

Leader seeks submissions
 The South Belt-Ellington Leader encourages local schools, groups and individuals to continue sending story ideas and photos they'd like to see included in the newspaper. Submissions have declined following the death of Leader publisher Marie Flickinger in November. Contributions may be submitted to mynews@southbeltleader.com.

Sageglen to meet May 19
 Sageglen Community Association will hold a homeowner meeting Monday, May 19, at the Sageglen Community Building, 11610 Sageglen, beginning at 7 p.m. Sgt. Frank Ponce from the Precinct 2 constable's office and Sgt. Jimmy De Los Santos from the 7 Marines Honor Detail will serve as guest speakers at the event. All Sageglen residents are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 281-481-2160.

Additionally, any Sageglen resident interested in running for a position on the board or directors or the Architectural Control Committee should contact the Sageglen office at 281-481-2160 and let them know. Two positions on the board and one position on the ACC are up for election.

Freeway Manor to meet
 Freeway Manor Civic Club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 22, at Bible Way Church, 10120 Hartsook. Residents of Freeway Manor, Sun Valley and Gulfway Terrace are encouraged to attend.

Grace to hold 5K run/walk
 Grace Church will host its Run His Way 5K run/walk Saturday, May 17, at Clear Brook City Park, 11911 Blackhawk near Scarsdale, beginning at 8 a.m. The run will support Grace's summer youth camp. Cost is \$14.99 for youths (12 and under) and \$29.99 for adults (13+ years). The post-race celebration will feature food trucks and music. Clear Brook City Park will be closed to the outside public for the duration of the event. To register for the 5K run/walk, visit brushfire.com/gracechurch/houston-espanol/https-www.facebook.com-gracepanolhouston/603329.

Sagemeadow meets May 15
 The Sagemeadow HOA will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer at Hughes. Homeowners are encouraged to attend. Meetings are typically held the third Thursday of each month. For meeting agenda, guest speaker or other additional information, visit www.sagemeadow.org.

Beltway closures planned
 One outside lane of the eastbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed from Beamer to Hughes Road/Sabo from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays through Wednesday, Sept. 3.

One outside lane of the northbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed from Fairmont Parkway to Red Bluff in Pasadena continuously through Wednesday, Dec. 31.

One inside lane of the southbound Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed from Greenshadow to Red Bluff in Pasadena continuously through Wednesday, Dec. 31.

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

Hughes/Sabo closures set
 At least one southbound lane on Hughes/Sabo will be closed continuously at Beltway 8 until further notice. Westbound Beltway 8 frontage roads may also be intermittently closed at Hughes/Sabo until further notice. The closure is associated with an ongoing Houston Public Works project to replace a force water main at the intersection.

HPD's PIP set for May 20
 The Houston Police Department's Positive Interaction Program will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, at the Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria in the CES Classroom on the first floor of the main building. Guest speaker to be announced. Begun in 1983, HPD's PIP involves police and community members working together for safer neighborhoods. PIP meetings typically take place the third Tuesday of each month. For additional information, contact HPD Officer Richard Buitron at 832-395-1776 or Richard.Buitron@HoustonPolice.org.

Knights hold May events
 Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a spaghetti dinner in the Social Hall of St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road, Friday, May 16, from 4 to 7 p.m. The dinner will celebrate the 95th birthday of Dominic Cantalamessa. Available for dine in or take out, a \$10.00 spaghetti plate will include two large meatballs, salad, bread and iced tea. Proceeds will support the church capital campaign.
 Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a blood drive Sunday, May 18, at St. Luke the Evangelist from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments are preferred but not necessary. Donors must bring identification. For additional information or to schedule an appointment, visit www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/go.

Whitmire announces proposed 2026 budget

\$7B outline for next year would require no tax increase, cuts in service

Standing with department directors and public safety chiefs helping streamline municipal government, Houston Mayor John Whitmire recently announced details of his proposed FY 2026 balanced budget, which puts Houston on a path to a more sustainable financial future.

According to Whitmire, the budget represents a new chapter for the city of Houston grounded in fiscal responsibility, service delivery reform and a commitment to restoring trust in local government.

- The FY2026 Proposed Budget for all funds, excluding transfers, totals \$7 billion.
- The FY2026 Proposed General Fund budget of \$3.03 billion reflects a decrease in spending of \$74.5 million or 2.4 percent from the FY2025 Current Budget of \$3.11 billion.
- The decrease is primarily attributable to implementing the Voluntary Municipal Employee Retirement Payout Option, citywide category management, organizational restructuring, and other key initiatives recommended by the City-wide Efficiency Study.
- This budget includes an increase to budgeted base pay of 3.5 percent and 10 percent, respectively, related to the meet-and-confer agreement with municipal employees and the draft meet-and-confer agreement with police.
- Public safety remains a top priority, representing \$1.8 billion, or 71.5 percent of the total General Fund spend, excluding debt service and PAYGO. This includes funding for five police cadet classes and nine fire cadet classes.
- Consolidates department functions without sacrificing services to Houstonians.

"This is a special day for me as a public servant to do what Houstonians deserve: to be transparent and tell them we have done everything we can to provide city services through efficiency, eliminating waste, duplication, conflicts of interest and corruption," said Whitmire, who noted that his budget does not fund the old model of city government.

Vice Mayor Amy Peck, Council Member Sallie Alcorn and Council Member Letitia Plummer joined Whitmire at the budget announcement. Houston City Council began reviewing the administration's FY 2026 budget during a special BFA meeting Wednesday, May 7, and will hear later from city department directors followed by a series of budget workshops allowing Houstonians to comment on the proposed plan.

"We are being very transparent with citizens about meeting our challenges, but I also emphasize that we are not through," said Whitmire. "We will implement the reorganization of city government as we go forward. We will continue to collaborate with other levels of government, but we will also make sure that we listen to Houstonians. We will discuss our challenges across the city in the future."

The new fiscal year begins July 1, 2025.

HPD raids after-hours clubs



Houston police officers are shown above taking part in a raid that simultaneously targeted two illegal after-hours bars near the Gulf Freeway and Edgebrook during a joint operation launched around 3 a.m. Saturday, May 10. Police said around 20 people were arrested during the raids for crimes ranging from improper permits to weapons charges. Inset photo above appears to show a seized long gun and a bottle of Promethazine cough syrup. Photos courtesy of Houston Police Department

Houston police target after-hours bars

Two illegal after-hours bars were raided by Houston police early Saturday, May 10, near the intersection of Edgebrook and the Gulf Freeway, with around 20 people getting arrested.

Simultaneous raids were conducted on both La Zona Bar & Lounge and Los Corrales South. Charges ranged from improper permitting to weapons and drug offenses.

Similar raids were conducted last year on after-hours bars located near the Gulf Freeway and Winkler.

The latest raids come fresh on the heels of two recent shootings at an after-hours club on Nyack in Scarsdale.

Houston Fire Department, Houston Health Department, Harris County District Attorney's Office, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission and Texas Comptroller's office assisted in Saturday's raids. Houston Mayor John Whitmire also participated in the busts, vowing to crack down on the problem.

"We want you to have a good time, but we want you to do it legally," said Whitmire. "And if you don't, we're going to bring in all the resources that we can gather to close down illegal, unpermitted, dangerous bars."

Police arrest 2 in armored-car robbery

Cannisters stolen from Pasadena bank contained no money

Two men were arrested on charges of aggravated robbery after attempting to rob an armored car around 3:20 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at the Chase bank in the 5100 block of Fairmont Parkway near Beltway 8.

According to officials, with the Pasadena Police Department, two suspects - reportedly wearing body armor and carrying assault rifles - robbed two Loomis guards as they serviced the bank's ATMs. The crooks fled the scene with several canisters stolen from the truck. Investigators said the stolen canisters actually contained no money.

The getaway vehicle - later determined to be stolen out of Dallas - was discovered near Genoa Red Bluff and Beltway 8. Witnesses told the Leader that the getaway car came to a stop after being crashed by the armored truck, which had been driven by one of the guards who was chasing them. An exhaustive manhunt ensued for the suspects but was unsuccessful.

Further investigation identified Pedro Sifuentes and Irvin Ramon as the would-be robbers. Sifuentes was arrested by the Pasadena Police Department and is currently in Harris County Jail. Court records indicate he was also charged



Pedro Sifuentes



Irvin Ramon

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Man's death investigated following crash

Police suspect death caused by drugs rather than accident

Houston police are investigating the death of a man who died around 5:50 p.m. Friday, May 9, after crashing into a house in the 13700 block of Ludgate Pass in the Sycamore Valley subdivision near Ellington Airport.

Investigators suspect, however, the man died from a drug overdose, rather than injuries suffered in the crash. At press time, police were waiting on autopsy results to confirm the cause of the death.

The identity of the dead male was unavailable at press time.

According to Houston Police Department officials, prior to the accident, the man was eating dinner with his wife and 1-year-old son, when the male began acting erratically, leading to an argument with his spouse. The man then reportedly grabbed his son and attempted to flee the residence.

While trying to back his vehicle out of the garage, the man reportedly rammed the garage door several times until it fell off. He then proceeded to drive down the street at a high rate of speed before crashing into an unoccupied house.

Houston police and fire personnel responded to the incident and pulled the man and child from the vehicle. The man was again acting erratically, prompting police officers to handcuff him. While detained, the male passed out.

Paramedics transported the man to the hospital, where he was later pronounced dead.

The child was not injured in the crash and was safely returned to his mother.

Because the man was handcuffed, the incident is being treated as an in-custody death by investigators, police said.

Annual South Belt cleanup a success

Volunteers collect nearly 2 tons of trash from area roadways

The third annual South Belt Cleanup, held Saturday, May 3, was a huge success, removing nearly 2 tons of debris from area roadways.

"Every year, the project sets new records, and it was no different this year," said event organizer and Knights of Columbus Council 9201 member Michael Work. "With the help of all our volunteers, both students and adults, our partners and our sponsors were not only able to pick up litter from more than 6.25 miles of roadway, but we were able to weed eat, pick up litter on Beamer between Sagedowne and Hall and clear up trash dumped behind the old C & D Burger and the far corner of the AMC parking lot. The Knights of Columbus cooked more than 200 hamburgers and 100 hot dogs. Nothing was left uneaten. In all, we removed 3,260 lbs. (1.65 tons) of trash

from our community and had well over 200 volunteers. Both are new records."

A joint project between the Knights of Columbus Council 9201 and the Sagemont Civic Club, the annual cleanup included the following partners: Harris County Precinct 2, city of Houston, Pasadena ISD, the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, the South Belt Community Partnership and the Leader.

Sponsors for this year's event included the following: M & D (Ace) Hardware, B & L Lock and Safe, the Cantalamessa family, Food Town, Judge Jo Ann Delgado, Kay Barbour Realtors, Michael Holt Realtors and Work's brothers, John and Rob Work.

"None of this would have been possible without the support of are partners," said Work.

HPD releases footage of April shooting

Investigators hope to ID vehicle used in Scarsdale drive-by

Houston police have released surveillance video of the April 20 drive-by shooting outside a Scarsdale after-hours club that sent four victims to the hospital in hopes of identifying the suspect vehicle.

The vehicle is believed to be either a gray Jeep Compass or Toyota Rav 4, said investigators.

The victims - three males, 33, 23 and 29, and a female, 22 - were all transported to area hospitals in stable condition.

According to Houston Police Department officials, patrol officers were dispatched to a shooting call around 3:30 a.m. Sunday, April 20, in the 12900 block of Nyack Drive near Scarsdale and the Gulf Freeway and learned four individuals suffered gunshot injuries while in a parking lot outside a club at the above address.

Houston Fire Department paramedics transported two victims to area hospitals. Two other victims were transported by private vehicles.

Witnesses stated shots were fired from a vehicle. While only four victims were struck by bullets, the surveillance footage shows the suspect firing at least 15 rounds.

Anyone with information on the vehicle or identity of the suspect(s) is urged to contact the HPD Major Assaults Division at 713-308-8800 or speak anonymously with Crime Stoppers of Houston at 713-222-TIPS (8477).

To view the surveillance footage of the April shooting released by investigators, visit mailchi.mp/houstontx/surveillance-video-released-in-shooting-at-12929-nyack-drive?e=09e0e4ed6c.

This marked the second shooting outside the Social Empire club in just five weeks.

Another shooting took place outside the club early Sunday, March 9.

In that incident, police said victim was a driver, who witnesses said was attempting to run over people in the street following an altercation just after 2 a.m. Witnesses reported that the shooter had been struck by the victim's vehicle and retaliated by jumping on the car's hood and opening fire on the driver.

Following the shooting, the driver/victim resurfaced roughly three hours later in the drive-thru line at the nearby McDonald's on the Gulf Freeway service road, where employees say he was asking for water.

Noticing the customer had been shot, McDonald's employees notified police. The victim was transported to the hospital with multiple gunshot wounds to the stomach but was expected to survive.

BHI assists cleanup

The third annual South Belt Cleanup, held May 3 by Knights of Columbus Council 9201 and Sagemont Civic Club, was a huge success, removing nearly 2 tons of trash from area roadways. According to organizers, this year's cleanup was the largest to date, with more than 200 volunteers taking part in the event, cleaning debris from approximately 6.25-square miles of local thoroughfares. Volunteers from Beverly Hills Intermediate shown at the cleanup are Janeisy Pineda (left) and Allison Baca. See additional photos on Page 2.

In My Opinion

King: Crime clearance rates in Texas are low

The "clearance rate" in law enforcement lingo is the percentage of reported crimes that are solved by the police. The percentage is shockingly and shamefully low, almost everywhere, for all types of crime. And this is nothing new. I wrote a column for the Houston Chronicle in 2008 about how low the clearance rates were. Unfortunately, there has been little to no improvement since. Indeed, as I will discuss below, the clearance rates for some crimes are getting worse.

Over several posts, I will examine the clearance rates at various agencies; however, I thought it would be good to start with some statewide statistics for Texas. Here are the clearance rates for some of the major crimes in 2024.

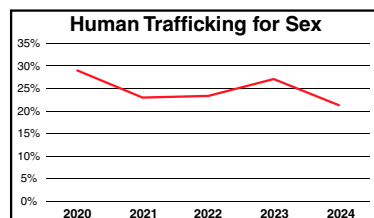
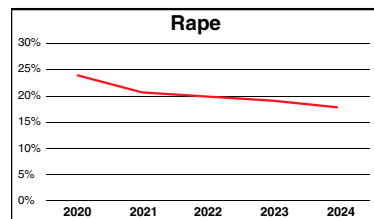
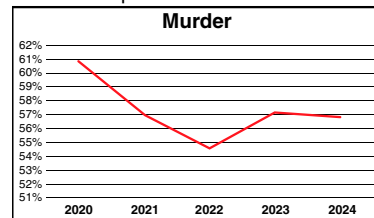
Clearance Rates in Texas 2024	
Murder	56.8%
Rape	17.8%
Robbery	23.1%
Aggravated Assault	39.4%
Burglary	9.4%
Car Theft	8.3%
Human Trafficking for Sex	21.5%

Keep in mind that these are the clearance rates for reported crimes. The Justice Department's annual crime survey has consistently shown that only about half of all violent crimes are even reported to police. Therefore, the percentage of criminals who are ever held accountable for their crimes is even lower than these numbers suggest.

The one that has always infuriated me is the abysmal clearance rate for rape. Reporting a rape is difficult and traumatic for the victim. For a victim to find the courage to come forward and then have less than a one in four chance of their perpetrator facing justice is a travesty.

The Texas Department of Public Safety publishes a wealth of data on crime statistics. One of the reports available for download is a statewide clear-

ance rate for fifty-two crimes, which displays the five-year trend for each. For twenty crimes, the clearance rate in 2024 was lower than in 2020. Here are some examples:



According to the statewide summary, about 114,000 crimes were solved in Texas during 2024.1 The U.S. Census Bureau estimated that Texans spent \$21 billion on law enforcement in 2020. Of course, it would be considerably more by now. According to Texapedia, Texas has over 81,000 law enforcement officers. That means that we spend nearly \$200,000 for every case solved, and the average number of crimes solved per officer is about 1.4.

Sure seems like to me we should be able to do better. More to come.

Bill King

Local library events set

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

Bracewell Branch Library

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

Thursday, May 15, 3 - 4 p.m. Open lab computer help. Registration required.
Thursday, May 15, 4 - 5 p.m. Family Storytime. Registration required.
Thursday, May 15, 5 - 6 p.m. Weekly English language classes. Registration required.
Monday, May 19, 11 a.m. - noon. Open lab computer help. Registration required.
Visit <https://houstonlibrary.libcal.com/calendar/events> for more library events.

Book drop

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

Parker Williams Library

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

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

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

- Thursday, May 15, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Toddler time.
- Friday, May 16, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Genealogy.
- Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. - noon. Tai Chi.
- Tuesday, May 20, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Babies 'n' books.
- Wednesday, May 21, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Senior coloring club.
- Wednesday, May 21, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Tai Chi.

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

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

Online services

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

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Cantú-Wilson shares board vacancy process

As a trustee of San Jacinto College and a lifelong educator, I am writing to correct misinformation. This letter expresses my views as an individual trustee; I am not officially speaking on behalf of the full Board.

When a board vacancy occurs, the college follows a clear and legal process grounded in transparency and public accountability. In the fall, when the college's dear Board Chair, Marie Flickenger resigned, the Board followed the process outlined in its publicly available board by-laws. That process included the following: 1.) Public Notification: The Board issued public notice of the vacancy and invited interested, qualified community members to apply. 2.) Open Application Window: The Board allowed time for the community to respond and submit applications. 3.) Candidate Review and Interview: Trustees re-

viewed submissions and held public interviews with applicants. 4.) Public Vote: The Board then voted in open session, and the selected candidate was appointed by a unanimous 6-0 vote, in accordance with state law and college policy.

This process is not optional, it is required. Any rumor or claim to the contrary is not just false, it is irresponsible and undermines public trust in one of the top three community colleges in the nation. I take that trust seriously. The Board's by-laws are public and accessible to anyone at sanjac.edu/board-trustees. I encourage all members of the community to review them and attend our meetings, which are open to the public and posted in advance.

San Jacinto College will always operate with integrity. The Board follows the rules, and I expect those who seek to lead to do the same.

Sincerely,
Dr. Michelle Cantú-Wilson
Trustee, San Jacinto College Board of Trustees

JFD athletes assist cleanup



The annual South Belt Cleanup was a huge success Saturday, May 3, according to organizers, with volunteers picking up approximately 3,260 pounds (1.65 tons) of garbage from local roadways. Now in its third year, the cleanup is a joint venture between Knights of Columbus Council 9201 and Sagemont Civic Club, with assistance from several other local groups. Volunteers shown above at the cleanup representing Dobie athletics are, left to right, Desean Simmons, new Dobie baseball coach Branford Jones and Kai Tillman.

Annual cleanup a huge success!



This year's South Belt Cleanup was the largest to date, organizers said, attracting dozens of partners and hundreds of volunteers. A collaboration between Knights of Columbus Council 9201 and Sagemont Civic Club, the event cleaned debris from multiple area thoroughfares and parking lots. Volunteers shown above taking part in this year's cleanup are, left to right, (front row) Ariel Reyes, Skylar Glazyer, Aubrey White, Marlene Jimenez, Jacqueline Resendez, Krystal Smith, (back row) Kinley Lerche-Fowler, Nyla Richardson, Camila Bruno, Joshua Sandoval and Mia Washington. See related story and photo on Page 1.

Disaster readiness, resilience clinic expo set

Members of the public and the media are invited to

attend and cover the Disaster Readiness and Resilience Clinic & Expo on Saturday, May 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the George R. Brown Convention Center (Hall A). This high-impact event will bring together residents, emergency response organizations, city and county agencies, nonprofits, and volunteer groups in a collective effort to equip the Houston area for the upcoming hurricane season.

With participation from the city of Houston, Harris County, and numerous community-based organizations, the Expo will feature a full day of educational panels, interactive exhibits, and hands-on resources designed to help residents prepare for natural disasters.

A key component of the event is a Disaster Access and Functional Needs (DAFN) clinic, offering targeted information and services for individuals with disabilities and others who may have additional needs during emergencies.

Event Details

- What: Disaster Readiness and Resilience Clinic & Expo presented by Center-

Point Energy
- When: Saturday, May 17, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Where: George R. Brown Convention Center, Hall A - 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston, TX 77010

Media outlets are encouraged to attend and cover the event. Interviews with organizers, city and county officials, panelists, and attendees can be arranged.

This event is free and open to the public and serves as a critical effort in promoting safety, awareness, and resilience across the Houston area. With hurricane season approaching, access to timely, accurate, and actionable disaster preparedness information is essential. The Expo provides a unique opportunity to reach thousands of residents in one place and help ensure our communities are ready before a storm hits.

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Death

Alma Nora Ibarra



Alma Nora Ibarra was born in McAllen, on Dec. 5, 1945, to Aaron and Elma Sandoval. She graduated from McAllen High School and received her bachelor's degree in education from then UT Pan American University (now the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley). She later earned her master's degree from the University of Houston.

After meeting and marrying Arturo R. Ibarra on Nov. 28, 1973, this union was blessed with two sons, Michael and Daniel Ibarra.

Nora, began her career in elementary education in 1968. She earned a bilingual/ESL certification in 1977 then continued as a peer facilitator until she retired from teaching in 2009. She enjoyed taking care of her family and especially spending time with her grandchildren Arlyn and Alec Ibarra. She also cherished many nieces and nephews. She was always interested and proud of her loved ones as they progressed through life. She made numerous friends throughout her life, many of whom would still come to celebrate her special days. There was also a special spot in her heart for her previous students who returned later in life to thank her for who she was.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, brother Abel Sandoval and sister-in-law Annette Sandoval.

Leader obituary policy

Obituaries submitted to the Leader are published free of charge. They are edited to conform to the Leader style.

Houston PD finds body in Edgewood residence

Two people were detained for questioning by Houston police the afternoon of Tuesday, May 13, after a badly decomposed body was discovered by investigators inside a residence in the 600 block of Edgewood as part of a missing person investigation.

The identity of the body

had yet to be released at press time. According to Houston Police Department officials, an autopsy will be conducted to determine the cause of death and if the body is that of the missing person being investigated, described only as a male in his 30s, who was last seen around two months ago.

Neighbors told reporters the missing man suffered from limited hearing and vision.

Investigators said the two individuals detained appeared to have been living with the corpse for several weeks.

The investigation was ongoing at press time.

AARP Webster sets meeting

AARP Webster Area Chapter 199 is welcoming one to join them at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 12 at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 E. NASA Parkway, Seabrook 77586. They meet in the large building with the blue roof inside Clear Lake Park on the north side of NASA Parkway. One is invited to come to meetings and to enjoy coffee, cookies, and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before the meeting starts at 10 a.m. Each month there is an entertainment or a speaker on various topics of interest to seniors, followed by a social activity.

The speaker for this event will be from the Clear Creek Independent School District (CCISD). The social event will be sponsored by Brookdale Clear Lake. They will provide brunch and bingo.

AARP Chapter 199 is hosting a bus trip on Friday, June 20. They will tour the City by the Sea Museum in Palacios. Lunch will be at the Hotel Blessing. One may register for this trip at the June 12 AARP meeting. One must be a member of Chapter 199 to participate in bus trips.

If one is interested in joining AARP Chapter 199, annual dues are \$8 per year per person. However, one must be a member of national AARP and show one's current national membership card to join any local chapter. AARP Chapters are separately incorporated affiliates of AARP. For more information, contact President Veronica Stanford at 409-256-1195 or at veronica_stfrd46@yahoo.com.

Armored car robbed

Continued from Page 1 with tampering with evidence.

Armed with a search warrant, SWAT team members with the Sugar Land Police Department arrested Ramon, who sits in the Fort Bend County Jail.

Ramon also faces unrelated drug charges after police recovered unspecified narcotics from his residence during the search.

Deputies with Harris County Precinct 8 Constable Phil Sandlin's office assisted with this case.

Alexander visits Moore Elementary



KPRC's sportscaster Ari Alexander recently visited Moore Elementary School for career day. Alexander shared stories from the field and encouraged students to follow their passions.

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Genoa takes home first place in chess



Genoa Elementary recently participated in the Pasadena district chess competition on Saturday, May 3. Juan Zavala won first place overall in the fourth-grade chess division and earned a district trophy.



Eli Hernandez won eighth place overall in the third-grade chess division and earned a district medal.



Genoa Chess Club won first place overall on May 3, at the End-of-Year Chess Tournament. Chess team members and coaches are, left to right, (front row) Noah Abarca, Jake Trevino, Juan Hernandez, Juan Zavala, Miguel Lopez, Maria Duran, (back row) Lauren Davis, Eli Hernandez, Dylan Funez, Jonathan Ramirez, Adan Avina, Byron Sibrian and Erika Gonzalez. Not pictured are coach Netzahualcoyotl López, Neya Cooper and Matthew Resendez.

Photos submitted

Frazier wins Dickinson ISD chess championship



Frazier Elementary Owls were invited by Dickinson ISD to participate in the district chess tournament on March 29. Led by coach Chris Bauldauf, the Owls chess team members tied for first place after having prepared and using their skills. Left to right, are (front row) Melania Moncada, Luke Nguyen (now Melillo fifth-grader), Bauldauf, Jesus Mesta, Noah Pharms, Bailey Pharms, Lucas Grahams, Gabriel Luna, Isaac Torres, (back row) Elliot Bauldauf and Chloe Bauldauf.

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Stuchbery Elementary attends district Get Fit Jog

Stuchbery third- and fourth-graders recently represented their school at the Pasadena districtwide Get Fit Jog event.



Left to right are fourth-graders (first row) Marcelo Lopez, Khloe Davis, Sadie Jones, Janelle Parga, Aryana Johnson (14th place), Olivia Brito, Sophia Turrubiarres, Anel Lara Rodriguez, (second row) Alan Cummings, Kevin Amaro, Miguel Perez, Nathan Martinez, Miguel Amaya, Charles Cummings, Aiden Lugan, (third row) Blessing Bailey, Gilberto Reyes, Mckenzee Busbee and Clara Kearbye.



Left to right are third-graders (first row) Simon Matta, Ella Lackey, Chloe Harris, Kristin Nguyen, Kylie Benjamin, Cameron Baines, Abner Solano, (second row) Alana Gonzales, Angel Contreras, Bentley Arredondo, Leonardo Batiste, Chris Castillo, Madeline Jacuinde, Sophia Banda, (third row) Chris Cahee, Israel Sanchez, Renatta Baca Cepeda, Ahtziri Nunez Resendiz, Ronald Alvarez Avila, Luziell Current La Torre, Sonaya Lopez, Braylon Jenkins, Madelyn Jimenez, (fourth row) Jorge Lopez, Narani Nunez Ordonez, Natalia Sorto and Ariana Morales.



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TxDOT launches motorcycle safety campaign, safety tips

Motorcyclist Brendan Johnson donated his black leather jacket to TxDOT for use in motorcycle safety messages. Tragically, he never saw the campaign because he was killed in a motorcycle crash in the Austin area on April 15, 2024, when he was just 28-years-old.

To help prevent tragedies like this, TxDOT is sharing Johnson's story and driver safety tips during Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month through the Share the Road: Look Twice for Motorcycles campaign.

"We often hear drivers say they simply 'didn't see' the motorcyclist," said TxDOT Executive Director Marc Williams. "We want every driver to check and double check for motorcycles and learn how to safely share the road across the streets and highways of Texas."

Brendan's story
Months before he was killed, Johnson lent his beloved motorcycle jacket for a TxDOT campaign billboard photo shoot, and he was thrilled to be involved in the safety message. But before he got to see the campaign's signs go up, a van turned in front of him in Leander, as he was on his way home from work and sent him into a ditch.

His coworkers were among the first on the scene. They attempted CPR and heard repeated questions from the driver of the van who said, "Where did he come from? I didn't see him."

The data
In the more than 9,000 motorcycle crashes in Texas last year, 585 motorcyclists were killed. These crashes can be prevented if drivers learn to share the road and watch out for motorcycles.

Safety tips

- Train oneself to notice motorcycles. They're smaller and lower to the ground than cars. By reminding oneself to keep an eye out for motorcycles, one will train ones eyes and brain to notice them more easily.
- Look twice. Always use turn signals and check mirrors and blind spots before changing lanes.
- Use caution when turning. Drivers have trouble judging the speed and distance of motorcycles. Never try to rush a turn ahead of an oncoming motorcycle.
- Don't tailgate. Keep a safe following distance. Motorcycles can slow down by downshifting, which doesn't activate their brake lights.
- Don't crowd. If one needs to pass a motorcycle, treat it like a car and give it a full lane of space. Never crowd into the same lane.
- Slow down. Speeding makes every type of crash more deadly. Obey posted speed limits and drive according to conditions.

To spread these messages TxDOT's campaign will use advertisements, and an interactive traveling exhibit that demonstrates how easy it is to lose sight of a motorcycle if one is not paying attention. The exhibit uses virtual reality so participants can experience the perspectives of both driving a car and riding a motorcycle in dangerous situations.



Frazier earns medals at annual PISD robotics competition

Frazier Elementary's third- and fourth-graders recently competed against other elementary schools in the Pasadena ISD annual robotics competition. Out of the top five spots, Frazier took home first-place with a tie by fourth-grader Aiden Munoz and third-grader Nathan Manzano, second-place by fourth-grader Gabriel Luna and fourth-place with a tie by fourth-graders Elsy Gonzalez and Jayden Rivera. Pictured, left to right are (first row) Rivera, (second row) third-grader Maddison McDonald, fourth-grader Adrian Puente, (third row) Gonzalez, Luna, fourth-grader Noah Manzano, third-grader Logan Erickson, (fourth row) Cathy Silas, fourth-grader Kacey Martinez, third-grader Santiago Moreno, fourth-grader Elena Mejia, (fifth row) Munoz, Manzano, Isaac Romero, (sixth row) Katie Posey, Liana Luna and Axel Luna.

Beverly Hills Intermediate announces fifth six-weeks honor roll

Officials of Beverly Hills Intermediate have announced the fifth six-weeks honor roll for the 2024-2025 school year.

Seventh grade
Abigail Acattilan, Camiyah Dallas Adams, Valeria Nichole Aguilera, Pablo Alexander Alvarenga Pineda, Diana Paola Alvarez, Jakayah Ayira Amos, Paulina Arredondo, Evelyn Arzate, Robin Chigozie Azinge, Aya Raed Bahar, Ryan Nicholas Barker, Noah Christian Barrios, Sofia Lily Barrios, Lailah Nevaeh Berruete, Ashley Daniela Bonilla Alvarez and Alani Le Bravo.

Dean Lamar Brewer, Alanah Janay Calzada, Huy Cat Gia Chung, Julieta Fernanda Cruz, David Dang, Myrion

Davis, Ruizhe Deng, Ruizhi Deng, Zuri Yadira Dias, Brandon Le Do, Henry Hung Do, Sophia Arianna Echevarria, Luis Ernesto Escobar Gonzalez, Nathan Alexander Esquivel, Ashton Markell Farris, Isabella Ferrufino and Fabian Alexander Figueroa.

Diego Alberto Flores, Jordan Manuel Franco, Erik Gael Galaviz, Tatiana Esther Gamboa, Natalia Celeste Garza, Skylar Cheyenne Glayzer, Blake Andrew Gonzalez, Layla Leticia Guerra, Ellis Ramon Guzman, Jaythan Elian Guzman, Arlen Siup Hernandez, Noah Marley Hodgson, Aria Rose Holcomb, Huy Hoang Huynh and Khloe Lynn Thi Huynh.

Shae Avery Ibarra, Jayden Micah Jackson, Omar Anthony Jimenez, Marlee Alyse Johnson, Zeniah Monae Johnson, Minh Thu Le, Kinley Louanne Lerche-Fowler, Noah Michael Lewis, Camille Jean Lilly, Minh Ngoc Luong, Arleyngel Maldonado, Ethan Edward Mancillas, Luke Jimmy Martinez, Ibrahim Ali Masoom and Noah Xaton McSween.

Michael Saul Mendoza, Penelope Louisa Eunice Mendoza, Aubri Michele Moran, Angelina Tien Nguyen, Duy Minh Nguyen, Ky Dang Minh Nguyen, Pham Bao Khang Nguyen, Allan R Nunez-Lozano, Abigail Layla Orozco, Mia Belinda Pastrana, David Allen Perry, Kenneth James Perry,

Katelyn Uyennhi Pham, Tyler Pham and Miguel Julian Pineda Teissonniere.

Logan Xavier Pineda, Leah Eileen Ponce, Sophia Makayla Ramos, Daniel Reyes, Melanie Rico, Isabella Rena Rios, Abigail Sofia Rodriguez, Samantha Abigail Rodriguez, Julieta Rodriguez-Sotelo, Xavi Enrique Romero Chevez, Elyza Isys Rubins, Aiden Joel Ruiz, Briana Nathaly Saenz Garcia, Aaron Salas, Julio Salazar, Jacob Ray Salinas and Aaron Christopher Sanchez.

Kaelyn Nicole Sanchez, Leslie Serrano, Adyleen Solache, Emiliano Solis, Isaijah Roy Sonnen, Izaiah Scott Taylor, Devon Michael Thompson, Kai Dejean Tillman, Lilliana

Isabella Torres, Ryan Quang Tien Tran, Julian Andres Trevino, Lyric Michelle Turner, Sean Matthew Umanzor, Noemi Yadira Vallejo Ramirez and Juan Gustavo Villalta Andrade.

Michael Thien Vu, Sa Kim Vu, Gabriel Laird Wotkyns, Kimberly Yerena, Maylen Virginia Zambrano and Braidan Anderson Zamora.

Eighth grade
Sophia Isabel Acattilan, Leslie Patricia Aguilar, Angel Arango Ramirez, Jade Nicole Arceneaux, David Gaspar Arredondo, Rick Chidubem Azinge, Allison Guisubel Baca, Matthew Antonio Barragan, Natalie Ariel Bazan, Tahj Jesus Bernardez, Jeremy Alberto

Beteta, Ameer Ahmed Bilal, Chloe Annmarie Bizzarri, Vy Nguyen Thao Bui and Joshua Robert Byron.

Valery Yesenia Casillas, Daziel Favian Castillo, Mia Mariana Castillo, Amy Marisol Cedillos, Alexander Paxton Chaney, Mia Gabrielle Chavez, Duyen Cach Chung, Isabella Giada Cisneros, Kayla Alyssa Cisneros, Sophia Elizabeth Claros Mendoza, Zorion Knight Collins, Natalia Contreras, Anna Nguyen Dao, Tyler Phan Dao and Danna Delgado.

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Marcus James Jacques, Alaya M. Jasso, Isela Nicole Jimenez, Kenberly De'asia Jones, Regina Guadalupe Leal, Diego Nicholas Maja-no, Andres Robert Maldonado, Ja'daryus Manuel, Rahul Santiago Marroquin, Anthony Martinez risco, Arielle Jimena Martinez, Esmeralda Martinez, Hailey Julissa Martinez,

Isaac Martinez and Isaiha Ryan Martinez.

Gregory Charles McNeil, Mar'cella Matay McNeil, Mi-yah Alannah McSween, Melissa Melendez, Carissa Nicole Mendez, Salma Osama Mohamad, Isaac Montano, Leonardo Moran, Adrian Jamar Morris, A'shawnee Nevaeh Mose, Isabella Munoz, Caleb Tien Navarro, Bang Hai Nguyen, Bich Hoang Ngoc Nguyen, Joseph Duc Nguyen and Khang Minh Nguyen.

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Meador participates in Name That Book competition



Meador Elementary School officials would like to recognize the fourth-graders who represented Meador at this year's district Name That Book competition. Left to right, are (front row) Evelyn Alanis, Lucia Cabriales, Freya Teniente, (back row) Counselor Tara Merida and Librarian John Holder.

Stuchbery celebrates April students of the month



Stuchbery Elementary School recently announced students of the month for April. These individuals were chosen for practicing the character trait: resiliency. Left to right, are (first row) Marcos Jimenez, Sebastian Zuniga, Cielo Ortiz, Camila Arrieta, Ethan Rosales, Emma Hernandez, Nalei Kekina-Fernandez, Jeremiah Burnett, Ivan Herrera, Quang Nguyen, (second row) Anastasia Gaught, Gabriel Lopez, Dixon Jodway, Johan Rico, Eliana Ruiz, Harley

Thompson names fifth-six weeks honor roll

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Seventh grade
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low, Eliana Marie Benavides, Oubrey Jessily Bermudez, Adam Ras Bowman, Hannah Linh Bui, Altia Miamor Caldwell, Jorge Luis Cardenas, Jason Alexander Castellano, Ruben Castillo, Noah Alexander Cervantes, Sophia Catalina Chacon, Sofia Deon Charles and Blakely Star Chavez.

Mina Berlin Crane, Rachel Lynn Cummings, Peyton Brooklynn Deleon, Jaselyn Danna Enriquez, Zuriel Mariano Erguiza, Kinsley Lynn Freeman, Viviana Gamez, Levi Brayden Garcia, Christian Aldo Garza, Sophia Marie Garza, Nicholas Lino Gomez, Anthony Joel Gonzales, Daniella Reyna Gonzales, Emily Dann Gonzales, David Gonzalez and Donald Ray Graham.

Hannah Marie Benavides, Michael Andres Rentas. Alexavier Jay Rodriguez, Georgia Grey Rodriguez, Kober Madysin Rodriguez, Viviana Rose Salazar, Dahlia Salinas, Jocelyn Eliana Santos, Riley Madison Savoy, Mallory Atheleen Serrano Aquino, Hailey Han Sichanh, Robert James Solar, Noah Joseph Stone, Zoie Gervacio Sudario, Tate Phat Tran, Carney Truong, Zylah Marie Vargas and Alessandra Vasquez.

Haylee Larae Grant, Aaron Grau, Edson Tadeo Guevara, Lillian Mai Hayden, Bella Alessandra Renee Hernandez, Max Emiliano Hernandez, Ethan Tyler Ho, Son Duc Hoang, Tristan Noel James, Joshua Utluwadamilare Jegede, Simone Elise Jones, Ace Antonio Juarez, Anayah Ali Khan, Jayleen Bao-Chau Lam, Sophia Isabella Landaverde and Roland Alexander Lee.

Emilee Nicole Lugo, Hannah Nguyen Luu, Bryan Clifton Martin, Andrew Martinez, Ayden Elijah-Joseph Martinez, Damian Martinez, Emily Alexia Martinez, Mia Pilar Martinez, Jordan Alexander McCombs, Breanna Johana McNeal, Kayleigh Lynn Mitchell, Nyla Elizabeth Mitchell, Katalina Aracely Morales, Aryan Nepal and David King Nguyen.

Drake Khuongtrieu Nguyen, Hau Xuan Trung Nguyen, Nina Anh Nguyen, Sharon Nguyen, Suri Ngoc Nguyen, Y Thien Nguyen, Xara Rose Oddo, Skye Andrei Buan Orsua, Brielle Nevaeh Ortega, Adriana Leonisa Padilla, Annaelizabeth S. Pelekamoyo, Fernanda Pineda, Maria De Jesus Ramirez Gloria, Kyle

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Melahnny Meilin Machado, Phuwadet Maingot, Andrew Malone, Alexander Josue Maravilla Cabrera, Emmanuel Martinez, Maddox Derek Martinez, Melanie Martinez, Nathaniel John Martinez, Hiba Mateen, Jocelyn Mates Duran, Chloe Isabella Maycott, Danica Kasey McDonough, Nathaniel Domingo Medina, Erick Jesus Montejano and Isaiha Elias Morua.

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Joy Elizabeth Premanand, Simon Quach, Grayson Elijah Riley, Amber Marie Rodriguez, Ethan David Rodriguez, Zoey Ruth Rogers, Stephanie Daniela Romero Romero, Brianna Jaelyn Scott, Julius Valentin Segura, Mateo Rafael Serna, Madison Michelle Silva, Maryum Tariq, Jakob Dylan Tellez and Jocelyn Thannhien Thach.

Jayden Trihao Tran, Lauren Toquyen Tran, Travis Hoa Tran, Lucas Matthew B. Tullud, Blake Walker Turnipseed, Alexander Vasquez, Ethan Eli Vega, Rey Jeremiah Vega, Emily Aime Villarreal, Jocelyn Villarreal, Christina Ngoc Vu, Scott Lu Vu, Jeremiah Zentrelle Wortham-Moore and Joir'dan Lee'elle Kearih Wyatt.

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Remember When

45 years ago (1980)
Dr. C. Lee Meyer, superintendent of Pasadena Independent School District, vowed to fight federal intervention aimed at forcing the district to become a part of an integration plan for Houston ISD.

Even though real estate companies were still selling homes in Southbend, some mortgage companies offered little resistance to people who quit paying their loans in order to move away from Brio.

30 years ago (1995)
Dobiemanian swept the South Belt after the J. Frank Dobie girls softball team won its second state title in three years.

The YMCA, San Jacinto Kids College and local recreation centers announced separate summer programs for South Belters.

San Jacinto College regents selected former Houston Community College chancellor J. B. Whitely as its interim chancellor.

Stuchbery Elementary first-grade teacher Gayle Anderson retired after 33 years of teaching, 28 of those years were at Stuchbery.

25 years ago (2000)
NASA's KC-135 micro-gravity research aircraft, affectionately known as the Vomit Comet, retired and was permanently placed at Ellington Field.

James Clay Gillis, 46, former Dobie varsity football coach, died in a Hobby Airport crash.

A second-grade Stuchbery

student returned to school after being struck by a car while leaving the campus. The 7-year-old student was crossing the street with his parent after school at a non-designated crosswalk when he was hit by the automobile on Hughes Road in front of Sagemont Church. The child suffered minor injuries and was taken to Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, where he was treated and released. The driver of the car was ticketed by police for failure to control speed.

Police arrested two suspects in connection with a fatal drive-by shooting in the 11000 block of Sagevalley. Former Dobie student Favian Ramirez, 20, was shot in the neck during the incident. He was taken to Ben Taub General Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Following the shooting, police located the suspects' vehicle, and a chase ensued. The pursuit ended, however, when the suspects' car crashed into a fence on the Gulf Freeway feeder road near Nyack. Suspects Raymond Preston Moreno, 18, and David Chavez, 21, were arrested and charged with murder.

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Over The Back Fence by Nicole

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JACLYN!
Wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to former Leader staffer Jaclyn Tremont May 20 from her friends, family and the Leader staff.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, COURTNEY!
Courtney Durham celebrates a happy birthday May 20. Best wishes are sent to her from children Abigail, Jackson and Penelope Durham; parents Fred and Leslie Flickinger; sister Kimberly and husband Matt Lipina; nephew William Lipina; uncle David (Leader president) and his wife Ellie Flickinger; grandmother Olive Falkowski; father John Fairchild; grandfather David Flickinger; and friends and the Leader staff.

JACKSON TURNS 9!
Best wishes for a happy ninth birthday May 21 are sent to Jackson Durham from parents Courtney and Chris Durham, sisters Abigail and Penelope; aunt Kimberly and husband Matt Lipina; cousin William Lipina; grandparents Fred and Leslie Flickinger; great-grandmother Olive Falkowski; grandfather John Fairchild; great-grandfather David Flickinger; and great-uncle David Flickinger (Leader president) and his wife Ellie.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following staff of the Pasadena ISD celebrate birthdays May 15 through May 21.

Burnett Elementary
Rebecca Darby celebrates a birthday May 15.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Melissa Rios-Gutierrez and Roland Lejeune; Friday, May 16: Anthony Swilley, Alan Adams, Keith Walker, Kenny Napper and Allyson McMillen; Saturday, May 17: Becky Henry, Roland Kennedy, Gina Houghton and Jessica Nixon; Sunday, May 18: Melody Tanner, Brian Cruz, Sheila Neal, Jessica Ramirez De La Cruz, Alondra Cristina and Rachel Mooney; Monday, May 19: Melanie Martin, Tanya Williams, Jonathan Pearson, Robby Asbury, Leah Poirer and Laura Scott; Tuesday, May 20: Norma Pruneda, Joey Martinez, Mike Freeman, Juan Cruz, Tami Richardson, Kathy Swift and Al Carter; and Wednesday, May 21: Vance Britt, Shelly Woodin, and Kimberly Garza.

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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES



Senior Miguel Mercedes (34) put together a monster offensive season at the plate as he helped the Longhorns to third place and a playoff berth. From there, the Longhorns advanced to the area playoff round for the third consecutive season as Mercedes continued his torrid pace at the plate. Photos by Gloria Wallace



Julian Valencia of Dobie provided exceptional defensive work behind the plate during his final season in a Longhorn jersey. A two-year varsity performer, Valencia in helped the Dobie pitching staff put together a terrific season all-around in 2025.

Dobie offers boys' and girls' hoops camp

Dobie varsity girls' basketball head coach Rachel Flores and her staff are now accepting registration for the 2025 Longhorn Youth Basketball Clinic June 23-25 at Dobie main as incoming first- through ninth-grade boys' and girls' students will be eligible to attend the fun-filled, three-day event at \$60 per participant. Participants will receive instruction in all phases of the game of basketball, including shooting, passing, dribbling, rebounding, offensive and defensive team concepts and more. Visit DoBiEGBB on X, then scan the QR code to begin registration or direct email to Flores at RRodriguezFlores@PasadenaISD.org.

Brook girls' hoops camp

Clear Brook varsity girls' basketball head coach Mileka Loydrake and her staff will host a youth girls' summer camp/clinic June 3-4 at the high school as participants will receive instruction in all phases of the game while learning more about the game in a positive, fun-filled environment. Cost is \$65 per participant. Visit CBHSLadyBBall on X (Twitter) to register via UR code.

Wolverines' Janak sets June 23-26 camp

Clear Brook varsity boys' basketball head coach Nathan Janak and his staff will host a youth boys' summer camp/clinic June 23-26 at the high school as participants will receive instruction in all phases of the game. Boys entering the fourth- through sixth grades as of the 2025-2026 school year will attend from 9 a.m. to noon at \$125 per student. Boys and girls entering kindergarten through third-grade will attend from 9 a.m. to noon at \$85 per student, and seventh-through ninth-grade students will attend from 1 to 4 p.m. at \$125 per student. Visit ClearBrookHoops on X (Twitter) to register via QR code.

Ravens' players earn honors

A pair of losses sandwiched around a one-run victory over Blinn served to bring an end to a 26-31 season for the San Jacinto College Softball program as head coach Kelly Saenz and her crew concluded an up-and-down 2025 campaign. The Ravens advanced to the National Junior College Athletic Association's Division 1 World Series in three of the past four seasons leading up to this one, but things never really seemed to click in terms of consistency as the Ravens finished with a sub .500 record for the first time in several seasons. Following the end of the regular season, several San Jacinto College players were recognized with regional and Conference honors for their performance on the field. Infielder Kamryn DeLeon and designated player Madelyn Perez were selected to the All-Conference first team along with outfielders Iliana Melendez and Bree Winkelman. DeLeon also captured first

Eagles oust Longhorns in tight area baseball series

A pair of one-run losses to Atascocita in the Division 1 area playoff round served as a disappointing ending to the varsity baseball careers of 15 Dobie seniors and their teammates as the Longhorns were swept 3-2, 6-5 by the Eagles in a best-of-three series May 9-10 at Baytown Sterling High School.

Atascocita clinched a regional Final Four berth thanks in large part to a six-run top of the fourth inning in the second and eventual deciding game, forcing the Longhorns to play catch-up the rest of the way. The second game was scoreless through three innings as Dobie freshman right-hander Jaylen

Aguilar and Atascocita's Ty Higgingbotham posted zeroes on the scoreboard. Consecutive singles plus a walk loaded the bases with no outs for the Eagles in the top of the fourth inning before Jayden Hernandez drew an RBI walk and C.J. Toney came up with a two-run single for a 3-0 lead. Cole Edwards made it

4-0 in favor of the Eagles before Higgingbotham delivered another big blow with a two-run single, putting Atascocita up 6-0. Juelz Martinez reached on an error in the bottom of the fourth and eventually scored on a single by Angel Molina and Aguilar was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded for another JFD run.

From there, Higgingbotham induced a ground ball to himself for the final out of the inning. In the bottom of the fifth, Martinez singled, stole a base and moved to third on a passed ball before scoring on Isaiah Jones' single. Down 6-3, the Longhorns plated two more runs in their half of the sixth inning. Julian Valen-

cia had an RBI groundout and Martinez smacked a two-out double to score Aguilar. But with Martinez at second, Molina flied out to end the inning. In the bottom of the seventh, Dobie had its chances but Atascocita's Garet Hackenbruck managed to close out the series. **Continued on Page 6**

Clear Creek ISD Hall of Honor soon to reveal 2025, class

With the Clear Creek ISD Hall of Honor set to reveal its 2025 class of inductees later this month, the *Leader* is taking a look back at previous honorees.

The Hall of Honor Class of 2024 inductees included: **Student Athlete Honorees** Darrell Williams, Clear Creek High School, 1972

(cross-country/track); Fred Machell, Clear Lake High School, 1974 (diving); Scott Jones*, Clear Lake High School, 1980 (cross-country/track); James Patton, Clear Creek High School, 1988 (football); Brendan Daly, Clear Creek High School, 1991 (baseball); Bryce Cramer, Clear Creek High School,

1991 (cross-country/track); Chameka Scott*, Clear Brook High School, 2002 (basketball). **Team Honorees** Clear Lake High School girls' Volleyball, 1984 (UIL 5A state champions); Clear Brook High School girls' Track, 1988 (UIL 4A state champions).

The Hall of Honor Class of 2023 inductees included: **Coach Honorees** Coach E. J. Swindler*, Clear Lake High School, 1972-1984 (cross-country/track); Dede MacPherson, Clear Creek High School, 1983-2008 (soccer). **Student Athlete Honorees** Kevin Ruszkowski,

Clear Lake High School, 1983 (swimming); Alison Uberecken Kraemer, Clear Lake High School, 1989 (cross-country/track); Tim Glover, Clear Lake High School, 1990 (basketball/baseball); Steve McKinney, Clear Lake High School, 1994 (Football/Basketball); Cara Gibbs Timmons, Clear Creek High School, 1995 (basketball); Jennifer Gordon Womack, Clear Brook High School, 1996 (soccer/volleyball/basketball/softball); Brenetta "Terri" Hunter Bolden, Clear Brook High School, 1996 (basketball/track); Jamie Anderson Brownson, Clear Creek High School, **Continued on Page 8**

Flores makes move to Clear Falls High School baseball

Clear Brook's loss will soon be Clear Falls' gain as former longtime Wolverine head baseball coach Gene Flores has been named to the Knights.

The maneuvering began with the retirement of Eddie Youngblood, who had been the first and only varsity head baseball coach at Clear Falls.

Clear Springs or Clear Falls," Gene Flores said. "It is something that I thought about for a long time. I love everything about Clear Brook High School. I've been there 19 years and have some tremendous relationships that I have developed over the years. That's something to consider when you make a move like this, but at the same time I felt like this was a great opportunity to do something

with my family in mind. "These opportunities don't come along every year, and making the move to Clear Falls is something that I'm very excited about. Sometimes change is good, and I feel like it can rejuvenate you." Clear Lake, the 2025 champion of 24-6A, is still playing in the 6A Division 2 postseason bracket. Clear Creek, Deer Park and Clear Springs also advanced to the postseason

while both the Wolverines and Knights experienced a rough go of it this season and finished near the bottom of the league. Peering at things through a five-year window, Clear Brook emerged from the pandemic and won the 24-6A title in 2021 at 9-1 on the strength of a district Most Valuable Player effort from current UT-Arlington senior right-hander Aaron Cenhoun. The Wolverines were a

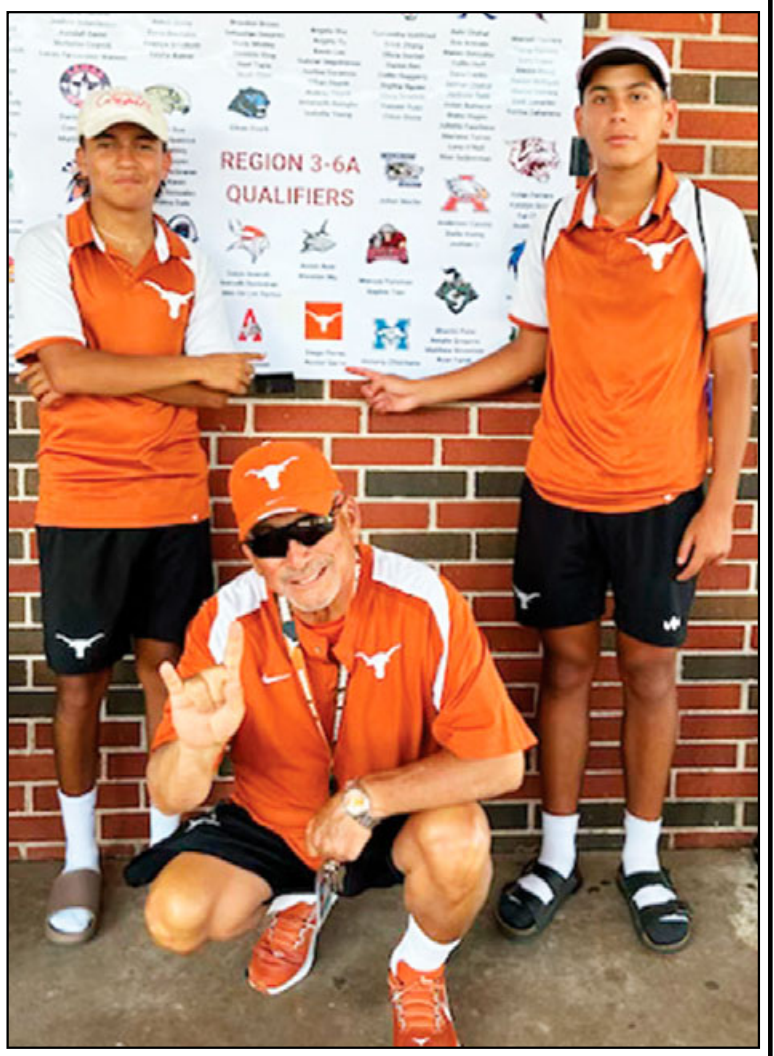
combined 10-10 in league play over the next two seasons but rebounded in 2024 to share the league crown with Clear Springs and Clear Creek. "I'm very proud of what we have established at Clear Brook and some of the success we have had. I know the program is in great shape and is set up for success beyond now," Flores said. Flores will finish out the school year, or what's



Gene Flores While to some it may seem like a lateral move of sorts, simply jumping from one solid Clear Creek ISD program to another, Flores told the *Leader* this move was all about family. Flores and his wife, Stacy, will now travel to San Jacinto College north on home game days to watch Trenton Flores, their eldest son, compete with the Ravens' outstanding junior college baseball program. The couple's middle son, Trace Flores, will now begin his freshman season at Clear Falls, while their youngest daughter, Peyton, will be an eighth-grade student. "I think as a family we realize their groups of friends can change with time, but right now, most of Trace and Peyton's friends will either go to

JFD tennis competes at RIIs

Dobie's Diego Flores (left) and Nestor Garza, posing with Longhorns head tennis coach Manuel Moreno Jr., lost to Katy Seven Lakes' No. 2-seeded Sorathan Leekumjorn/Aidan Xu, 6-2, 6-0, in the opening round of the Region III-6A Championships at Deer Park High School South, after qualifying as the District 22-6A runners-up. "Diego and Nestor played two of the best matches in Dobie tennis history at district," Moreno said, noting the two upset No. 2-seeded Alvin Shadow Creek in the quarterfinals in three sets before shocking No. 5-seeded Pearlland in the second-place play-back match, 7-6 (7-2), 7-5, Garza hitting the match winner. "It was a forehand crosscourt winner I'll always remember," Moreno added. "I'm sure Nestor, Diego and Pearlland won't forget it either."



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Lutheran South girls win third straight 5A state golf crown



Lutheran South senior golfer Addison Trahan (left) fired an 81 to place second individually at the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools 5A State girls golf championship tournament earlier this month at the Cottonwood Creek Golf Club in Waco. Junior teammate Emma Poffinbarger was eighth with an 88 as they helped guide the Pioneers to their third consecutive state championship trophy as a team.



The Lutheran South Academy varsity golf team captured its third consecutive Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools 5A state championship with the team win May 5-6 at the Cottonwood Creek Golf Club in Waco. The LSA girls put together a five-player total of 377 to capture the state championship, just one shot ahead of Frattini Catholic. Individually, Jameson Louie of Fort Bend Christian fired a single round 77 to win the gold medal, with the Pioneers' senior Addison Trahan second with a round of 81. Junior Emma Poffin-

barger of LSA was eighth with an 88. Senior Olivia Rivas (101), freshman Kiley Alexander (107) and junior Sophia Maxwell (119) rounded out the scoring for Lutheran South. Trahan, Poffinbarger and Rivas have been part of each of the program's three consecutive state titles under the guidance of head coach Geoff Stresman. The state championship team included, left to right, Alexander, Maxwell, Rivas, Poffinbarger and Trahan. LSA boys' golfer Karsen Parker shot a 71 to finish in a third-place tie individually.

Brook's Glover chooses college



Clear Brook Class of 2025 senior and defensive lineman Mikale Glover has signed to continue his education and playing career at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn. The Golden Gusties are part of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and compete as an NCAA Division III program.

JFD grad Baldwin joins GB



Dobie Class of 2021 graduate Johnathan Baldwin has taken part in first-year player and undrafted free agent workouts with the Green Bay Packers as he will attempt to secure a roster spot later this summer with the National Football League franchise. Baldwin was a 3-year varsity starter at Dobie in both basketball and football, and is coming off a standout career on the football field at the University of Nevada Las Vegas.

Atascocita wins two single-run games to eliminate Dobie baseball

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Tasco takes opener

Eagles' starter Jaxon McKnight struck out nine during a complete-game performance, leading Atascocita to a 3-2 win in the series opener May 9 at Baytown.

After McKnight balked in a run with one out in the top of the sixth to get Dobie within 3-2, the Eagles' ace fanned four of the next five hitters, including consecutive strikeouts to end the game.

Atascocita lead-off man C.J. Coney slammed a

solo homer to left with one out in the bottom of the third inning against Dobie starter Aiden Sanchez as the Eagles took a 1-0 lead.

Martinez tripled to start the top of the fourth inning and rode home on a one-out single by Joiner as the Longhorns forged a 1-1 tie, albeit briefly.

McKnight walked to open the bottom half of the frame, stole second and scored on a single by Ty Higgingbotham as Atascocita led 2-1.

The Eagles made it 3-1 in the bottom of the fifth

inning as Jayden Hernandez drew a lead-off walk, made his way to third via a wild pitch and groundout, then scored on a two-out single by Cole Edwards.

Molina tripled with one out in the top of the sixth inning and eased home courtesy of McKnight's balk.

From there, though, McKnight held it together to earn the win and a series lead for the Eagles.

Sanchez, a three-year varsity standout pitching his final game as a Longhorn with his teammates,

went 4 2/3 innings, fanning five while issuing three walks. The San Jacinto College signee allowed five hits and struck out five.

The Dobie program will now graduate 15 se-

niors, with seven players on the 2025 roster set to return. Outfielder Isaiah Jones is a star already and Aguilar was the Newcomer of the Year in 22-6A as a freshman right-hander.

Looking ahead, Tristan

McKissick and Abraham Torres are also returning options on the mound, while Jones and Aguilar are currently the lone returnees to a starting lineup that went against the Eagles.

Lewis picks Western Gulf BB



Dezire Lewis, a Class of 2025 Dobie senior and varsity basketball standout, will continue her education and playing career at Western Gulf Collegiate after signing a letter of intent with the Red Gales. with Lewis at the signing was Dobie girls basketball head coach Rachel Flores. Western Gulf is an independent collegiate program based in Nassau Bay, Clear Lake and competes primarily against junior college programs. Lewis was an All-District honorable mention selection a season ago.



Juelz Martinez was huge all season for the Dobie varsity baseball program in 2025 as he topped off a brilliant four-year varsity career. The gifted outfielder will play at San Jacinto College beginning this fall.

JFD swim honors top performers

The Dobie swimming and diving team held its second annual End-of-Season Banquet at the Deer Park Battleground Golf Course. Student-athletes honored with special awards as a result of their success this season included, left to right, Zoey Yuong, Most Valuable Swimmer/Diver; Joel Chapa, Coach's Award; Khristian Zamora, Sportsmanship Award; Jossiah DePaul, Most Improved Swimmer/Diver; and Alexander Griffin, Rookie of the Year.



Pleasants to play with Vibe



Dobie graduate and softball star Taylor Pleasants has joined the Florida Vibe of Fastpitch United for the 2025 summer season. Pleasants was a true star at Dobie and is widely considered to be the top offensive player in program history. She was a standout shortstop for Louisiana State University from 2019 to 2024. Her incredible college career was packed with honors as she was once a National Fastpitch Coaches Association All-American, a four-time NFCA All-Region, three-time All-Southeastern Conference, SEC All-Tournament, SEC All-Defensive and the 2020 SEC Newcomer of the Year. The Vibe will play their home games at State College of Florida. The regular season opens the second week of June and runs through July 28. Pleasants and former LSU teammate Ciara Briggs are graduate assistant coaches with the Tigers under head coach Beth Torina. LSU is 41-14 this season ahead of the start of NCAA Regional play.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 15

7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill," Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., and Saturday at 7:30 a.m. Hope Community United Methodist Church, 2838 Lily St. Call 713-686-6300 (24/7) or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.

7:30 a.m. **Rotary Club of Pearland** - Check website for time and location https://pearlandrotary.com/events/calendar or call 832-293-9860.

9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Open Tues. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call Karen Hollon at 713-472-0565 for appointment. Tours 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 16

7:30 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.

7 p.m. **NA - Vigilance Group of NA**, open meeting, 2930 E. FM 518, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.

7 p.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - All services are live and on Zoom. For details regarding services or Judaism classes, visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.

8 p.m. **Serenity Now AI-Anon Group** - meets at CrossRoads UMC 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share and discover choices available. Call 281-484-9243.

8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

SATURDAY, MAY 17

7:30 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.

9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.

9:30 a.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - All services are live and Zoom online. For details on the 7 p.m. Friday night or the 9:30 a.m. Saturday service, Judaism classes, film series, and lunch with the Rabbi, visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.

SUNDAY, MAY 18

5:30 p.m. **Celebrate Recovery** - A faith-based 12-Step program, in the Life Kids Chapel at Life Church, 5125 Preston Ave. Pasadena, TX 77505. Call 713-419-2635 for details.

8 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous** - See Friday's notice.

8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

MONDAY, MAY 19

5 p.m. - **New Directions Singles Social Group** is a singles group for those 55+. Meetings are the first and third Monday held in the community room at Maplewood Crossing, 600 Hobbs Road, League City. There will be a potluck dinner and may include group activities.

6 p.m. **Scrabble Club #511** - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Join the fun and improve crossword skills. COVID-19 vaccination required. Email huff_reunion@juno.com for info.

7 p.m. **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - #0683 Friendswood chapter meets at Friendswood Methodist Church, 110 N. Friendswood Dr. in the educational bldg., room 201. For information, call Lynette Ringrose at 832-858-4617 or Dorothy Pourteau at 713-875-8820.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.

Meets Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - St. Luke's 12-Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, in the Education Bldg. in room 4, 11011 Hall Rd. For details, call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.

9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.

11:30 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. **Southeast Houston Toastmasters** - The Southeast Houston Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets virtually with the exception of the second and fourth Tuesdays (hybrid meeting) at seahouston.toastmastersclubs.org. In-person address 10500 Scarsdale Blvd. (SB Chamber of Commerce). Visit the website or call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 for information.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.

9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.

Noon **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners. 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300 for more information. Meets Mondays - Fridays.

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Ballroom Dancing** - See Monday's notice.

7 p.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - See Friday's notice.

8 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous** - See Friday's notice.

8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

THURSDAY, MAY 22

7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill," Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., and Saturday at 7:30 a.m. Hope Community United Methodist Church, 2838 Lily St. Call 713-686-6300 (24/7) or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.

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Class of 2025 Clear Creek ISD Hall of Honor revealed later this month

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1998 (soccer); Rebecca Wolfe Damas, Clear Creek High School, 2000 (swimming).

Team Honorees

1976 Clear Lake High School Girls Swim Team-5A Simming UIL State Champions: Laura T. Geibel - 1976; Holly Renee Magee* - 1977; Michelle Joslyn - 1978; Lorelei Musgrave - 1978; Susan Claffy - 1979; Coach: Lanny Landtroop*; Asst. Coach: Debra Reichle; 1978 Clear Lake Boys Cross Country Team-5A Cross Country UIL State Champions: Dan C. Joosten - 1979; David Spivey - 1979; Eddie Michalik - 1979; Brian Hickman - 1979; Tom Donohoe - 1979; Scott Jones* - 1980; Perry Miller - 1980; Bill Roberts - 1980; Bob Fay - 1980; Coach: E. J. Swindler.

1976, 1977, 1979 Clear Lake High School: Boys Swim Team: State Champions: David Greenwood - 1976; Thad Putman - 1976; Dean Thibodaux - 1976; David Reed - 1977; Hunter Richmond - 1977; Mike Leach - 1977; Mike Karcis - 1978; Chris Kelly - 1979; Scott Wells - 1979; Mike McCann - 1979; Philip Frank - 1980; Eric Johnson* - 1981; Bill Dornbach - 1981; Bill Fox - 1981; Perry Corke* - 1981; Jim Hansen - 1982. Coach: Lanny Landtroop*. Asst. Coach: Debra Reichle.

The Hall of Honor Class of 2022 inductees included: Coach Honorees: Lanny Landtroop*, Clear Creek

High School, 1966-1972, Clear Lake High School, 1972-1986 (swimming); Janis Balsamo, Clear Lake High School, 1979-2004 (golf).

Student Athlete Honorees

Charles "Chuck" Trecka Jr.*, Clear Creek High School, 1958 (basketball, baseball, football); Margaret Spence McGraw, Clear Lake High School, 1983 (volleyball, basketball); Kristina Predmore Godina, Clear Lake High School, 1984 (volleyball, golf); Elie Gibson, Clear Lake High School, 1985 (golf); Shad Smith, Clear Creek High School, 1985 (baseball, football, basketball); Richard R. Barnwell*, Clear Lake High School, 1986 (baseball); Scott Sheldon, Clear Lake High School, 1987 (baseball); Scott A. Jones, Clear Lake High School, 1993 (swimming).

Team Honorees

Clear Creek Boys Football 1964 (Season Record 9-1) Coach: Paul Gips*; Asst. Coaches: Gene Mears*; Max Blansit*; Ken Daw*; Don Wehmeyer*; managers: Butch Dodson - 1967; W.G. "Snuffy" Walden - 1967. Team: Johnny Valentino - 1965; Joe C. McKinney - 1965; Joe Adams - 1965; Frank Goodman - 1965; John Platzer - 1965; Andrew Merz - 1965; George Ulrich - 1965; Andy Jarvis - 1965; Donald "Cotton" McKee - 1965; Ralph Mosley - 1965; Gerry Stricklin - 1965; James McWhorter - 1965;

Paul Hackett - 1966; Dan W. Gillaspie - 1966; John Siggins - 1966; Mike Milan - 1966; Raymond Gillaspie - 1967; Larry Kelly - 1967; Allan Hanson - 1967; Laddie Howard - 1967; Mark Lange - 1967; Edward Meaux - 1967; Mike Milan - 1966; Mike Leach - 1966; Jimmie Cornelius - 1967; Dave Dowlearn* - 1965; Robert Elsen* - 1965; Dennis Powell* - 1965; Mike Lloyd* - 1965; Steve Bauer* - 1965; Bill Bulay* - 1965; Joe Edler* - 1965; Kenneth Hunter* - 1966; Steve Stewart* - 1966; Tommy Sanders* - 1967; Don Cope* - 1967; posthumously. Clear Lake Boys Swimming 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 (UIL 5A State Champions) Jim Dugan - 1981; Ricky Morrow - 1981; Bill Dornbach - 1981; Perry Corke* - 1981; Jim Ammons - 1982; Jim Hansen - 1982; Steven McCann - 1982; Mike Lovfald - 1983; Johnny Gonzalez - 1983; Kevin Ruszkowski - 1983; Jim Borkowski - 1983; Scott Fosdick - 1983; Robert Hunt - 1984; Steve Streiff - 1984; Paul Peyton - 1984; Scott Pearson - 1984; Craig David Wakefield - 1987; Bob McAndrew - 1985; Andy Fosdick - 1986; Payton K. Swope - 1986; Bac Nguyen - 1987; Bill Fox - 1981;

The 2021 induction ceremony did not take place due to the pandemic.

Coaches

Angie Chivers; Clear Lake HS 1974-1994 Volleyball Peggy Whitley, Clear Creek HS 1968-1972, 1983-2004 Basketball James "Jim" Mallory Clear Creek HS 1978-2011, Baseball

Student Athletes

John Peskuric Clear Creek HS - 1970 Football Darryl Menard Clear Lake HS - 1981 Baseball Mark Rudis Clear Creek HS - 1988 Baseball, Football Holly Renee Magee Clear Lake HS - 1977 Swimming Sue Schelfhout Berg Clear Lake HS - 1985 Volleyball, Basketball, Golf David Buckner Clear Lake HS - 1989 Basketball Tracie Blumentritt Clear Creek HS - 1979 Tennis Jose Oscar Rivas Clear Lake HS - 1986 Baseball Cindy Gregory Clear Lake HS - 1979 Volleyball, Basketball, Track, Cross Country Lyssa McBride Seale Clear Creek HS - 1986 Basketball

Team Honorees

Clear Lake Girls Cross Country UIL 5A Championship Teams Head Coach: Anid de la Gar-

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Eric Valentino - 1991 Robert Henson - 1989 Michael Moten - 1989 Dr. Brian Williams - 1960 Bradley Bruce - 1989 Tim Glover - 1990 Scott Boykin - 1989 David Buckner - 1989 Mike Fultz - 1990 Paul Cooper - 1990 Eric Henderson - 1989 Mike Simmons - 1990 John Easterly - 1990 Derrick Lormand - 1991 Steve Rasmussen - 1990 Managers: David Woods - 1989 Dr. Justin Kerr - 1989 Tomas Moreno - 1990 Andy Zimmerman - 1990 Jesse Kerr - 1991 Anthony Kaye - 1991 Todd Shotwell - 1990 1991 Clear Creek High School Boys Baseball Team, UIL 5A State Champions Head Coach: James "Jim" Mallory Eric Leger - Asst. Coach Darrell Warden - Asst. Coach Robert "Bobby" Dingenary - Asst. Coach Carey Faires - Trainer

Athletes

Missy Domenick - 1985 Kim Olver - 1986 Lisa Pye - 1987 Sandy Dohanich - 1984 Andra Tamburro* - 1985 Tessa Ibarra Fuqua - 1984 Denise Daley La Grange - 1985 Barbette Meyers - 1985 Kim Lewis - 1987 Missy Price - 1986 Missy Domenick - 1985 Kim Olver - 1986 Lisa Pye - 1987 Andra Tamburro* - 1985 Barbette Meyers - 1985 Susie Ibarra - 1988 Debbie Randall - 1987 Melissa Erwin Szazama - 1987 Denise Daley La Grange - 1985 Kim Lewis - 1987 Kim Olver - 1986 Lisa Pye - 1987 Susie Ibarra - 1988 Kelly T. Cuddeback - 1989 Noadiah Eckman - 1988 Kim Cook - 1987 Lauren Simmons - 1987 Kelly Gilbert - 1987 Ousa Haynes O'Mara - 1988 Amy Berry - 1988 1989 Clear Lake High School Boys Basketball Team, UIL 5A State Champions Head Coach: Bill Krueger Lynn McDonald - Asst. Coach Charlie Spurlin - Asst. Coach Mark Barker - Asst. Coach Paul Quillen - Asst. Coach Jim "Pud" Williams* - Statistician David Silva - Trainer

Athletes

Chris Hosek - 1991 Ryan Keathley - 1992 Doug Cash - 1991 Todd Phillips - 1992 Eric Silvas - 1991 Jeffrey Suffron - 1992 Scott Adams - 1991, Student Trainer: Jill J. Chicoine Smith - 1992 The Hall of Honor Class of 2019 inductees included: Allen Dean Holtman* - Clear Creek High School, 1974 - 1993 Paul Gips* - Clear Creek High School, 1962 - 1983 *posthumously Henry F. Bauerschlag* - Clear Creek High School, 1953 - 1984 Buddy Carlisle - Clear Creek High School, 1976 - 2006 The following student athlete honorees were welcomed into the new class of distinguished athletes; Boonie Wilkening* - Webster High School, 1955 basketball; Susie Kelly Flatau - Clear Creek High School, 1970, basketball, tennis; Susan N. Brand - Clear Creek High School, 1972 basketball, track; Nancy Olson - Clear Creek High School, 1974 basketball; Barry Dittman* - Clear Lake High School, 1975 football. 1956 Webster High School Boys Basketball Team, UIL 2A Third Place in State: Coach George B. Carlisle*; Asst. Coach Henry F. Bauerschlag* Pat Jensen* - 1956 James Wesley Davis* - 1957; Garvis Hadley - 1956; William Larry Frost - 1957; Paul Blanchard* - 1956; Tom Goodman* - 1957; Lawrence Smith* - 1956; Gary Brizendine - 1957; Bill Galey - 1956; Ronald Wahn - 1957; Garland Smith* - 1956; John Hancock* - 1957; Joe Dickson - 1956; Stanley Magee* - 1957; James Wesley Davis* - 1957; William Larry Frost - 1957; Tom Goodman* - 1957; Gary Brizendine - 1957; Ronald Wahn - 1957; John Hancock* - 1957; Stanley Magee* - 1957. 1983 Clear Lake High School Girls Volleyball Team, UIL 5A State Champions Coach Angie Chivers Asst. Coach Janis Balsamo Cheryl Blumenstein Forrest - 1984 Christine Liller Idinge - 1986 Sherry Smith - 1984 Deborah Shelley Huston - 1986 Kristina Predmore Godina - 1984 Dara Cox Wheeler - 1986 Sue Schelfhout Berg - 1985 Jill Blumenstein Brown - 1987 Joelle Condon Brauweiler - 1985 Kiki Green, Manager - 1985 Kathleen Riley - 1985 Roger Schmitt, Manager - 1986 Julie Fournet White - 1985 Melyssa Godeke Liggett, Manager - 1985 Jennifer Thorson Kosel - 1985 Tina Lopez, Manager - 1985 Susan Schmitt - 1985 Christine Liller Idinge - 1986 Deborah Shelley Huston - 1986; Dara Cox Wheeler - 1986; Jill Blumenstein Brown - 1987; Kiki Green, Manager - 1985; Roger Schmitt, Manager - 1986; Melyssa Godeke Liggett, manager - 1985, Tina Lopez, manager - 1985. The Hall of Honor Class of 2018 inductees included: Coach Anid de la Garza built a dynasty in cross-country. During her 29 years at Clear Lake High School, she brought her track and field teams five district championships, 28 regional appearances, 13 state appearances and three individual state championships. Her 24-year record in cross-country included 21 state appearances, which included five state championships. Also in 2018, de la Garza was the first woman inducted into the Texas High School Cross-Country Association Hall of Fame. A living legend in the Clear Creek Independent School District, the state of Texas and even nationwide, Coach Bill Krueger took his team to 14 district championships, state finals three times and a win at the state championship in 1989. Krueger is the nation's all-time winningest high school boys' basketball coach with 1,096 victories in 38 years. Clear Creek High School basketball player James Wesley Davis was UIL All-State first team in 1957 and averaged 18.1 points per game. Davis started in the first two state tournaments in CCISD history and played for Rice University on a basketball scholarship. Paul Russell Timmins II was a three-year starter under the legendary George Carlisle. Averaging 16.1 points his senior year, Timmins' ball-handling and defense were the best of his era. He started on varsity for three years and went to the state tournament his junior and senior year.

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Earning a basketball scholarship, Timmins played his junior and senior year on the Texas A&M University basketball team. Clear Creek basketball and football player Jimmie Dale Lenox was also a two-sport champion for Clear Creek High School and is the fourth member of the Lenox family to be inducted into the Hall of Honor. Lenox was All-State first team and the high scorer in the 1963 UIL State Championship winning game for the Wildcats, led by Coach Henry Bauerschlag. His senior year, Lenox was All-District quarterback. Clear Creek basketball player Sharon Casaday Wilkening was the leader, along with fellow Hall of Honor member, Robbie Hanson, on the girls' basketball team under Coach Virginia Butler. She was All-District, All-State first team. Led by Wilkening, the Wildcat team was the runner up in the UIL State Tournament. Casaday Wilkening went on to play for Sam Houston State University and taught for Clear Creek ISD for 22 years. 1969 Clear Creek High School graduate William A. "Bart" Goforth was a two-year letterman in football and All-District player. He earned a four-year full scholarship to play for Rice University and was named Most Valuable Offensive Lineman in 1972. Goforth played in the North/South College All Star Game and later played in the World Football League for two years. Clear Creek High School alum Dr. Charles H. Machell won the state championship in diving both his junior and senior years and went on to the University of Texas on a full diving scholarship where he continued to win championships. Basketball and track athlete Hank Bauerschlag is the all-time leading scorer at Clear Creek High School, scoring 2,381 points during his Wildcat career. Bauerschlag was named All-District for three years and named the Most Valuable Player by the Texas High School Coaches Association. He attended the University of Texas on a four-year basketball scholarship. Bauerschlag passed away at the early age 24. His sister, Dail Bauerschlag Sams, accepted the award on her brother's behalf. Known as a serious competitor, Jon Kramer played both defensive and offensive tackle for Clear Lake High School. His senior year, he made All-District, All-State and All-American. Sought by many colleges, Kramer chose the Baylor Bears as his university home and lettered all four years. In the NFL draft, he was chosen in the ninth round and played for the Cleveland Browns. While at Clear Lake High School, Steve Sylestine received honors as All-District and All-State, and was selected to play in the Texas High School All-Star Game. Heavily recruited by TCU, Baylor, Iowa State, Texas Tech and A&M, he chose Texas A&M and continued his basketball career for four years-winning in the Southwest Conference and playing in the NCAA Sweet 16 Tournament. Sande Lambert Wendt was Clear Lake High School's first state track champion in the long jump. Through her strong showings at the state meet, she qualified for the regional Junior Olympic Meet and Junior Olympic Championship and placed well above the best athletes in the United States. She was integral to the Falcons' track program, achieving its first District title in 1976. Her legacy was honored through the establishment of the Sande Lambert Award for the Best All Around Athlete for Clear Lake girls' track and field.

Athletes

Creek Wildcat Tom Weber dominated men's tennis in 1980. He won the UIL boys' singles championship in 1980 and went on to play tennis at Lamar University on a full scholarship, where he won championships for the Cardinals. Chemine Doty Peters attended Clear Lake High School and was a volleyball and basketball powerhouse. She was awarded a full athletic scholarship to Texas A&M University for volleyball, where she was twice selected All Southwest Conference and a candidate for the U.S. National Team. Her 73-career solo blocks rank eighth in the A&M career records. A 1981 Clear Creek graduate, Nancy Talley Davison ranked No. 1 in the state of Texas in junior tennis for five straight years in both singles and doubles. She received a full tennis scholarship to Oklahoma State University and was the Big 8 Champion in Doubles in 1982 and 1983 and Big 8 runner-up singles champion in 1982 and 1983. District MVP and All State Outfielder Jay Campbell Buhner set multiple Clear Creek High School records, including triples, 2-hit games and highest batting average in district play at .589. During his time at McLennan, the Highlanders won their only national title. He was selected in the ninth round of the MLB draft and played for the Pittsburgh Pirates, New York Yankees and Seattle Mariners during his major league career. In the mid-1990s he was one of the premier offensive players in the game, hitting over 40 home runs in three consecutive seasons, becoming just the tenth player to do so. The following state championship winning teams were inducted into the CCISD Athletic Hall of Honor: The 1971 Clear Creek Boys Cross-Country State Champions under Coach Max Blansit* Ralph Betancourt Bill Brodhead Shawn Griffith Dwight Smith Darrell Williams David Williams Bruce Winstanley The 1972 Clear Creek Boys Cross-Country State Champions under Coach Max Blansit* Ralph Betancourt Ron Chapman* Robert Garriott David Halleck John Matlock Bruce Roach Bruce Winstanley The 1972 Clear Creek Boys Track Distance Medley (State Record) under Coach Max Blansit* Bill Brodhead John McDaniel Bruce Roach Darrell Williams David Williams The 1972 Clear Creek Boys Two Mile Relay (Ranked #1 in the Nation) under Coach Max Blansit* Bill Brodhead John McDaniel Darrell Williams David Williams The 1974 Clear Creek Boys Cross Country State Champions under Coach John McDaniel Pat Brand Kevin Friese Robert Garriot Bruce Hubert Duane Phinney Santos Mares David Welch The 1979 Clear Creek Girls Swim Team State Champions under Coach Mike Repsold Elizabeth Beatty Joan Jacobson Del Papa Caroline Marnock Lee Marrow Jill Otten* The 1980 Clear Lake Girls Cross Country Team State Champions under Coach Anid de la Garza Missy Mauss Maria Michalik Lydia Miller Paula Price Dee Dee Rylance Daria Scharunovych Heidi Zieglschmid *Posthumously

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