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Leader seeks vacation pics

The *Leader* is seeking readers' 2019 vacation photos. First-, second- and third-place prizes of Schlitterbahn tickets will be awarded for the best submissions July and August. Submissions should include where and when the photo was taken, details about the trip and first and last names of each person in the photo. All photos must be high resolution. Email photos to mynews@southbeltleader.com.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one lane on the northbound frontage road of the Gulf Freeway from FM 517 to FM 518 in League City will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Wednesday, July 31.

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

The northbound exit ramp on the Gulf Freeway between SH 96/League City Parkway and FM 518 will be closed continuously through 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. Drivers traveling north on the main lanes will continue to NASA Road 1, exit, then U-turn and come back to FM 518.

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

KWS to meet July 18

The Kirkwood South Committee will hold its 2019 annual meeting Thursday, July 18, at 7:30 p.m. at Freeway Baptist Church, located at 8702 Kingspoint. All homeowners are encouraged to attend.

Heavy trash pickup set

City residents south of Fuqua will have heavy trash pickup Thursday, July 11 (second Thursday of the month). City residents north of Fuqua and west of the Gulf Freeway will have heavy trash pickup on Friday, July 12 (second Friday of the month). July is for tree waste only. For more information, call the city's help line at 3-1-1 or visit www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste.

Beltway closures planned

The eastbound and westbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed continuously through 9 a.m. Saturday, July 20.

Both northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Genoa Red Bluff will be closed daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Sunday, July 14.

Both northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Crenshaw will be closed daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Sunday, July 14.

Both northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Preston will be closed daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Wednesday, July 17.

At least one alternate lane on the northbound Beltway 8 frontage road from Vista to SH 225 will be closed daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and nightly from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Tuesday, July 30.

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

Ellington e-recycling set

The City of Houston's monthly electronic recycling event is Saturday, July 13, 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 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, cell phones, PDAs, tape drives, hard drives, cords, cables and cameras. The collection events take place the 2nd Saturday monthly. For more information, visit www.houston.solidwaste.org.

PIP planned for July 16

The Houston Police Department's Positive Interaction Program will meet Tuesday, July 16, at 7 p.m. at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, 11800 Astoria, in the staff meeting room on the first floor. The guest speaker will be HPD Sgt. Tracy Hicks, who will address the topic of auto theft. PIP consists of police and citizens working together for safer neighborhoods. For additional information, call Houston Police Department Officer Richard Buitron at 832-395-1776.

Sageglen to meet July 15

The Sageglen Community Association will hold its annual election meeting on Monday, July 15, at the Sageglen Community Building, 11610 Sageglen, beginning at 7 p.m. All homeowners are invited to attend and participate. For information, call 281-481-2160.

JSC celebrates Apollo 50th anniversary

As NASA celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, the historic mission that continues to inspire future missions to the moon, Mars and beyond, Johnson Space Center will participate in a variety of Houston community events.

In celebration of this golden anniversary of that first landing, the Apollo Mission Control Center in Houston has been restored to appear as it did in that era, ready to begin its new life as a

source of learning and inspiration. Visitors to NASA will be able to experience the restored control room as part of regular tours provided by the official visitor center, Space Center Houston.

to the moon worked around the clock in Mission Control, and because of its location in Texas gave rise to the first words spoken from the surface, "Houston, Tranquility Base here. The Eagle has landed."

"Our goal 50 years ago was to prove we could land humans on the moon and return them safely to Earth," said Johnson Space Center Director Mark Geyer. "Our goal now is to return to the moon to stay, in a sustainable way. I'm thrilled this facility will be open for the public to view. It is my hope that it will serve as inspiration for generations to come."

All eyes will be on Houston, the home of human spaceflight, as the world celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing and Neil Armstrong's first steps on the moon July 20.

Space Center Houston is the perfect setting to celebrate all things Apollo 11 this summer - especially from the anniversary of the Apollo 11 blastoff on July 16 through the mission's conclusion when the astronauts safely splashed down back on Earth on July 24.

On July 20, 1969, the United States achieved one of the most profound milestones in human exploration. The extraordinary team of experts that guided the brave astronauts on their journeys

NASA will celebrate the Apollo lunar land-

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Resident battles sewage issues



The residence above, located on Sagepark at Kirkfair in the Kirkwood South subdivision, has routinely had raw sewage spill from a nearby manhole into its yard and interior following heavy rains. Fixing the problem has proven difficult for the homeowner, as the problem is connected to infrastructure from the City of Houston and the Sagemeadow MUD. It is hoped that funds recently earmarked by the city for sewer system improvements will help rectify the problem. See related story this page. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Drive-by shooting targets same house

Deputies from the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office responded to a drive-by shooting around 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, on Waxwood Drive near Iriswood Drive in the Woodmeadow subdivision.

The same house has been targeted for a drive-by shooting. Authorities said the residence is known to investigators, as deputies have visited it in the past for complaints but have never made an arrest there.

While no injuries were reported, the residence and an outside vehicle suffered damage from the gunfire.

Precinct 2 officials said a suspect vehicle has been identified in the case, and the investigation, now turned over to the Harris County Sheriff's Office, is ongoing.

City to make \$2B in improvements

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner announced Tuesday, July 9, that the city has reached a consent decree agreement with state and federal regulators to make \$2 billion in sewer system improvements over the next 15 years.

The costly deal is expected to be reflected in future water bills, as early as January 2020. City Council must still approve of the agreement.

The Environmental Protection Agency has long been at odds with the city over its damaged and clogged sewer pipes, which often spill waste into streets, homes and waterways, violating the Clean Water Act. The agreement will require the city to upgrade pipes and improve maintenance.

South Belt community members are hoping the planned improvements will address local concerns, such as the Kirkwood South residence pictured on this page, which routinely sees raw sewage spill into its yard and interior during heavy rains.

See future editions of the *Leader* for follow-up information.

Young fundraiser a huge success

A recent benefit for longtime South Belt resident and Houston Police Officer Thomas "Gene" Young was a huge success, raising over \$25,000 for his medical expenses.

The full amount of donations will be presented to Young on Aug. 1 at the Houston Police Officers' Union membership meeting.

Approximately 1,000 guests attended the function, held Saturday, June 29, at 2-A-Days Sports Bar in Pearland.

For those who were unable to attend the fundraiser, financial donations are still being accepted. Donations may be made through PayPal or by credit card through July 30.

Mayoral candidate Tony Buzbee was in attendance and generously donated \$1,000 toward the cause. 2-A-Days Sports Bar also contributed

For additional information or to make a donation, visit www.assisttheofficer.com.

Williamson supports Young



Travis Williamson (right) recently organized a fundraiser to help his longtime friend and fellow Houston police officer Thomas "Gene" Young defray medical costs. Both 1996 Dobie graduates, Young was recently diagnosed with stage IV cancer. Held at 2-A-Days Sports Bar in Pearland, the benefit raised more than \$25,000. The donations will be presented to Young at the monthly Houston Police Officers' Union meeting on Aug. 1.

Car flips at Beamer, Beltway 8



A car flipped over during a crash at the intersection of Beamer and Beltway 8 on Tuesday, July 9. One woman was transported to the hospital by ambulance, while a second woman (the one driving the flipped vehicle) was transported to the hospital by family members. Both are expected to survive. The crash marked the second serious accident in just two days at the location. The intersection has long been a hot spot for automobile collisions, with crashes taking place at an alarming frequency. A 2016 study based on data from the Texas Department of Transportation determined the intersection was the most dangerous one in the South Belt community, ranking 66th in the entire state. According to the study, between 2012 and 2015, there were 77 accidents at the intersection, with a total of 66 injuries reported. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Human remains found on Fuqua

Houston police are awaiting autopsy results on human remains found at 9401 Fuqua Street, near the northeast intersection of Blackhawk and Fuqua, about 12:40 p.m. on Thursday, July 4.



The identity, gender and race of the discovered individual are unknown.

According to police, patrol officers were dispatched to a call stating that human remains were found in a wooded area at the above address.

Members of the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences were contacted to gather evidence and will attempt to learn the identity of the deceased person.

The attached photos, distributed on social media, are believed to have been taken by the individual who discovered the remains.



Anyone with information in this case is urged to contact the HPD Homicide Division at 713-308-3600.

Lovell enters crowded mayoral race

After weeks of speculation, Sue Lovell, a former three-term at-large city council member and vice mayor pro-tem, has announced her entrance into the Houston mayoral race.

cil, raise my children and grandchildren in a safe place and know the joy of winning a World Series. No other city in America offers a better chance for you and your family to succeed in life than Houston. I want to continue to improve and expand that chance for every Houstonian."

During her time on council, Lovell was chair of the Transportation Infrastructure and Aviation committee and the Regulatory Affairs Committee. She was appointed by both Mayor Bill White and Mayor Annise Parker to represent the City of Houston on the Houston-Galveston Area Council and the Transportation Policy Council.

Lovell will now join incumbent Sylvester Turner, fellow Council Member Dwight Boykins, trial lawyer Tony Buzbee and businessman Bill King, who have all already officially thrown their hat into the mayoral election ring.

"Now, more than ever, our citizens trust that public safety will be a priority, that the services they pay for will be delivered efficiently and on time, and that there will be an investment in the city's infrastructure and their quality of life," Lovell said in her announcement. "I will honor that trust and deliver on those commitments."

Both Buzbee and King released statements following Lovell's announcement.

Lovell served on city council from 2006 to 2012, before stepping down due to term limits. The mayoral candidate most recently made headlines promoting the city's controversial Proposition B, which aimed to pair firefighter pay with that of their police counterparts.

"Sue Lovell has been another ally to the firefighters in their very public debate with Mayor Turner, showing that even people from his own party don't trust him," Buzbee said.

In her announcement, Lovell also touts her council record on such issues as transportation, policing and LGBTQ rights.

King took a similar jab at Turner.

"I moved to Houston in 1970 with three suitcases, \$35 and a determination to succeed," Lovell said. "This city and its people gave me opportunity. Thank you for the opportunity to own a small business, be elected to city council,

"Never has an incumbent Houston mayor faced this many challengers," King said. "It is a clear sign people are fed up with Sylvester Turner and his failed attempts to lead Houston."

Lesser-known candidates in the race include Kendall Baker, Derrick Broze, Anton Dowls, Naoufal Houjami and Demetria Smith.

Potential candidates have until Aug. 26 to file. In addition to the mayoral race, all 16 city council seats and the city controller will be on the Houston ballot. If no candidate garners at least 50 percent of the vote in the Nov. 5 general election, a runoff election will take place on Dec. 14.

In My Opinion

Castellano urges plan to honor others

We all know that the loss of a loved one is difficult and we try to honor them as best we can. My wife lost her father a few months ago and he was a member of clergy. We all have good memories of clergy serving the community and nation. The one thing clergy regardless of denominations all stated that Jesus paid a price for the world.

He paid the bill and showed great love. It is clergy who's sermons are noted at the foundation of this nation and later civil rights movement.

We have the fourth of July to honor the nation founding. We have not set a day to honor the clergy who provide leadership and continue to follow the greatest commandment which is love. The clergy loved God and also followed the second greatest commandment: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." I would propose that we do something for our neighbors based on our gifts to show love of neighbors. This is a way to show honor to the clergy no longer with us any more. It would be simply by saying or leaving a note that Jesus paid your debt after your act of honoring the sacrifice and memory of clergy.

If you see a lawn of an elderly neigh-

bor, widow or friend on vacation ask to cut it and say Jesus paid the bill. If run a tree trimming service see if you can trim the tree and say Jesus paid you bill. If you see a pot whole needing attention and can donate the material for repairs repair it and say Jesus paid the bill.

If you see a neighbor in need of home repair, painting, gutters or drainage issues help them out and say Jesus paid the bill. We can even just pay for a cup of coffee, meal or bus ride for a total stranger and give them a note or say Jesus paid the bill.

We can do something even if its giving a smile to someone who is sad needing just that is the way we honor the clergy. We may not think that doing these simple acts of love for community or neighbors is a lot. It is the greatest honor to show the clergy who sought a better world where neighbors come together in love.

We can do this one day as a start of honoring the clergy no longer living and honoring the ones that fought so hard for a better nation. I want to thank all who will honor the clergy in the acts of love for the neighbor and community. In time may we do this yearly after the fourth of July to remember and never forget to love.

Sincerly,
Pablo Castellano
Publisher's note: I think this sounds like a great idea. Hope it catches on.
—Marie Flickinger

Elected officials share their words

District E News

By Council Member Dave Martin

The beginning of summer has been busy here at City Hall. City Council passed the \$5.2 billion Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget last week by a 12 to 4 vote. This budget includes five Houston Police Cadet Classes and fully funds the City's pension obligations, for the third consecutive year in a row. The Fiscal Year 2020 budget does not include any layoffs, demotions, or deferrals.

This year many amendments sent to the administration were approved, including my zero-based budgeting amendment, co-authored with Council Member Knox, to be implemented in Fiscal Year 2021. For the second year in a row, I submitted an amendment to create a Lake Houston Maintenance Fund using permit fees generated from the Lake Houston Area and this year, it passed. Over the next year the District E office will work closely with Houston Public Works and Solid Waste Management Departments to identify measures to continue regular maintenance of the City's tributaries and sediment located in the San Jacinto River's East and West Fork, along with Lake Houston.

Overall, the Fiscal Year 2020 budget maintains a healthy fund balance and includes contingency funds for pay raises and hurricane preparedness. In this budget, \$11.1 million was cut in city department spending. This is the fourth year in a row that department budgets have decreased.

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. To watch the budget discussion, it can be viewed at <https://houstontx.swapig.com/play/06182019-2669>.

In addition to budget season, the District E Office has been busy tracking projects including the expansion of Northpark Drive and El Dorado Boulevard, additional dredging on the West Fork of the San Jacinto River by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, kick off of the Bens Branch restoration and conveyance project as well as the Horsepen Bayou Channel Improvement Project in collaboration with Harris County Flood Control.

The District E office has also identified six new District E drainage improvement projects to be completed utilizing the Stormwater Action Team Program during Fiscal Year 2020 in the Forest Cove, Huffman, South Belt-Ellington, and Northshore areas. Keep in mind that all drainage in Clear Lake is under the jurisdiction of the Clear Lake City Water Authority and concerns should be reported to them directly by calling 281-488-1164.

The post-Harvey recovery process has been steadily moving forward at a pace that while slow has been consistent. I am committed to following through on projects from Kingwood to Clear Lake that will reduce future flooding for residents. I will continue to work day and night to make sure that we are not forgotten and our concerns are heard. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your District Council Member.

Space Month in Houston

The District E office kicked off Space Month in

Houston, Texas on Friday, June 28, as District E staff attended the Apollo Mission Control Center Grand Opening Celebration. The Mission Control Center at the Johnson Space Center is home to the planning, command, and monitoring controls, essential to America's human spaceflight program. The restoration project began in January 2017, and has been completed in time for the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing. The MCC is complete with the original paint, upholstery and furnishings; restored mission medallions, seating; flags; replicated carpet, wallpaper and ceiling tiles; and recreated content on the summary display screens and mission clocks.

The Apollo Anniversary Celebration will continue through the month of July as NASA will be joining in the City of Houston's Fourth of July celebrations at Freedom Over Texas in honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing. Visitors at Freedom Over Texas will have the opportunity to check out NASA's Destination Station exhibit throughout the event, and share special messages throughout the day.

Space Center Houston is also participating in this month-long celebration, from the anniversary of the Apollo 11 blastoff on July 16 through the mission's conclusion when the astronauts safely splashed down on Earth on July 24. Check out the several events at Space Center Houston scheduled for July 16 through July 24 by visiting <https://spacecenter.org/apollo-50/apollo-anniversary-celebration/>. The biggest celebration at Space Center Houston will be held on Saturday, July 20. Apollo 11 50th Live is an all-day lunar celebration and countdown to Neil Armstrong's first steps on the moon. Discover an array of space-themed experiences including late-night NASA Tram Tours, notable speakers, book signings, an outdoor festival with a concert featuring WALK THE MOON and Phillip Phillips, a family STEM zone and more. Tickets are still available at <https://spacecenter.org/apollo-50/apollo-anniversary-celebration/>.

Plum Hollow Drive panel replacement
Houston Public Works crews will begin a panel replacement in the Clear Lake area, along Plum Hollow Drive, from Brook Forest Drive to Hickory Knoll Drive, on Monday, July 8. The work is expected to be complete within 30 days, weather permitting.

The scope of work includes replacing several panels along the roadway. Crews will be on site from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. As a result of the construction activities, please be aware of flagmen and orange traffic cones that will be put in place on site to help with traffic flow through the construction zone as temporary lane closures are expected. One lane will remain open during the repairs process. Residents will have access to driveways at all times, and may experience an increase in noise levels due to trucks and equipment. For more information, contact Council Member Dave Martin's office at 832-393-3008 or districte@houstontx.gov.

Removal of Clear Lake Dynamic Message Signs
Council Member Martin would like to make Clear

Lake residents aware the four recently installed Dynamic Message Signs have been removed from the Clear Lake area.

On Tuesday, June 4, Council Member Martin was made aware of four DMS signs being constructed near the following intersections: Clear Lake City Boulevard and Space Center Boulevard, Bay Area Boulevard and Space Center Boulevard, Bay Area Boulevard and El Camino Real, and El Dorado and Highway 3.

Based on overwhelming feedback the District E office received from the community, and Council Member Martin's own concerns with the location of these signs in residential areas, Council Member Martin requested all four signs be removed by Houston Public Works immediately.

Thank you to the residents who have contacted our office regarding this matter. Council Member Martin, with your assistance, was able to coordinate with Houston Public Works to have these signs removed swiftly.

HPD Clear Lake School supply giveaway

The Houston Police Department Clear Lake Division will be hosting its 2nd Annual School Supply Giveaway on Aug. 3. The event will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Grace Community Church, located at 14505 Gulf Freeway.

The goal of this event is to help lessen the financial burden on families by providing school supplies for students in the area. Last year's event was a success and this year's will be bigger and better. Come out with the family for school supplies and fun!

Spaceport Phase One groundbreaking

On Friday, June 28, staff from Council Member Martin's office attended the Spaceport Phase One Groundbreaking at Ellington Airport. The Phase 1 Expansion is now underway with the construction of streets, water and wastewater, pipelines, electrical power and distribution and communications facilities approved by City Council in October 2018. The construction is anticipated to be completed by May 2020, weather permitting.

Friday's groundbreaking celebration included comments from Houston Airport System Director Mario Diaz, Rob Lowe with the Federal Aviation Administration, Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership President Bob Mitchell, San Jacinto College Chancellor Dr. Brenda Hellyer, and President & CEO of Intuitive Machines, Steve Altermus. Council Member Martin looks forward to the future development of the Houston Spaceport.

Community grant workshops

Houston Arts Alliance will be hosting Community Grant Workshops in District E in the coming weeks.

The goal of the HAA introductory grants workshop is to create a mutual learning environment where HAA will share information about the City of Houston's grant programs as well as learn the needs of the community through this in-person session. Residents are encouraged to save the date for the following District E workshop: Tuesday, July 30 from 4 to 6 p.m., at Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane, Houston.

Publisher's Opinion

Special thanks to special people

It is so easy to take things for granted. For example, we have been having the South Belt Fourth of July fireworks and parade since 1988.

Just think of how many of our community members were not even born yet! Granted, our parade was not as big as the one in Washington, but it was a lot cheaper!

Whether we realize it or not, our community is pretty special. It has been that way for years. I credit this to our churches, schools and so many fantastic people.

Most communities do not have their own parade and fireworks. Those that do, are usually connected with a city, i.e. Houston, Pearland, Friendswood, etc.

Clear Lake also does fireworks, but it is a much larger area with many big businesses to support it. South Belt does not have those advantages, but we do have many hard-working, caring people.

Some may not know that the fireworks, along with other community projects, are funded by the annual cook-off.

For this we owe a huge thank you to the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department that puts on the cook-off. There are entirely too many to name, but Fire Chief Chuck Tylka, Dean Baier (who has worked so hard to give South Belt kids a fantastic free event with the kids zone) and David Cino must be recognized.

The fire department has not done this alone. We get so many volunteers (and still need more). These volunteers include officers from Constable Chris Diaz organization who donate their time.

David Matthews of Harris County has

been a tremendous help over the years, as well as members of his crew.

Harris County Commissioner Rodney Ellis has seen to it that we keep use of El Franco Lee Park.

I personally miss Neil West who lined up our parade and helped us for many years. Due to health problems we have lost his great assistance.

Another person we can't forget is Joe Bennett who has given us special help since the very beginning.

I also want to thank Donna and Les Haulbrook who came up with the idea of a cook-off to raise money for fireworks. They ran the event the first five years. They are still involved in the community and took part in this year's parade. Without these people, and way too many others to mention, there would be no fireworks.

I loved our parade this year. We were missing a couple of special entries, but then also had some new ones. The classic cars entry was a great addition.

A neat addition to the parade this year was the singing of the Star Spangled Banner at the beginning of the parade by Gabbi Lozano and also at the beginning of the fireworks that night by Allison Potter. Many of our participants have been in our parade for years. We thank you all for participating whether as a participant or a spectator.

When I organized the parade in 1988, I never dreamed it would still be here 31 years later. Thank you for embracing this South Belt tradition. Keep supporting community activities. South Belt is special and we want to keep it that way.

—Marie Flickinger

Elected officials share their words

New bipartisan NO HATE Act introduced

Congressmen Pete Olson and Don Beyer on June 27, introduced bipartisan legislation to strengthen federal laws that combat hate speech, threats and attacks. As incidents of hate crimes continue to rise, the National Opposition to Hate, Assault, and Threats to Equality (NO HATE) Act would improve reporting and expand assistance and resources for victims of hate crimes.

"Hate crimes have no place in our society, yet sadly they are on the rise," said Olson. "Representing one of the most diverse districts in America, I see firsthand the impact these hate crimes have on our communities. The NO HATE Act will serve as a vital tool in the fight against hate crimes by improving how law enforcement agencies track and report crimes. As co-chair of the Victims' Rights Caucus, I'm pleased that this bill will also establish hotlines so victims of hate crimes can get the help and support they desperately need. I thank Rep. Beyer for his leadership and urge our colleagues to support this effort so we can ensure lasting and positive change."

"The rise in hate crimes in the United States has reached epidemic proportions in the last few years, and we need law enforcement to have every possible tool to stop it," said Beyer. "By tracking and reporting incidents of hate crimes nationwide, we can know whether we are making progress toward their prevention. I thank my colleague, Rep. Olson, for his leadership; this legislation has a real chance to move forward."

"ADL strongly supports the NO HATE Act, spon-

sored by Reps. Beyer and Olson, as one of our most important 116th Congress legislative priorities," said Erika L. Moritsugu, vice president, Government Relations, Advocacy & Community Engagement. "Data drives policy. Better hate crime data collection and training will assist in proper allocation of police resources and personnel, and improved data collection will spark expanded networking and communication with targeted communities, as well as more training for law enforcement personnel."

"Too many people, including American Muslims, continue to fall victim to unspeakable acts of hate-fueled violence," said Muslim Advocates Special Counsel for Anti-Muslim Bigotry Madiha Ahusain. "The introduction of this bipartisan, commonsense bill is a necessary step toward stopping this violence and offering hate crime victims and their families a path toward justice that many shockingly lack."

The NO HATE Act was reintroduced in the wake of high-profile anti-LGBTQ, Islamophobic, anti-Semitic, and other acts of violence directed at American communities. Despite the sharp increase in hate-fueled attacks across the country, reporting of such incidents by law enforcement continues to lag.

The NO HATE Act would help close gaps in existing hate crime reporting and strengthen the national response by:

- Supporting the speedy implementation of the latest crime reporting standard, the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), including training on reporting hate crimes through

NIBRS. NIBRS allows law enforcement agencies to record and report detailed information about crimes, including hate crimes, to the FBI. The FBI has promoted NIBRS in every law enforcement agency, but a lack of resources has stalled full implementation.

- Providing grants for the creation of state-run hate crime hotlines to record information about hate crimes and redirect victims and witnesses to law enforcement and local support services as appropriate, ensuring that hate crimes don't go unreported and victims get the help they need.

- Supporting law enforcement activities or programs that prevent, address, or respond to hate crimes by providing grants to states and local law enforcement to adopt policies, practices, and programs that more effectively identify, investigate, report, and respond to hate crimes.

- Creating accountability by ensuring that law enforcement grantees report on their progress and requires the Attorney General to collect and analyze the information to better mitigate hate crimes.

- Promoting understanding and healing by allowing for judges to require individuals convicted under the Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2009 to undergo a period of supervised release, to include community service or education centered on the community targeted by the crime.

Companion legislation is being introduced by Sen. Richard Blumenthal. Text of the House bill is available at https://beyer.house.gov/uploadedfiles/no_hate_act_116th_congress.pdf.

Olson slams Democrats for playing politics with crisis

Rep. Pete Olson issued the following statement after opposing the Democrats inadequate emergency border spending bill:

"57 days ago, President Trump requested emergency supplemental funding for the exploding humanitarian crisis along our porous southern border. House Democrats do not want to stop the humanitarian crisis. If they did, they would have made an effort to pass something that has a chance to pass the Senate and be signed into law by the president. This heartless action by House Democrats guarantees the detainees will

endure unnecessary hardships. The American government employees who are on the front lines of this crisis will not get paid as HHS funds will run out shortly. Instead of working with Republicans to secure our country and save lives, Democrats have chosen to repeatedly play politics."

"I voted against this bill because it severely underfunds Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and does not include even a penny for our brave active duty and National Guard service men and women deployed along the border. Texas experiences the terrible consequences

of the lack of funding firsthand. If there's anything that should convince the Democrats that they need to fund ICE and this crisis, it should be the women and children who are suffering after illegally crossing the border in detainment camps because of the lack of funding. I support the bipartisan efforts in the Senate and look forward to voting for a bill that gives resources to relieve the serious humanitarian crisis on our border. It's time the Democrats come to the table and work with both Republicans and the president to solve this crisis once and for all."

Alvarado to serve on Senate Redistricting Committee

State Sen. Carol Alvarado released the following statement on June 29, regarding being appointed to serve on the Senate Redistricting Committee:

"I am pleased and excited to announce that I have been appointed to serve on the 2021 Senate Redistricting Committee. Yesterday, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick

announced the appointments in a press release. State Sen. Joan Huffman, R-Houston, will serve as Chair of the 17-member committee, and State Sen. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, will serve as Vice-Chair.

"I look forward to working on this challenging issue from now through the

next legislative session. This will not be the first time I will be at the forefront dealing with redistricting. During the 82nd Legislature, I served on the House Redistricting Committee.

"I am honored to be on the redistricting front lines once again and ready to get to work."

Deaths

Carolyn Mae Christiansen Baier



Carolyn Mae Christiansen Baier was born Feb. 24, 1941 in Omaha, Neb. She passed away July 6, 2019 at the age of 78.

She was raised in Louisville, Neb. and graduated from Louisville High School.

Later, she moved to Texas where she finally settled in Pasadena.

She is survived by her husband, Jesse of 59 years; her son, Dean Baier of Houston; her daughter, Lorraine Baier Swanson (and her husband Bruce) of Warwick, N.Y.; her grandchildren, Ryan Baier of Houston; Cassandra Swanson of Warwick, N.Y.; Eric Swanson of Warwick, N.Y.; her brothers, Stanley Christiansen and Roland Christiansen; and her sister, Teresa Christiansen Kaffenberger.

She was a homemaker who was always busy. She was a talented cook who could create a masterpiece meal. She also had a love for sewing, quilting, crocheting and knitting. When not busy cooking or being crafty,

one could find her outdoors maintaining the landscaping.

The funeral service will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 13, at Niday Funeral Home, with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be privately held.

Donna Michelle Parnell



On the morning of June 19, 2019, Donna Michelle Parnell, longtime resident of the South Belt area, passed away at the age of 54, in New Port Richie, Florida. During her battle with cancer, her bravery and upbeat, loving spirit was a lesson for all.

She died at home with her loving husband, Steve Parnell, and son Cody Callison by her side. During the last few months, Donna's daughter; her mother and sisters; her mother-in-law; several high school friends, including one who flew from London; all visited with Donna and they had great times together.

Donna was born to Annette and Richard Nesta in 1965. She lived in the South Belt area 25 years, rearing her two children, Cody and Cassie, in South Belt and in League City. Donna enjoyed, and never missed, her children's school performances; orchestra; recitals; and football, soccer, or softball games. After retiring to Florida, Donna and her husband, Steve, enjoyed restoring their home, and building new additions together. She and her

family also enjoyed visiting the seaside villages, swimming with manatees, discovering seafood restaurants, and showing Florida's treasures to her family and friends.

Donna was preceded in death by her father, Richard Nesta; and her first husband, Jack Callison.

She is survived by her loving husband, Steve Parnell, her beloved children, Cassie and Cody Callison; her mother, Annette McCormick, and her sisters Debbie Galloy and Denise Smith and their families.

Glenn Turner West III



Glenn Turner West III, died Thursday, July 4, 2019 after a 13-year battle with Huntington's Disease. Glenn leaves behind his daughter Rachel West, and brothers Robert Nolen, Bill Nolen and Michael Nolen.

He was born in Birmingham, Ala. in 1953. He moved to South Belt in 1964 and was a varsity member of Dobie's track and football teams. He graduated from Dobie in 1971. He spent his working years in the sheet metal industry where he built the inner cage for the first personal laptop computer.

Glenn was a big fan of the Houston Rockets, Oilers and Texans. He was a certified scuba diver and an avid sailor.

Glenn was preceded in death by his mother Joan Nolen; his father Glenn West II; and his brother Cory West.

Funeral services are being held privately.

Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint: The Summer Reading Program continues through Aug. 1. Explore the unknown with SRP and receive a free book and lanyard for registering. Earn more free books and pins to decorate the lanyard by reaching reading goals and exploring the world in books. Register online at www.houstontx.org/summer. Children and teens will have a chance to win prizes including tickets to Houston-area museums, inSPIRE rock climbing, Houston Astros games and Benihana.

Parents and caregivers can read this summer, too. Families (including at least one adult with one child) who complete SRP will win a family prize (while supplies last). To qualify, the child must complete the 30-day level and the adult must write two reviews (one for an item read for the adult's enjoyment and one for a youth item read with the child).

Thursday, July 11, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Spanish computer class for adults and seniors
Monday, July 15, 10:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. Citizenship class. The classes cover the 100 civics questions and how to prepare for the citizenship interview. Other topics include the citizenship application and qualifications. Class participation is by appointment only.

Tuesday, July 16, 10:30 a.m. SRP features Storybook Opera: "Opera Cat." The reigning diva of Milan, Madame Soso, has a cat named Alma who secretly loves to sing along with her mistress. When Madame develops laryngitis on opening night, guess who steps in and saves the day?

Tuesday, July 16, 11:30 a.m. SRP features Storybook Opera: "The Dog Who Sang at the Opera."
Tuesday, July 16, 10:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.

Wednesday, July 17, 3 p.m. Tabletop games. Meet at the library for strategy, role-playing and twenty-sided dice. Twens will engage in long and short form RPG games, building character, cooperation and leadership skills in the process. Sushi Go Party! is a game in which players score points by collecting sushi rolls and sashimi to see who can "eat" the most sushi! In Pandemic, players become disease-fighting specialists, battling a virulent disease before it becomes a global pandemic.

Wednesday, July 17, 10:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.
Wednesday, July 17, Computer courses: 2 p.m. Computer Basics; 3:15 p.m. Internet Basics; 4:30 p.m. Basic Power Point

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

Parker Williams Library

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.: Thursday, July 11, 2 p.m. SciFi Feature "The Last Starfighter" (rated PG, 101 minutes, for ages 10 and older). Meet in the library community room, for a different Science Fiction movie for kids each week. According to imdb.com, "Video game expert Alex Rogan finds himself transported to another planet after conquering The Last Starfighter video game only to find out it was just a test. He was recruited to join the team of best starfighters to defend their world from the attack."

Thursday, July 11, 4 p.m. Made with Code (teens and adults). Meet in the computer lab to play with Google's "Made with Code" website to look at and tweak some of the code behind puzzles like these.

Friday, July 12, 2 p.m. Anime club. Take the Anime Quiz with Kahoot, for ages 13 and older. Meet in library community room and match wits with other Otaku for some anime-based fun.

Saturday, July 13, 1:30 p.m. Family Paper Airplane Competition for all ages. Learn the basics of flight by making some basic paper airplanes and experiment to see whose plane can fly the farthest and can stay aloft the longest.

Monday, July 15, 6 – 7:30 p.m. for ages 8 and older. Magic: The Gathering Game play, a dueling card game from Wizards of the Coast, for ages 8 and older. For those wanting to learn, a staff member will be present for instruction. A special thank you is given to Strike Zone for the generous donation of Magic: The Gathering cards. For more information, visit <http://www.hcpl.net/sites/default/files/feb-MTG-1.jpg>.

Tuesday, July 16, 2 p.m. Teen – R/C Quadcopter Obstacle Course, for ages 13 and older. Explore the possibility of being a great drone pilot and meet in room 3 where there will be a small obstacle course designed for teens to try their luck in getting the library drones through the course in record time.

Wednesday, July 17, 2 p.m. Instant Sci-Fi Stories, for ages 7 and older. Fill in the blanks to make a unique sci-fi story in the library community room. After giving time to tweak their stories, a few volunteers will be asked to read their stories.

Wednesday, July 17, 7 p.m. Sci-Fi Family Trivia Night, for ages 8 to adult. Families are invited to meet in the library community room for some fun sci-fi trivia. Each team can have a maximum of six people and the winning team gets a prize in this pub-style quiz.

Below are the programs that occur every week, unless the library is closed:
Tuesday, Babytime lap sit, 10:30 a.m. For babies from birth to 18 months, featuring a mother-baby lap sit with fingerplays, songs and playtime.

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

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

Thursday, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m. For toddlers from birth to 3 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and bubbles.

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

For more information on all other programs, call the library at 832-927-7870. Library hours are: Thursday, closed; Friday, 1 – 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Sunday, closed; Monday, 1 – 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Dobie shares sixth six-weeks honor roll

J. Frank Dobie High School has shared its honor roll for the sixth six-weeks.

Honor Roll

Ninth grade

Bayan Abdeljawwad, Angelica Corazon Acac, Elis Felipe Acosta, Victoria Elizabeth Acosta, Amaya Nicole Adams, Kemi Star Alade, Dominic Kiril Alanis, Montserrat Xitlalil Alba, Julisabeth Ruth Alfaro, Jaidyn Brianna Almaguer, Naydelin Almaguer, Vanessa Isabel Alvarado Aleman and Abraham Raul Amaro-Diaz.

Emily Amezcua, Juan Araujo Silvestre, Dayyany Belisa Arboleda, Rafael Antonio Argueta, Hussiel Arias, John Kevin Armenta, Jorge Luis Arredondo, Keegan Neal Ashworth, Marco Antonio Ayala, Jazmyne Melaynie Backman, Valery Lizett Baez, Nicolas Baron, Gael Bencio Barrera, Jordan Jamar Barrett and Andre A. Barrientos.

Miguel Angel Bazaldua, Raul Xavier Belman, Anthony Paul Benavides, Riani Tania Benton, Gabriella Raye Binns, Brianna Marie Blanco, Savannah Marie Brookland, Kendall Gisele Brown, Gabriella Campo, Giselle Carolina Canas, Cynthia Elaine Canfora, Amy Thuy Cao, Ricky Cao, Ashley Castellanos, Anthony Castillo, William Alexander Castillo and Colton Ray Chahayed.

Alani Eloisa Chapa, Mya Anna Laura Chapa, Alyssa Brianna Chapman, Jasmine Gisselle Chew, Lydia Alena Chicas, Naveah Alexis Coleman, Matthew Christopher Collins, Frank Allan Romano Conception, Isaac Anthony Corte, Jaden Gerard Cravens, Ashara Cruz, Sebastian Alexander Cruz and Benson Carter Cubos.

Malia Alexandria Curry, Arvin Clark Andres Cuyo, Fernanda America Davila, Lucinda Sunflower Davis, Michael Robert De La Garza, Isabella De La Torre Quintana, Karina Del Villar, Miguel Angel Diosdado, Melina Phuong Mai Dongsi, Emmanuel Lavontre Drain, Mohamed Ali Elghawi, Anaaura Elizarraras and Gerardo Escamilla.

Priscilla Angelina Espinoza, Nayely Yissel Faz Urias, Jessica Vanessa Flores, Nadia Marie Flores, Evan Nicolas Fuentes, Celeste Eloisa Gallardo, Brayan Eduardo Gamez Perez, Katie Suzette Gamez, Noe Rodriguez Gamez, Aracely Nataly Garcia, Isaac Anthony Garcia, Ramiro Simitrio Garcia, Michael Garza, Annabelle Garza, Adiel Andrew Garza and Sherlyn Alexandra Gavidia.

Timothy Quoc Giang, Briana Michelle Gomez Portillo, Kayla Iliana Gomez, Gloria Minerva Gonzales, Alicia Gonzalez, Alyssa Darlet Gonzalez, Andrea Marley Gonzalez, Isaac Abel Gonzalez, Ivan Gonzalez, Jennifer Suzzeth Gonzalez, Jesus Enim Gonzalez, Lazarus Gonzalez, Paris Sky Gonzalez, Ronnie Gonzalez and Samantha Gonzalez.

Kaylee Gabrielle Goodrum, Isnaya Sarahi Gordon, Daniel Eduardo Grajales, Victoria Rhiannon Green, Damarcus Lavon Groves, Katia Melina Guerrero, Dahira Yosemite Gutierrez Oliveira, Briana Gutierrez, Carolina Marie Gutierrez, Zoe Mychell Guy, Scottlyn Moira Hamilton and Dylan Viet Harris.

Davion Anthony Harvey, Hailey Beth Henderson, Alexis Henriquez, Elijah Zavier Hernandez, Guadalupe Lizbeth Hernandez, Leslie Hernandez, Niklas Ricardo Hernandez, Rodolfo Hernandez, Annie Abigail Herrera Welchez, Genevieve Francis Herrera, Mauricio Herrera, Pedro Angel Herrera, Phuc Nguyen Thien Hoang, Sarriona Karina Hobbs and Mia Alejandra Horton.

Taelyn Neshae Hudson, Andrew Khoa Huynh, Lara Khanh Huynh, Thuat Nhu Huynh, Tina Huynh, Jennifer Nneoma Ibe, Emily Alexa Iglesias, Derrick Roshamon Ivey, Remi Elon Jackson, Nicole Jasso, Julia Isabel Jimenez, Adrien Lee Johnson, Aidan Allen Kainer, Alexis Amina Kamal, Mohammad Faheem Khan, Keely Nicole King and Anh Nhat Ky.

Angelina Truc Lam, Christopher Laygo, An Nguyen Hong Le, Thong Minh Le, Tracey Le, Dylan John Leonard, Kevin Charles Lewis, Stanton Lewis, Brandon Aram Liceaga, Isaias Jesus Lira, Guadalupe Alexander Lopez Alfaro, Antonio Lopez, Celeste Amunet Lopez, Elissa Joely Lopez, Isaac Joel Lopez, Xavier Cuahtemoc Lopez and Gabriela Nicole Lozano.

Alexandra Luna, Jade-Lyn Jewel Luna, Hailey Ann Machado, Christopher Elvin Macias, Keena Magana, Jasmine Marie Maldonado, Payton Elise Manuel, Trixie Amanda Marquez, Alondra Marron, Brianna Naomi Marroquin, Ariana Elizabeth

Martin, Camila Martinez, Darianna Xarixa Martinez, Juanangel Martinez, Karen Paola Martinez, Lael David Martinez, Celina Mata, Astrid Dayana Matamoros Montoya and Boston Simone McAfee.

Andreas Giovanni McKeltha, Emma Reese McGlozie, Kyla Aaliyah McLaren, Ashlyne Celest Medina, Christian Agustín Medina, Jessica Suzanne Medina, Jimena Medina, Crystal Mejia, Nataly Vanessa Mendoza, Katelyn Mendoza, Aza Osama Mohamad, Naydelin Isayana Molina Contreras, Marcus Andre Momie and Lydia Montalvo.

Andrew Adonai Montano, Melissa Raquel Montero Hernandez, Luis Miguel Montes, Denise Desira Montes-Dixon, Luis Diego Morales, Jesalynn Ruth Moreno, Shayla Janae Morrison, Avry Gail Munoz, Karissa Munoz, Karime Murguia, Tjasa Ariyana Murray, John Moyses Nanez and Ashley Michelle Napper.

Johnathan Ythien Ngo, Brian Thai Nguyen, Jaelyn Uyen Nguyen, Jeenny Nguyen, Kathleen Nguyen, Kim Nguyen, Lilly Thanh Nguyen, Linh Ha My Nguyen, Natalie Thao-Han Nguyen, Tai Thai Nguyen, Thien Phuc Thi Tran Nguyen, Thu Ngoc Anh Nguyen, Tommy Tang Nguyen, Tung Quang Nguyen, Uyen Gia Nguyen and Victoria Diep Nguyen.

Huong Hoang Thuy Ninh, Andrea Sofia Nunez, Anthony Kevin Ochoa, Nicholas Oscar Ochoa, Damaris Anjanee Oder, Sairi Olivia Leal, Angel Gabriel Oliva Lopez, Melane Galilea Olivera, Ayla Denise Oneal, Natalie Onozie, Caroline Itzel Orta, Patrick Alexis Ortega, Sebastian Ortega, Abigail Alicia Ortiz, Cassandra Osorio and Diego Osuna.

Brandon Alfredo Pacheco-Moreno, Isabella Elida Padilla, Jeremiah Neil Rabang Palma, Keith James Parker, Heather Nikole Patterson, Amy Pham, Ashley Dang Pham, Jason Pham, Kristyn Thanh Pham, Tina Mai Pham, Valerie Phi Yen Phoxayalinhkam, Presley Marie Pina, Doneya Simone Porter and Javon Allen Portis.

Kori Germaine Pounds, Aiden O'neal Provost, Isabella Pruneda, Joel Joshua Quezada, Marilee Quiroga, Henneisy Quiroz, Badria Hazzaa Rajoub, Josue Uziel Ramales, Victoria Elizabeth Ramirez, Zachary Daniel Ramirez, Damaris Jael Ramos Martinez, Alexandra Ramos, Corey Lee Reyes, Arianna Lexi Reyna and Janelle Shenea Richard.

Adrian Eden Rios, Joseph Rios, Joel Enrique Rivas, Victoria Guadalupe Rivera, Soleil Rylie Rocha, Vanessa Jannet Rocha, Alyssa Nanea Rodriguez, Lisette Briseidi Rodriguez, Lizbeth Rodriguez, Megan Alani Rodriguez, Issys Annabel Romero, Jasmine Annette Romero, Abigail Nadine Rosas and Ashlyn Latrice Ross.

Angelica Rubio, Uzziel Rubio, Angel Fabian Saenz, Kayla Alyssa Salas, Paris Nicole Saldarraga, Haley Danae Salinas, Luis Fernando Salinas, Emily Gissel Sanchez, Iliana Sanchez, Rodolfo Sanchez, Santos Davila Sanchez, Areli Santana Rivera, Jessica Ivette Santana and Jacqueline Olivia Saucedo.

Ryan Keith Saxton, Maya Treshae Scott, Noah Arthur Scott, Jazmine Elizabeth Segovia, Kal El Self, Cristian Xavier Sepulveda, Valeria Nohemi Serpas, Roselin Serrano, Jaelan Donae Sherman, Ahmed Maher Shobaki, Darius Terrell Shorter, Sindy Michell Sierra Lopez, Athan Giovanni Silva Rincon, Alize Naveah Silva and Metzli Javale Silva.

Alexa Anne Snow-Eaton, Piseth So, Galilea Monserrat Solis, Gerardo Solis, Celeste Belia Spiller, Kyle Christopher Stokes, Kevin Duy Su, Natalie Anaiah Suarez, Alex Lee Susko, Huxley Denz Geromo Taganahan, Kenneth Louis Tezeno, MsBeth Renee Thomas, Leani Marie Ton, Brianna Elise Toro, Rosmary Torres Lara and Brandon Anthony Torres.

Briana Jamilet Torres, Diego Alexis Torres, Eleezabeth Consuelo Torres, Esbeidy Judith Torres, Francisco Javier Torres, Jose Alejandro Torres, Vanessa Elizabeth Torres, Laisha Torres-Padilla, Derek Tran, Eric Quy Tran, Lilly Mai Hue Tran, Thui Minh Tran, Tracy Tram Tran, Vanessa Van Thanh Tran, Vi Thanh Tran and Violet Tuong Vy Tran.

Julian Trevino, Han Gia Truong, Kailey Jianne Tsikis, Trinity Marie Tucker, Genesis Elektra Valtierra, Kristal Monserra Vargas, Mikayla Renae Vasquez, Daniela Vasquez, Alyssa Isabel Velasquez, Celene Velasquez, Jesus Sebastian Velasquez, Melanie Ariana Velazquez, Thaly Angela Vences, Emilio

Villarreal and Fernando Villarreal.

Kamila Villarreal, Luis Emiliano Villarreal, Melanie-Tu Thi Vo, Michael Wotonwo Vouffo, Hailey Hien Vu, Kathleen Quynh Vu, Nghan Thanh Vu, Ngan Thi Kim Vu, Paul Hoang Vu and Jeremiah George Earvin Walker.

Khari Geno Walker, Cyrae Kristen Washington, Areyana Lynae Williams, Faith Victoria Williams, Xavier Tracy Williams, Aspen Sierra Woods, Majesti Irene Yates, Michael Alejandro Zambrano, Leilani Michelle Zera and Natalie Jalene Zeledon.

Tenth grade

Mohammad Abed Rabbo, Christopher Acevedo, Denise Acosta, Gail Kathleen Affalo, Malia Akhter, Armando Alanis, Ingrid Tatiana Alaniz Quintanilla, Bryan Albarran, Anna Gabriela Allen, Cristina Isabel Alonso, Jimena Alvarez, Breleana Marie Anderson, Jayla Marie Arenas, Jaqueline Arredondo, Maritza Marlene Arreola and Alexandra Abigail Ayala.

Maryam Maytham Badr, Jeremiah Cedric Ballard, Rhonda Evette Banks, Adrian Dominic Baragan, Aliyah Barreiro, Annaya Brielle Belton, Briana Guadalupe Benavides, Kaitlyn Marie Bess, Carlos Jair Bonilla, Melissa Nohemy Bonilla, Kameron Jay Brinkley and Corey Reese Britton.

Ayanna Nicole Brooks, Elizabeth My Hong Bui, Julia Thao Bui, Tony Mai Bui, Danielle Marie Bulman, Avery Marsalis D'ante Burton, Ersury Kamron Byrd, Jose Alberto Cabrera, Renata Beth Cadena, Khadryan A Lyssa Caldwell, Esmeralda Calvillo, Alberto Josue Campa and Matthew Alexander Campos.

Yarline Carolina Campos, Rayden Xavier Canales, Gizelle Irene Cardona, Kiana Lissbeth Casco, Grace Brianna Castaneda, Juan Raul Castaneda, Matthew Alejandro Castillo, Sarah Sophia Charles, Keira Janeane Chavis, Kenj'a Shauntae Chenier, Hannah Elizabeth Collazos, David Adrian Corte, Ivana Coto, Alisha Monique Counce and Lesley Dayanne Cruz Cortes.

Danny Ngoc Dang, Marshall Khang Dang, Tyler Dang, Amaya Dasiana Daniels, Kalia Janai Davis, Alyssa Faith Day, Jacob Alexander De La Rosa, Jade Morgan De Robles, Zachary Dylan Dehoyos, Isabella Rosario Delgado, Geriah Amiree Derouen, Laura Marcela Diaz, Vinh Thethanh Diep, Quan Hoang Dinh, Celene Le Duong, Dieu Xuan Duong and Kimora Jide Edwards.

Diego Escamilla, Drake Elias Escobedo, Ibrahim Yusuf Farage, Gavin Scott Aidan Feeley, Lizbeth Flores, Lizeth Flores, Miliana Janae Flores, Samantha Flores, Brock Asher Foshnigt, Alayasia Marie Foster, Joshua Mark Gamez, Aaron Mathew Garcia, Argelia Garcia, Damian Garcia, Isaac Josiah Garcia, Janie Isabel Garcia and Andrea Garibay.

Alyssa Marie Garza, Savannah Rae Garza, Vanessa Garza, Madison Taylor Gates, Zachary Anthony Glover, Wesley Paul Godwin, Alyssa Renee Gomez, Roy Alexander Gomez, Anastasia Nicole Gonzales, Andrea Gonzalez, Daisy Gonzalez, Elizabeth Celest Gonzalez, Gabriel Alejandro Granados and Darren Javon Groves.

Aixa Guerra Gomez, Kiet The Ha, Erica Kim Hay, Briana Kshal Haywood, Penelope Hernandez Mendoza, Christopher Hernandez, Ethan Daniel Hernandez, Eva Cristina Hernandez, Karisa Irene Hernandez, Sarah Celeste Hernandez, Shelsea Melany Hernandez, Thomas Feliciano Herrera and Joseph Sebastian Hinojosa.

Ylisse Ianna Hinojosa, Anthony Loc Ho, Jennifer Nguyen Ho, Amy Anh Hoang, Kelly Hoang, Carlie Rae Hogan, Quang Hong, Denali Tyam Hubbard, Jaylene Pryce Humphrey, Deaira Deovious Jackson, Briana Zulema Jamaica, Luis Mario Jamaica, Johana Jasso, Justice Jashelle Jefferson, Evelyn Gisel Jimenez Davila and Casey Voncille Junkin.

Makayla Marie Karkosky, Briana Isabelle Keim, Danae Eugenia Kostikoglou, Thao Phuong Lam, Vanessa Marie Lam, Ryle Jacob Lawson, Hayden Jay Lazo, Victoria Marie Lazo, Ha My Thi Le, Lewis Le, Tony Le, Jesus Jael Leon, Evelyn Anh Lien, Arlenys Liens Alvarez, Abel Alexander Limachi, Tartzis Jonathan Lobos, Chanel Laraine Lofton and Cheralyn Latrice Lofton.

Nathan Lopez, Sandy Nhi Lu, Joseph Paul Lukner, Jimmy Duong Luong, Truc Thanh Luu, Amir Tourek Mabry, Jesse Manuel Maldonado, Logan Adelis Marciano, Paulo Rodrigo Marin

Gonzalez, Nohemy Marquez, Adrian Martinez, Anahi Martinez, Ariel Storm Martinez, Gerardo Yahir Martinez and Joscelyn Nicole Martinez.

Erin Paige Maslonka, Cadie Colleen Masterson, Kyle William McDonald, Taizhon Allen McKinney, Patricia Medina, Oscar Medrano, Joel Mejia, Alejandro Israel Melendez, Nicholas Antonio Mendoza, Angela Isabel Menendez, Desiree Renee Miller, Ashley Sofia Miranda and Carolina Sarai Miranda.

Alyssa Malaine Montes, Jaidan Renee Montes, Elias Alexander Montez, Aileen Michelle Morales, Nicholas Valentine Morales, Jalil Azim Muhammad, Nabila Islam Munshi, Mia Faith Alyssa Myers, Neria Josslyn Nanez, Janah Naser, Michael Chine Merem Ndudim, Jonathan Neira, Amy Thomy Ngo, Thien Ngoc Ngo and Alan Thanh Nguyen.

Albert Truong Nguyen, Andrew Ngoc Nguyen, Augustin Hoang Nguyen, Bich Van Ha Nguyen, Bruce Vinh Nguyen, Dang Tran Hai Nguyen, Harrison Nguyen, Henry Huy Nguyen, Hieu Xuantrung Nguyen, Huy Mai Nguyen, Jason Hoang Nguyen, Lucas Uy Nguyen, Ngoc Nha Thy Nguyen, Steven Nguyen and Tammy Luong Nguyen.

Thao Phuong Nguyen, Thi Cam Ngan Nguyen, Tom Minh Tam Nguyen, Tri Thuan Tran Nguyen, Trishta Quynh Nguyen, Trung Quang Nguyen, Viet The Nguyen, Precious Ifeemaka Oko, Kyana Anne Oliver, Ianna Berenice Ortega, Karina Palos, Phung Tieu Pang, Tristan Juan Pedraza, Yessenia Lizbeth Pena, Danielle Alexis Perez, Jacob Nicholas Perez, Kevin Minh Pham and Leyna Pham.

Mary Tuyet Pham, Ky Ky Duong Phan, Destiny Pichardo, Natalie Quinteros, Ivan Jose Ramirez, Lessly Ramirez, Marc Anthony Ramirez, McKenzie Paige Rankins, Kyle Adan Redmond, Jaden Alyssa Redon, Francesca Paola Reyes, Devin Denise Richard, Israel Manuel Rico, Mia Alexandra Ridge and Elvis Jorge Rivas Hernandez.

Ivan Moises Rivera, Lauren Ashley Robinson, Benito Gabriel Rodriguez, Denise Alexandra Rodriguez, Emily Rodriguez, Evan Valexis Rodriguez, Jhon Carlos Rojas Peraranda, Sandy Ruiz, Emily Lauren Rummel, Celeste Rose Salazar, Isaac Santiago Salazar, Jocelyn Salazar, Vanessa Salazar, Casandra Salinas De Leon and June Delilah Santillanes.

Emily Diane Santos, Madeline Marie Schwausch, Lillian May Simons, Amari Deon Singleton, Kloe Laynette Smith, Toni Michelle Smith, Jasmine Renee Soto, Marisa Michelle Soto, Kendall Fay Spafford, Madelyn Gabriele Spray, Santrell Deshawn Steward, Christina Danielle Suarez, Jyraine Irybelle Daya-On Sudario, Elyssa Reane Sulak and Dylan Thanh-Trung Ta.

Wazha Tapela Tapela, Deja Nychol Thomas, Victoria Nicole Thomas, Destiny Bonae Thurmond, Samuel Tinoco, Eric P. To, Alyssa Giselle Toro, Gerardo Torres, Julio Andres Torres, Noah Matthew Torres, Miguel Angel Torres-Velasco, Natalia Camille Townes, Angel Tien Tran, Deborah Thy Tran, Kathy Mai-Trang Tran, Lili Ann Tran and Vy Kieu Tran.

Yen Vu My Tran, Deeaniguel Trinh, Kevin Huy Trinh, Everett James Triplette, Marisol Isabel Valadez, Gia Marie Vargas Diaz, Michelle Veguerrero, Madylin Alexis Vela, Hilda Anahi Venegas, Alexander Villarraga, Tiffany Angel Villarreal, Hailey Nicole Villagas and Diep Thi Ngoc Vo.

Thuc Uyen Vo, Tony Vo, Anh Que Nguyen Vu, Nathaniel Lee Wallace, Zachary Kyle Wallace, Kylie Marie Watson, Alise Yvette Williams, Razmon Jamariya Williams, Damayanti Asha Wilson, Hannah Isabella Woernley, Joshua Richard Wyygant, Enlai Derrick Yui, Jannatun Nahar Zaman and Emma Delia Zapata.

Eleventh grade

Alejandra Nicole Abascal, Abrianna Isabel Aguilar, Gema Isabel Alanis, Steven Anthony Alaniz, Santiago Ivan Albarran, Jada Vernice Alix, Taylor Avery Alvarez, Ashley Lizbeth Amaral, Jonathan Anaya, Tamecia Nicole Anderson, Adrian Andrade, Clarissa Idaly Arzola, Rida Asif, Valerie Renea Banks and Johan Andres Barreiro Quintero.

Mark Daniel Bautista, Eduardo Benavides, Alyssa Mercedes Bernal, Alesia Michelle Bill, Justin Duane Blogg, Sean Austin Bonner, Kierra Chardae Britton, Jesse Manuel Bustamante, Jocelyn Bustos, Dominic Avery Caballero, Julian Joel Calvillo, Sadie Rae Capuchino, Jenni-

fer Elizabeth Carcamo Lovo, Jayla Cherie Carmouche and Christen Chantil Carpio Moni.

Thomas Patrick Carson, Envi Marie Cathcart, Diego Alan Cerda, Priscella Chavez, Jolany Janneth Chavez, Victoria Pham Chu, Courtney Van Chung, Joshua Daniel Collins, Sophia Colmenares, Danielle Joy Colunga, Sebastian Antonio Comabella Paredes, Maria Fernanda Contreras Coronado, Samuel Contreras, Brenna Elyse Cook and Nicolas Xavier Cook.

Shelby Ranay Couchman, Dontavion Demond Crosby, Bianca Gabrielle Cruz, Julisa Cruz, Carrie Briana Cubos, Enoc Ruben Curiel, Tammy Tam Dang, Victoria Thien-Nga Dao, Purba Angela Daria, Destiny Alexis Davila, Lauren Alexandra Deramus, Duyen Ngoc Thien Do, Quang Ngoc Do, Huan My Tran Doan and Angelina Phuongthanh Dong.

Gabriela Jasmín Dorantes, Alonso Dosal, Marcus Jordan Doss, Kay Duong, Jacob Duron, Maya Isabella Echavarría, Jacob Ryan Efrid, Annette Florine Eonne, Joshua Dean Erickson, Rudy Espinal, Efoza Osagie Ewansih, Granyeli Feliciano, Carson Neal Fletcher, Chloe Renee Flores, Gerson Alexis Flores, Nancy Mitchell Flores and Stephanie Judith Flores.

Viviana Frias, Lee Andrew Frost, Josselin Jasmin Fuentes, Shalayah Michelle Gaines, Noe Alejandro Garcia Moreno, Adrian Garcia, Ashley Nicole Garcia, Jaydon Anthony Garcia, Jocelyn Garcia, Mayela Lizbeth Garcia, Tytiana Angel Garcia, Ximenna Garfias Vazquez, Nayeli Garibay and Angelina Nicole Garza.

Daniel Ryan Garza, Yanelly Garza, Brianna Lynnette Gomez, Anthony Gonzales, Noah Elijah Gonzales, Chloe Antoinette Gonzalez, Seth Allen Gonzalez, Vivian Nicole Gonzalez, Dianey Gracia, Alejandra Zafiro Gracías, Tristan Skylar Gray, Kiana Ta'nae Groves, Erica M. Guajardo, Miquela Danielle Guajardo, Rogelio Dejesus Guajardo and Ivonne Monserrath Guerrero Aguilar.

Gabrielle Gutierrez, Mikayla Marie Gutierrez, Xavier Lawrence Gutierrez, Amy Guzman, Emily Guzman, Alina Isabel Herazo, Christian David Hernandez, Steve Sevazytan Hernandez, Jonathan Humberto Herrera, Marcus Andrew Herrera, Athena Tuyet Ninh Ho, Duy Hoang Ho, Jacob Vinh Ho and Kennedy Bao Ho.

Peter Quoc-Vuong Hoang, Stephanie Nicole Horton, Kacy Abigail Huerta, Doan Thy Ba Huynh, Kate-Lynxuan Thi Huynh, Thi Hoang Huynh, Vivian Quynh Huynh, Breyzee Loghan Irving, Cynthia Carmona Jennings, Tatyana Antonique Lynnie Johnson, Caroline Renee Jordan, Sreejani Kabir and Thailyn Cec Kam Trevino.

McKayla Jayne Karsten, Mahrukh Khan, Irene Sojung Kim, Joyelle Dawn Marie Knight, Shawn Paul Krivik, Truong Vu Quang Lai, Phat Minh Lam, Troy Edmund Lampton, Allie Paige Lawson, Kayla Marie Lawson, Daniel Isaiiah Lazcano, Hannah May Lazo, Jessica Kimmai Le, Phuong-Thu Mai Le, Trung Vo Dinh Le, Elaine Anh Lien and Jeremiah Forsyth Little.

Alyssa Nichole Looosa, Erin Marie Loosier, Samantha Eliana Lopez, Milow Lozano, David Edward Lukner, Thien Huong Ngoc Luu, Trung Quang Luu, Tin Chan Ly, Mercedes Miranda Machado, Maria Lee Mancillas, Sarah Caprice Marquez, Jorge Emiliano Martinez Islas, Javier Sferino Martinez, Lauren Jasmin Martinez, Raylene Martinez, Monica Massoud and Marissa Ann Maxwell.

Madison Nicole McClelland, Christian Jamiechicas Medina, Nayelli Kassandra Melendez, Christopher James Mendiola-Garcia, Annye Melissa Mendoza Aguilar, Dwayne Anthony Mills, Lee-na Osama Mohamad, Jonathan Francisco Mokarzel, Christopher Rodolfo Monita, Brooke Madison Morales and Jocelin Abril Morales.

Kristy Anahi Morales, Valerie Ray Morales, Juliana Moreno, Alvaro Navas, Allison Neira, Alyssa Quynh Nguyen, Ashley Nguyen, Daisy Thuy Tram Nguyen, Danny Thanh Nguyen, Donna Ngoc Nguyen, Dung Tuan Nguyen, Elina Tu Thanh Nguyen, Han Nguyen, Jennifer Han Nguyen, Jessica Tien Nguyen, Johnny Quang Nguyen, Ngan Pham-Thien Nguyen and Nguyen Phuong Thao Nguyen.

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Nguyen regards John as inspirational

J. Frank Dobie High School's Shining Star Andy Nguyen (below, left) is shown with distinguished educator and 10th-grade health science instructor Linu John. In regard to his teacher, Nguyen said, "Mrs. John is not only an amazing teacher, but also an inspirational person that I've always respected and admired. She takes the time to build a connection with you, just like she did with me. Mrs. John has helped me overcome numerous obstacles in school and in life as I wouldn't be here if it hadn't been for her sacrifice and affection. She has also given me moral guidance and wisdom, which has allowed me to become a better person overall. Mrs. John is the gift of life. Thank you for allowing me to be one of your students."

Community service has been a priority with Nguyen who has participated in activities including Key Club (2015-2019), HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America)-Future Health Professionals (2016-2019), National Honor Society (2017-2019), Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center (2017-2018),

MD Anderson Cancer Center (2017-2018) and Vietnamese Martyrs Church (2015-2019). Nguyen has also included extracurricular activities in orchestra (2015-2016), tennis (2015-2016), Latin Club (2015-2017) and clinical rotations (2017-2018). He also held leadership positions as secretary of both Latin and Key clubs.

"After high school, I plan on attending a four-year university and major in biochemistry, hoping to build a life around emergency medicine or trauma," Nguyen added.

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Single tickets on sale for Bayou Theater's 2019-2020 season

The University of Houston-Clear Lake Bayou Theater will present 25 performances for its 2019-2020 season, a mix of classical, blues, bluegrass and rock

Shakespeare's most recognized plays "The Tempest." Single ticket sales begin July 1. "Most shows have reserved seating, so this is your opportunity to get your

tickets early and get the seats you'd like," said Alex Malone, director of Theater and Cultural Arts. "We have an exciting lineup of shows and we're offering great discounts," said

Malone. Seniors, ages 55 and older, may buy a ticket for \$15 for any show. UH-Clear Lake faculty, staff, alumni and retirees can purchase a ticket for \$12, and any student from any college or university may purchase a ticket for \$10 if they present their ID.

AARP Webster chapter shares meeting date

AARP Webster Area Chapter 199 welcomes the community to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, July 19, at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 E. NASA Parkway, Seabrook. The group convenes in the large building with the blue roof inside Clear Lake Park on the north side of NASA Parkway.

Everyone is invited to come to the meetings and to enjoy coffee, cookies and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before the meeting starts at 10 a.m. Each month the chapter has entertainment or a speaker on various topics of interest to seniors. On Friday, July 19, "10 Early Signs and Symptoms of Alzheimer's" will be presented by Bonnie Benkula and Robin Holmes of Care-Builders at Home. They will speak at 10:30 a.m. after the chapter business meeting ends. There will not be a potluck lunch at the July 19 meeting.

The AARP Chapter also organizes day trips for AARP Chapter 199 members by bus to local area points of interest at minimal cost. The next day trip will be on Wednesday, July 10, to the Imax Theater at the HMNS to see "The Great Barrier Reef" in 3D. The chapter will have lunch at Luby's Cafeteria/Fuudrucker's and tour the Buffalo Soldiers National Museum.

The following day trip will be Wednesday, Aug. 28, to tour the Beer Can House, Orange Show, Smith's Park and Dunham Bible Museum. The chapter members will eat at Dinner Bell Cafeteria.

If anyone is interested in joining the group, annual dues are \$8 per year per person. However, one must be a member of national AARP to join any local chapter. AARP Chapters are separately incorporated affiliates of AARP.

For more information, contact Earl Mallett at 281-484-2589 or earlmallett@sbcglobal.net.

Juan describes Crews as exceptional

Distinguished educator and 12th-grade Anatomy and Physiology and AP biology instructor Casey Crews (below, left) is shown with Dr. Kirk Lewis Career & Technical High School's Shining Star Justine Joyce Kauri Juan.

Crews is described by Juan as, "... nothing but an exceptional educator. He will drive his students toward success no matter what. 'Leave no man behind,' is Mr. Crews' teaching style because he would go through all lengths to teach a student until they can understand the material. Personally, this educator has taught me that mistakes are a part of the learning process and grades are nothing but a number. Respect is all I have for him and there is no hyperboles in this world that can describe how awesome he is."

In regard to her community service, Juan said, "I have more than 100 hours volunteered at Clear Lake Regional Medical Center during summer of my junior year as NICU receptionist. It was fun and scary being surrounded by anxious parents."

"However, every second I have given to that hospital was worth it. The experience and knowledge that I have gained cannot be compared to anything in this world. It was an experience of a lifetime."

Juan plans to become a psychologist and psychiatrist. "I dream to help those who are lost. Mainly, the prisoners that are locked up in their cells, psychologically suffering every second that ticks away from them. I want to understand how their minds work in order to prevent those are about to fall into the vicious cycle of prison."

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JFD 1999 reunion set

J. Frank Dobie High School's Class of 1999 will be having their 20th reunion at Scotty's Pub On the Bay in League City Saturday, Aug. 24, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Each ticket includes food and two drinks and costs only \$40 if purchased by July 15. Tickets are \$45 July 16 through Aug. 1. No tickets will be sold at the door.

More information can be found at www.facebook.com/DobieClassOf1999Reunion. Buy tickets at PayPal.Me/DobieClassOf1999 or Venmo to DOBIE-CLASS99.

Include names of all attendees when purchasing tickets.

HFD responds to July 4 area apartment fire

City of Houston firefighters arrived on the scene of an apartment fire July 4 at 10910 Gulf Freeway to find smoke coming from a first-floor apartment.

The fire was extinguished and HFD Arson investigators were requested to determine the cause and origin of the fire.

Cause of the fire has not been released yet, and is under investigation by the HFD Arson investigators.

An estimated cost of damages was estimated at \$1,500. Estimates of property saved was \$9,500.

Crews from Stations 26, 52, 70, 29, 61, 36 and 24 responded to this incident.

Comptroller's office makes examination

In the June/July edition of "Fiscal Notes," released on July 3, the comptroller's office examines the state of transportation funding in Texas and some methods other states are using and considering to raise revenue for surface transportation.

Miles driven in Texas have increased significantly over the past decade, and the stress on the state's roads has never been greater.

"Our aging infrastructure needs more maintenance and new expansion if we're going to maintain the robust growth of this state," said Glenn Hegar, Texas comptroller. "The state needs to stay informed about how the tax system is used across the country to help pay for roads and road maintenance, because in Texas a failing road and highway system is not acceptable."

This issue also takes a look at equity crowd-funding, in which companies seeking capital can sell small equity stakes for equally small contributions, without many of the requirements involved in traditional accredited investing in stocks and bonds.

Thirty-three other states allow this form of crowd-funding; since Texas adopted it in 2014, the state's businesses have raised about \$2.5 million in this way.

"Fiscal Notes" is available online and can be received by subscribing via the comptroller's website at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXCOMPT/subscribe/new?topic_id=%20TXCOMPT_142.

"Fiscal Notes" furthers the comptroller's constitutional responsibility to monitor the state's economy and estimate state government revenues. It has been published since 1975, featuring in-depth analysis concerning state finances and original research by subject-matter experts in the comptroller's office.

Israeli folk dancing dates set

Israeli folk dances are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. July dates are 15 and 29. There will be no session July 22. August dates are 5, 12, 19 and 26. There will be no sessions Sept. 2. The cost is \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members and \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers. Newcomers are welcome to join the group. Congregation Shaar Hashalom, located at 16020 El Camino Real, is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. The community is invited to attend. For more information, contact 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarhashalom.org.

Bay area singles set dance

The Bay Area Singles Club monthly dance is July 20, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at VFW Lodge, 5204 Highway 3, Dickinson, Post 6378. Participants are urged to bring party snacks to share.

Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for nonmembers. For more information, call 832-483-3257 or 832-477-6778.

40 years ago (1979) Wood Brothers Construction awarded a contract to Irrigation Construction Company to complete work on underground utilities for Section III of Wood Meadow. The project targeted the completion of Scarcsdale Boulevard between Wood Meadow and Sageglen subdivisions.

35 years ago (1984) Goodwill Industries started manning a drop-off station in the Furniture Clearance Center parking lot at 13401 Gulf Freeway, just north of Scarcsdale.

30 years ago (1989) J. Frank Dobie High School Lariaette Col. Michelle Palmer was selected as Miss East Texas Drill Team. Dobie junior Kristen Myers received first runner-up honors.

25 years ago (1994) A corroded sewer pipe collapsed in front of a home in the 9700 block of Grenadier in Beverly Hills, causing the homeowner's front yard to sink into a giant hole.

20 years ago (1999) The U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Houston received a championship. Robinson was the first area athlete to make it to the national championship meet.

15 years ago (2004) A map drawing new boundary lines from a proposed new high school in the Pasadena Independent School District would cut the South Belt area in half, causing many students to attend the new school.

10 years ago (2009) Longtime South Belt resident and community father Dick Dickenson passed away suddenly and unexpectedly after suffering a brain hemorrhage.

5 years ago (2014) Houston city Mayor Bill White addressed concerns at the monthly Sagemont Civic Club.

PISD officials and school principals met to discuss solutions and strategies to stop illegal enrollment in the district.

1 year ago (2018) A hit-and-run accident took place Saturday, July 7, in the 9800 block of Fuqua between Blackhawk and Kingspoint, possibly killing an unborn child. According to police, the suspect was traveling east on the street in a tan Ford Expedition when he lost control of his vehicle and drove over the esplanade and into the westbound lanes of traffic. Police said the suspect driver crossed the path of a white Kia Sportage that struck the right passenger side of the Expedition, causing it to roll over. The driver of the Expedition, which had temporary paper license plates, reportedly exited the vehicle and fled on foot. The driver of the Sportage - a 34-year-old female who was eight months pregnant - was transferred to Clear Lake Regional Hospital in critical condition. While there, the woman was forced to undergo an emergency c-section to deliver the child. A news report from ABC Channel 13 stated that the child died on Monday, July 9, but Houston police were unable to confirm this. A spokesman

for HPD said the last update they had listed the child as also being in critical condition. The driver of the Expedition, described as an adult Hispanic male, was wanted on a felony charge of failing to stop and render aid. No immediate arrests were made.

Other structural improvements. The bond would provide for a new Dobie High School ninth-grade campus and a new local intermediate school, to be located in the Riverstone Ranch area.

A young woman was killed in a single-vehicle accident in the 2200 block of Pearl Parkway near Hughes Road/Barry Rose. Taylor Montgomery, 20, was pronounced dead at the scene. According to Pearl Road police, Montgomery was traveling north on the street when she failed to maneuver a curve and veered off the road, striking a light pole and then a cement wall, causing her car to flip over. She was pronounced dead at the scene.



DWIGHT BOYKINS CELEBRATES JULY 6

The Leader wishes a happy birthday to Dwight Boykins.

DAVE MATTHEWS RECOVERS, RETIRES Dave Matthews will retire, and was recognized at Harris County Commissioners Court on Tuesday, July 9. See next week's paper for more details.

SCHOOL DAZE The following personnel and staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays July 11 through July 17.

Atkinson Elementary Celebrating a birthday July 11 is Regina Barnes. The day for a birthday party for Claudia Trevino is July 15. Donna Ballard marks a birthday July 16.

Burnett Elementary Sing a happy birthday song to Teresa Abel on July 15.

Bush Elementary Light the birthday candles July 11 for Liz Soliz. Send a happy birthday greeting to Lizbeth Cavazos on July 15.

Frazier Elementary Megan Herrera marks a birthday July 11.

Genoa Elementary Join in the birthday celebration July 13 for Elizabeth Binnicker. Sing a happy birthday song July 15 to Kathryn Martinez. Send a birthday greeting July 17 to Virginia Gomez.

South Belt Elementary Send a birthday greeting July 11 to Vanessa Lewis. Sing a birthday song July 12 to Jody Finch.

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50th anniversary set for Apollo's mission

Continued from Page 1A ing mission's rich legacy in association with a number of community events during the historic month of July:

Apollo 11 50th Live at Space Center Houston Celebration • Saturday, July 20, all day, Space Center Houston: Featuring Walk The Moon and Phillip Phillips and an interactive countdown celebration.

Apollo 11 50th Live is an all-day lunar celebration and countdown to Neil Armstrong's first steps on the moon. Discover an array of space-themed experiences including late-night NASA Tram Tours, notable speakers, book signings, an outdoor festival with a concert, a family STEM zone and more.

The first 15,000 Apollo celebration guests receive a commemorative LED wristband that will glow throughout the indoor experience, during the concert and the official first steps countdown at 9:56 p.m. Wristbands will be issued on-site to ticket holders.

Opening ceremony: At 9:15 a.m. kick off a day full of celebration featuring a host of notable and inspiring speakers from the Apollo era and today. The Golden Knights, the U.S. Army official aerial parachute demonstration team, will parachute in during the ceremony.

Outdoor concert and festival beginning at 8 p.m. featuring Walk The Moon and Phillip Phillips.

Live interactive countdown to Neil Armstrong's first steps July 20, 1969, at 9:56 p.m. CT (much like the ball drop on New Year's Eve in New York's Times Square), complete with synchronized digital lighted wristbands for the first 15,000 attendees.

Family STEM Zone with hands-on activities, robotic challenges and Apollo-themed learning experiences.

A variety of indoor and outdoor food and drink options as well as cooling zones.

1960s inspired Discovery Reserve Beer Garden provided by Budweiser.

VIP experience packages Depending on package, additional experiences will include:

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Uncle Boo's legacy continues with Pick-A-Thon

By Laura Benavides Scallan

The time is coming for guitarists to show off their picking skills at the 2019 Uncle Boo Pick-A-Thon.

Uncle Boo, father of Anita Campbell, was born William Eugene Campbell in Arkansas. According to the Uncle Boo Records website, Eugene began picking at his dad's guitar at the age of 2, and by the age of 4, his natural talent was recognized by musicians far and wide.

"He got the name Uncle Boo because when he was little he would jump out behind furniture and try to scare people," said Anita. "Everyone called him Uncle Boo, even if they were of no family relation. He is still known in the music industry as Uncle Boo."

The website also states that he taught his nephew, multi-Grammy winner Glen Campbell, how to play guitar.

After learning to play guitar, Glen was able to play in a Los Angeles studio as a musician, and accompanied The Beach Boys, Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., along with many others, states the website.

Glen went on to perform with the band The Wrecking Crew and eventually became a renowned solo artist. According to his website, he was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2005 and the Musician's Hall of Fame in 2007.

Now, as a tribute by his daughter, The Uncle Boo Pick-A-Thon will be taking place July 19 - 21 at Last Concert Cafe, 1403 Nance

Street. This competition gives musicians the opportunity to show off their picking skills, and win some incredible prizes. The event will also feature 22 live bands.

"I've wanted to do this for a long time," Anita said. "To continue my dad's legacy because that was what he was all about. He wanted to help guitar players and gave so many lessons for free. He never expected anything from them. He just wanted to help other people play the guitar because that was his life and he wanted to share it. I want to continue this legacy and I hope the guy or girl that wins this competition gets into the Musician's Hall of Fame in Tennessee. I want Houston to put out great guitar players."

The grand prize winner of the contest will receive a round trip airfare and two-night stay in Nashville, a full band recording session at Wayne Moss Cinderella Studios in Nashville, a replica 1977 Fender Telecaster guitar and a photo with Uncle Boo's guitar at the Musician's Hall of Fame and Museum in Nashville. The runner-up will receive a Glen Campbell Ovation guitar.

Uncle Boo was also a resident of the South Belt area and one of his daughters still resides in the area. Anita attended Atkinson Elementary, Beverly Hills Intermediate and Dobie High School. Although she no longer resides in South Belt, Anita still has deep ties to the community.

Anita shared a lot of interesting facts regarding Uncle

Boo and Glen, including that neither one of them could read music. She said she didn't learn how to play the guitar, but she did sing in her dad's band.

"I have little baby hands," she said. "He tried to teach all us kids, but he really didn't have the patience. But he did have patience with all the other people that would find him to teach them. I am a singer and I started singing in my dad's band at about 10

years old." From Shelly's to Gilley's, Uncle Boo and his band played all over the Houston and Pasadena area in different venues for all kinds of people. He let his passion for guitar and country music flow from his fingers, to his instrument, to the ears of anyone who wanted to listen and enjoy his music.

Anita did say her father played guitar up until he had a stroke. After that, he really

couldn't play anymore. But Glen kept up the legacy that Uncle Boo started and continued it until his death in 2017.

Being the inaugural Pick-A-Thon, Anita hopes to continue to give exposure to upcoming guitar players.

"I want the history of country music to stay forefront in everyone's mind," she said. "I don't want them to forget. It's all about the young musicians coming up and getting exposure."

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Presentations Special 45-minute panel presentations of Apollo-era flight controllers throughout the day will include:

Lunar Module Development and Operational Issues at 10 a.m. with panelists Richard Cucco, Jack Knight and William Reeves;

Lunar Module Landing Operations at 11 a.m. with panelists Harold A. Loden, William Reeves and Robert Nance;

Lunar Science Operations at 12 p.m. with panelists Wendel Mendel and Arthur L. Schmitt; and

Command Module Land-

oration and investment, along with the hard work of Bike-Houston, the Bicycle Advisory Committee, Link Houston and many others."

Pedestrian and bicycle safety is a pressing priority for the region given the escalating number of traffic accidents and fatalities involving pedestrians and cyclists in Houston. The new bikeways also increase access to affordable forms of transit and mobility and enhance overall quality of life for residents.

"This bikeway brings back so many memories from my childhood. I would ride the area often and am grateful I escaped injuries because I didn't think it was safe to use. I'm happy this is changing," Garcia said. "This creates access and connection to major landmark attractions in our area for our community to enjoy. I hope this encourages our neighbors who aren't comfortable riding their bike in the neighborhood to do it and take advantage of this wonderful bikeway."

Data from the American Communities Survey show that lower-income residents already tend to bike to work more than higher-income residents. According to estimates by AAA (Triple-A), the average cost of owning a new car is over \$8,000 a year.

Ellis noted, "For many Houstonians, owning and maintaining a car can be a financial hardship. With these new bicycle lanes connecting the Near Northside neighborhood to jobs downtown and other important destinations in the area, residents will have more affordable options to get around, expanding opportuni-

ties for success to everyone." Similar work is also underway on segments in Midtown along Austin and La Branch streets, connecting downtown to Hermann Park and the Texas Medical Center. An eastern segment along Polk and Cullen streets will connect downtown to parts of the East End and Third Ward. Together, these corridors will form a regional "spine" stitching together communities and creating north-south connections between three bayou greenways on Hunting, Buffalo and Brays.

San Jacinto College, WGU Texas sign agreement

San Jacinto College announced the week of June 27, the signing of an agreement with online, nonprofit university WGU (Western Governors University) Texas that creates pathways for the college's stu-

dents, employees, and graduates to work toward a bachelor's or master's degree and further their education at WGU Texas.

"With this partnership, both institutions are committed to providing our students with educational pathways to earning a four-year degree, expand their education and increase their earning potential," said Dr. Brenda Hellyer, San Jacinto College Chancellor.

"We are excited about helping students reach their next goal."

This is the second transfer agreement between SJC and WGU Texas. The first was signed earlier this year and

streamlined the process for SJC students and graduates pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing at WGU Texas.

The signing event at SJC included remarks from Deer Park Mayor Jerry Mouton, Jr., who is a WGU Texas and SJC graduate. Through the agreement with WGU Texas, SJC graduates, faculty and staff may select among the more than 60 accredited bachelor's and master's degree programs in information technology, business, health professions and teaching. Transfer students also receive special benefits including:

- A 5 percent discounted tuition at WGU Texas;
- Exclusive partner scholarships, valued at up to \$2,000; and
- A comprehensive transfer policy.

"WGU Texas is thrilled to expand its presence in the greater Houston area by providing more San Jacinto College students a seamless pathway to completing their bachelor's and master's degrees and preparing them to enter some of the state's most in-demand careers," said Dr. Steven Johnson, chancellor, WGU Texas. "Community colleges enroll almost half of all students in the state—over 730,000 students. This partnership creates an opportunity to link those students to alternative, viable pathways to earning a degree."



A signing event held at San Jacinto College allows SJC and WGU (Western Governors University) Texas make higher education more accessible to San Jac students. Shown at the signing are, left to right, Dwayne Grant, Strategic Partnerships manager; Jerry Mouton, Deer Park mayor; Dr. Steven Johnson, WGU Texas chancellor; and Dr. Brenda Hellyer, chancellor of San Jacinto College. Photo submitted

Dobie names last honor roll for 2018-2019 school year

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Herrera values Cherry as mentor

Pasadena Memorial High School's Shining Star Carolyn Herrera (below, left) is shown with distinguished educator and 10th-grade anatomy and physiology instructor Scott Cherry. "Mr. Cherry was my sophomore year anatomy and physiology teacher. I absolutely loved his class and looked forward to sixth period every day."

"Mr. Cherry was a true mentor, giving me the needed materials to understand what my future goals were, talking with me about my passions in science and giving me the confidence to pursue a career others may not really consider," Herrera said.

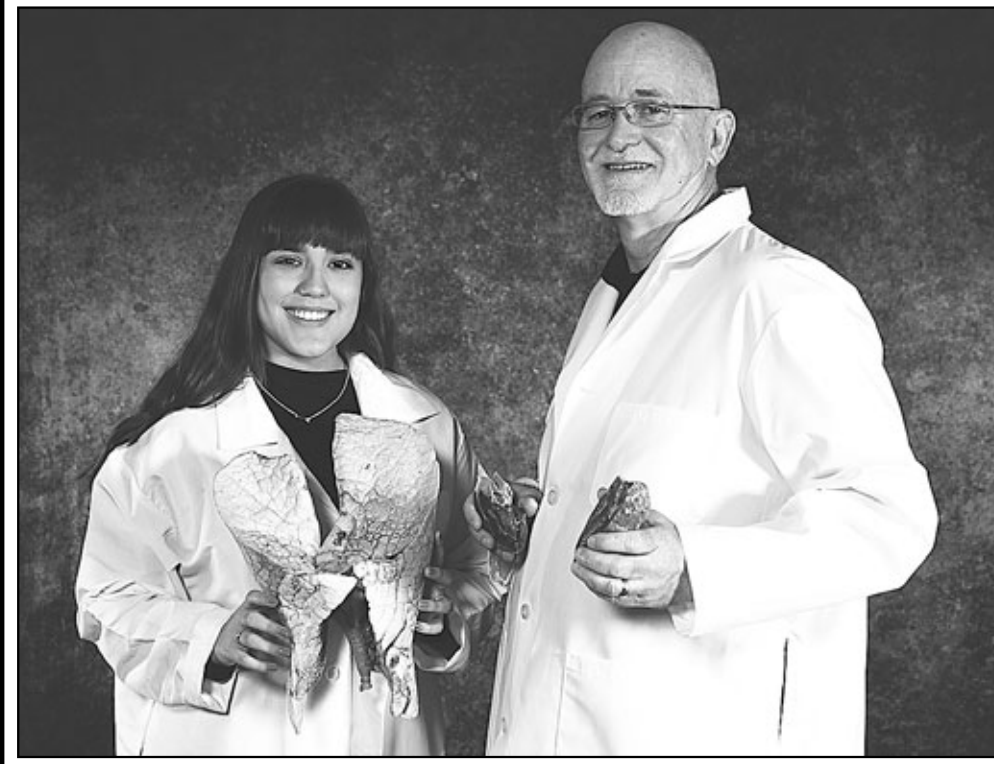
"He inspired me to major in biology and study for a science degree, because he loved what he did and really believed that I would love doing what I wanted to set out to do," Herrera added.

Valuing community service, Perez said, "I have helped with marathons for The Bridge Over Troubled Waters, a father-daughter dance at Red Bluff Elementary and a Halloween event at South Houston High School. I have also directed a toy drive that distributed gifts to pre-kindergarten students at Pearl Hall Elementary." In regard to the future, Perez said, "I plan on attending an Ivy League school, as I have already been accepted to Harvard and patiently wait for results from other universities. I hope to major in applied mathematics and minor in chemistry and/or political science in order to eventually work in the NSA or NASA to solve major world issues."

Herrera demonstrated leadership skills as secretary for Interact Club (2017-2018) and president for Interact Club (2018-2019). She was also clarinet section leader (2017-2018) and clarinet section leader and band captain (2018-2019). In addition to these activities, Herrera worked in the community with Interact-Rotary books for the world,

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The information and photos were submitted by Pasadena Independent School District. The Leader is also running the Shining Stars from Dobie, Dr. Kirk Lewis Career & Technical and South Houston high schools.



Carolyn Herrera (left) is shown with distinguished educator and 10th-grade anatomy and physiology instructor Scott Cherry. Photo submitted

Lopez encouraged Perez to succeed

Norma Lopez (below, left), South Houston High School's distinguished educator who teaches 11th-grade Pre-AP and Pre-Calculus, is shown with South Houston High School's Shining Star Julio Cesar Perez.

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Perez said, "Every time I would take an SAT test or apply for a summer program, Mrs. Lopez was always the first person to know. Even though I never acquainted with her during my first two years of high school, she quickly became my mentor, someone that I could converse with in regards to my personal and academic life. Her desire to watch me succeed motivated me to go past my own mindset and expectations. No matter where I end up in the future, I will always have Mrs. Lopez expecting absolute perfection out of me, all while still cheering me on."

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Showing leadership qualities, Perez has enjoyed positions including senior class president, National Honor Society president, percussion captain, Superintendent Student Advisory Committee representative and Academic Decathlon Honors captain. He has also been active in marching band and Key Club.

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Norma Lopez (left) and Julio Cesar Perez. Photo submitted

Pasadena skyline to change

Weather permitting, the old First Pasadena State Bank building is set for implosion July 21, at 7 a.m.

gun on pre-demolition work. A project management team is in the process of contacting surrounding businesses and residents in person to keep them informed.

project management team are working with the Federal Aviation Administration to create a TFR (Technical Flight Restriction) zone, due to the popularity of amateur drone photography.

Representatives from the community, local businesses, members of the Economic Development Corporation and elected officials will be on hand to usher in a new chapter in Pasadena's history. Mayor Jeff Wagner and several other community leaders will make remarks to commemorate the event.

On the morning of the implosion, streets will be closed off and a safety perimeter will be set up and controlled by professional contractors, Pasadena Police Department and Pasadena Fire Marshals.

The City of Pasadena and the Pasadena EDC are coordinating updates via social media as details become available. The public is encouraged to follow the Facebook accounts for the latest information: @PasadenaEDC and @pasadenatexas.

After years of neglect, the once iconic symbol of progress fell into a costly state of disrepair. Evidence of vandalism, gang activity and fires appeared regularly in rogue online footage. In addition to becoming an eyesore, the structure had also become a hazard to the community. In October 2018, the Pasadena EDC purchased the property from the previous owner.

Visit www.pasadenaedc.com or www.pasadenatx.gov for a map. The Pasadena Office of Emergency Management will be monitoring the event starting at 4 a.m. that morning and will remain active until the event is complete. City officials and the

A special viewing platform for official media representatives will be available, with limited space. Be prepared to show employment credentials upon arrival.

Garage sale dates set

D.H. Griffin Demolition specialists will perform the implosion. Professional remediation crews worked for more than six months on asbestos abatement to ensure an environmentally safe implosion and a countdown has be-

The Sisterhood at Congregation Shaar Hashalom will have the synagogue's annual garage/rummage sale July 14 and 21, between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Books, clothes, furniture, art work, toys and games and loads of surprise treasures are to be found at remarkable prices. Proceeds from this sale provide the funds for the Sisterhood to purchase special items and support additional activities for the synagogue. The entire community is invited. The congregation, located at 16020 El Camino Real is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For more information, visit www.shaarhashalom.org, call the office at 281-488-5861 or email cs@shaarhashalom.org.

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Fourth of July parade brings community together



Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz, shown above, is ready for the parade to get started. His entry was a big lemonade bus that was also seen in the Galveston Mardi Gras parade.



Former South Belt resident and Houston Astros pitcher J.R. Richard now leads The Diamond League youth foundation. He is shown above, left, with South Belt Chamber of Commerce Fun Bunch member Sharon Turner.

Shim Ball remembered



Former South Belt area baseball teammates Sam Shimfessel (left) and Bill Cole are shown above in front of the street that is named in honor of their childhood coach, and Shimfessel's father, Clarence "Shim" Shimfessel, which was recently unveiled in the Riverstone Ranch subdivision. Cole, along with other former players, purchased the naming rights to the street at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce's annual Evening of Cuisine event.

Former players honor Shimfessel, remember 1982 AL champions

A group of childhood friends recently came together to honor their former baseball coach by buying the rights to name an area street after him.

Named in honor of long-time South Belt resident Clarence "Shim" Shimfessel, Shim Ball Way was recently unveiled in the Riverstone Ranch subdivision.

While Shimfessel coached several local youth sports teams, he is probably most remembered for his undefeated 1982 season of American Legion play.

The effort to memorialize Shimfessel, now deceased, was led by 1982 team member Bill Cole, who suggested that some of the former baseball players pull their funds together to purchase the rights to name a local street as part of an auction at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce's annual Evening of Cuisine event.

"The boys from the summer of 1982 have reunited and come up with a street name that commemorates the American Legion Post 490 undefeated baseball team that went 14-0 in league play," Cole said.

"The motto of that team was reminiscent of our coaches attitude, which resonated throughout each player on the team."

"The team consisted of only two players from the high school varsity baseball team and multiple great athletes that played different sports for the Longhorns that prior school year."

"The coach's attitude was simple: relax, come to play and leave everything you have on the field."

"It is only fitting that 'Red' Shimfessel's legacy live forever in the Sagemont area near the ballpark where we grew up playing. Baseball that summer changed its name with this team, it was simply known to us as 'Shim Ball.'"

Cole's efforts were joined by Shimfessel's son, Sam Shimfessel, who also played on the 1982 American Legion team.

He, too, looks back on his father's legacy fondly.

"He enjoyed the game of baseball and spent countless hours helping young kids reach goals they never thought they could achieve," Sam Shimfessel said.

Originally from Mississippi, the elder Shimfessel grew up on a small-town dairy farm. As a young child, he understood the only thing that would keep him from being a career dairy farmer would be to get a scholarship to play sports at the college level.

His senior year in high school he led his baseball team to a state championship title and was named as an all-state third baseman. He signed to play baseball with Sam Houston State University, where he accomplished the very unusual feat of playing all nine positions.

After 3 years with Sam Houston Bearcats, "Shim" signed with the Philadelphia Phillies in the minor leagues to catch.

He thought he could hit better if he played catcher, and it was the weakest position on the Phillies roster where he thought he could move up faster in the organization.

While Shimfessel never made it to the big leagues, he had a love for the game that filtered down to coaching.

He coached several teams in the Sagemont area with many other great coaches that helped him, forming many long-lasting friendships along the way.



The Southeast Volunteer Fire Department rolled out several vehicles for the parade. Shown above are, left to right, Kimberly Flickinger, Abigail Durham, Jackson Durham, Matt Lipina, Courtney Durham, Tino Medina (passenger inside fire engine), and Joe Zepeda (driving fire engine). Shown below are the Catholic Daughters of the Americas on their float, left to right, (front row) Carolyn Friend, Nancy Pompa, Martha Ramos, Olivia Joiner, Delia Coy, Marissa Stevens, (back row) Janis Wright, Ofie Rodriguez, Eloisa Gomez and Stacey Aguirre.



San Jacinto College rocked the 4th of July in their parade float. Shown above having a great time and waving to viewers are, left to right, Elizabeth Leal, Nadiyah Ammar, Farah Zamani, Tina Harris, Teddy Farias and Kris Thompson.

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Dave Campbell's likes Clear Brook, Dobie football hopes

New for 2019, the prestigious Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine has the Dobie Longhorns

and Clear Brook Wolverines making a bit of a climb in their respective districts.

just over 600 yards on the ground in 2018, appears poised for a bigger role in

his final season. The offensive front will be led by Vanderbilt

University commit Jason Brooks, and junior Jeremiah Ballard, who reeled in

six touchdown grabs as a sophomore and could very well be one of the district's top targets this season.

Dobie's strength on defense, at least early on, will be a secondary that returns Giambi Boyd, Jonathan Baldwin and Rushad Ball, and Javen Sanchez

will anchor the defensive line. Overall, Dobie head coach Kevin Berneathy lists seven starters back on both sides of the football, and junior Joshua Hernandez could be one of the league's top place kickers along with Kingwood's Kaden Wooster.

Within District 22-6A, the Longhorns are coming off a 7-3 regular season that saw the varsity group reach the postseason for the first time since 2015.

The running game delivered well more than 300 yards per game, and the team was for a long while on pace to score more points than any other team in school history.

The fourth place finish, complete with the No. 2 seed in Division I, led to a bidistrict loss to eventual state champion North Shore, but the locals are back for more in 2019.

Star running back Kris Morris, a four-year starter, has moved on to the University of Central Arkansas, but junior Darius Hale is back after rushing for 1,253 yards and 16 touchdowns. Senior Dontavion Crosby, who contributed



At right, Dobie junior running back Darius Hale (4) should push for the 22-6A rushing title in 2019 after collecting 1,253 yards and 16 touchdowns in 2018. Photo by David Flickinger

There's also Summer Continued on Page 3B

Dave Campbell's Texas Football 2019 Projected Order of Finish District 22-6A Ranks

1. Atascocita Eagles (11-2 in 2018)
2. Summer Creek Bulldogs (9-4 in 2018)
3. Dobie Longhorns (7-4 in 2018)
4. Kingwood Mustangs (7-4 in 2018)
5. South Houston (6-4 in 2018)
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Fall sport preseason workouts closing in; just weeks off

It is indeed the middle of July, and it seems aw-

fully fool-hearted to think of doing much of any activities outdoors in this heat, but the action will be here sooner than later.

At Dobie, returning varsity tennis players will start voluntary workouts Thursday, July 18, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the school, and twice more July 29 and July 31, at the same times.

The varsity team will practice Aug. 1-2, from 8 to 11 a.m. before taking part in the annual Exes Matches Saturday, Aug. 3, beginning at 9 a.m.

The Longhorns will officially begin the 2019

team tennis season by facing Friendswood Aug. 6, at Dobie, beginning at 9 a.m.

Dawson will be the opponent Aug. 8 as the Longhorns return to action Aug. 8, this time at 3 p.m.

High School volleyball tryouts and subsequent preseason workouts will begin Aug. 1, and scrimmage matches will begin as early as Aug. 3.

At Clear Brook, varsity volleyball head coach Meredith Thompson and her staff will host incoming third- through ninth-grade students at the Lady Wolverines' Youth Volley-

ball Camp July 29-31 at the school.

Session I is \$80 per participant and will include incoming third- through fifth-grade students from 8 to 9:30 a.m. each day.

Session II is \$90 per student and will include incoming sixth- and seventh-graders from 8 to 10:30 a.m., and Session III is \$100 per student and will include incoming eighth- and ninth-grade students from 10:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Participants should bring their own workout clothes, water bottle, court shoes and knee pads. Par-

ents are responsible for providing medical insurance coverage for their children as Clear Creek ISD does not provide such for these types of events.

For more information or to register, direct email to Thompson at mthomp1@ccisd.net.

Following those youth camps, the Lady Wolverines will begin preseason workouts, including freshman tryouts, Aug. 1.

The school's volleyball program will scrimmage at Clear Falls Aug. 3, and the regular season opens Aug. 6 with the Lady Wolverines hosting Bridge-

land in a series of matches.

Dobie varsity volleyball coach Dawn Sexton will also host a pair of youth camps (see this page) prior to the beginning of team workouts.

Dobie will host Fort Bend Elkins Aug. 7, to begin the season.

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LSA football picked second in DII-5

If the trusty folks at Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine prove correct, the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Division II District 5 championship just may boil down to the final week of the regular season.

Academy Pioneers are poised for a solid season, what with standout running back Beau Penscik, all-district offensive line-man Nikko Modica and receiver Jake Justice ready to guide the offense.

Penscik led the way in 2018 with just over 1,000 yards rushing and

17 touchdowns as the Pioneers went 8-2 in the regular season. A 28-21 overtime loss in the season finale by LSA gave the district crown to Second Baptist, and the Pioneers subsequently fell 14-7 in the first round of the playoffs to Holy Cross.

But 2019 is a new season, and the Pioneers could be in for big things.

Campbell's Texas Football has Second Baptist (11-2 in 2018) winning district again, with the Pioneers second and Victoria St. Joseph third, followed by Cypress Christian, Westbury Christian and Fort Bend Christian.

The Pioneers open the 2019 regular season Friday, Aug. 30, at Houston Christian.

Guillory, Stars shine



The Rising Stars Track Club's Morgan Guillory, was one of four team members to qualify nationally for the women's 17-18-year-old javelin throw, taking second place and a silver medal for her best effort of 81 feet, 10 inches at regionals. Now, she and her teammates are preparing for the Amateur Athletic Union's Junior Olympic Games beginning later this month in Greensboro, N.C. The Leader will have more on the qualifiers in the coming weeks.

SBGSA officials set fall ball action

The South Belt Girls Softball Association has begun online registration for the fall season and now include only a few age-group openings as well as a waiting list.

Youths ages 4 to 16 as of Jan. 1, 2020, are eligible to compete.

There are no boundary restrictions or fundraisers included in the \$70 entry fee.

To register to play in the league, visit www.southbeltsoftball.com. SBGSA is also seeking volunteer coaches for fall and spring seasons.

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Fourth of July parade a big hit in South Belt



The Dobie Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps was excited to honor military heroes with their float. Shown are, left to right, Matthew Malone, Baldemar Rodriguez, Sebastian Herrera, Nicolas Cook, Xavier Gutierrez, Elizabeth Del Valle, Angela Menindez, Lt. Col. William Malpass and Senior Master Sgt. Everett Valdez.



The Dobie cheerleaders flaunted their spirit during the parade. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Amy Guzman, Michelle Kelley, Laila Hernandez, Andrew Salas, Emily Guzman, Alysia Loosa, (second row) Maya Scott, Olga Cisneros, Chloe Ray, Gabbi Lozano, Damaris O'Der, Maddy Spray, DJ C-Rey (Corey Reyes), (third row) Lizzie Pineda, Sarah Salazar, Savannah Brookland, Madisynne Reed, Allie Guzman, Yen Tran, (fourth row) Isabella Lara, Destiny Ramirez, Leilani Moorman and Giselle Valencia. Photo by Deadra Lozano



Leon Petty was ready to show off his 1929 Ford Model A. Petty has participated in the parade for many years, and his vintage vehicle is a show-stopper along the parade route.



State Rep. Dennis Paul enjoyed being a part of the parade. Shown above are, left to right, Dawn McDonald, District Director for Dennis Paul; Scott Bowen, Clear Creek Independent School District board member; Eliza Paul, Dennis' wife; and Dennis Paul.



Dean Baier (right), Southeast Volunteer firefighter, participated in the parade with granddaughter Payten Worden.



The Vargas family flashed their street rods for the parade. Shown above in the 1967 Chevelle are John Vargas (driving) and Theresa Espinoza. Shown below in the 1969 Firebird are Michelle Vargas (driving), Ariel Rossett (front passenger) and Brandy Vargas (back passenger).



The Dobie FFA turned out for another spectacular parade and enjoyed showcasing their float. Shown are the senior FFA members, left to right, Samantha Carter, Keyla Guerrero, Kayla Wilkerson, Kobe Ruiz, Steven Trevino and Caleb Guerrero. The FFA is an organization for students enrolled in agricultural science classes.



Chuck Tylka, Southeast Volunteer Fire Department chief, enjoyed riding along in the parade.



Jay Do, former South Belt-Ellington Leader employee, came out to enjoy the parade.

Campbell's has Brook in postseason

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Creek, guided by junior Bryan Bush at quarterback, who comes into the season as Campbell's Preseason Offensive Most Valuable Player after accounting for 48 total touchdowns a season ago.

In District 24-6A, the league title fight is sure to once include heavyweights Dickinson and Clear Springs, but Campbell's has the Wolverines situated in third place behind those two.
In 2018, the Wolverines

won just three games but captured a playoff berth before a lopsided bidistrict loss to Strake Jesuit.
The Wolverines' Lorenzo Thompson is one of the most explosive players around, as evidenced by his more than 600 yards and six

touchdowns receiving as a sophomore, and he can also affect games on the ground. Shane Porter is back at quarterback after starting for a good portion of last season, and the defense should be led by Campbell's Preseason Defensive Most Valuable Player Brandon Casarez, who is moving to defensive tackle this season.

League favorite Dickinson returns just four players on offense, but that group includes dual-threat quarterback Mike Welch, who is Campbell's Preseason Offensive Most Valuable Player for 2018 after accounting for 50 total touchdowns a season ago.

So when does all of the fun officially begin? Both Clear Brook and Dobie get going with incoming freshman workouts Aug. 5, and all other players, including the junior varsity and varsity groups, will begin Aug. 12.

Clear Brook is poised to open the regular season Friday, Aug. 30, at La Porte as first-year Bulldogs' head coach Anthony Renfro makes his debut after several seasons as an assistant at Clear Springs.

Dobie, meanwhile, hosts Santa Fe Thursday, Aug. 29, as the Indians will feature first-year head coach Matthew Bentley, who previously was the team's defensive coordinator.

JFD volleyball staff offers youth camps

Dobie varsity volleyball head coach Dawn Sexton and her staff will host a pair of youth camps at Dobie in July.
The Junior Longhorn Volleyball Camp will be held July 24-26, at the school's gymnasium.

The junior camp is open to those entering the fifth through eighth grades as of the 2019-2020 school year.

Those entering the fifth and sixth grades will attend the session from 9 to 11 a.m., at a cost of \$40 per participant.

This session will focus on teaching beginner players the fundamentals of the game and familiarizing players with the various concepts of the sport.

Those entering the seventh and eighth grades will attend from noon to 3 p.m. at a cost of \$45 per participant.

This session will involve drills in all phases of the game, including passing, setting, hitting, blocking, etc.

Those entering the ninth through 12th

grades as of the 2019-2020 school year are invited to take part in Sexton's Lady Longhorn Volleyball Camp July 29-31.
Those entering the 10th through 12th grades will attend the 9 a.m. to noon session at a cost of \$45 per student.
The session will include drills in all phases of the game, in addition to team offense and defense drills.

Those entering the ninth grade will attend from 1 to 4 p.m., at a cost of \$45 per student.

The drills will also include all skills as well as team defense and offense.

Pasadena ISD does not provide its students with medical insurance coverage for these types of events, so parents are responsible for providing the needed coverage.

Sexton and her staff will conduct tryouts Aug. 1, at Dobie, beginning at 7 a.m. Players must have a completed physical and required Rank One paperwork on file.

Dobie's Estes makes it official



Dobie Class of 2019 graduate and varsity girls' basketball standout Destiny Estes made her collegiate choice official, signing with Lamar Community College in Lamar, Colo., after signing a letter of intent with the Lopes. Estes was a key part of back-to-back area round playoff teams at Dobie and also shot 45 percent from 3-point territory over three seasons with her summer club, the Houston DC Queens.

Cowboys have player openings

The Sagemont Cowboys of the Bay Area Football League are seeking players ages 5, 6, 8 and 9 years old as of Aug. 1, 2019 to compete in the league with the team. For additional questions or registration information, call Cowboys' athletic director Denny Wranich Jr. at 713-876-1491.

Thompson Intermediate offers summer camps

The boys' and girls' coaching staffs at Thompson Intermediate have again set up a busy summer of student camp options for the school's athletes.

The Lions' basketball camp for boys and girls will be held July 15-18, with a fee of \$25 per student. Camp hours are 9 to 11 a.m.

The Lions' football camp for boys is to be held July 29-31 from 9 to 11 a.m., at \$25 per student. Meanwhile, the Lady Lions' volleyball camp will be held July 29 through Aug. 1. The cost for the 9 to 11 a.m. event is \$25.

Fast forwarding to August, the Lions' first equipment pickup session will be Aug. 9 as eighth-grade football and volleyball players will visit from 10 a.m. to noon, with seventh-grade volleyball and football players to follow from 1 to 3 p.m.

There will be a second equipment pickup day Aug. 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. for all football players who miss the first date.

There will be a \$65 participation fee due at the time of pickup for football players, and the volleyball uniform fee is \$50 per student.

For more information, direct email to coach Doug Sawyer (boys) at dsawyer@pasadenaisd.org or coach Tiffany Nelson (girls) at TNelson@pasadenaisd.org.

Dobie football to offer youth camp July 29-31

The Dobie High School football staff will host the 2019 Longhorns' Youth Camp at the school July 29-31. Students entering the third through ninth grades as of the 2019-2020 school year are eligible to attend. The camp will run from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. each day and focus on all the fundamentals of the game as well as team building, etc. Cost of the camp is \$25 per student. To register or to get more information, visit jfrankdobie.com, click on the sports link and then click on the football link. The coaching staff is also preparing to host strength and conditioning workouts for high school students. Those details are coming soon.

Brook football hosts student camp July 30-Aug. 2

The Clear Brook High School football staff will host the 2019 Wolverines' Youth Camp at the school July 30 through Aug. 2 at the school's practice fields. Students entering the seventh through ninth grades as of the 2019-2020 school year are eligible to attend. The camp will run from 8 to 10 a.m. each day and focus on all the fundamentals of the game as well as team building, etc. Cost of the camp is \$85 per student, and the cost per camper with multiple siblings signing up is \$70. To register, direct email to Clear Brook High School varsity football head coach Lupe Florez at gflorez@ccisd.net.

Robinson Fastpitch Summer Camp nears

There are roughly 25 available openings for former Dobie softball standout Iver McDonald Robinson's Fastpitch Summer Camp, coming Friday Aug. 9, to San Jacinto College South. Players of all ages are invited to attend the camp, which is \$140 per participant and will include hitting ad defensive drills as well as scrimmage game action. The camp will be held from 5 to 9 p.m., and will include instruction from collegiate coaches from programs such as Sam Houston, Campbell University, Prairie View A&M, Baylor, UT-Arlington, Louisiana State and more. For more information, direct email to Robinson at ivermac18@gmail.com.

Dave Campbell's Texas Football

2019 Projected Order of Finish

District 24-6A Ranks

1. Dickinson Gators (10-2 in 2018)
2. Clear Springs Chargers (7-4 in 2018)
3. Clear Brook Wolverines (3-8 in 2018)
4. Clear Creek Wildcats (4-6 in 2018)
5. Clear Lake Falcons (6-6 in 2018)
6. Clear Falls Knights (5-5 in 2018)
7. Alvin Yellowjackets (0-10 in 2018)

2019 Dobie Varsity Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 3	4-team scrimmage	9 a.m.
Aug. 6	Pasadena scrimmage	9 a.m.
Aug. 7	Fort Bend Elkins	6 p.m.
Aug. 9	La Porte	6 p.m.
Aug. 13	Baytown Sterling	6 p.m.
Aug. 15	at Dickinson tournament	TBA
Aug. 17	at Dickinson tournament	TBA
Aug. 20	Spring	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 23	at Bellaire	6:30 p.m.
Aug. 27	Alvin	6:30 p.m.
Aug. 29-31	at Santa Fe tourn.	TBA
Aug. 30	at Channelview	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 3	*at Summer Creek	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 6	*Pasadena	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 10	*at Humble	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	*Kingwood	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Santa Fe tourn.	TBA
Sept. 17	*at Atascocita	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 20	*Sam Rayburn	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	*at South Houston	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 27	*Memorial	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Dickinson	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 4	*Summer Creek	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	*at Pasadena	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 11	*Humble	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	*at Kingwood	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	*Atascocita	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	*at Sam Rayburn	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 25	*South Houston	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 29	*at Memorial	6:30 p.m.

* District 22-6A matches

2019 Brook Varsity Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 3	at Clear Falls scrimmage	9 a.m.
Aug. 6	Bridgeland	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 8-10	at Pearland tourn.	TBA
Aug. 13	at Houston Memorial	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 16	Summer Creek	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 20	Dulles	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 23	at Cy-Creek	6 p.m.
Aug. 27	at Kingwood	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 29/31	at Clear Creek tourn.	TBA
Aug. 30	Deer Park	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 3	at Ridge Point	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 6	at Seven Lakes	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 10	at Friendswood	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	*Clear Creek	6 p.m.
Sept. 17	*at Clear Falls	6 p.m.
Sept. 20	*Clear Springs	6 p.m.
Sept. 27	*Dickinson	4:15 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Alvin	6 p.m.
Oct. 4	*at Clear Lake	6 p.m.
Oct. 8	*at Clear Creek	6 p.m.
Oct. 11	*Clear Falls	6 p.m.
Oct. 15	*at Springs	6 p.m.
Oct. 22	*at Dickinson	6 p.m.
Oct. 25	*Alvin	6 p.m.
Oct. 29	*Clear Lake	6 p.m.

* District 24-6A matches

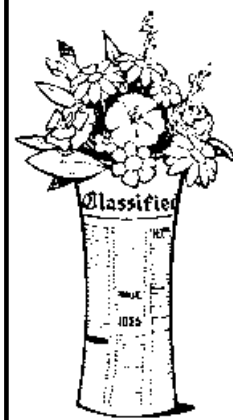
CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JULY 11
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
7:30 a.m.
Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. at Allendale's Kitchen & Cocktails, 5010 Broadway St., in Pearland. Variety of speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or email nalix@texasciti zensbank.com.
9:30 a.m.
NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse - Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 a.m., Praise Chapel, 18516 Hwy. 3 in Webster. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others. For details, call 281-910-1971 or visit aglownet.org.
10 a.m.
Fun Bunch - for senior citizens, ages 55 and older, meets the second Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call Ronn Canon at 281-610-8999 or the chamber at 281-481-5516.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email at jpochnsner@aol.com for details.
11:30 a.m.
ABWA - Southeast Express Network - American Business Women's Association-South meets the second Thursday, Spring Creek Barbeque, 9005 Broadway (FM-518), Pearland. Lunch is 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$20). Includes networking with professional business women and guest speaker. Women of all ages/occupations invited. Bring business cards. Reservations appreciated. Visit www.seen-abwa.org.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners

Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.
7 p.m.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom's - Rabbi Stuart Federov hosts free discussions on Judaism and religion in general, open to the public, second Thursdays, at Sawa Restaurant and Grill, 16608 El Camino Real. This is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For details, contact the office at 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM-518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200.
FRIDAY, JULY 12
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call 281-480-1911 or jpochnsner@aol.com for details.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.
8 p.m.
Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share, learn Al-Anon principles, that they are not alone, and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243.
SATURDAY, JULY 13
7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - "Breakfast with Bill," Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont

Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
11 a.m.
Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email jpochnsner@aol.com.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.
SUNDAY, JULY 14
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call 281-480-1911 or email jpochnsner@aol.com for details.
2 p.m.
Grief Support Group - For adults who've lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. For details, call 281-487-8787.
5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., in the Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for details or to RSVP for child care.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.
MONDAY, JULY 15
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P

Street, Deer Park. Enter through back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email jpochnsner@aol.com for details.
10:30 a.m.
Seniors and Law Enforcement Together - SALT meetings are 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Madison Jobe Senior Center, 1700 East Thomas St., in Pasadena on the third Monday. No December meeting. January meeting is on the second Monday. Meetings start timely and teach seniors how to avoid identity theft, scams, fraud, etc. Police officers and sheriffs may be in attendance. Free. Refreshments served. For details, call 713-477-0175.
11:30 a.m.
Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.
2 p.m.
Genealogy Group - The Parker Williams Genealogy group meets from 2 - 4 p.m. on the first and third Mondays at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. The public is invited to attend. For details, email Liz Hicks at eroottrot@usa.net.
6 p.m.
New Directions Singles - Age 50 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with activities and/or guest speakers at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Pkwy. Call Margarita at 832-715-9658.
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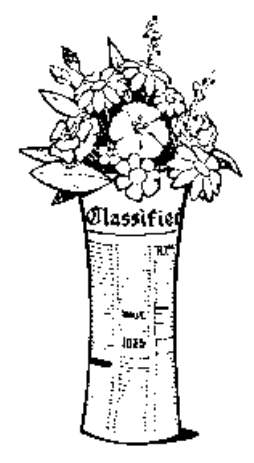


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MONDAY, JULY 15
 6:30 p.m.
Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the South Belt Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd., next to the fire station. For details, call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565 or visit <https://youngprofessionals.toastmasters.com/>.
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Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.
 7:30 p.m.
The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society - Meets the third Monday at Clear Lake Park Bldg., 5001 NASA Pkwy., Seabrook. Presenters explore topics such as fossils, planetary geology, mineralogy, lapidary, jewelry making, fossil and mineral collecting. Field trips to Texas collecting sites and surrounding states. Door prizes. Free parking. For details, visit www.clgms.org.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For details, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., For details, call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.
TUESDAY, JULY 16
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 or drop in.
 9:30 a.m.
Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For details, call 713-472-0565.
 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
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Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.
 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Free dance lessons - taught by Lewis and Betty Whistler (35 years of experience) at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E League City Parkway, on Tuesdays. Bringing a partner is not required. There is a different dance focus monthly. For details, call Betty at 832-517-5833. For questions about League City's activity card, call the park office at 281-554-1180.
 1:30 p.m.
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., For details, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.
 2 p.m.
The National Active and Retired Federal Employees - NARFE Chapter 941 meets the third Tuesday, El Franco Lee Park Community Center, 9500 Hall Rd. Visitors welcome. For details, call Roy at 713-734-1461 or EFL Center at 281-464-9708. No meeting in Aug.
Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class - Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details/classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318.
 7 p.m.
Houston Skyscraper Shadows Civic Club - meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 7900 Fuqua (inside Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church). There is no meeting in December. For details, contact Cathy@houstonkyscrapershadows.org or call 713-332-6294.

First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
 9:30 a.m.
Carmelites - a nondenominational senior citizen social group that meets at 15500 El Camino Real in Clear Lake on the first and third Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for fun, fellowship, coffee and bingo. A lending library is available. The meetings are open to all age 50 or older and there are no dues. Day trips and extended trips are available. Deposits are being taken for Classical Italy by Rail, Oct. 15-24; Cuba Cruise, Nov. 9-16; New York City Holiday, Dec. 6-10; Eastern Caribbean Carnival Cruise from Galveston featuring Key West, Fla., Half Moon Cay and Nassau, Bahamas, Feb. 15-23, 2020 (great prices); and Classic Danube River Cruise with Oberammergau Passion Play, June 7-16, 2020. Plan ahead to join the trips. For details, call Marilyn at 713-947-2388.
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The Community Club - meets monthly on the third Wednesday at Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., in Pasadena. Social time is 9:30 a.m.; meeting is at 10 a.m. The club is a charitable organization of women helping the Salvation Army feed and care for homebound elderly/disabled people, children and the homeless, providing scholarships for Bridge Over Troubled Water clients. Day trips may be scheduled, followed by a guest speaker/program with fellowship and lunch. New members and guests are invited. For details, email Jmo_pry@yahoo.com.
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 11:30 a.m.
Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club - meets monthly, first and third Wednesday, Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena. December may be an exception. For information, email Teresa Dover at doverbookkeeper@aol.com.
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 1 - 3:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has Hump Day Dance to practice ball room dances (not lessons) in a casual environment. A variety of rhythms are played from entry to advanced dancing levels at 1001 E League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card (see Tuesday 12:30 p.m. dance for details). Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details information on the activity card, call the city at 281-554-1180.
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Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention - Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse support for women. Visit www.bayareaturningpoint.org for more information.
 8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.
THURSDAY, JULY 18
 7 a.m.
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Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. at Allendale's Kitchen & Cocktails, 5010 Broadway St., in Pearland. Variety of speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or email nalix@texascitizensbank.com.
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Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter - A social group focused on the culture, music, heritage and language of Texas German immigrants. Meets the third Thursday, monthly, 6 p.m., Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors welcome. Email OpaGivesHugs@gmail.com for additional information.
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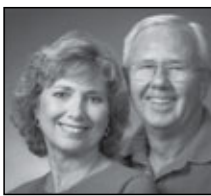
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Joneses enjoy family vacation on cruise



This year, the Joneses went on a family vacation on the Carnival Freedom. They visited Key West, Fla.; Freeport, Bahamas; Half Moon Cay, Bahamas; and Nassau, Bahamas. Shown above left is Bradley Jones parasailing in Key West. Shown above right are Bradley and his mom Sarah Jones enjoying Half Moon Cay. Shown below right are Bradley and his dad Chris Jones biking on a water three wheeler in Nassau. Both Chris and Sarah are 2002 Dobie graduates and Bradley will be a third-grader at South Belt Elementary.



Garcias explore Yucatan



The Garcia family, who has been South Belt residents for the past 15 years, explored Yucatan, Mexico on their family Vacation. Shown above at a sinkhole in the Maya are, left to right, Edgar Garcia, Mayra Garcia, David Garcia and Alger Garcia. Shown below left at Xcaret Park are, left to right, Edgar, David, Alger and Mayra. Shown below right posing at Chichen Itza is Mayra. Edgar attends Pasadena Memorial High School and David is a Fred Roberts Middle School student.



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Arrendondos, Armenta visit Luling



The Arrendondo family and Ana Armenta took a trip to Luling, Texas for the Watermelon Thump the last weekend in June. Shown above in Luling are, left to right, (front row) David Arrendondo, Javi Arrendondo, (back row) Ana Armenta, Diana Arrendondo and David Arrendondo. David Jr. competed in the Children's Watermelon Eating contest and won second place. After the Watermelon Thump, the family took a dip in the cold waters of the San Marcos River. Shown below ready to go for a swim are David Jr. and Javi.



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