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Library seeking books

The Friends of the Parker Williams Branch Library needs donations of both fiction and non-fiction books, either paperback or hardcover, in gently used or like new condition.

Donations are accepted during library hours at the library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd., Suite 510.

Games party June 29

Catholic Daughters will host its annual games party on Saturday, June 29, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 which include a meal with dessert, chance for a door prize and games and prizes. Contact Adele Roby at 832-692-3379 for games party tickets and Juanita Tristan 281-814-6256 for raffle tickets.

Sagemeadow HOA meets

Sagemeadow subdivision's monthly HOA meeting will be held at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer on Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m. This month's guest speaker is state Rep. Dennis Paul. This and all meetings are open to the public and are typically held the third Thursday of each month. For the meeting agenda or any additional information, visit www.sagemeadow.org.

SPCIA to meet June 20

The Sagemont Park Community Improvement Association (SPCIA) will hold their homeowner's meeting Thursday, June 20, at the The Gardens Event Centre (12001 Beamer) from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Items on the agenda for the meeting include the election of officers (Board Of Directors) for the up-coming year, a discussion relating to deed restriction changes, deed restriction violations, and community improvement issues and actions. This meeting is open for all Sagemont Park homeowners and residents. Make plans to attend this meeting.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Bay Area Boulevard to Flyway Drive daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Saturday, June 15.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lanes 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 nightly 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 Road in Texas City daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. til further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lanes 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.

Telephone Road to close

At least one northbound and one southbound lane on SH 35/Telephone Road will be closed from Airport Boulevard to Bellfort Avenue daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (excluding Sundays) through Friday, July 5.

Beltway closures set

At least one eastbound frontage road lane on Beltway 8 will be closed continuously at Hughes Road/Sabo until further notice.

At least one northbound frontage road lane on Beltway 8 will be closed from Fairmont Parkway to Spencer Highway until further notice. No detour will be needed but drivers should expect delays. At least one southbound frontage road lane on Beltway 8 will be closed continuously from SH 225 to Pasadena Boulevard until further notice. No detour will be needed but drivers should expect delays.

Kirkwood meets June 24

The Kirkwood Civic Club's monthly meeting will take place 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 24, at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes. Meetings are the last Monday of each month. For information, call Kirkwood Civic Club President Ericka McCutcheon at 281-989-9990.

Local COVID cases reported

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

As of Tuesday, May 14, there were 286 active cases in 77089, up three from the previous week. To date, 134 from the ZIP code have died from the disease, up one from the previous week.

In ZIP code 77075, there were six active cases, no increase from previous week. There have been 84 deaths in the ZIP code, up one from the previous week. In 77034, there were six active cases, no change from previous week. To date, 92 from ZIP code 77034 have died from COVID.

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

Constitutional amendment allows livestock in area yards

An effort by the Sagemont Maintenance Fund to ramp up its deed restriction enforcement has reignited the controversial conversation on whether or not livestock should be allowed in residential areas and who has authority to regulate the matter.

The maintenance fund's recently updated deed restrictions plainly state that livestock is prohibited in the subdivision, with the exception of up to six chickens.

The following is an excerpt from the Sagemont Maintenance Fund's most recent deed restrictions:

"No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept except for typical household pets provided they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose. (A maximum of six chickens are allowed but must

be at least 100 feet from any residence.)"

The Maintenance Fund's deed restrictions are in line with a Houston city ordinance, which also prohibits livestock within the city limits, with the exception of chickens (the city allows up to 30 chickens).

The state Legislature, however, has a long history of support for agriculture and opposition for municipal regulations prohibiting the practice, culminating with the passage of a constitutional amendment in 2023, essentially allowing livestock to be raised throughout the state.

In 1981, the Texas Legislature introduced Agriculture Code Chapter 251, which exempted agricultural operations in areas annexed by metropolitan cities.

Chapter 251 defined "agricultural operation" broadly, encompassing everything from cultivat-

ing soil to raising livestock.

In 2021, the passage of HB 1750 (amended in 2023) expanded Agriculture Code Chapter 251 to protect to all agricultural operations within cities, not just those newly annexed.

HB 1750 stated that cities could no longer im-

pose agricultural requirements unless there was clear and convincing evidence that the requirement was necessary to protect nearby residents from imminent danger.

Chris Glaser - who heads the City of Hous-

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July 4th parade set for 2024

The annual South Belt Fourth of July parade returns again this year, set to take place Thursday, July 4.

This marks the second consecutive year for the event to transpire, following a three-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Organizers of the 2023 parade said it was one of the best in the event's 38-year history.

Begun in 1986, this will be the yearly parade's 34th time to roll through the South Belt community, as the event was rained out in 2018.

Houston District D City Council Member Carolyn Evans-Shabazz will serve as the parade's grand marshal.

The parade will begin at Beverly Hills Intermediate, located at 11111 Beamer Road. The route will then head north on Beamer to Fuqua, then east to Sabo/Hughes Road, before traveling onto Beamer to the parade's final destination of San Jacinto College South.

All residents, organizations and businesses

are welcome to participate in the event. Participants are encouraged to decorate their vehicles and floats, as prizes will be awarded in various categories.

Community and nonprofit groups may sign up for the parade at no charge, unless they wish to be eligible for a prize. A \$50 fee is charged for commercial entries. Noncommercial entries may enter the contest for \$25.

Entry forms are available on Page 3, www.southbeltleader.com and the *Leader* office, located at 11555 Beamer at Beltway 8.

Fireworks display

Once again, there will be no annual South Belt Fourth of July fireworks display held at El Franco Lee Park.

Also once an annual event in the South Belt community, the fireworks display is funded by the annual South Belt Spectacular Cook-off, which has also been canceled the last four years due to county permitting issues associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Saturday last day to vote



Residents are reminded to vote Saturday, June 15, in the runoff election for the Harris County Appraisal District board of directors. Both the At-Large Place 2 and At-Large Place 3 positions will be on the ballot, with longtime South Belt resident Ericka McCutcheon competing for the Place 3 seat. Poll workers Barbara Simmons (left) and Sandra Woodward are shown above Tuesday, June 11, at the Harris County Annex on Scarsdale, where less than 100 people cast their ballots on the last day of early voting.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

Lighting hits home; \$200,000 damage

A lightning strike caused a house to catch fire around 8:45 a.m. Friday, May 31, in the 10200 block of Cleartide Lane, located near the southeast corner of the intersection of Beltway 8 and the Gulf Freeway.

According to Houston Fire Department officials, firefighters arrived on scene to find fire and smoke coming from a two-story house and made an offensive attack.

A primary search was completed, and the utilities were secured. Crews opened the ceiling to access and extinguish the fire in the attic.

The attic suffered severe damage and firefighters

were unable to cover the roof due to the compromised trusses.

The fire caused approximately \$200,000 in damage. Firefighters were able to save around \$200,000 in property from being damaged.

No injuries were reported. The cause of the fire was determined to be an act of nature (lightning).

In all, 32 HFD personnel responded to this incident, including crews from stations 52, 70, 71, 61, 93 and 36.

San Jac again named top 10

This past week, San Jacinto College was once again named a finalist for the Aspen Institute's 2025 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, marking the fifth consecutive time the area school has been considered for the prestigious award.

The \$1 million award is the nation's signature recognition of strong performance among community colleges. The institutions selected for this honor stand out among more than 1,000 community colleges nationwide as having high and improving levels of student success, as well as equitable outcomes for black and Hispanic students and those from lower-income backgrounds.

"On behalf of our board of trustees, employees and students, I thank the Aspen Institute for recognizing San Jacinto College as one of the top 10 community colleges in the nation again," said Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College chancellor. "We know that there are many institutions across the country doing incredible work on behalf of their students and their communities, and San Jacinto College is honored to be included in that group. Our continued focus on serving all students and all members of our community ensures that our region will have a skilled workforce and students will be prepared to begin their careers or transfer to a four-year university of their choice."

That focus includes partnering with local industry to ensure that workforce needs are being met. Chancellor's advisory councils oversee high-demand, high-wage workforce sectors that are prioritized by labor-market demand, competitive wages, and employment opportunities. These councils bring together C-Suite leaders for conversations about workforce needs and technological and operational changes. It's partnerships like these that benefit programs in curriculum development, facilities, student support, and employment.

For students who wish to transfer, San Jacinto College maintains a Transfer Community on its shared internal site. This site houses information

including articulation agreements, admissions information, university degree plans, university financial aid codes, important dates, university contacts, and scholarship information. This ensures that all advisors and others who work with students are sharing consistent information. While most colleges maintain generic institution-to-institution articulation agreements, San Jacinto College articulates at the program level and has 50 active agreements and more than 200 transfer pathway maps for full- and part-time students.

"We are committed to ensuring that students can earn their credential and seamlessly transfer or enter the workforce," said Dr. Laurel Williamson, San Jacinto College deputy chancellor and college president. "No student enters San Jacinto College without first meeting with an adviser to intentionally explore career options and determine a specific degree. This has allowed us to reduce the number of general studies degrees by nearly 30 percent, putting students on a defined path toward graduation and credential completion, and reduce the number of credit hours students take to complete a degree by 6 semester credit hours. Our goal for workforce is that students are prepared for regional entry-level jobs at family-sustaining wages and that transfer students arrive at transfer institutions with junior status in their programs and no loss of credit."

"To address the workforce needs in the region and across the state, San Jacinto College has developed three bachelor's degree programs in nursing, cybersecurity, and early childhood education. It is estimated that there will be a 35 percent employment growth in cybersecurity, driven by e-commerce and artificial intelligence. In the Houston-Galveston metro area there were 25,000 job postings for elementary school teachers last year, tenth highest in the nation. By establishing these bachelor's degrees pathways, San Jacinto College is able to respond quickly to workforce needs and address student retention and completion in effective ways. Josh Wyner, executive director of the Aspen Institute College

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Man exposes himself at library

A male suspect was arrested for indecency Wednesday, June 5, after allegedly exposing himself at the Parker Williams Library Branch in the 10800 block of Scarsdale at Beamer.

According to officials with Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia's office, Evening Shift patrol deputies were dispatched to the area library just after 4 p.m. following reports that a man appearing to be homeless had exposed himself to library staff and visitors.

The suspect had reportedly fled the scene prior to the arrival of deputies, officials said.

Deputies were able to get a description and identity of the suspect fairly quickly and advised other responding units of this information.

Additional deputies were able to locate the suspect a short time later and detain him after a brief struggle.

Once detained, the Harris County District Attorney's Office was contacted, and misdemeanor charges of indecent exposure were accepted on 32-year-old Charles Jenkins.

Garcia took to social media to reassure residents of his dedication to keeping criminals like this off local streets.

"Constable Garcia wants his residents to know that his deputies will continue to respond quickly to their calls and do everything in their power to take these types of people off the streets," a post on the constable's Facebook page read. "Please stay safe and God bless."

Pct. 8 offers summer traffic safety tips

With the summer school break now in effect, Harris County Precinct 8 Constable Phil Sandlin's office offers some summer traffic safety tips aimed at keeping children safe.

"Summer break is among us. This is an especially busy time when many kids are playing at the park, walking to meet friends or taking their bikes to the pool," a post on Sandlin's Facebook page read. "As we all enjoy the summer months, we wanted to share important safety reminders for drivers and pedestrians. Parents can help by reminding their children about staying safe on the roads."

Precinct 8 offers the following traffic safety tips for both pedestrians and drivers:

Pedestrians
- Use sidewalk when available.
- If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left side of the roadway facing oncoming traffic.

- Always cross at intersections or marked crosswalks.

- Look in both directions before proceeding to cross a street

- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing the street. A pedestrian should never assume a driver sees them.

- Watch for cars that are backing out of a driveway or parking space.

Drivers

- Reduce speed when approaching crosswalks.

- Stop for pedestrians.

- Yield the right of way to pedestrians when turning.

- Stay alert and minimize distractions.

- Drivers should always double check behind them and around their vehicle when backing out of a driveway or parking space.

Hellyers at San Jac gala



San Jacinto College Chancellor Dr. Brenda Hellyer (second from left) and her husband, Rusty, along with her sister and brother-in-law, Karla and Jim Wildeman, celebrate at the San Jacinto College and LyondellBasell Hollywood Nights Gala Presented by the Sinor Family on May 17, 2024. The gala raised more than \$680,000 in support of the Promise @ San Jac Scholarship. San Jacinto College was again chosen as one of the top 10 community colleges in the United States. This is the fifth time in a row the college has been chosen for the two-year honor. (See story this page.)

In My Opinion

Ed Taylor shares feelings for Honey

Honey (Cam Mai),
There is a certain kind of love that's forever. It is not described by a marital vow, or social custom, or gender, or the ages of the people involved. It's love that doesn't even need to be declared. It's in your life as the sun rising in the morning. You do not argue in it's defense or try to explain or justify it to others, the other party moved into your heart and remains with you the rest of your life. The bond is never broken, any more than you can separate yourself from your body or soul.

I could not take a breath without feeling that you were at my side.
I guess I've learned by now that the past can be a prison. But, there are memories you never give up. They remain painted on the air. They come to you in a song, a sunset on the ocean, a palm tree in the wind.

When I hear of war and man's destructive ways, I get tired of it. I think of you beside me in our car during our youth, racing down the highway looking for adventure. You close to me with your head on my shoulder.

Seeking Big Bend, Colorado, Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, New York City, Montreal, Keywest. Packing for Carnival cruise to Mexico, Jamaica, Bahamas. With excitement of unexpected experiences.

I knew that the neither of us would ever die, that life was a song we sang together, eternal in nature, and the secrets of life and creation lay in the sea, the desert, the mountains, the cities, the forest, and above all, the family.

I also know that the gift God and heaven and Earth would always remain where they had always been, at our fingertips and in

the shimmer we see in the eyes of those we love and the times of trouble and stress are fleeing but our love is eternal and enduring. My love forever, yours, **Ed Taylor**

John shares info on home insurance

The Texas Senate Business and Commerce committee has been charged with investigating the rising cost of home insurance.

Tomorrow the Texas House Committee on Insurance will be having a hearing concerning this issue.

I have organized a community meeting concerning this issue on June 27 with invitations to our local officials State Representative Dennis Paul and Senator Mayes Middleton. Both are on the insurance committees.

I would greatly appreciate any help you can provide to spread the word on this meeting.

What: Homeowners Meeting to address the rising cost of insurance
When: June 27, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: Bay Area Community Center 5002 E NASA Pkwy, Seabrook, TX 77586

Who: Organized by Consumer Activist John Cobarruvias.

Invited Speakers: Elected officials from the Texas House Insurance Committee State Representatives Dennis Paul, Mary Ann Perez, and Briscoe Cain. Senator Mayes Middleton on the Senate Business and Commerce Committee.

John Cobarruvias has lived in the Clear Lake Area since 1981. He was a consumer activist from 1995-2011 lobbying elected officials concerning new home construction, electricity, and home insurance. He has agreed to lead this effort and organize homeowners.

John Cobarruvias

Kids' Backporch Productions



Kids' Backporch Productions will present its "Master-Peach," a production of Roald Dahl's *James and the Giant Peach* on Friday, June 21, Saturday, June 22, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, June 23, at 2 p.m. The Kids' Backporch Productions' cast includes 26 students led by director Stephen Hurst, music director Keagan Greer, intern director Evie Richeson and stage manager Jaime Cole. This is KBP's 95th production and tickets may be purchased at kidsbackporch.ticketleap.com. Pictured above are (front row) Piper Fatter (Spider), (back row) Julia Xu (Earthworm), Andrew Lim (Grasshopper), Madelin Marquez (Centipede), Peyton Fatter (Ladybug) and Roman Salazar (Grasshopper).

Elected officials share their words

June newsletter for District E, Fred Flickinger, council member

Dear District E Residents,

Next week, my City Council colleagues and I will vote on the City's \$6.7 billion proposed budget for the 2025 fiscal year. The top two priorities in this year's proposed budget are public safety and infrastructure.

Public safety remains a top priority representing \$1.7 billion, or 68.3 percent of the total General Fund spend excluding debt service and PAYGO.

The proposed budget includes a 3.5% pay raise for police officers and a 10% pay raise for firefighters based on the draft Collective Bargaining Agreement.

It also includes funding for five (5) police cadet classes and five (5) fire cadet classes. With the overarching goals of preventing crime and superior response to emergencies, this year's budget will support efforts geared toward; increasing the number of police officers and firefighters, improving police officer and firefighter retention and attrition rates, and equipping first responders with the skill to address mental health situations better.

To mitigate the impact of natural disasters and chronic stressors such as the City's aging infrastructure, air quality, and flooding, the City plans to enhance existing efforts and seek opportunities for internal and external partnerships to address these efforts. The strategic objectives related to infrastructure are: repair-

ing the City's aging water/sewer mains, improving mobility on our major thoroughfares, and mitigating flooding issues by working across jurisdictional lines. In just these last few months, I've had productive meetings with Harris County Commissioners Tom Ramsey and Adrian Garcia and Montgomery County Commissioner Matt Gray discussing specific ways the City can collaborate on drainage and road projects.

As we, just kicked off the start of Hurricane Season residents should take note the budget also includes increased funding for emergency management services and flood mitigation. The City of Houston Disaster Preparedness Guide is updated annually and helps Houstonians plan for emergencies. The guide is free and can be downloaded in six languages from the City's Office of Emergency Management's website here. Additionally, I encourage all residents to sign up for emergency alerts through Alert Houston. Alert Houston delivers critical information to Houston residents regarding current conditions, expected impacts, and protective actions to keep themselves and their loved ones safe.

Wishing everyone a safe summer and a reminder the District E Office will be closed on Wednesday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth.

Fred Flickinger, Councilman Dist. E

Progress, Safety in District D Update by Dr. Carolyn Evans Shabazz

As we reflect on the recent events that have impacted our community, our hearts go out to those who have lost their homes and faced hardships. Now, more than ever, the importance of safety during this hurricane season is paramount. Disaster can strike without a moment's notice, and a prepared community is a strong community. By staying prepared and informed, we can face any challenge that comes our way.

As we head into June, we also celebrate Juneteenth, a time to honor freedom and reflect on our shared history. This year, our celebrations hold even more significance as we recognize the resilience and unity of our District D community. The recent storm tested our strength, but it also showcased our capacity to support and uplift one another.

I am incredibly proud of how swiftly and compassionately our community members moved into action to assist those in need. From clearing debris to providing shelter and resources, your efforts have made a significant difference in the lives of many. Your dedication to service and community spirit embodies the true essence of District D.

Looking ahead, let's continue to prior-

itize our safety and preparedness. Here are a few steps to ensure we are ready for the hurricane season:

Create an Emergency Plan: Make sure every family member knows what to do in case of an emergency. Stay Informed: Sign up for local alerts and warnings to stay updated on weather conditions.

Prepare an Emergency Kit: Include essentials like water, food, medications, and important documents. Know Your Evacuation Routes: Familiarize yourself with the safest routes and local shelters.

By taking these proactive steps, we can better protect our families and our community. Additionally, let's continue to foster the spirit of cooperation and mutual aid that has defined our response to recent challenges.

Together, we will navigate the uncertainties of the future and emerge stronger. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to making District D a better, safer place for all.

Wishing you all safety and strength,
Sincerely,
Dr. Carolyn Evans-Shabazz
Councilwoman, District D

Abbott issues statement on immigrant executive order

Gov. Greg Abbott June 5, issued a statement following President Joe Biden's signing of an executive order that essentially legalizes the millions of illegal immigrants already in our country and allows thousands more to illegally cross our southern border daily.

"Today's announcement is nothing but a smokescreen for President Biden's failed open border policies. This executive order will do nothing but further an invasion into our country, inviting thousands of unvetted illegal immigrants to cross the border every single day—the

exact opposite of shutting down the border.

Since his first day in office, President Biden dismantled all of his predecessor's successful border policies, encouraging millions of illegal immigrants—including dangerous criminals and terrorists—into our country.

For three years, the President has lied about the existence of the border crisis, deflected blame to Congress, and now contradicts himself by issuing a feckless executive order months before Election Day."

Deaths

Gary James Warner



Gary James Warner passed away May 19, 2024, from complications of a massive heart attack. He was born Feb. 25, 1958, in Houston to James G. Warner and Mary Louise Leland Warner.

Gary was blessed with a brilliant mind and the ability to captivate an audience with his sharp sense of humor, intellect and charm. He was valedictorian at Milby High School and also at Houston Baptist University. This knowledge would come incredibly useful in the future when Gary found the calling to be a teacher. He taught science at Beverly Hills Intermediate in PISD and was in his 21st year, just days away from retirement. Gary had a passion for teaching students, humor, fashion and flair. But his real loves were his family, sister, friends, dogs, Houston sports teams and his BHI family.

Most importantly, Gary was a follower of Christ and devoted much time to Christ United and Cokesbury United Methodist Church, at one point serving as an associate pastor. They could always count on Gary to speak or give grace on any occasion. He was a loyal son, brother, uncle, cousin, teacher and friend.

Gary leaves behind his much beloved family: father James G. Warner, sister Georgeette Treece, nephew Jordan Treece, niece Jamie Treece, partner in crime and best friend Karen Gregory, his canine children Paisley and Lucy and many other friends. He is welcomed into the loving arms of his mother, Mary Louise Warner and nephew, Brandon Treece.

Gary's wishes were to be cremated and to have his remains taken to the beautiful Muir Woods. In lieu of flowers, the family requests for donations to be made in his name to Pasadena Animal Shelter, 5150 Burke, Pasadena, TX 77504.

After much thought, and many prayers, the family have decided to honor Gary's wishes, and not have a service or celebration of life.

Carolyn Jean Quinn Fox



Carolyn Jean Quinn Fox passed away May 31, 2024, in Houston, after a 46-year courageous battle with multiple sclerosis.

Carolyn was born in Galveston, on Jan. 21, 1943, the fourth of six children to Asa Rodgers Quinn Sr. and Trannie Bell Quinn.

In 1955 her family moved from Pasadena, to the Pacific island of Guam in the Mariana Islands. There, in 1960, she met a young serviceman, Verlin Fox, from Deadwood. They were married April 20, 1961 in Honolulu and made their home in Deadwood.

In 1978, they moved to Houston for Verlin's job

in communications at the NASA Houston Space Center. Carolyn worked as the executive assistant to the publisher of the Pasadena Citizen and USA newspapers at their offices in Pasadena. After 15 years, she retired due to limitations associated with her MS.

Carolyn is preceded in death by her parents; her brothers, Asa Rodgers Quinn Jr. and Wade Glenn Quinn; and sister, Joan Quinn Hale.

Survivors include her beloved husband and longtime caregiver; daughter, Diane Fox Kocurek (John), Friendwood; sons, Troy Fox, Houston and Quinn Fox (Cecilia), Pflugerville; grandchildren, Rachel Kocurek, Hannah Kocurek Villars (Sean), Jake Kocurek (Makenzie), Joe Garcia (Felicia), Patrick Fox, Taylor Fox, Kamri Fox, Caleb Fox; great-grandchildren, Elle Laurenzo, Jaycee Fox, Luna Fox, Zariah Hernandez, Aubrey Jo Garcia, Tate Castillo, Asa Villars, John Cooper Kocurek and Dottie Kocurek; sister, Diane Quinn Tork (Mark), Topeka; and brother, Jim Quinn, Houston.

She will be celebrated and interred at the Black Hills National Cemetery in Sturgis, South Dakota.

In lieu of flowers, Carolyn's family requests contributions to the Maxine Mesinger Multiple Sclerosis Comprehensive Care Center in her honor @ www.givecm.org/carolyn-fox.

James J. Gorman Jr.



James J. Gorman Jr., passed away May 24, 2024, in Houston. He was born on Jan. 16, 1934, in El Paso, to James J. Gorman Sr. and Nell Gorman.

Jim, as he was known, had a passion for big band music of the 1940s and he and his wife of 64 years, Barbara, often danced the night away at big band events. Sports also played a significant role in Jim's life and he proudly supported (among other teams) the Astros, the Texans, and the University of Texas' sports teams, ensuring that his children knew how to Hook 'em Horns at a very young age.

Jim received a Bachelor of Arts in government from the University of Texas and a Master of Arts in public administration from the University of Houston. Jim served in the U.S. Army as a transportation officer before starting his career at the NBC affiliate TV station in El Paso as a sportscaster. Relocating to Houston in 1963, he joined NASA JSC, where he worked for 29 years within the personnel management, employee development and equal opportunity offices.

After retiring from NASA in 1992, Jim volunteered his time and skills at Space Center Houston, Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, South Houston Food Bank and the South Belt area office for Houston City Council, District E. He was an active member of the Christ Church Cathedral where he served as a lector, worship leader and coordinator of ushers for funeral services.

Jim is survived by his wife; his children Carol Gorman (Teal) and John Gorman (Karen); grandsons Trace, Trent and Wyatt Gorman stepgranddaughters Carley and Chloe Beatty; and his loyal puppy dog, Little Bit. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to the El Paso Community Foundation, the Houston Humane Society, or Christ Church Cathedral in honor of Jim's memory.

Jim's memorial service will be held at Christ Church Cathedral, 117 Texas as Ave. on June 21, at noon.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Al's honor to the Pasadena Education Foundation, honoring his dedication to education and the community. Al Campo, Sr will forever be remembered for his warmth, generosity of time and knowledge, and the lasting impact on all who knew him.

Al Campo Sr.



With sadness in their hearts, family announces the passing of Al Campo Sr., a beloved figure in Pasadena who departed on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at the age of 84. Al was born on Jan. 6, 1940, in Houston, where he spent his formative years attending St. Pius V Catholic School and showcasing his talents on the city baseball field.

Al's passion for sports followed him through life. Graduating from Pasadena High School in 1958, he earned all-district honors and played a pivotal role in leading the Eagles baseball team to the state semifinals as a junior. He also lettered two years as a successful basketball player. His athletic prowess continued at the University of Houston where he lettered three years as a shortstop.

His dedication to teaching and coaching spanned an impressive 44 years. Beginning his career at San Jacinto Intermediate in Pasadena, he later moved on to Sam Rayburn High School before ultimately serving as the head coach of the Trojans at South Houston High School. A crowning achievement came in 1985 when he led the Texan baseball team to the State Championship game. His contributions were duly recognized, as evidenced by his induction into the Sam Rayburn Faculty Hall of Honor in 2016 and the Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame in March 2024.

Beyond his teaching career, Al found joy in competing on the golf course. He thoroughly enjoyed playing and beating his family, friends, and ex-athletes. He also had a musical background which he would showcase at family gatherings by strumming his guitar and singing classics by Elvis, Johnny Cash, Lynyrd Skynyrd and others.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Johnnie and Lucille Campo.

He is survived by his son, Al Campo Jr and his wife Shanen, his daughter Kimberly Walsh and her husband Rick, sisters Linda Stratigakis, Sandy Clay and her husband John, as well as grandchildren, Ashlyn and Caitlyn Campo, Morgan Jackson and her husband Chris, Mason Walsh and his wife Lexi, nephews Michael Stratigakis, Justin Clay, Adam Clay and his wife Rachel. He was also blessed with two great-grandchildren, Noah and Levi Jackson. Known affectionally as "Coach Campo" to countless athletes and students whose lives he touched, Al leaves behind a legacy of inspiration and mentorship.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt gratitude to the faculty and staff at Morada Senior Living, Parson's House La Porte, and Focus Care Pasadena for the kindness and compassion during his final months. They would also like to thank the many visitors that spent time with Al reminiscing and telling stories in his last weeks. These moments were special to him, and they truly appreciate you. A special thanks is also extended to Jimmy and Karen Johnson for their exceptional care and support over the past two years. Your selfless acts of kindness helped bring peace to our family.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Al's life at a Memorial Mass at St. Pius V Catholic Church on Friday, June 14 at 1pm, with visitation starting at 11:30 a.m. Interment will follow at Forest Park Lawnside.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Al's honor to the Pasadena Education Foundation, honoring his dedication to education and the community. Al Campo, Sr will forever be remembered for his warmth, generosity of time and knowledge, and the lasting impact on all who knew him.

SHSU local spring grad list

The following area students have received degrees during the 2024 spring semester at Sam Houston State University.

- Mercedes Machado, Bachelor of Science, animal science.
- Kayla Robinson, Bachelor of Science, psychology.
- Wendy Zarate, Bachelor of Science, criminal justice.
- Ayanna Love, Bachelor of Science, criminal justice.

San Jac again named top 10

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Excellence Program, noted the Aspen Prize finalists not only deserve national recognition, but they also need to be studied and their successes replicated. "Working-class Americans are experiencing an economy that seems to be stacked against them, while employers are struggling to find well-prepared workers in fields such as teaching, nursing, software development, welding, and advanced manufacturing," Wyner said.

"The 10 Aspen Prize finalists demonstrate how community colleges serving urban and rural communities throughout the country can prepare many more graduates for fulfilling lives and careers in their communities. They show that excellence can be reached in any and every context." Awarded every two years, the Aspen Prize honors colleges with outstanding performance in six critical areas: teaching and learning, certificate and degree completion, transfer and bachelor's attainment, workforce success, broad access to the college and its offerings, and equitable outcomes for students of color and students from low-income backgrounds. The winner will be announced in the spring of 2025.

San Jacinto College has previously been recognized by the Aspen Institute as a Rising Star (2017), Aspen Prize Finalist (2019), Finalist with Distinction (2021) and Aspen Prize Finalist (2023).

- The following is a list of 2025 Aspen finalists:
- Georgia Highlands College (Ga.).
 - Moorpark College (Calif.).
 - Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.
 - Northwest Vista College (Texas).
 - San Jacinto College (Texas).
 - Seminole State College of Florida (Fla.).
 - South Puget Sound Community College

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 Kingsport. 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, June 13, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Family storytime: Pride month.
Thursday, June 13, 3 - 4 p.m. Open lab computer help.
Saturday, June 15, 1 - 3 p.m. The young billionaires club workshop.
Monday, June 17, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Open lab computer help.

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> 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, June 13, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Toddler time.
Friday, June 14, 4 - 5 p.m. Tween spa night.
Saturday, June 15, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Detox your mind through meditation.
Monday, June 17, 10 - 11 a.m. Houston ballet dance to learn.
Monday, June 17, 11:15 - 11:45 p.m. Family story time.
Tuesday, June 18, 11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Babies' n' books.
Tuesday, June 18, 1 - 2 p.m. Homeschool hangout.
Tuesday, June 18, 1 - 2 p.m. Citizenship 101.

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

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

Online services

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

The Dobie Lariaette officers attended the Ascension Dance L.E.A.D. Summit Officer Camp from June 1-3, at the Westin Galleria Houston to get mentally prepared for the year they will have ahead. They attended seminars, social meetings and learned many choreographed dances. The Dobie High School Lariaette sponsors are proud of the officers' effort and heart in learning so much in such a short period of time. The staff is very proud of them for their hard work and wish them a good year ahead.



Shown above, left to right, are social officers MiaBella Sudario Garza, Brianna Puga, Isabella Hernandez and Galilea De La Garza.



Left to right, are military officers Lizette Gonzalez, Kiana McCombs, Lilli Ramirez, Angel Rhodes and Kaitlyn Resendez.

Genoa Elementary honors staff for service in PISD



Awarded by Genoa Elementary for 10 years of service in Pasadena ISD are, left to right, (front row) Lisa Hernandez, Macarena Araujo, Ruby Delacruz, Rebeca Graham, Felicia Oliva, (back row) Maria DeLeon and Kathryn Martinez.



On Friday, May 24, Genoa Elementary honored staff for their years of service in Pasadena ISD. Awarded for 20 years of service, are Meshia Horn (left) and Debra Rice.



Awarded by Genoa Elementary for 5 years of service in Pasadena ISD are (left to right) Amanda Callaway, Chastity Crissman, Leticia Arredondo, Suzanne Morgan and Diana Perales.



Awarded by Genoa Elementary for 15 years of service in Pasadena ISD are left to right, Alejandra Alcalá, Angelina Perez and Mary Richardson.

Constitutional amendment allows livestock in area yards

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ton's Animal Enforcement Division – clearly stated that the state law trumps local city ordinance.

city ordinances regulating roosters and other livestock were rendered unenforceable when House Bill 1750 was passed last year," said Glaser. "That new law gave municipalities the ability to

enforce only what state law specifically allowed. Therefore, your neighbors are allowed to keep roosters, hens and other fowl on their property. Please contact your state representative to regis-

ter your complaint about this new law." Glaser said residents could still file noise complaints with the city, if applicable.

"Noise complaints and livestock running at large may still be addressed," said Glaser. "Noise is considered a nuisance by city ordinance if it occurs between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. A police officer or animal

enforcement officer must witness the violation, and the animal must have an owner for the violation to be cited. We are not allowed to confiscate the roosters any longer due to HB 1750. "Please contact the HPD non-emergency line to make a noise complaint during the nuisance hours, and 311 during regular business hours to report livestock at large."

This past year, the 88th Legislature further cemented the issue when it passed HJR 126, essentially elevating HB 1750 to become an official amendment to the Texas state constitution.

The law's language was distinctly written in favor of the farmer, rather than your average city dweller, as illustrated in the amendment's following introductory paragraph: "There is a need to protect

the right to farm and ranch in Texas in order to ensure our future food security. Farmers and ranchers who engage in production agriculture within municipal boundaries are being subjected to broad overregulation by municipal ordinances that prohibit and greatly restrict normal practices of agricultural operations, such as the raising and keeping of livestock, the production of hay, and the cultivation of certain row crops. HJR 126 seeks to address this issue and empower landowners in the state by constitutionally protecting their right to engage in certain generally accepted agricultural practices on their own property."

HJR 126 was put to a vote in November 2023, with more than 77 percent of voters siding with the farmers and ranchers.

4th of July Parade Entry Form

A parade will be held in conjunction with the July 4th Spectacular. Parade lineup will be at 9 a.m. at Beverly Hills Intermediate, 11111 Beamer. The parade will begin at Beverly Hills Intermediate at 10 a.m. and will continue to San Jacinto College on Beamer Road. Businesses and individuals are encouraged to build floats and participate in the parade.

NO WATER BALLOONS, WATER GUNS, ETC.

For more information, contact South Belt-Ellington Leader at 281-481-5656 or email mynews@southbeltleader.com.

All entries must be received by July 2.

Name of entry _____

Name of Organization or Business _____

Person to Contact _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Truck (2 axle) Car Float Truck (3 axle) Other

Due to the length of this parade, we request participants do not attempt to walk. All entries for community and nonprofit groups are free of charge—unless those participants wish to be eligible for a trophy in the judging contest. These contest entries require a \$25 entry fee.

ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS.

All entries for business require a \$50 entry fee. Commercial float: \$50
Noncommercial for trophy: \$25 Noncommercial, not competing: no charge

* Each entrant is liable for the entry & participants involved with their entry. Adult supervision is a must!

Please complete this entry form & email or drop off at South Belt-Ellington Leader office (11555 Beamer) before July 2nd.

The Southeast VFD needs you!

We are seeking local volunteers to join our active Volunteer Fire and EMS Department. If you are over 18 and can pass a background check and driving record check, we encourage you to come join us any Thursday evening at 7 p.m. at our #1 Fire Station at 10510 Scarsdale Blvd. If you have no, or very limited training, we will provide all the training and protective gear upon acceptance. If you have any previous fire or EMS training, (Fire Department, Forest Service, Military, etc), we can accept those training hours also. You can visit our website: southeastvfd.org to learn more, download an application package and see some of the activities that we participate in yearly. Please come to one of our meetings to meet your fellow volunteers and join us in this very important and worthwhile activity. Become a valued and needed part of our growing community where Neighbors Help Neighbors!

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Beverly Hills announces students' final 2023-2024 honor roll

Officials of Beverly Hills Intermediate School have announced the final honor roll for the 2023-2024 school year.

Seventh grade
Sophia Isabel Acatilan, Emily Isabel Andrade, Cecilia Elise Anthony, Jade Nicole Arceneaux, David Gaspar Arredondo, Zoey Mariah Arredondo, Rick Chidubem Azinge, Allison Guissel Baca, Matthew Antonio Barragan, Liliana Bermudez, Jeremy Alberto Beteta, Chloe Annmarie Bizzarri, Samuel Alexander Bonilla, Vy Nguyen Thao Bui, Anahia Muzzammil Butt, Joshua Robert Byron, Valery Yese-nia Casillas, Arianna Rose Castellano and Daziel Favian Castillo.

Alexander Paxton Chaney, Duyen Cach Chung, Nicole Churchwell, Isabella Giada Cisneros, Kayla Alyssa Cisneros, Sophia Elizabeth Claros Mendoza, Zorion Knight Collins, Natalia Con-

terras, Anna Nguyen Dao, Tyler Phan Dao, Aurease Delfante, Ruby Bella Delgado, Angel Diaz Mendoza and Martin Diosdado.

Laniyah Sa'rae Dukes, Carolyn Elizabeth Erazo, Isabella Emma Espinoza, Alessandro Ferrufino, Jonathan Noah Fonseca, Elida Sarahi Garcia, Evany Garcia, Layla Maribel Garcia, Antonio Garza, Carlos Eduardo Garza, Elizabeth Gomez, Lianna Grethel Gomez, Malachi Jesse Gonzales, Alayna Noemi Gonzalez, Xitlalic Gonzalez and Chloe Graff.

Kennady Denise Grice, Arleen Guadalupe Grimaldo, Jiszele Jazmy Guerrerro, Melanie Guerrero, Elida Yusmari Guevara, Kimberly Solanllis Gutierrez, Rolando Cody Guzman, Kennedy I'anya Hall, Valeria Marlen Hernandez, Han Ngoc Ho, Alaya M. Jasso, Isela Nicole Jimenez, Aasia Denise Johnson, Kenberly De'asia

Jones, Shavon Ann Lamb, Regina Guadalupe Leal, Veronica Madrid, Diego Nicholas Majano, Ja'daryus Manuel and Arielle Jimena Martinez.

Esmeralda Martinez, Hailey Julissa Martinez, Isaac Martinez, Isaiiah Ryan Martinez, Josue Isair Martinez, Mar'cella Matay McNeil, Eleana Alexandra Medina, Melissa Melendez, Carissa Nicole Mendez, Isaac Montano, Leonardo Moran, Bang Hai Nguyen, Khang Minh Nguyen, Michael Thanh Nguyen, Trieu Hai Nguyen, Fergie Amayrany Ochoa Arce, Oliver Ochoa Rivera and Makayla Rayne Palm.

Jayden Eli Pereira, Angel Anthony Perez, Gia Bao Pham, Steven Hieu Pham, Janeisy Arlene Pineda, Ayari Aylin Pino, Hannah Giselle Ponce, Monserrath Noelani Ramirez, Sansa-Ray Shannon Ramsay, Alkeimi Reyes Polanco, Alkeisi Reyes Polanco, Marie Ni-

cole Reyna, Nyla Adryanna Richardson, Alexa Sofia Rodriguez, Annabelle Jasmine Rodriguez, Laila Rose Rodriguez, Roberto Rodriguez, Javier Modesto Romero Argueta, Naveah Nicole Rosas and Ronaldo Roel Salinas.

Camila Salomon, Savannah Raquel Sandoval, Brandon Alexander Saucedo, Brandon Jewel Scott, Sophia Isabella Serafine, Viviana Araceli Serna, Arturo Serrano, Anaxandra Cecilia Sierra-Martinez, Raishell On'niqum Smith, Ava Love Soloya, Lyrn Ednya Stevenson, Abbigail Hope-Marie Stockton, Audrie Helen Stordeur, Marissa Rose Thompson, Elijah Leonard Thurman, Gabriela Torres, Jose Angel Turruabartes Gomez and Alejandro Leonel Urrutia Gonzalez.

Flor Anahi Vasquez, Chanel Adrianna Willis, Emily Maritza Zuniga

Eighth grade
Katherine Michaela Acac,

Arie Joyce Adams, Lilah Samantha Aguayo, Coraline Larimar Alcala, Daniel Alberto Alvarez, Sofia Yamileth Alvarez, Giovannie Elijah Alvear, Chloe Renee Anderson, Mirian Jeannette Andrade, Andrea Natalia Arredondo, Yindiana Aya-la Hernandez, Julian Javier Banda, Daniel Barboza, Joshua Barboza, Angelica Jaylynn Barragan and Zadie Layne Battarbee.

Jihan Mohamed Ben Saoud, Rachel Esi Bensmith, Beatriz Betancourt, Zenia Muzzammil Butt, Jaxson Eli Canales, Javanni Rene Capuchino, Gissele Guadalupe Cardiel, Mario Ivan Cardona, Luis Cardozo, Sasha Nicole Cepeda, Dalila Anahi Chapa, Yuliana Chaparro, Ives Didier Collazo Muniz, Kyle Gabriel Contreas, Brendan Austen Cortez and Zairie Amiyah-Symone Creeks.

Alondra Itzel Cruz, Alys-sa Leann Davis, Brayden

Jai Dean, Emily Joanne Diaz, Ariel Rhianna Dillard, Anita Jessica Nouko Djato, Ricky Quoc Doan, Genesi Maricela Dominguez Reyes, Natalie Marie Elkins, Jacqueline Enriquez, Jessica Marie Escobar, Giselle Adene Esparza, Jazlyn Esparza, Natalie Marie Esquivel, Kar-la Janet Fernandez and Bri-anna Alexis Figueroa.

Carlos Eduardo Flores, Christopher Sebastian Flores, Alana Nicole Fonseca, Khinydi Charal Frizzell, Alexander Garcia, Daisy Jackelin Garcia, Gisele Marie Garcia, Jacqueline Garcia, Lailah Vianey Garcia, Christian Donovan Gonzalez, Adrian Alonso Gonzalez, Mia Nevaeh Gonzalez, Ethan Kane Guerrero, Damian Elias Gutierrez, Rebekah Grace Hale and Kendyl Renee-Marie Harris.

Alexis Joanne Hernandez, Elizabeth Hernandez, Helen Zaida Hernandez, Luna Alejandra Hernandez, Mia

Gabriela Hernandez, Natalia Hernandez, Ineke Lillian Hicks, Lizbeth Anahi Hinojosa, Huyen Thi Ngoc Hoang, Angela Huynh, Carden Thinh Huynh, Andrew Jaramillo Zamora, Cruz Alexander Jasso, Jason Daniel Jasso, Karmen Alexis Jasso, Elsy Nohemy Jimenez Velasco, Zaria Ne'shell Johnson, Andrea Lara, Nhu Thi Y. Le and Jesus Leon.

Tiana Rena Leonard, Alexander Josue Limachi, Miguel Enrique Lored, Cesar Edgardo Lue Hernandez, Monica Luna, Yaritza Delilah Luna, Luis Manuel Lupian, Emmery Jayne Lynn, Karely Jasmin Maldonado, Isaias Edubert Martinez Gamez, Adam Martinez, Ham-mad Matin, Kyndall Nevaeh McClain and Cha'nyia Mona McGowen.

Julius Alexander Mendoza, Liandis Mercado Solano, Julianna Danielle Mikulski, Ty Shaun Monnie, Donnielle Raianna Moore, Angel Rose

Myles, Cathy Nguyen, Jocelyn Jean Nguyen, Johnny Anh Nguyen, Justin Quang Nguyen, Khai Ngoc Quang Nguyen, Lucas Anh Nguyen, Steven Huy Nguyen and Evan Rey Orozco.

Avery Simone Payne, Martin Nin Peng, Joseline Perales, Luis Alfonso Perez, Susan Plata Garcia, Alexis Jade Porter, Torny Embry Provost, Harsh Rana, Alyah Paola Rangel, Bree Elizabeth Rennett, Elisa Marie Reyes, Rubi Reyes, Reyna Renee Rivera, Je'licia Danielle Rivet, Alyssa Haley Rodriguez, Ella Alissa Rodriguez, Mikayla Riley Rodriguez and Yareli Alexandra Rodriguez.

Karim Dalessandro Rubio, Kailani Rose Rudd, Landon Ezell Ryans, Eduardo Isaac Salazar, Cesar Salinas, Davien Sanni-Thomas, Azari Iris Schells, Bella Jordan Sherwood, Destiny Rhyann Sidiropoulos, Ariel Elizabeth Sierra, Angelica

Janel Smith, Leonidas Andrew Solis, Natalie Yvette Soto, Sanaa Jeanette Esmeralda Suarez.

Melayssia Sheree Sykes, Shelby Nicole Talavera, Genesis Mikaela Tamez, Samuel Isaias Tapia, Jordyn Marquis Thomas, Enrique Alvarez Torres, Gizelle Torres, Mikaela Ann Torres, Dawson Tran, Kahlan Nhu-Y Tran, Kathleen Mai Tran, Tammy Nguyen Tran, Yen Hoang Tran, Gabriel Trevino, Olivia Trevino, Zayley Lynn Urrabazo, Isaac Cain Vasquez, Steve Alexander Vasquez, Carlos Manuel Vega and Omar Alexis Vega.

Kiet Tuan Vo, Victoria Hoang-Anh Vu, Thomas Jefferson Wilkerson, Sophia Rose Yanez, Amilya Lynn Yates, Ethyn James Ybarra, Gracie Christine Zamora, Gregory Anthony Zamora, Zaiyden Joseph Zaragoza, Angelo E. Zuniga and Candi Selene Zuniga.

Thompson Intermediate School delivers last honor roll for 2023-2024

Officials of Thompson Intermediate School have announced the final honor roll for the 2023-2024 school year.

Seventh grade
Osama Emad Abdallah, Salma Emad Abdallah, Olu-watomilola Ayomikun Ad-

eyinka, Zayden Ray Aguilar, Me'shai Adeen Alexander, Anna Bella Lee Alford, Kamaliia Allah-Miliariopova, Jay Isaac Amaya, Christ Emmanuel Eyrum Anaglate, Mya Mercedes Andrepoint, Alexandria Gabrielle Anne Ames, Nathalia Baca Cepe-

da, Mason Thomas Baca and Jailla Alana Bandy.

Samuel Alexander Barabona, Samantha Barraba, Vince Marcelino Bar-ron, Louis Betancourt Mejia, Alexandra Adamari Betancourt, Edmundo Eze-kiel Bravo, Alexis Taylor

Brown, Nevaeh Mackenzie Bumgarner, Alexander Chai Buntaer, Xavier Joel Cantu, Brandon Isaiiah Castro, Sabrina Xitlaly Cavazos and Ja'torian Adonte Charles.

Francine Desideria Borja Cooley, Brooklyn Arian-na Coronado, Carissa Soleil

Cortez, Julian Angel Cortez, Serenity Jane Crabtree, Taylor Patricia Daniels, Katherine Di Vu Dao, Layla Isabella Davila, Keirah Joi Davis, Emilio De La Garza, Delilah Aryana Deleon, Jesse Gabriel Deleon and Rebecca Deleon.

Gael Diaz, Peyton Carly Dowell, Shaikh Ashhar Faizan, Myla Jazz Figueroa, Bryan Alexander Flores, Gisselle Sophia Flores-Galvan, Jay'von Edward Fortson, Makayla Donielle Franklin, London Lashelle Freeman, Olivia Jaisel Gaitan-Williams, Nathaniel Aiden Cruzado Gansit and Khloe Adalze Garcia.

Myla Cassidy Garcia, Chelsea Denise Garza, Victoria Garza, Mia Alejandra Gonzalez, Mikayla Astrid Gonzalez, Jayden Fernando Grimaldo, Emma Gurrus-quieta, Perla Dimary Gutierrez Chuc, Mya Selene Hall, Hannah Jihad Harmouche, Alexander Carlos Hernandez, Elijah Lee Hernandez, Santiago Hernandez and Sophia Isabella Hernandez.

Durriyah Monae Hill, Noah James Holguin, Allison Quynh Ngoc Hua, Prince Ellis Hubbard, Ngoc My Le Huynh, Daveyn Car-tel Jackson Little, Ava Marie Jackson, Jordan Olu-wasemilore Jegede, Bradley Zane Jones and Alice Hong Lam.

Jayda Rayne Lasker, Kimberly Isabella Lopez, Lola Penelope Scarlett Lopez, Pablo Lopez, Phu-wat Maingot, Aylinn Yarezi Maldonado, Alexander Jos-

ue Maravilla Cabrera and Brisa Fernanda Martinez.

Emmanuel Martinez, Melanie Martinez, Nathaniel John Martinez, Hiba Ma-teen, Chloe Isabella May-cott, Jayden Isaiiah McNair, Michelle Medrano, Erick Jesus Montejano, Alejandro Montes, Myah Amber Moses, Angel Chau Nguyen, Annie Nguyen, Ethan Hoang Nguyen, Hillary Hien Vy Nguyen, Kate Ngoc Nguyen and Simon Ngoc Nguyen.

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Alexander Vasquez, Ethan Eli Vega, Rey Jere-miah Vega, Brenda Esmer-alda Villarreal, Emily Aime

Villarreal, Jocelyn Villarreal, Reese Benjamin Villegas, Absai Abdil Visuet, Christina Ngoc Vu, Joir'dan Lee'elle Kearih Wyatt and Liany Sharde Zarazua.

Eighth grade
Abigail Lucia Aguilar, Alondra Aguilar, Jaylen Isaac Aguilar, Miranda Aguilar, Adrian Jared Aldaco, Affan Kamran Aleem, Noah Anthony Aleman, Angeli-na Isabel Amaya, Jordana Renee Aquino Rico, Xavier Edgardo Lopez Anariba, Arizmendez, Jesiah Derek Avendano, Yosselin Yudit Benegas, Emily Rose Bar-tera, Nicholas Leland Black, Riley Thomas Blakely and Oscar Gabriel Bonilla-May-orga.

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iah Gonzales, Zoe Macken-zie Goree and Roberto Gael Granados.

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Paul Samuel Salinas, Don-nee Rozau'n Shaw-Brown, Shai Davyn Silva, Vida Sosa, Luke James Stacey, Dexter Cain Sullivan, Hndex-Denn Geromo Taganahan, Daniella Belen Tamayo, Cayla Ngoc Tang, Quentin Taylor, Sa-vannah Gisselle Tellez, Joey Thanh-Long Thach, Sirena Thaoan Thai, Danica Michelle Titus-Williams, Leslie Michelle Torres, Alexa Mar-cicela Tovar, Ethan Augusto Tran and Khoa Anh Tran.

Javier Trevino, Natalia Elizabeth Uzoakwu, Natalie Vasquez, Jasmine Sarai Velasquez, Isaac Alexander Verdin, Isabella Villarreal, Hyrum Geremia Wheeler, Marcus Lee Wilson and Saniyah Marie Young.



Genoa staff never stops learning

The first day of summer vacation, five staff members from Genoa Elementary participated in a three-day Conscious Discipline training session. Pictured are, left to right, Angelina Perez, Norma Sierra, Esmeralda Mayorga, Telisa Jones and Diana Perales. Photo by Norma Sierra

Remember When

45 years ago (1979)
Mayor Jim McConn and City Councilman Frank Mancuso were guests at the dedication of the Beverly Hills pool.

The San Jacinto College South campus opened an administrative office for counseling and other services at the campus site.

40 years ago (1984)
A tear gas bombing in Alameda 9 West Theatre sent seven people to the hospital. No structural damage was done.

Two of the local phone exchanges, 481 and 484, would be among the first in the country to convert to open access for long-distance calling.

35 Years ago (1989)
The J. Frank Dobie graduating class of 1989 became the 20th graduating class for the high school.

Based on all available evidence, Farm and Home Savings Association, owners of several properties in the Southbend subdivision, concluded, "residing in Southbend subdivision presents a present and immediate danger to the health of those residents."

30 years ago (1994)
South Belt-Ellington Leader news editor Cheryl Bolen placed second in headline writing and third in spot news reporting at the Houston Press Club's Excellence in Journalism awards program.

More than 90 percent of the Southbend homes belonged to Southbend Properties Inc., the corporation set up to acquire the homes.

25 years ago (1999)
In reaction to concerns about increased school violence around the country, the Pasadena Independent School District board of trustees agreed to institute approximately \$3.04 million of new projects throughout the district.

Nearly 100 residents at-

tended a meeting on the future of an approximate 11-acre site that was the Genoa Airport located near Highway 3 and Alameda Genoa Road.

20 years ago (2004)
Southbelters remembered a promise by the city to maintain the Sagemont pool for two decades as the city pressed forward trying to close the pool.

Cassie Champagne, the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department "miracle baby," celebrated her 15th birthday.

The Kirkwood South subdivision was preparing a petition requesting that Harris County place signs at neighborhood entrances

prohibiting commercial vehicles.

METRO was awarded a \$16.7 million grant which would be used to expand the Fuqua Park & Ride.

The primary athletic field at J. Frank Dobie received wind damage estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce hosted Pasadena Independent School District Superintendent Dr. Rick Schneider and David Jarvis of Metro-study at their luncheon. They spoke of projected growth throughout the district, especially in the South Belt.

15 years ago (2009)

William "Bill" Newcomb began his new position of senior pastor at Cokesbury United Methodist Church. He was the first male pastor at the church in 10 years. He replaced Sandra Smith, who was serving as district superintendent for the UMC.

A cookoff was held at El Franco Lee Park to raise additional funds for the annual South Belt Fourth of July fireworks display. The yearly fireworks show, also held at El Franco Lee Park, was usually funded by money raised at the annual South Belt Spectacular Cookoff held at Tom Bass Park in April. Heavy rains, however, caused the event

to fall roughly \$6,000 shy of its original goal of raising \$20,000.

10 years ago (2014)
State Rep. Carol Alvarado and Houston City Council Member David Martin honored longtime South Belt resident James Muecke for his community service. Muecke, who had just celebrated his 80th birthday, had been active for decades working with officials on drainage and infrastructure issues.

5 years ago (2019)
Four current and former members of the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office filed a civil lawsuit against Constable Chris

Diaz, citing whistleblower complaints against the department. The lawsuit also named Precinct 2 Chief Deputy Lee Hernandez as a defendant.

A police chase that traveled through the South Belt area the morning of Monday, June 10, yielded approximately \$1 million in narcotics. According to police, officers were conducting a narcotics investigation when they attempted to pull over the driver of a gray pickup truck for a traffic violation around 11:20 a.m. near the Gulf Freeway and Alameda Genoa/Shaver. When the driver of the vehicle refused to stop, a 40-minute chase

ensued, leading police up and down the Gulf Freeway. When the pursuit came to a close near Broadway, police discovered nearly 13 kilos of methamphetamine and 10 grams of heroin. Jason Holmes and Laura Longoria were arrested on felony drug and evading charges. Both suspects were also wanted on warrants out of the San Antonio area.

1 year ago (2023)
A fatal crash that took place around 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, in the 13900 block of Beamer near Dixie Farm Road. According to Houston Police Department officials, Donna Davis, 58, was driving a red Kia Soul northbound at the above address when she

had a medical episode, lost control of the vehicle, drove over the grassy median and into southbound lanes of traffic. The Kia then struck a blue Chevrolet Trailblazer traveling south on Beamer. Paramedics transported Davis to nearby Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, where she was pronounced dead. A passenger in the Kia and the driver of the Chevrolet were transported to the hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries. Davis was discovered to have suffered a heart attack prior to the crash.

Murder charges have been filed against a suspect accused of fatally shooting a man the previous January at an apartment complex in the

1200 block of Redford near Edgebrook and the Gulf Freeway. Eddrel Antonio Brown, 28, is charged with murder in the 230th State District Court. He is accused in the Jan. 28 killing of Lee Mayfield, 30. According to police, officers responded to a report of a person down at an apartment complex at the above address. Upon arrival, officers found signs of forced entry to an apartment and the victim's body inside. He had multiple gunshot wounds and appeared to be in the early stages of decomposition. Further investigation identified Brown as the suspect in this case. Brown was arrested Wednesday, June 1, without incident.



BILL CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY
Local businessman Bill Winning celebrates his birthday June 15. Best wishes are sent from his wife Carol, family and friends and staff at the South Belt Leader.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MARCUS!
Happy birthday wishes from friends at the Leader go to Marcus Anderson who enjoys a birthday June 15. He is a Precinct 2 officer who has served the South Belt area.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHUCK!
Birthday greetings are sent June 17 to longtime South Belt resident and businessman Chuck Maricle who serves as the district chief of staff for the U.S. Coast Guard's 8th Coastal Region. He is a veteran U.S. Army engineer and is active in several local chambers of commerce.

SANDY ENJOYS 85th BIRTHDAY
Longtime South Belt resident Sandy Robb, who is active with her daughter Stacy Waugh in the Leader Christmas program and many community events, celebrates her 85th birthday June 18. Birthday wishes are sent to Sandy from her daughter who says, "You are forever young!"

DAVID TURNS 21
David Garcia is celebrating his 21st birthday on June 18. Happy Birthday wishes are sent from Sandy Robb and Stacey Waugh.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays June 13 through June 19.

Frazier Elementary
June 14 is the day for a birthday party for Danielle Webster. June 15 is the day for a fun celebration for Bryanna Morales. Enjoying a birthday June 17 is Emily Siscoe. The day for a double-layer cake for Candace Kliesing and Katie Posey is June 19.

Meador Elementary
Remember to wish Genoveva Arrona a happy birthday June 13.

Moore Elementary
The day for a party for Shelly Blair is June 16. Send a happy birthday greeting June 17 to Amairani Espinoza.

South Belt Elementary
Jamie Lagor enjoys a special birthday June 18.

Stuchbery Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles June 13 for Lisette Gallegos. Best wishes for a wonderful birthday June 14 are sent to Heather Trog.

Melillo Middle School
Remember to send a birthday greeting June 16 to Lauren Sanchez.

Beverly Hills Intermediate

Give a birthday shoutout June 14 to Yesenia Lopez. The day for a double-layer birthday cake for Thelma Baeza and Carla Castillo is June 15.

Thompson Intermediate
Sing a happy birthday song to Rachel Heffernan June 13. MaryBeth Nicol and Meagan Mancuso celebrate birthdays June 16. Silvia Saucedo enjoys a birthday June 20. Send birthday greetings June 17 to John Kneisler. On June 18, light the candles for a birthday cake for Lachee Payne.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
Thursday, June 13: Daniel Huston, Rhonda Jones, Heidi Beckham and Keshia Rodriguez; Friday, June 14: Thomas King, Thomas Golithly, Sandra Torres, Dale Brister, Karl Jasso and Sandy Gutheinz; Saturday, June 15: Margarita Duron, Oscar Guevara, Jen Joyce, Corrie Galloway, Jason Evans and Derek Gray; Sunday, June 16: Arturo Ayala, Melissa Farr and Caitlin Caughlin; and Monday, June 17: Patrick Thomas, Steven Bryant, Rick Bailey, Christine Thomas, Michelle Miller and Stephanie Hartman.

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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES



Lexie Gonzalez, the 2023 Setter of the Year in District 22-6A and the only player in Dobie history with more than 1,000 career assists (1,610), digs (1,158) and kills (1,021) during a four-year varsity volleyball career, will join first-year head coach Ariel Apolinario at Lamar University in Beaumont beginning next month.

Gonzalez stacks the stats as a Dobie volleyball star

By John Bechtle Sports Editor

The most productive player in the history of the Dobie volleyball program, class of 2024 graduate Lexie Gonzalez is counting the days as she prepares to make her mark at the collegiate level just down the road.

Gonzalez, the 2023 Set-

ter of the Year in District 22-6A and the only player in Dobie history with more than 1,000 career assists (1,610), digs (1,158) and kills (1,021), will join first-year head coach Ariel Apolinario at Lamar University in Beaumont as the Cardinals look to jumpstart the program within the Southland Conference.

The four-year Dobie varsity volleyball standout plans to study nursing at Lamar, and says the vibe at the university as well as the relative close proximity combined to suit her.

Gonzalez actually committed to Lamar under the previous coaching regime, and elected to stay the course after a visit with Apolinario, who was hired in January after four seasons at Navarro College.

"I just had a good feeling about Lamar and the campus on my visit, and I like that it's close to home

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PISD Athletics Hall of Famer Campo Sr. dies



Al Campo Sr., a championship baseball player and coach – a man admired by his colleagues and beloved by those who played for him – passed away June 6 at age 84. Campo was inducted into the Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame last March along with a legendary 2024 induction class. A 1958 Pasadena High School graduate, Campo twice earned All-District honors in baseball and helped lead the Eagles to the state semifinals as a junior. He batted .410 that season. He lettered three years playing shortstop for the University of Houston, compiling a .361 batting average his senior year. His coaching career was long and varied. The pinnacle came in 1985 when he coached Sam Rayburn's varsity baseball team to the state championship game. In all, his Rayburn ball clubs captured three dis-

trict titles. Following the 1985 season, Campo was named the All-Greater Houston Coach of the Year and was selected to coach the South squad All-Stars in the Texas High School Coaches All-Star Game. Campo first doubled up as a Texans' assistant football coach and later served as an assistant football coach at South Houston High School. He was the Trojans' head coach from 2001-2006. He was inducted in the Sam Rayburn Faculty Hall of Honor in 2016. Above, Pasadena ISD player and coaching great Al Campo Sr. (right) accepted his PISD Athletics Hall of Fame plaque from committee President Bill Barmore at the 2024 Induction Banquet March 6 at the Pasadena Convention Center. (See related obituary on Page 2.)

Photo and information by Al Carter

San Jacinto College's Wright leads accolade list

Several members of the San Jacinto College softball team have been recognized for their success off the field, and sophomore shortstop Arriana Wright (College Park High School) has been selected as a National Fastpitch Coaches Association and National Junior College Athletic Association All-American.

Twelve student-athletes were named to the Region XIV All-Academic team, including Wright and fellow sophomores Mia McLeer (Atascocita High School), Maggie Evans (Elkins High School), Kristina Nash (Woodville High School), Chloe Perez (Clear Springs High School), Kiren Diaz (Pasadena Memorial High School), Kylie Hernandez (Bryan High School), Chloe Foster (Alvin High

School); and freshmen Clarissa Ramirez (Dobie High School), Iliana Melendez (Clear Lake High School), Emma Pierce (Dayton High School), and Ashleigh Heiderscheit (Liberty Hill High School).

NFCA All-American Scholar Athlete recognition went to Wright, Heiderscheit, Pierce, Melendez, Diaz, Nash, Hernandez, Evans and McLeer.

As a team, San Jacinto College maintained a 3.338 GPA. "While winning on the field is important, I am extremely proud of this team for what they accomplished off the field," said head coach Kelly Saenz, who just finished her 20th year at the helm of the program. "We know that their academic preparation is

going to take them far in their education after San Jac, and well past their softball careers, so I applaud the entire team for their focus and dedication to their academics."

Wright, the two-time conference and Region XIV Player of the Year, was named to the NFCA second-team all-America and is a NJCAA first-team All-America selection.

She led all San Jac hitters with a .476 average this season. In 185 at-bats she had 88 hits, including 28 doubles (2nd best in the nation), one triple, and a team-best 15 home runs. She also scored 80 runs, while posting a team-high 73 RBI.

Last month it was announced that Wright was named first-team all-South Conference and was a first-team all-Region XIV selection.

She has committed to continue her education and softball career at Grand Canyon University next year.

The Ravens finished the season as co-conference

At left, San Jacinto College shortstop Arriana Wright collected several postseason accolades for her performance on and off the field as she capped a two-year stay as arguably the best offensive player in program history.

champions with a 42-25 overall record and earned a berth in the National Junior College Athletic Association Softball World Series for a seventh time in school history, where they finished 10th overall.

June 16 deadline Cowboys' FB offering Fitzmorris scholarship

The Sagemont Cowboys and Cowgirls have announced submission guidelines for the third annual Mary Beth and Tom Fitzmorris Memorial Scholarship Fund, dedicated to honoring the longtime members of the organization.

In honor of the Fitzmorris family, the organization will award a \$500 scholarship to a former participant of the Sagemont football program.

Class of 2024 graduates who are former Cowboys or Cowgirls and have previously been part of the organization for at least three seasons are eligible to apply.

Applicants must submit an essay explaining their time with the organization and what they are planning to study in college, including their career path after graduation. Each applicant is required to submit a copy of their high school transcripts with their essay.

All paperwork/documents must be submitted to the Sagemont Cowboys organization no later than June 16.

Submissions are to be directed to Cowboys' athletic director Denny Wranich Jr. at dwranich82@gmail.com.

Brook 1998 track champs sought

Committee members with the Clear Creek ISD Athletics Hall of Honor would like to reach out to athletes involved in the 1998 Clear Brook High School girls' state champion track and field program, including Adeaze Ugwu, Alicia Emanuel, Natasha Davis, Gladys Harvey, Brandy Walker and Tierra Walker. The team will be part of the Hall of Honor's 2024 induction class. Families and/or athletes are encouraged to direct email to the committee at CCISDAHOH@gmail.com. The induction festivities will be held Oct. 19 at the Challenger Columbia Stadium Field House.

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Gonzalez, Dobie volleyball senior class provides memories

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but still not too close," Gonzalez said. "Lamar is getting a new start with a new coach, and I want to be part of that. I'm excited to get started. I leave June 28, and I'm ready to get things going."

Apolinario may not know it just yet, but with Gonzalez he is getting a player who has demonstrated an all-court versatility and willingness to do whatever it takes with both individual and team goals in mind.

Gonzalez and the rest of the 2024 class of graduates were in eighth-grade as they watched Dobie senior Taylor Pleasants excel on the volleyball court in

2018. Pleasants, who went on to enjoy a highly-decorated softball career at Louisiana State University, was also a four-year varsity volleyball standout at Dobie, registering more than 1,200 career kills.

"We knew Taylor was a softball star, but we also saw the work that she put in to excel on the volleyball court," Gonzalez said. "I admired her work ethic, and her drive to stay committed to being the best she could be."

Pleasants, who in the last week signed to play pro softball with the Florida Vibe of the Association of Fastpitch Professionals, wears uniform No. 17 on

the softball field but wore No. 11 on the volleyball court.

Gonzalez said she was quick to request the No. 11 when she arrived at Dobie for the 2020-2021 school year.

"I want to put in the extra 7 a.m. workouts when no one else is watching, and on the court I'll do whatever my team needs me to do in order for us to do well and have success," Gonzalez said.

"I signed with Lamar for several reasons. I really enjoyed the campus and the feel of it. I believe it'll be a good fit for me. The volleyball program is rebuilding some, but I'm going to give my all and

do my part to help us be successful."

Gonzalez is part of the most successful senior class in program history as the group of 10 graduates from the 2023-2024 school year led the varsity volleyball program to the most single-season wins in 55 years – 32 counting a bidistrict playoff five-setter over Kingwood.

In addition to Gonzalez, three-year starter Aly Frias is headed to Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Okla. after collecting more than 1,000 career digs at Dobie.

A multitime first team All-District performer for Dobie, Frias was an All-Greater Houston Volley-

ball Coaches Association honorable mention and a 22-6A Academic All-District honoree for the 2023 season.

Naima LeBlanc, who eclipsed 500 career kills during the 2023 season, will continue her education and playing career at Lee College in Baytown. LeBlanc was a 22-6A first team All-District choice as a player and also qualified for the league's All-Academic Team.

Honorable mention All-District choice Haley Precella will join LeBlanc in the two-year junior college ranks as she will join the Panola College Ponies in Carthage, Texas.

Precella was a 22-6A

All-Academic Team honoree.

Six other Class of 2024 Dobie graduates will focus on their studies collegiately, including Arianna Borrego, who is headed to the University of St. Thomas in Houston, where she will study prenursing.

Borrego closed her high school volleyball career in style as she was a 22-6A honorable mention All-District pick and was, like each of her se-

nior classmates, a 22-6A All-Academic Team honoree.

San Jacinto College is the destination for Haley DeHoyos, a second team All-District selection as a player and a 22-6A All-Academic Team honoree.

DeHoyos plans to pursue a radiologic technologist degree.

Ariana Garza, a three-year varsity player with more than 500 career kills,

plans to attend Texas State University in San Marcos, where she will study health sciences.

As a senior, Garza was a first team All-District selection as well as a member of the league's All-Academic Team.

All-Academic Team qualifier Alana Goree was the recipient of both the Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame academic scholarship and the Barry Harris Memorial Scholarship.

Goree plans to study biomedical engineering at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Matison Mitchell, a 22-6A All-Academic Team honoree, will attend the University of Houston.

A 22-6A second team All-District selection in 2023 as a senior, Belle Perridon plans to study neurosciences at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Reyes sparkles in final soccer season

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

Dobie Class of 2024 graduate Aylin Reyes says she is headed to the University of Houston to study accounting, but she and her family will be able to hold on to some memories of a lifetime thanks to the star soccer player's final competitive season.

Reyes, a four-year varsity performer, scored 20 goals and added five assists on her way to being named the District 22-6A Offensive Player of the Year.

All of those years of playing in the South Belt Youth Soccer Club, all of the extra practice sessions with her father, Francisco Reyes, at Beverly Hills Intermediate or El Franco Lee Park all paid off as Reyes put together one of the top individual seasons in program history to cap her career.

Certainly most important to Reyes was that she and her teammates combined to deliver an 18-4-3 regular season to set a new program high for single-season wins.

Also, the Longhorns defeated league rival Deer Park for the first time in 13 seasons en route to matching Memorial.

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Aylin Reyes capped her four-year varsity girls' soccer career with a 20-goal season this spring as she was named the Offensive Player of the Year in District 22-6A. The 2024 Dobie graduate plans to study accounting at the University of Houston.



Dobie class of 2024 seniors and varsity volleyball teammates, left to right, Belle Perridon, Alana Goree and Lexie Gonzalez got in on the fun as members of the senior class took part in the annual Powder Puff football game last month.

Dobie graduate Malveaux, wife to lead Auburn softballers

Chris Malveaux, a 1995 Dobie High School graduate, along with his wife, Kate Malveaux, have been named as co-head coaches of the Auburn University softball program, per a June 6 announcement.

The Malveauxs are replacing longtime Tigers' head coach Mickey Dean, who retired following the 2024 season. Auburn went 26-21-1 last season, qualifying for the Tallahassee Regional.

Auburn is part of the Southeastern Conference, arguably the nation's most talent rich with nine programs ending the regular season ranked in the ESPN.com/USA Softball national poll.

Chris and Kate Malveaux have been named Auburn University softball co-head coaches, athletics director John Cohen announced June 5.

The following is the official Auburn University release, detailing the Malveauxs' hiring:

Chris and Kate Malveaux have been named Auburn University softball co-head coaches, athletics director John Cohen announced June 5.

Both come to Auburn after serving as assistant coaches at the University of Tennessee, where they helped the Lady Volunteer program to back-to-back Southeastern Conference regular season titles in 2023 and 2024 and a Women's College World Series appearance in 2023.

Additionally, the two helped Tennessee to 136 wins over the last three

seasons, which is tied for the 10th most wins nationally and second most by an Southeastern Conference team.

This past season, Tennessee not only won the SEC regular season title, but posted a 44-12 overall record and made an NCAA Super Regional appearance.

"In meeting with Chris and Kate, it was obvious that their synergy was an indomitable force," Cohen said.

"Their contributions to Tennessee's success over the past three seasons are undeniable. We're so excited

to welcome Chris, Kate and their family to Auburn."

Recognized as one of the top offensive minds in collegiate softball, Chris Malveaux guided six Lady Vols to All-SEC accolades in 2024, including a third straight All-SEC First Team selection for McKenna Gibson, and helped All-American KiKi Milloy rewrite Tennessee's record book to become the program leader in home runs, runs scored and total bases.

Three of Tennessee's top five single-season home run totals came un-

der Malveaux.

"We are incredibly humbled and excited to be a part of the Auburn Family! Kate and I are overly thankful to Karen Weekly and the entire Tennessee family for their sacrifices, opportunities and guidance these past three years," Chris Malveaux said.

"It is an honor to have the opportunity to lead this storied Auburn program into its next stage, and we are forever grateful for the trust of John Cohen and his incredible staff for believing in us. We can't wait to get to work! WAR EAGLE!!"

Kate Malveaux was on staff at Tennessee for three seasons and was elevated to an assistant coach ahead of the 2024 season, where she worked with the Lady Vols' catchers and baserunners.

Last season, she helped lead first-year Lady Vol catcher Sophia Nugent to All-SEC honors. Tennessee catchers committed just a pair of errors in 2024.

The Lady Vols stole 50 bases in each of the past three seasons under Malveaux.

Since her arrival in 2022, Tennessee has ranked among the top five in the SEC in stolen bases per game.

"Chris and I are both honored and humbled to lead this new era of Auburn softball. Thank you to John Cohen and all of Auburn Athletics for their faith in us to take on this role and support the program in such an impactful way," Kate Malveaux said.

"Also, thank you to Karen Weekly, the Lady Vol softball staff and the student-athletes for the opportunity and support of not only us, but also our family.

"Auburn has proved that it can compete on the national stage, and we are excited to build, develop, and grow this program into a national powerhouse."

Chris Malveaux notes Returning one of the

most powerful lineups in the SEC, Tennessee led the league and ranked sixth nationally with 1.50 home runs per game average in 2024 and closed the season with 84 total, the third most in a single season on Rocky Top.

Returning for a fifth year, KiKi Milloy earned Second Team All-America honors from D1 Softball. Tennessee's all-time leader in home runs (69), runs scored (266) and total bases (534), Milloy started in 53 games in her final season at Tennessee. A mainstay at the top of the lineup, she led the Lady Vols with a .347 batting average and 64 runs scored.

Milloy tied for the team lead in hits (59) and home runs (13), while leading the squad with 12 doubles and two triples.

Milloy closed out the year with 24 stolen bases as she finished with 142 for her career – the second-most in Tennessee softball history.

The Lady Vols' offense was potent in 2023 as they averaged 6.87 runs per game – ranking best in the SEC and third nationally. Tennessee pushed across 419 runs during the season – marking the first time UT broke 400 since scoring 426 in 2016. The Lady Vols scored 10+ runs 16 times in 2023 and pushed across five or more runs on 40 occasions.

Milloy set a single-season school record for home runs with 25 – a mark that also led the nation. Sophomore McKenna Gibson had a breakout season as she set career-bests in average (.362), OPS (1.232), runs (36), hits (59), doubles (11), home runs (15), RBIs (60), slugging (.718), walks (39) and on-base percentage (.514).

She also recorded multiple RBIs in 14 games and ended the season on a 23-game reached base streak.

Under Malveaux's leadership, Milloy earned NFCA First Team All-America honors,

while Gibson took home second team accolades.

In its first year under his guidance, Tennessee boasted the SEC's third-best scoring offense with 140 runs in conference games. The Lady Vols also ranked second in the league in doubles (39), slugging percentage (.540), on-base percentage (.398), and stolen bases (22) in SEC action while finishing third in home runs (38).

Tennessee posted remarkable home run numbers in its first season with Malveaux on staff, totaling 91 long balls for the second-highest single-season total in program history. The Lady Vols averaged 1.54 homers per game, ranking third in the SEC and 12th in the country.

In its preseason list of top 10 assistant coaching hires during the 2021 off-season, Extra Inning Softball tabbed Malveaux's hiring as the No. 1 assistant coach addition in the country.

Malveaux spent the 2019-21 seasons at Missouri, with one year as an assistant coach and two years as an associate head coach.

During his three seasons in Columbia, the Missouri offense improved each year – hitting .284 in 2019, .290 in the COVID shortened 2020 season and jumping up to .320 in 2021.

The Tigers' .320 batting average ranked second in the Southeastern Conference in 2021.

The Mizzou squad finished the season with 91 home runs, 382 runs scored and 184 extra-base hits.

In 2019, Mizzou's Brooke Wilmes was named to the All-SEC first team, as well as NFCA Second Team All-Southeast Region, in her first year under Malveaux.

Freshman Jazmyne Rollin was a Top 25 finalist for the NFCA/Schutt Sports Freshman of the Year that same season.

Prior to joining Missouri, Malveaux was the

video coordinator at Kansas in 2018 and served as the associate head coach at Louisiana from 2016-2017 it was his second stay with the Ragin' Cajuns as he was an assistant coach from 2009 to 2010.

The 2010 Louisiana staff was selected as the NFCA South Region Coaching Staff of the Year after compiling a 45-18 record, making an NCAA Super Regional appearance and earning a No. 16 national ranking.

In his five combined seasons at Louisiana, Malveaux was a member of five Sun Belt Conference and Tournament Championships, five NCAA Regionals and two NCAA Super Regional bids.

A 2001 graduate of Texas A&M, Malveaux served as an assistant coach at Bradley from 2012-15 and was the head coach at McNeese State from 2005-2008 after being promoted from assistant coach, a title he held at McNeese from 2002-2004.

Kate Malveaux notes

Kate Malveaux joined Tennessee's staff in June of 2021 and a year ago was elevated to a full-time assistant coach position after serving the 2022 and 2023 seasons as a volunteer assistant.

In her first full season as an assistant coach, Malveaux continued her work with baserunning and the Lady Vols catchers.

Tennessee's catchers committed just two errors over the course of the 2024 season and threw out five base runners.

A first-year Lady Vol, Sophia Nugent earned All-SEC honors with her efforts behind the dish and at the plate. Nugent totaled 42 hits, including eight doubles and 11 home runs with 38 RBI.

Starting 52 games, Nugent held a .933 fielding percentage and threw out four base runners.

For the third straight season, Tennessee finished in the top five in the SEC in stolen bases per game, as the Lady Vols averaged

0.96 per game.

Tennessee finished fifth in the league with 54 total stolen bases.

Over her two seasons as a volunteer assistant, the Lady Vols won 92 games and in 2023 won the SEC regular-season and tournament titles – sweeping both crowns in the same season for the first time in program history.

In 2023, Tennessee secured its first 50-win season and reached the national semifinals at the Women's College World Series for the first time since 2013.

The trip to the WCWS was its first since 2015 and its eighth all-time. Primarily focused on Tennessee's catchers, Malveaux helped Giulia Koutsouyanopoulos transition from the outfield to playing behind the plate in 2023.

Before coming to Knoxville, Koutsouyanopoulos had never been a catcher but moved into the role and started 59 games for UT.

Also working with the baserunners, the Lady Vols stole 50 bases in each of the past three seasons. Since Malveaux's arrival, Tennessee has ranked among the top five in the SEC in stolen bases per game. UT was second in 2022 with an average of 1.49, fourth in 2023 at 1.43 and fifth in 2024 at 0.96.

Malveaux—formerly Kate Singler—was a member of the Missouri softball staff for the 2020 and 2021 seasons as its director of operations.

A standout softball player at Bradley, Malveaux served as a volunteer assistant coach for the Braves in 2012.

As a student-athlete, she was a second-team All-Missouri Valley Conference selection and a first-team MVC Scholar-Athlete and earned First-Team Capital One Academic All-District V honors as a senior.

As a junior and senior, she led Bradley in RBIs, becoming just the fifth player in program history to do so.

At right, Dobie High School graduates Taylor Pleasants (left) and Chris Malveaux participated in the U.S. Women's National Team's Japan All-Star Series last summer, with Pleasants a roster member and Malveaux an assistant coach. Japan won the series final 1-0 and thus captured two of the three games. Pleasants, a 2019 Dobie graduate, is headed back to the series this summer and has also signed to play professionally with the Florida Vibe of the Association of Fastpitch Professionals. Malveaux, a 1995 Dobie graduate, has been named the co-head coach along with his wife, Kate, of the women's softball program at Auburn University. The Malveauxs spent the previous three seasons at the University of Tennessee and will remain in the Southeastern Conference.



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THURSDAY, JUNE 13
7 a.m. AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill," Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., and Saturday at 7:30 a.m. Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. 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, JUNE 14
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.
Noon Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300 for more information. Meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
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.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/. Meets Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.
8 p.m. Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Friday, 8 to 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share, learn Al-Anon principles, that they are not alone, and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meets at CrossRoads UMC Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.

SATURDAY, JUNE 15
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 - See Friday's notice.
11 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict. Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, drop in or visit https://www.houstonalanon.org/.

SUNDAY, JUNE 16
8 a.m./ 10:15 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - has worship Tuesday at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday at 7 p.m. (Bible study, Book of Revelation, at 6 p.m.) and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m., 11456 Space Center Blvd. (in back of a medical/retail community). For details, call 281-479-7285 and leave a message, or stop by.
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.

MONDAY, JUNE 17
Noon Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's noon notice.
1:30-3 p.m. Ballroom Dancing - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, League City, 77573, is open. Neva and Bill Schroder coordinate Wednesday sessions for casual ballroom dancing (not dance lessons). Park activity cardholders attend free. Call 281-554-1180 for details.
5 p.m. - New Directions Singles Social Group is a singles group for those over 55+. Meetings are the first and third Monday's held in the community room at Maplewood Crossing 600 Hobbs Road, League City. There will be a pot luck dinner and may include group activities. For further information, call Carol at 281-508-1663. See their Facebook page: New Directions Singles Social Group.
6 p.m. Scramble 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 832-858-4617 or Dorothy Pourteau at 713-875-8820.
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Dobie soccer's Reyes makes her mark

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rial's 9-1-2 record to share the 22-6A championship. "It was a great season, for sure," Reyes said. "We had a lot of solid players last season and were just trying to all do what we could to help us win. I'm very happy with the way things went. We supported each other and played as a team." Reyes led the way for Dobie with the 20 goals in her final season, but senior Nico Barr was also a double-digit goal scorer for

the Longhorns as she was named the 22-6A Utility Player of the Year. Sofia Rodriguez will return in 2025 for her senior season after scoring 18 goals, and junior-to-be Kamilah Estrada also produced double-digit goals. Both returning players were 22-6A first team All-District honorees following Dobie's banner season. "I think the biggest thing was just having the encouragement and confidence to take the shot

when it was there to take," Reyes said. "We were out there trying to take as many shots as possible and give ourselves a chance to win." Summer Creek defeated Dobie in the first round of the postseason as Reyes' standout career with the Longhorns came to a close. She and the rest of the seniors played for three different head coaches over four seasons but were responsible for a great several-season run that should continue into

the 2025 season. As content as the 22-6A All-Academic Team honoree is to focus on her accounting degree quest in college, Reyes knows she'll miss certain aspects of the athletics grind. "I'll definitely miss being around my teammates every day," Reyes said. "Being around your friends, sharing life experiences and working together to win soccer games was the best part for me. I'll remember that the most."

Dickson, A&M women run at nationals

The Texas A&M University women's team finished 10th nationally at the NCAA Division I Outdoor Track and Field Championships June 5-8 at the University of Oregon in Eugene as Clear Brook graduate and current Aggies' sophomore Camryn Dickson (right) chipped in on the finish. Dickson and teammates Jaydan Wood, Jermaisha Arnold and Clear Falls High School graduate Kennedy Wade were eighth overall in a time of 3 minutes, 25.89 seconds. Reaching the final earned the foursome a first team All-American designation. The Aggies were 12th overall in the 4x100 relay prelims in a time of 43.54. Individually, Dickson was 19th overall at 22.98 in the 200 prelims and 23rd with a clocking of 11.40 in the 100 prelims, with those three events contested June 6.



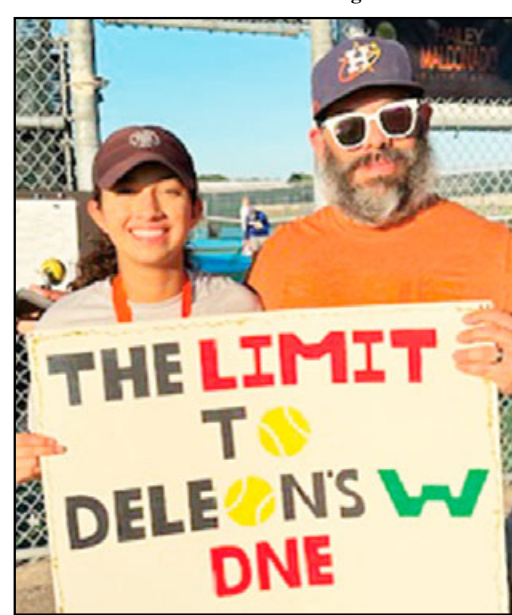
Dobie hosts tennis tournament



Jazalynn Randall (left) and Bob Daugherty are all smiles after celebrating their third-place finish in the Advanced-Intermediate Burnt Orange Division.



Jacob Kostikoglou (left) and Cynthia Varela won runner-up honors in the Beginner-Intermediate White Division.



Hailey Maldonado (left) and Gilbert DeLeon were champions in the Beginner-Intermediate White Division.



Jordan De Robles (left) and Jessica Priestley won the consolation championship in the Steve Jamail "Dobie Pride!" Beginners Division.

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 Runners-up – Cynthia Varela/Jacob Kostikoglou
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 Consolation champions – Ly Nguyen/Triah Smith
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 Third place – Mitchell Moreno/Hallie Vu
 Fourth place – Cohen Landry/Vince Bui
 Consolation champions – Ernestina Martinez/Abby Panza
 Consolation runners-up – Caitlin Morrison/Ryan Le

JFD hoops camp is June 25-27

Dobie varsity girls' basketball head coach Jasmine Hartman, varsity boys' basketball head coach Timir Patel and their staffs will host a pair of youth basketball camps for boys and girls June 25-27 at the Dobie9 campus, with incoming first- through fifth-grade students attending from 8 to 10 a.m. and incoming sixth- through ninth-grade students attending from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The focuses of the camps will include individual skills training, team building exercises, strategy sessions, fitness and conditioning drills and friendly game play. Cost of each camp is \$60 per student and may be paid in cash on the first day of the camps or via the camp link at www.dobiepride.com. For additional information, direct email to Hartman at jhartman@pasadenaisd.org.

Dobie VB plans July activities

Dobie varsity volleyball head coach Dawn Sexton and her staff will host a pair of youth camps July 24-26 at the main campus, with incoming third- through sixth-grade students attending from 9 to 11 a.m. and incoming seventh- and eighth-grade students attending from noon to 2 p.m. The focuses of the camps will include individual skills training, team building exercises, strategy sessions, fitness and conditioning drills and friendly match play. Cost of each camp is \$50 per student and may be paid in cash on the first day of the camps or via Cash App at dvvbooster.com. For additional information, direct email to Sexton at dsexton@pasadenaisd.org.

Brook boys' hoops June 24-27

Clear Brook varsity boys' basketball head coach Nathan Janak and his staff will host the 2024 Wolverines' youth basketball camp June 24-27, as students will receive instruction, both individually and from a team standpoint in all phases of the game. Students entering the fourth through sixth grades as of the 2024-2025 school year will attend from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. each day at \$125 per student, with boys and girls entering kindergarten through the third grade attending from 9 to 11 a.m. at \$85 per student. Students entering the seventh through ninth grades will attend from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at \$125 per student. Registration details are available at wolverine-basketball-camp.square.site. Direct any questions to Janak at njanak@ccisd.net.

SBYSC hosts skills camp

The South Belt Youth Soccer Club is set to host its Summer Skills Camp June 11 through July 9, coming to El Franco Lee Park each Tuesday and Thursday, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Boys and girls in the 2013 through 2017 age groups are eligible to participate at \$95 per player (10 sessions). Registration is ongoing at www.southbeltsoccer.org.

Dobie strength/conditioning

The Dobie coaching staff will host six weeks of strength and conditioning training in June and July, with returning 10th- through 12th-grade students attending from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. each day and incoming freshmen following from 9:45 to 11 a.m. The dates are June 13, June 17, 18 and 20, June 24, 25 and 27, July 1-2, July 8, 9 and 11 and July 15, 16 and 18.

CCISD Hall of Honor to induct Scott, 1998 track

The Clear Creek ISD Athletics Hall of Honor has announced its 2024 induction class as Clear Brook girls' basketball great Chameka Scott and the school's 1998 state championship girls' track and field team will be among those recognized during a ceremony in October.

This was the second year of eligibility for Clear Brook athletes, and the school's programs, with Terri Hunter Bolden and Jennifer Gordon Womack honored as the Wolverines' first-ever inductees in 2023. Scott, a girls' basketball star who died in 2018 at the age of 33 from colon cancer complications, is one of the true greats in

award in the school's final year within the Class 4A ranks. A student at Landolt Elementary and then at Brookside Intermediate, Scott strode through the doors at Clear Brook at the 1998-1999 school year and made a quick leap in head coach Pam Crawford's varsity girls' program. Scott would go on to be honored as a first team All-District pick all four seasons within the 24-5A ranks, named the league's

Most Valuable Player as a senior in 2022 as Clear Brook won the district championship. As a junior in 2001, Scott was both a Texas Association of Basketball Coaches All-Region and a Texas Girls Coaches Association third team All-State honoree. She averaged 18 points and 14 rebounds per game as a senior at Clear Brook prior to suffering an ACL injury that required surgery, yet was the District

24-5A Most Valuable Player and drew McDonald's All-American consideration. Scott was also named a Texas Scholar, was a Texas Girls Coaches Association Academic All-State honoree and a National Scholar Athlete. The daughter of Charmaine Scott, Chameka Scott attended Baylor University and was a member of the Bears' 2005 NCAA National Championship team.

During that season, Scott started 35 games, averaging eight points and four rebounds per game. Scott also had a brief stay in the WNBA, including the 2006 season with the Sacramento Monarchs. Crawford nominated Scott, whom she referred to as "Freshman" for the Hall of Honor induction, telling the committee, "Chameka lived her life in a dream-come-true state of mind; she was driven by self-determination to be successful. Her strong mentality gave her the strength to achieve in every aspect of her life. Her guiding light was an inspiration to us all, and her legacy should and will live forever in our hearts. The reason I'm nominating Chameka is because she represented CCISD core values on and off the court, as well as throughout her entire life. Her will to be accomplished was contagious and that's why she was loved and respected by all who got to know her. Chameka checked all the boxes of a Hall of Honor recipient."

Crawford herself built a future Hall of Honor resume in her own right as part of a 25-year coaching career within Clear Creek ISD, leading Clear Brook from 1998 to 2007, then guiding the Clear Springs program from 2008 through 2021. Having provided guidance and leadership for generations of student-athletes during her career, Crawford said Scott will always stand out in her mind. "Chameka was such a grounded and level-headed person," Crawford added. "What was so impressive was how much she understood life and how she lived it...and the things she did for people. I sometimes gave players nicknames. Chameka's nickname was Freshman. Rest in forever peace, Freshman. We will remember and love you forever."



At left, Chameka Scott attended Baylor University and was a member of the Bears' 2005 NCAA National Championship team. During that season, Scott started 35 games, averaging eight points and four rebounds per game. Scott also had a brief stay in the WNBA, including the 2006 season with the Sacramento Monarchs. As a four-year varsity player at Clear Brook, she was a four-time first team All-District selection and the league's Most Valuable Player in 2002.

The Wolverines' 1998 state girls' track champi-

ons set the stage early in Austin as they picked up 20 key points in the 4x100 relay, winning the gold medal in a time of 46.89 seconds as the group included Adeza Uga, Alicia Emanuel, Natasha Davis and Gladys Harvey. Emanuel was in at 56.28 for second place and a silver medal in the 400, and Brandy Walker was a bronze medalist in the 800 with a time of 2:14.25. In the 200, Harvey's time of 25.01 was fourth-best. A 4A state record time and gold-medal win in the 4x400 relay cemented the team title for Clear Brook as Harvey, Walker, Davis and Emanuel combined for a time of 3:47.02. For the record, Emanuel won the state gold in the 400 in 1996 at 55.49, and went on to compete collegiately at Oklahoma. Scott and the 1998 state track and field champions are part of a 2024 induction class of individuals that also will include Bryce Cramer (1991, Clear Creek cross-country/track and field), Brendan Daly (1991, Clear Creek baseball), Scott Jones (1980, Clear Lake state cross-country champion), James Patton (1988, Clear Creek football), Fred Machell (1974, Clear Lake diving) and Darrell Williams (1972, Clear Creek cross-country/track and field).

The CCISD Athletics Hall of Honor will also welcome the 1984 Class 5A state volleyball championship team from Clear Lake High School. The induction festivities will be held Oct. 19 at the Challenger Columbia Stadium Field House.

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