

Evening of Cuisine set

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Evening of Cuisine Thursday, Oct. 4, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer, from 5 to 8 p.m. The all-you-can-eat event allows attendees to sample food and beverages from a variety of local vendors.

Confirmed vendors include Blue Beetle Café, Cadeau Confections, Cakes by YaYa, Celeste's Cakes N More, Chick-fil-A, Chilos Taqueria, d'lish catering, El Oregano Mexican Restaurant, La Forchetta Italian Grill, Las Haciendas Mexican Bar & Grill, Maximum Impact CrossFit, Nothing Bundt Cake, Raising Cane's, Randy's Smokehouse & BBQ, Sagemont BBQ, San Jacinto Culinary Arts, Savannah Café & Bakery, Sweet Galeanna, Texas Republic Kitchen, Time Out Sports Bar #1 and Tony's Pizza & Grinders.

The event will also feature live and silent auctions, as well as door prizes. Auction items include sports memorabilia; a Galveston Island package; hotel stays; custom outdoor furniture; and more.

Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets may be purchased online at www.southbeltchamber.com. For additional information, contact the chamber at 281-481-5516 or info@southbeltchamber.com.

JFD holds financial night

Dobie High School will host a parent financial aid night on Thursday, Oct. 11, at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. Information will be provided addressing the importance of setting up and completing a FAFSA account. All senior parents are encouraged to attend. In addition, a parent lab night will be available on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 6 p.m. San Jacinto College representatives will be available to answer FAFSA questions as well as assist students in completing their Apply Texas college applications. For additional information, call Jennifer Johnson or Lili Solis at 713-740-0370.

Gulf Freeway closures set

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

Beltway closures planned

The eastbound and westbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed continuously through 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 2.

The northbound and southbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Genoa Red Bluff will be closed daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Thursday, Oct. 11.

Moore seeks vendors

Moore Elementary will host a "Hawk Fun Run" Friday, Oct. 19, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Vendors will be set up in the cafeteria. Anyone interested in showing goods may contact Silvia Luna at 713-740-0656 or via email at SLuna@Pasadenaisd.org for information.

Lakes of Golfcrest to meet

The Lakes of Golfcrest Community Association Board of Directors meeting will take place Tuesday, Oct. 9, at the El Franco Lee Community Center, located at 9500 Hall Road, beginning at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Alexandra Stanley at Houston Community Management Services at 832-864-1200.

Free self-defense classes set

The American Society of Karate offers free one-hour self-defense and martial arts classes for ages 13-80 at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes, on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. For details, email Michael.Alonzo@ASKKara.com or call 281-788-5930.

Kirkmont I to meet Oct. 10

The Kirkmont I Homeowners Association will hold a board meeting Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the MUD Building, located at 10102 Blackhawk. All homeowners and renters are encouraged to attend. Questions and concerns are welcomed. The board is currently seeking new members.

Dobie orchestra to perform

The Dobie High School Orchestra will perform at two upcoming events.

On Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 7 p.m. the Masquerade Serenade Fall Concert will be held at the main campus auditorium. This concert is free and open to the public. Costume contests for kids in pre-K through 12th grades will be held. On Friday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. the Honor Orchestra Recording Concert featuring the Dobie Chamber Orchestra will perform.

This concert will be held at Dobie9 and is free and open to the public. This concert will be recorded for competition purposes and is not recommended for small children.

Blackhawk HOA to meet

The Blackhawk Homeowners Association will hold its annual membership meeting Monday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m. at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce building, located at 10500 Scarsdale Blvd.

Sagemont Church to aid rebuild effort

Sagemont Church is once again participating in an effort to rebuild area homes that remain damaged from Hurricane Harvey.

The local church will be teaming up with the 4B Disaster Response Network (4BDRN) and

Eight Days of Hope (EDOH) from Saturday, Oct. 13, through Saturday, Oct. 20, to help make repairs to homes that are still affected from the devastating storm last year. The group's primary recipients are people who have not already

received assistance from other sources, such as FEMA or insurance companies. According to the Eight Days of Hope website, more than 90 percent of the homes damaged by Harvey did not have flood insurance.

"Thousands of families in the area are trying to figure out how they can rebuild their homes because of the mass damage," said Chris Alston, board president of 4BDRN. "Those who are

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Deputies seize cash from machines



Deputies with the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office have continued their pursuit against illegal gambling in the South Belt community, conducting two more raids on suspected establishments this past week. Precinct 2 Sgt. Robert Sanchez (left) and Deputy Louis Urrabazo (center) are shown above seizing cash from a machine in the 11400 block of Hall Road on Friday, Sept. 28. Shown with the pair is Deputy Mario Garcia. See additional photos on Page 6A. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Deputies bust illegal gambling site

Deputies with Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz's office have raided two more game rooms in their battle against illegal gambling in the South Belt community.

On Friday, Sept. 28, deputies targeted an alleged illegal game room in the 11400 block of Hall Road.

The incident marked the third time in three weeks that Precinct 2 deputies had conducted such a raid. Additional busts took place in the 10800 block of Hughes Road at Beamer and in the 12300 block of Scarsdale near Sageglen.

The nondescript game room was located in the building that once housed Smart Choice Plumbing. Now located in the 11600 block of Fuqua, the plumbing company is in no way associated with the illegal activity, deputies said.

While Smart Choice was not affiliated with the

game room, the building had caused much confusion to area residents over the past 15 months, as the company's sign was never removed, despite multiple attempts from the original owner to do so. In fact, Harris County Judge Jo Ann Delgado recently visited the facility to inquire about legitimate plumbing work, only to discover the hidden gaming machines.

According to Precinct 2 Sgt. Robert Sanchez, the game room had been part of an undercover investigation for several weeks.

Deputies seized approximately \$28,000 during the raid.

As with the previous two busts, no game room owners or staff members have yet been arrested. One customer, however, was arrested on an unrelated warrant.

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Martin to hold town hall meeting

Houston District E City Council Member Dave Martin will host a town hall meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 6:30 p.m., in the Special Events Building at Space Center Houston, 1601 NASA Parkway. (This year, the meeting will take place in Space Center Houston's new Special Events Building, as opposed to the Destiny Theater, as in previous years.)

The community is invited to attend and hear from city and community representatives about ongoing projects, issues and community news related to the Clear Lake and Southeast Houston areas of District E.

This fall's town hall meeting will include a presentation from Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner, who will provide an update on the

post-Harvey progress of the city, as well as the ReBuild Houston and firefighter salary referendum elections on the Nov. 6 ballot. All registered voters within the boundaries of the city are urged to attend.

Residents will hear from Sharon Moses Burnside with the Planning and Development Department on the proposed amendment to add Ellington Road, from Galveston Road to Interstate 45, to the city's Major Thoroughfare Plan.

President of the Clear Lake City Water Authority, John Branch, will also be a part of the agenda to discuss the progress of Exploration Green as well as provide a post-Harvey update to the community.

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County celebrates National Night Out

Harris County officials celebrated National Night Out on Tuesday, Oct. 2, by holding an event at the courthouse annex located at Scarsdale and Beamer. Hosted by Constable Chris Diaz, Commissioner Rodney Ellis, Justice of the Peace Jo Ann Delgado and Tax Assessor-Collector Ann Harris Bennett, the event featured music, refreshments, face painting and hot dogs. Christina Hartman (right), senior naturalist from Precinct 1 Environmental Programs, is pictured to the left showing a bearded dragon lizard to South Belt Elementary student Kelvin Lopez. Shown with the pair is Dave Matthews, director of Precinct 1 Environmental Programs. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Dobie homecoming court named



The 2018-2019 J. Frank Dobie High School homecoming court has been announced. Court members shown above are, left to right, Kaleb Monroe, Luis Vasquez, Kristopher Morris, Taylor Pleasant, Camille Smith and Sara Otwell. The homecoming king and queen will be crowned Friday, Oct. 6, during the 7 p.m. game against the Humble Wildcats at Pasadena Veterans Memorial Stadium. Photo by Damian Velez, Dobie

Boykins to host cleanup Oct. 13

Houston City Council Member Dwight A. Boykins will host the District D Days of Cleaning the first two Saturdays of October (Oct. 6 and Oct. 13).

Cleaning in the South Belt community will take place the second weekend.

The project will involve picking up litter and making other unspecified beautifications to the area.

The first weekend's cleanup will address the following neighborhoods in District D: Third Ward; Macgregor; Museum Park; Old Spanish Trail/South Union; and South Park.

The second weekend's cleanup will address

the following neighborhoods in District D: South belt/Ellington; Sunnyside; Crestmont; and Minnitex.

Hours will be from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on both days.

Participants will meet at the selected park for which each resident signs up at 7:30 a.m. At that time, breakfast will be served and specific assignments will be given for that area.

Interested residents may register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/district-d-days-of-cleaning-tickets-49960104016>.

For additional information, call 832-393-3001 or email districtd@houstontx.gov.

Lutheran South names king, queen

Lutheran South Academy crowned its 2018 homecoming king and queen at its football game against Legacy Prep on Friday, Sept. 28. Dylan Sprott (right) was crowned king, while Ashley Witson was crowned queen. Sprott is the son of Les and Amy Sprott, and Witson is the daughter of Clarence and Anne Witson. Additional seniors of Lutheran South Academy's homecoming court included Madison Ford, Madison Louvier, Alyssa Penney, Chad Allen, William Bradshaw and Jeff Marcum. Photo submitted



In My Opinion

Hellyer marks SJC opening anniversary

Sept. 18th was an important date in history for San Jacinto College. At 8:30 a.m. on Sept. 18, 1961, San Jacinto College opened its doors in an old store front in downtown Pasadena to register its first students. History has it that the lines formed on the sidewalks of downtown Pasadena long before the doors opened, and that registration continued until 10 p.m. that evening. The tally at the end of the registration period the first day was more than 700 students had enrolled.

By the end of the week, enrollment reached 876 students. With this, San Jacinto College set a record for first year enrollment for Texas junior colleges, and the total was the second largest first year enrollment for all Texas colleges.

Here we are 57 years later, and this fall 2018 semester, San Jacinto College has welcomed 32,444 students (unduplicated) to our Central, North, South, and Maritime campuses!

What a story San Jacinto College has had over these 57 years and what an impact each of you has had on our students and community! Hope you take a moment today to celebrate San Jacinto College!

Talking about celebrations, this month is Hispanic Heritage Month and there are a variety of activities and festivities planned at each campus.

I hope you take a few moments to check out the events and watch for emails from the Campus Services Departments about activities at each location.

Generation Park campus moves forward. As many of you are aware, in May 2015, San Jacinto College bought approximately 57 acres at Beltway 8 and West Lake Houston Parkway at the northernmost edge of the College's taxing district. This land parcel is located in Sheldon Independent School District and is part of a business and industrial development known as Generation Park, a master-planned commercial development encompassing various industries along with apartments and retail facilities.

Since purchasing the land, several studies have been conducted regarding future development based on the population and tax base growth.

The population around Generation Park is growing at approximately twice the rate of the rest of the College district, and there is significant growth in the tax base planned.

At its last meeting, the Board of Trustees authorized college personnel to plan, develop, and construct a new facility and infrastructure at the property owned in Generation Park. Preliminary site planning has been completed for the entire acreage, and Phase 1 is expected to include a 50,000 square foot facility to accommodate general education and other academic classes along with necessary infrastructure,

parking, and other amenities. Subsequent buildout on the land at Generation Park will move forward in the future as demand dictates.

While there is much work to be done, we are moving forward with a goal to open a new facility at Generation Park in approximately two years. You will receive additional updates as the planning continues.

As I mentioned above, we have welcomed 32,444 students to our campuses this fall. Many of these students are first time in college, first generation to college, working parents, returning students who have stopped out, and the list goes on. We know that it takes the commitment of each person at San Jacinto College to achieve our student success agenda. I thank each of you for your support of and commitment to our students and our work. Look how far we have grown since that opening day on Sept. 18, 1961!

Brenda Hellyer, Ed.D.
San Jacinto College, Chancellor

Smith warns public regarding scams

Hurricane season is upon us and we have already seen the devastating destruction a hurricane can inflict. We must be prepared, not only for a disaster event, but also to be phished by those who may attempt to take advantage of the generous Americans interested in helping others in need.

When disasters like hurricanes, wildfires, and earthquakes strike, Americans come together to support one another, often by generously giving to charity. Unfortunately, criminals can impersonate charities and send emails or text messages that steer recipients to bogus websites. These sites frequently mimic those of legitimate charities in order to defraud people out of money or to steal personal financial information.

Improve your cyber posture and avoid donation/charity phishing scams by:

- Donating to charities you know and trust with a proven track record.
- Hovering over links before clicking, to see where they take you.
- Verifying charities through sites like the Better Business Bureau's Wise Giving Alliance, Charity Navigator, Charity Watch, or GuideStar.
- Contributing by check or credit card, or another way that provides documentation of the donation, for security and tax record purposes.
- Not giving personal financial information—such as Social Security numbers or credit card and bank account numbers and passwords—to anyone who solicits a contribution randomly from you.
- Confirm phone number with the source before you donate via text message.

Additional tips can be found on the Federal Trade Commission and Internal Revenue Service websites.

Robin Smith, External Affairs
FEMA Region 6 Office of Regional Administrator

Publisher's Opinion

Gambling vs. gambling

Constable Chris Diaz's officers have put a big hurt on some of the area's illegal gambling casinos.

They are illegal because they pay out cash for winnings which is illegal in the state of Texas (except for Indian reservations).

What many patrons of these illegal establishments do not realize is that the odds of winning are very much against those playing the machines.

In Vegas or Louisiana and other legalized gambling locations, the odds of winning are many times better. Having said that, even at legal gambling places, the odds are against the player. The odds are always in favor of the "house." That is the

way the casinos can build such big beautiful hotels. It is gamblers' losses that pay for them.

So, if the odds are many more times against the player at the illegal locations, why even spend your money?

Usually the people patronizing the illegal locations are the ones who can least afford to lose their money.

Remember, these places are operating against Texas state law. Add that to terrible odds at winning. It makes sense to stay away.

The community owes a big "thank you" to the constable officers who are eliminating these illegal facilities.

—Marie Flickinger, Publisher

AARP Webster chapter holds meeting

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

The public is invited to enjoy coffee, cookies and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before the meeting. Each month there is entertainment or a speaker on various topics of interest to seniors. Some months there may be a potluck lunch.

On Friday, Oct. 19, The Note-Ables, a choral project of the Houston Symphony League-Bay Area, that is a vibrant group of approximately 55 men and women who delight in performing the great music of George Gershwin, Irving Berlin, 60s rock and roll, spirituals and Broadway. This group of musicians has performed throughout Houston as a community service. They enjoy singing for patients and their families at the medical center and MD Anderson's Rotary House International. They will entertain the group at 10:30 a.m. after the chapter business meeting.

There will be no potluck lunch at the Oct. 19 meeting. The AARP Chapter also organizes day trips for AARP Chapter 199 members by bus to local area points of interest at minimal cost. On the last day trip on Tuesday, Oct. 2, the group toured the Heritage Society Museum and Houses at Sam Houston Park and the Beer Can House. Lunch was at Trebeards Market Square.

The next day trip will be on Nov. 27. The group will tour San Jacinto College Maritime Technology and Training Center. The group will also tour Sylvan Beach Depot Museum and Library and have lunch at the Monument Inn.

Anyone is interested in joining this group, annual dues are \$8 per person. However, one must be a member of national AARP to join. For more information, contact Earl Mallett at 281-484-2589 or earlmallett@sbcglobal.net.

Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint:

Thursday, Oct. 4, 3 – 5:30 p.m. Study lab
 Thursday, Oct. 4, 6:30 p.m. Pajama storytime
 Saturday, Oct. 6, 1 p.m. Spanish computer class
 Saturday, Oct. 6, 2:30 p.m. Citizenship class
 Monday, Oct. 8, 10:30 a.m. Polliwog Nature club (mammals)
 Monday, Oct. 8, 3 – 5:30 p.m. Study lab
 Tuesday, Oct. 9, 3 – 5:30 p.m. Study lab
 Wednesday, Oct. 10, 10:30 a.m. Toddler storytime
 Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2 p.m. Computer Basics; 3:15 p.m. Internet Basics; 4:30 p.m. Basic PowerPoint

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

Parker Williams Library

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

Thursday, Oct. 4, 4:30 p.m. Python Programming (for ages 11 and older). Meet in the meeting room for Python programming which is one of the most popular computer languages and can be used for almost anything, from games to DIY automation projects to robotics. Registration requested by calling the library at 832-927-7870.
 Friday, Oct. 5, 4 – 6 p.m. Gaming: Fortnite Tournament, for ages 8 and older. Meet at the library computer lab for a 2V2 Playground match versus players tournament with timed rotations. Players with a USB Xbox One or PS4 controller can bring it and hook into the library computer if it has the USB cord attached or USB wireless charging cord.
 Monday, Oct. 8, 5 p.m. Drone Flying Club, ages 7 to adult. Meet the second and fourth Monday to learn how to fly a quadcopter with the flying club. Registration is requested. A grant from the Parker Williams and Harris County Friends of the Library has enabled the purchase of equipment for the drone flying club.
 Tuesday, Oct. 9, 10:30 a.m. Computer Basics: Health and Medical Resources on the Internet. Learn how to find accurate and up-to-date information about health and medical issues and resources. Registration requested.
 Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2 p.m. Estate Planning with William D. Archer. Meet at the library to learn about estate planning, requirements to probate a will and how to avoid probate, what to do when a loved one passes, utilizing trusts, using Transfer on Death Deeds and more. Registration is requested.
 Wednesday, Oct. 10, 6:30 p.m. Canto Bight Casino Night featuring Solo: A Star Wars Story (Rated PG-13, for ages 13 and older) Meet at the library for games of Corellian Spike (just like in Solo) at Canto Bight Casino Night to wager candy as you hold'em, fold'em, or bluff your way to the largest pile of loot.
 Below are the programs that occur every week:
 Tuesday, Baby storytime, 10:30 a.m. For babies 0 to 23 months, featuring stories, songs, fingerplay and a craft.
 Wednesday, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m. For children, ages 3 to 5 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.
 Wednesday, 2 – 3 p.m.: Basic computer classes (Vietnamese). Learn mouse, keyboarding, basic internet skills and more at this weekly class in Vietnamese. Registration is requested.
 Thursday, Toddler storytime, 10:30 a.m. For toddlers from birth to 3 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and bubbles.
 Saturday, Vietnamese learning time. Classes begin at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. For more information on these programs, speak with Loc Bui.
 For more information on events, call the library at 281-484-2036.
 Library hours this week are: Thursday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 – 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Sunday and Monday, closed; Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

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MBK, Ellis launch initial law enforcement diversion program

My Brother's Keeper Houston, an initiative of the Houston Health Department and Harris County Precinct 1 Commissioner Rodney Ellis, have launched the country's first law enforcement assisted program to divert young low-level offenders from prison to treatment and wrap-around services.

The Houston Harris County Youth Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion program kicked off Tuesday, Sept. 25, at Houston ISD's Attucks Middle School in the historic Sunnyside community. Nationally, LEAD programs target adults, however Houston's program is the first in the country to leverage the model to serve youth who commit offenses at school and on school property. Such offenses typically lead to arrests, costly court expenses and short stays in supervised detention and confinement facilities. Harris County accounted for roughly 25 percent of the youth sent to juvenile prison last year, according to state data.

"Programs like the Houston Harris County Youth LEAD program align with the mission of My Brother's Keeper, in that a huge part of our work is to ensure our city's youth enter school ready to learn at all levels, graduate from high school and college or trade school and successfully enter the workforce thus dismantling the cradle-to-prison pipeline one life at a time," said Noel Pinnock, Bureau Chief of the Houston Health Department Bureau of Youth and Adolescent Health and director of MBK Houston. Unlike pretrial interventions, the Houston Harris

County Youth LEAD program stops the legal process before it begins, diverting would-be arrestees before they are handcuffed and have charges filed with the Harris County District Attorney's Office. "When we provide mental and behavioral health services to youth at the point of entry of the juvenile justice system, we will more likely address the deeper root causes that promoted the behavior in the first place," said Stephen Williams, director of the Houston Health Department. Resources from both the city and county will be leveraged to provide the overall coordination of services. Houston reVision will pair Houston Harris County Youth LEAD program participants with Harris County Protective Services to develop and administer case plans.

The concept of the Houston Harris County Youth LEAD program started in 2017 with the MBK Houston Youth Justice Council. Members Judge Michael Schneider and Robert Mock, former HISD chief of police, evaluated offense data and the potential impact of the program. Attucks Middle School was selected as the inaugural site to launch the pilot program based on data showing the school had experienced more than 40 student arrests in the past year, more than any other campus in Houston ISD.

Deaths

Mary Salazar Garza



Mary Salazar Garza, 81, a former Sagemont resident, died on Sept. 24, 2018.

She was born in Houston May 21, 1937, to Virgilio Salazar and Consuelo Gamboa Salazar. She was the first of three daughters and graduated from Charles H. Milby High School in 1956 in Houston. She worked for R. L. Sargent Company at the M & M building for many years and also worked in the office of Texas Children's Hospital in the Texas Medical Center. She lived in the Sharpstown area for many years.

After retiring, Mary helped care for her mother Consuelo G. Moreno. Before her mother passed away, she became the caregiver of her younger sister Irma Magdalena Gumkowski, who had a stroke and was unable to take care of herself.

After her sister passed away, she moved to the South Belt area to live with her nephew Vincent Gumkowski and his wife Tanya and their two sons Aidan and Ian. Later they moved to Pasadena.

She is survived by her sister Yolanda Dominguez and husband Joe Dominguez and their children Roland Dominguez, M.D., Richard Dominguez and Laura Dominguez Chan. Mary is also survived by her nephew Vincent Gumkowski, his wife and two sons; 10 grandnephews; three grandnieces; one great-grandniece; and one great-grandnephew.

The visitation, funeral and burial were held Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Forest Park Funeral Home and Cemetery on Lawndale.

Shellie Richardson Martin



Shellie Richardson Martin, 46, died Friday, Sept. 21, 2018.

Daughter of John and Carol Richardson of Scarsdale, she was born on Feb. 18, 1972, in Houston.

Shellie married the love of her life, her "Prince Charming," Paul Brian Martin of Clear Lake on July 15, 2000. After 18 years of marriage, Shellie and Paul renewed their vows on Sept. 16, 2018.

She attended Burnett Elementary, Thompson Intermediate and graduated from J. Frank Dobie in 1990. Shellie earned her Bachelor of Arts in education from the University of Houston Clear Lake in 1996.

Active in the local youth sports, Shellie played soccer on the Bees, played volleyball and basketball for the Thompson Lions and softball on the Hurricanes and Hawks. She played the French horn in the Thompson and Dobie bands and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Save the date for Dobie9 dedication

The dedication for Dobie9 will be on Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. on campus. Dobie9 is excited to show off the beautiful new building and encourages all community members to attend this special event.

Devoted to her students, Shellie taught kindergarten and first grade at Pasadena's Mae Smythe for 22 years. She also loved working with Paul, training their German shepherd Nala.

Shellie is survived by her husband; her parents; her sister Shawn Marie Leslie and husband Craig; brother Kenny Richardson; nephews Jake and Josh Leslie; nieces Morgan and Megan Richardson; sister-in-law Katherine Martin; and godmother Laura Zeringue.

The family will receive friends on Friday, Oct. 5, from 6 to 8 p.m. with a vigil and the recitation of the rosary by Deacon Bob Rumford starting at 7 p.m. at Crowder Funeral Home 111 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster.

A Mass will be celebrated in honor of Shellie's life on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m. with a prior viewing at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 15500 El Camino Real, officiated by Father Bob Barras.

Shellie will be laid to rest at Miller Creek Cemetery in Johnson City.

Joaquina del Carmen Heckler



Joaquina del Carmen Heckler, 90, of South Belt died Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018. She was born to Jose Raul and Maria Herrera in November 1927 in San Salvador, the capital of El Salvador, Central America.

She met her husband John Heckler at St. Anne's Catholic Adult Club; their first date was at the 1962 New Year's Eve Dance. They were married on Jan. 4, 1964; they were one month shy of celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary when John died.

A graduate of the Dominican College in El Salvador

Leader obituary policy

Obituaries submitted to the Leader are published free of charge. There must be a South Belt connection. Obituaries are edited to conform to the Leader style.

Patriotic Dance set for Nov. 3

Everyone is welcome to attend the third annual Patriotic Dance at Hometown Heroes Park on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 7 to 9:45 p.m. Veterans will be honored for their service as this dance is near Veterans Day.

This beautiful ballroom with a "kind to the feet" floating hardwood floor is located at 1001 East League City Parkway. There is lighted, paved parking with good drainage and an overhead cover for passenger drop-off.

Neva Schroder will play recorded music providing a wide variety of ballroom rhythms that are popular at area dances. The dress code is patriotic or "as you like" and the suggestion is added that one wear a smile. Veterans are encouraged to wear their uniform or any portion of it. The door admission is \$8. Tables are reserved for "Dancers without Partners" for those who choose to sit together for convenience in sharing partners.

City regulations prohibit smoking, alcohol and floor wax. It is appreciated that attendees respect the rules and follow them. For more information, call 417 838-2204 for Neva or Bill Schroder, coordinators of Let's Dance.

Sagemont aids Eight Days of Hope effort

Continued from Page 1A waiting for assistance in the rebuilding process are looking for help, for hope. We are excited to partner with EDOH and local leaders to bless as many families as possible.

The 4B Disaster Response Network's name stems from the fact that the organization is helping people affected by disaster in the 4B area (from the Beltway to the Beach and the Bay to Brazoria County).

Eight Days of Hope is a nonprofit, faith-based organization committed to rebuilding the damaged homes of those affected by natural disasters. Since 2005, more than 27,000 Eight Days of Hope volunteers have helped to rebuild, remodel or refurbish 1,916 homes in Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Iowa, Alabama, North Carolina and South Carolina on thirteen different relief trips. To date, more than \$34

million of work has been completed by Eight Days of Hope. This will mark the second time the charitable partnership has focused its attention on home repairs in the community. During its initial visit last March, nearly 5,000 volunteers from the group – representing 48 states and multiple countries – traveled to the area to rebuild approximately 800 houses.

Members from approximately 500 churches – of all denominations – assisted in the effort. For its part, Sagemont Church will again house volunteers. A women's dorm will be set up at the Sagemont Annex on Hughes Road, while family camping will take place around the cross on the church grounds along Beltway 8.

Organizers are expecting roughly 2,000 volunteers (both skilled and unskilled) to take part in the second home-repair effort. The group plans to rebuild 50 new kitchens, hang Sheetrock, remove debris and more. Additional volunteers are currently being sought. There is a particular need for skilled workers. Volunteers must register to participate in this event. To register, visit <https://eighdaysofhope.com/register>.

For additional information, visit www.4bresponse.org or www.eighdaysofhope.com.

HAS accepts applications from high school juniors

High School Aerospace Scholars applications are now open. HAS is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for Texas high school juniors to explore careers at NASA, learn about what they might want to study in college and unite with like-minded students across the state.

HAS is a unique program that encourages high school juniors from across Texas to explore the vast opportunities awaiting them in science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields. Today's workforce suffers from a shortage

in these areas, but with collaboration efforts to improve the nation's pipeline can continue.

The program begins with an interactive, online learning experience and culminates in an all-expenses-paid visit to NASA's Johnson Space Center during the summer. During the week-long visit, student teams work with NASA scientists and engineers to compete in hands-on design challenges and design a mission to Mars.

HAS is a great opportunity for juniors to explore the opportunities available to them, especially if they have an apti-

tude in math or science. School districts may also choose to allow students to receive a high school science elective credit toward graduation upon successful completion of the program.

The state of Texas, along with various community organizations, has partnered with NASA to support HAS. State senators and representatives from each district administer the selection process and ensure representation from around Texas. Lodging, meals and transportation to and from Johnson Space Center are provided at no cost to the student.

More than 10,000 students across the state of Texas have participated in the HAS program which serves as an educational and interactive learning experience for motivated high school juniors.

Following a series of online lessons, top scoring students will be invited to an all-expenses-paid, week-long visit to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston during the summer. Selected participants will plan a mission to Mars while receiving guidance from NASA scientists and engineers. Both the online and onsite portions are free to participants.

Visit www.has.aerospace.gov to apply for the program. For questions, email jsc-aeroscho@mail.nasa.gov.

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“America’s Got Talent” finalist shares her pitch perfect positivity at Bayou Theater

Mandy Harvey has been musical all her life. She has seen shows like “America’s Got Talent” before, but didn’t have the confidence to audition. When she was offered the opportunity to try out for season 12 of the NBC hit talent show, she finally did. She was the fourth-place finalist and won a highly coveted Golden Buzzer from arguably one of the show’s most challenging judges, Simon Cowell. On Oct. 24, she’ll move her fans with her original pop and jazz songs at the Bayou Theater at University of Houston-Clear Lake.

“The audition was very scary,” Harvey said. “I was asked by the people closest to me what I wanted to do with my life, and I said I wanted to show people that it’s possible to succeed with a disability. They encouraged me to show it on a big stage like on ‘America’s Got Talent.’”

Profoundly hearing impaired since the age of 18, the now-30-year-old singer said that the no-holds-barred Cowell had been very sweet and

supportive of her. “He was less sweet to others,” Harvey said. “But he gave me a lot of positive feedback even when the cameras weren’t rolling.” Getting the Golden Buzzer – an award each of the show’s judges bestows once per season and which entitles the winner to advance immediately to the live rounds – was a “complete shock moment for me,” she said. “I had no expectations at all when I got on the show. I didn’t even know what the Golden Buzzer was at first.”

Harvey said her hearing loss was the result of a connective tissue disorder called Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome. She attended Colorado State University majoring in vocal music education. When she finally lost almost all her hearing, she left the university.

“I have perfect pitch,” she said. “I have been involved in music since I was 4 years old. Now it’s about music theory, training my muscles, trusting the pitch and how it feels in my throat.”

Not being able to hear her-

self sing, Harvey said, “is the most freeing thing. I don’t judge myself.”

She explained that her polished, pitch-perfect performances have nothing to do with being able to hear. “This represents thousands and thousands of hours of practice and using creative techniques like holding a balloon to feel the frequency of the vibrations better. It’s amplified through my fingertips and helps with dynamics,” she said. “It’s how I know how loud I sing or talk in a room. I feel the pressure in my throat and create that feeling over and over again.”

Although it’s a lot of work, Harvey said, she loves it and it’s worth it. “People think if you’re disabled, you can’t be talented,” she said.

In order to get a real sense of how to sing in a room, Harvey said she has to feel the floor. It’s why she’s usually performing without shoes.

“Whether a room has a concrete versus hardwood floor, tile versus carpeted, large or small, it translates differently on the floor,” she said.

“I recalculate and gauge myself depending on the room.”

Harvey said she had many beautiful moments on “America’s Got Talent” and she continues to work to motivate people with disabilities to overcome obstacles. “The video package of me explaining the song ‘Release Me’ in sign language, without narrative or sound, was the longest period of silence in national network TV history,” she said. “It was about 40 seconds. It offers a different perspective of life in a beautiful, colorful way.”

She added that her audition video, “Try,” had 500 million views and triggered millions of conversations about the capabilities of disabled people. “An enormous wave of positive attention to the potential of people with disabilities is my takeaway from ‘America’s Got Talent,’” she said.

To reserve tickets to see Mandy Harvey and for more information about the Bayou Theater’s 2018-2019 season, visit www.uhcl.edu/bayou-theater.

SJC cosmetology will call new building home



The San Jacinto College South campus cosmetology department first opened in 1982 and the salon opened in 1983 to serve the community. The renderings shown give an idea of what will serve as home to the south campus Center of Excellence for Cosmetology and Massage Therapy program in the near future. It will provide the right space for innovative teaching and learning, faculty and industry presentations, chemical ventilations and facial/massage wellness areas. Once completed, the central and south campus cosmetology and massage programs will all be housed on south campus. Through the merging of these programs, San Jacinto College will be able to expand evening and weekend classes and salon services, including a barber program if a demand is seen for it. This is a \$15.8 million project and will include 39,300 square feet. The new center will feature updated classroom space and modern labs to enhance training for those interested

in a cosmetology career. There will be a full-service salon and spa where students and the public can get services such as haircuts and color, manicures and pedicures, massages and facials. Enrollment will be for fall 2018 cosmetology at south and central campuses and will accept 232 students. Enrollment for the massage program will allow for 49 students. Programs in new building will include cosmetology, cosmetology instructors, esthetician, nail design and massage therapy. San Jacinto College is also partnering with surrounding school districts to offer dual credit enrollment, as well as home school student enrollment. Salon services will continue to be offered to the community Monday through Friday. Courses at the center will be offered both during the day and evening. San Jacinto College is also partnering with the continuing education division called Continuing and Professional Development to offer eyelash extension courses.



Memorial Hermann SE expands services



Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital recently expanded its cardiovascular services with the opening of a cardiovascular intensive care unit. The six-bed unit is staffed with specially trained clinicians and is dedicated to treating patients with serious heart conditions. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Canitria Dunlop; Katy Bishop; Lindsey Bernal; Renee Ermel; (second row) Joe Reeves; Kristi Payne; Heather Beverly; Cesar Nahas, M.D., FACS, Medical Director of Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital’s Cardiac Surgery Program; Andre Miller; Angela Johnson; Paul Drummond; Rachel Patel; Denise Nyholt; Kyle Price, Senior Vice President and CEO, Memorial Hermann Southeast and Pearland hospitals; (third row) Jessica Chavis; James Salinas; Misty Cink; Marilyn Mansel; Juan Hernandez; Chandra Parra; Keli Dean; Carina Heffernan; Nancy Ting; Barbara Williams-Bearrd; Brian Hafele; (fourth row) Shannon Kimich; Misty Hollenbeck; Wrechan Sabi-Sama and Austin Jadloski. For additional information about heart and vascular services at Memorial Hermann Southeast, visit memorialhermann.org/southeast. Photo submitted

Clear Brook debate dominates at Clear Falls

Clear Brook High School debaters once again dominated the weekend, this time at Clear Falls High School.

For the second time this season, the Lincoln-Douglas contingent of the team took home the top three places – this time by Prateesh Vijayakumar, Kent Pham and Ben Eappen respectively. Eappen also came out on top as the first place speaker for LD Debate. These finishes allowed Vijayakumar and Eappen to

become the third and fourth members of the team to qualify for the annual TFA state meet to be held in Houston later in March.

Fellow LD teammates Rishi Bengani and Danil Merchant achieved quarterfinalist status in varsity and novice LD respectively. Bengani advanced to also place fifth in foreign extemporaneous speaking and second place in impromptu speaking, nudging himself closer to two state

qualifications.

Keeping in stride with Bengani in extemporaneous speaking, Sarvesh Subramanian and Archer French placed third in foreign and domestic extemporaneous speaking respectively. These finishes by all three speakers also qualified them for Tournament of Champion Bid status at the meet as well. Newcomer Zahra Virani also found herself in the semifinals round of the novice division of this

event, as did Isaiah Hall in the domestic division. Hall also fought his way to semifinalist status in impromptu speaking.

Wrapping up the meet were Fizza Dhanani and Christa Westheimer who both placed in informative speaking at the ranks of sixth and seventh respectively.

The team will now take a few weeks off to regroup while they prepare to compete at Bellaire High School later in October.



The Clear Brook High School debate team continues their quest to qualify for state. The team was successful at a competition that was held at Clear Falls High School. Shown are debate team members with their trophies, left to right, Ben Eappen, Kent Pham, Nathan Lee, Alwin Varghese, Prateesh Vijayakumar, Rishi Bengani and Archer French.

Holmes adventure comes to Harbour

The greatest of all Sherlock Holmes’ adventures “The Hound of the Baskervilles” will keep the audience on the edge of their seats at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse Oct. 12 – Nov. 4.

Playwright Tim Kelly has dramatized the classic thriller of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and director Brandon Allen is bringing it to life on the Main Deck downstairs stage at the theater.

The play is adapted to a modern setting that takes literature’s most spine-chilling mystery and turns it into a play of suspense, humor and ultimate terror.

Allen has selected two veteran actors, Christopher Lowe and Frederic Pearl, to

play the excellent character roles of Holmes and Watson in his production. They will be supported on stage by Teddy Waddell, Michael Grygier, Aleck Devon, Teresa McLemore, Kathleen Bilich, Abby Gough, Berkeley Rose Pearl and Alyssa Brady.

Performances will be on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. at the theater, located at 3803 Highway 3 in Dickinson.

For details call 281-337-7469 or visit www.harbourtheater.com.

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COH launches information website regarding city ballot

Houstonians will have the opportunity to vote on two city charter referendums: Propositions A & B. As part of the city’s effort to educate the public regarding the Nov. 6 ballot, the city has launched the “Houston Votes 2018” website providing information about the propositions and the voting process.

The page includes an in-

teractive map showing where and when to find town hall meetings about the propositions. It also includes a PowerPoint presentation shown at the meetings.

The city has also created a page highlighting each proposition in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Mandarin.

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Moore receives donation



Moore Elementary received a generous donation from H-E-B to help with the school’s Tailgate Party that took place on Sept. 24. Shown are H-E-B employees, left to right, (front row) Francis Briseño, Maria Lourdes Quintanilla, (back row) Suria Frances and Phillip Clifton. Photo by Angelica Moreno-Perez

SJC graduate continues his journey at Duke University

Fewer than 10 years ago, Dr. Christopher Reyes was a painter and sandblaster. Today, he’s a Duke University graduate working to inspire others to take a chance on themselves.

Reyes started his journey in Corpus Christi, where he once tried classes at a university but didn’t really know what he wanted to study. This decision led him to Houston to work in the craft trades, but without an associate degree, he realized his chances of moving up in the industry were slim. Reyes searched for a college that would offer both mentorship and a personable environment, and that led him to San Jacinto College.

“It was a tough first semester; I took a rigorous load in the STEM courses that included physics, organic chemistry and computer programming,” said Reyes. “I really had the goal of becoming

an electrical engineer and my San Jac professors Dr. Chris Wild and Sharon Sledge were very supportive in this.”

His professors not only taught him the subjects needed for his transfer goals, they also encouraged the reluctant college student to apply for a number of opportunities – those that would eventually open the door to Duke University. Reyes founded the college’s first astronomy club and was co-founder of a math and engineering club. He also applied and was accepted to the Rice University summer undergraduate research program and to the Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation program, which provides scholarships for minority students that works to increase diversity in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics disciplines.

“I remember Chris being very reluctant at first to apply

for the LSAMP scholarship; he didn’t believe he could get it,” said Dr. Chris Wild, department chair of physical sciences at San Jacinto College. “Boy, did he prove himself wrong. I just knew he had a great chance of receiving that scholarship and that he’d be perfect for the program because he had the drive to learn.”

The LSAMP scholarship not only funded his studies at San Jacinto College but also his transfer education at Texas State University, where he received his next big opportunity, a summer internship at Duke University.

“It was at Duke University that summer where I decided that I wanted to study chemistry and to teach in a classroom one day,” said Reyes. Having already obtained many credits in mathematics, he earned his bachelor’s degree in applied mathematics

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Blake celebrates formal investiture

University of Houston-Clear Lake President Ira K. Blake celebrated her formal investiture Sept. 20 as the university’s fifth president. As the first woman and African-American president at the university, she said she is living proof of the American Dream.

“I am the daughter of cotton sharecroppers with elementary school educations, who believed that, despite their own lived hardships, this nation could provide opportunity for better outcomes for their children,” she told students, faculty, staff, UH System regents and other guests – including her mother and eponym, Ira Kincaide. She said her parents valued “the promise of education and encouraged all of us children to go as far as our potential and interests would take us – believing that education is the key to a better future.”

And while her parents instilled the values of “hard work, persistence, respect, honesty, sharing, humility and a love for trying to do things better,” she recognized that “more was needed – and is needed – for an American Dreamer’s capacity to transcend stereotypical expectations associated with such characteristics as race, ethnicity, class, gender or language. More is also needed to clarify a dreamer’s oft-times ambiguous ambition. That ‘more’ is support and opportunity contributed by others,” she said.

“I have gained so much knowledge, my skills have been enhanced and my world perspective about others has been improved because of those who served and continue to serve as mentors and role models. They come from diverse experiences and varied backgrounds, crisscrossing all human descriptors.”

She shared advice she heard from her late husband, Vaughn Richard Downey Blake, Sr., “who reminded me that I had a responsibility to help change the lives of regular, everyday people in order to make the world a better place for everyone. I had a responsibility to the American Dream.”

Former provost and senior vice president of academic affairs at Pennsylvania’s Bloomsburg University, Blake joined UH in August 2017 – just two weeks before a Houston weather event. “Despite Hurricane Harvey’s attempt to scare me away, I remain humbled and honored to lead this extraordinary public institution of higher education.”

A university investiture traditionally takes place within the first year of a new presi-

dent’s appointment. It formally marks the transference of authority and symbols of the office to the new president. The investiture capped a week of UHCL events surrounding the ceremony.

The cities of Houston and Pearland declared Sept. 20 “Ira K. Blake Day,” commemorated in mayoral proclamations. U.S. Rep. Pete Olson and state Reps. Greg Bonnen and Dennis Paul sent their congratulatory greetings. Olson’s greeting included a congressional resolution. Kemah Mayor Carl Joiner was among the guests.

Pearland Mayor Tom Reid spoke in behalf of invited government representatives and cited his city’s partnership with the university in opening UHCL Pearland campus and its past president. But, as Reid said referencing President Blake after the past president’s retirement, “we were so fortunate to gain a rock star. She is something very special.”

“I knew she would fly high and fast as your new president,” said Bloomsburg University President Emeritus David L. Soltz. “She has studied and learned so much about the university and community and the many challenges and opportunities that face UH-Clear Lake and all of public higher education.” UH System Chancellor Renu Khator congratulated Blake on the accomplishments of her first year, “made possible because of her leadership, but most definitely because of your support. Yours. Yes. Faculty, students, staff, alumni and community partners. It takes a village.”

Other speakers included Richard Walker, vice chancellor for UH System; Christal Albrecht, president of Alvin Community College; Durga Agrawal, regent from UH Board of Regents; and Kamlesh Lulla, director of University Collaboration and Partnership at NASA Johnson Space Center. Speaking on behalf of UHCL were Faculty Senate President and Professor of Sociology Michael McMullen; University Staff Association President Marlene Richards; Student Government Association President Izuh K. Ikpeama and SGA Vice President Tyler Baggerley; and UHCL Distinguished Alumnus Micheal Reeves. Thomas Stauffer, UHCL’s second president, offered a glimpse at UHCL’s past and its future promise. The Rev. Robert Barras, pastor of St. Bernadette Catholic Church, delivered invocations in Spanish and English.

Lariaette of the Week



The J. Frank Dobie High School Lariaette of the Week for Sept. 24 through Sept. 29 is sophomore Mady Vela. She is the daughter of Robert and Monica Vela and was chosen for her perseverance and hard work.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, STACEY!
Stacey (Hayes) Flowers celebrates a birthday Oct. 6. Wishes for a great day are sent from husband **Stephen**, daughters **Kennedy** and **Evie**, and son **Owen**; parents and former South Belt residents **Jannie** and **Robert Scarberry**; sister **Jenny Hayes** and children **Brayden**, **Baylee** and **Olivia**; brother **Joey Hayes**; brother **Austin Scarberry**, wife **Tiffany** and daughters **Jade** and **Lily**; and brother **Tyler Scarberry**. **Stacey** and her siblings are all Dobie High School graduates.

SCHOOL DAZE
 The following personnel of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Thursday, Oct. 4, through Wednesday, Oct. 10.

Atkinson Elementary
 Triple birthday wishes are sent for a wonderful day Oct. 9 to **Elizabeth Eckols**, **Stephanie Quintana** and **Sarah Socie**. Blow out the birthday candles for **Lena Ortiz** Oct. 10.

Bush Elementary
Stephanie Tellez marks a birthday Oct. 7. Light the candles on a birthday cake for **Yesenia Rivera** Oct. 9.

Genoa Elementary
 Join in the birthday celebration for **Imelda Barragan** Oct. 7. Share a triple-layer birthday cake Oct. 8 with **Christie Bishop**, **Norma Sierra** and **Monica Giron**. The day for a celebration for **Marcy Salinas** is Oct. 9.

Brittney Donovan enjoys a birthday Oct. 10.

Meador Elementary
 Send warm wishes for a nice birthday to **Nora Gonzalez** Oct. 4. Oct. 5 is the day for a cake for **Shirley Hawley**. Send a birthday greeting Oct. 8 to **John Holder**. The day for a birthday celebration for **Amanda Johns** is Oct. 9.

Moore Elementary
 Join in the birthday fun for **Christina Le-Tran** Oct. 6.

Stuchbery Elementary
 The day for a happy birthday cake for **Lourdes Guenard** is Oct. 4. A day of celebration for **Scarlett Walker** is Oct. 11 for her birthday.

Melillo Middle School
 Light the candles Oct. 4 on a cake for **Tyler Oakes**. Oct. 5 is a day of celebration for **Jennifer Basinski**.

Roberts Middle School
 Send a special birthday greeting Oct. 5 to **Erin McBride**. Greetings for a wonderful birthday are sent to **Christine "Dawn" Pellerin** on Oct. 7. The day for a happy birthday celebration for **Virginia Fernandez** is Oct. 8.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
 Light the birthday candles Oct. 7 for **Brian Thompson**. Oct. 10 is the day for a birthday party for **Sandra Shaffer**.

Join in the celebration by blowing out the candles on a birthday cake for **Tabitha Dawson** Oct. 9. Send a birthday greeting Oct. 10 to **Erica Alvarez**.

Dobie High
 Oct. 7 is the day to share a birthday cake with **Justo Manrique**.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
 The *Leader* sends happy birthday wishes to friends who celebrate a birthday this week:

Thursday, Oct. 4: **Malcomb Chambers**, **Audry Williamson** and **Michelle Almaguer-Saenz**; Friday, Oct. 5: **Stacy Moreno**, **Deborah Helm**, **Nicole Nalepa** and **Robin McDaniel**; Saturday, Oct. 6: **Jennifer Garcia**, **Stacey Flowers**, **Theresa Theroux**, **Rick Wright** and **Marta Nelson**; Sunday, Oct. 7: **Jeanette Allen**, **Paul Grizzle** and **Marcus Lerma**; Monday, Oct. 8: **Courtney George**, **Lisa Stephens**, **Charles Young** and **Sandy Twyman**; Tuesday, Oct. 9: **Robert Caballero**, **Vicki Talton**, **Denny Wranich Jr.**, **Mary Guerrero** and **Dolores Bordovsky**; and Wednesday, Oct. 10: **Patty Wheeler**, **Clayton Bichm**, **Cheryl Randall**, **Joel Miller**, **Jesse Guerra**, **Manny Carrillo** and **Gloria Sanchez**.

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 Email birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTBF in the subject line by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Emmett visits BAHEP



Harris County Judge Ed Emmett (right) addressed attendees of the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership's State of the Counties event Thursday, Sept. 27. Galveston County Judge Mark Henry also participated in the event. Shown above at the function with Emmett is Rebecca Lilley, director of physician resources for Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital.

Reyes' story serves as example to all

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would push me in school and she always stressed the importance of education," said Reyes, who was the first man in his family to earn a college degree. "Being a Mexican-American from a lower income neighborhood in Corpus Christi, I want others to know it is possible to get to where you want to go, but you must take the opportunities presented to you."

Wild said Reyes' story is just one of the many examples of how research opportunities at community colleges pays off.

San Jacinto College held its first districtwide undergraduate research symposium this year and has sent many students on summer research internships to institutions that include Iowa University, Rice University and Baylor College of Medicine.

"Chris is an example of how undergraduate research on the community college level can get you to places like Duke University," said Wild. "Undergraduate research at community colleges is still a pretty rare concept, but we're looking to change that. Students are here to receive great instruction and save money on their courses; we hope they can also experience the chance to conduct their own research that will take them to the next level."

Reyes also mentored two undergraduate students, published seven research papers, competed in the Duke Startup Challenge business competition and completed a nanoscience certificate program. His dissertation topic for his doctorate was "nanowires as conductive filler for lithium ion batteries."

Throughout his eight-year journey from community college transfer student to Ph.D. graduate, Reyes never forgot where he came from and is now on a mission to encourage others to pursue their own educational paths.

"I remember my mother, who was a single mom,

LSA high school teachers will consult for NMSI

Lutheran South Academy English department chair and AP English teacher, Lori Sweeney, has been selected to be an AP English consultant for the National Math and Science Initiative for the 2018-2019 school year.

NMSI works to expand access to challenging coursework and improve student achievement through proven programs that consistently produce measurable and lasting results.

They partner with schools and districts nationwide to provide extraordinary training and support for teachers and to give students the resources they need to develop and demonstrate knowledge and skills that will benefit them throughout their lives.

Sweeney will be working with AP English students and teachers across the country who are part of NMSI.

She will be focusing on teaching rigorous critical thinking and collaboration skills necessary to thrive in STEM college and career programs. She was awarded this opportunity after being recommended by other NMSI AP teachers.

From there, Sweeney submitted an online portfolio containing her past AP English score reports, completed several video interviews and provided teaching samples. Becoming an AP consultant has been a professional goal of Sweeney's for several years now. Earlier in her teaching career, she taught at an NMSI school in Houston ISD. She said that the opportunities it gives her students are phenomenal.

She is also grateful that this program recognizes that high level reading and writing skills are imperative to succeed in STEM fields.

In addition to Sweeney's accomplishments with the college board's AP program, there are three LSA high school faculty members who were selected and served as AP graders this past summer.

Gary Himmler traveled to Kansas City in early June to participate in grading AP physics 2 exams. This marked Himmler's fourth year as a grader with the college board. Himmler said that this experience always provides him with "lots of tips to improve his own AP physics 2 teaching." By grading these exams, Himmler says he has a much better understanding of what specifics he needs to share with his students to best prepare and help them be successful during their course of study. He also stated that he values the network of people that he meets from around the country that he can call at any time.

Renee Kahre was selected for a third year in a row as an AP world history grader. She traveled to Salt Lake City where she met and collaborated with other AP teachers from all around the world during meals and in the evenings.

"This opportunity allows AP teachers to provide a support for each other throughout the school year as we continue to correspond in a private PLC (professional learning community) group to help with lesson planning, curriculum needs and

Jessup celebrates 60 years

Jessup Elementary will celebrate its 60th anniversary with a Denim & Diamonds celebration on Friday, Oct. 26. There will be student performances and guest speakers during the day and a fun-filled carnival with games, food, silent auction and a haunted house in the evening.

Times for the events during the day will be at 9 a.m. and 10:10 a.m. with the carnival from 5 to 8 p.m.

The attire for the event will be one's best bling and a pair of favorite jeans.

Weller wins 2018 Brandolini Award

The National Collegiate Honors Council will present Dr. Eddie Weller



Dr. Eddie Weller

with 2018's NCHC Faculty Award. This award will be presented on Saturday, Nov. 10, during the NCHC Awards Ceremony at the 2018 Annual Conference in Boston. The award Weller won was the 2018 NCHC Ron Brandolini Award for Excellence at a Two-Year Institution.

The art of working a crowd and trying to build a network among nearly 2,000 attendees at the NCHC Annual conference isn't exactly a simple task to complete. However, very few people can win others over like Weller.

Colleagues say the only things that shine brighter than Weller's boisterous laughter and infectious charm are his integrity and his commitment to honors education.

Weller holds a doctorate in history from Texas Christian University. He has been at San Jacinto College South for nearly 30 years and the honors program director since 2013. Within the honors community, Weller has served as president of the Great Plains Honors Council, has become a National Collegiate Honors Council program reviewer and has attended the NCHC Annual Conference since 1996. Outside of the classroom, Weller has served on the board of directors for the Houston History Alliance, East Texas Historical Association, Southwestern Historical Association, Texas State Historical Association and the Southwestern Social Sciences Association.

Dr. Laurel Williamson, San Jacinto College deputy chancellor and president, says Weller's energy, intelligence, creativity and staunch belief in honors are why he was chosen for the job at San Jacinto College.

"He took over a faltering honors program at San Jacinto College and made it thriving, student-centered department it is today," Williamson said. "In four years since he became director, enrollment in honors has increased over 300 percent and the activities and events associated with honors have tripled. Faculty participation has increased and the breadth of course offerings as well."

Dr. Brenda Jolivette Jones, San Jacinto College provost, says Weller is a self-starter and consistently seeks opportunities to expand his knowledge and experience base.

"He relates well to our students," Jones said. "I've had the pleasure of witnessing firsthand how very well-respected he is in the honors community among educational institutions throughout the nation."

Williamson added that Weller shares the same passion for honors as the person for whom this award is named — Dr. Ron Brandolini. Williamson, who worked alongside Brandolini at Valencia College — says Weller took the idea of an honors program and made it a reality.

"Dr. Weller has led our honors program to a level of excellence that deserves to be recognized," Williamson said.

"Dr. Weller is committed to the success of students and to the success of his colleagues. He has contributed to program development, faculty and staff professional development activities and the creation of innovative curriculum and instructional delivery strategies," Williamson added. "His résumé bears testimony to his professional contributions to the field of history and to educational leadership."



Four Lutheran South Academy high school teachers will be consulting and grading for the National Math and Science Initiative for the 2018-2019 school year. Among them are, left to right, Lori Sweeney, high school English department chair; Gary Himmler, assistant principal, high school registrar and high school science; Gretchen Hagge, high school math department chair; and Renee Kahre, high school social studies department chair.

Martin sets town hall

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Harris County Flood Control District Chief Operations Officer, Matt Zeve, will provide a post-Harris County Flood Control bond update.

Additionally, a representative from Harris County Precinct 2 will speak on the El Dorado Boulevard widening project.

William Harris with Space Center Houston will update residents on their programming and community initiatives.

Finally, Capt. Dana Hitzman with the Houston Police Department will provide an

update on crime statistics within the community.

There will be information tables available for those who arrive early, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Those tables will be hosted by the Texas Department of Transportation with information on the Highway 3 and Gulf Freeway projects, the City of Houston's Department of Neighborhoods and Clear Lake City-County Freeman Branch Library.

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Remember When

40 years ago (1978)
 Vandals destroyed approximately eight windows inside Dobie High School.

Placing five runners in the top fifteen finishers, the J. Frank Dobie varsity cross country team won its third consecutive meet, the University of Houston Invitational, held at Glenbrook Golf Course.

35 years ago (1983)
 Stacey Allen was crowned Dobie Homecoming Queen.

The city of Houston added more chlorine to area water and made the three blow-off valves at Sagecanyon at Hall, Sagecanyon at Sageplum and Ryewater at Pompton operational.

30 years ago (1988)
 Confusion over the health and safety of the Brio Toxic Waste Dump continued as additional professional opinions were released in court-submitted documentation.

George Carlisle left Clear Creek ISD after 40 years of service to the school district and the citizens of the community.

25 years ago (1993)
 Dobie senior Kyia Porche was crowned homecoming queen. Football player Craig Joseph was voted homecoming king but was unable to participate in the halftime ceremonies.

Dobie High School senior Kenny Howery was named a National Merit Scholarship program semifinalist.

The San Jacinto College board of regents approved accepting bids for a soccer and softball field at the SJCSouth campus. The fields would be constructed next to the auto body shop building.

The ninth annual Wings Over Houston Air Show at Ellington Field was scheduled for the weekend. Tickets were \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6 to 11. Children 5 and under were free.

20 years ago (1998)
 Audi Resendez and Coby Cagle were chosen the homecoming queen and king for J. Frank Dobie High School.

Dobie students Brian Castillo, Erin Kerbow and David Scott and Clear Brook's Laura Byrne, Mark Dubois and Amy Wang were named National Merit Scholarship semifinalists.

15 years ago (2003)
 A dedication ceremony for the new J. Frank Dobie High School took place at the school with Dobie's first graduating class (of 1970) and faculty members in attendance. Dudley Dobie Jr. was the guest speaker.

Dan Martin, CEO of Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, celebrated his 10th anniversary at the hospital with a surprise "Decade of Dan" recognition ceremony by the staff.

10 years ago (2008)
 Terry Felton, Alameda Mall general manager announced Burlington Coat Factory would fill the location that formerly housed J.C. Penney. Founded in 1972, the company's first store, located in Burlington, N.J., sold coats exclusively, hence its moniker. With 394 stores in 44 states, the company had expanded its inventory to include men's and women's clothing, linens, baby products and home furnishings. Construction was delayed, however, due to damage caused by Hurricane Ike.

Houston police homicide investigators arrested Frederick Douglas for the killing of Andrae Prentice Shelton. Douglas was a former Dobie student.

The Arlington Independent School District offered to aid the Pasadena Independent School District in its hurricane relief efforts. The offer stemmed from a friendship between Vickie Morgan, PISD board of trustees vice president and Bowie Hogg, AISD board of trustees member. The pair had met at an educational conference in Santa Fe, N.M. In addition to the PISD partnership, AISD set up a web portal to encourage other school districts to help support districts affected by the storm.

5 years ago (2013)
 Marie Flickinger, San Jacinto College board of trustees member and *Leader* publisher, received the 2013 national M. Dale Ensign Trustee Leadership Award. The award, given by the Association of Community College Trustees, honors an individual who has made a significant contribution as a community college board trustee toward promoting the community college concept.

Two South Belt residents were among the inductees at the 2013 South Houston High School Teacher Hall of Honor ceremony. Dick Nance and Bill Newcomb both served as head football coach at the area high school. Both also served as directors of athletics for PISD after leaving the coaching ranks.

1 year ago (2017)
 A 15-year-old male was arrested and charged in the fatal shooting of Preston Alan Blue that took place Saturday, Aug. 19, in the 12100 block of Teaneck near Astoria. The suspect was referred to Harris County Juvenile Probation Department authorities on a charge of capital murder. Being a juvenile, his identity was not available for release. According to the Houston Police Department, Blue had arranged a meeting at 2 p.m. at the aforementioned address to purchase an item, possibly a cell phone, from the suspected shooter. During the transaction, however, Blue, 27, was shot multiple times while still in his vehicle, striking him in the head, chest and upper extremities. He was pronounced dead at the scene. The juvenile suspect was arrested Wednesday, Sept. 27 and reportedly confessed to his role in the shooting.

Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, along with Texas Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz, toured the South Belt community to assess damage caused by Hurricane Harvey.

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SJC process tech associate degree results in lucrative careers with LyondellBasell

Eleven San Jacinto College process technology graduates were recently hired as LyondellBasell plant operators, proving they have the training it takes to fill the skills gap in today's petrochemical industry.

A signing ceremony was held to celebrate the graduates' achievements of earning their associate degrees, completing their 15-week internships and being offered full-time positions with LyondellBasell. LyondellBasell plays a key role on the San Jacinto College Petrochemical Advisory Council, which ensures students receive training in the exact skill sets requested by industry employers.

"Area community colleges, like San Jacinto Col-

lege, offer us a ready-made talent pool," said David Gosnay, manager for training and development with LyondellBasell. Gosnay serves on the Petrochemical Advisory Council, offering guidance on the construction of the 145,000-square-foot Center for Petrochemical, Energy and Technology, set to open in fall 2019. "This is a natural fit for us to find great applicants to fill positions within our plant. With the Center opening in 2019, this will change the face of how we recruit up and down the Gulf Coast."

Gosnay added that LyondellBasell only offers internships for positions available and 95 percent of those who successfully complete their internships are offered full-

time jobs. He said another round of internships is currently underway for 25 positions.

"I highly recommend this career because it provides a great living and stability," said Joshua Love, recent hire and San Jacinto College graduate. "I notice LyondellBasell is hiring for a lot of positions because of the expansions going on and people are retiring."

He's right. With increasing plant expansions across the region and a generation workforce gap, 1.4 million jobs will require credentials that are more than a high school diploma but less than a bachelor's degree, according to UpSkill Houston, a Greater Houston Partnership initiative. These are known

as "middle" skills jobs. Such demand positions community colleges, like San Jacinto College, as training hubs for these types of careers.

This is why Abraham Carrillo drove from out of district each day to attend the San Jacinto College process technology program. "I knew the college was well known for its operator program," said Carrillo. "It was the right decision because I felt ready on my first day on the job at LyondellBasell. I absolutely love what I do, and I make great money."

Carrillo said his starting pay is approximately \$70,000 a year, good money to support his family that includes his wife and their baby. Although Carrillo was not the first in his family to receive

a college degree, he was the first to attend community college for an associate degree and says he is making more money than family members with bachelor's degrees.

"LyondellBasell has a long history of industry partnership with San Jacinto College," said Jim Griffin, senior vice president of petrochemicals and energy at San Jacinto College. "Through collaborative efforts, we've updated course content and delivery, designed state-of-the-art laboratories and provided externships for instructors. Our number one priority is student success and we congratulate the recent hires to LyondellBasell. There's nothing more gratifying than seeing a new career get started."

Jessup names Gallery of Champions



Jessup Elementary has named its Gallery of Champions for being recognized as leaders for the virtue of friendliness for the month of September. Shown above are, left to right, (front row) Nevecha Gutierrez, Melodee Aranda, Jammie Hoang, Jackelyn Fernandez, Alex Lopez, Mia Pineda, (second row) Jason Cortez,

Citlalli Rodriguez, Jurnee Davis, Noemi Martinez, Mayleen Vasquez, (back row) Lady Charnell (Early Act First Knight representative), Sebastian Mendoza, Victoria Mohar Cervantes, Karen Lara, Alis Sagastume Fernandez, Samantha Elias and Ana Velarde. Photo submitted



A signing ceremony was held to celebrate the San Jacinto College graduates being hired by LyondellBasell. Shown above are, left to right, (front row) David Phan, San Jacinto College graduate; Daniel Blackburn, San Jacinto College graduate; Christian Thompson, San Jacinto College graduate; Abraham Carrillo, San Jacinto College graduate; Argenis Arellano, San Jacinto College graduate; (back row) Jeff Pearce, career coordinator, San Jacinto College; Jim Griffin, senior vice president of

petrochemicals and energy, San Jacinto College; Joseph Zwiercan, department chair of petrochemicals and energy, San Jacinto College; Ludith Gonzalez, CVO training specialist, LyondellBasell; David Gosnay, manager for training and development, LyondellBasell; Dr. Allatia Harris, vice chancellor of strategic initiatives, San Jacinto College; and Kevin Adams, program director for process technology, San Jacinto College. Photos by Jeannie Peng Mansyur



A total of eleven San Jacinto College graduates were hired by LyondellBasell. Shown above are, left to right, (front row) Josh Love, San Jacinto College graduate; Shawn Ferguson, San Jacinto College graduate; John Rosales, San Jacinto College graduate; Daniel Saucedo, San Jacinto College graduate; (back row) Jeff Pearce, career coordinator, San Ja-

cinto College; Ludith Gonzalez, CVO training specialist, LyondellBasell; David Gosnay, manager for training and development, LyondellBasell; Kevin Adams, program director for process technology, San Jacinto College; and Joseph Zwiercan, department chair of petrochemicals and energy, San Jacinto College. Photo submitted

Minimally invasive stroke prevention now offered at Memorial Hermann SE

People with carotid artery disease can lower their stroke risk thanks to a new procedure offered at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital.

It's called transcatheter artery revascularization, or TCAR.

Carotid artery disease develops when fatty deposits, or plaque, clog the blood vessels delivering blood to the brain. Over time, the blood flow is restricted, increasing the risk for a stroke.

"One of the methods for treating carotid artery disease is a carotid angioplasty and stenting. During this procedure, the surgeon uses a tiny balloon to expand the artery.

A stent is then inserted to keep the artery open, thereby increasing blood flow.

The TCAR procedure improves upon this by temporarily reversing the blood flow to the brain and filtering the blood outside of the body by removing any debris before returning the blood to the body," said Gordon Martin, M.D., a vascular surgeon affiliated with Memorial Hermann Southeast and assistant professor at McGovern Medical School at UTHealth.

Filtering the blood is key to protecting the brain.

"When a stent is placed in the carotid artery, bits of debris could get into the blood stream, which has the potential to cause a stroke. By filtering the blood, we eliminate the debris and lower the risk of a potential stroke," said Naveed Saqib, M.D., a vascular surgeon affiliated with Memorial Hermann Southeast and

assistant professor at McGovern Medical School at UTHealth.

Dr. Martin says TCAR is best for patients with carotid artery disease who are not good candidates for open surgery because the procedure is done by catheter and only requires a small incision in the neck.

"Not only does this lessen stress on the heart and reduce the risk for complications, but we also find that patients experience less pain and usually spend less time in the hospital. This also improves convenience for patients who already live near Memorial Hermann Southeast," said Dr. Martin. "We are excited to have this option for patients in our community."

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Hopefest helps raise funds for nonprofits

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Children's games will be held from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There will be a barbecue lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The silent auction will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bingo will be played from 12:30 to 2 p.m. A bloodmobile will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. On both days there will be homemade goods at the bake sale as well as a smoothie and ice coffee bar. This charitable fundraiser will help raise money for Christian Helping Hands, Bay Area Alliance for Youth and Families, Bay Area Turning Point and Point of Light.

CCART announces October meeting

The Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers will hold its October meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 9. The meetings are held at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 NASA Parkway in Seabrook. There will be a short business meeting followed by a presentation from local representatives in the Texas state legislature.

The meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. with a social gathering for coffee and cookies. The business meeting will begin at 10 a.m. All Texas retired school employees from the area are invited. The annual dues are \$50.

Date set for "Hello Fall" dance

A "Hello Fall" dance will be held Saturday, Oct. 6, at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, from 7 to 9:45 p.m.

Everyone is welcome including beginners to advanced dancers, teenagers, seniors, students, with or without a partner. Tables are reserved for dancers without partners for those who choose to sit with others sharing partners. Recorded music selected by Neva Schroder will include a broad range of rhythms played at ballroom dances in the area.

Everyone may dress as they like. Admission at the door is \$8. Per city regulations, no smoking, alcohol or floor wax is allowed. For more information, call 417-838-2204 for Neva or Bill Schroder, coordinators for the Sponsor, Let's Dance.

Shaar Hashalom hosts presentation

Congregation Shaar Hashalom will host Dr. Joshua Furman, director of Houston Jewish History Archive at Rice University, who will tell how he retrieved and saved historical records and photos after Hurricane Harvey. This is an excellent opportunity to learn how to document history for future generations.

The Houston Jewish History Archive's mission is to collect, preserve and make available to the public documents, photographs, artifacts and memories that tell the story of Jewish life in Houston and South Texas. The presentation will take place on Sunday, Oct. 7, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the synagogue.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area Houston and is located at 16020 El Camino Real. For more information, visit www.shaarhashalom.org or call 281-488-5861.

Israeli folk dancing dates set

What meant to last only for four to five months is now in its ninth year, as the participants do not want to stop dancing. The sessions are not built on one another, so missing a few sessions or just starting still affords catching up quickly.

The dances are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. October dates are 8, 15, 22 and 29. There is no dancing on Oct. 1, the Feast of Tabernacles which is a Jewish holy day. November dates are 5, 12, 19 and 26. Cost are \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members and \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers. Dancing is an excellent cardiovascular exercise while having fun and everyone is welcome to join the group.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real and is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. The entire community is invited to attend.

For more information, contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarhashalom.org.

Scouts seek new members

The Cub Scouts are looking for new members to join in on the fun of being a member of a pack. Some activities the Cub Scouts participate in are fishing, camping, launching rockets and racing cars and boats. The Cub Scouts offer kids grade K-5 the opportunity to roar like a tiger, growl like a bear, laugh loud and make new memories with new friends, all while building character and earning badges. Pack 692 meets at 7 p.m. on Mondays at St. Luke Social Hall on Hall Road. For questions about Pack 692, call 832-407-8628 or email cspack692@gmail.com.

Pack 773 meets at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at Stuchbery Elementary. For questions about Pack 773, call 281-627-1678 or email shacpack773@gmail.com. For more information about Cub Scouts, visit beascout.org.

CrossRoads plans festival

The third annual CrossRoads Fall Festival is returning on Sunday, Oct. 28, at 1 p.m. at 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. The festival boasts a wide variety of family activities including a petting zoo, bounce houses, games, crafts and more. But there is much more to this festival than meets the eye. In addition to starting a free after-school tutoring program in October, CrossRoads United Methodist Church is using the festival raffle to raise funds for playground renovations at nearby Burnett Elementary.

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Diaz's deputies bust 3rd area illegal casino in 3 weeks

Machines resemble Vegas



The game room raided on Hall Road on Friday, Sept. 28, featured sophisticated gaming machines similar to those seen in Las Vegas and other legal gaming locations. While the machines, themselves, are not technically illegal, it is illegal for the business to pay out cash to winners. And unlike in Las Vegas, where machines are closely regulated, illegal gaming machines can be adjusted to limit payouts to a minimum. *Photo by Marie Flickinger*

\$28,000+ confiscated in cash



Food and drinks not up to casino standards



While the game room's machines may resemble Las Vegas, its complimentary food and beverages were a far cry from what you might find in a reputable casino.

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The investigation is ongoing, and charges are pending, according to Precinct 2 officials.

Sanchez said there is evidence linking the Hall Road game room to the one on Hughes Road that was previously raided.

On Wednesday, Oct. 3, Precinct 2 deputies raided a second game room in the 10800 block of Hughes Road at Beamer.

According to deputies, an employee of the game room fled the establishment through the back door with an unknown amount of cash, as law enforcement officers crashed through the front door. He remained at large at press time.

A lone female customer was also in the game room at the time of the raid and was allowed to leave without incident, deputies said.

The facility reportedly housed 46 gaming machines. Deputies said additional cash was expected to be seized from the operation, but at press time, it was unclear exactly how much money was to be confiscated.

Despite its proximity to the previous bust in the same strip center, investigators do not believe the two game rooms are connected to each other.

Additional raids are expected to follow.

"If you're running an illegal gambling facility, watch out. We're coming for you," Sanchez said. "You're going to get caught. We're going to go after

as many as we can."

Sanchez is seeking the public's assistance in identifying additional game rooms operating

illegally in Precinct 2. To submit a tip, call Sanchez at 281-481-9189 or email him at robert.sanchez@cn2.hctx.net.

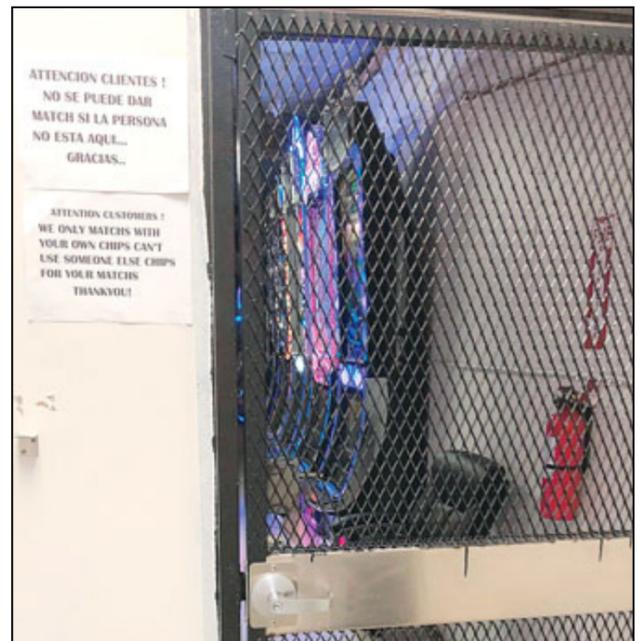
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Gaming facility kept secure



The game room was heavily secured with steel doors. A sign on the door shown above warns customers against using other casino chips. *Photo by Marie Flickinger*

Smart Choice Plumbing moved 15 months ago; now Hall Road facility is illegal casino



The game room was hiding in plain sight on Hall Road in a nondescript building that once housed Smart Choice Plumbing. The plumbing company, which moved out of the building roughly 15 months ago, was not associated with the illegal activity. According to the previous owner, repeated efforts to remove the plumbing company's existing sign proved unsuccessful. *Photo by Marie Flickinger*

Additional casino on Hughes raided Oct. 3



On Wednesday, Oct. 3, Precinct 2 deputies raided a game room located in the 10800 block of Hughes Road at Beamer. This marked the second time in one month that a store in the same strip center was targeted by law enforcement, as the B&G Food Store was also raided on Aug. 9. Despite their proximity to each other, however, investigators do not believe the two establishments are connected. *Photos by James Bolen*

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A 59-7 crushing of Pasadena now in the books, the Dobie varsity football program is about to embark on a key stretch of games that will go a long way toward determining whether postseason plans shall be made.
It all starts with the festive homecoming game Friday, Oct. 5, against the Humble Wildcats at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium.

While it is indeed early in District 22-6A action, the Dobie/Humble winner will hold a distinct advantage moving forward, what with the Longhorns then set to take on Kingwood at home and Atascocita on the road thereafter.
Dobie head coach Kevin Berneathy has his team focused solely on Humble this week, and rightfully so. It's the biggest game of the season to date, and there's no sense in looking past this one.

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Dobie's defense was simply too fast and strong for Pasadena to contend with Sept. 29 at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium as the Longhorns allowed (-2) yards passing and also created three takeaways. On this play, Dobie's Johnathan Baldwin (10), Cervantis Pounds (42) and Darius Jackson (11) converge on the Eagles' Jacob Henriquez (9). Photo by David Flickinger

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Bears, Lions battle on gridiron



The Thompson Lions and Beverly Hills Bears renewed their annual neighborhood rivalry Oct. 1-2 in Pasadena ISD intermediate football action, with both programs looking to stay ahead of the field in league play. In eighth-grade A play Oct. 1 at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium, the Lions' Jeremiah Bradley (24) picks up a sizable gain before being brought down by the Bears' Fernando Flores (6), with teammate Nigel Hill (29) in close pursuit. Thompson swept the series, earning shutout wins in each of the four games. See more information, photos and scores in the Oct. 11 issue.
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Brook VB wins; JFD keeps pace

The second half of district play is underway in the Region III varsity volleyball ranks, meaning the race to the playoffs is in the final stages.
Big steps taken? How about Clear Brook's stunning 25-16, 25-19, 25-18 home win over Clear Creek Oct. 2?
For history buffs, it was Clear Brook's first victory over Clear Creek in nine seasons, dating back to 2009 and covering 21 consecutive matches. It's the first time ever that the Lady Wolverines have beaten Clear Creek in straight sets.
Mayce Barker had 15 kills to go with 14 from Kailin Newsome. Bella Lockwood had 12 kills as the Lady Wolverines, now 20-14 overall, put together their finest performance of the season at precisely the right moment.
In the 22-6A ranks, Dobie is holding onto its current No. 4 seed thanks to a sweep of Pasadena Oct. 2.
The Lady Longhorns opened the second half of league play with a 25-19, 25-22, 25-17 loss at Summer Creek, but then came back to topple Pasadena 25-18, 25-11, 25-12.
Taylor Pleasants led the Lady Longhorns with 12 kills against Pasadena, and freshman Natalie Onozie had nine.
Alexys Vela did her part

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Last-second FG bests Brook FB

Midway through the 2018 season, the Clear Brook varsity football team is still waiting to have a little luck on its side.
The Wolverines are now 1-4 overall this season, including a disappointing 0-1 in District 24-6A action after Clear Creek delivered a last-second loss Sept. 28 at Clear Creek ISD's Veterans Memorial Stadium in League City.
Clear Creek's Christian Hernandez booted a 31-yard field goal as time expired, giving the Wildcats a 30-27 victory over the Wolverines in the league opener for both teams.
Clear Brook's Michael Norris had helped tie the game at 27-27 early in the fourth quarter, and the Wolverines also drove deep into Wildcat territory late in the game before the Wildcats stalled things.
Subsequently, Clear Creek drove into position for Hernandez's late heroics.
Clear Brook, having lost four straight now, will

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JFD subvarsity football tops PHS

The Dobie subvarsity football program came up with a pair of District 22-6A victories over the Pasadena Eagles but also dropped a pair of nondistrict games.

scored twice to help pave the way to a big win.

In the first quarter, Dobie wasted little time getting things going as Turner dashed 60 yards for a touchdown.

Ramirez scored on a 25-yard run later in the quarter, and quarterback Luke Giron fired a 30-yard touchdown pass to Zachary Wallace.

Ja'Darieon Henderson had a 3-yard touchdown run as the Longhorns led big early.

Jaylin Griffin highlighted the second quarter with a 30-yard interception return for a touchdown, and Ramirez went 40 yards

with a handoff for another score. Before the half, Turner scooped up a fumble and went 50 yards the other way for a touchdown.

As for Coleman, he had a 3-yard run for a touchdown in the third quarter, and ran 40 yards for a score in the fourth.

St. Thomas 41 Dobie JV White 8

The Dobie junior varsity White team had trouble generating much offensively in a 41-8 loss to St. Thomas.

North Shore 20 Dobie frosh White 18

The Dobie freshman white team traveled to Galena Park ISD Stadium to do battle with the North Shore Mustangs, losing a tough game 20-18.

Jorge Jaimes caught two touchdown passes from Christian Padua, one covering 60 yards and another in 10 yards out.

Fong Pum had a 40-yard touchdown run as the Longhorns challenged the Mustangs throughout the game.

Outstanding offensive

players included Jonathan Carter, Ryan Saxton, Treylyn Burrell and the entire offensive line of Anthony Castillo, Brian Blanco, Tyson Moss, Gabriel Barbosa, Jesse Delgado and Darren Ortiz.

Keith Parker did a great job of stepping up and taking over at the end of the game after Padua exited.

Outstanding defensive players included Eric Nguyen, Jaimes, Edward Labra, Andrew Hebert, Christian Medina, Anthony Cardenas, Aiden Cortez and Saxton.

Jaimes had two interceptions and Labra added another.

Dobie frosh Orange 41 Pasadena 0

The Dobie freshman Orange team played the Pasadena Eagles, coming away with an easy 41-0 victory.

Brendon Williams caught a pair of touchdown passes, including 40-yard strikes from Santos Sanchez and Sebastian Velasquez.

Trajan Davis also had a big game with three touch-

down runs, including a 75-yard burst and other scoring runs from 30 and 10 yards away.

Treyvon Johnson also had a long touchdown run for 60 yards, and Joshua Rodriguez caught a conversion pass from Velasquez.

Davis added a conversion run, and Daniel Serrano booted an extra point.

Outstanding offensive players included Jefferson Ford as well as offensive linemen Isaac Gonzales, Jordan Barrett, Edward Labra, Dakory Ramsay, Valente Morales and Emmanuel Drain.

Outstanding defensive players were Richard Gary, Joshua Carter, Joseph Johnson, Joel Quezada, Marcus Alexander, Kevin Biggurs and Durrian Walker, who had an interception. Barrett and Gary each recovered fumbles.

The entire Dobie football program is now set to go up against the Humble Wildcats Oct. 4 as part of the school's annual homecoming celebration.

CCISD's Fuchs named AD/Year

Clear Creek Independent School District Director of Athletics Debbie Fuchs (at right) was named the Region V Athletic Director of the Year by the Texas High School Athletic Directors Association late last month. Fuchs, head of CCISD's athletic department since 2015-2016, has been with the district since the 1988-1989 school year. She was a varsity girls' basketball assistant coach for a decade before eventually leading the girls' golf program at Clear Creek High School. She joined the district's athletic department as Assistant Director of Athletics in 2006-2007. Prior to her longtime stay in CCISD, Fuchs was the varsity girls' basketball head coach at South Houston High School.



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Sports Calendar

TENNIS

Friday, Oct. 5

Dobie varsity hosts South Houston, 3:00

Tuesday, Oct. 9

Dobie varsity at Memorial, 3:00

VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Oct. 4

Thompson 8th Dark at San Jacinto, 5:00

Thompson 7th Dark at San Jacinto, 5:00

Thompson 8th Light at San Jacinto, 6:15

Thompson 7th Light at San Jacinto, 6:15

Beverly Hills 8th Dark at Jackson, 5:00

Beverly Hills 8th Light at Jackson, 6:15

Beverly Hills 7th Dark at Jackson, 5:00

Beverly Hills 7th Light at Jackson, 6:15

Friday, Oct. 5

Brook varsity at Clear Falls, 6:00

Dobie varsity hosts Humble, Phillips, 4:30

Dobie JV hosts Humble, Phillips, 5:30

Brook JV at Clear Falls, 5:00

Dobie freshman A hosts Humble, Phillips, 6:30

Brook freshman A at Clear Falls, 4:15

Brook freshman B at Clear Falls, 5:15

Tuesday, Oct. 9

Brook varsity hosts Clear Springs, 6:30

Dobie varsity hosts Kingwood, 6:30

Dobie JV hosts Kingwood, 5:30

Brook JV hosts Clear Springs, 5:30

Dobie freshman A hosts Kingwood, 4:30

Brook freshman A hosts Clear Springs, 4:15

Thursday, Oct. 11

Thompson 8th Dark at Southmore, 5:00

Thompson 7th Dark at Southmore, 5:00

Thompson 8th Light at Southmore, 6:15

Thompson 7th Light at Southmore, 6:15

Beverly Hills 8th Dark at Queens, 5:00

Beverly Hills 8th Light at Queens, 6:15

Beverly Hills 7th Dark at Queens, 5:00

Beverly Hills 7th Light at Queens, 6:15

Friday, Oct. 12

Brook varsity at Pearland, 4:15

Dobie varsity at Atascocita, 6:30

Dobie JV at Atascocita, 5:30

Brook JV at Pearland, 6:00

Dobie freshman A at Atascocita, 4:30

Brook freshman A at Pearland, 4:15

Brook freshman B at Pearland, 5:15

FOOTBALL

Thursday, Oct. 4

Brook JV Black at Clear Falls, 4:30

Dobie JV Orange at Humble, 6:15

Dobie JV White at Humble, 4:30

Brook JV Red at Clear Falls, 6:00

Brook freshman Black hosts Clear Falls, 4:30

Brook freshman Red hosts Clear Falls, 6:00

Dobie freshman Orange hosts Humble, 4:30

Dobie freshman White hosts Humble, 4:30

Friday, Oct. 5

Dobie varsity hosts Humble, Veterans, 7:00

Tuesday, Oct. 9

Beverly Hills 8A hosts Miller, campus, 5:00

Beverly Hills 8B at Miller, campus, 5:00

Thompson 8A at Southmore, campus, 5:00

Thompson 8B hosts Southmore, campus, 5:00

Wednesday, Oct. 10

Beverly Hills 7A hosts Miller, campus, 5:00

Beverly Hills 7B at Miller, campus, 5:00

Thompson 7A at Southmore, campus, 5:00

Thompson 7B hosts Southmore, campus, 5:00

Thursday, Oct. 11

Brook JV Black hosts Clear Springs, 4:30

Dobie JV Orange at Kingwood, 6:15

Dobie JV White at Kingwood, 4:30

Brook JV Red hosts Clear Springs, 6:00

Brook freshman Black at Clear Springs, 4:30

Brook freshman Red at Clear Springs, 6:00

Dobie frosh Orange hosts Kingwood, Veterans, 6:15

Dobie frosh White hosts Kingwood, Veterans, 4:30

Friday, Oct. 12

Dobie varsity hosts Kingwood, Veterans, 7:00

Brook varsity vs. Clear Springs, Challenger, 7:00

BAFL Sept. 29 Scores

	Sr.	Jr.	Soph.	Fr.	PW
United	0	0	0	0	0
Sharks	35	1	1	31	34
Dolphins	6	0	0	33	12
49ers	26	42	1	0	18
Cowboys	34	26	12	18	6
Bulls	6	0	0	12	33

Creek's late FG tops Brook; Thompson scores three times

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aim to get back on track in District 24-6A action, taking on an improved Clear Falls program Oct. 5 at Challenger Stadium.

Perhaps the Wolverines came up a bit short, but the loss to the Wildcats did not diminish the performance of offensive skill player Loranzo Thompson.

It was Thompson who gave the Wolverines an early 7-0 lead over the Wildcats with a 7-yard run early on.

Later, Clear Brook quarterback Trey Porter found Thompson on a short 3-yard scoring pass for a 14-7 lead.

Clear Creek went on to take a 17-14 lead at halftime, but Thompson rallied the locals in the third quarter with an 8-yard touchdown run, his third score of the game.

Norris' 15-yard touchdown run then gave Clear Brook a chance at 27-27, before the Wildcats came away with the win.

Dickinson and Clear Springs joined Clear Creek as week one winners, while the Wolverines, Clear Falls, Alvin and Clear Lake are still looking to get back on track.

Clear Creek's win in its district opener was also special for head coach Dwayne Lane, the former South Houston head coach who took over the Wildcats' program last spring. Clear Creek is 2-2 overall this season.

Sports news, notes

JFD baseball covets sponsorships

The Dobie Diamond Club, the official booster and fundraising organization for the school's baseball program, is seeking corporate donations for both the upcoming 2019 season as well as into the future. During the school year, the booster club utilizes the funds to help with costs associated with the program, including uniform purchases, tournament fees and travel costs, concession stand food, etc. Booster club officials have \$100, \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1,000 sponsorship opportunities available. Those interested may direct email to dobiebaseball2018@gmail.com or call booster club president Jesse Salazar at 713-898-2067.

JFD softball to host golf outing

Officials within the Dobie softball program are finalizing plans for the Lady Longhorns' major fundraiser - SBGSA's golf invitational. The four-person scramble event is set to take place Saturday, Oct. 13, at Country Place Golf Course in Pearland.

Individuals may register for \$100 each, which includes golf, lunch, tickets for door prizes and a goodie bag. Players may also participate in closest-to-the-hole and/or longest drive contests for additional purchase. The four-person scramble event begins at 8 a.m.

There are also a variety of sponsorship opportunities available, including hole sponsors, etc. The cost ranges from \$50 to \$400. For additional information about the tournament, direct email to booster club officer Sandra Longoria at Dobiesoftball@gmail.com.

Dobie baseball sets golf

The Dobie High School baseball booster organization, the Diamond Club, will host its annual fundraising golf tournament Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Pearland Golf Club at Country Place.

Foursomes may register for \$400 per team, or individuals may register for \$100 each. There are also hole sponsorship and other major sponsorship opportunities available.

To register for the tournament, visit the booster club's Paypal site at www.paypal.me/Dobiebaseball. For additional information, call booster club vice president Jesse Salazar at 713-898-2067.

Plus4 CU marks golf fundraiser

Plus4 Credit Union is set to host its 14th annual golf tournament, benefiting the First Class Educational Partnership as well as the Cody Stephens Go Big or Go Home Memorial Foundation, which promotes heart screening across the state.

The golf tournament will be held Monday, Oct. 15, at Wildcat Golf Club, 12000 Alameda Road.

Foursomes may register for \$750 each, or individuals may register for \$200 each. There are a variety of corporate sponsorships available as well.

For additional details, call Ericka Calvillo of Plus4 Credit Union at 713-970-6234 or direct email to her at ecalvillo@plus4cu.org.

Week 9 BAFL games

Saturday, Oct. 6
Sagemont Cowboys
host S.E. Houston Longhorns

El Franco Lee Park, 8 a.m.

Southbelt Dolphins
host Alvin Raiders

Blackhawk Park, 8 a.m.

Team United
at Pearland Hurricanes

Pearland Dad's Club, 8 a.m.

BAFL Standings Senior Division

Teams	W	L	T
Wildcats	7	0	0
Texans	6	1	0
Sharks	6	2	0
Hurricanes	5	1	0
Cowboys	5	2	0
Eagles	4	2	1
Longhorns	2	3	0
Raiders	2	4	1
Dolphins	2	5	0
49ers	1	4	0
Patriots	1	5	0
United	1	6	0
Bulls	0	7	0

Junior Division

Teams	W	L	T
Texans	7	0	0
49ers	6	0	0
Hurricanes	5	1	0
Cowboys	5	2	0
Bulls	5	2	0
Sharks	4	3	0
Eagles	3	4	0
Wildcats	3	4	0
Patriots	2	4	0
Longhorns	2	3	0
Dolphins	1	6	0
United	0	7	0
Raiders	0	7	0

Sophomore Division

Teams	W	L	T
Sharks	7	1	0
Hurricanes	6	0	0
Cowboys	6	1	0
Texans	6	1	0
Wildcats	4	3	0
Raiders	4	3	0
Bulls	3	3	0
49ers	2	3	0
Eagles	2	5	0
Patriots	1	4	1
United	1	6	0
Longhorns	0	4	1
Dolphins	0	7	0

Freshman Division

Teams	W	L	T
Hurricanes	6	0	0
Sharks	6	1	1
Longhorns	4	0	1
Eagles	5	2	0
Dolphins	5	2	0
Patriots	4	2	0
Texans	4	3	0
Cowboys	3	3	1
Bulls	2	5	0
49ers	1	4	0
Raiders	1	5	1
United	0	7	0
Wildcats	0	7	0

Peewee Division

Teams	W	L	T
Sharks	8	0	0
Bulls	6	1	1
Hurricanes	5	0	1
Texans	6	1	0
49ers	4	2	0
Longhorns	3	2	0
Patriots	3	3	0
Dolphins	3	4	0
Cowboys	2	4	1
Eagles	1	4	2
Raiders	0	6	1
United	0	7	0
Wildcats	0	7	0

Volleyball races tighten

Continued from Page 1B as she had five aces against the Lady Eagles, and Alivia Gonzalez and Melody Le both dished out 14 assists in the match.

In the big picture, undefeated Kingwood and Summer Creek are almost assured of advancing to the postseason and very well could be the top two seeds.

Memorial, with just five matches remaining and already a win over Dobie, is holding onto third place, 1 1/2 matches ahead of the Lady Longhorns.

Dobie, after its win over Pasadena, is 6-4, looking to hold off Humble for the final playoff slot at this point.

And now Clear Brook has made things interesting in the 24-6A race. Clear Springs has jumped out to a 7-0 lead, but Clear Brook, 4-3 after an 0-3 start, has a chance to tie Clear Falls for second place with a win Oct. 5.

By any measure, Clear Brook has certainly placed itself in the middle of the playoff race.

District 24-6A Volleyball		
(As of Oct. 2)		
Teams	W	L
Clear Springs	7	0
Clear Falls	5	2
Clear Brook	4	3
Clear Creek	4	3
Dickinson	3	4
Clear Lake	1	6
Alvin	0	6

District 22-6A Volleyball		
(Contenders as of Oct. 2)		
Teams	W	L
Kingwood	11	0
Summer Creek	9	1
Memorial	8	3
Dobie	6	4
Atascocita	5	5

South Belt football predictions	Predictors					
	Troy Leland	John Bechtle	Eli Tanksley	Toni Muse	Emory Gadd	Debbie Vaughn
Dobie hosts Humble	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Humble	Dobie	Dobie
South Houston hosts Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita
Pasadena Memorial at Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood
Clear Lake at Alvin	Clear Lake					
Clear Brook vs. Clear Falls	Clear Brook	Clear Falls	Clear Falls	Clear Brook	Clear Falls	Clear Falls
La Porte at Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	La Porte
Friendswood at Galveston Ball	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood	Friendswood
Pearland vs. Dawson	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland
Shadow Creek at Texas City	Shadow Creek					
Clear Creek at Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson
This week's record	8-2	9-1	7-3	7-3	5-5	5-5
Season record	34-16	37-13	37-13	31-19	34-16	30-20

PISD Intermediate Football Through Sept. 30

8A Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T	7A Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T
Thompson	1 0 0	2 0 0	Miller	1 0 0	3 0 0
Southmore	1 0 0	2 0 0	Thompson	1 0 0	2 1 0
Beverly Hills	0 0 0	2 0 0	Beverly Hills	0 0 0	3 0 0
Miller	0 1 0	1 1 0	Southmore	0 1 0	1 2 0
Bondy	0 1 0	1 1 0	Bondy	0 1 0	0 3 0

Game Scores
Beverly Hills 14, Park View 0
Thompson 44, Bondy 0
Southmore 22, Miller 12

Division II W L T	W L T	Division II W L T	W L T	
San Jacinto	1 0 0	1 1 0	South Houston	1 0 0
Jackson	1 0 0	1 1 0	Queens	1 0 0
Park View	0 0 0	0 2 0	Park View	0 0 0
South Houston	0 1 0	0 2 0	San Jacinto	0 1 0
Queens	0 1 0	0 2 0	Jackson	0 1 0

Game Scores
San Jacinto 12, South Houston 0
Jackson 18, Queens 0

8B Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T	7B Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T
Thompson	1 0 0	2 0 0	Thompson	1 0 0	3 0 0
Southmore	1 0 0	2 0 0	Southmore	1 0 0	2 1 0
Beverly Hills	0 0 0	2 0 0	Beverly Hills	0 0 0	2 0 1
Bondy	0 1 0	1 1 0	Bondy	0 1 0	2 1 0
Miller	0 1 0	0 2 0	Miller	0 1 0	0 3 0

Game Scores
Beverly Hills 18, Park View 0
Thompson 26, Bondy 0
Southmore 25, Miller 14

Division II W L T	W L T	Division II W L T	W L T	
Queens	1 0 0	2 0 0	South Houston	0 1 0
San Jacinto	1 0 0	1 1 0	Jackson	0 1 0
Park View	0 0 0	0 2 0	Queens	1 0 0
South Houston	0 1 0	0 2 0	San Jacinto	1 0 0
Jackson	0 1 0	0 2 0	Park View	0 0 0

Game Scores
San Jacinto 24, South Houston 12
Queens 27, Jackson 18

PISD Intermediate Volleyball Through Sept. 27

8L Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T	7L Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T
Thompson	1 0 0	1 2 0	Thompson	1 0 0	3 0 0
Southmore	1 0 0	2 1 0	South Houston	1 0 0	2 1 0
San Jacinto	0 0 0	2 1 0	San Jacinto	0 0 0	2 1 0
Miller	0 1 0	2 1 0	Southmore	0 1 0	0 3 0
South Houston	0 1 0	0 3 0	Miller	0 1 0	0 3 0

Match Scores
San Jacinto def. Jackson 25-18, 25-10
Thompson def. Miller 25-13, 25-15
Southmore def. South Houston 25-17, 25-20

Division II W L T	W L T	Division II W L T	W L T	
Bondy	1 0 0	3 0 0	Queens	1 0 0
Queens	1 0 0	3 0 0	Bondy	1 0 0
Jackson	0 0 0	1 2 0	Jackson	0 0 0
Beverly Hills	0 1 0	0 3 0	Beverly Hills	0 1 0
Park View	0 1 0	0 3 0	Park View	0 1 0

Match Scores
Bondy def. Beverly Hills 25-5, 25-9
Queens def. Park View 25-11, 25-20

8D Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T	7D Records Division I	District W L T	Overall W L T
Thompson	1 0 0	1 2 0	Thompson	1 0 0	2 1 0
Southmore	1 0 0	2 1 0	Southmore	1 0 0	2 1 0
San Jacinto	0 0 0	3 0 0	San Jacinto	0 0 0	1 2 0
Miller	0 1 0	2 1 0	Miller	0 1 0	1 2 0
South Houston	0 1 0	0 3 0	South Houston	0 1 0	1 2 0

Match Scores
San Jacinto def. Jackson 25-21, 23-25, 25-9
Thompson def. Miller 25-9, 25-6
Southmore def. South Houston 25-22, 25-12

Division II W L T	W L T	Division II W L T	W L T	
Bondy	1 0 0	3 0 0	Queens	1 0 0
Queens	1 0 0	3 0 0	Bondy	1 0 0
Park View	0 1 0	0 3 0	Jackson	0 0 0
Jackson	0 0 0	1 2 0	Beverly Hills	0 1 0
Beverly Hills	0 1 0	0 3 0	Park View	0 1 0

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.

7:30 p.m.
The Bay Area Writers' League - Meets the first and third Thursdays monthly to improve writing skills. Barnes and Noble, 1029 W. Bay Area Blvd., 7:30 p.m. Newcomers welcome.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - West End Group, noon, Shepherd of the Heart United Methodist Church, 12005 County Rd. 39, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. Call 713-856-1611.

8 p.m.
Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts share, learn Al-Anon principles, that they are not alone, and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

10 a.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For information, call 713-856-1611.

11 a.m.
Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English) - For women affected by an addict. Saturdays, 11 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.

1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

7 - 9:45 p.m.
"Hello Fall" Ballroom Dance - is scheduled at Home-town Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, Saturday, Oct. 6, from 7 to 9:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the beautiful ballroom on a floating hardwood floor. Neva Schroeder will play a variety of recorded popular ballroom rhythms. The dress code is "as you like." Tables are reserved for "dancers without partners" and door admission is \$8. Per city regulations, there is no smoking, no alcohol and no floor wax. Candy and ice water are provided. Angel Bush and Joshua Orsak, dance instructors at Art Full of Dance Studio will perform a showcase for dancers' added enjoyment. For more information, call 417-838-2204 for Neva or Bill Schroeder, coordinators of Let's Dance.

8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

1 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

2 p.m.
Grief Support Group - For adults who have lost a loved one. Meets Sundays, except Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas, 2 to 3:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. For details, call 281-487-8787.

5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step Program, Sundays, 5:30 p.m., in the Chapel at Life Church, 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635 for details or to RSVP for child care.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA meets Sundays, 7 p.m., 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

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 back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.

Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.

11:30 a.m.
Overeaters Anonymous Deer Park - 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through Fellowship Hall in back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

3:15 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise and speech therapy for adults with Parkinson's, 3:15 to 4:45 p.m., Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for details.

6-8 p.m.
CrossRoads UMC - Mercy Hearts meets on the second and fourth Mondays, 6 to 8 p.m., at CrossRoads UMC located at 10030 Scarsdale. The focus of the new Mercy Hearts is support for families of inmates and ex-offenders. The program will provide a complimentary meal, group Bible study and discussion. Child care is provided. This is a confidential ministry and information will be treated accordingly. For details, contact C. Talbot at 281-245-7072 or Chuckytal@msn.com.

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 8
 6 p.m.
Scrabble Club #511 - Meets Monday at IHOP 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details.
Mended Hearts Cardiac Support Group - A national organization dedicated to inspiring hope in heart patients and families meets the second Monday at the Clear Lake Heart Towers auditorium, 495 Medical Center Blvd., Webster. A free meal begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by a speaker. For information, call 281-538-4648.
Pearland Overeaters Anonymous HOW Meeting - Monday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2535 E. Broadway, Pearland. Use door near recycling bins. For details, call 713-865-3668 or visit www.oahouston.org.
 6:30 p.m.
Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd., in room 110 D (except when library is closed). For details, call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565 or visit <https://youngprofessionalsoastmasters.com/>.

7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.
Sagemont Civic Club - Meetings are held the second Monday, 7 p.m., Sagemont Park Recreation Center, 11507 Hughes Road.
 7:30 p.m.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For information, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., 77089. For details, call Russell at 832-483-6715.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
 9:30 a.m.
CCART - The Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers meets the second Tuesday, monthly, Sept.-May, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Bay Area Community Center, 5002 NASA Parkway in Seabrook near Landolt Pavilion. Texas-retired school employees from surrounding school districts welcome. Annual dues are \$35.
Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum - Exhibits include dioramas, a turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an old-time kitchen. Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For details, call 713-472-0565.

10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 for details.
 10:30 a.m.
Tri-County Republican Women - General meetings are held the second Tuesday, except June and July, Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch available for \$15. Exact cash or a check requested. For reservations, call Susan Hooper at 832-723-7671.
 Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch is \$15. Variety of interesting speakers. For details, call 281-900-7257 or email nalix@texascitizensbank.com.

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Free dance lessons - taught by Lewis and Betty Whistler (35 years of experience teaching dance) at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway, on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Bringing a partner is helpful, but is not required. Each month, features a different dance focus. For questions about this class, call Betty at 832-517-5833. For questions about League City's activity card requirements, call the park office at 281-554-1180.
 1:30 p.m.
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., 1:30 p.m. For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.
 2 p.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class - Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or call 281-488-6318.
 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

9:30 a.m.
Young at Heart Senior Club - Meets the second and fourth week monthly (Nov./Dec. meet second week only) at Covenant United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Lots of activities, trips, etc. Call Jan Okumura at 832-298-9480 for details.
 10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email the director at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
 Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.

1 - 3:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has Hump Day Dance to practice ballroom dances (not lessons) in a casual environment. A variety of rhythms are played from 1 to 3:30 p.m., Wednesdays, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card (see Tuesday 12:30 p.m. dance for details). Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For details, call Neva Schroder at 417-838-2204.
 7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church-youth bldg. For information, call 713-856-1611.
Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention - Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse support group for women. Visit www.bayareaturningpoint.org for information.
Bay Area New Democrats - Meet at the Clear Lake Court House at 1020 W. NASA Pkwy., Suite 204. For information, visit www.bayareanewdemocrats.org.

8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - meeting at CrossRoads UMC on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For information, call 281-484-9243.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11
 7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.
 9:30 a.m.
NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse - Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 a.m., Praise Chapel, 18516 Hwy. 3 in Webster. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others. For details, call 281-910-1971.

10 a.m.
Fun Bunch - for senior citizens, ages 55 and older, meets the second Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call Ronn Canon at 281-610-8999 or the chamber at 281-481-5516.
Clear Lake Bridge Club - 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at 281-480-1911 or email at jpochsner@aol.com for details.
 11:30 a.m.
ABWA - Southeast Express Network - American Business Women's Association-South meets the second Thursday, Spring Creek Barbeque, 9005 Broadway (FM-518), Pearland. Lunch is 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$20). Includes networking with professional business women and guest speaker. Women of all ages/occupations invited. Bring business cards. Reservations appreciated. Visit www.seen-abwa.org.

Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
 6:30 p.m.
Pearland Area Republican's Club - meets monthly on the second Thursday (except December, June and July) at the Pearland Church of Christ Annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd., Pearland. For details, call Gary at 281-993-8335.

7 p.m.
Congregation Shaar Hashalom's - Rabbi Stuart Federow hosts free discussions on Judaism and religion in general, open to the public, second Thursdays, at Victor's, 1425 NASA Pkwy. (next to "space" McDonald's). This is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For details, contact the office at 281-488-5861 or at csh@shaarhashalom.org.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM-518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-856-1611.

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Dobie, Brook cross-country run at La Porte

The high school cross-country season is going down the backstretch, with the respective district meets coming right around the corner.

With that in mind, the Dobie and Clear Brook programs competed at the La Porte ISD meet Sept. 28 in La Porte.

The Dobie varsity girls, preparing for what will be a strong District 22-6A meet later this month, turned in a great fourth-place team finish at La Porte in a 5K event.

Meanwhile, Clear Falls was as impressive as they come, earning the top two overall finishes as well as fourth and fifth place overall to cruise to the team

championship.

As for Dobie, Amari Singleton's time of 20 minutes, 45 seconds was good enough for her to take ninth place, just ahead of teammate Izzy Padilla, who was 10th with a time of 20:46.

Atziri Galarza was 12th for the Lady Longhorns as she posted a time of 21:14, with teammate Grace Castaneda in at 23:04 for 36th place.

Dani Colunga ran a solid race and wound up 40th in a time of 23:08, and Michaela Munoz turned in a time of 23:47 for 54th place.

The Lady Longhorns' Zoe Hernandez was 62nd overall with a time of

24:32.

Dobie boys fifth

La Porte's Ryan Schoppe, who placed 25th overall at state in 2017 as a junior, did not compete in his school's varsity boys' meet.

Instead, Schoppe took part in the Nike South Invitational in The Woodlands, where he placed second overall on a 3-mile course.

Schoppe's absence in La Porte left the door open for others in the varsity boys' 5K race, with Pasadena's Alonzo Corral first to the finish line in a time of 16:43 for the victory.

La Porte, even with Schoppe out of play, won the team title with 66

points. Dobie, meanwhile, placed fifth as Devin Caballero led the way for the second straight week, taking 16th place overall in a time of 17:56.

Next up for the Longhorns was Gerardo Torres, whose time of 18:04 placed him 20th in the individual standings.

Javier Martinez added a time of 18:24 for 34th place in the final standings, and Robert Montano's time of 18:27 was 36th-best in the meet.

Michael Garcia of Dobie was 38th overall with a strong time of 18:31, and Alberto Campa placed 42nd for the Longhorns after clocking in at 18:34.

Eli Donaho also com-

peted for the Longhorns, taking the 53rd spot with his time of 18:55.

Brook boys involved

The Clear Brook varsity boys' program also took part in the competition at La Porte, with several runners delivering personal best times.

Sebastian Koran was at the top of things for the Wolverines, placing fourth overall with a fine time of 17:16.

The Wolverines also had John Mena in action as he wound up 27th in a time of 18:15.

Also for Clear Brook, Nathan Wagner's time of 19:15 placed him 64th, and Ethan Durrant was

67th at 19:31.

Ethan Rodriguez was 70th with his time of 19:41, and Donald Ezen- da placed 82nd in a time of 20:35. Xzavier Vazquez had a time of 21:36 for 88th place.

Dunlap leads Brook girls

For the Lady Wolverines, Reagan Dunlap, the team's top performer all season, was the first to the finish line. Dunlap was eventually 27th overall in a time of 22:15.

Kaitlyn Garcia of Clear Brook had a time of 23:42 for 49th place, and Peyton Dunlap put together a clocking of 23:44 for 51st place.

Macady Yardley was

also in on the fun for the Lady Wolverines, placing 53rd with a time of 23:45.

In the subvarsity ranks, Juancarlo Carpio was 10th overall for the Longhorn boys on a 5K course with his time of 18:49.

Clear Brook's Matthew Trevino was 58th overall with a time of 20:15.

In the two-mile junior varsity girls' race, the Lady Longhorns' Abby Duron placed 21st in a time of 15:10, and Clear Brook's Dalal Rammadan paced her team as her time of 15:23 was 27th-best.

Dobie's Michael Medina was 26th overall at 13:18 in the freshman boys' 2-mile race.

Dobie tennis slips 12-7; playoff chase ongoing

For all of the times Deer Park has seemingly been Dobie's primary nemesis on the varsity team tennis courts, now it is Atascocita that has caused the Longhorns a good deal of difficulty lately.

It was the same Eagles that dropped Dobie in the first round of the playoffs in 2017, winning numerous third-set tiebreakers to advance to the area round at the Longhorns' expense.

Now, with Atascocita part of the mix in District 22-6A, the Eagles have sent Dobie to the current

No. 3 playoff slot, having defeated the Longhorns 12-7 at Dobie Sept. 28.

With matches remaining Oct. 5 at home against South Houston and Oct. 9 at Memorial, Dobie is sitting at 4-2 and could very well be headed for the No. 3 playoff slot.

Kingwood is undefeated in district play, with Atascocita now having tightened its grip on second place with its win over Dobie.

The postseason will get underway later this month, with the Longhorns possibly headed out on the road.

Coach's boot wins Chick-fil-A for Dobie folks

At right, Dobie graduate, former Longhorn varsity boys' soccer player and current Dobie girls' assistant soccer coach Hector Saldivar made all of Dobie happy Sept. 29 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena as he made good on a field goal try to win big for his school. Saldivar defeated a Pasadena High School opponent in the annual Chick-fil-A field goal contest at halftime. When Saldivar boomed his attempt through the uprights, he won complimentary Chick-fil-A sandwiches for all Dobie students and teachers Oct. 1 during lunch. His 15 minutes of fame done for now, Saldivar has resumed helping the Lady Longhorns prepare this offseason for the 2019 campaign.

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JFD pounds Pasadena; Wildcats up next

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Humble, which crushed Sam Rayburn Sept. 13 to get to 4-1 overall this season, is led by tailback Isaiah Robinson, who leads the District 22-6A ranks in rushing.

Through five games, Robinson has tallied 562 yards and seven touchdowns on the ground, and has caught another one through the air.

The Wildcats also feature Justin Lawson, a 6-foot-2-inch, 210-pound receiver on the outside.

As good as the Longhorns' defense has been to this point in the season, Berneathy knows Humble presents another tough test.

"The biggest thing on defense is always going to be execution," Berneathy said. "That goes for all three phases of the game, of course, but defensively you can eliminate big plays by being in the right spots and making plays. Missed tackles and other negative plays can hurt you in a hurry on defense."

Berneathy said the fo-

cus during the days leading up to the big homecoming game was just that, being able to enjoy everything that comes with a homecoming week but also keeping an eye on the big prize.

There's also the issue of the importance of the game. Both Humble and Dobie have already absorbed a district defeat, and it's time to begin to separate the true playoff contenders from the others.

"We just have to remember that we have a football game to play along with homecoming, and it's a big one at that," Berneathy said.

"Every game in district play is huge when you get down to it, and we know how important this one is. Humble is a very capable program.

"They have those offensive pieces, but they also have the top-ranked defense in the district. We are going to have to have a great effort to put ourselves in position to get a win."

Pasadena goes down

Ironically, the Longhorns used 12 plays to go 57 yards for their first score of the game.

Pasadena had an off-sides penalty, and Dobie had its own for holding, yet Darius Hale found the end zone on a 2-yard burst with four minutes to go in the first quarter.

Joshua Hernandez booted the first of seven straight conversion kicks, and the Longhorns were out of the gate.

After a second straight three-and-out from the Eagles, Dobie senior tailback Kris Morris struck, dashing 50 yards for the touchdown and a 14-0 lead on just one play.

A short time later, the Longhorns' Alexander Garcia came up with an interception of Pasadena quarterback Armando Gracia, setting up shop for his team at the Eagles' 40-yard line.

Dobie quarterback Noah Roman first ran 23 yards for a big gain following a Dobie penalty, then went up top to Jere-

miah Ballard for 22 yards and a touchdown and a 21-0 lead with still 1:55 left in the first quarter.

Pasadena's struggles on offense continued, and the Longhorns came back with another scoring pass as Roman went back to Ballard for a 33-yard touchdown pass.

On the Longhorns' next drive, Morris went 49 yards for his second touchdown and final carry of the night. On just four carries, Morris tallied 117 yards and two touchdowns.

Hale, who rushed for 80 yards on just eight carries, scored on an 18-yard run as the Longhorns moved out to a 42-0 lead with just over four minutes remaining.

Dobie, having narrowly missed out on a Roman-to-Cameron Guy deep ball in the second quarter, went back to it in the closing seconds of the first half, as Guy's 80-yard reception gave the Longhorns a 49-0 halftime lead.

Jace Young had a 4-yard scoring run at the 7:44 mark of the third quarter,

and Hernandez's 39-yard field goal ended the locals' scoring, but the Longhorns never pushed the issue in the second half.

Rushad Ball recovered a fumble for Dobie, and Fabian Crayton had a nifty 28-yard return of an interception as the Dobie defense rose time and time again.

Offensively, the Longhorns used a pair of reserve quarterbacks and three or more reserve running backs in the second half.

The one blip? Pasadena's lone touchdown came after the Longhorns snapped the ball over the punter Eric Martinez's head on fourth down. With 7:47 left, Bryan Cervantes's 3-yard run kept the Eagles from being shut out.

So Dobie, which had more than 500 yards of offense and allowed Pasadena fewer than 140 total yards, will move on to face Humble. It's the first of several meaningful games for the Longhorns. Let the fun begin.

Dobie's Kris Morris (20) signaled the start of his varsity career in style on Oct. 2, 2015, burning the Pasadena Eagles for a 72-yard touchdown run during a 44-20 Longhorn victory. At right, as a senior in his final game against the Eagles, Morris (20) rushed just four times but had scoring runs of 49 and 50 yards as part of a 117-yard night as his team routed Pasadena 59-7. On this play, Morris fends off Pasadena's Joshua Spann (2) after having weaved his way down the right sideline in the first half. At far right is Pasadena defensive lineman Jesus Del Angel (57), with the Longhorns' Jeremiah Ballard (81) trailing the action. Despite limited touches against the Eagles, Morris has still rushed for nearly 600 yards over four games.



The Longhorns' Jeremiah Ballard (81) reels in the second of two scoring catches against Pasadena Sept. 29, this one covering 33 yards from quarterback Noah Roman. Earlier in the game, Ballard had a 22-yard scoring reception from Roman. At right is

teammate Jordan Robinson (80). Roman had three touchdown passes in the game as the Longhorns earned an easy 59-7 victory. Photos by David Flickinger

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