

Active COVID cases increase

The number of active COVID-19 cases in the South Belt community continues to grow, with increases being reported in all three local ZIP codes.

As of Tuesday, June 7, there had been 12,889 confirmed cases in 77089. Of those, 211 remain active, up 61 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 had been 10,018 confirmed cases. Of those, 621 remain active, up five from the previous week. To date, there have been 77 deaths in the ZIP code, no increase from the previous week.

In 77034 (total population: 40,532), there had been 8,784 confirmed cases. Of those, 109 remained active, up 15 from the previous week. To date, 89 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease. (Harris County reported 90 deaths the previous week.)

According to Harris County officials, the vast majority of the fatalities suffered from pre-existing health issues.

Statistics are updated daily 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.

JFD cheerleaders wash cars

The Dobie High School cheerleaders will hold a car wash Saturday, June 25, from 9 a.m. to noon at Snowie's Shaved Ice, 10902 Scarsdale at Beamer in the Foodtown parking lot. Cost is \$5.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one southbound frontage road lane and at least one northbound frontage road lane will be closed on the Gulf Freeway from FM 518 to FM 517 in League City daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Friday, Sept. 30.

At least one southbound main lane and frontage road lane and at least one northbound main lane and frontage road lane will be closed on the Gulf Freeway from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to SH 96 in League City daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Saturday, Dec. 31.

Both the northbound entrance and southbound entrance ramps from FM 518 in League City will be completely closed until further notice. Motorists should use the entrance ramps from SH 96.

The northbound exit ramp to FM 517 in Dickinson will be completely closed until further notice. Motorists should use the northbound exit ramp to Holland/Hughes.

Two outside southbound lanes on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Texas City Railroad to SH 6/SH 146 in La Marque nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Saturday, Jan. 8.

The northbound entrance ramps from both FM 519/Main Street and FM 1765/Texas Avenue in La Marque will be completely closed until further notice. Motorists should use the next available northbound entrance ramp.

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.

Island Breeze begins work

Island Breeze Car Wash Scarsdale, 11210 Scarsdale, will be temporarily closed from June 13 to June 23 for renovations. During this time, hand-wash services will still be provided for full-service packages. Customers with monthly memberships (Fast Pass) will be prorated for the time closed. Regular service will resume June 24.

Heavy trash pickup set

City residents south of Fuqua will have heavy trash pickup Thursday, June 9 (second Thursday of the month). City residents north of Fuqua and west of the Gulf Freeway will have heavy trash pickup Friday, June 10 (second Friday of the month). June is for junk and tree waste. Due to a larger amount of debris being discarded during the COVID-19 pandemic, pickups may be delayed. For information, visit www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste or call 311.

Ellington e-recycling set

The City of Houston Solid Waste Management Department's monthly electronic recycling event will take place Saturday, June 11, at the Neighborhood Recycling Center at Ellington Airport from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Recycling electronics keeps potentially harmful materials, such as mercury, cadmium, lead and cathode ray tubes out of the waste stream and the environment. Items accepted are PCs, servers, keyboards, mice, laptops, game consoles, monitors, small kitchen appliances, memory chips, hubs and routers, printers, copiers, scanners, fax machines, projectors, rechargeable batteries, cable boxes, car batteries, telephones, cellphones, PDAs, tape drives, hard drives, cords, cables and cameras. The collection events take place the second Saturday of each month. Last month's collection event was canceled for reasons unknown. The events had been previously canceled at least twice before due to staffing shortages associated with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. For additional information, visit www.houstonsolidwaste.org or call 311.

Gardens Pop-Up Shop set

The Gardens Pop-Up Shop will be Sunday, June 12 at the Gardens Houston, 12001 Beamer at Hughes from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vendors will be inside and outside. This is an opportunity for crafters and small businesses featuring arts and crafts, jams and jellies, clothing, jewelry and other custom and handmade items including food vendors such as barbecue, funnel cakes and other sweets from the South Belt and surrounding area to feature their wares and services. For, call Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545.

Properly destroy flags

Residents wishing to properly destroy a flag may take them to RE/MAX 5 Star Realty, 4802 E. Sam Houston Parkway S, Suite 150; the Leader office, 11555 Beamer; and The Gardens, 12001 Beamer. All collected flags will be destroyed during a private American Legion ceremony. For more information, to register as a collection site or to request a flag be picked up, contact Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545 or KBarbour@KBarbourRealtor.com.

South Belt sees increase in COVID-19 cases

All 3 local ZIP codes see increase in active COVID-19 cases

The number of active COVID-19 cases in the South Belt community continues to grow, with increases being reported in all three local ZIP codes last week. (A similar trend continued this week. See related sidebar entry on this page.)

This marked the first time in more than three months that all three ZIP codes saw such an increase simultaneously.

As of Tuesday, May 31, there had been 12,793 confirmed cases in 77089. Of those, 150 remain active, up 45 from the previous week. To date, 133 from the ZIP code have died from the disease.

In ZIP code 77075, there had been 9,992 con-

firmed cases. Of those, 616 remain active, up 21 from the previous week. To date, there have been 77 deaths in the ZIP code.

In 77034 (total population: 40,532), there had been 8,761 confirmed cases. Of those, 94 remained active, up 32 from the previous week. To date, 90 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease.

According to Harris County officials, the vast majority of the fatalities suffered from pre-existing health issues.

The number of local active COVID-19 cases had been on a steady decline for approximately

two months until April 7 when numbers began to slightly increase.

By comparison, On March 31 before numbers began to climb, there had been 12,562 confirmed cases in 77089. Of those, 111 remained active, down 48 from the previous week.

In 77075, there had been 9,125 confirmed cas-

es. Of those, 52 remained active, down 28 from the previous week.

In 77034, there had been 8,653 confirmed cases. Of those, 59 remained active, down 50 from the previous week.

On June 1 following the latest surge in cas-

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Atkinson teacher honored

Atkinson teacher Ambika Adimoolah (center) was selected Pasadena ISD's 2022 New Elementary Teacher of the Year. Pasadena ISD Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell (left) is shown presenting the award to Adimoolah at a recent Teacher of the Year ceremony. Pictured with the pair is Atkinson Principal Chris Bui. Williams Elementary teacher Jessica Garza was named the district's Elementary Teacher of the Year, while South Houston High School teacher Tim Laza was named the district's Secondary Teacher of the Year.

Pasadena ISD recognizes Adimoolah

Atkinson teacher Ambika Adimoolah was selected Pasadena ISD's New Elementary Teacher of the Year.

Adimoolah was honored at a recent Teacher of the Year ceremony, along with several other standout PISD educators. The '70s-themed event was hosted by PISD Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell, the PISD board of trustees and campus development associate superintendents.

Williams Elementary teacher Jessica Garza was named the district's Elementary Teacher of the Year. According to Pasadena ISD officials, Garza was selected because she provides innovative curriculum and activities for teachers to use in their classrooms.

"Her teaching style is in a league of its own, but what stands out most is her heart," said Powell.

South Houston High School teacher Tim Laza was named the district's Secondary Teacher of the Year. Laza was selected because he brings history to life and serves as a strong role model for students, district officials said.

"Students are actively engaged, seeking a deeper knowledge from the lessons being taught," Powell said. "This great teacher models what is expected in a special education partnership in the classroom."

The following Pasadena ISD educators were also recognized at the recent Teacher of the Year

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City offers booster to children 5-11

Following in Harris County's footsteps, the City of Houston is also now offering COVID-19 booster shots to all children ages 5 to 11.

The vaccine boosters are available free of charge at all Houston Health Department vaccination sites.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends that children in this age group receive a booster shot five months after their initial Pfizer-BioNTech vaccination series.

More than 4.8 million children ages 5 through 11 have been diagnosed with COVID-19, 15,000 have been hospitalized and, tragically, over 180 have died in the U.S., since the pandemic began.

Vaccine and booster shots provide strong protection against severe disease in kids, and data shows booster shots can effectively restore waning protection.

Common side effects reported in children tend to be mild, temporary, and similar to those experienced by adults. They include injection site

pain, fatigue, headaches, muscle aches, chills, joint pain and fever.

Vaccination at health department sites is free and does not require insurance or proof of residency. For information on locations and schedules, visit HoustonHealth.org or call 832-393-4220.

The department offers the shots at its four health centers and several of its multiservice centers. Vaccines are also readily available at doctors' offices, pharmacies and clinics.

The department also offers free COVID-19 testing at several multiservice centers that do not require insurance. Some department partner sites require insurance and ID for testing.

The CDC recommends testing to people with symptoms or close contact (within 6 feet for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period) with someone confirmed with COVID-19.

Harris County

Harris County Public Health began offering

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City sees decrease in homicide rate

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner and the Houston Police Department announced Tuesday, May 31, that for the first time in more than a year, Houston's homicide rate is showing a decline.

As of that date, there was an unofficial number of 187 homicides in Houston thus far in 2022 compared to 192 homicides at the same time last year.

The nearly 3 percent decline in the city's homicide rate is an indication of the efficacy of the One Safe Houston initiative, a comprehensive public safety plan aimed at holistically addressing and in some cases rebuilding the public safety ecosystem in Houston.

"I commend HPD for the work it is doing," said Turner. "We have put more officers on the streets through overtime and cadet classes. There

is still too much gun violence in our city and too many guns in the hands of dangerous and violent individuals, but our work and that of the Houston Police Department is making a difference. As of this morning, HPD is showing decreases in all four major violent crime categories. The reported number of robberies are down about 14 percent, while reported rapes have decreased by 33 percent and aggravated assaults have lowered by more than 9 percent."

HPD Executive Chief Assistant Matt Slinkard praised the public for its cooperation with law enforcement.

"Thank you to our citizens for your continued support. We need you to help us solve violent crimes and that increased interaction with our citizens is working," said Slinkard. "To the

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Gala benefits SJC Promise program

San Jacinto College's 60th Anniversary Gala raised more than \$430,000 toward the school's Promise program that provides free tuition for graduates within the college's taxing district.

More than 300 guests attended the black tie event, titled Step Brightly into the Future. Guests enjoyed music from the Central Campus Student Jazz Ensemble; demonstrations from students in the health sciences, engineering, cosmetology and petrochemical programs.

"We are incredibly grateful to all of our sponsors, guests, donors, and volunteers who helped make this one of the largest fundraising events we have ever had," said Teri Crawford, San Jacinto College vice chancellor for external relations and the executive director of the San Jacinto College Foundation. "Because of their generosity, hundreds if not thousands of students will attend college without worrying about how to pay. Their kindness is changing the lives of so many in our community."

The gala kicked off a \$10 million fundraising campaign for the Student Success Endowment. The endowment supports Promise @ San Jac scholarship, which provide a debt-free education for any high school senior in the college's taxing district. Thanks to a \$30 million dona-

tion from philanthropist MacKenzie Scott and her husband Dan Jewett, the college was able to establish the endowment and expand Promise @ San Jac.

"The Promise @ San Jac program is a promise between the College and students," said Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College chancellor. "It is a promise from our students that they will work to maintain a 2.0 GPA, attend full time, and complete their credential within three years. And it's a promise from the College that we will provide the financial means for them to earn that certificate or degree. It is my sincere hope that the Promise @ San Jac program will change not only the college-going rate in our community but also the economic trajectory of our community."

For Promise Scholar Cynthia Jennings, who spoke at the gala, receiving the Promise scholarship was a turning point in her education journey.

"Once I received the Promise @ San Jac scholarship, I began to excel in academic life at San Jac," said Jennings, who went on to be accepted to the college's nursing program. "I made the dean's list every single semester and became involved in Phi Theta Kappa Mu Omicron where I went from secretary to currently vice president."

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State extends emergency SNAP benefits

Gov. Greg Abbott on Wednesday, June 1, announced the Texas Health and Human Services Commission is providing nearly \$318 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of June.

The allotments are expected to help about 1.3 million Texas households.

"Texans across the Lone Star State benefit from the nutritious food made available through the extension of emergency SNAP benefits," said Abbott. "Thank you to HHSC and USDA for continuing to help Texas families remain healthy and put food on their tables."

A similar sentiment was shared by Texas HHSC Access and Eligibility Services Deputy Executive

Commissioner Wayne Salter. "Providing access to fresh, nutritious foods is essential for healthy families."

"We're here to support families when they need us most," said Salter. "Providing access to fresh, nutritious foods is essential for healthy families."

HHSC received federal approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to extend the maximum allowable amount of SNAP benefits to recipients based on family size. All SNAP households will receive a minimum of \$95 in additional emergency allotments which should appear in recipients' accounts by June 30.

The emergency June allotments are in addition

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Deputies seek sexual assault suspects

Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia's office is seeking the public's assistance in identifying three suspects wanted for their involvement in a sexual assault that took place around 9:45 p.m. Sunday, May 29, at Bishop Park, located in the 11500 block of Blackhawk near Scarsdale.

To help in their search, Precinct 2 officials are sharing a flyer on various social media sites.

While the complete details regarding the incident were unknown at press time, the flyer states

that one of the suspects ran to a parked vehicle during the attack to alert the other two suspects to flee the scene with him.

The suspects are described merely as one Hispanic male, one black male and one white male, all approximately 20 to 30 years of age.

The getaway vehicle was described as merely a white sedan, of unknown make or model.

Anyone with any information about this incident is urged to contact Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Dispatch at 713-477-4070.

Apartment complex catches fire

Houston firefighters responded to an apartment fire around 1:30 a.m. May 27, in the 9900 block of Windmill Lakes Boulevard. According to Houston Fire Department officials, firefighters arrived on scene within six minutes to find light smoke coming from an apartment in a three-story apartment complex located at the above address.

Crews found and extinguished a small fire coming from one bedroom. The damage was contained to that room.

HFD Arson investigators were requested to determine the cause of the blaze. At press time, the cause of the fire remained under investigation.

The fire caused approximately \$7,000 in damage, fire department officials said. At press time, it was unclear how much property firefighters were able to save.

Firefighters from stations 70, 36, 52 and 61 responded to this incident.

No injuries were reported.

CCISD honors SJC's Knight



San Jacinto College South Campus Provost Dr. J. Aaron Knight (front row, second from right) as recently named Clear Creek ISD's Clear Horizons 2022 Partner of the Year. Shown above with Knight are, left to right, (front row) Tami Kelly, South Campus dean of student development; Dr. Laurel Williamson, deputy chancellor and president; Kristen Ross, South Campus director of dual credit; (back row) Joseph Hebert; South Campus dean of administration; and Richard McKay, South Campus library director. (See related story Page 2.)

Elected officials share their words Pro Tem Martin on city budget

Last week, Houston City Council approved the City's \$5.7 billion Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 operating budget in a 15-2 vote that took place on Wednesday. At-Large Council Member's Mike Knox and Michael Kubosh were the only City Council Members to vote in opposition to the FY 2023 operating budget. This year's budget process involved public participation through both virtual and in-person public speakers which added to a very productive dialogue throughout the five-day budget workshop process.

At-Large 5 Council Member, Sallie Alcorn, did a tremendous job for the third year in a row with her "Your 2c" budget survey, which I believe continues to add thoughtful input from the public.

The FY 2023 operating budget prioritizes public safety, service and infrastructure, as well as Complete Communities.

This year's budget is balanced and includes a 6 percent pay raise for Houston Fire Fighters, 4 percent pay raise for Houston Police, and 3 percent pay raise for municipal employees over the next fiscal year.

Like many municipalities, the City of Houston continues to bounce back after closures associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Overall, the Fiscal Year 2023 bud-

get maintains a healthy fund balance and includes contingency funds for the above-mentioned pay raises and hurricane preparedness efforts. Moving forward, I will continue to work hard alongside my colleagues to make fiscally conservative decisions regarding the city's finances and fight for District E residents. If you missed this Wednesday's budget discussion you can watch online here (<https://www.houstontx.gov/hvtv/>).

Finally, as June 1st marked the start of Hurricane Season, we have included tips and resources in the contents of this newsletter (found online at <https://www.houstonoem.org>) to encourage you to stay informed and be prepared for upcoming storms.

Make sure you and your family are prepared by following a four-step preparedness process: make an emergency plan, have an emergency kit, be informed about disasters, and help members of your community prepare themselves.

Other flood resources that you may find helpful may be found on the Houston Office of Emergency Management, United States Geological Survey, as well as the Harris County Flood Warning System websites.

It is a pleasure to continue to serve you as your District E Council Member.
Dave Martin

Houston City Council approves budget

City Council voted Wednesday to approve Mayor Sylvester Turner's \$5.7 billion proposed budget, including a general fund budget of \$2.74 billion.

The budget includes across-the-board employee pay raises, operating expenses for new facilities and a healthy budget stabilization fund to protect the city's finances from economic uncertainties.

Mayor Turner's seventh balanced budget in as many years does not include a property tax rate increase or any deferrals, or one-time land sales.

Based on a foundation of sound financial management and creating a more resilient city, the budget prioritizes public safety, service and infrastructure and Complete Communities.

"The FY23 budget prioritizes city services and ensures that we place the greatest care on our most valuable asset as a city—our people," said Turner. "Firefighters will gain a 6 percent increase, 4 percent for police, and 3 percent for municipal workers during the

next fiscal year." New facilities are accounted for in the FY2023 budget, including the Alief Neighborhood Center, the Dr. Shannon Walker Library and a renovated Kendall Library.

These facilities will connect residents to services such as after-school and summer enrichment programs, sports and recreation leagues, and medical assistance and education programs to promote wellness and reduce and prevent chronic disease.

Turner also commits to improving public safety through the use of ARPA funding for the One Safe Houston initiative, a comprehensive violence reduction program linking research-based strategies to enhance public safety and reduce harm.

One Safe Houston targets four key areas:

Violence Reduction and Crime Prevention.

Crisis Intervention, Response, and Recovery.

Youth Outreach Opportunities.

Key Community Partnerships.

County makes Scarsdale repairs



Harris County construction crews recently began making pavement improvements along Scarsdale Boulevard near Sageglen Drive. At press time, the extent of the work was unknown. Multiple sites in the South Belt are undergoing improvements.
Photo by David Flickinger

In My Opinion Trevino praises Garcia

On Memorial Day, driving down Sabo and Fuqua, an elderly senior in a wheelchair dressed in a hospital gown caught my attention. I decided to stop and render aid.

As I approached him, he was scrumptiously eating potato chips, and noticed his gown was not tied properly thus, sitting for hours under the scorching sun, his skin had sunburned.

I quickly asked him if I could help and invited him to eat at Burger King. As we sat down, and waited for his meal, I asked questions and understood he had served in the military for our country.

At this point, I requested permission to call for assistance, and called our lo-

cal dispatch office of Constable Jerry Garcia, Precinct 2, within minutes, officers arrived.

Due to his medical condition, ambulance was called, and taken to a care-facility.

There, I noticed how the office of Constable Jerry Garcia were benevolent in rendering aid to our community and most-of-all our elderly seniors.

Thank you, officers of Precinct 2 for continuing to serve our community compassionately, and respecting our forgotten veterans with dignity, and independence."

Kirkmont Homeowner
Maria Luisa Trevino

DA Ogg kicks off firearms campaign

For a third consecutive year, Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg has joined other area law enforcement agencies in promoting the safe storage of firearms.

Ogg launched a billboard campaign for the promotion during a press conference Friday, June 3, where she was joined by multiple law enforcement officials. The event kicked off National Gun Violence Awareness Week and Wear Orange Weekend.

"Firearm safety is the responsibility of every gun owner, especially when that gun owner is also a parent. When we fail to properly

lock up our guns, tragedy can result, as we've seen over and over," Ogg said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, guns are now the leading cause of death in children under the age of 18 in this country. With school out for the summer and routines changed, children will now be picked up by relatives or friends and will have more play-dates at other people's homes. A gun-storage safety plan helps to ensure children are safe.

In addition to child safety, properly securing guns in vehicles can keep them from being stolen and ending up

in the hands of criminals on the street, Ogg said, noting the District Attorney's Office prosecutes many such cases.

The billboard campaign brings awareness that when children visit someone's home, ride in their car or are in another's responsibility in any way, guns must be safely locked away. It will target not only freeway messaging on traditional and digital billboards, but on targeted billboards near neighborhoods.

The message will be displayed in both English and Spanish on 25 billboards throughout Harris County for the month.

Mary Rose McGowen



Mary Rose McGowen, who loved to be called "Maw Maw" by her grandchildren, departed her loving family June 5, 2022.

Mary Rose married Edward L. McGowen Jr. Nov. 24, 1962. Mary was a mother to Kelley Byrd, Sandra Low, Edward (Nick) McGowen and Gregory McGowen.

She is preceded in death by her parents Nicholas and Phyllis Zuckero and older brother George Zuckero.

She is survived by her husband; four children and their spouses; younger brother DJ Zuckero and his wife Sharon Zuckero, her sister-in-law Damiana Zuckero, nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, along with a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Mary was born in Houston Oct. 29, 1941. Her parents, aunts and uncles were descendants of the close-knit Italian community known for farming vegetables along Little York Road. Proud of her Italian family traditions, she participated in the annual St. Joseph's table, where the church community prepares food and baked goods for the less fortunate.

Mary attended elementary school at Christ the King and then St. Agnes Academy through her junior year. She transferred to St. Pius X in 1958, when the school began as a four-year high school, and was a member of the first graduating class in 1959. Mary continued her education at the Lillie Jolly School of Nursing, where she graduated in 1962.

She began her nursing career at the old Memorial Hospital in downtown Houston. In 1971, after marrying and starting a family, she resumed her career with Memorial Hospital, which would later become the Memorial Hermann Hospital system.

During her career, she held leadership positions at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, which included director over the emer-

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gency center, cath lab and ICU nursing staff.

Taking great pleasure in helping people, Mary had a kind and compassionate spirit. She was an active participant in the first trauma conference, lead by Dr. James "Red" Duke Jr., to build trauma services for the Greater Houston area. In 1991, Mary received the Employee of the Year award as a dedicated Memorial Hermann employee where she remained until she retired in 1999.

As a lifelong gardener known for her smile and her enduring friendships, she was a member of the Frey Garden Club until it merged with the Harris County Master Gardeners. After retiring from nursing, she began working on her Master Gardener certification. Among her many volunteer activities, she most enjoyed working at the Genoa-Red Bluff Friendship Garden. She helped grow plants to raise money for volunteer programs and vegetables for the Bridge over Troubled Waters women's shelter. Having devoted more than 20 years of volunteering, Mary was very proud of her Master Gardener's certifica-

tion. Ranging from a camper across the United States to international flights, Mary enjoyed traveling with her family. She built friendships wherever they visited.

Especially the shared camaraderie with the wives of the retirees, she enjoyed the annual Operating Engineers Historical society trips. She visited Hawaii twice and made three trips to Canada. In 1991, she traveled to New York with her granddaughter for New Year's Eve 1998.

Her most enduring trips were to Italy. She traveled to Sicily with her brothers, George and DJ, to visit their family home, where they were greeted with warm welcomes.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 9, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Peevey Funeral Home, 12440 Beamer Road. A rosary will be recited at 6:30 p.m. The funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, June 10 at 10 a.m. at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 10727 Hartsook St. A reception for guests will be held immediately after. The Rite of Committal will be held at St. Joseph Cemetery, 8022 Airline Drive at 3 p.m. for family and friends.

Pasadena ISD recognizes Adimoolah

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– New Middle School Teacher of the Year: Hurschella Dunavant, Milstead Middle School.

– New Intermediate Teacher of the Year: Melissa Sparks, Bondy Intermediate.

– New High School Teacher of the Year: Brock Wilson, Sam Rayburn High School.

The Teacher of the Year ceremony was sponsored

by Bayway Auto Group and Gulf Coast Educators Federal Credit Union, which each generously donated prizes to the esteemed educators.

Bayway Auto Group gave each winner a check for \$1,000.

Gulf Coast Educators Federal Credit Union gave each of the winners a gift basket.

Bayway Auto Group also gave \$1,000 checks to Christine Coppedge and Derek

Moody, who were named principals of the year earlier in the school year.

The district teachers of the year will represent Pasadena ISD, as they advance to the Region IV competition later this year.

To see a photo gallery of the Teacher of the Year ceremony, visit communications department.smugmug.com/Teacher-of-the-Year-2022-Ceremony/Teacher-of-the-Year-2022-Photos.

Gala benefits SJC Promise program

Continued from Page 1 I am beyond grateful for receiving Promise funding because it is fulfilling my dreams, my career and my future."

Forty guests at the gala committed to becoming a Promise Partner, supporting Promise @ San Jac students for years to come. A Promise Partner helps remove financial barriers for San Jacinto College students through an annual donation. Promise Partners will help San Jacinto College keep the promise and build the endowment so that students have access to college for years to come.

"We welcome anyone who wants to join us as a Promise Partner," said Crawford. "For as little as \$10 per month – that's just \$120 per year – for a minimum of five years, our partners can help a student attend college and be on their way to a rewarding career or to transfer to a university to complete their bachelor's degree."

Texas state Sen. Larry Taylor was honored at the gala with the San Jacinto College Lifetime Legacy Award. The award recognizes individuals who are champions for San Jacinto College students and employees, and who are making a significant difference in the community. Taylor has served Texas for nearly two decades, first as a member of the Texas House of Representatives and as a state senator for the past de-

cade.

"Sen. Taylor is a champion for education," said Hellyer. "His constant support of our students and employees has not gone unnoticed. He has fought tirelessly for school safety in our school districts, he spearheaded school finance reform in Texas, and he was a huge champion of our bachelor of science in nursing degree. I thank him for all he has done for San Jacinto College, our region and our state."

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– State Representative Dr. Greg Bonnen.

CCISD recognizes San Jac's Knight

Clear Creek ISD recently selected San Jacinto College South Campus Provost Dr. J. Aaron Knight its Clear Horizons Early College High School 2022 Partner of the Year. (See related photo Page 1.)

In presenting the award, Clear Horizons Principal Marshall A. Ponce pointed to Knight's South Campus leadership and his crucial role in bringing all CHECHS students back to 100 percent face-to-face classes during the pandemic as two key factors in Knight's nomination.

"Dr. Knight's steady and calm leadership was appreciated during the fall semester

while our students adjusted back to normal routines and behavioral expectations," said Ponce. "It has not been an easy road to travel."

Knight began his tenure at San Jacinto College during the height of the pandemic in July 2020 and has been a source of guidance for the College and its partners like CHECHS.

"This is a great honor," said Knight. "It brings me great joy to see the students at Clear Horizons back on campus. I am very proud of all of the work they have accomplished despite COVID-19 and am happy to have been a part of their educational journey."

Of the 93 seniors at Clear

Horizons, 50 percent of them are Superintendent's Scholars, meaning they have earned an 85 percent or higher in Level I Honors, AP, and dual credit courses and a 95 percent or higher in Level II courses; and 65 percent of them are graduating with cum laude honors or higher.

"That unexpected success on the heels of a global pandemic has all the ingredients of a great comeback story," said Ponce. "Many thanks to Dr. Knight for creating the conditions for those possibilities to manifest."

Knight was also praised by San Jacinto College Deputy Chancellor and President Dr.

Laurel Williamson.

"Dr. Knight is a strong leader with a passion for education and helping students succeed," said Williamson. "His visionary work and commitment to students and meeting their educational goals has been a valuable asset to San Jacinto College and our community."

Earlier this year, Knight was recognized as the Phi Theta Kappa Paragon President Award recipient. Knight was nominated for this award by San Jac PTK students for his commitment to student success and by providing them with more opportunities and stronger pathways to completion, transfer and employment.

Leader checks out social media

By Natalie Abarca

A member of Neighbor's app posted a video of a car that is seen driving by and pulling up on vehicles that are parked on the streets. The incident took place Tuesday, May 31, on Romero Drive behind Weber Elementary.

Another member of the same app posted that cars were getting broken into Wednesday, June 1 around 3 a.m. in the West View Meadow subdivision.

An additional member of the same app posted that their blue Ford Expedition with license plates AMO6780 was stolen near Monroe Road

and Fuqua Street. The member asked if anyone has any information, to contact local police.



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CCISD surprise grants total \$131,375.33

The 2022 Clear Creek Education Foundation Sur-Prize Patrol was in full swing May 17, surprising 21 campuses across Clear Creek ISD, awarding \$131,375.33 in grants to a total of 56 teachers during a surprise grant patrol consisting of Clear Creek Education Foundation board members, local businesses and CCISD administration. This funding provided for the 2022/2023 school year is over 20% more than last year and will impact 26,000+ students.

The purpose of the grant program is to fund innovative projects that impact student learning. "Hats off to our teachers this year who took the extra time to submit some truly innovative programs for our students, beyond the great work they do on a daily basis. It's going to be an exciting year to see the results of these grants," stated Executive Director Deborah Laine.

Programs funded include sensory paths at Brookwood Elementary, transforming student art into real-life projects for Clear Creek High School, early childhood coding/robotics at Greene Elementary, a "Community Cubing" project that works with students at 4 CCISD schools (Campbell and Brookwood Elementary, Seabrook Intermediate and Clear Lake High School) to create collaborative mosaics using Rubik's cubes, just to name a few. Teachers can apply each year for Teacher Innovative Grants (TIGs) to implement innovative, hands-on instructional ideas that enrich the learning experience for our students. CCEF offers 5 rounds of grant opportunities to teachers that will fund up to \$1,000 for mini grants and even up to \$50,000 for Special Innovative Grants that are district or campus wide.

Grant funding is made possible by community partners across CCISD. "We truly appreciate all the support that CCEF has received to help fund these grants. It was a great day in CCISD to see the big smiles, happy tears and excitement from teachers when grants were awarded. It makes it all worthwhile," said Kelli Byrd, 2022 Chair of the Board.

Since its founding in 1992, CCEF has been a nonprofit dedicated to building public education in Clear Creek ISD through grants and programs that empower every student to achieve academic and personal success. CCEF has contributed over \$4.7 million to CCISD for innovative programs in the classroom.

CBCMUD beautifies area



Dean Baier, general manager of operations for Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District, organized a beautification project on Dixie Farm Road. The CBCMUD board approved the project. The 75 trees planted in the esplanades are live oak and crape myrtles. They are similar to a nearby esplanade planting project completed by the City of Pearland. Irrigation was included in the project. Photo by Marie Flickinger

All 3 local ZIP codes see increase in COVID cases

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es, Harris County Health was reporting 919,238 total cases countywide. Of those, 15,931 cases remained active, while 895,086 had recovered from the disease. A total of 8,139 deaths had been reported in Harris County.

By comparison, on March 31, Harris County Health was reporting 879,861 total cases countywide. Of those, 6,956 cases remained active, while 865,245 had recovered from the disease. A total of 7,617

deaths had been reported in Harris County. Despite the recent increase in local cases, area schools closed the 2021-2022 academic year with relative few cases.

As of May 31, Pasadena ISD was reporting only seven active cases districtwide. Of those, one was reported at the high school level, one was reported at the intermediate level, and seven were reported at the elementary level. No cases were reported at the middle school level.

South Houston High School accounted for the lone high school case, and Beverly Hills accounted for the sole intermediate case.

Campuses located in the South Belt community accounted for all cases at the elementary level, with one case being reported at Atkinson, one case at Frazier, one case at Genoa and two cases at Moore.

Clear Creek ISD similarly closed the school year with low numbers, with only five cases being reported - all staff members.

Houston offers COVID booster

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the booster shots to children ages 5 to 11 the previous week, following approvals of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Texas Department of State Health Services.

All child boosters must be administered at least five months after the primary series. If residents have not received the COVID-19 primary series, they are advised to do so as soon as possible.

Parents/guardians can seek a COVID-19 vaccine booster for their children from a primary care provider, pediatrician or local pharmacy. HCPH will provide free vaccine boosters

to children at its vaccination sites to residents who cannot obtain it otherwise.

Residents who would like to have their children receive the COVID-19 Pfizer vaccine booster can do so now by visiting ReadyHarris.org to find the location closest to them or visiting HCPH's vaccine registration page at publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/Resouces/2019-Nov-01-Coro-navirus/Register-for-COVID-19-Vaccine

All COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are safe, effective, and provide strong protection against severe illness, hospitalizations and death, including this latest

version approved for children aged 5 - 11.

This version of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine booster for young children is a smaller dose or one-third of the version approved for adults and teens.

Vaccines provided by HCPH are free and appointments are not required. If one would like to schedule an appointment, go to a ReadyHar ris.org, vacstrac.hctx.net or call 832-927-8787.

To find a nearby location, visit publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/Resouces/2019-Nov-01-Coro-navirus/COVID-19-Vaccine-Inf or mation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

An application has been filed with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a mixed beverage certificate by Sumo Sushi, located at 19710 Northwest Fwy., Ste. 200 Houston, TX 77065 / Harris County. Owners of Shokujin Japan, LLC., are Raymond Lin and Wu Yang.

Homicide rate decrease seen in Houston

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hardworking men and women of HPD and our fellow law enforcement officers in this region, thank you for doing what you are doing. Collectively, we are making a difference."

One Safe Houston is a \$50 million investment funded by the American Rescue Plan and

- focuses on four key areas:
- Violence reduction and crime prevention.
 - Crisis intervention, response and recovery.
 - Youth outreach opportunities.
 - Key community partnerships.

The City of Houston plans

to launch a gun buyback program in July and in partnership with Harris County Commissioner Rodney Ellis' office.

For additional information on the One Safe Houston initiative, visit www.houstontx.gov/onesafehouston.

South Belt Elementary honor roll, awards

South Belt Elementary officials honored their students with academic awards for the end of the year.

First grade

Melanie Arreola, Madilyn Davis, Arwin Gautam and Ava Granados. Mahmoud Harmouche, Jocelyn Melendez, Richard Mindiola and Vivian Molina.

Carter Nguyen, Paxton Nhem, Kaptain Scott, Allison Thao, Lewis Tulud and Mali' yah Williams.

Bryson Allen, Alanzo Allison, Josiah Babalola, Brian Cao and Caleb Castillo.

Yamileth Davila, Kaila Espinoza, Sherry Franco and Zayd Gill.

Jasmine Guevara, Max Leal, Miguel Medrano, Tristan Molina, Ayanna Munoz, Adrika Nepal, Devyn Nguyen, Jazmine Partida and Marquez Powell.

Math whiz
Yamile Davila, Mohammed Adi, Sergio De Robles, Jordan Alvarez, Zyien Marks and Joshua Barrett.

Melody Martinez, Brady Capers, Rafay Shoaib, Isabelle Didlott and An Truong.

Thomas Duong, Carlie Rangel, Isidro Garcia, Darius Hawkins Thomas Garcia and Jacob Lozolla.

Brooke Kelinske, Jake Blandon, Nina Martinez, Kaptain Scott, Nicolas Mancillas and Mila Verdin.

Arian Reyes, Royanne Montoya, Penelope Sepulveda, Afanyu Bongfen, Olivia Villanueva and Alina Posadas.

Karsyn Wiley, Dominic Hernandez, Pouyan Zabihpour Arabi, Dominic Pena and Aliyah Bhakta.

Ethan Martinez, Arian Segovia, Eli Pineda, Aulhna Moore, Gabriel Babb, Austin Le and Isabel Vivier.

Charlotte Riley, Jaslene Valencia, Dontae Gibson Lillian Mwanki, Ezekiel Reyes and Raul Dodniez.

Giovanni Gomez, Abby Peterson, Haniya Alam, Andrew Weaver, Kenneth Hernandez, Charlotte Huynh and Mason Campos.

Emilio Mata, Mia Meza, Ethan Aljets, Mila Maldonado Harliquin Thomas and Rhett Sullivan.

Isabella Robinson, River Hensley, Landon Cancino, Santiago Caldero, Mason Linder, Whian Bantug, Romie Glass, Syrus Benavides and Teagan Owens.

Perfect attendance
Royanne Montoya, Afanyu Bongfen and Isabella Robinson.

Principal's award
Kathaleya Acevedo-Ra-

mos, Adan Mendoza, Miguel Bedolla, Alanie Pequeno and Faith Cavazos.

Andrew Weaver, Yamile Davila, Angelique Acosta, Sergio De Robles, Charlotte Huynh and Bethany Dean.

David Garcia, Evalyn Faulkner, Emilio Mata, Zyien Marks, Ethan Aljets and Melody Martinez.

Isabella Robinson, Conner McCoy, Jessie Casares, Robyn Morin, Kaleb Coronado and Sophia Sepulveda.

Khari Van, Rafay Shoaib, Lanson Cancino, An Truong, Liam Hernandez, Landon Turner and Mason Linder.

Desiree Vazquez, Romie Glass, Jordan Wallace, Mohammed Adi and Dominic Hernandez.

Jordan Alvarez, Ethan Martinez, Mariah Bazan, Isabel Vivier, Brady Capers, Jaslene Valencia and Isabelle Didlott.

AiMy Tram, Isidro Garcia, Alaina Perez, Brooke Kelinske, Carlie Rangel and Nicolas Mancillas.

Carter Bernard, Nina Martinez, Chyenne Moon, Penelope Sepulveda and Darius Hawkins.

Olivia Villanueva, Elian Torres, Karsyn Wiley, Jacob Lozolla, Pouyan Zabihpour Arabi and Jake Blandon.

Aliyah Bhakta, Jasper Le-Hoang, Austin Le, Joseph Williams, Charlotte Riley and Kaptain Scott.

Connor Linder, Karsyn Cyres, Devin Spears, Lennox Moses, Ezekiel Reyes, Lexander Buendia and Giovanni Gomez.

Mila Verdin, Haniya Alam, Romaisa Mian, Jonathan Thomas, Royanne Montoya, Kenneth Hernandez and Virginia Newton.

Luke Spillars, Afanyu Bongfen, Mason Campos, Alina Posadas, Mia Meza, Celena Casares, Mila Maldonado and Charliz Nunez.

Rhett Sullivan, Damouri Fair, River Hensley, Dominic Pena, Santiago Calderon, Ethan Martinez and Whian Bantug.

Isabel Vivier, Jace Garcia, Jacob Medina, Jaslene Valencia, Julianna Perez, Liam Linsing, Lillian Mwaniki, Miabella Ledesma, Samuel Munoz and Abby Peterson.

Second grade
Reading all-star

Alex Hinojosa, Avery Thomas, Amani Powell, Benjamin Pham, Benjamin Pham and Calvin Huynh.

Clint Nguyen, Camila Bertoni, Eduardo Hernandez, Christopher Cavazos, Emma Martinez, Clayton (CJ) Davis, Gabby Padilla and Emma Nguyen.

Jessie Alvarez, Ezekiel Infante, Karen Tan, Hailee Walker, Manny Graciano, Jancarlos Villavicencio, Mario Sanchez and Kennedy Watson.

Nicholas Simpson Kinsley Elmore, Zoey Rodriguez, Lynden Omoregie, Allesandra Gutierrez and Madelyn Rangel.

Agnelia Ochwila, Mariah Marshall, Arcelia Punzo, Melanie Charles, Cesar Reyna, Raquel Castaneda and Damaian Garcia.

Vicente Flores, Emmanuel Thomas, Isaac Colon, Enxo Tabora, Joi Metoyer, Jesiah Gilbert, Juszion Clark, Kai Gibbs, Norman Spence, Keenan Ploucha,

and Tyson Scales. Maribel Gonzales, Aaron Tao, Natalia Gallegos, Abdulrahman Zamzam, Nathan Nunez, Ava De Ochoa and Noah Lozolla.

Aydan Flores, Sofia Ontiveros, Emma Torres, Thai Hoang and Jacoby Yanez.

Amadeus Garcia, Jaydon Le, Ashlyn Gissendanner, Jillyna Stewart, Arianna Hernandez, Jonathon Ochoa, Emma Kelch, Jordan Melchor, Gretta Gracia and Liam Tamez.

Haven Orsua, Logan Maycott, Jana Harmouche, Luke Sanchez, Jax Desoto, Lylah Richards and Jose Tenorio.

Mason Esposito, Haven Orsua, Payton Myer, Jana Harmouche, Raamen Hussain and Jax Desoto.

Sofia Garcia Conteras, Jose Tenorio, Tarrod Braxton, Lynnee Srun, Mia Granados, Nathaniel Ogbajie and Nick Hinojosa.

Nolan Gonzales, Raymond Strong, Rhyder Lumpkin, Robin Castillo, Sean Rodriguez, Tyson Amos and Venice Tran.

Math whiz
Alex Hinojosa, Clint Nguyen, Damian Alvarez, Eduardo Hernandez, Gabby Padilla and Karen Tan.

Zoey Rodriguez, Alesandra Gutierrez, Emmanuel Thomas, Jesiah Gilbert, Thai Hoang, Benjamin Pham and Ezekiel Infante.

Amadeus Garcia, Camila Aguirre, Emma Kelch, Haven Orsua, Jana Harmouche and Jax Desoto, Jose Tenorio, Lynnee Srun, Nathaniel Ogbajie, Nick Hinojosa, Nolan Gonzales and Raymond Strong.

Rhyder Lumpkin, Robin Castillo, Sean Rodriguez, Tyson Amos, Venice Tran, Aaron Tao, Lylah Richards, Payton Meyer and Sofia Garcia Conteras.

Perfect attendance
Royanne Montoya, Afanyu Bongfen and Isabella Robinson.

Principal's award
Avery Thomas, Alex Hinojosa, Benjamin Pham, Chris Melchor, Calvin Huynh, Clint Nguyen, Christopher Cavazos and D'zyrion Lonzo.

Emma Nguyen, Ethan Perez, Ezekiel Infante, Gabby Padilla, Hailee Walker, Geordan Gardiner and Jaxon Miller.

Jacob Martinez, Kennedy Watson, Jessie Alvarez, Kinsley Elmore, Ka'Liyah Wallace, Liana Hernandez and Karen Tan.

Luke Burch, Mario Sanchez, Lynden Omoregie, Max Ramirez, Madelyn Rangel, Nicholas Simpson and Mariah Marshall.

Rhylee Lumpkin, Sophia Garcia, Zoey Rodriguez, Arianna Correa, Adrian Luna, Kayli Salinas and Agnelia Ochwila.

Theodore Franklin, Allesandra Gutierrez, Norman Spence, Anna Nguyen, Alex Uriias, Arcelia Punzo and Isaac Colon.

Cesar Reyna, Conner Sullivan, Enzo Tabora, Jake Sanchez, Hayley Troung and Kambrie Smith.

Heliana Forero, Quallian Davis, Holley Troung, Joi Metoyer, Kai Gibbs and Juszion Clark.

Emmanuel Thomas, Lincoln Croy, Keenan Ploucha, Aaron Tao, Maribel Gonzales and Abdulrahman Zam-

zam. Natalis Gallegos, Ava De Ochoa, Sofia Garcia Conteras, Ayden Flores, Amadeus Garcia and Brian Vargas.

Ashlyn Gissendanner, Emma Torres, Arianna Molina, Gabriel Gonzales, Camila Aguirre, Jacoby Yanez and Dominic Mendoza.

Jillyna Stewart, Emma Hernandez, Jonathon Ochoa, Emma Kelch, Jordan Melchor, Gretta Gracia and Liam Tamez.

Haven Orsua, Logan Maycott, Jana Harmouche, Luke Sanchez, Jax Desoto, Lylah Richards and Jose Tenorio.

Mason Esposito, Lynnee Srun, Payton Myer, Mia Granados, Rameem Hussain, Nathanel Ogbajie, Ricardo Flores, Sofia Garcia Conteras, Nick Hinojosa, Tarrod Braxton, Raymond Strong, Rhyder Lumpkin, Robin Castillo, Tyson Amos and Venice Tran.

Kindergarten
Math whiz

Melanie Arreola, Madilyn Davis, Mahmoud Harmouche, Richard Mindiola and Vivian Molina.

Carter Nguyen, Paxton Nhem, Lewis Tulud, Caleb Castillo, Yamileth Davila and Kaila Espinoza.

Sherry Franco, Zayd Gill, Jasmine Guevara, Max Leal, Tristan Molina, Devyn Nguyen, Jazmine Partida, Marquez Powell, Kaylin Ramos and Elias Ruiz.

Reading all-star
Melanie Arreola, Madilyn Davis, Arwin Gautam, Ava Granados, Mahmoud Harmouche, Jocelyn Melendez and Richard Mindiola.

Vivian Molina, Carter Nguyen, Paxton Nhem, King Scott, Allison Thao and Lewis Tulud.

Mali' yah Williams, Bryson Allen, Alanzo Allison, Josiah Babalola, Brian Cao and Caleb Castillo.

Yamileth Davila, Kaila Espinoza, Sherry Franco, Zayd Gill, Jasmine Guevara and Max Leal.

Miguel Medrano, Tristan Molina, Ayanna Munoz, Adrika Nepal, Devyn Nguyen, Jazmine Partida, Marquez Powell, Kaylin Ramos and Elias Ruiz.

Third grade
Honor roll

Isabella Cruz, Victor Hernandez, Londyn Moses, Abriella Nguyen, Jason Tan and Nathan Chavez.

Daniel Patterson, Josiah Salazar, AJ Arce, Amelia Huang, Claudette Reyna and Cobe Walker.

Dannie Nguyen, Emma Villa, Hadi Alam, Jorge Sanchez, Madeline Herrera, Phuc Nguyen, Tyler Ruin, Zhan Jafri, Andrew Duong, Chelsea Huynh and Jacob Gonzales.

Merit roll
Brian Tram, Natalia Flores, Alania Melchor, Mateo Romero, Arielle Maldonado, Audryna St. Romain and Mohamad Harmouch.

Quan Nguyen, Ejaz Gill, Emma Rios, Gabriel Garcia, Hamdan Odeh, Kenzie Mariscal, Max Ochoa, Aubrey Barajas, Audi Gallegos, Cullen Chau and Marleen Melendez.

Perfect attendance
Nathan Chavez, Abriella Nguyen, Janney Hernandez, Luke Luna, Amelia Hoang, Phuc Nguyen, Adriana Alver-

ez, Audi Gallegos, Cullen Chau and Daniel Serrano.

Principal's award
Amari Edwards, Adian Alvarez, Alora James, Natalia Flores, Andrew Duong and Sophia Franklin.

Angel Gil, Arianna Gomez, Aubrey Barajas, Adalyn Gonzalez, Audi Barajas, Janney Hernandez and Chelsea Huynh.

Alania Melchor, Cullen Chau, Vincent Nguyen, Daniel Serrano, Alesio Nimezi, Jacob Gonzales, Daniel Patterson and JC Gonzalez.

Tristan Didlott, Kelsie Snook Bolling, Ashlyn Langley, Kyla Starks Gilspie, Audryna St. Romain and Marleen Melendez.

Ava Castro, Matthew Martinez, Erica Rios, Nour Adi, Kristine La, Mariah Mendez and AJ Arce.

Amelia Hoang, Claudette Reyna, Cobe Walker, Dannie Nguyen, Emma Rios and Emma Villa.

Gabriel Garcia, Hadi Alam, Jorge Sanchez, Kenzie Mariscal, Madeline Herrera, Maximus Ochoa, Phuc Nguyen, Rahim Jafri, Tyler Ragin and Zayan Jafri.

Fourth grade
Honor roll

Arian Banda, Allesandra Cervantes, Zuriel Erguiza and Tristan James.

AJ Rodriguez, Hannah Bui, Isabella Squier, Kyle Ramos, Mateo Mancillas, Max Hernandez, Simone Jones, Sofia Charles, Sophia Mancuso, Viviana Salazar and Skye Orsua.

Merit roll
Zoie Sudario, Brianna Cardenas, Curtis Chau, Hannah Luu, Jamison Miller, Andrew Martinez, Anna Wilkerson, Aryan Nepal, Ruben Castillo and Silas Kelch.

Perfect attendance
Anthony Gonzales, David Nguyen, Robert Capers, Hannah Luu, AJ Rodriguez and Hannah Bui.

Principal's award
Arian Banda, David Alverenga, Robert Capers, Adam Alvarez, Brianna Cardenas and Dora Campos.

Allesandra Cervantes, Emily Garcia, Geoffrey Charles and Adelyn Garza.

Curtis Chau, Christian Garza, Zuriel Erguiza, Silas Kelch and Kinsley Freeman.

Skye Orsua, Daniella Graff, Isaac Ortiz, Lynreille Harrison, Nikolas Padilla, Tristan James and Isabella Rembert.

Felix Lopez, Evelyn Spears, Hannah Luu, Aubrey Hernandez, Mathew Martinez and Xavier Jimenez.

Jamilson Miller, Jayden Miko, London Rodriguez, Allesandra Vasquez, Audrey Sanchez and Avery Aguilera.

Aaron Posadas, AJ Rodriguez, Andrew Martinez, Anna Wilkerson, Aryan Nepal and Ethan Ho.

Giselle Ayala, Hannah Bui, Isabella Squier, Kyle Ramos, Mateo Mancillas, Max Hernandez, Nathaniel Molina and Paris Valencia.

Roland Lee, Ruben Castillo, Simone Jones, Sofia Charles, Sophia Mancuso and Viviana Salazar.

Outstanding citizen
Camila Otero, Issac Urquiza, Jonny Pham, Alana Espinoza, Justin Nguyen, Adlin Mena, Azyla Williams, Matthew Garcia, Julianna Perez, Angelina Vu and Nathan Vu.



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Pasadena ISD chess championship results

On Saturday May 21 2022, Pasadena ISD held its eleventh annual May Chess Championship at Beverly Hills Intermediate. A total of 265 students participated from 41 campuses including nine high schools, 11 intermediate schools, nine middle schools and 12 elementary schools. Of the schools that participated, 29 were from Pasadena ISD, while 12 were from other districts.

In all divisions, each student played five games. Students received one point for each win and a half-point for each draw. Listed below are the results of the top eight finishers for each division.

Third grade

First place: Scarlett Vega, Genoa Elementary, final score of 5.0.
 Second place: Alexis Vega, Genoa Elementary, final score of 5.0.
 Third place: Issa Zayid, Fairmont Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Fourth place: Leyi Zhou, Fairmont Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Fifth place: Justin Jimenez, Genoa Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth place: Aspy Saldana, Genoa Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Seventh place: Milo Galvan, Genoa Elementary, final score of 3.5.
 Eighth place: Daniel Garcia, Mathtys Elementary, final score of 3.5.

Fourth grade
 First place: Alexander Andrade, Mathtys Elementary, final score of 5.0.
 Second place: Giovanni Amador, Mathtys Elementary, final score of 4.5.
 Third place: Suri Nguyen, Frazier Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Fourth place: Abner Morales, Genoa Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Fifth place: Zane Andrade, Atkinson Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth place: Tyler Nguyen, Frazier Elementary, final score of 3.5.
 Seventh place: Adam Bowman, Frazier Elementary, final score of 3.5.
 Eighth place: Giovanni Aceves, Garfield Elementary, final score of 3.5.

Fifth grade

First place: Simon Nguyen, Melillo Elementary, final score of 5.0.
 Second place: Santiagi Vega, Fred Roberts Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Third place: Kyle Healy, Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Fourth place: Cadence Barrera, Deepwater Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Fifth place: Robert Peister, Melillo Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth place: Adrian Gloria, Fred Roberts Middle School, final score of 4.0.

Seventh place: Nehemiah Gonzalez, Deepwater Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Eighth place: Abhinav Nair, Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth grade
 First place: Roger Cui, Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 5.0.
 Second place: Damian Chavez, Morris Middle School, final score of 4.5.
 Third place: Martin Peng, Morris Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Fourth place: Lucas Nguyen, Morris Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Fifth place: Daniel Xi, Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth place: Khai Nguyen, Morris Middle School, final score of 4.0.

High School

First place: Jimmy Bui, freshman at Dobie, final score of 5.0.
 Second place: Dylan Campos, junior at Dobie, final score of 5.0.
 Third place: Danny Alvarado, sophomore at Raul Yzaguirre School for Success, final score of 4.0.
 Fourth place: Taylor Cox, sophomore at First Baptist Academy, final score of 4.0.
 Fifth place: Brenden Rebein, junior at Deer Park, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth place: Jesus Hervert, sophomore at Tegeler Career Center, final score of 4.0.
 Seventh place: Fynnlan Ridge, junior at CTHS, final score of 4.0.
 Listed below are the top 3 teams in each division.
Third grade
 First place: Genoa Elementary, final score of 18.
 Second place: Fairmont Elementary, final score of 13.5.
 Third place: Mathtys Elementary, final score of 9.
Fourth grade
 First place: Frazier Elementary, final score of 14.
 Second place: Genoa Elementary, final score of 13.5.
 Third place: Deepwater Elementary, final score of 12.5.
Fifth grade
 First place: Melillo Middle School, final score of 15.
 Second place: Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 13.5.
 Third place: Deepwater Elementary, final score of 13.
Sixth grade
 First place: Morris Middle School, final score of 16.5.
 Second place: Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 12.
 Third place: Melillo Middle School, final score of 12.
Intermediate
 First place: Beverly Hills Intermediate, final score of 16.5.
 Second place: Coram Deo Academy, final score of 12.5.
 Third place: Bonnette Intermediate, final score of 11.
High School
 First place: Dobie High School, final score of 16.
 Second place: Tegeler Career Center, final score of 13.5.
 Third place: Deer Park High School, final score of 12.

Seventh place: Nehemiah Gonzalez, Deepwater Elementary, final score of 4.0.
 Eighth place: Abhinav Nair, Leon Sablatura Middle School, final score of 4.0.
 Sixth place: Lizardo Lara Raga, seventh-grader from V.W. Miller Intermediate, final score of 4.0.
 Seventh place: Richard Le, eighth-grader from Beverly Hills Intermediate, final score of 4.0.
 Eighth place: Benjamin Pruski, eighth-grader from Coram Deo Academy, final score of 3.5.

High School

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Ayalas win Yard of the Month

Congratulations are in order for Oscar and Amparo Ayala for winning the Sage-meadow HOA Yard of the Month for May 2022.



This yard is reminiscent of English cottage gardens. There is a combination of clipped hedges and beds with seasonal flowers, rarely seen in front yards of this area. Sunflowers, daisies, daylilies and azucenas are welcoming to passersby.

Oscar is very proud of the Loquat 'Japanese Plum' tree and a pecan tree he grafted himself. Background hedges of dwarf yaupon holly and nandina frame the front of the house. There are also photinias and crape myrtles just getting ready to bloom.

Shown are Oscar Ayala, his daughter Erika Iglesias and her twins Roman and Sebastian Iglesias. Their house in Sagemeadow was purchased in 1982. All of Oscar's children attended local schools and are Dobie High School graduates. The property is located on Sagebud Lane.

CCISD students enter health care workforce

During a May 5 ceremony at Clear View High School, which is home to the District's Certified Nursing Assistant program, leaders from both CCISD and HCA Houston Healthcare along with educators, friends and family cheered on the newest HCA employees as they reviewed and signed the formal commitment letters for paid positions as Patient Care Technicians in the hospital system. In addition to the offered salary, students received sign-on bonuses of \$2,000 and \$1,000 for the full- or part-time positions, respectively. Many are enrolling in college courses while they work for HCA, for which HCA also provides tuition reimbursement assistance.

"Your commitment to learning about how a hospital operates and your interest in the health care field has led you to this monumental moment this evening," said HCA Houston Healthcare Chief Executive Officer Todd Caliva.

"You took the initiative, pursued your interest, interviewed for and secured this exciting new position. Congratulations!"

Each of the students completed a health science program at their respective CCISD high school in preparation. As part of HCA's StarTech program, the new team members will undertake five weeks of training and then be partnered with nurses directly caring for patients in either full- or part-time positions.

"This evening's signing is actually the culmination of a multilayered and model partnership of CCISD Superintendent of Schools Dr. Eric Williams. "I want to thank all those in the HCA hospital system who had a hand in growing our students' expertise and providing this competitive advantage. This includes leadership, physicians, nurses and mentors."

Williams also recognized the health science teachers in attendance emphasizing that leading students to their signing day and a salaried job in their chosen career field is the ultimate inspiration for becoming an educator.

Below is the list of CCISD graduating seniors who signed letters of commitment with HCA Houston Healthcare and will be located at a Houston-area facility.

Clear Brook High School
Ashley Duran, Jonathan Lightfoot, Khoa Nguyen Alexits Garza and Celine White.

Clear Creek High School
Jessica Alvarez, Adian Barajas, Fernanda De La Rosa, Ana Hernandez Rivera, Senada Mullai and Jaedon Opsahl.

Clear Falls High School
Leidy Guox Xiljoj

Clear Lake High School
Charisse Andales, Anna Atkinson, Tierra Durst, Olivia Govereh and Aaliyah Martinez.

Madeline Pullen, Muriel Rancier, Chris Washington and Xzandria Lewis.

Clear Springs High School
Allison Ansted, Mia Bradley, Vickies Do, Annabelle Fontanilla, Demi Galindo, Alena Johnson and Jocelyn Nguyen.

Master clerk retires from Melillo



Rosa Salinas (shown at right), Melillo Middle School master clerk, retired May 2022. She served Pasadena ISD students and families for more than 20 years. She plans to enjoy spending time with family and friends. In the upcoming months she intends to make new travel memories. Her former co-workers and students at Melillo wish her well in this new adventure in her life.

South Belt chess contest winners



South Belt Elementary recently hosted its annual spring chess competition. (back row) Anh Ton (chess coach); Shown above, left to right, are (front row) first-place winner Anthony Gonzales; sixth-place winner Nathaniel Molina; seventh-place winner Viviana Salazar; eighth-place winner Kyle Ramos; eighth-place winner Isabella Squire and Lesley winner Hadi Alam; ninth-place winner Skye Cooper (chess coach).

Moore honor roll

Administration officials at Moore Elementary recently announced their third- and fourth-grade honor roll students for the last nine-weeks term.

Third grade
 Aliyanna Machado, Ava Ahmad, Chase Hicks and Jude Gutierrez.
 Lilianna Bonilla, Olivia Flores, Phuc Nguyen, Rayah Semien and Usman Aleem.

Fourth grade
 Alyssa Moreno, Anayah Khan, Carney Truong, Dahlia Salinas, Diego Flores and Jakayah Amos.
 Jayden Tran, Jayleen Lam, Jordan McCombs, Justin Ward and Kai Tillman.
 Lillian Hayden, Marlee Johnson, Ryan Tran, Sophia Chacon, Xara Oddo and Xayvier West.

Remember When

45 years ago (1977)
 Roland Dominguez was chosen to the South Texas All-Star Soccer Team.

The Pasadena Independent School District stood to lose in excess of \$5.5 million in added revenue if the proposed school bill wasn't passed in a special session in the summer.

40 years ago (1982)
 A natural gas well was drilled just west of Wood Meadow about 100 feet from Scarsdale Boulevard. Perotex Petroleum, which was operating the rig, had a lease on the site and the mineral rights to 500 acres in the area including Wood Meadow, the area between Wood Meadow and Beamer, and part of Sagemont.

Richard Jackson's house became the site of one of the 50 burglaries reported by county officials in a 60-day period in the Sageglen area.

Water was turned off to 34 residences in Sagemeadow and Kirkwood South due to water bills being 90 or more days late.

35 years ago (1987)
 Deputy Lewis May, who was a patrolman with the South Belt Security Alliance, was named Harris County Constable Precinct 2 Employee of the Month.

Of the Dobie students who earned the required number of credits to graduate, none were denied diplomas due to inadequate scores on the TEAMS (Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills) test.

30 years ago (1992)
 City and county officials began looking into the Fuqua-area flooding, which kept South Belt residents away from their jobs. Authorities said that they were unaware that Fuqua did not drain for a nearly 20-hour period.

Two intermediate schools from the Pasadena school district placed in the regional Academic Pentathlon competition held in Fort Bend County. Miller Intermediate seventh-graders placed second for the overall team award, and Miller's eighth-grade team came in first in the Super Quiz competition. Thompson Intermediate's eighth-grade team came in second in the Super Quiz and

third overall.

25 years ago (1997)
 Carissa Davis and Greg Mitchell were named outstanding eighth-grade girl and boy at Beverly Hills Intermediate School by American Legion Post 490.

Gulf Palms and South Point were slated to get nearly \$5 million in sewers following approval by the city council.

20 years ago (2002)
 The Pasadena Independent School District board of trustees approved new costs covering the redesign of the Dobie High School construction site after it learned of extensive wetlands in the area. The change order added about \$764,000 to the Dobie construction cost.

Bravos Mexican Restaurant on Fuqua suffered severe damage following an electrical fire.

Firemen from Station 70, Shift C, fought a lightning-caused fire to eight apartment units at Green Arbor Apartments.

Dr. Adena Loston, San Jacinto College South president, was named to two statewide board of directors positions. Gov. Rick Perry reappointed Loston to a six-year term on the Statewide Health Coordinating Council, following her term under Gov. George W. Bush. Also, State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander named her to chair the Texas Next Step Task Force.

15 years ago (2007)
 Kirkmont resident Linda Ballew was arrested and spent four nights in jail for failing to comply with court orders related to her unkempt lawn. The incident garnered so much attention that it was featured in the national news media.

Dobie seniors Tam Nguyen and Cynthia Paredes won first place at the Health Occupation Students of America's state competition for their presentation on pediatric cardiology, qualifying them for the national HOSA competition in Orlando, Fla.

10 years ago (2012)
 City Councilmembers Wanda Adams and Mike Sullivan and the City of Houston Parks and Recreation Department hosted an open house to celebrate the reopening of the Sagemont Park Community Center. Funded in part by a \$1 million state grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the new complex replaced the previous center with an 11,526-square-foot facility. The center includes a gymnasium, classrooms, office and storage space, a kitchen, a new 58-space parking lot and a trail that connected to the existing pool and tennis courts. Construction cost of the new facility was roughly \$2.4 million.

Col. William P. Barriage assumed command of the 1st Brigade, 75th Training Division (Mission Command) during a change of command ceremony in the U.S. Coast Guard hangar at the Ellington Joint Reserve Base. Barriage succeeded Brig. Gen. Peter Lennon, who assumed command of the 377th Theater Sustainment Command in New Orleans. Barriage was promoted to the rank of brigadier general and Lennon to the rank of major general.

5 years ago (2017)
 The City of Houston officially recognized San Jacinto College for being named one of the top five community colleges in the nation by the prestigious Aspen Institute for Community College Excellence. The recognition was spearheaded by Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner and city council members Dwight Boykins and Dave Martin, both of whom represent portions of the South Belt community.

1 year ago (2021)
 The death of 5-year-old Samuel Olson was ruled a homicide, caused by blunt head trauma. Theresa Balboa, the girlfriend of Olson's father, was charged with evidence tampering involving a human corpse. Balboa appeared in court Monday, June 7, where her bail was increased to \$600,000. Her bail had initially been set at \$500,000, but prosecutors said she was a possible flight risk. Additional charges may be filed once Olson's autopsy is complete, prosecutors said. At the time of the alleged crime, Balboa was already out on \$15,000 bond for reportedly choking the boy's father the previous November.

San Jacinto College announced it was offering free tuition to all graduating students in its taxing district. The move was made possible by a significant donation from an anonymous donor. The tuition program is a last-dollar scholarship, meaning it kicks in only after all other grant and scholarship funding has been applied. Once all other funding sources have been applied, the remaining balance, if any, will be picked up by the anonymous donor. The unnamed benefactor reportedly made the generous donation in response to recent gains made by the college district's minority students. To stay enrolled in the 21 Forward program, a student must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress as determined by financial aid at the end of each semester. The San Jacinto College District includes six independent school districts, including Channelview ISD, Deer Park ISD, Galena Park ISD, La Porte ISD, Pasadena ISD and Sheldon ISD. Home-school, private school and GED graduates in the district are also eligible. Clear Creek ISD is not located in the college's taxing district. San Jacinto College officials announced the scholarship program at each of Pasadena ISD's six graduation ceremonies to roaring applause.

On Wednesday, May 26, deputies with Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia's Special Operations Division conducted a major narcotics operation at an undisclosed location, seizing large amounts of methamphetamine and approximately 10 gallons of liquid meth, which converts to around 28 kilograms of crystallized methamphetamine and approximately 172 pounds. While begun in Precinct 2, the investigation led deputies to multiple surrounding areas. Several individuals were expected to be charged. This bust followed a string of recent arrests by the Precinct 2 Constable's Special Operations Division that removed hundreds of pounds of methamphetamine off the streets.

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BEST WISHES TO NICK
 Best wishes go out to Nick Simon, South Belt resident and attorney, who celebrated a birthday June 7. Happy birthday wishes are sent from his mom Virginia Simon and the Leader staff.

VIRGINIA CELEBRATES 77 YEARS
 Longtime South Belt resident Virginia Simon celebrates her 77th birthday June 9. Birthday wishes are sent from her son Nick Simon and the Leader staff.

GILES MARK 33RD ANNIVERSARY
 Tracy and Jim Giles of Kirkwood South celebrate their 33rd wedding anniversary June 10. Congratulations and best wishes are sent from mother, Bobby Griffin; sons Aaron Giles and wife, Ashley; Cody Giles and wife Liz; daughter Kristen Giles; grandchildren Jaxon, Jace and Braelyn Giles; nephews Robert Griffin; other family members and friends; and the Leader staff.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LESLIE!
 Leslie Flickinger celebrates a birthday June 11. Wishes for a wonderful day are sent by her husband Fred; daughter Kimberly and husband Matt Lipina; daughter Courtney and husband Chris Durham and children Abigail, Jackson and Penelope; mother-in-law Marie (South Belt Leader publisher) and husband David Flickinger; and brother-in-law David (Leader president) and his wife Ellie Flickinger.

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.

SCHOOL DAZE
 The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays June 9 through June 15.

Atkinson Elementary
 Mercedes Schreiber celebrates a birthday June 12.

Frazier Elementary
 Adriana Cortez celebrates a birthday June 9. June 14 is the day of celebration for Danielle Webster.

Genoa Elementary
 June 10 is the day for a celebration for Silvia Gonzalez. Enjoying a memorable birthday June 11 is Felicia Oliva. Send a birthday greeting June 12 to Cheryl Helaire.

Meador Elementary
 The day of celebration for Holly Nelson is June 10. Remember to wish Geneveva Arrona a happy birthday June 13.

Moore Elementary
 Light the candles on a birthday cake for Laura Rodriguez June 11.

South Belt Elementary
 Break out the balloons and party favors June 12 for Cheryl Tomaskovic.

Shuchery Elementary
 Blow out the birthday candles June 13 for

Lisette Gallegos. Best wishes for a wonderful birthday June 14 are sent to Heather Trog.

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
 Lisa Burkett celebrates a birthday June 10. Kaylyn Harlan enjoys a birthday June 11. David Martin is wished a happy birthday June 12. Sing a happy birthday song to Rachel Heffernan June 13.

Dobie High
 Blow out the birthday candles June 9 on a double-layer cake for Larry Davis and Patrick Payne.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
 Thursday, June 9: Trey Wilmore, Angel Ortiz, Gene Robertson, Estella Davis, Anthony Berg, Sandy Ann, Heather Walker, Austin Gates and Summer Keys; Friday, June 10: Russell Simon, Mariela Ramirez, Shawn Barras and Francine Bretado; Saturday, June 11: Greg Medina and Debbie Mills; Sunday, June 12: Charlie Groover, Marilyn Millet and Edily Watson; Monday, June 13: Daniel Huston, Rhonda Jones, Heidi Beckham and Keshia Rodriguez; Tuesday, June 14: Thomas King, Thomas Goughly, Sandra Torres, Dale Brister, Karl Jasso and Sandy Gutneiz; Wednesday, June 15: Margarita Duron, Oscar Guevara, Jen Joyce, Corrie Gallaway, Jason Evans and Derek Gray.

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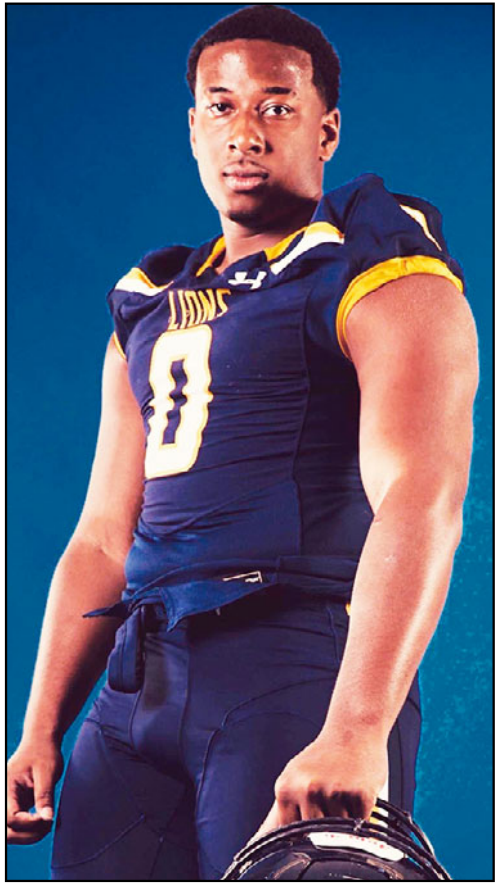
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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES

Joseph moves to A&M-Commerce

At right, Gerard Joseph, the District 22-6A Defensive Most Valuable Player during the 2020 season at Dobie, has joined the Texas A&M Commerce program. The standout defensive end was a key performer as the Longhorns won their first district title since 2010, going unbeaten in the regular season for the first time since 1999. Joseph signed with UT-El Paso out of high school but was injured during the 2021 campaign. Joseph joins an A&M Commerce program that went 7-4 in 2021. The Lions compete in the NCAA Division II ranks and are included in the Lone Star Conference. For 2022, the Lions will open the season Sept. 1 by hosting Lincoln (Calif.).



Locals to Super Regionals

Aaron Calhoun and Luke Harrison continue to live the dream as their respective college baseball programs will compete in the NCAA Super Regional round, just one step away from the World Series in Omaha, Neb.

Calhoun, a Class of 2021 Clear Brook High School graduate and District 24-6A Most Valuable Player a season ago, will join his Oklahoma Sooner teammates as they travel to the Blacksburg SR to take on host Virginia Tech.

Oklahoma took down host Florida in the Gainesville Regional, scoring four runs in the top of the eighth inning to down the host Gators 5-4.

The University of Texas, which features Lutheran the South Academy left-hander Harrison out of its bullpen, will take on host East Carolina in the Greenville Super Regional.

Greenville Super Regional Texas at East Carolina

Game 1: June 10, noon

Game 2: June 11, noon

Game 3: June 12 (if needed)

All games via ESPN2

Blacksburg Super Regional Oklahoma at Virginia Tech

Game 1: June 10, 11 a.m.

Game 2: June 11, 11 a.m.

Game 3: June 12 (if needed)

All games via ESPN2 (regional)

San Jac Gator pair honored

The San Jacinto College baseball program fell short of its goal of winning a National Junior College Athletic Association Division I national title, losing two of three games at the 2022 event in Grand Junction, Colo.

Despite the losses, a pair of Gator players were honored post-tournament as sophomore left-hander Hunter Hollan was the recipient of the Sportsmanship Award and Gator freshman Alan Shibley was an All-Tournament Team selection.

Hollan, who has signed to attend University of Arkansas, struck out 10 over five innings in the Gators' win over McLennan.

Shibley was 7 for 13 overall at the series, swatting three home runs and driving in seven runs while scoring another five runs. San Jacinto finished its season with a record of 45-20.

JUCO All-Tournament

Noah Gent, Walters State, Soph.

John Ceccoli, McLennan, Fr.

Caleb McNeely, Walters State, Soph.

Alan Shibley, San Jacinto College, Fr.

Trey DeGarmo, Cowley, Soph.

Kiko Romero, Central Arizona, Fr.

Myles Austin, Wabash Valley, Soph.

Bryce Madron, Cowley, Soph.

Nick Block, Walters State, Soph.

Logan Vaughan, Cowley, Fr.

Trey Newman, Central Arizona, Soph.

Jacob Bimbi, Wabash Valley, Soph.

Tyler Woessner, Central Arizona, Soph.

Drew Sommers, Central Arizona, Fr.

Dusty Garcia, Central Arizona, Soph.

Dobie graduate Ortega revels in championship



Dobie Class of 2019 graduate Alana Ortega shows off her hardware after her Southwest Assemblies of God softball program won the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' National Christian College Athletic Association World Series softball crown. See related story on Page 8.

Clear Brook graduate Miles still an international basketball star

The money is surely nice, but at some point it's about playing for the trophy.

Anthony Miles, a 10-year veteran of professional basketball on the international scene, finally held the championship trophy following a dominant performance as he led his Alwehdad squad to the Jordanian Premier League

championship in a three-game sweep in a best-of-five series.

Miles, a 2008 Clear Brook High School graduate who later led Lamar University to an NCAA tournament berth, averaged 23 points, 12.6 assists and 6.7 rebounds a game in the series en route to the Finals Most Valuable Player honors.

Miles was also named the league's Guard of the Year for his outstanding play.

"It was rewarding to come away with that championship and to win all of those special honors," Miles said. "It was a first-class organization, and they treated my family and I so well. To help win a title in Iman, Jordan was

so nice. I'm looking into offers for the future, and I certainly believe I'll return to that area.

"I'm 32 now, but still feel like I have a few more good years left. Father time catches up to all of us, certainly from a competitive standpoint, but I feel like I can still go with the best of them."

Playing abroad, Miles

has long since learned that gaining the trust of teammates comes first and foremost.

"A lot of these guys are national team members, and they view you as an American coming in to take their spot. They think they know the money being paid and the expectations," Miles said.

"For me, it's about

coming in and showing trust and care in my teammates. I am a scorer. I know my game, but I'm also a facilitator as the point guard. There's only one pill (basketball) out there on the court, and I like to share it and get everyone involved."

Miles trusts the next contract offer will come. For now, he's spend-

ing quality time at home with his wife Nicole and their three children. The pair welcomed Taytum Nicole earlier this year. Their elder son, Damon, is a standout player set to enter the eighth grade at Thompson Intermediate, and Anthony is the couple's younger son.

"I've been blessed," Miles said. "Of course I would have loved to have played in the NBA, but I've made a living and have been able to take care of my family.

"We will see how much longer I play, but I've still got some time left. Winning a title keeps the fire hot."



Clear Brook High School graduate Anthony Miles has continued to be an international professional basketball star 10 years into his playing career. Miles, a Class of 2008 Brook graduate, was named the finals Most Valuable Player in April as he led his Alwehdad squad to the Jordanian Premiere League championship. Miles was also named to the All-Jordanian Premier League first team



and was crowned Guard of the Year in the league. Miles averaged 23 points, 12.6 assists, 6.7 rebounds and 2.3 steals for his club, which pulled off a dominant 3-0 sweep in the league championship series. Now weighing his playing options, Miles said he has a handful of opportunities in the Middle East and is likely to return.

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Aly Frias, a 22-6A All-District first-team pick as a sophomore in 2021, will return to her libero spot as a junior as the Lady Longhorns open the 2022 season Aug. 9 at Baytown Sterling.

Dobie H.S. volleyball planning youth camps; season opens Aug. 9

Dobie varsity volleyball head coach Dawn Sexton and her staff will host the 2022 Lady Longhorns' youth camp July 19-21 before welcoming incoming high school players for a preseason camp July 25-27. The Lady Longhorn youth camp July 19-21 will include students entering the third through sixth grades as of the 2022-2023 school year. That session runs from 9 to 11 a.m. daily, while students entering the seventh and eighth grades will attend from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Students must register no later than July 1 to guarantee a camp T-shirt. Dobie's incoming high school player preseason camp July 25-27 will host incoming sophomores, juniors and seniors from 9 a.m. to noon, while incoming freshmen will attend from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For additional information or to request registration, direct email to Sexton at dsexton@pasadenaisd.org. The Lady Longhorns will open the 2022 regular season Aug. 9 at Baytown Sterling, taking on the Rangers at 4 p.m. (freshmen), 5 p.m. (junior varsity) and 6 p.m. (varsity).

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Baldwin aims at lifting UNLV football

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

Count Johnathan Baldwin as a player firmly focused on putting in the work in the weight room and out on the practice field as he approaches his upcoming sophomore season with the University of Nevada Las Vegas Rebels football program.

A high school star at Dobie from 2017-2020,

Baldwin was one of the Houston area's top multi-sport standouts in 2020-2021 before signing a letter of intent to play football at UNLV.

The last time local fans of the burnt orange and white saw Baldwin competing as a Longhorn, he was delivering quite a senior year performance, rushing for more than 1,000 yards in the back-

field. While leading the Longhorns to their first district title since 2010 and the program's first unbeaten regular season in 21 years, Baldwin was named the District 22-6A Most Valuable Player.

Fast forward three months or so, and Baldwin claimed Defensive Player of the Year honors as he played a key role in

the Longhorns' 11-1 second-place in the 22-6A varsity boys' basketball race.

Baldwin certainly excelled as a high school running back, but his passion lies on the defensive side of things. Baldwin for two seasons excelled at safety for the Longhorns before agreeing to play running back as a senior.

Then Dobie head coach Kevin Berneathy, now in the same role at La Porte, said, "Johnathan is a team-first guy, always willing to do whatever you need for the team."

"We had a need that we felt fit him at running back, and he was more than open to the idea. Then he went out and starred at the position."

On the basketball court, Baldwin never truly set out to be one of the top scorers, but instead excelled at using his physicality to annoy the opposition. Identify the go-to guy on the other team, then ask Baldwin to guard him.

"Johnathan is just a terrific kid and teammate," said Dobie varsity boys' basketball head coach Franklin Paul.

"The dirty work, tough rebounding, guarding the other team's top player. Johnathan was the guy. He was a terrific guy to have leading the way my first year."

Make no mistake. Baldwin both enjoyed and thrived at running back during his one and only high school season at the position.

And he took pride in bodying up the opposition on the basketball court and creating havoc on defense. But Baldwin is a safety first and foremost, and his skill at the position was always going to be his ticket to collegiate football.

Why UNLV? Rebels' safeties coach Damon Wagazu recruited Baldwin during the players' time at Dobie. And while the UNLV program has not been among the NCAA's elite with a 2-16 overall record the last two seasons, Baldwin loves being a Rebel.

Roughly 80 days remain until the 2022 regular season opener, and along with the arrival of first-year defensive coordinator Keith Heyward, UNLV will have a new look on that side of the ball. Baldwin is all in.

"I started out my freshman season mostly on special teams, but then started a few games before I injured my hamstring" Baldwin said.

"I'm 100 percent now. Ready to get out there. We had spring practice and got a good feel for things moving forward. I feel good about it."

Specifically, third-year UNLV head coach Marcus Arroyo and his staff led the Rebels through 15 practices that ended April 28, with the 6-foot, 190-pound Baldwin emerging as a starter at strong safety on the 2-deep depth chart heading into practices in mid-August.

Baldwin, who has decided on a kinesiology major for the present, was in Houston in May but is now back in Las Vegas as Arroyo and his staff are overseeing summer strength and conditioning work.

Limited to five games and five total tackles as a freshman, Baldwin said he is preparing for his first full season of starting responsibilities since the 2020 campaign at Dobie.

"There's a good vibe with the guys," Baldwin said. "We feel good about what we can do this coming season."

"I'm listed as a starter going in, and I want to do everything I can to help us improve as a defense and overall as a team."

"Playing together as one unit, understanding and executing our roles and going out there and executing on the field is what it's about. UNLV is a great place for me, and I'm ready to take that next step as a player and as an entire program."



Johnathan Baldwin (right) also excelled on the basketball court at Dobie, garnering Defensive Player of the Year honors during the 2020-2021 season as he continually guarded the top-scoring threats of the Longhorns' opponents.



A hamstring injury midway through the 2021 season limited Johnathan Baldwin to five games and five total tackles as a freshman at the University of Nevada Las Vegas, but the former Dobie multisport star is listed as a starter at safety entering 2022 preseason preparation and is intent on lifting the Rebels to new heights.

UNLV football photo

Southbelt L.L. summer ball set

The Southbelt Little League is accepting registration through June 16, for its summer league baseball season.

The league is currently offering introductory T-ball, T-ball, coach pitch, minor and major division play, and there is a waiting list for the junior/senior leagues.

Regular registration is \$100 per player in addition to a \$50 raffle fundraiser fee. The late registration, which runs June 17 through June 23, is \$125 per player in addition to a \$50 raffle fundraiser fee.

Practices will begin the week of June 20, with games beginning the week of June 27. Weather per-

mitting, each team in the various divisions will take part in a 10-game season, with the season slated to end Aug. 5. Games will typically be played on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Southbelt Little League facility at El Franco Lee Park.

Register at southbeltll.org.

Julks' May power display nets Player of the Month



Clear Brook High School graduate Corey Julks was named the Sugar Land Space Cowboys' Player of the Month for May after slugging 11 home runs and collecting 70 total bases for the Houston Astros AAA affiliate. Julks had 17 extra-base hits for the month and slugged at a .769 percentage for the Space Cowboys. Julks, who was an eighth-round pick of the Astros in 2017 out of the University of Houston and ranks 26th among the organization's top 30 prospects. Over 196 at bats in 2022 through June 5 games, Julks had scored 33 runs, socked 13 home runs and driven in 23 runs while hitting .270 overall. He is currently playing in his age 26 season and is in his first full season at the AAA level.

Dobie's Natalie Onozie to play volleyball at Alverno College



Dobie Class of 2022 senior and varsity volleyball and track and field star Natalie Onozie will continue her education and volleyball career at Alverno College, an NCAA Division III program in Milwaukee, Wis. Those with Onozie at the signing included, left to right, Ifeoma Onozie (mother), Michael Onozie (brother), Victoria Onozie (sister) and Nathaniel Onozie (father). Michael and Victoria are both Dobie graduates and standout athletes with the Longhorns. Michael is playing football at West Texas A&M, while Victoria has played volleyball and basketball at Livingstone College. Natalie Onozie concluded her stellar volleyball career at Dobie with 1,297 assists, 850 digs, 463 kills, 198 service aces and 50 blocks.

Dobie's Benton headed to Univ. of the Southwest women's basketball



Dobie senior guard Riani Benton (1) earned 22-6A second-team All-District honors as a senior during the 2021-2022 season as she was a big contributor to the Lady Longhorns' league championship.

Photo by Donna Alsdorf



Riani Benton, a Class of 2022 Dobie graduate and varsity girls' basketball standout, will continue her education and playing career at the University of the Southwest, a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics program in Hobbs, N.M.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JUNE 9
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill," Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 713-686-6300.
7:30 a.m. Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets at 6117 Broadway St., Pearland, or on Zoom. See website calendar or call 281-485-3634.
9:30 a.m. NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse - Meets at 18516 Hwy. 3. Call 281-910-1971.
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call 713-472-0565 for appointment.
11:30 a.m. ABWA - Southeast Express Network - Meets at 2300 Smith Ranch Rd. \$20 cash or check for lunch. Visit www.seenabwa.org.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners Group, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300.
6:30 p.m. Pearland Area Republican's Club - meets monthly on the second Thursday (except June, July and December) at the Pearland Church of Christ Annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd., Pearland. For details, email pearlandarearepublicanclub@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/PARTX.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - See Thursday's notice.
7 p.m. Congregation Shaar Hashalom - For details on the 7 p.m. Friday night or the 9:30 a.m. Saturday service, Judaism classes, film series and lunch with the Rabbi, visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.
7 p.m. NA - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). Call 713-661-4200.
8 p.m. Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
8 p.m. AA - meets at CrossRoads UMC

Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
SATURDAY, JUNE 11
7:30 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. Congregation Shaar Hashalom - See Friday's notice.
11 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - meets at Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #1111. Call 281-487-8787.
1 p.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - offers a knitting class, Saturdays 1 p.m. Call 281-479-7285 prior to coming.
SUNDAY, JUNE 12
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. Call 281-479-7285.
2 p.m. Grief Support Group - Meets Sunday at Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787.
5:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step program, in the Life Kids Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635.
8 p.m. AA - Meeting. See Friday's notice.

MONDAY, JUNE 13
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - See Thursday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's notice.
1:30 - 3 p.m. Hometown Heroes Dance - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, is now open. Volunteers Jerry and Edith Sanford teach lessons Mondays with a different dance rhythm each month. Park activity cardholders attend free. Call 281-554-1180 for details.
6 p.m. Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. COVID-19 vaccination required. Call 281-488-2923 for details.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets virtually with the exception of the second and fourth Mondays (in person)

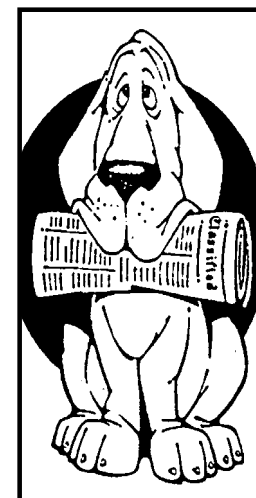
at https://youngprofessionalstoastmasters.com. Visit the website or call 281-467-1880.
7 p.m. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #0683 Friendswood chapter meets at the Friendswood Methodist Church, 110 N. Friendswood Dr. in the educational building, room 201. For information, call Lynette Ringrose 832-858-4617 or Dorothy Pourteau 713-875-8820.
7 p.m. AA - St. Luke's 12-Step Recovery in the Education Bldg. in room 4, 11011 Hall Rd. Call 832-725-8479.
7 p.m. NA - Vigilance Group. See Friday's notice.
TUESDAY, JUNE 14
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - See Thursday's notice.
11:30 a.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - See Sunday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's notice.
7 p.m. NA - Vigilance Group. See Friday's notice.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15
7 a.m. AA - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. Carmelites - meets at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 15500 El Camino Real, in Clear Lake. Meetings are open to those 55+, with no dues. Call 713-444-6744.
10 a.m. Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - See Thursday's notice.
Noon AA - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's notice.
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hometown Heroes Humpday Dance - 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.
7 p.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church - See Sunday's notice.
7 p.m. NA - Vigilance Group. See Friday's notice.
8 p.m. AA - Meeting. See Friday's notice.

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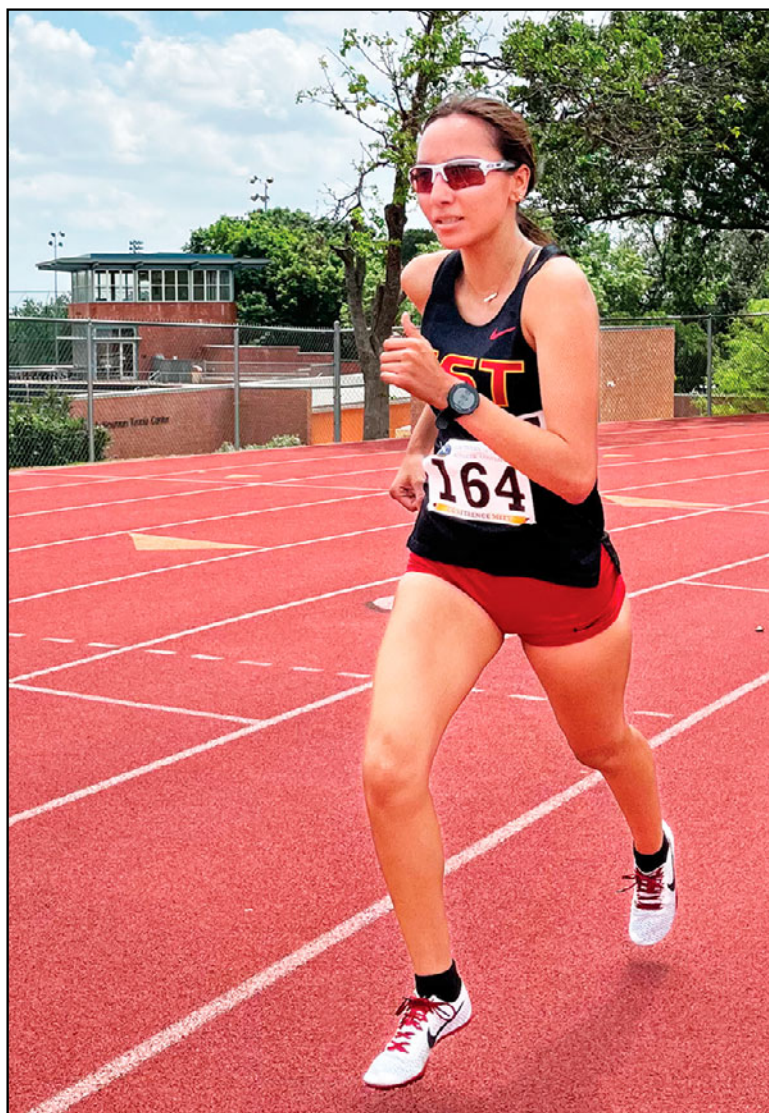
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Former Dobie distance runners Carpio, Olivares fit in nicely with St. Thomas University Celts

Dobie graduates and cross-country standouts Jhancarlos Carpio and Jocelyn Olivares turned in terrific freshman seasons for the University of St. Thomas program during the 2021-2022 school year that con-

cluded last month. In October, 2021, Carpio was 11th at the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Championships as he completed the 5k course at 26 minutes, 37 seconds. Carpio was second among the Celts' competitors as the group was third overall in the team standings. Olivares, meanwhile, led the

St. Thomas women to the finish line as her time of 23:59 was 14th overall for the third-place Celts. At the SCAC Track and Field Championships in April at Trinity University in San Antonio, Carpio placed sixth in the men's 1,500 in a time of 4:03.69, while Olivares' time of 5:00.89 in the same event for the women landed her eighth place overall.

Photos by Mila Aquino/St. Thomas University

Ortega a national champion with SAGU softball

What a memorable month of May it was for former Dobie High School softball and now Southwest Assemblies of God University junior Alana Ortega and her Lion teammates.

World Series championship as Ortega and her teammates were at their best when it mattered most. "Obviously, it was a great way to end the season and something we all can remember for the rest of our lives," said Ortega, a 2019 Dobie graduate who was a two-way stand-out with the Lady Longhorns before signing with SAGU.

"We got hot at the right time. We won our world series pool on run differential and then kept winning. It was great to be part of that experience." Ortega has excelled as a full-time position player with SAGU after also pitching at Dobie. In 2022, Ortega started each of the Lions' 57 games and hit .307 with eight doubles and 26 runs driven in on her way to All-Sooner

Athletic Conference second team honors. SAGU is a private Christian university located in Waxahachie, Texas. The Lions compete in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics within the Sooner Athletic Conference.

For Ortega, a criminal justice major, joining the SAGU program has proven to be the perfect collegiate choice. She made the 2021-2022 Scholar Athlete list in the NCCAA and plans to use her COVID-provided extra season of eligibility, giving her both the 2023 and 2024 campaigns with SAGU.

The Lions wound up at 34-25 overall after winning the World Series title. Tournament Most Outstanding Player Rosie Guadarrama and several other key performers will exit the program as seniors, but Ortega will help lead the next wave of talent at SAGU. "We'll have a few new players and some who will be playing a lot for the first time, but we'll go out there and give it everything we have. We know what is possible if we work hard. "This year, we knew we could have a great season if we played together, and we won a championship."



Alana Ortega had a 2022 season to remember at Southwest Assemblies of God University as she and her teammates rallied to win the National Christian College Athletic Association's World Series championship.



Alana Ortega went 1 for 3 with two runs scored and a run batted in during the NCCAA World Series final as her Southwest Assemblies of God women's softball program won it all with a 7-4 win over Columbia International.



At left, Alana Ortega hit .307 with eight doubles and 26 runs driven in while starting all 57 games for the Southwest Assemblies of God softball program as she was named an All-Sooner Athletic Conference second-team selection prior to the start of the postseason. Ortega was a three-year varsity player at Dobie.

Dobie's Sanchez chooses Faulkner Univ. football
Dobie Class of 2022 graduate and varsity football player Santos Sanchez (seated) will continue his education and playing career at Faulkner University in Montgomery, Ala. In 2021, Faulkner (8-2) capped the regular season at 5-1 in the Mid-South Conference Appalachian Division. Faulkner is a National Intercollegiate Athletic Association program. Those with Sanchez at his signing included, left to right, (standing) Cecilia Sanchez (mother), Mia Sanchez (sister) and Santos Sanchez (father). Sanchez also played varsity baseball with the Longhorns this spring.



San Jac's Childs picks HBU



San Jacinto College sophomore Maggie Childs, who guided the Coyotes to back-to-back National Junior College Athletic Association Division I World Series crowns, has committed to attend Houston Baptist University.

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