more than 1,000 potential customers. There are several sponsor levels to meet all budgets.

The Pear Run will be May 11, 2019, held at the Pearland Town Center Pavilion, 11200 W. Broadway in Pearland. The first race begins at 7 a.m. Visit the official website at www.pearrun.com for details.

Brook baseball's Florez sets youth camp details

Clear Brook varsity baseball head coach Gene Florez and his staff have set the dates for the Wolverines' 2019 youth camp. The event will be held June 10-12 at Wolverine Field, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Instructors will focus on hitting and defense from 9 a.m. to noon, with pitching and catching thereafter. Those entering the second through ninth grades as of the 2019-2020 school year are eligible to attend. The cost is \$100 for the hitting and defense sessions and \$60 for the pitching/catching only, or \$140 for both. Participants will receive a camp T-shirt, and concessions as well as pizza slices will be available for purchase throughout the event. For more information or to register, direct email to flores1@ccisd.net.

Pree, Taylor help Coogs at A&M track meet

Former Clear Brook track and field stars stepped up to help the University of Houston at the Texas A&M Invitational April 13 at College Station. Taylor, a sophomore who began his career at the University of Miami, took second in the 100 dash at 10.39 seconds. Pree, meanwhile, set a personal record in the triple jump, going 23 feet, 8 1/4 inches for third place in the event. The freshman was also a member of the Cougars' 4x400 relays team that took second place in a time of 3:16.15.

SJC baseball moves to 31-13 overall

San Jacinto College remains in control of the Region 14 South baseball standings despite a pair of conference losses to Laredo.

In a 10-2 first-game win, left-hander Dane Acker improved to 9-0 this season, going 5 2/3 innings for the win, allowing two earned runs and fanning eight.

At 19-8 in conference play, the Gators are in front and could very well wind up first. However, because the Gators are ineligible for the 2019, due to use-of-scholarship infractions, Alvin or Blinn, currently both 16-11 in league play, are the most likely to advance as the

top seed out of the South. Against Laredo, the Gators had an easy time of it in the opening two games of a four-game set.

In a 7-5 loss to close out the series, Adam Houghtaling homered and doubled, scoring a run along the way.

Braden Winget went 2 for 3, and Charlie Bartlett saw playing time and got two hits.

The Gators scored three runs in the first inning and four more in the second to take control of the game. The momentum from that win carried over into the next game as San Jacinto rolled to a 17-3 win over six innings.

Luke Little was 4 for 4 with a double and four runs batted in, and Camryn Williams had three hits, scored twice and drove in three runs.

Zach Limas had five hits and scored three runs, and Williams collected three more hits to go with two runs scored and two

driven in. Jose Aquino tripled and knocked in four runs in the game, and Mitchell Parker was the winner on the mound, allowing no earned runs over five frames.

Laredo took the third game 6-1 as the Gators had just three hits, including a solo homer from Chase Wilkerson.

SBGSA's Dynamite 10U win Trophy Hunt



The 10-under Dynamite of the South Belt Girls Softball Association captured the championship in their age division at SBGSA's Trophy Hunt tournament at the league's complex at El Franco Lee Park. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Madison Villatoro, Destiny Sidiropoulos, Aria

Victorian, Jaylyn Torres, Alehtse Vela, Emmery Lynn, Trinity DeLeon, Gisselle Morales, (middle row) Alicia Diaz, (back row) Makayla Lechuga, Jazlynn Wimbush and coaches April DeLeon, Tina Hernandez, Juan DeLeon and Mark Victorian.

Lil' Crushers 6U win Trophy Hunt



The Lil' Crushers 6-under softball team controlled the competition in winning its age group division at the South Belt Girls Softball Association's Trophy Hunt tournament at El Franco Lee Park. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Zuleigh Gaona, Chloe Vasquez, Mariah Victori-

an, Abbygail Moya, Elisa Davila, Audrey Torres, (middle row) Sophia Robinson, Avi Guerra, Sofia Escobar, Rylee Hayes, Kinley Brister, Sofia Nava, Emma Hernandez, (back row) assistant coach Nadia Moya, head coach Aaron Vasquez and assistant coach Ralph Cruz.

Raptors 12U capture Belt Wars at Baseball USA



The South Belt-based 12-under Raptors select baseball team captured the championship at the Belt Wars at Baseball USA, winning its final tournament as a AAA squad before being elevated to the major level. Members of the team are, left to

right, (front row) Angel Molina, A.J. Abidlatif, Rigo Alanis, Zab Cummings, Hector Arrieta, (back row) coach Hector Arrieta, Derek Rodriguez, Cesar Amador, Angel Garcia, Liam Vasquez and coaches Adam Abidlatif and Mikey Cummings.

SBGSA's 8U Thunder take third



The 8-under Thunder of the South Belt Girls Softball Association grabbed third place at the Trophy Hunt Invitational. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Victoria Arredondo, Melody Ramirez, Khayla Juarez, Mariah Mendez, Mad-

die De La Rosa, (middle row) Myla Garcia, Miyah Mcsween, Alyssa Davis, Tori Dehoyos, Brooklyn Coronado, Maddison Campos (back row) coaches Mike Mendez, Robert Juarez and Chris Ramirez.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.

6 p.m.
Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter - A social group focused on the culture, music, heritage and language of Texas German immigrants. Meets the third Thursday, monthly, 6 p.m., Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors welcome. Email OpaGivesHugs@gmail.com for details.
7 p.m.
First Christian Church of Pasadena Maundy Thursday Service - will be held April 18 at 7 p.m. at the church, located at 4848 Preston in Pasadena. The community is welcome. For information, call the church at 281-991-4585 or Debbie at 832-725-6456 or visit <https://fccopasadena.wordpress.com/>.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200.
FRIDAY, APRIL 19
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference

room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
11 a.m.
First Christian Church of Pasadena Good Friday Service - will be held at 11 a.m. on April 19 at the church, located at 4848 Preston in Pasadena. The community is welcome. For information, call the church at 281-991-4585 or Debbie at 832-725-6456 or visit <https://fccopasadena.wordpress.com/>.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. Call 713-661-4200.
8 p.m.
Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share, learn Al-Anon principles, that they are not alone, and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20
7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
11 a.m.
Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at

281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
7 - 10 p.m.
Bay Area Singles Club - monthly dance at 7 - 10 p.m. at the VFW Lodge, Post 6378, located at 5204 Highway 3 in Dickinson, 77539. Bring party snacks to share. Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for nonmembers. For additional information, call 832-483-3257 or 832-477-6778.

7 p.m.
Bay Area Bluegrass Association - bluegrass music show and jam session on the third Saturday (except December). Stage show is at 7 p.m. Pickers may bring instruments and come early. Free. Johnny Arolfo Civic Center, 300 Walker, League City. For details, visit <http://www.bayareabluegrass.org>.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21
8 a.m.
First Christian Church of Pasadena 8 a.m. Easter Service - will be held Sunday, April 21, at the church, located at 4848 Preston in Pasadena. The community is welcome. For information, call the church at 281-991-4585 or Debbie at 832-725-6456 or visit <https://fccopasadena.wordpress.com/>.
10:30 a.m.
First Christian Church of Pasadena 10 a.m. Easter Service - will be held Sunday, April 21, at 10:30 a.m. at the church, located at 4848 Preston in Pasadena. The community is welcome. For information, call the church at 281-991-4585 or Debbie at 832-725-6456 or visit <https://fccopasadena.wordpress.com/>.

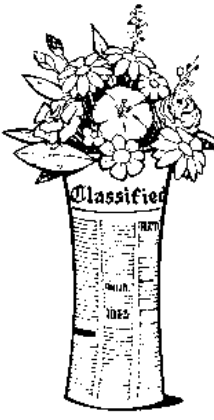
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at

281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
2 p.m.
Grief Support Group - For adults who have lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. For details, call 281-487-8787.

5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., in the Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for details or to RSVP for child care.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

MONDAY, APRIL 22
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
11:30 a.m.
Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.
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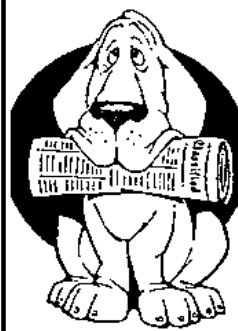


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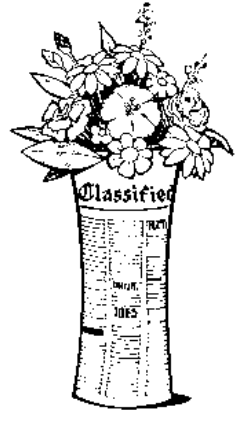
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MONDAY, APRIL 22
6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details. No meetings on holidays.
6:30 p.m.
Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the South Belt Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd., next to the fire station. For details, call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565 or visit <https://youngprofessionalstoastmasters.com/>.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-661-4200.
7:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., 77089. For details, call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.
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 sessions for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For information, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.
TUESDAY, APRIL 23
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
9:30 a.m.
Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For details, call 713-472-0565.
10 a.m.
American Begonia Society - Houston Satellite meets on the fourth Tuesday, Clear Lake Park, 5001 NASA Pkwy. (on the lake side), Seabrook. For information, call Joe at 281-481-2458.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Free dance lessons - taught by Lewis and Betty Whistler (35 years of experience) at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E League City Parkway, on Tuesdays. Bringing a partner is not required. There is a different dance focus monthly. For details, call Betty at 832-517-5833. For questions about League City's activity card, call the park office at 281-554-1180.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.
Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch is \$15. Variety of interesting speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or visit nalix@texascitizensbank.com.
1:30 p.m.
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., 1:30 p.m. For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.
2 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class - Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or call 281-488-6318.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-661-4200.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
9:30 a.m.
Young at Heart Senior Club - Meets the second and fourth week monthly (Nov./Dec. meet second week only) at Covenant United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Lots of activities, trips, etc. Call Jan Okumura at 832-298-9480 for details.
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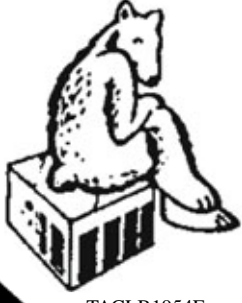
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Possibilities are endless as 22-6A softball comes to a close

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Memorial and Summer Creek (12-3), with Atascocita at 11-4.

In Dobie's 22-0 win over South Houston, Miquela Guajardo got the win in the circle in the game shortened to four innings by mercy rule. She had seven strikeouts in the complete-game effort.

Leslie Longoria went 5 for 5 and Jasmin Benitez added two hits in three at-bats. Karli Barba tripled and Jessica De La Cerda doubled to lead the Lady Longhorns' 18-hit attack.

In the April 12 10-0 win over Sam Rayburn, De La Cerda allowed just two hits over six innings for the win.

Dobie put the game away in the sixth inning, scoring five times to break the game open. Longoria had a two-run, inside-the-park home run, and Taylor Pleasants was 2 for 2 with two runs scored and two more driven in.

Jessenia Pena doubled and knocked in three runs, and Sam Lopez went 3 for 3 with a run batted in. Now it's on to Memorial after the Lady Mavericks won the first-round matchup.

The possibilities are indeed endless, and the Lady Longhorns are certainly intent on having things break their way in the finale.

JFD baseball cruising to finish

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essentially take Rayburn out of the running for the postseason, the Longhorns got a great effort from left-hander Dom Martinez, who improved to 3-1 with a strong five-inning effort over the Texans at Maguire Field April 12.

In the Longhorns' 8-2 win, Christian Cleckley had two hits and drove in a pair, and Garza had two hits and drove in another.

Catcher Justin Blogg stepped up with two hits and two runs driven in as the Longhorns swept the two game set after winning the first game 2-0.

Against South Houston April 16, Garza was simply dominating in his pitching performance, striking out nine and walking none to get a win for himself and keep his team on a roll.

Cleckley tripled and drove in a run. Blogg tripled and Alan Lopez doubled as the locals cruised.

District 22-6A Standings Varsity Baseball

(As of April 17)

Teams	W	L
Kingwood	14	1
Atascocita	10	3
Dobie	9	4
Summer Creek	9	4
Memorial	7	7
Rayburn	5	8
South Houston	3	10
Humble	2	11
Pasadena	1	12

Swing Queens 6U nab third place at SBGSA's Trophy Hunt



The 6-under Swing Queens captured third place in the South Belt Girls Softball Association's Trophy Hunt tournament at El Franco Lee Park. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Isabella Granados, Miranda Coronado, Audryna St. Romain, Madelyn Ayala, Madeline Herrera, Sophia Paz, Arianna Quiroga, Brianna Quiroga, Isabelle Gutierrez, Ava Castro, (back row) assistant coach Jesus Paz, assistant coach Manuel Coronado, head coach Pedro Gutierrez and assistant coach Armando Quiroga.

LSA tracksters rule 7-5A

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medal and a second victory.

Dietert was crowned the champion of the pole vault after clearing 8-0 on fewest attempts.

LSA placed fourth in a time of 45.55.

Smith showed her versatility, winning the long jump for yet another gold medal with an effort of 17 feet, 4 1/2 inches.

Allison Klein of LSA was third for a bronze medal, also clearing 8-0.

Daniel Hutchens of LSA was the winner of the high jump after clearing 5-10, and teammate Peyton Soderstrom was second at 5-8.

The Lady Pioneers' speed was on display in the 4x1 relay, which took the win at 50.87 for the easy win.

In the 400 run, Pfeiffer advanced as she was second in the event in a time of 1:06.49.

Eli Garbrant cleared 5-4 for fourth place.

The school's 4x2 relay grabbed a silver medal, and the 4x4 foursome wound up third.

Emma Quinton was the silver medalist for second place in the discus, with her best throw going 87-5.

In the 110 hurdles, Zamarripa was second at 16.55, with teammate Leinkuehler third in a time of 16.76.

LSA controlled the high jump but did not get the win.

At 55.90, the Lady Pioneers' Abby Montemayor was fourth in the 400 run.

The Pioneers were second in the 4x1 relay with a time of 44.26, and LSA was fourth in the 4x2 with a time of 1:35.53.

Easton Brenner moved on with a third-place finish in the boys' 100-meter dash, clocking in at 11.54 seconds.

In the 4x4, LSA snagged the victory and 20 big team points, clocking in at 3:36.31.

Elsewhere, a time of 54.3 landed the Pioneer's Robert Aguanno fourth in the 400 run.

Lutheran South sophomore Hannah Cottingham earned a gold medal in the triple jump, going 36-1/2 for the win.

On the boys' side, there were plenty of standouts who joined Miller on the medal stand.

Chad Allen went 19-6 3/4 for fourth place in the long jump, and Nate Dobson was fourth in the triple jump, registering at 39-0.

Cottingham also earned a silver medal for second place in the 100 hurdles with a time of 16.28.

Adam Zimmerman was the champion of the 300 hurdles in a time of 42.57, and Mark Zamarripa placed third for a bronze medal in a time of 45.04.

Braden Leinkuehler of George Ranch senior Nyla Barlow.

Four qualifiers from both districts will now go head-to-head in an effort to reach regionals, which will also accept four qualifiers from each area round meet.

As for the 23-6A ranks, again it was Boling winning the long jump with a solid effort of 23-8 1/2.

Williams won the 100 dash and the 400 run at the 23-6A championships. In the 100, her winning time was 12.26, and she went to the wire with Barlow in the 200.

The best hopes from the Clear Brook squad?

Wolverines' distance runner Sebastian Koran is looking to keep his high school career going with a move to regionals.

While Barlow's time of 25.11 won the event, Williams was in at 25.12, both times coming in slower than that of Dickson.

Wind-aided efforts, overall meet conditions and the emotions of the moment all factor in, but here's a look at some of the leaders from the respective districts.

Clear Brook junior Loranzo Thompson was the 24-6A champion in the 200 dash at 22.13 seconds, and Strake Jesuit's Matthew Boling claimed the 23-6A 200 dash title at 20.83.

Clear Brook freshman Jailey Shelton made her way to the area meet individually in the 400 run, but may have to go much faster than her 1:01.20 third-place time, with Hastings' Williams having posted a time of 55.6.

The Lady Wolverines also have their fair share of hopefuls heading into the area championships, including 100 and 200 district champion Camryn Dickson.

Sprinting out at 11.92 to win the 100 dash and then going 24.22 to take the title in the 200, Dickson, a freshman, is now set to go head-to-head with Alief Hastings' junior Aerial Williams as well as

The Lady Wolverines will also compete in the 4x1 relay, with Dickson and Shelton joining Kennedy Crutchfield and Jai' Lah Johnson.

In the long jump, the Wolverines' Stone Marión, a junior, was the dis-

trict champion with a leap of 21 feet, 10 inches. Thompson, meanwhile, went second at 20-11.

Clear Brook's time of 46.92, the locals could face a test from 23-6A champion George Ranch, which posted a time of 47.04.

Dobie sets spring football

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day, but then it's back to work. The spring will conclude with the Longhorns' spring game May 21.

is when you make the biggest jump, both physically and mentally.

to make decisions concerning the depth chart. As is the case with most varsity programs, the Longhorns incurred their fair share of losses at nearly every key spot.

After going 7-3 a season ago and basically turning the fortunes of the entire football program over in just months, there is plenty of excitement surrounding the spring, said Berneathy.

"One of the things I've been impressed with is that we haven't had to re-teach a lot of things from the end of last season to now."

Defining a starting quarterback looking ahead to later this fall is certainly not the lone concern.

"The kids have been in the weight room getting bigger and stronger, so that's huge," he said. We played a lot of sophomores last season, and I always believe that the jump from your sophomore to your junior year

"We are just in a much better position across the program this year," Berneathy said.

"Last year we were only able to input a small portion of the playbook. This year we will be able to get a lot more things put in. We're all just excited to get started next week."

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