

### 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.

### Kirkmont I to meet June 11

Kirkmont I HOA will hold its board meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, at the Kirkmont MUD Building, 10102 Blackhawk. All Kirkmont I homeowners and residents are encouraged to attend.

### Coffee with the Constable

Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia will be at Donut Haven, 10802 Hughes Road at Beamer, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. each Thursday morning as part of the weekly Coffee with the Constable series. For additional information, call Sagemont Civic Club President Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545.

### Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from SH 96/Calder/Brittany Bay in League City to FM 519/Main Street in La Marque daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Deats Road in Dickinson to FM 2004/Camp Wallace Access in Texas City from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. until further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from FM 519/Main Street in La Marque to Tiki Drive in Galveston daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

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.

### Knights to sell barbecue

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a barbecue fundraiser at St. Luke the Evangelist, located at 11011 Hall Road, Saturday, May 31, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, June 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost will be \$12 for a pulled-pork sandwich, cole slaw, chips and soft drink; and \$6 for sausage-on-a-stick. Proceeds will benefit the church's capital campaign.

### 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.

### Sagemont to meet June 3

The Sagemont Civic Club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer at Hughes. All Sagemont residents/homeowners are invited to attend. The meetings typically take place the first Tuesday of each month. For additional information, call Sagemont Civic Club President Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545.

### 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.

### Ellington eRecycling set

The City of Houston Solid Waste Management Department's monthly electronic recycling event will take place Saturday, June 14, at the Neighborhood Recycling Center at Ellington Airport from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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

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

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

# Suspect arrested in fatal Redford shooting

## Once a "hot spot" for murders, incident marked 1st fatal shooting at complex in 2 years

Charges have been filed against a suspect arrested in the fatal shooting of a man around 2:35 a.m. Thursday, May 15, outside an apartment complex in the 1400 block of Redford near Edgebrook and the Gulf Freeway.

The suspect, Tyrell Robinson, 21, was charged with murder in the 174th State District Court. He is accused of killing Jermon Williams, 20.

According to Houston Police Department officials, patrol officers responded to a shooting call at The Redford apartment complex at the above address and found a male suffering from gunshot wounds in the parking lot area. Paramedics pronounced him dead at the scene.

Neighbors reported hearing gunshots before

finding the male unresponsive.

Further investigation identified Robinson as a suspect in this incident. He was subsequently arrested and charged for his role in the crime.

Once dubbed by police as a "hot spot for violent crime," this marked the first known fatal shooting to take place at The Redford in nearly two years.

The last known murder to occur at the area



Tyrell Robinson

apartment complex took place July 3, 2023.

In that incident, police say a physical altercation in the parking lot escalated into gunfire. No immediate arrests were made.

In 2022 alone, there were at least 13 shootings at the complex, five of which were fatal.

The following is a list of incidents that took place at The Redford in just 2022:

– Oct. 6: Unknown male body found burned inside apartment.

– Oct. 3: Unknown male body found badly decomposed, wrapped in blankets inside apartment.

– Sept. 21: Juan Juarez, 38, fatally shot inside apartment; unnamed male, 34, also shot but survived. Justin Thomas, 31, was charged with capital murder. A second individual known only as "Atlanta" or "ATL" was also wanted for questioning.

– Aug. 20: Dennis Leon Sharp, 27, fatally shot inside apartment. (Latise Lonyea Lenoir, 29, was charged with murder in the crime.)

– July 28: Jabari Taylor, 41, fatally stabbed inside apartment. (Jeanette Staton, 43, named a person of interest but not charged in the incident.)

– March 16: Rufus Banks fatally shot inside apartment.

– Feb. 8: Alexis Cantu, 21, fatally shot at the complex. (Parys Burks-Henderson, 18, was charged with murder in the crime.)

– Feb. 6: unnamed male, 21, shot outside the complex but survived. (Parys Burks-Henderson was charged with attempted capital murder in this crime.)

– Jan. 28: Lee Mayfield fatally shot inside an apartment. (Eddrel Antonio Brown, 28, was charged with murder.)

– Jan. 8, victims, James Sipes, 41, and Kelvin Menefee, 57, shot inside an apartment but survived.

– Jan. 5: Marilyn Lee Lambert, 70, and Marcus Ray Hawkins, 51, shot inside an apartment

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## Area struck by strong winds



Memorial Day events were dampened Monday, May 26, when severe storms struck the area, leaving thousands local residents without power. While the storms brought more than 1.5 inches of rain in less than 24 hours, it was the extreme winds that wrecked the most havoc locally, with gusts reaching up to 40-50 mph. According to CenterPoint officials, between 50,000-60,000 residents in the Greater Houston area lost power due to the storms. The recent wind storm fell just after the one-year anniversary of the 2024 derecho that struck the Houston area May 15, killing eight and leaving more than 300,000 without power. A tree is shown above blocking traffic on Sageking in the Sageglen subdivision following the Memorial Day storm.

Photo by Rosa Graham

## County offers drowning-prevention tips

### May marks National Water Safety Month

Summer has arrived, and while swimming in the pool, lake or beach is a great way to keep cool in the summer heat, if precautions aren't taken, a young child can drown quickly and silently.

In observance of National Water Safety Month this May, Harris County health officials remind residents to take extra precautions to prevent their children from drowning accidents.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that more children between the ages of 1-4 die from drowning than any other cause of death in the United States. For children ages 5-14, drowning is the second leading cause of unintentional injury death after motor vehicle crashes.

In 2022, 76 children between the ages of 8 months to 17 years drowned in Texas. Eleven of those drownings happened in Harris County. Among them, six drowning cases occurred in residential pools and bathtubs; five children died in natural bodies of water, such as a river, creek, pond or bayou. Statewide, 71 percent (54) of children drowning incidents in 2022 took place in home pools and bathtubs.

"Drowning accidents can be prevented," said Scott Jeansonne, director of the Environmental Public Health Division at HCPH. "We strongly encourage all families, especially parents and

adult caregivers of small children to pay close attention to children any time they are around any bodies of water."

Jeansonne particularly stressed to never leave a small child unattended near water.

"Most importantly, never leave a small child unattended in or near a pool or a bathtub, even if the water appears to be shallow," said Jeansonne.

"An accidental drowning can occur in a matter of seconds. It's also critical to have a responsible adult who can swim around a pool or natural body of water to assist someone at risk of drowning."

#### Who's at risk?

– Children who are 5 years old and younger are at greatest risk of drowning, followed by teens and young adults.

– Males are three times more likely to drown than females.

– The drowning death rate for African Americans and American Indians or Alaska Natives are disproportionately higher than that of White people.

– Certain medical conditions such as seizure disorders may also increase an individual's risk of drowning.

Water-related injuries and drownings result in tremendous financial costs, which cannot com-

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## Early voting underway in SJC runoff

### June 7 runoff to fill seat vacated by Marie Flickinger

Early voting for the June 7 San Jacinto College runoff election began Tuesday, May 27, and will continue through Tuesday, June 3.

Voters will decide who will fill the Position 3 seat vacated by *Leader* co-founder Marie Flickinger shortly before her death last year.

In the May 3 general election, incumbent Salvador Serrano Jr. – who had been appointed interim trustee – narrowly edged out longtime SJC staff member Judy Harrison for the top spot in

the four-person race, with each of the two candidates receiving a little more than 41 percent of the vote.

A runoff election is necessary because no candidate in the race surpassed the 50-percent threshold established in the college's election charter. Challengers Mariel Jimenez and Frank Ortiz received 9 percent and 8 percent of the vote in the May 3 election, respectively.

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## City remains mum on pool openings

At press time, the Houston Parks and Recreation Department had yet to announce its 2025 swimming schedule, just ahead of the traditionally busy Memorial Day weekend.

Citing a national lifeguard shortage, the city has had limited pool hours since the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020. For the past three years, HPARD has staggered the swimming pool openings, prioritizing the parks with the highest attendance in previous years.

In recent years, the city pools were opened in three separate phases. For the South Belt community, the swimming pool at Wilson Memorial Park on Gilpin near Edgebrook and SH 3/Old Galveston Road was the nearest city facility to open during the first phase. The pools at Sagemont Park and Beverly Hills Park didn't open until the third phase.

Based on the city's swimming schedules the past three years, however, the pools will operate on limited hours once they open, with each park being open only 2-3 days per week.

An announcement from the city about its 2025 swimming schedule is expected to be posted on the HPARD website in the coming days at www.houstonx.gov/parks/swimming.html.

The city is offering a \$500 incentive to potential lifeguards. All lifeguards must be 16 years of age or older. While all lifeguards must be strong swimmers, previous lifeguard experience is not necessary.

For more information on applying to become a city lifeguard, visit www.houstonx.gov/parks/pdfs/2025/AquaticsHiringProcess\_2025.pdf or contact the HPARD's Aquatics Office at 832-395-7129.

## Motorcyclist killed in freeway crash

Houston police are investigating a fatal motorcycle accident that took place around 8:05 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, in the 9100 block of the Gulf Freeway near College Avenue/Airport Boulevard.

The identity of the dead male, 23, was pending notification to family members by the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences at press time.

According to Houston Police Department officials, the driver of a silver Alfa Romeo Stelvio 9 was traveling south on the Gulf Freeway when he failed to maintain a single lane and struck the black barriers placed in front of an exit. The vehicle then rotated into a moving lane on the free-

way and was struck by a black Suzuki motorcycle.

The operator of the motorcycle was thrown from the motorcycle. A black Aprilia RSV motorcycle then struck the riderless Suzuki motorcycle.

The operator of the Suzuki motorcycle was transported to an area hospital where he was pronounced dead. The operator of the Aprilia motorcycle suffered minor injuries and was treated at the scene.

The driver of the Alfa Romeo was determined not to be intoxicated, and was questioned and released.

The investigation was continuing at press time.

## Pressure continues on nuisance house

### Pct. 2, CenterPoint charge tenant with stealing electricity

Precinct 2 deputies have continued their enforcement efforts against a nuisance house in the Kirkwood subdivision, charging the tenant with stealing power.

On May 16, deputies with Harris County Precinct 2 Constables Jerry Garcia's Special Operation Unit, along with the assistance from the U.S. Marshals Office, executed an arrest warrant in the 10600 block of Kirkdale on 25-year-old Randle Medlin for felony evading.

In addition to the warrant, Precinct 2 deputies, with assistance from CenterPoint, launched a separate investigation into suspected electrical theft.

Upon executing this arrest warrant, investigators found that the electrical panel where the power entered the residence was tampered with, al-

lowing the residence to obtain free electrical power. The tampering off the panel caused there to be exposed wires which were live and a danger to anyone walking near them.

After a short foot pursuit, Precinct 2 deputies were able to apprehend Medlin without further incident.

In addition to the felony evading charge, Medlin now also faces a criminal mischief charge for the alleged electrical theft.

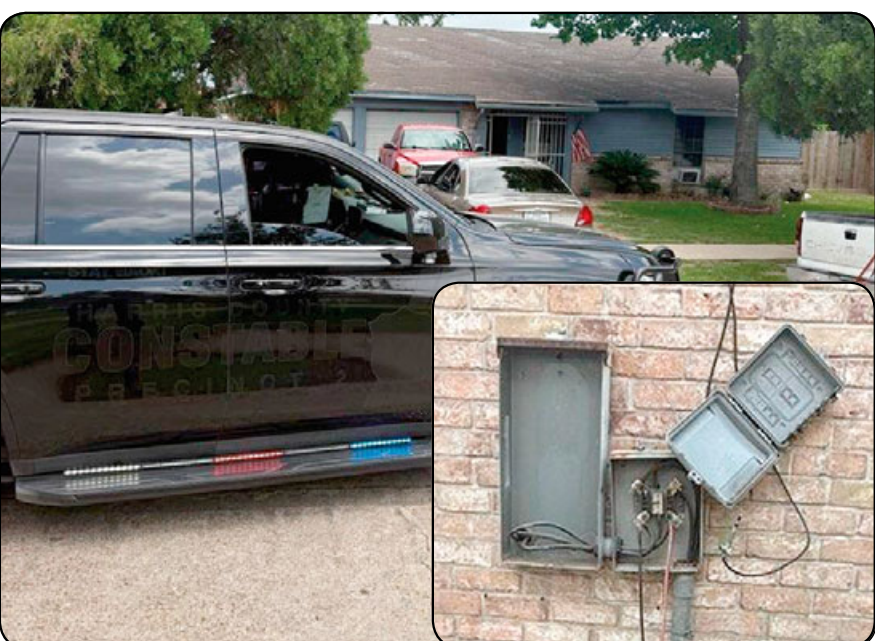
Precinct 2 officials said the Kirkdale residence has become a nuisance, prompting multiple residents to complain about the property being unkempt. The *Leader* has also received multiple complaints about the disheveled residence.

"Investigators are also aware that this residence is a public nuisance and are currently working to resolve this issue," a post on Garcia's Facebook page read. "Constable Garcia wants his residents to know that he hears your concerns and will continue to address all issues that are reported to him. Please stay safe and God bless."



Randle Medlin

## Nuisance abatement continues



Precinct 2 deputies continue to put pressure on the resident of a house in the 10600 block of Kirkdale that has repeatedly been reported as a nuisance property by neighbors. As reported in last week's *Leader*, deputies recently served a felony warrant at the residence, and this week, Precinct 2 officials announced 25-year-old resident Randle Medlin was also charged with stealing electricity, following an investigation, launched by CenterPoint. Inset photo above shows where Medlin's electrical box has allegedly been rigged.

# In My Opinion

## Mitchell backs Harrison

My fellow South Belt neighbors, I am asking once again for you to get out to vote for Judy Harrison! She is in the run-off for San Jacinto College Trustee Position 3.

Judy Harrison has so many qualifications. However, just a quick review of the ones I think are so important:

- 38 years as an educator - Familiar with the needs of students and faculty.
- STRONG ADVOCATE for student success.
- Passionate about today's educational needs and forward thinking of the needs of tomorrow.
- An active ongoing commitment to our community.
- Last, but not least, her strong ethics, honesty and wholehearted dedication to her tasks.

Early voting May 27-June 3 - Election Day June 7, 2025  
Scarsdale Annex - Room by the Library

## Harrison seeks votes

Dear South Belt,

I am in the Run-off for Marie Flickinger's seat on the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees. I am the best qualified candidate. I have extensive experience as an advocate for Community College. I am an educator who has helped hundreds of people find their pathway to success. Will you help me to be successful in becoming your Trustee? It will take less than 10 minutes to go to the Scarsdale Annex Library Room with your Driver's License and VOTE. The ballot is short but the result of your vote will have long lasting effects. Please look at your calendar and schedule time to VOTE. Bring a friend or family member and vote Judy for San Jac!

Early Voting: May 27 - June 3  
Election Day: June 7

**Judy Harrison**  
Candidate for Position 3  
San Jacinto College Board of Trustees

## Genoa Friendship Garden hosts tour

Genoa Friendship Garden will host a free tour on Monday, June 16, from 8:30 to 11 a.m., at 1210 Genoa Red Bluff Rd., Houston. One can tour a variety of planting exhibits and meet and talk with Harris County Master Gardeners. For more information, visit txmg.org/hcmga.

## 7MHD searches for volunteers

The 7 Marines Honor Detail (7MHD) is a nonprofit organization of Marines who serve veterans of all branches in the United States military. The group provides casket guard, rifle salute, taps, folding of the flag, color guards, local parades, Houston National Cemetery functions, Honor Flight receptions, VA hospital events and more.

Founded in December 2024 7MHD has completed all 72 assignments which were delegated to them. Based in the South Belt area, the group serves local funeral homes and cemeteries.

The group is seeking fellow Marines to join their team in providing final honors salutes for veterans' families. They outfit any Marine with a uniform and welcome both men and women, as well as associates who wish to help.

For more information about volunteering, call 832-329-7250 or 281-793-9811 and leave name and return number.

## 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 29, 3 - 4 p.m. Open lab computer help. Registration required.  
Thursday, May 29, 4 - 5 p.m. Family Storytime. Registration required.  
Thursday, May 29, 5 - 6 p.m. Weekly English language classes. Registration required.  
Friday, May 30, 10 a.m. - noon. Senior Prom: Kentucky Derby. Registration required.  
Monday, June 2, 11 a.m. - noon. Open lab computer help. Registration required.  
Wednesday, June 4, 3 - 4 p.m. Choose a book by its color. Registration required.  
Wednesday, June 4, 4 - 5 p.m. Kids craft time at the library. 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 29, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Toddler time.  
Friday, May 30, 1 - 3 p.m. Diamond painting for adults. Registration required.  
Saturday, May 31, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Summer reading kickoff party.  
Saturday, May 31, 10 a.m. - noon. Tai Chi.  
Monday, June 2, 1 - 2:30 p.m. ESL conversation club. Registration required.  
Monday, June 2, 4 - 5:30 p.m. Laser cutter orientation. Registration required.  
Tuesday, June 3, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Babies 'n' books.  
Tuesday, June 3, 4 - 4:45 p.m. Squeeze painting.  
Wednesday, June 4, 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](http://www.hcpl.net).
- Attend an HCPL program or story time online through Facebook or YouTube.
- Check an account to renew loans or request books, e-books, comics or graphic novels.
- Stream classic films, indie cinema and award-winning documentaries on Kanopy.
- Listen to audiobooks through RBDigital or OverDrive.
- Read along and play with picture books on TumbleBooks.

Don't have an HCPL library card? Instant access can be obtained to all HCPL's digital materials and research tools with an iKnow Digital Access Card. Apply at <https://www.hcpl.net/services/iknow-card> for a HCPL card. For details, visit <https://www.hcpl.net>.

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David Flickinger, owner

## SVFD firefighters extinguish residential auto fire

Firefighters from the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department are shown to the right responding to a residential automotive fire Friday, May 23, on Brook Meadow Circle. According to SVFD the blaze started when a resident was trying to jump start a vehicle. While both vehicles caught fire during the incident, firefighters were able to stop the blaze from reaching the house.

Photo by Dean Baier



## Stuchbery announces honor roll, merit roll

Officials of Stuchbery Elementary School have announced the fourth nine-weeks honor roll and merit roll for the 2024-2025 school year.

**Third grade Honor roll**

Sophia Banda, Leo Batische, Bralyn Jenkins, Madelyn Jimenez, Luis Mejia, Ronald Alvarez, Alery Zamora and Mario Tzintzun.

**Merit roll**

Sophia Velazquez, Cameron Baines, Paulette Del Villar, Itzae Gomez, Simon Matta, Bryan Hua, Joceline Ruiz, Israel Sanchez and Carlos Rodriguez.

**Fourth grade Honor roll**

Sophia Pachon, Olivia Brito, Zahir Bhalai, Miguel Amaya, Julian Paz, Kiyomi Anderson and Miguel Perez.

**Merit roll**

Jace'lyn Boyd, Clara Kearby, Macie Salinas, Peyton Broussard, Alex Nguyen, Paulino Tovar, Sophia Turru-biartes and Elias Gomez.

## JFD class omitted from graduation issue

In its 2025 Graduation Issue, published Thursday, May 22, the *Leader* unintentionally omitted the graduating seniors from one Dobie High School homeroom.

Dobie seniors graduating in 2025 from HR 12-27 include Madeline Alexis Arredondo, Mia Leonor Campos, Arwen Alida Cardona, Asia Carolyn Davis, Miranda De La Rosa, Andre Benoit Espinosa, Adam Samuel Angel Garcia, Elizabeth Christine Garcia, Priscilla Gomez,

Daniella Sylvie Gonzales, Yocelyn Michelle Lagos and Justice Majestic Lemon. Santino Montemayor, Mario Nunez, Andre Corey Parker Daniels, Adam Everett Perez, Isabelle Lily Perez, Lilli Anna Ramirez,

Genesis Abigail Reyes Martinez, Gabriel Xavier Robinson, Justin Daniel Salazar, Omar Enrique Santos Fuentes and Cruz Frederick Torres.

The *Leader* staff apologizes for any confusion.

## Catholic Daughters to host games event

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court No. 2292 will host its annual Take Me Out to the Games Party and Raffle Saturday, June 14, at the St. Luke the Evangelist Social Hall, 11011 Hall Road, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The ballpark lunch event will feature games with prizes, raffles, door prizes and gift baskets. Raffle prizes include a one-night stay at Moody Gardens Hotel in Galveston, including four VIP passes for attractions; four field box Astros tickets; and more.

Pre-event raffle tickets are three for \$5 and can be purchased from Juanita Tristan (281-814-6256) or any other member of Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court No. 2292. One does not need to be present in order to win a raffle prize.

Event tickets are \$15 each and must be purchased in advance. To purchase event tickets, call Stacey Aguirre at 281-725-7871 or Emily Garcia at 832-692-3348.

For additional information about CDA Court No. 2292's annual Take Me Out to the Games Party and Raffle, visit [stlukesatholic.com/events/cda-games-party-143/2025-06-14](http://stlukesatholic.com/events/cda-games-party-143/2025-06-14). See related ad on this page.

## County shares drowning prevention tips

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pare to the cost of losing a life.

**How/where do children drown?**

**Safety tips**

- Stay alert. Children move fast and disappear from sight in seconds.
- Actively watch young children by keeping them within arm's reach. One should always take their child with them when leaving the pool area.
- Never rely solely on the lifeguard to watch one's child.
- Children should never play games of holding their breath underwater for long periods of time.
- Consider installing a safety barrier such as a fence at least 4 feet high with a self-closing and self-latching gate, a pool cover or a safety alarm system.

- Remove ladders from above-ground pools. Keep proper safety equipment nearby.
- When the pool is not in use, remove any toys in or nearby the pool since that may attract children.
- Enroll children in swimming classes.

- Make sure children are wearing a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket for their weight and size.
- Learn basic CPR; keep rescue items and a phone close by in case of an emergency.
- For additional water safety information, visit [hcptx.org/WaterSafety](http://hcptx.org/WaterSafety).

Most drowning injuries for children ages 0-4 years occur in the home. Children who drown in backyard swimming pools and bathtubs were left unattended for a 2-5 minute period, the time it takes to look away to answer the telephone. Even an older child with minimal swimming skills can be at risk by engaging in risk-taking behaviors.

Most drowning fatalities and drowning injuries occur on Saturdays and Sundays between the months of May and September.

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but survived.

- Jan. 5: Marilyn Lee Lambert, 70, and Marcus Ray Hawkins, 51, shot inside an apartment but survived.
- In September 2021, three victims - two males and one female - were all shot on the same night at the complex. All were transported to the hospital in stable condition.
- Feb. 8: Alexis Cantu, 21, fatally shot at the complex. (Parys Burks-Henderson, 18, was charged with murder in the crime.)
- Feb. 6: unnamed male, 21, shot outside the complex but survived. (Parys Burks-Henderson was charged with attempted capital murder in this crime.)
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**Man arrested in Redford shooting**

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condition.

The Cabo San Lucas Apartments, located on the opposite side of the Gulf Freeway at Edgebrook, has also been a hot spot for shootings in the past, with at least six taking place in late 2021, including two fatal shootings in two days in October.

**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 have 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 our local chapter to participate in our 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](mailto:veronica_stfrd46@yahoo.com).

**Early runoff voting set for May 27-June 3**

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The winner will serve a six-year term.

In a separate runoff election, Pasadena voters will decide who will fill three City Council positions.

The deadline to apply for a mail ballot is May 27.

Nearby early voting centers include Harris County Annex, 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer; City of South Houston Municipal Court, 1019 Dallas St. in South Houston; and East Harris County Activity Center, 7340 Spencer Highway in Pasadena.

Early voting hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., except on Sunday when hours are noon to 7 p.m.

For additional information on the June 7 runoff election or for a complete list of polling locations, visit [www.harrisvotes.org](http://www.harrisvotes.org).

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# J. Frank Dobie High School announces fifth six-weeks honor roll

Officials of J. Frank Dobie High School have announced the fifth six-weeks honor roll for the 2024-2025 school year.

**Ninth grade**

Yaslin Esmeralda Acosta, Abigail Lucia Aguilar, Alondra Aguilar, Jaylen Isaac Aguilar, Affan Kamran Aleem, Zoe Valentina Alfaro Nataren, Daniel Alberto Alvarez, Giovanni Elijah Alvar Alejo, Jordana Renee Alvarico Rico, Tesli Araujo, Xavier Arizmendez, Andrea Natalia Arredondo, Jesiah Derek Avendano and Yindiana Ayala Hernandez.

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## Moore's student council leaders donate to Pasadena Animal Shelter



Moore Elementary School student council leaders recently led a pet drive and delivered all of the donations to Pasadena Animal Shelter. Members who distributed the donations to the shelter were, left to right, fourth-graders Abigail Oviedo, Fable Masone, Ava Almanza, Sofia Araujo and Mikayla Castaneda.

## St. Luke the Evangelist Asociacion Guadalupeana announces scholarship winners



Officials from St. Luke the Evangelist Asociacion Guadalupeana recently announced their scholarship winners. Left to right, are Jose Estrada (Asociacion Guadalupeana scholarship director), Monica Montserrat Ramos Marin, Tien Hoang, Maria Jose Cuellar Guarnizo, Olivia Paige Aguirre, Mia Dvorak and Leticia Aguilar-Cruz (St. Luke Asociacion Guadalupeana president).

# Frazier wins first, second place at PISD chess tournament



Frazier Elementary School third- and fourth-graders recently participated in the PISD chess tournament and took home first place overall in third-grade chess division and second place overall in fourth-grade chess division. Left to right, are (front row) fourth-graders Zlatan Puentes, Xavi Mesta, coach Chris Baldauf, fourth-grader Bailey Pharms, third-grader Anasofia Martinez, (middle row) coach Amalia Parras, third-grader Anthony Ybarra, fourth-graders Gabriel Luna, Noah Pharms, third-graders Nathán Manzano, Santiago Moreno, Caleb Martinez, (back row) third-grader Irvin Huizar, fourth-graders Lucas Graham, Melania Moncada, Ashley Aguilar, Isaac Torres and Dylan Valdez.

# Gov. Abbott announces \$30,000 reward for Texas fugitive McEuen

Gov. Greg Abbott recently announced that the Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office is offering a reward of up to \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest of Trevor McEuen, who failed to appear for his court date while out on bond for capital murder. The Texas Department of Public Safety has added the suspect to their 10 Most Wanted Fugitive List. "Trevor McEuen is exactly why Texas must fix its broken and deadly bail system," said Abbott. "A violent criminal like McEuen charged with capital murder should never be released on our streets. That's why I made bail reform an emergency item that must pass this legislative session. I urge all Texans with information on McEuen to call the Texas Crime Stoppers hotline or submit an anonymous tip online to help law enforcement apprehend this heinous criminal. Working together, we will bring fugitives like Trevor McEuen to justice." McEuen was charged with capital murder, four counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, and murder after he shot 35-year-old Aaron Martinez in 2023. On May 5, 2025, McEuen failed to appear for his scheduled court date. That morning, McEuen also removed his court-ordered ankle monitor and left his residence. In addition to the state reward, Kaufman County Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$10,000 and Kaufman County Sheriff's Office is offering a reward of up to \$10,000, bringing the total reward amount up to \$30,000. To be eligible for cash reward, tipsters must provide information to authorities using one of the following methods: - Call the Texas Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-252-TIPS (8477). - Submit a tip online through the Texas Department of Public Safety. Callers' anonymity is guaranteed by law regardless of how tips are submitted and tipsters will be provided a tip number instead of using a name. Fugitives should be considered armed and dangerous. Texans should never try to apprehend a fugitive.

# Camp Invention STEM featuring HOF inductees' curriculum coming June 23 - 27 to Odyssey Academy

A program of the National Inventors Hall of Fame in partnership with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Camp Invention challenges children in grades K-6 to tap into their natural curiosity and use their creativity to solve problems. Through hands-on activities, Camp Invention promotes STEM learning; builds confidence, leadership, perseverance and resourcefulness; and encourages entrepreneurship - all in a fun and engaging environment. Each year, the program features a new curriculum inspired by some of the nation's most world-changing inventors - the National Inventors Hall of Fame Inductees. This year's Discover program encourages children to be confident in their ideas and explore their innovativeness through hands-on activities including: In Control: Campers take control of their innovation journey as they head out on the ultimate road trip. From assembling a custom-control panel with a transmitter and receiver, to creating a prototype of their own artificial intelligence-inspired bogglehead assistant, they invent their way around every bump and twist in the road. Illusion Workshop: Children discover the mesmerizing world of illusions, where things are not always as they appear. Through hands-on activities and experiments, they go behind the scenes of the tech tricks used in theme parks, animated films and theater. Using design and electrical engineering skills, campers build an animation device to bring drawings to life. Claw Arcade: Campers use their creativity and engineering skills to construct a functional Claw Arcade out of cardboard. They explore physics in easy-to-reach ways as they make hands-on discoveries about the science behind claw machines. Penguin Launch: Children embark on an eco-expedition to investigate penguins and the ice and snow of Antarctica. Along the way, they discover the fascinating connections between the technology and training used to explore Antarctica and outer space. From flippers and flingers to exploring high-wings, children are sure to have a blast as they propel Penguin, a research assistant penguin, across the South Pole and beyond! "My son recently attended Camp Invention, and it was an absolutely phenomenal experience for him," said the parent of a 2024 Camp Invention camper. "The camp's focus on creativity, problem solving and innovation truly sparked his curiosity and imagination." All local Camp Invention programs are facilitated and taught by qualified educators who reside and teach in the community. Camp Invention serves 140,000 students every year and partners with more than 2,600 schools and districts across the nation. For more information or to register, visit [invent.org/camp](http://invent.org/camp).

# Moore Elementary celebrates Cinco de Mayo



Moore Elementary School staff and students recently celebrated Cinco de Mayo. Left to right, are (first row) Adela Moreno, Ruben Herrera Jr., Megan Moreno, Erick Faisal, Rene Santos, Leonardo Gloria, Sadie Castanena, (second row) Sofia Aguirre, Andromeda Kosmasmith, Camila Romero, Dani Mae Godoy, Maria Acosta, (third row) Esmeralda Chacon, Isabella Salguero, Ava Almanza, Monica Holzbach, Sophia Arzate, Makayla Marr, Martha Garcia, (fourth row) Rita Reyes, Karla Ramos, Memphis Alvarez, Adrian Delgado and Dania Garza.

# Remember When

**45 years ago (1980)**  
After years of rapid expansion and the creation of numerous subdivisions in the South Belt area, the pace of home construction became slower and more cautious. Clear Creek Independent School District was looking in to adjusting its school beginning and ending times due to traffic problems.

**40 years ago (1985)**  
The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department responded to eight emergencies from Monday, May 20, to Monday, May 27. On May 21, both fire and ambulance crews responded to a car fire at Dixie Farm Road and Highway 3 and extinguished the fire. On May 23 a cardiac victim in the 10700 block of Sagepark was transported to Bayshore Hospital. The next day, a gunshot victim in the 11400 block of Waxwood was taken to Humana Hospital-Clear Lake. The last call of the week was to a trash fire at Beamer and Hall Road. Firemen extinguished the fire.

Construction of the Sageglen bridge to connect Sagemont with Scarsdale Boulevard was on hold by Councilman Frank Mancuso following protests from Sagemont residents in the area of the proposed bridge. Mancuso said he had received a number of complaints over the manner the bridge ballot was sent out by Sageglen's Chris Clark regarding the "no" vote. While 508 Sagemont residents who sent back the ballot favored the bridge and 97 opposed it, more than 1,800 ballots were sent out. Residents were told failure to send back a ballot would be considered a "no" vote; therefore opponents of the bridge say there may have been 1,300 actual "no" votes.

**35 Years ago (1990)**  
Finalists vying to be superintendent of Clear Creek Independent School District were narrowed to three. The Dobie Longhorns baseball team lost a regional playoff game to rival Deer Park. They ended up as one of the eight best teams in Texas. No previous Dobie team had ever advanced as far. A group of mothers whose children attended Weber Elementary ended their "trash runs" where they pored over trash put out by CCISD employees at the end of each day. The mothers felt frustrated by the district's refusal to allow students to transfer from Weber, which was close to Brio, and they thought the district was withholding information. South Belt area high school seniors, including 400 from Dobie, were preparing for commencement exercises as they prepared for graduation.

**30 years ago (1995)**  
The Pasadena Independent School District board approved the hiring of two new coaches at J. Frank Dobie. Stan Labay would be the new head coach/campus athletic director and Bobby McCain would become the new girls varsity track coach. Half of PISD 10th-graders passed all TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) tests. A 37-year-old South Belt resident was raped and beaten by three males after they ran her car off the road on Beamer then dragged her out of it. Thompson Intermediate teacher Camille Raycraft was named the 1995 Teacher of the Year for intermediate schools by the Pasadena Rotary Club.

**25 years ago (2000)**  
Woodmeadow resident Racae Walker was crowned Pre-Teen Miss Strawberry at the annual competition in Pasadena. The FBI conducted a raid at 10403 Sageyork. According to FBI officials, the raid was part of an ongoing criminal investigation. Former Dobie student Craig Steven Meredith Jr. drowned. His body was found off Crystal Beach.

**20 years ago (2005)**  
Plans for the announced elementary school in South Belt's Riverston Ranch were indefinitely suspended due to the lack of development school officials anticipated. A second fatality accident occurred at the corner of Beamer and Beltway 8 in less than four months. Famed weightlifter Anthony Clark died after a prolonged period of heart and health problems. Assistant principal Jackie Salisbury was named principal of Stuchbery Elementary to replace retiring principal Nancy Teichelman.

**15 years ago (2010)**  
Media reports of elevated levels of chemicals at the Brio Superfund site alarmed many in the community, although officials said the compounds posed no immediate threat. Despite reports that stated the contaminants had leaked out, the chemicals remained contained and posed no threat to local drinking water. Jerry Speer was named president of the Pasadena Independent School District Board of Trustees. Speer, who had served on the board for 10 years, replaced South Belt resident Fred Roberts, who remained on the board as a member.

**10 years ago (2015)**  
A burglary suspect was fatally shot by police following a short chase June 3 in the 12700 block of South Green near Fuqua after he allegedly pulled a large knife on a police dog and its handler. Edelmiro Hernandez, 33, was pronounced dead at the scene. On May 27, approximately 400 guests attended the official dedication and open house of the new Dr. Kirk Lewis Career and Technical High School, named in honor of the Pasadena Independent School District superintendent. Located on a 32-acre plot of land at the corner of Beltway 8 and Genoa Red Bluff, the school is designed to provide students with the skills necessary to enter the workforce immediately following graduation. Funding for the new campus was approved by voters in November 2011 as part of a \$270 million bond. The school is approximately 246,000 square feet in size and cost roughly \$37 million to construct. A joint venture with San Jacinto College, the campus allows participating students to graduate with a high school diploma, receive a professional certificate or license and earn college hours by taking dual credit courses, advanced placement course or by gaining articulated credits. The campus is divided into six separate academies: business and human services; health services; agriculture; transportation and shipping; manufacturing and construction; and technology and engineering.

**5 years ago (2020)**  
A South Belt resident was fatally shot May 15 at a Spring-area motel during a robbery attempt, in which he was the alleged suspect. Jesse Jackson, 24, was pronounced dead at the scene. A 2014 Dobie graduate, Jackson played football, basketball and track at the area high school.

**1 year ago (2024)**  
Two bodies were recovered following an apparent drowning Monday, May 27, in the 9700 block of Windwater Drive near Windmill Lakes Boulevard. The bodies of two men were near The Breakers apartment complex about 1:40 p.m. According to Houston Police Department officials, patrol officers responded to a report of a potential drowning in a lake at the above address after a tenant discovered a body floating in the water. Officers and responding Houston Fire Department paramedics then found a second body near the first male. The HPD Dive Team responded to the scene and recovered the bodies. HFD paramedics pronounced both men dead at the scene. There were no apparent signs of trauma or foul play. The investigation was pending autopsy results from the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences.



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# Over The Back Fence by Nicole

**MATT CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY**  
Matt Griesmeyer celebrates a birthday June 4. Best wishes are sent to Matt from his former co-workers at the Leader.

**SCHOOL DAZE**  
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays May 29 through June 4.

**Atkinson Elementary**  
Remember to wish Sandi Asbeck a happy birthday May 31. Send a birthday greeting June 4 to Whitely Black.

**Bush Elementary**  
Give a birthday shoutout to Stephanie Miller, for a May 30 birthday. Sing a happy birthday song to Nicosia Green May 31. Blow out the birthday candles for Itzel Arango who enjoys a birthday June 1. Enjoy a slice of birthday cake with Suzanne Anderson June 4.

**Frazier Elementary**  
Remember to wish Stephanie Reyes a happy birthday June 4.

**Genoa Elementary**  
Suzanne Morgan enjoys a birthday June 3.

**Hancock Elementary**  
Lisa Scott celebrates a birthday May 29.

**Damaris Juarez** celebrates a birthday June 4.

**Meador Elementary**  
Birthday greetings go out to Amanda Fronk June 2.

**South Belt Elementary**  
May 29 is the day for a fun celebration for Dan Frazier. Meghan Milbrath celebrates a birthday May 31. June 3 is the day for a fun celebration for Melissa Felts.

**Stuchbery Elementary**  
The day for a celebration for Jose Wong is June 4.

**Melillo Middle School**  
Remember to wish Julie Reed a happy birthday June 1. Blow out the birthday candles June 2 for Maria Eufrazio. Send a birthday greeting June 4 to Lisa Hoffpaur.

**Beverly Hills Intermediate**  
Give a birthday shoutout June 4 to Guadalupe Ayala.

**Dobie High**  
Sing a birthday song to Johanna Abedinzadeh May 29. Send a birthday greeting May 30 to Kathy Eads. Light the birthday candles June 1 for Vanity Villacorta. The day for a four-layer birthday cake for Gerson Garcia, William Rampp, Edwin Gutierrez and Almarosa Umanzor is June 2. Sing a special birthday song June 3 to Robert Pheister. Remember to wish Gilbert Deleon and Adriana De Leon a happy birthday June 4.

**FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS**  
Thursday, May 29: Rauk Sanchez, Cheryl Wyatt, Diana Balinas, Jessica Casas and Amanda Nguyen; Friday, May 30: Laura Stanford, Tanya Cole, Sandy Zeigler and Stacey Brewer; Saturday, May 31: Gabi Hernandez, Sharon Rushing and Eddie Carlton; Sunday, June 1, Shawn Mims, Carroll McCullough, Lauren Lozano, Telly Arnold, Joseph Niscavits and Karen Osborn; Monday, June 2: Elizabeth Paredes-Trevino, Linda Miller, Melissa Garza and Justin Hilliard; and Tuesday 3: Sasha Divine, Richard Lelsz, Elbert Giron Sr., Susan Arnold and Jennifer Medina.

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# Rackley is Coach of the Year

# Dobie softball earns All-District honors within 22-6A ranks

## All-Academic-Dobie

- Amaya Corona, Sr.
  - Khloe Coronado, Soph.
  - Natalie De Hoyos, Jr.
  - Vanessa De La Fuente, Jr.
  - Viviana Fernandez, Sr.
  - Genesis Leal, Soph.
  - Chloye Matthews, Sr.
  - Alexis Martinez, Soph.
  - Chloe Nunez, Jr.
  - Jackie Peralta, Sr.
  - Gabby Ramirez, Fr.
  - Leslie Sarduy, Sr.
  - Liliana Sepulveda, Jr.
  - Destiny Sidiropolous, Fr.
  - Persephone Soria, Soph.
- ## Honorable Mention
- Jackie Peralta, Sr.
  - Amaya Corona, Sr.

Photos by Gloria Wallace



Persephone Soria (12) made a big splash as a freshman a season ago as she was the Freshman of the Year in a previous 22-6A alignment. For 2025, Soria continued her sensational play as she was a first team At-Large All-District selection as an outfielder as well as an All-Academic team honoree. Soria hit .459 in 31 overall games, scoring 32 runs, driving in 30 runs and leading the team with 14 total extra-base hits and 18 stolen bases.



Leading her team to second place in the 22-6A standings and a bidistrict playoff series sweep over Ridge Point, Dobie's Robin Rackley was named the Coach of the Year within the league.

At right, senior Leslie Sarduy (1) capped an outstanding 4-year varsity career with the Longhorns as she was an All-District second team infielder in her final season while also scoring a spot on the All-Academic team representing her terrific work in the classroom. Sarduy will continue her softball career collegiately beginning this fall at Odessa College. Getting her most extensive action offensively as a senior, Sarduy hit .412, scored 30 runs and drove in 14 more as she sparked the Dobie offense.



Dobie junior Natalie De Hoyos (15) was an All-District first-teamer as an infielder as she put together another terrific season with the Longhorns. On the field, De Hoyos hit .402 with 39 runs scored to go with 14 runs driven in. She also excelled in the classroom as she was an All-Academic team honoree.



Dobie's Chloe Nunez (22) hit .388 with 13 runs scored and 12 runs knocked in as she earned All-District second-team honors as an outfielder and also stood out in the classroom on the way to All-Academic team honors within 22-6A.

# Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund recognizes 2025 academic recipients

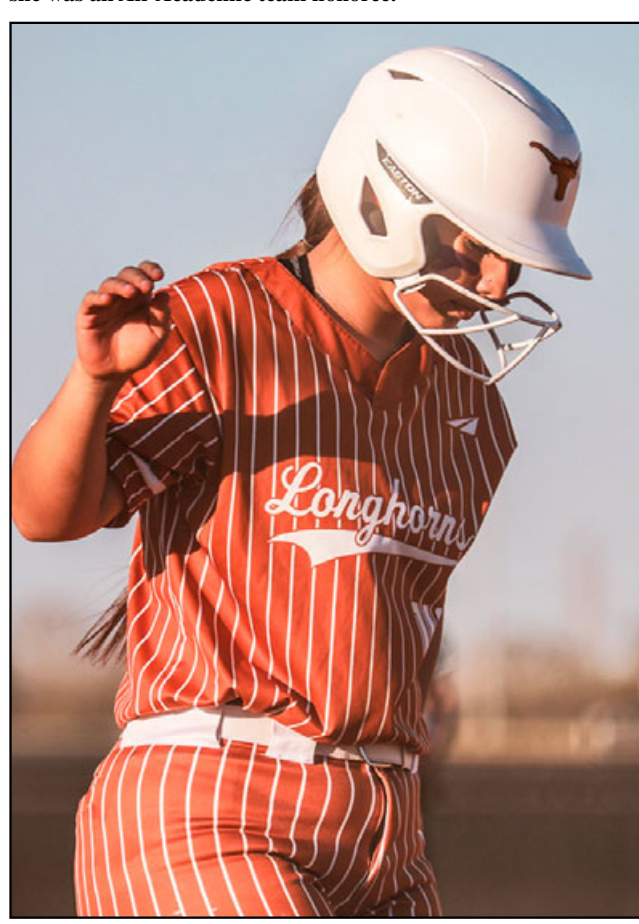
Three Dobie High School Class of 2025 graduates were among the five academic scholarship award recipients as the Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund marked 14 years of giving back to the game in honor of Lajaunie, a Dobie High School graduate who excelled on the court. Camille Lajaunie founded the DLTSF and has been raising funds for the youth scholarships following his death following a cancer battle in 2011. The Lajaunie Tennis Scholarship Fund raised more than \$3,000 to benefit the 2025 honorees and since 2012 has provided \$74,000 in college scholarships and 38 tennis camp scholarships. Updates for scholarships, the Annual Tournament and the Used Tennis Racket Drive can be found on the website at [www.DLTennisScholarships.com](http://www.DLTennisScholarships.com) and on the Facebook page at Darren Lajaunie Tennis Scholarships.

The three Dobie graduate and Longhorn varsity tennis player scholarship recipients included Vyvy Do, Cindy Nguyen and Jacob Kostikoglou as well as First Baptist Christian Academy Class of 2025 senior Elijah Everett and Harry Taylor Tennis Center student Alizee Villegas of Dawson High School. The JFD graduates were recognized as part of the school's annual Senior Night May 7. The Dobie students each received \$1,000 Lajaunie Grand Slam Dobie College Scholarship funds to help with collegiate academic needs. Do, a four-year performer with the JFD tennis program, plans to attend the University of Texas in Austin to study physics with the hope of joining the UT club tennis program. Vyvy credits her successful tennis journey to this point to Dobie tennis coach Manuel Moreno Jr. because of "his dedication to developing his players and his unwavering support" for his players. She also admires former 20-time Grand Slam winner Roger Federer because of his good "sportsmanship on the courts and relentless pursuit of excellence" on and off the courts. Do is a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club and the Dobie Student Council. She also earned a certificate of Achievement for Academic Excellence and is a member of the Dobie's dean's list. Nguyen plans to attend the University of Houston to study nursing with the goal of becoming either a nurse or pharmacist. She began playing tennis a year ago and was voted "Most Improved Girl" by her Dobie teammates. In her scholarship application, Nguyen said she takes her tennis inspiration from Chinese professional tennis player Zheng Qinwen, because she also plays with "a strong determination in all her matches" and it gives her the confidence to push on in her own tennis matches.

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Dobie High School Class of 2025 graduates and Longhorn varsity tennis program standouts, from left, Vyvy Do, Jacob Kostikoglou and Cindy Nguyen were honored during Senior Night in May as recipients of Darren Lajaunie tennis scholarships to be used toward their respective academic endeavors at the college level. Each of the three players were multiyear standouts on the tennis court under the guidance of head coach Manuel Moreno Jr.



Senior Viviana Fernandez (14) hit .393 this season with 17 runs driven in and 10 runs scored as she was a key performer both at the plate and in the field for the Longhorns on her way to 22-6A second team At-Large All-District accolades. Fernandez also earned All-Academic team honors for her work in the classroom this school year.



Dobie junior pitcher Vanessa De La Fuente (7) once again turned into the staff ace for the Longhorns as she went 12-8 overall this season with an earned run average of 3.39 over 26 overall appearances on her way to first team All-District honors. With 145 strikeouts this season, she now has more than 330 for her career to go with 27 total wins. Excelling in the classroom, De La Fuente was also a 22-6A All-Academic nominee.

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# CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, MAY 29**  
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 30**  
7:30 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.  
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hasca.com or https://nastuff.com/. Meets Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.  
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.  
8 p.m. **Serenity Now Al-Anon Group** - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 - 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.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** - meets at CrossRoads UMC Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.  
8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4**  
7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.  
9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Thursday's notice.  
**Carmelites** - a nondenominational senior citizen social group meeting at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 15500 El Camino Real, in Clear Lake on the first and third Wednesdays for a time filled with fun, fellowship, lending library with books and puzzles, coffee and bingo. The meetings are open to those ages 55 and older, with no dues. Day trips and extended trips available. Deposits are now being taken for Poland. For details, call Marilyn at 713-444-6744.  
Noon **Ballroom Dancing** - A ballroom dance group welcomes visitors every Wednesday to enjoy free dancing from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Hometown Heroes Park Ballroom, 1001 E. League City Parkway, League City. Everyone is welcome to enjoy dancing to a selection of CD music provided by DJ Neva Schroder and guest DJs. This weekly dance does not include lessons. Free lessons are taught by Jerry Sanford at the same location on Mondays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. While these opportunities are free and provided by volunteers, the park system requires participants to register and get an activity card for all park activities. For more information about the activity card, one may ask at the front desk or call 281-554-1180.  
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.

**MONDAY, JUNE 2**  
5 p.m. **New Directions** - Age 55 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with activities and/or guest speakers at 600 Hobbs Road, League City, TX 77573, (community room). For further information, call Jill at 646-489-4367.  
6 p.m. **Scrabble Club #511** - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Join in the fun and improve crossword skills. COVID-19 vaccination required. Email huff\_reunion@juno.com for details.  
7 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - St. Luke's Group, 12-Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7 p.m. in the Education Bldg. in room 6, at 11011 Hall Road, 77089. For details, call Rita at 281-309-2801.  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - #0683 Friendswood chapter meets at the 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.  
7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - See Friday's notice.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 3**  
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 sehouston.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.  
**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - See Friday's notice.

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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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# Lajaunie tennis academic scholarship program honors 2024-2025 recipients

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Off the court, Nguyen became a member of the Key Club at Dobie as a freshman and has dedicated more than 100 hours of

community service. She has also received the Academic Excellence Award each year and the AP Scholar Award for passing more than four AP tests.

Kostikoglou plans to attend Texas A&M University in College Station to study aerospace engineering. He has been playing tennis for three years and

has demonstrated good sportsmanship conduct on and off the courts by "staying composed, humble, respectful and encouraging his teammates."

Kostikoglou told Lajaunie scholarship officials that he has been motivated by Russian professional tennis player Andrey Roblev because

he admires Roblev's success in managing his long battle with emotional control on the court and how he has been able to "stay composed and find peace on the courts and his true strength in staying calm under pressure."

Kostikoglou is a member of the Key Club and Collegiate Scholars. He has received the College Board National Hispanic Recognition Award, AP Scholars Award and the Academic Excellence Award. Each of these awards and club contributions have given him "strong management skills and has enhanced his ability to balance his academic and extracurricular activities."

The Harry Taylor Tennis Center also had one college scholarship recipient and one tennis camp recipient for 2025.

Joining the Dobie trio in receiving 2025 Grand Slam college Scholarship funds of \$1,000 was Elijah, a senior from First Baptist Christian Academy in Pasadena. Everett is no stranger to the Lajaunie fund committee as in 2022 he was a recipient of a camp scholarship.

Everett has been playing tennis for 10 years and credits his on-court success to his first tennis

coach, John Thomas. Everett has played in Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools varsity district tournaments three times and was named a FBCA Team Captain during his junior and senior years.

Everett, following high school graduation, will be attending LeTourneau University to study mechanical engineering with

hopes of securing a job in the aerospace field when he graduates.

The 2025 recipient of the Baseline JAG Camp Scholarship was Alizee Villegas, who is a freshman at Glenda Dawson High School.

Villegas has been playing tennis for 10 years and is passionate about playing the game no matter the Texas heat

or cold, with a focus on having fun. She draws her inspiration for tennis from Russian tennis player Aryna Sabalenka because she feels they have the same passion for the sport.

Villegas plans to use the tennis scholarship in ways to further her goal of reaching a top spot on the girls' singles and doubles ladders with the Eagles.



The 2025 recipient of the Baseline JAG Camp Scholarship was Alizee Villegas (right), who is a sophomore-to-be at Glenda Dawson High School. At left is Lajaunie program founder Camille Lajaunie.



Elijah Everett (right), a senior from First Baptist Christian Academy in Pasadena, is no stranger to the Lajaunie fund committee as in 2022 he was a recipient of a camp scholarship. He was presented his 2024-2025 award by Lajaunie representative Tammy Williams.

## Dobie grad, softballer Ortega joins HPD



Dobie Class of 2019 graduate and Longhorn varsity softball standout Alana Ortega is now a member of the Houston Police Department after Houston Police Chief Noe Diaz (above, at left) Jr. and his Command Staff welcomed its newest cadet class earlier this month. Ortega graduated from Dobie and went on to play collegiate softball at Southwestern Assemblies of God, now Nelson University, where she helped the program win a national championship in 2022. Ortega as a senior played for the University of Houston Victoria under the direction of head coach Lindsey Ferguson Ortiz, a Dobie graduate herself. Ortega graduated from UHV magna cum laude last summer with a degree in criminal justice and is now beginning her professional career.

## JFD VB's Bui is valedictorian

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Bui has designs on becoming a doctor but isn't ready to narrow her playing field just yet.

For now, she wants to learn as much as she can about Yale, its available programs and the New Haven, Connecticut community that she will now be a part of for the next several years.

"I do realize that now we will have four seasons of weather, and at times it will be very cold," Bui said.

"On my visit, my host was commenting about how warm it had been lately but yet my teeth were chattering. I will adapt just

am looking so much forward to the possibilities in front of me."

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