

Shredding event Sept. 26

The Harris County Sheriff's Office will host a document shredding event Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Harris County Courthouse Annex, 10851 Scarsdale at Beamer, from 9 a.m. to noon. Residents may bring up to five banker boxes or grocery bags full of documents. For information, call 713-759-9454.

Chamber luncheon set

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will host a membership luncheon Thursday, Sept. 17, at Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Drive, at 11:30 a.m. Featured speakers include state Sen. Larry Taylor, state Rep. Dennis Paul and San Jacinto College Chancellor Brenda Hellyer. Individual reservations are \$25 each. Table sponsorship is \$300. For information or to purchase tickets, contact Sherry Trainer at 281-481-5516.

Dobie Choir sets car wash

The Dobie Choir will hold a car wash from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Snowies near Food Town on Scarsdale. Funds raised are for the choir's trip to New York. Each car wash is \$5. Donations are always welcome.

Genealogy group to meet

The Parker Williams Genealogy Group will meet Sept. 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the library at Scarsdale and Beamer. This group meets the first and third Mondays to discuss genealogy research. Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in tracing family history.

CCART meets Sept. 22

Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers will hold its first meeting of 2015-2016 Tuesday, Sept. 22 at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 NASA Parkway. There will be a short meeting, followed by the featured speakers, state Sen. Larry Taylor and TRTA District IV President Marcy Cann. The meeting will conclude with a potluck salad and sandwich luncheon. Members are asked to bring either a salad, sandwiches, or a dessert. The meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting beginning at 10 a.m. All area Texas retired school employees are invited. Annual dues are \$45.

Kirkwood Civic Club meets

The Kirkwood Civic Club will meet on Thursday, Sept. 24, at 6:30 p.m. A discussion will be held about this year's National Night Out, and assigning volunteers to help with food distribution, set up, and clean up.

K of C spaghetti Sept. 25

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will sponsor a fundraising spaghetti dinner Friday, Sept. 25, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the St. Luke Catholic Church Social Hall, 11011 Hall Road. The menu will include all-you-can-eat spaghetti with KC 9201 pasta sauce, two homemade Italian meatballs, garden salad with Italian dressing, French bread, and iced tea or lemonade. The cost is \$7 eat in or take out. For children under 12, the cost is \$3, eat in only.

JROTC car wash Sept. 26

Dobie High School's Air Force JROTC unit will host a car wash on Saturday, Sept. 26, at Snowies at Beamer and Scarsdale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Funds are being raised to help cadets with costs of attending an air show in San Antonio this October, attending a JROTC Leadership School this summer and for their annual military ball. Cost is a minimum of \$5 per vehicle. Tickets will also be pre-sold by cadets. No rain checks for pre-sold tickets.

Lariatets host dance clinic

The Dobie Lariatets will hold their annual Hand & Stand Dance Clinic Tuesday, Sept. 29. Participants will learn the Lariatette stand routines and sit with the Lariatettes in the stands during the first half of the Dobie versus South Houston football game on Friday, Oct. 2, at 7 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Stadium.

The clinic will be held at Dobie High School from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29, for students in Pre-K through eighth grade. Preregistration is \$25, or \$35 at the door, cash or money order only. Participants who preregister will receive a shirt that will guarantee them free admission into the football game. For more information, contact Amanda Castro at Amanda.Castro54@yahoo.com.

JFD PSAT prep classes set

PSAT prep classes will be offered for Dobie students grades 10 and 11. The PSAT will be given Oct. 14 and is the first step in the college placement testing process. Students have an opportunity their junior year to qualify as National Merit Scholars which opens the doors for prestigious college admission and scholarships. Prep classes are offered at Dobie to provide test strategies and skill enrichment. Classes cost \$50 (cash) and include all materials, a practice test, and 18 hours of tutoring. Students can register during Mega Lunch at the College Connection table or in P-16. Space is limited. Applicants will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. For information, call Jennifer Johnson or Nancy Carlton in the Dobie College Now office at 713-740-0370.

PISD to honor Rev. Morgan, attorney Williams

A pastor who built one of the largest churches in the country and a South Belt attorney whose courtroom victories helped fund a new stadium for his college alma mater have been chosen to headline Pasadena High School's efforts to rebuild one of its lost traditions.

Dr. John Morgan, pastor of Sagemont Church and a nationally renowned local attorney and 1959 Pasadena High graduate, and John Eddie Williams, one of the nation's most successful personal injury attorneys and a member of the PHS 1972 graduating class, will be inducted next month into the

school's PHS Wall of Honor.

Morgan and Williams will join 18 other PHS alumni, all of them Wall of Honor members when the tradition lapsed roughly two decades ago.

All will be honored during a Homecoming Week ceremony on Thursday, Oct. 1, starting at 5 p.m. in the school auditorium. A reception will follow in the school cafeteria. New plaques of all the alumni inductees will be placed on a wide stretch of remodeled wall space in the cafeteria.

The Eagles' homecoming game against Dobie is Friday night, Oct. 2.



Morgan



Williams

JFD admins 'Walk for Success'



Dobie administrators set out Saturday, Sept. 12, to visit with former students who are missing only a few credits for graduation to get them back enrolled and graduated, as part of the school's annual Walk for Success program. Pictured above are, left to right, (front row) Jennifer Haynes, Stefanie McKinney, Erin Richardson, Teresa Jack, Donna Branch, Denice Smajstrla, Gilbert Aguilar, (back row) Tonie Noise, Eric Martinez, Mike Van Essen, Ryan Peel and Louis Cannon.

Photo by Reesha Brown

Cause of Moreno death still pending

At press time Wednesday, Sept. 16, the cause of Dobie baseball player Steven Moreno's death was still undetermined.

Moreno, 14, died at a local hospital early Friday, Sept. 4, after collapsing two days earlier while training for baseball at the area high school.

The teen reportedly complained of stomach pains at the time of his death. His family believes the incident was heat related, saying he had recently passed a physical and was in good shape.

A ninth-grader at Dobie, Moreno played both baseball and football and was also in the school band. He additionally served as catcher on the

Sagemont-Beverly Hills All-Star team.

Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences spokeswoman Tricia Bentley said that Moreno's age likely plays a factor in the autopsy taking so long, adding the investigation could take several weeks to perform.

"The case is still under investigation," Bentley said. "Children sometimes take a little longer to examine. Young kids aren't supposed to just die."

Moreno's family has set up a GoFundMe page to help raise money for his funeral expenses. Those wishing to donate should visit <http://www.gofundme.com/ay3h22q4>.

HPD promotes Citizen Patrol

The Houston Police Department wants to remind citizens they too can help reduce crime in the community by joining the HPD's Citizen Patrol program.

HPD fights crime in neighborhoods and communities throughout Houston but can't do it alone. Through the Volunteer Initiatives Program (VIP), HPD uses volunteers to enhance the delivery of police services to Houston-area neighborhoods.

The Citizen Patrol program was established to bring the citizens of Houston and HPD together for a common goal; to improve the quality of life by eliminating crime. It is designed to provide a way for Houstonians to organize into patrol groups and be additional eyes and ears the police can count on to make Houston a safe place to live and work.

Citizen Patrol groups must meet the following qualifications:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Designate a lead coordinator
- At least eight persons participate in the program (less than eight requires approval from the

Citizen Patrol division liaison)

- Commitment to patrol minimum of 30 hours per month
- Submit a monthly report detailing group's activity
- Submit a marked map outlining the area to be patrolled

HPD Community Services Officer J. Abad discusses the benefits of participating in the HPD VIP program and how Citizen Patrol can help your neighborhood on the HPD YouTube channel at <http://youtube.com/V-BwGuNuqXY>.

To become an HPD volunteer, visit <http://www.houstontx.gov/police/vip/home> or call the HPD Public Affairs Office at 713-308-3200.

A Citizen Patrol application is available for download at http://www.houstontx.gov/police/vip/images/vip_app.pdf or can be picked up at the HPD Edward A. Thomas Building, 1200 Travis, 21st floor or any one of the patrol stations.

HPD's "Help Us, Help You" campaign is aimed at sharing information and educating citizens on crime prevention and everyday tips related to public safety in the city.

Martin hosts Shaver ribbon cutting

Houston City Council Member Dave Martin invites the public to join him as he celebrates the grand opening of the newly reconstructed South Shaver Street during a ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 10 a.m. The event will take place at Cristo de Poder church located at 5300 South Shaver Street.

In addition to Martin, representatives from the city's Public Works and Engineering Department, as well as the Texas Department of Transportation, will provide remarks about the project.

The \$13.5 million worth of improvements to the roadway include widening the road from four to six lanes with a raised median, curb and gutter drainage, sidewalks, street lighting and improved

underground utilities. Storm water capacity improvements for a portion of Berry Bayou and the construction of a new detention pond were also included.

"Since coming into office, I have pushed for the continued progress on the reconstruction of South Shaver Street," said Martin. "Southeast Houston residents have patiently waited decades for this project to be completed, and now that it is opened, will experience a more enjoyable drive with less congestion and improved mobility and drainage."

For additional information, contact Martin's office at 832-393-3008 or districtc@houstontx.gov.

"It is important to honor the outstanding life-long achievements of students who have graduated from PHS," said Joe Saavedra, the school's principal. "We also welcome these alumni to contribute to the continued success of our students through encouragement, mentoring and the imparting of their experiences."

Both Morgan and Williams rank among the most successful graduates in Pasadena High history.

Morgan's Sagemont Church congregation now numbers more than 17,000 with ministry programs that reach across the globe. Williams' college alma mater, Baylor University, recently named the field at its new McLane Stadium complex after him. Williams made a large donation to the stadium project.

Previous Wall of Honor inductees include four men known primarily for their careers in athletics.

Weldon "Stoney" Phillips, Class of 1933, coached football at PHS and later, as Pasadena ISD athletics director, helped modernize facilities for the rapidly expanding school district. Bill Newcomb, Class of 1956, also served as athletics director for the district. Mickey McCarty, Class of 1964, starred at TCU in three sports and played with the NFL's Kansas City Chiefs.

T.J. Mills, Class of 1972, won four straight state football titles during his long tenure as coach of the Sealy Tigers. Earlier this year, Mills was inducted into the Texas State High School Coaches Association Hall of Honor.

The list of previous inductees also includes a local attorney, Frank Hale (1963), and a local architect, Calvin Powitzky (1964), both of whom were standing football players for the Eagles.

The earliest graduate among the previous inductees, J.B. Isaac (1929), played on PHS's first football team. Isaac founded Pasadena Transfer and Storage in 1943 and operated the company for 54 years.

Other inductees from the 1940s and 1950s

are: Harry Riley (1943), a former Pasadena city councilman; Dr. E. Don Turner (1952), a retired Houston physician; Frances Powell (1955); Shirley Stone Bonner (1955), a longtime Pasadena ISD secretary and clerk; Jerry Bull (1956), a Pasadena grocer; Ben Meador (1957), a Pasadena civic leader and owner of Meador Staffing Services; and Frank Young (1958), founder of Houston's Theatre Under the Stars.

Other inductees from the 1960s and 1970s are: Larry Forehand (1962), founder of the Casa Ole restaurant chain; Don Spradling (1962) and wife Sylvia Estes Spradling (1964), owners of a pipeline supply company; and Roberta Brown-Pugh (1971), a veterinary science professor at Texas A&M.

Isaac, Phillips, Riley, Bonner, Don Spradling, McCarty and Mills are deceased.

Morgan and Williams were selected by a committee of PHS alumni assigned to gather nominations and make selections on an annual basis.

Morgan established what would later become Sagemont Church in 1966. His original congregation consisted of 16 members.

He is also well known for his "Financial Freedom" seminars, as well as seminar recordings and his book under the same title, all of which have reached more than a million people.

Morgan has served on numerous boards ranging from the chairman of trustees at Houston Baptist University to president of the Texas Baptist Pastor's Conference.

In 2005, he was awarded the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Morgan attended Kruse Elementary and Jackson Intermediate before enrolling at Pasadena High. He continued his education at Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He earned his doctorate from Southwest Baptist University.

The founding partner of the Williams Kherkher

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Local National Night Out events set

Multiple local events are beginning to take shape for the annual National Night Out, set to take place Tuesday, Oct. 6.

Now in its 32nd year, NNO aims to improve and promote the relationship between police and the community and educate the public about crime prevention in an effort to make neighborhoods safer.

Last year's campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from 16,000 communities. More than 38 million people participated in NNO 2014.

Harris County

Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz, Precinct 1 Commissioner El Franco Lee and Precinct 2, Place 1 Justice of the Peace Jo Ann Delgado will host an NNO event at the courthouse annex at 10851 Scarsdale and Beamer from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

"Building partnerships is one of the priorities for my office," Diaz said. "It is imperative that we have an open dialogue with the citizens who live in the communities I represent. It is about bridging trust between law enforcement officers and individuals throughout our cities."

There will be law enforcement and community safety vehicles providing tours. Community agencies will also be on hand to provide information.

Food, games and refreshments will be provided. Organizers are currently seeking vendors. Anyone wishing to participate with an activity or booth is asked to contact a NNO coordinator at 713-274-0877.

Kirkwood Civic Club

The Kirkwood Civic Club will host an NNO event titled Connecting Community at Beverly Hills Intermediate, 11111 Beamer, from 6 to 9 p.m. "This gathering is an opportunity for greeting the

community and allows the community to connect as we work together against crime," said Kirkwood Civic Club President Ericka McCrutchon. "We're anticipating a great evening of coming together as a community, and we look forward to seeing you."

For additional information, contact McCrutchon at 281-989-9990 (erickamcc@sbcglobal.net), coordinator Michele Springer at 832-316-5238 (countrygirl_at_heart65@hotmail.com) or coordinator Angela Hubbard at 281-788-4957.

Sagemont Civic Club

While not officially on the same date, the Sagemont Civic Club, along with Houston District D City Council Member Dwight Boykins, will host an NNO event on Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Boykins has generously donated funds to sponsor the event. Representatives from the Houston Police Department and other city officials are expected to take part in the event.

Popcorn, lemonade and hot dogs will be served. Attendees are asked to also bring a covered dish to share. RSVP to the Sagemont Park Community Center at 281-922-2343. For more information, visit the group's Facebook page.

Others

South Belt residents within the city limits who are planning on having a block party should contact Houston police Officer Richard Buitron at 281-218-3800 or Buitron@Houstonpolice.org.

Residents outside of the city limits having parties should contact Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Diaz's office at 713-477-2766. The sooner law enforcement agencies are aware of NNO party locations, the better chance an officer can come by and visit.

BAHEP unites area leaders



The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership (BAHEP) recently held a governmental affairs meeting, drawing several community leaders and elected officials. Shown above at the function are, left to right, state Sen. Larry Taylor, U.S. Rep. Brian Babin, state Rep. Dennis Paul, Houston City Council Member Dave Martin, San Jacinto College Chancellor Brenda Hellyer and BAHEP President Bob Mitchell.

Photo by Marie Flickinger

In My Opinion

Boeger urges support of Constitution Week

Dear friends and neighbors,
Sept. 17, 2015, begins the national celebration of Constitution Week. This weeklong celebration of America's most important document is one of the least known official observances. Our Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom, and to ensure those inalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started many years ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). In 1955, the Daughters petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated to the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by Congress and signed into Public Law #915 on August 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The goals of the celebration are to (1) emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution, preserving it for posterity; (2) inform the people that the constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life; and (3) encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

The United States of America functions as a Republic under the Constitution, which is the oldest document still in active use that outlines the self-government of a people.

This landmark idea that men had the inalienable right as individuals to be free and live their lives under their own governance was the impetus of the American Revolution. Today, the constitution stands as an icon of freedom for people around the world.

All citizens are encouraged to take the opportunity this week to read and study this great document. Because the law was passed at 4:00 pm E.S.T., on September 17 everyone is encouraged to ring a bell at 2:00 pm our time so that bells will be heard simultaneously from coast to coast.

Sharon Boeger, Constitution Committee chairman, Jane Long Chapter, DAR

Jay Do's article inspired Watts family

We were so inspired by this article that my mother, Norma Watts, age 94, is sending a copy of it to an 11 y/o adopted child in our family. Her granddaughter had to give up our family. We are the biological family and keep in touch with her so that she will always know that we care. Thank you.

Norma and Gail Watts

Romance writers host workshops

New York Times and *USA Today* bestselling historical romance author Sarah MacLean will present writing workshops on Saturday, Sept. 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Starfish Writers Conference, hosted by the Houston Bay Area Romance Writers of America.

The conference, at South Shore Harbour Resort, includes a light breakfast, full lunch, door prizes and raffle baskets. *New York Times* bestseller Sophie Jordan will also attend and co-teach a session. Preregistration is required. For more information or to register online, visit hbarwa.com.

Local library events set

Parker Williams Branch

The following events are scheduled this week at the Parker Williams Branch Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.

Thursday, Sept. 17, 4:30 p.m. - Citizenship Day Reception

Friday, Sept. 18, 2 p.m. - Movie Time for Adults. The feature presentation will be *Sorry, Wrong Number*, starring Barbara Stanwyck and Burt Lancaster.

Friday, Sept. 18, 5 p.m. - Anime Club

Saturday, Sept. 19, 10:30 a.m. - A book discussion will be held on *The Book of Unknown Americans*, by Cristina Henríquez.

Monday, Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m. - Friends of the Parker Williams Library meets

Monday, Sept. 21 and 23, 1:30 to 3 p.m. - Computer training on Senior Health Resources. Learn about online resources for information needs on health while also learning to improve computer skills.

Wednesdays - Preschool storytime is at 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays - Toddler storytime is at 10:30 a.m.

Saturdays - Vietnamese Storytime: Level 2 begins at 10 a.m., Level 1 begins at 11:15 a.m., and Level 3 begins at 2:30 p.m. For more information, speak with Loc Bui.

For more information on programs, call the Parker Williams Library at 281-484-2036.

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for September at the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint Road.

Every Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. - Family storytime, followed by a storytime-themed craft and playtime at 11 a.m.; Noon - Toddler Yoga.

Every Wednesday: 10:30 a.m. - Toddler storytime, followed by Toddler Playtime at 11 a.m.; 2 p.m. - Computer Basics; 3:15 p.m. - Internet Basics; 4:30 p.m. - Intro to MS PowerPoint.

Every Thursday: 4 p.m. - Kids Craft.

Bracewell hours are Sunday and Monday - Closed; Tuesday and Wednesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday noon to 8 p.m., Friday 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information on programs, call the Bracewell Library at 832-393-2580.

Pair honored by PISD

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law firm, Williams gained national stature as the lead counselor for the state of Texas in a landmark case against tobacco companies in 1995.

The case eventually resulted in a \$17.3 billion settlement - at that point the largest legal settlement in American history. Williams's firm specializes in mass torts and pharmaceutical litigation.

Williams played football at Baylor and graduated with a business degree. Passing up the chance for a corporate career, he decided to study law. He graduated first in his class at the Baylor School of Law and served as editor-in-chief of the *Baylor Law Review*.

In 2002, he was honored by his alma mater as Baylor Lawyer of the Year. Ten years later, Williams was named Baylor's Alumnus of the Year for 2012-13.

Wally Cheddie



Wally Cheddie, 74, longtime resident of the South Belt area and member and greeter at Sagemont Church, died Monday, Sept. 14, 2015.

Cheddie was born in Wales, British Guyana, on June 30, 1941, the eldest child of Sam Cheddie and

Una Cheddie.

He was the brother of Carmen, Ivan and Harry. He was the husband of Kamla Deodat, whom he married on Nov. 29, 1964, more than 50 years ago. From this union came three children: Pamela, Nadira and Raj. He lived to see additions to his family of four grandchildren: Joseph, Nicolette, Paxton and Corbin, and three great-grandchildren: Aiden, John and Brianna.

Cheddie loved spending time with his family. He was an enthusiastic hunter and avid fisherman. In his retirement, he enjoyed spending time outdoors with friends and loved ones. Those who had the good fortune to experience one of these adventures with him certainly have a legendary "Wally" story to tell.

A memorial service will be held at Sagemont Church's west side chapel on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015, at 2 p.m.

Deaths

Earl Ray Frazier II



Earl Ray "Sonny" Frazier II, 49, of Houston, died on Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2015, due to a hit and run accident.

Frazier was born in Indianapolis, Ind., on Dec. 14, 1965. He graduated from Dobie High School in 1984. He received his AAS degree in business management on March 15, 2015. He was a manager of the TexMex Monterey House restaurant, manager at Church's Chicken and Cici Pizza. He was a sales associate at Fingers Furniture, and was a member of the Million Dollar Club.

At the time of his death, Frazier was working for a contractor building a movie theater. Family was an important part of Frazier's life. He and his family were frequently at his mother's and Daddy D's home for the holidays. He enjoyed his mother's cooking and being with family.

He loved the outdoors and creatures big and small. He had many kinds of pets and loved them all. He loved riding his motorcycle, especially riding with Daddy D and his sisters, Treana and Tracie.

Frazier was preceded in death by stepbrothers, Mark Skinner and Greg Skinner.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Frazier; his mother, Diane Skinner of Houston; stepfather of 40 years Duwayne Skinner of Houston; Grammie Agnes Kingery; father Earl Frazier of Ocala, Fla.; sons Richard Taylor and Marvin Frazier; daughter Diane Frazier; sisters Treana Simmons and Tracie Million (Frank); stepbrothers Curt (Joni) Skinner and Ron (Zona) Skinner; stepister Dawn Skinner; aunt Sandra White (Art); uncle Rick Tolbert; aunt Helga Andrews; cousins Tamara Borders (Phil), Charles (Chuck) Tolbert, (Kerensa), Scott Tolbert (Salena); and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

The memorial service was held at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, 2015, at Niday Funeral Home - Beamer Chapel.

Billy L. Donaldson



Billy L. Donaldson, 76, of South Belt, died on Saturday, Aug. 29, 2015, surrounded by his family at the hospital.

He was born in Gatesville, Texas, on June 24, 1939. He attended Killen High School, entered the United States Army, and was stationed in Okinawa, Japan.

He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army in 1965 and then attended the University of Texas in Austin.

Donaldson moved to Houston and worked as a pipe draftsman at numerous drafting companies for more than 40 years.

During the time he served in the United States Army, he received a medal for his expertise in target shooting.

His favorite pastimes included reading, fishing, and spending time at the beach. He loved best being Ella's Paw Paw because she was his pride and joy, which helped him battle through his extended illness.

Donaldson is preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Velay Kahler; and his son, Mark Donaldson.

He is survived by his wife, Karlene Donaldson, son Matt Donaldson, daughter Amanda Donaldson; and granddaughter Ella Abigail Donaldson of Houston; sisters Melba Erich and husband Warren Erich of Belton, Texas; Sonja James and husband Walter James of Waycross, Ga.; and several nieces, nephews and numerous cousins.

The funeral service was held on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2015, at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road, with the Rev. Douglas J. Guthrie officiating. A private interment will be

held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Luke the Evangelist for the Capital Campaign (Building Fund), or a charity of choice.

Condolences may be sent to the Donaldson family in care of Jeter Memorial Funeral Home at www.jeterfuneralhome.com.

Glinda Stewart Berg Collins



Glinda Berg Collins, 68, longtime Sagemont resident, died peacefully on Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015. She was born Nov. 18, 1946, in Palestine, Texas.

Collins was a devoted grandmother. She worked in the oil and gas industry all her life. Having retired almost two years ago, she was known to be happiest when she was dancing, traveling, watching her favorite sports teams, and spending time with her family.

She recently enjoyed a long vacation in the Hawaiian Islands with her loved ones.

Collins is preceded in death by her mother, Jane Hogan Stewart; her father, Homer Stewart; her stepfather, James Stewart; and several other family members and friends.

She is survived by her children, Anthony Wayne Berg and Shelley Berg Schultz and husband Chuck Schultz; granddaughters Peyton Elyse Schultz and Caris Rose Schultz; three brothers and a sister; her best friend, Jackie Little; her favorite dog, Marley; and many other family members and friends.

A visitation will be held Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Forest Park East Funeral Home, 21620 Gulf Freeway in Webster.

The celebration of Collins' life will be held Friday, Sept. 18, at 10 a.m. in the Chapel of Forest Park East Funeral Home.

Ramirez places in art contest

Tre Ramirez (left), from Meador Elementary, won fourth place in the 2015 Pasadena Rodeo Art contest in the kindergarten through second-grade division. He will get to be in the rodeo parade and also gets four tickets to the rodeo. Ramirez's art teacher is Cecelia Stewart. He is pictured with Meador Principal Beverly Bolton.

Photo submitted



Elected officials share their words

Texas Racing Commission

By Sen. Bob Hall

There is a misconception that member of the Texas Senate want to end racing in Texas. That is simply not true as neither horse racing or gambling is the issue. The real issue is that the commissioners, who are entrusted with regulating "horse racing", have decided that they are above the law thus they have issued a new regulation authorizing an unlawful form of gambling (slot machines) at race tracks.

Recently a Texas judge agreed that the commissioners had greatly exceeded their authority and struck down the regulation. Undaunted, the ruling is now being appealed. The real issue is that a state agency, which was created by the legislature does not have the authority to create new law or issue regulations that exceed the authority authorized by the enabling legislation.

The Racing Commission approved an expansion of gambling which is a clear violation of the Texas Constitution.

In addition, "historic racing slot machines" being a violation of the Constitution, the new regulation was also struck down last November by a Travis County court saying the agency had overstepped its authority by allowing it. The Senate is willing to allow a transfer of money from the Racing Commissions general appropriations to cover the cost of administration for up to 90 days. The primary reason the Senate is willing to grant this extension is to allow time to replace three members of the Commission whose terms have already expired. Actually, the Governor could replace all commissioners.

There is no doubt that other state agencies, with rogue leadership, are carefully watching this event unfold. Unfortunately, we have other agencies which also feel that they are out-

side the law. These agencies have contemplated issuing new regulations that exceed their authority or are actually unconstitutional. There is no doubt that they will be emboldened if the racing commissioners are allowed to operate beyond the law.

Hopefully, under new commission leadership that follows the constitution, we can agree on a way forward that allows racing to continue in a lawful and ethical manner.

Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The HARRIS COUNTY R.I.D. #1 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2015 on October 01, 2015 @12:30 PM at Norton Rose Fulbright, 1301 McKinney Street, 51st Floor, Houston, TX 77010. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

FOR the proposal: David Flickinger, John Bechtle Jr. and Mike Daugherty

AGAINST the proposal: none
PRESENT and not voting: none
ABSENT: Bill Edwards

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year		This Year	
	Adopted	Proposed	Adopted	Proposed
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$.30000/\$100	\$.30000/\$100		
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		\$.00000/\$100		
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		.00%		
Average appraised value	\$ 150,359	\$ 164,122		
General exemptions available (excluding senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 0	\$ 0		
Average taxable value	\$ 150,359	\$ 164,122		
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 451.07	\$ 492.36		
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$ 41.29		9.15%

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ROLLBACK ELECTION

If taxes on the average residence homestead increase by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the rollback tax rate under Section 49.236(d), Water Code.

Bob Leared, Tax Assessor-Collector 713-932-9011



Lions Camp a success

Thompson Intermediate School recently held its annual Lions Camp which helps students get their schedules, learn where their rooms are, meet their teachers, and attend a pep rally to start the new school year.

Photos submitted



Seventh-grade teacher Susie Haas (second from left) welcomes Jeiny Valenzuela, Angel Gangora, Andriomay Lee, Anthonie Amboree, Carey Paz and Jaime Espronceda to Thompson.



During the pep rally, Heaven Cadena, Marisa Soto, Razzmon Williams and Jacob Perez won the basketball free-throw competition.

Comcast, Dobie alumnus donate supplies to PISD schools

The recent heavy rain was no match for a couple of local businesses determined to equip Pasadena Independent School District students in need with the tools necessary to have a successful school year.

Comcast representatives Gabriel Ramirez, Candace Young and Jon Anderson dropped off \$700 worth of school supplies for students at Richey and Mae Smythe elementary schools. Keller Williams realtor Victor

Palomares delivered \$600 worth of supplies and donated checks for \$75 to benefit students at Fred Roberts Middle and Pasadena High schools.

"Comcast is happy to be able to provide the supplies necessary to help Pasadena ISD students be successful in school," Gabriel Ramirez, Comcast representative said. "The community always gives so much to us, so this is our way of giving back."

Each campus recipient presented a certificate of appreciation to the donors. As an extra token of appreciation, Mae Smythe employees distributed school T-shirts to Comcast representatives. Martin Moffett, the school's principal, said he is happy to see local business partners support Pasadena schools.

"I can't thank Comcast enough for the generous gifts of school supplies for students," Moffett said. "We need a family and community involvement is an important part of our family. It means a lot to the students, and it shows based on the smiles and the high fives. We are incredibly thankful to Comcast for helping us start our journey."

A Dobie High School alumnus, Palomares, understands the challenges associated with going back to school. This was his way of paying it forward.

"I know what it is like to not have school supplies," Palomares said to a group of Roberts Middle School students. "I wanted to provide you with supplies so you don't have to go through that same experience. I challenge you to use the supplies to learn and accomplish great things in school."



Keller Williams realtor and Dobie High School alumnus, Victor Palomares, gives back to the community by donating school supplies to students at Fred Roberts Middle and Pasadena High schools. Pictured from left to right: Roberts Middle School counselor Derondra Pitre, Palomares, Principal Jorly Thomas and Roberts sixth-grader Connor Duffey.



Roberts Middle School student Eduardo Cruz hands a certificate of appreciation to Keller Williams realtor Victor Palomares.

Roberts visits namesake



Fred Roberts (right) paid a visit to Fred Roberts Middle School on Sept. 8 where he enjoyed lunch next to the students. He even waited in line with the students and enjoyed the same hot meal they had. Pictured with Roberts are, left to right, support staff member Cynthia Mills and Roberts Middle School Principal Jorly Thomas. Photo submitted

Cowgirl of the Week



The Sagmont Cowgirl of the week for Aug. 30 through Sept. 6 is Col. Anaya Antoine. She is a five-year line member and the daughter of Alvin Antoine and Suria Francis-Antoine.

Photo submitted

National Hispanic Heritage Month events scheduled

National Hispanic Heritage Month is just around the corner, and San Jacinto College has scheduled a list of events that are open to students and the public.

Through Oct. 15, the following events will take place in celebration of the histories, cultures and contributions of people from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

- Central campus**
 - Tropicante performance from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23, in the Student Center, Building 14
 - Movie: *John Valdez* at 11:45 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 12, in the Student Center, Building 14
 - Trivia at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 13, in the Student Center, Building 14
- South campus**
 - Consejos: Words of Wisdom Latino/a Faculty Panel for Students from 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 24, in Room S.12.102
 - Richard Rodriguez, Hunger of Memory, book discussion from 10:10 to 11:35 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, in Room S.7.143

Guest Speaker Dr. Maria Gonzalez, professor with University of Houston, from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 14, in Room S.6.152

- North campus**
 - Cesar Chavez Presentation at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 22, location TBD
 - Loteria from 11:30 to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23, in the Student Center Lobby, N12
 - Taco USA: A student presentation at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, location TBD

The San Jacinto College Central campus is located at 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena; South campus is located at 13735 Beamer Road in Houston; and North campus is located at 5800 Uvalde Road in Houston.

For updates and more information, visit sanjac.edu/events.

LSA students attend World Affairs Council



Lutheran South Academy students attended a World Affairs Council presentation by Bob Gomel, a former photojournalist for Life magazine during the JFK, LBJ and Nixon administrations. Pictured with Gomel are, left to right, (front row) Archie Buchman, Kaylee King, Hailey Ainsworth, Rachel Bivens, Amy Zeller; (second row) Gomel, Alex Thompson, Karah Block, Shelby Oliphant, Conner Vining; (back row) Bailey Graves, Ben LeBlanc, Dylan Wood, Patrick Grigsby, Cole Klein and Jeff Walheim. Photo submitted

Drafting students to design using industry-level software

Students in San Jacinto College's Engineering Design Graphics program will be implementing the new course, DFTG 2445 Advanced Pipe Drafting, this fall, and will build on the knowledge and skills previously learned in the pipe drafting prerequisite course,

Intergraph Process, Power & Marine.

The CADWorx software will be implemented in a new course, DFTG 2445 Advanced Pipe Drafting, this fall, and will build on the knowledge and skills previously learned in the pipe drafting prerequisite course,

DFTG 2432 Advanced Computer-Aided Drafting. The new DFTG 2445 course will complement the existing DFTG 2457 Advanced Technologies in Pipe Drafting and Design course, which teaches Aveva PDMS software. Students taking DFTG 2445 will learn how to use CADWorx to create 3D models of mechanical equipment, structural steel, cable trays, pipe configurations including valving and instrumentation, isometrics, and piping and instrumentation diagrams/drawings (P&ID) synchronization. From the 3D model, an experienced CADWorx user can then extract detailed construction drawings, complete with dimensions and bills of material.

"CADWorx is one of the most commonly used 3D pipe drafting software packages in the Gulf Coast and used by 80 percent of plant engineering companies worldwide," said San Jacinto College engineering design graphics instructor, Lauro Herrera.

"Since this course is also linked to the college's Continuing and Professional Development division, prerequisites can be waived for professionals already in the pipe drafting industry who are familiar with

AutoCAD and want to learn the CADWorx software," noted San Jacinto College Central Campus engineering design graphics program director, Anna Cummings.

Engineering design graphics program alumnus and Design Supervisor for SNC-Lavalin Engineers and Constructors, Alejandro Cortes, says that students learning the CADWorx software now will not only become more marketable, but will quickly become assets to their design team.

"CADWorx is becoming the workhorse of the design and engineering industry that will reduce costs in the design and construction phases," said Cortes. "Students who are able to master this software will be able to enter the design and engineering industry and become important members of their design groups, giving them the opportunity to develop their discipline and career even further and will definitely have more technical skill advantages over drafters and designers who only specialize in two dimensional mechanical drawings."

"When our students begin looking for internships and begin applying for jobs after they graduate, listing the CADWorx software on their

resume will be one of the defining skillsets that sets them apart from other applicants," said Debra Acuff, San Jacinto College North campus engineering design graphics instructor. "We are making sure that the drafting and engineering industries are receiving employees who can start projects and pick up advanced on-the-job-training on day one."

For more information on San Jacinto College's engineering design graphics program, visit sanjac.edu/career/engineering-design-graphics-drafting.

Dobie PLSR Art winners named



The 2015 Pasadena Livestock Show & Rodeo Art Contest was held recently. These pieces of art will be on display in Campbell Hall for the duration of the rodeo through Sept. 19. Each student received four tickets to attend the rodeo and be recognized in the Grand Entry Parade that was held on Sept 14. For the first time, the Pasadena Livestock Show and Rodeo expanded its art competition to

include not only Pasadena and Deer Park ISDs, but also Clear Creek and La Porte ISDs. Pasadena art students dominated the contest securing 16 of the 17 awards, K-12th grades. Pictured with their winning pieces of art are, left to right, Dobie students Tu Anh Tran – first place; Mallerim Morales – second place; and Erika Rubio – fourth place. Photo submitted

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Lariaette of the Week



The Dobie High School Lariaette of the Week for Aug. 31 through Sept. 2 is senior Cherish Williams. She is a three-year line member and the daughter of Chara Williams.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis



SCHOOL DAZE
The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Sept. 17 through Sept. 23.

Atkinson Elementary
Light the birthday candles for **Angie Fox** Sept. 20.

Bush Elementary
The day for a birthday cake for **Enrique Macias** is Sept. 18.

Frazier Elementary
On Sept. 17, **Chelsey DuPont** celebrates a birthday. Sing a chorus of a birthday song Sept. 20 to **Quynh Nguyen**.

Moore Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles for **Elizabeth Neubauer** Sept. 21.

South Belt Elementary
Vilma Fernandez is wished a happy birthday Sept. 22.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Sing a happy birthday song to **Tiffany Wright** Sept. 21. Special birthday wishes are sent to **Stacey Barber** Sept. 22.

Thompson Intermediate
The day for a birthday cake for **Pamela Crawford** is Sept. 17. **Steven Vromant** celebrates a birthday Sept. 20. On Sept. 21, **Rosa Garcia** is wished a happy birth-

day. The day for a birthday cake for **Glen Russell** is Sept. 23.

Dobie High
A birthday greeting is sent to **Ruth Freeman** and **Alfred Valdez** Sept. 17. Sing a happy birthday song to **Marina Granados** on Sept. 18. **Erica Ba** celebrates a birthday Sept. 19. Send a birthday greeting Sept. 20 to **Delia Garrett**. Share a triple-layer cake Sept. 21 with **Jermaine Gasaway**, **Manuel Moreno** and **Zaira Tamez**. Sept. 23 is the day for a cake for **Denice Smajstrla** and **Guillermina Zuniga**.

FACEBOOK FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
The *Leader* sends happy birthday wishes to its Facebook friends who celebrate a birthday this week:
Thursday, Sept. 17: **Michael Nevills, Fauna Santos, Alice Mireles, Xavier Sustatia, Jose Ochoa, Kourtney Russell, Reggie Godbolt, Sandy Muse, Dean Konrad, Letty Lopez, Tracy Dukes, Sandra Sankey** and **Tara Johnston**; Friday, Sept. 18: **Carey Holder, Cathey Cox, Anthony Virgadamo, Leslie Cockerham**; Saturday, Sept. 19: **Tasha Ford, Diane Martinez, Carlos Melcher, Stacy Mayberry, Elyse Totten, Jo Ann Minchew, Porsche Lancelin,**

Roe Moreno, Rita Hernandez, David Bergeron, Gracie Bires, Michelle Griffin, Marisa Hartley, LaToya Oliver and **Brittany Swanson**; Sunday, Sept. 20: **Bren Duh, Freddy Silva, Rebeca Sanchez, Doris Zacks, Nancy Naquin, Peggy Bennett, Keith Mercado, Sandra Buchman, Manuel Guerrero, Ricky Aquino, Dawn Sharpe** and **Catherine Windsor**; Monday, Sept. 21: **John Neal, Laura Arispe, J. Cruz Aannette, Barbara Dillon, Tiffany Willis, Heather Bowen, Matt Bolt, Rose Dunlap-Adaway, Cesar D'Agostino, Kim Kapsiak, Jennifer Paling, Susan Silva** and **April Carson**; Tuesday, Sept. 22: **Joe Garza, Brenda Olivarez, Torrence Clark, Larry Swann, Michael Rummel, Shawnee Moses** and **Gwen Ohman**; and Wednesday, Sept. 23: **Marcus Anthony, Carla McKay, Cheney Tamez, Gloria Tran, Kelly Villareal, Tim Tuttle, Rozette Demel, Cynthia Rodriguez** and **Lauren Allen**.

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Items must be submitted by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Lariaette Escort of the Week



The Dobie High School Lariaette Escort of the Week for Aug. 31 through Sept. 2 is junior Alex Cornejo. He is a first-year escort and the son of Francisco and Ana Cornejo.

Lewis Career & Technical HS students give thanks to Pasadena Education Foundation

Six students from the Dr. Kirk Lewis Career and Technical High School robotics program visited the Pasadena Education Foundation's September meeting to present the foundation with a plaque of appreciation. "Without those funds, we wouldn't be able to grow the robotics program throughout Pasadena ISD," said David Scarcella, pre-engineering and robotics instructor at Lewis CTHS. "The money from that grant went toward expanding the vision of engineering and STEM education through robotics from third grade to high school seniors." Scarcella's robotics team, which is now about 80 students strong, participates in state and national competitions building robots. These robots can be as small as 18 inches or as large as 6 feet tall and are made to complete complex tasks like throwing a basketball into a hoop or stacking storage totes. "Our robotics team has done amazing things that I would never have thought possible," robotics student Daniel Cabriales said. "It has inspired me to not only bring success to my team and myself, but to encourage success for the future innovators and risk-takers willing to join the robotics team, and slowly but surely, build their dreams into reality."



Pictured are, left to right, David Scarcella, Lewis CTHS Pre-Engineering and Robotics instructor; robotics students Daniel Cabriales and Raymundo Guajardo; Cindy Parmer, Pasadena ISD director of Community Relations and Education Foundation; Chris Bezdek, Pasadena Education Foundation treasurer; and robotics students Bryce Uresti, Skylar Williams, Jennifer Garza and Cynthia Galvan.

Singles Dance Sept. 19

The Bay Area Singles Club dance will be held Saturday, Sept. 19, from 7 to 10:30 p.m. at the VFW Lodge, Post 6378, at 5204 Highway 3 in Dickinson. Bring party snacks to share. Cost is \$7 for members and \$9 for nonmembers. For information, call 409-948-1156 or 281-484-4762.

Lions Club meeting set

The Houston Space City Lions Club will meet Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m. at the Golden Corral, 12500 Gulf Freeway. For more information, call 281-438-7243.

Tax-Aide volunteers sought

Houston-area AARP Tax-Aide volunteers are needed for two weekly four-hour shifts as a Tax-Aide tax counselor, greeter, technology coordinator or administrator. Training will be provided in January at local Clear Lake-area churches. Speakers of Spanish and English are especially needed. Learn more and sign up at www.aarp.org/tavolunteer8 (English only).

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Remember When

35 years ago (1980)
The annual Pasadena Rodeo was set to begin. Numerous entertainers including Eddy Raven were scheduled to perform. Several Southeast Volunteer firemen suffered from heat and smoke inhalation while fighting a fire at a Kirkwood South residence. The owners were not at home when the fire started.

25 years ago (1990)
Designs for the proposed bridge on Sageglen to cross the drainage ditch in Scarsdale was set to be submitted to the Houston traffic department. The project would go out for contracts in April with construction to begin during the summer of 1991. Building the bridge would open access from Hughes Road through to Scarsdale Boulevard.

30 years ago (1985)
A group of South Belt residents representing different factions of the community appeared before the Houston City Council to express their concerns about the encroachment of pornographic establishments upon the area. The Brio Task Force held a public meeting at Weber Elementary to announce additional water testing at and near the abandoned refinery site at 2501 Dixie Farm Road and to provide results of the most recent testings to area residents. An economic and demographic profile of the South Belt area presented to the board of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce predicted a population growth rate of 31 percent from 1980 to 1990. The previous decade saw a population increase of 89 percent. A Sagemont resident woke up to an unpleasant surprise when it was discovered that during the night someone had removed 24 of

The cause of the fire was undetermined at press time. City of Houston police were investigating the case of a 25-year-old woman who was abducted from a 7-11 store near her apartment in the Glenbrook Valley area by four men who brought her to Blackhawk Boulevard and raped her. The Texas Education Agency recognized Meador Elementary School's physical education program as one of the best in the state by including Meador in its Physical Fitness Demonstration Center Program for Texas Schools.

20 years ago (1995)
Two teenagers were charged with five felonies for daytime burglaries that occurred in Sageglen and Sagemeadow between Sept. 9 and Sept. 19. The two were arrested, and the majority of the stolen merchandise was recovered. The 17-year-old suspect resided in the South Belt area, and the 16-year-old resided on El Camino Real but attended Clear Brook High School. Lightning hits severely damaged Houston Lighting & Power capabilities in the area with Dobie High School students and staff suffering the most with no air conditioning. Pasadena Independent School District trustees voted to lower the tax rate by 2 cents - a 1.36 percent decrease. This was the first time in 20 years taxes had decreased. Justice for Jonathan, the organization founded by Jonathan Barrica's father Jaime, sponsored a garage

sale and tennis tournament. San Jacinto College District reported record-breaking registration for the fall semester. Pasadena school district enrollment increased by more than 700 students. PISD officials were working on a program called Expectation Graduation. This program would help determine why such a high percentage of students did not finish high school. Although the Texas Education Agency reported that 82.8 percent of students in Texas graduated, the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research's data revealed that the graduation rate for the class of 2001 was only 68 percent statewide. More than 500 students displaced after Hurricane Katrina were enrolled in PISD schools. South Belt area campuses absorbed almost 200 new students. Deputy Lance Willis arrested Glenn Biagas on charges of trespassing and assaulting a peace officer. The incident began when Willis spotted Biagas in a parking lot in the 10900 block of Scarsdale. Aware that Biagas had just been released from jail for distributing hate mail in the same parking lot the previous June, Willis told the suspect he had to leave the property. Rather than leave, Biagas, who was drinking a beer at the time, charged and attacked the deputy. A fight ensued, and Biagas reportedly punched Willis multiple times in the ribs. Biagas, 26, was subsequently apprehended and taken

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Couple celebrates golden anniversary



Augustus and Joan Mays celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 21, 2015. A special anniversary luncheon was given by their daughters to commemorate their commitment to God and to each other. Forty-five of their closest friends and family members were in attendance. The couple's journey began in Houston in December 1964 at the hospital where Joan worked, and eight months later, they were married. For 37 years, they have resided in Sageglen where they raised three daughters, Monica Washington of Katy, Felecia Ro-



chelle Corbin of Friendswood, and Ericka Long of Kyle, Texas. All three daughters are married. Augustus and Joan have eight grandsons and two granddaughters. They have been members of Sagemont Church for more than three decades. They have actively been involved in Bible Study Fellowship as leaders and as attendees. Augustus retired from Boeing after 42 years of service as an analyst. Joan retired from Clear Lake Regional Medical Center after 32 years of service as a pharmacist. They are enjoying their retirement by traveling, spending time with their grandchildren, volunteering at church-related events, working out, playing dominoes, and relaxing together.

Roeders marks 50th anniversary



On Sept. 14, 2015, longtime South Belt residents Carol Jones Roeder and Ralph Roeder celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They both grew up in the Venice, La., area. The ceremony took place in Mississippi due to the evacuation for Hurricane Betsy. Around 1968, they moved to the South Belt area. Ralph is retired from Good-



year, currently works for Hertz, and enjoys working on different projects around the house. Carol was an accountant and substitute school teacher. She enjoys quilting and sewing. They have three children, Michelle Roeder, Michael Roeder and Mark Roeder. Michael and his wife, Laura, have two sons and one daughter on the way (due in October). The entire family attends Sagemont Church where Ralph is a deacon and Carol is the library director. To celebrate their anniversary, Carol and Ralph, daughter Michelle, friends Marlin and Sandra Lance (former South Belt residents), and Renae Rives and Kristen Rives went to The Big Island of Hawaii in July. There, they renewed their vows with help from the Rev. Lance who spoke the vows in Hawaiian and English.

San Jac concerts feature music from around the world

San Jacinto College will host concerts in September and October that feature music from around the world, with a highlight being a performance of the internationally acclaimed European Guitar Quartet.

All concerts are free and open to the public. The Central campus concerts will take place in the Dr. Monte Blue Music Building, 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena. The North campus concerts will take place in the Dr. Charles Grant Fine Arts

Center, 5800 Uvalde Road in Houston.

Central campus concerts

On Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 7 p.m., a jazz concert under the direction of music professor Jeffrey Adams will feature a 17-piece group performing different styles of jazz music, including swing standards, Latin, ballads, and contemporary jazz selections. Student music major Alex Lewis will be a featured trumpet soloist on an arrangement of *I Remember Clifford*. A small jazz group will also perform

standard jazz selections. "Come enjoy an evening of America's original art form, jazz," commented Adams.

On Thursday, Oct. 1, at 7 p.m. the critically acclaimed European Guitar Quartet will present a concert that features classical, world music, jazz, and contemporary selections. The ensemble includes four of the top guitarists in the world, each considered virtuoso masters who have performed internationally as soloists. Artists include Zoran Dukic, a native of Cro-

atia who lives in Barcelona; Thomas Fellow, a native of Leipzig, Germany; Pavel Steidl, a native of Rakovník, Czech Republic; and Reentko Dirks from Dresden, Germany.

On Thursday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m., a choral concert under the direction of music professor Dr. Paul Busselberg, will feature a Bach motet *Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied*, and a Ralph Vaughan Williams motet *Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Refuge*. Other selections will include works

by René Clausen, Jean Belmont and Bruce Sled, as well as traditional folk songs and spirituals.

On Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m., an orchestra concert under the direction of music professor Ingrid Hunter, will feature the *Serenade for Strings* by Josef Suk. "The selection is a beautiful and lyrical piece for chamber orchestra," Hunter said. The program will also include *Libertango* by Piazzola, a "dramatic and inviting work that portrays the excitement

of tango."

On Thursday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m., a faculty recital will include performances by Busselberg and music professor Dr. Sarah Spencer, who will be joined by guest artist Joseph Rawley, a longtime educator who formerly served as a San Jacinto College music professor. The concert will feature two of Robert Schumann's *Song-Cycles*, *Liederkreis op. 39* and *Dichterliebe op. 40*.

On Thursday, Oct. 29, at 7 p.m., a concert will spotlight music of acclaimed Argentinian composer Astor Piazzola, who is credited with bringing the Argentinian tango to the concert stage with new vitality. Featured musicians will be San Jacinto College faculty members Lynne Brandt on flute, Jeremy Garcia on guitar; Dr. Karen Marston on trombone, and Michael Mizma on percussion. Guest artists will include Omni Brass, a Houston-based brass ensemble that includes four San Jacinto College music professors.

North campus concerts
On Friday, Sept. 25, at noon, a concert by Houston-based Solero Flamenco will feature lively and expressive flamenco music and singing. Solero Flamenco includes San Jacinto College music professor and skilled guitarist Jeremy Garcia, acclaimed singer and dancer Irma La Paloma, and versatile percussionist Chris Howard. The group performs traditional Spanish folk songs, flamenco classics, as well as original compositions.

On Friday, Oct. 30, at noon, Brant Croucher and Friends will appear in concert. Houston native Croucher is a songwriter and musician acclaimed for lyrical craftsmanship in his guitar-driven country and folk songs. His debut CD *Blanco County Lights* received positive acclaim by music reviewers.

San Jacinto College offers music degrees and courses, as well as private music lessons at the North and Central campuses.

Sullins, Garner marry



Adelaide Kathleen Sullins and Benjamin John Garner were united in marriage on Monday, Aug. 31, 2015, at Pantego Bible Church in Fort Worth, Texas. The wedding was a small, informal outdoor ceremony, followed by a brief reception. The bride is the daughter of Renee and David Sullins of New Ulm, Texas, and Scot and Salina Dollinger of Seabrook. She attended Texas A&M University and is a legal assistant in the Clear Lake area. The groom is the son of former South Belt residents Buddy and Betty Garner. He is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, and is employed at Pantego Bible Church as the Student Ministry creative coordinator. Following a honeymoon in Colorado, the couple reside in Arlington, Texas.

Performing arts brings "harmony" to airport travelers

The Houston Airport System (HAS) is committed to maintaining "Houston friendly" customer service of the highest standards. As part of that effort, the Harmony in

the Air Performing Arts Program was created to provide passengers with an enjoyable experience from roadway to runway.

Harmony in the Air is

aimed at creating a stress-free, happy atmosphere for passengers and visitors through live performances featuring a diverse repertoire of classical, contemporary

classical, smooth jazz and international music.

Harmony in the Air promotes the arts and culture of Houston and provides invaluable opportunities to increase exposure of local musicians. Every musician participating in the program is in high demand, performing concurrently at various music venues throughout Houston.

"Arts and culture contribute to our quality of life and are an expression of the soul of a city," Mayor Annise Parker said. "Houston prides itself on being the most diverse city in the nation. The arts are a vital part of our Houston fabric which advances our economy and shapes and defines our community."

Performances take place in the atrium, beyond the security check point at William P. Hobby (HOU) and in the walkway that connects terminal A North and terminal A South at George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH). The City of Houston's aviation director, Mario Diaz, says the varied array of musical offerings is not an accident, since "Harmony in the Air" is aimed to reflect Houston's dynamic personality.

"Houston has so much to offer in the way of culture" Diaz said. "As we think about and explore ways to become a five-star global air service gateway, we wanted to find a way to enhance our passenger's experience as they tran-

sition through our terminals, and this program allows us to do just that while actively supporting the arts in Houston and the region. It provides passengers an opportunity to relax and stop and experience something unexpected and very special."

The following groups are currently participating in Harmony in the Air:

Ars Lyrica, Baroque string quartet and piano recitals; Bob Chadwick's Jazz Trio, Eclectic blend of international world music with jazz intermixed; Divisi Strings, Avant-garde string quartet gets that mixes classical music with today's hottest hits; Musiq, Modern string ensemble and classical saxophone quartet; Solero Flamenco, Houston's premier flamenco performance company

Harmony in the Air is fully sponsored by the Houston Airport System, and is managed by Maricela Kruseman, who is responsible for overseeing all aspects of the performing arts program.

"Houston's rich and diverse performing arts culture is a large part of what makes it such a special city," Kruseman said. "What better place to put that culture on display than Houston's airports? The excellent performers featured as part of Harmony in the Air impeccably demonstrate the top-flight talent and hospitality Houston has to offer."

Community invited to celebrate Blue and Green Wednesdays

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Lake alumni can show their pride in the university by wearing blue and green on Wednesdays.

The university's Hawk Spirit and Traditions Council created the weekly celebration in 2014 to give all an opportunity to show their affiliation and support of the university.

Because Wednesdays are busy class days at the university, the tradition has contin-

ued to grow. Everyone from staff, administrators and local business leaders have shown their support by wearing their "spirit" attire for the day.

For more information about Blue and Green Wednesdays, call the Office of Student Life at 281-283-2560. To find out how to share pride as a community friend, call the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 281-283-2021.

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Dobie faculty lounge gets facelift



Above, left to right, Emory Gadd (associate pastor of Sagemont Church), Marjane Green and Mike Green show off the newly decorated faculty lounge at Dobie High School. Last spring, Dobie Principal Franklin Moses approached Gadd about the possibility of Sagemont Church assisting the Dobie campus with improving the appearance and functionality of its faculty lounge. Gadd enlisted the Women's Ministry and Missions Ministry to help with this project. They agreed and then enlisted Marjane and Mike Green to spearhead the project as a labor of love and appreciation to the Dobie faculty. The plan was to have it finished when the faculty returned to the Dobie campus for the fall semester. The Greens designed the concept of the area, purchased furniture, accessories and wall features. Painting and construction were completed with a whole new look. Upon arriving back to school, the Dobie staff and faculty were greatly surprised and very grateful for the "new place" to retreat. The top three right photos are after the project was finished. The bottom three photos are the lounge before the project.

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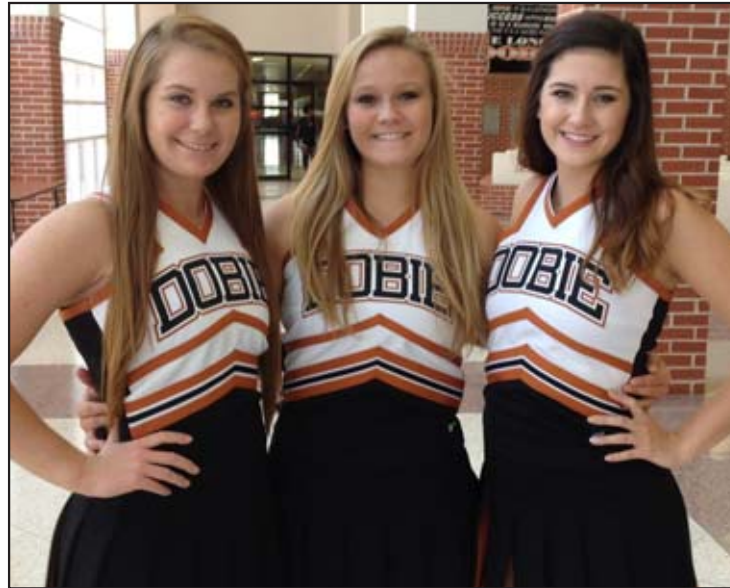


Dobie Cheer leadership named

Junior Varsity Captains

At right: Dobie Junior Varsity Cheerleader leadership for the 2015-2016 cheerleading program are, left to right, Brittany Puente and Angelica Cantu-Garcia. Both are sophomores.

Photos submitted



Varsity Captains

Dobie Varsity Cheerleader leadership for the 2015-2016 cheerleading program are, left to right, Megan Cook, Julia Lohse and Hannah Brady. These seniors are three-year members of the varsity squad and NCA All Americans.

Dynamic Women's luncheon set

Friendswood resident Vanessa Hammett will present her story, *Loving the Unlovable: Lessons from Leah*, at the next Dynamic Women lun-

cheon and networking event.

The luncheon will be held Thursday, Oct. 1, at Golfcrest Country Club in Pearland from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hammett has been a volunteer with Dynamic Women for many years, and this will be her first time to present her inspiring story at the luncheon.

Doors will open at 10 a.m. when guests can do some shopping and networking with area vendors who feature home décor, fashion accessories, jewelry, health

and beauty, and business and professional services. Lunch will be served at 11:30, and the event ends at 1 p.m.

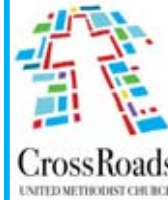
Guests can register for free door prizes at sign-in. The cost of the luncheon is \$16 which includes the networking/shopping event and lunch.

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the guest speaker, the shopping, and the luncheon.

For reservations, email Sandee Ellis at sandeeellis@comcast.net.

cord to Bay Area Alliance Coalition Manager Amanda McLaughlin. "This effort encourages everyone to do their part in emptying these potentially hazardous drugs from their medicine cabinets." Participants will "drive through" the drop-off site at each facility where law enforcement will take medications for proper and secure off-site disposal. Note that this entire process is completely anonymous and no identifying information other than ZIP code will be requested or noted. **Note:** No sharps will be collected. For more information, contact the Bay Area Alliance for Youth and Families at 281-284-0370 or visit www.ccisd.net/alliance.

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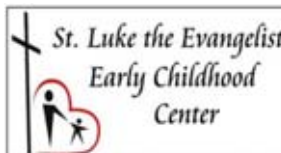
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Bay Area Medication Take Back Day September 26

On Saturday, Sept. 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the League City, Lakeview, Nassau Bay, and Webster police departments will take back any expired or unneeded prescription and non-prescription medications.

The Drug Enforcement Administration is once again partnering with local law enforcement to properly dispose of all medications collected.

Previous local collection efforts coordinated by the Bay Area Alliance have resulted in the collection of nearly 10,000 pounds of medications.

The Sept. 26 locations include: Lakeview Police Department - 500 Kirby Road, Taylor Lake Village; League City Police Department - 555 W. Walker, League City; Nas-

sau Bay Police Department - 1800 Space Park Drive, Nassau Bay; Webster Fire Department - 18300 Hwy 3, Webster.

"This initiative is so important because it keeps these potentially dangerous medications out of the reach of children," said Clint deGroot, president of the Bay Area Alliance Executive Board. "It prevents abuse, misuse, or accidental poisonings by youth as well as adults. We are thankful that these local law enforcement agencies have made it a priority to continue this project."

A 2011 study by the National Institute on Drug Abuse found that 52 million people over the age of 12 have used prescription drugs non-medically in their lifetime. Ac-

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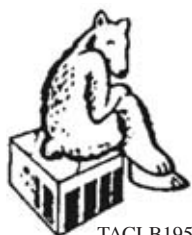
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Dobie, Brook VB score wins

It remains to be seen just where the Dobie and Clear Brook varsity volleyball teams will be left standing when the play-offs begin late next month – the competition is simply that tough in both 22-6A and 24-6A.

Yet, at least for a night, both teams scored big wins to keep those early playoff hopes alive and well.

Dobie is actually on a two-match winning streak after opening league play at 0-2. The Lady Longhorns came back with a victory over Pasadena Sept. 11 at Phillips Field House.

The second win came Sept. 15 as Jackie Garcia dealt out 11 assists in a 25-10, 25-17, 25-11 win for the Lady Longhorns over South Houston.

Dobie got a match-high 10 kills from freshman Taylor Pleasants, who has quickly developed into one of the top young players in the Houston area.

Next up, the Lady Longhorns face a huge match against Dawson Sept. 18, at Dawson.

The varsity match will be played at 4:30 p.m. to allow the Dawson players time to prepare for the school's football homecoming festivities later that evening.

Dobie will then host Alvin Sept. 22, in what promises to be another big match with playoff implications. Match time at the varsity level is 6:30 p.m.

Clear Brook opened District 24-6A action with a 25-18, 25-17, 25-18 straight-set loss to state-ranked Clear Creek Sept. 11, at Clear Brook.

But the Lady Wolverines' Madison Guerra stepped up big Sept. 15, against Dickinson, nailing down 30 kills as Clear Brook rallied from a 2-1 set deficit to score a win in five sets.

In the end, Clear Brook claimed its first league win, 25-16, 17-25, 23-25, 25-18, 15-6 as Guerra

paved the way to the victory.

After the win, there is little rest for the Lady

Wolverines, who will play Sept. 18, at Clear Lake.

Dobie at Dawson
Friday, Sept. 18, 4:30 p.m.

Brook at Clear Lake
Friday, Sept. 18, 6:30 p.m.

Oilers blank Dobie, 35-0

Coming away with a win would have been a tall order at best, but the Dobie Longhorns' varsity football team surely

expected to fare better against Pearland in current JFD head coach Mike Norman's return to his old stomping grounds.

Instead, the Oilers got District 22-6A play started with ease, slipping past the winless Longhorns

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Dobie defensive lineman Zxavion Kelly (13) puts the finishing touches on a defensive stop of Pearland quarterback Brian Whitehead in the first half of the Oilers' 35-0 victory over the Longhorns at The Rig in Pearland. Dobie (0-3, 0-1) will take on state-ranked Manvel Sept. 17, at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

Photo by Gary Williams

Moreno fundraising continues

Local fundraising efforts continue for the family of Dobie High School freshman Steven

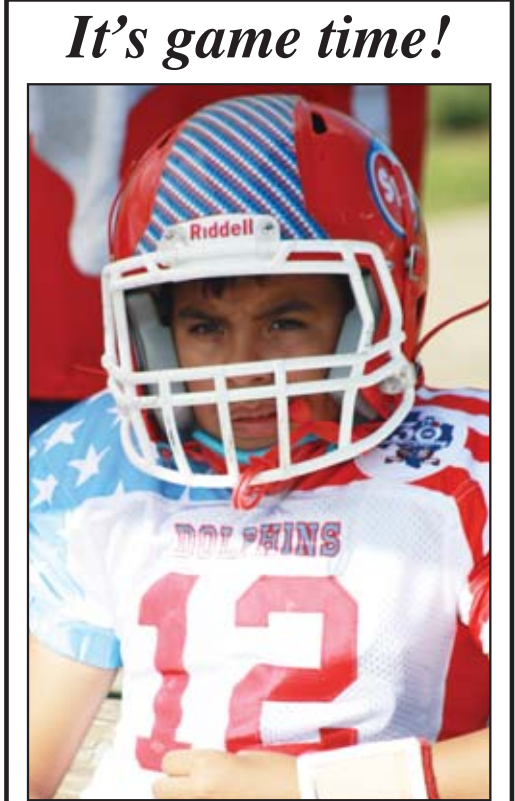
Moreno, who died earlier this month after falling ill during fitness activities within his Dobie baseball

offseason class. He was laid to rest Sept. 10, in Houston.

At press time, the family had still not received an official cause of death via an autopsy report.

A support account remains open at gofundme.com/Our Little Athlete. At press time, roughly \$7,500 toward a goal of \$10,000 had been raised for Moreno's family to cover burial costs, etc.

The Sagemont-Beverly Continued on Page 6B



Gabriel Barbosa had his game face on as his Southbelt Dolphins' junior division team took on the League City Saints Sept. 12, at Blackhawk Park. In the end, the Dolphins pulled out a 13-6 win to improve to 4-1 this season. See more on Page 2B.

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Southbelt Dolphins' defensive player Kevin Taulton (21) drags down a League City Saints ball carrier during the first half of a tight game between the two teams Sept. 12, at Blackhawk Park. Taulton added an offensive touchdown as the Dolphins escaped with a 13-6 victory.

South Belt football predictions	Troy Leland	John Bechtle	Eli Tanksley	Toni Muse	Emory Gadd	Debbie Vaughn
Dobie hosts Manvel	Manvel	Manvel	Manvel	Manvel	Dobie	Manvel
Clear Brook at Baytown Sterling	Sterling	Sterling	Clear Brook	Sterling	Sterling	Sterling
The Woodlands at La Porte	The Woodlands	The Woodlands	The Woodlands	La Porte	The Woodlands	The Woodlands
Pasadena Memorial vs. South Houston	Memorial	Memorial	Memorial	Memorial	Memorial	Memorial
George Ranch at Port Arthur Memorial	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch	George Ranch
Alief Elsie at Alief Taylor	Elsik	Taylor	Elsik	Taylor	Elsik	Taylor
Brazosport at La Marque	La Marque	Brazosport	Brazosport	Brazosport	La Marque	Brazosport
Beaumont West Brook at Katy Taylor	Katy Taylor	BWB	BWB	Katy Taylor	Katy Taylor	BWB
Oak Ridge at Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Oak Ridge
North Shore vs. Eules Trinity	Eules Trinity	Eules Trinity	Eules Trinity	Eules Trinity	Eules Trinity	Eules Trinity
This week's record	3-7	6-4	8-2	3-7	5-5	6-4
Season record	20-10	21-9	23-7	18-12	18-12	24-6

Sports Calendar

FOOTBALL

Thursday, Sept. 17

Dobie varsity hosts Manvel, Veterans, 6:00
 Brook JV Red hosts Baytown Sterling, Brook, 6:30
 Brook JV Black hosts Baytown Sterling, Brook, 4:30
 Brook freshman Red at Baytown Sterling, 6:30
 Brook freshman Black at Baytown Sterling, 4:30

Friday, Sept. 18

Brook varsity at Baytown Sterling, Stallworth, 7:00

Saturday, Sept. 19

Ellington Rams host East End Eagles, Dobie

Monday, Sept. 21

Thompson 8A at Bondy, 5:00
 Thompson 8B hosts Bondy, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 8A at Southmore, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 8B hosts Southmore, 5:00

Tuesday, Sept. 22

Thompson 7A at Bondy, 5:00
 Thompson 7B hosts Bondy, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 7A at Southmore, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 7B hosts Southmore, 5:00

VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 17

Beverly Hills 8 Dark at Bondy, 5:00
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 Thompson 8 Dark hosts San Jacinto, 5:00
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Friday, Sept. 18

Brook varsity at Clear Lake, 6:30
 Dobie varsity at Dawson, 4:30
 Brook JV at Clear Lake, 5:30
 Dobie JV at Dawson, 5:30
 Brook freshman A at Clear Lake, 4:30
 Dobie freshman A at Dawson, 4:30
 Brook freshman B at Clear Lake, 4:30
 Dobie freshman B hosts Sam Rayburn, 4:30

Tuesday, Sept. 22

Brook varsity at Clear Springs, 6:30
 Dobie varsity hosts Alvin, 4:30
 Brook JV at Clear Springs, 5:30
 Dobie JV hosts Alvin, 5:30
 Brook freshman A at Clear Springs, 4:30
 Dobie freshman A hosts Alvin, 4:30
 Brook freshman B at Clear Springs, 4:30
 Dobie freshman B hosts Alvin, 4:30

Friday, Sept. 25

Brook varsity hosts Clear Falls, 6:30
 Dobie varsity at Sam Rayburn, 4:30
 Brook JV hosts Clear Falls, 5:30
 Dobie JV at Sam Rayburn, 5:30
 Brook freshman A hosts Clear Falls, 4:30
 Dobie freshman A at Dawson, 4:30
 Brook freshman B at Sam Rayburn, 4:30
 Dobie freshman B at Sam Rayburn, 4:30

Tuesday, Sept. 29

Dobie varsity vs. Pasadena Memorial, Phillips, 6:30
 Brook varsity hosts Brazoswood, 6:30
 Dobie JV vs. Pasadena Memorial, Phillips, 5:30
 Brook JV hosts Brazoswood, 5:30
 Dobie fresh. A vs. Pasadena Memorial, Phillips, 4:30
 Brook freshman A hosts Brazoswood, 4:30
 Dobie fresh. B hosts Pasadena Memorial, 4:30
 Brook freshman B hosts Brazoswood, 4:30

TENNIS

Friday, Sept. 18

Dobie varsity hosts Manvel, Dobie, 3:00

Tuesday, Sept. 22

Dobie varsity at George Ranch, 3:30

Friday, Sept. 25

Dobie varsity at Pasadena, 3:00



The Southbelt Dolphins' junior division team improved to 4-1 this season in Bay Area Football League play largely due to some big defensive plays Sept. 12 against the League City Saints. On this one, Walter Ward (white jersey) makes the stop on a Saints' runner.



DreShon Downey (center) of the Dolphins' junior division squad had to deal with two Saints on this play but still made the stop. He added a pair of quarterback sacks in his team's 13-6 victory at Blackhawk Park.

Dolphin juniors edge Saints

Midway through the Bay Area Football League season, the Southbelt Dolphins' junior division squad is looking very much like a playoff contender. Defense ruled the game on both sides, but the Dolphins made just enough key plays on offense to defeat the League City Saints 13-6 Sept. 12, at Blackhawk Park. The win gives the Dolphins four wins in their first five games. This one — played in quite a bit of mud after rains soaked many of the area's athletic fields, presented challenges, but the Dolphins over-

came them. The game was scoreless well into the second quarter before Kevin Taulton gave the Dolphins the lead with a 36-yard touchdown burst. DreShon Downey then made the score 7-0 with a conversion run as the locals had all of the points

they would need to win the game. Ryan Saxton ran 35 yards for the game-clincher in the third quarter. Walter Ward also made a big fourth-down catch to keep a drive alive. Defensively, Downey had a pair of sacks, and Anfurnee Lee added another.

Week 6 games Saturday, Sept. 19

Rams host East End Eagles
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BAFL Week Five Scores

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Saints	0	6	54	31
Dolphins	1	13	26	0
'49ers	38	26	36	25
Cowboys	12	6	0	14

Rams Scores not reported to BAFL
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Bay Area Football League Standings

Senior Division American				Senior Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Sharks	5	0	0	Hurricanes	4	0	0
Bulls	4	0	0	Stingrays	4	0	0
Cougars	3	1	0	Eagles	4	1	0
Patriots	3	1	0	Dolphins	3	2	0
Texans	2	2	0	Mustangs	0	3	0
'49ers	1	3	0	Rams	0	4	0
Cowboys	1	4	0	Gators	0	4	0
Panthers	1	4	0	Saints	0	4	0
Junior Division American				Junior Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Patriots	4	0	0	Hurricanes	4	0	0
'49ers	4	0	0	Dolphins	4	1	0
Texans	3	1	0	Eagles	4	1	0
Cowboys	3	2	0	Stingrays	2	2	0
Cougars	2	2	0	Rams	1	3	0
Bulls	1	4	0	Saints	1	3	0
Sharks	1	4	0	Mustangs	1	3	0
Panthers	0	5	0	Gators	0	4	0
Sophomore Division American				Sophomore Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Bulls	5	0	0	Stingrays	4	0	0
Texans	4	0	0	Hurricanes	3	1	0
Patriots	3	1	0	Dolphins	2	2	0
'49ers	2	1	0	Saints	2	3	0
Sharks	2	3	0	Rams	1	3	0
Panthers	2	3	0	Mustangs	1	3	0
Cougars	1	2	0	Eagles	1	4	0
Cowboys	1	4	0	Gators	0	4	0
Freshman Division American				Freshman Division National			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Sharks	3	1	0	Hurricanes	4	0	0
Texans	3	2	0	Stingrays	4	0	1
Patriots	2	1	1	Eagles	4	1	0
'49ers	2	1	0	Dolphins	3	2	0
Bulls	2	3	0	Saints	2	2	0
Cowboys	2	3	0	Mustangs	0	3	0
Cougars	1	2	0	Rams	0	4	0
Panthers	1	4	0	Gators	0	4	0

Longhorn tennis cruises past Pearland, 14-5

Using its longstanding strength to its advantage, the Dobie varsity squad dealt Pearland a 14-5 defeat in the District 22-6A team tennis opener Sept. 15, at Oiler Courts in Pearland.

A 6-1 lead after doubles made things a bit easier, and girls' No. 1 singles player Hai Ho later turned in a tremendous come-from-behind win as the Longhorns cruised to the victory.

"That's always our goal," Dobie head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. said of his team's 6-1 lead through the doubles portion of play.

"I really thought the match overall was going to be tighter than it turned out to be. I think one of the big keys for us was going 3 for 3 in super tiebreak-

ers and 4 for 4 overall in tiebreakers. When you do that, you're obviously going to have a lot of success."

Dobie's mixed doubles team of Tina Ha and Tommy Nguyen were particularly impressive, scoring a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Katherine Willenborg and Charles Maldonado of Pearland.

"That's a good win for us," Moreno said. "Tina and Tommy represent a young mixed doubles team, and they don't have a lot of experience. I wasn't sure how it would go, but they came through big for us."

As for Ho, she dropped the first set in the girls' No. 1 singles slot to Pearland's Sydney Nwakanma 6-3, but then came back to tie things with a 7-5 sec-

ond-set win. In the super-tiebreaker, Ho won 10-7 for a big victory.

"(Nwakanma) is really a good player for Pearland," Moreno said. "She might be a freshman, but she can play. For Hai to come back and get that win for us was another big one in the overall picture."

"Overall, we just played well in a big match against Pearland. We viewed them as one of the contenders for the district title, and to get this win

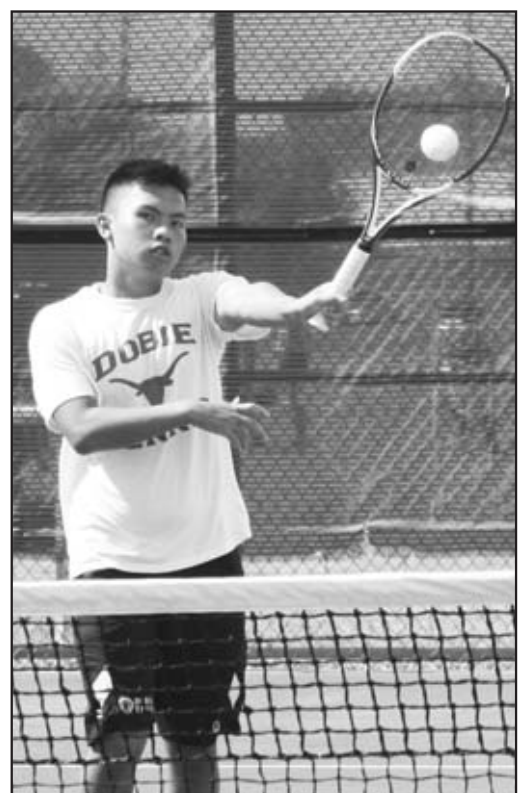
behind us is big." Moreno knows the biggest of the big matches will come in a couple of weeks as Dobie plays a road match against defending 22-6A champion Dawson.

But he doesn't want to take anything for granted along the way, no matter the opponent. Dobie will play Manvel at home Friday, Sept. 18, at 3 p.m. Moreno says his team will be focused solely on that match.

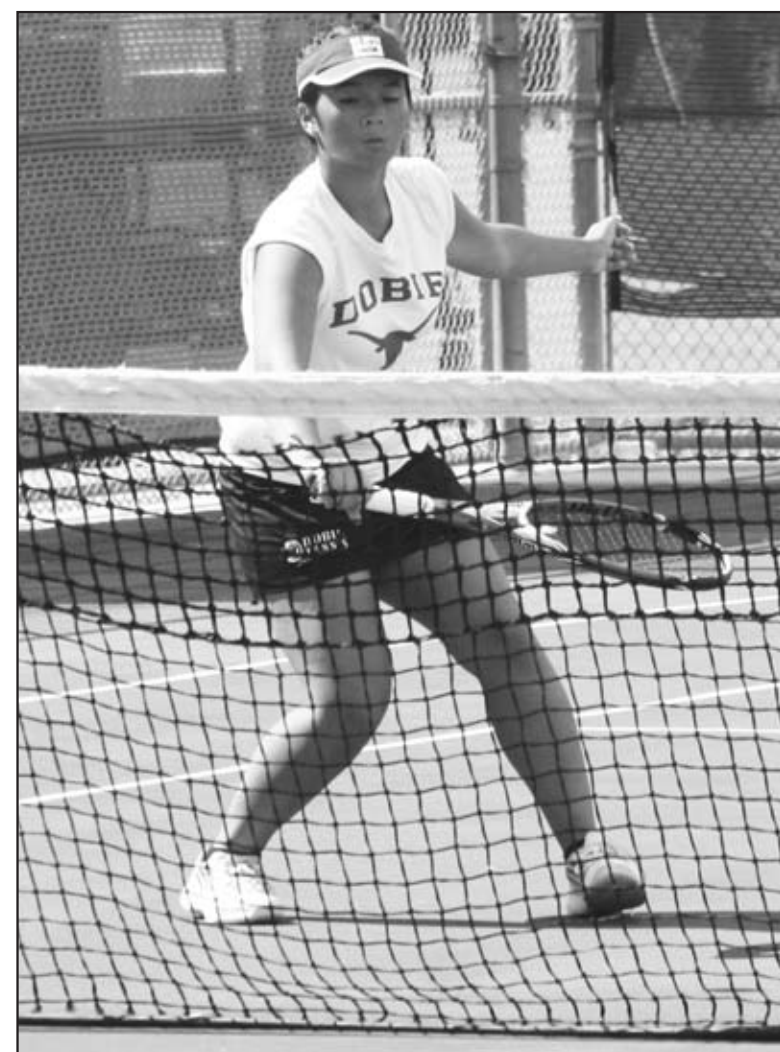
"Every team tennis match is big, and we can't take anyone lightly," he said. "In my mind, we have to go 8-0 to reach our goal of winning the district title. We can't rely on any help from anyone else along the way. Manvel lost to Willis in the Remembering Ike tournament (Sept. 12), and we defeated Willis earlier this year. I guess on paper we are the better team, but you really can't go by that

in tennis. Anything can happen on any given day in this game. I've told the kids that we have to treat every opponent like it's a playoff match. That way, we can control our own destiny and not have to worry about getting another team to beat someone else for us. Right now, we've got that first one out of the way. Now we just have to

keep it going." Entering the season with question marks in a variety of areas, the Dobie squad has excelled with its 8-4 overall start to this point. But little of that will matter if the team doesn't reach its goal of making it back to regionals this season. So far, so good. It's all about winning the key points of matches.



Tommy Nguyen of Dobie plays a ball at the net during the first set of mixed doubles action against Pearland Sept. 15, at Oiler Courts in Pearland.



Tina Ha, along with mixed doubles partner Tommy Nguyen, scored a big victory over Pearland with a 6-2, 6-3 decision. Overall, Dobie found itself in front 6-1 after doubles play.



Dobie's Justin Gee blasts a serve toward his Pearland opponent while teaming with Brandon Chung for a victory in boys' No. 3 doubles.



Luis Cabreja continued to represent Dobie well as its No. 1 boys' player, scoring easy wins in both singles and doubles with teammate Ricky Perez.



Above, Ashley Deveza goes high to return a volley at the net during the Longhorns' easy team tennis victory over Pearland Sept. 15, in Pearland. Deveza teamed with partner Karen Neira for a win in girls' singles and also won a singles match in the No. 6 position.

Dobie 14, Pearland 5

Note: Dobie is now 8-4 overall this season and 1-0 in District 22-6A with a home match Fri., Sept. 18 against Manvel at Dobie.

Boys' doubles

- 1) Luis Cabreja/Ricky Perez (D) def. Ashiqur Rahman/Brandon Thevanh 6-1, 6-2.
- 2) Curtis Dague/Andrew Swaim (PL) def. David Ho/Albert Luu 6-1, 6-3.
- 3) Justin Gee/Brandon Chung (D) def. Ian Lowery/James McKinley 3-6, 6-3, 10-1.

Girls' doubles

- 1) Lada Heng/Hai Ho (D) def. Sydney Nwakanma/Kayla Rogers 6-1, 7-6 (9-7).
- 2) Ashley Deveza/Karen Neira (D) def. Lida Hedayatpour/Brittani Rankin 6-1, 7-5.
- 3) Hellen Le/Leilani Vargas (D) def. Amber Martinez/Natalia Vargas 6-3, 6-4.

Mixed doubles

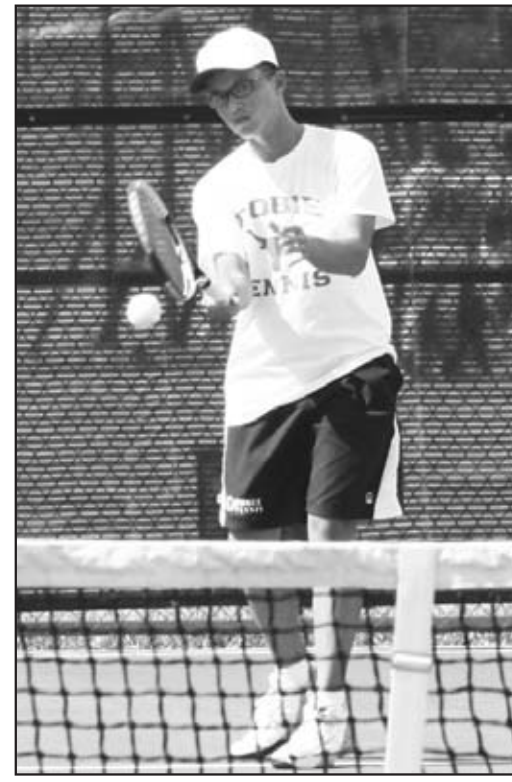
- 1) Tina Ha/Tommy Nguyen (D) def. Katherine Willenborg/Charles Maldonado 6-2, 6-3.

Boys' singles

- 1) Luis Cabreja (D) def. Ashiqur Rahman 6-1, 6-3.
- 2) Ricky Perez (D) def. Brandon Thevanh 6-2, 7-5.
- 3) Andrew Swaim (PL) def. Albert Luu 6-4, 6-2.
- 4) David Ho (D) def. Curtis Dague 6-3, 6-2.
- 5) Charles Maldonado (PL) def. Justin Gee 6-2, 6-2.
- 6) Tommy Nguyen (D) def. James McKinley 6-0, 4-6, 10-5.

Girls' singles

- 1) Hai Ho (D) def. Sydney Nwakanma 3-6, 7-5, 10-7.
- 2) Leilani Vargas (D) def. Kayla Rogers 6-1, 7-5.
- 3) Lada Heng (D) def. Lida Hedayatpour 6-3, 6-2.
- 4) Brittani Rankin (PL) def. Karen Neira 6-3, 6-4.
- 5) Amber Martinez (PL) def. Hellen Le 6-4, 6-4.
- 6) Ashley Deveza (D) def. Natalia Vargas 6-3, 6-3.



The Longhorns' Albert Luu sends a return over the net during play at Pearland. Luu played in both boys' singles and doubles, with partner David Ho.



At left, Lady Longhorn doubles partners Lada Heng (left) and Hai Ho take a break during play against Pearland. They won their doubles match in the No. 1 position, while both also scored girls' singles victories in Dobie's eventual 14-5 win. Photos by John Bechtle

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For information, call the club at 281-486-1911.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, 2245 N. Main (building next to pawn shop). For information, call 713-856-1611.
4 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free water exercise for individuals with Parkinson's disease, 4 to 5 p.m., Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital Clear Lake, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Call 713-313-1652 or visit www.hapsonline.org for a list of all services.
6 p.m.
Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter - A social group interested in the culture, music, heritage and language of German immigrants in Texas. Meetings are on the third Thursday of each month, 6 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors are welcome. Call 281-481-1238 for information.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), First Presbyterian Church in the youth building on the Westminster side. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Al-Anon (English Speaking) - Provides support for family and friends of alcoholics and addicts. Thursday, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, room 215. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.
Alateen - Provides support for teenage children, friends and

family members of alcoholics and addicts. Thursday at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, room 208. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.
8:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.
10 a.m.
Interfaith Care Partners - Interfaith Care Partners ministry at Saint Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 10727 Hartsook St., near Alameda Mall. The gathering, for those with Alzheimer's, dementia, Parkinson's, strokes, etc. and their caretakers, meets the third Friday of each month, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It consists of a continental-type breakfast, arts, crafts, exercises, entertainment, a sing-a-long, devotional break, lunch, and bingo game. Those who have a family member or know of someone with these challenges are invited. For information, call the church at 713-946-5768; Claudia Rojas, Interfaith Care Partners, at 713-682-5995; or visit the website at www.interfaithcarepartners.org.
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For information, call the club at 281-486-1911.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - West End Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church, 12005 County Road 39, Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.
6 p.m.

Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish) - Provides support for family and friends of alcoholics or addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 p.m., room 215, First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., (Hwy 35), next to pawn shop. For information, call 713-856-1611.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.
10 a.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., (Hwy 35), in building next to pawn shop. For more information, call 713-856-1611.
11 a.m.
Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For persons whose lives are affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For more information, call the club at 281-486-1911.
7 p.m.
Bay Area Bluegrass Association - Produces a bluegrass music show and jam session the third Saturday of each month. December, 2015, is an exception. Stage show begins at 7 p.m., but pickers may bring instruments and come earlier. Free. Johnny Arolfo Civic Center, 400 Walker, League City. For more information, visit http://www.bayareabluegrass.org.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For information, call the club at 281-486-1911.
2 p.m.
Grief Support Group - For any adult who has lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway. For information, call 281-487-8787.
5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., Chapel of the Educational Building at Life Church in Houston, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for information or to RSVP for child care.
6:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Candlelight Meeting, Sunday, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or just drop in.
7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous (NA) meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland (building next to pawn shop). For information, call 713-856-1611.
8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays 10 to 11 a.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 information, or just drop in.
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drlandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For information, call the club at 281-480-1911. 10:30 a.m.
Seniors and Law Enforcement Together - SALT holds monthly meetings, 10:30 a.m., Madison Jobe Senior Citizens Center, 1700 East Thomas St. in Pasadena, third Monday of each month. No meeting in December. January meeting is on the second Monday. Meetings teach seniors how to avoid identity theft, scams, fraud, etc. Police officers and sheriffs may be in attendance. Free. Refreshments served. Meetings start timely and are one hour or less. For information, 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 information, or just drop in.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon, 2245 N. Main (next to pawn shop). For information, call 713-856-1611. 2 p.m.
Genealogy Group - The Parker Williams Genealogy Group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. The public is invited to attend. For information, email Liz Hicks at erootrot@usa.net. 3:30 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise and speech therapy from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered. For adults with Parkinson's disease only. 6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Mondays at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua, 6 p.m. Come and improve crossword game playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for information. 6:30 p.m.

New Directions Singles - Group for ages 55 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner, 6:30 p.m., at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Parkway, Webster. The dinner may include guest speakers and/or group activities. For information, call Bambi at 281-482-7143 or 281-795-4514. 6:30 p.m.
Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting - meets Mondays at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway (FM 518). Enter door closest to recycling bins. For information, call 713-865-3668 or visit www.oahouston.org. 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), First Presbyterian Church in the youth building on the Westminster side. For more information, call 713-856-1611. 7 p.m.
Friends Helping Friends Grief Support Group - Group meets Mondays, Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster, 7 to 8:15 p.m., in the staff meeting room. Anyone who has lost a loved one is welcome. Free. For information, call Betty Bielat at 281-474-3430 or Diana Kawalec at 281-334-1033. 7:30 p.m.
The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society - Meets the third week of the month at Clear Lake Park Bldg., 5001 NASA Parkway, Seabrook. Guests welcome. Presenters explore a variety of subjects such as fossils, planetary geology, mineralogy, lapidary, jewelry making, rock, fossil and mineral collecting. Field trips to various collecting sites throughout Texas and surrounding states. All interested persons welcome to attend. Door prizes. Free parking. For information, visit www.clgms.org.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, in the Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or drop in. 9:30 a.m.
Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, an old-time kitchen and a turn-of-the-century doctor's office. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For information, call 713-472-0565. 10 a.m.

American Begonia Society - Houston Satellite meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, Clear Lake Park, 5001 NASA Parkway (on the lake side), Seabrook. For information, call Joe at 281-481-2458. **Clear Lake Bridge Club** - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drlandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For information, call the club at 281-480-1911. Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon, 2245 N. Main (building next to pawn shop). For information, call 713-856-1611. **Rotary Club of Pearland** - Meets weekly, Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Drive, Pearland. Lunch is served for \$15. Variety of interesting speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or visit nlix@texascitizensbank.com. 1 p.m.

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TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - TOPS #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road, at 1:30 p.m. For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713. 6 p.m.
Un Dia a la Vez Alanon Group (Spanish) - Provides support for family and friends of alcoholics or addicts. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 215, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518) at the First Presbyterian Church in the youth building on the Westminster side. For information, call 713-856-1611. **Houston Space City Lions Club** - Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., Golden Corral, 12500 Gulf Freeway. For information, call George Malone at 281-438-7243. 8 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays, 8 to 9 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481. **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**
7 a.m.

AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, in the Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or drop in. 9:30 a.m.
Young at Heart Club - Meets the second and fourth week of each month (except November and December) at Covenant United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Lots of activities, trips, etc. Call Nellie Galney at 713-991-3517 for information. 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Bridge games weekdays, 10 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark Rd. For lessons, contact Dr. Dave Glandorf, bridge instructor, at drlandorf@sbcglobal.net or 281-488-6318. Cost is \$6 per game or \$15 per lesson. For information, call the club at 281-480-1911. Noon
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Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of Narcotics Anonymous, open meeting, meets at 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518) at the First Presbyterian Church in the youth building on the Westminster side. For information, call 713-856-1611. **Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center** - Confidential domestic violence support group for women, 7 p.m., 210 S. Walnut off NASA Pkwy. between I-45 South and Highway 3. Call 281-338-7600 or visit www.bayareaturningpoint.com for information. 24-hour crisis hotline is 281-286-2525. **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**
7 a.m.

AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in. 10 a.m.
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Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free water exercise for individuals with Parkinson's disease, 4 to 5 p.m., Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital Clear Lake, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Call 713-313-1652 or visit www.hapsonline.org for a list of all services. 6:30 p.m.

Kirkwood Civic Association meets at the Sagemont Park and Recreation Center on Hughes Road. For more information call Ericka McCrutchon at 281-989-9990. 6:30 p.m.
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Dobie varsity football's tough stretch ongoing with Manvel matchup

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35-0 Sept. 11, at The Rig in Pearland.

The Oilers came up with a big defensive effort to keep the Longhorns off the scoreboard for the first time since a Sept. 13, 2013, loss to Clear Falls. That span covers 21 games.

In this one, Dobie was limited to nine first downs, and Pearland's 400 yards of total offense more than doubled that of the Longhorns.

Dobie's improved passing game, the bright spot through the opening two games of the season, couldn't get untracked.

Senior quarterback Tyler Giron, chased out of the pocket frequently on this night by a pressuring Oiler group, completed 10 of 20 passes for just 96 yards.

On the receiving end, Kaelon Woods led the way with three grabs for 23 yards, and starting running back Anthony Owens had 52 yards on 14 carries.

Punter Josue Villalta dropped back to kick seven times in the game.

Make one thing clear. There are no excuses being made within the Dobie High School athletic field house.

But some things must be taken into consideration. Because of the timing of Norman's arrival on campus last spring, the program did not have a chance to go through spring workouts.

Thus, much of the on-field work began Aug. 3.

There are growing pains involved. It's just the way it goes.

In all three losses, Dobie hurt itself with penalties, fumbles and, in some cases, poor luck.

Against Pearland, the Longhorns incurred a pair of false starts on the offensive front, and there was another penalty when a receiver lined up incorrectly on the outside.

Longhorn starting quarterback Tyler Giron, looking to make a big play in the first half, was called for crossing the line of scrimmage on an apparent touchdown pass.

It's just been some of the little things that Norman has spoken of all season.

"We're still real pleased with the effort that we have seen from the guys, and everybody is still really excited with what we are doing," Norman said.

"If we don't have a penalty here or maybe a costly fumble there, maybe it's 28-14 or 21-7 instead of 35-0.

"The defense has played much better, but we have to do a better job of sustaining drives, getting first downs and keeping the defense off the field. So the Pearland game is behind Dobie. Norman doesn't like to dwell too long from week to week.

The Dobie program has long since turned its attention to Manvel, and for good reason.

Winless on the season at 0-3 and off to a slow start, the Longhorns might

not see things turn for the better this week, either.

The Manvel Mavericks, featuring a slew of major Division I college football recruits, will be the opponent as the Longhorns play their 22-6A home opener Sept. 17. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

In both 2013 and 2014, Manvel advanced to the Region III Division II championship game before losing to well-known power Katy.

"Obviously, when you look at Manvel, you see tremendous athletes and playmakers," Norman

said. "There's no secret about that. Just a great football program. But Dobie hung with Manvel for a half last season before things came apart in the second half.

"Hopefully we can get some pressure on the quarterback (Deric King) and

throw off some of their passing routes. Do things to slow down what they do offensively. Not many teams can get in to a track meet with them."

Following the Manvel game, Dobie will have a bye week before playing its final six games

in league play. A season ago, Dobie got on a roll and gained a playoff berth with a string of wins.

"There's still a lot of football left," Norman said. "We have played three playoff caliber teams to start the season and will play a fourth with Man-

vel," Norman said. "From there, we'll focus on winning each game each week. Is (success) going to be this year? I hope it is. Maybe it's next year. But we still have big hopes for this season.

"Dobie got on a roll last year and went on to make

the playoffs. We certainly can do that again. We have to start to average more than 2.8 yards per carry on the ground, and we have to cut the penalties. But we can do these things. It's only three games. We've hurt ourselves some. We'll be all right."



Dobie's Kaelon Woods reeled in one of his three receptions and headed up field during the second half of the Longhorns' 35-0 loss to Pearland, which served as the District 22-6A opener for both teams Sept. 11, at The Rig in Pearland.



Dobie varsity football head coach Mike Norman (right) chats with Jason Lester (80) and Breon Simmons (3) during a timeout against Pearland Sept. 11. Second from right is JFD assistant coach James Freeman.

Chased by the Pearland defense, including Emylie Jones (58) for much of the game, Dobie quarterback Tyler Giron found himself on the run early and often against the Oilers. Also in on the play for Dobie was Jesse Paredes (85) and Vincent Gutierrez (75).

Dobie hosts Manvel
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Dobie junior punter Josue Villalta was plenty busy Sept. 11, at Pearland, punting seven times for a 40-yard average. He also took off on a punt fake in the first half, nearly reaching the first down mark before being blasted out of bounds by a host of Oiler special teams players.

Sports news, notes

Diamond Club bingo night

The Dobie Diamond Club, the official booster organization of the school's baseball program, has rescheduled its fall bingo night to raise funds for costs associated with the baseball program.

The event will now be held Saturday, Dec. 5. Tickets purchased for the original date will be honored at the door, and \$25 tickets remain for sale through Dobie baseball players or booster club members.

Eight of the 10 games played during the evening will pay \$100 each to the winner. A ninth game will pay \$250 to the winner, and a final game will pay \$500 to the winner. Refreshments will be available for purchase, and door prizes will be awarded between games.

Doors open at 5 p.m., and the bingo games will run from 6 to 10 p.m. For more information, direct email to dobiediamond@gmail.com.

SB youth soccer signup online

The South Belt Youth Soccer Club is accepting online registration for the 2015 fall season that begins in late September. Players age 4 through 18 as of July 31, 2015, are eligible to compete.

The registration fee for those in the under-5 through U8 divisions will pay \$135, which includes a uniform (shirt, shorts and socks) and fundraising fee.

The fee for those in the U9 and U10 divisions is \$150, and the U11 through U18 fee is \$190, with both including uniform and fundraising fee.

Only credit cards and debit cards will be accepted as forms of payment online.

To register or for more league information, visit www.southbeltssoccer.org. Games will be played at El Franco Lee Park as the primary site. The schedule begins later this month.

SJC's Benamna leads way

Led by the scoring power of Donald Benamna, the San Jacinto College men's soccer team has opened Region XIV action with a pair of victories.

The team had begun the season with a tie and a late loss to Division III top-ranked Richland but then turned things around as the conference schedule dawned.

San Jac began the season at Western Texas, where a 1-1 tie ensued. Benamna's goal in the 78th minute off a feed from Derick Gonzalez gave the locals a 1-0 lead, but it would not hold up.

Western Texas instead knotted the game at 1-1 with a goal in the 87th minute.

Taking on top-ranked Richland, San Jacinto fought back from a 3-1 deficit only to see Richland snag the victory.

Santiago Aguedelo netted a pair of scores to help the Thunderducks take a 3-1 lead.

But San Jacinto climbed back, first with a goal from Miguel Canas off an assist from Ricardo

Olaja. Then, in the 70th minute, Benamna tied the game with a goal with an assist from Canas.

Aguedelo's third goal of the game — a hat trick — came in the 78th minute as Richland went on to win.

Things then turned for San Jacinto with wins over Paris and Northeast Texas to begin Region XIV action.

On Sept. 11, San Jac fell behind Paris 1-0 but then scored three goals to walk away with a 3-1 victory.

Benamna tied the game at 1-1 with a goal in the 41st minute and then gave San Jacinto the lead for good with a tally in the 65th minute.

The Coyotes put the game away as Jorge Callejas added an insurance goal in the 80th minute.

San Jacinto then took on Northeast Texas Sept. 12, and had little trouble while reeling off a 4-0 victory on the road.

In the 10th minute of action, San Jac's Miguel Canas got the action started as he scored off an assist from Gonzalez.

The score remained the same well into the second half before San Jacinto rallied for three goals, producing the easy victory.

Benamna came up with his fifth goal of the season in the 55th minute, with Angel Cardona providing the assist.

In the 68th minute, San Jacinto's Hikaruhito Meike scored a goal with help from Luis Almedia for a 3-1 lead.

Late in the game — the 84th minute — San Jacinto's Cardona scored the final goal on an assist from Alex Calderon.

Moreno fundraising efforts continuing

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Hills Little League is still putting together an age 16-under open tournament for baseball teams. To this point, 10 teams have registered to compete, and tournament director Chris Escalera is seeking additional entries.

Team entry fee is \$300, and all teams are guaranteed to play at least three games. The event will be held Sept. 26-27 at the SBHLL facility at El Franco Lee Park.

There will also be supporters on hand to sell

Steven Moreno memorial T-shirts, according to Escalera, and barbecue sandwich combo plates will also be available for purchase both days of the event. Proceeds from the event will go to the Moreno family.

Moreno, 14, was a longtime member of the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League and also competed in athletics at Beverly Hills Intermediate. For additional information about the 16-under tournament or to assist the Moreno family, call Escalera at 832-630-4007.

Brook football back in action

At 0-2 this season and with the bye week safely behind it, the Clear Brook football program has been busy preparing for eight straight weeks of action with little or no break.

The Wolverines have one nondistrict game remaining against the Baytown Sterling Rangers before entering District 24-6A play.

While the Wolverines began the season with losses at home to La Porte and on the road to Westfield, the Rangers of Baytown opened the season with a pair of wins.

The Rangers first defeated Baytown Lee 27-21 and then handed the Goose Creek Memorial squad a 24-18 setback.

The Wolverines are set

to take on the Rangers Friday, Sept. 18, at Stallworth Stadium in Baytown.

The Wolverines are led offensively by quarterback

Jaizac Garcia, who has thrown five touchdowns through the first two games of the season as a first-year starter.

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