

Chamber hosts Taste of Space

The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will host the Taste of Space Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Lone Star Flight Museum, located at 11551 Aerospace Ave., beginning at 6 p.m. The event allows attendees to sample food and beverage from a variety of local vendors. Tickets are \$25. For more information, contact the chamber at 281-481-5516 or info@southbeltchamber.com.

Sagemeadow to meet Oct. 20

Sagemeadow will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer at Hughes. This month's guest speakers are state Rep. Mary Ann Perez and Southeast Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tylka. Homeowners are encouraged to attend. The meeting is open to the public. For general inquiries, email info@sagemeadow.org or call/text 832-377-0847. For more information, visit sagemeadow.org.

Local COVID cases decrease

The number of active COVID cases in the South Belt community has lowered following a brief spike last week, with significant decreases being reported in all three local ZIP codes.

As of Tuesday, Oct. 18, there were 111 active cases in 77089, down 59 from the previous week. To date, 137 from the ZIP code have died from the disease, up five from the previous week.

In ZIP code 77075, there were 87 active cases, down 78 from the previous week. To date, there have been 83 deaths in the ZIP code, no increase from the previous week.

In 77034, there were 84 active cases, down 89 from the previous week. To date, 89 residents from ZIP code 77034 have died from the disease. (Harris County reported 90 deaths the previous week.)

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

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

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound main lane and one southbound main lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from FM 518 to FM 517 in League City daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday, March 31.

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

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

Two outside northbound frontage road lanes on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from West Medical Boulevard to Bay Area Boulevard daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday, May 5.

One middle northbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to Bay Area Boulevard daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Monday, May 22. Two outside southbound lanes on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Texas City Railroad to SH 6/SH 146 in La Marque nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

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

The closures are part of an ongoing construction project to widen the freeway from three to five lanes in each direction and the frontage roads from two to three lanes in each direction.

Beltway closures planned

Two northbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed at Fairmont Parkway daily from 4 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 30. Significant delays are expected.

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

Sagemeadow hosts fall fest

Sagemeadow will host its first-ever Fall Festival Saturday, Nov. 5, at Sagemeadow Park, 11219 Sageyork, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will commemorate Sagemeadow's 50th anniversary. It will feature food, games, contests, crafts, vendors and more. Organizers are seeking local vendors who have seasonal crafts and items for sale. If interested, email events@sagemeadow.org. For more information, visit www.sagemeadow.org/1stfallfestival.

Community garage sale set

The Riverstone Ranch at Clear Creek subdivision will host a community garage sale Saturday, Nov. 12. For additional information, email rapackie@gmail.com.

Kirkwood to meet Oct. 27

The Kirkwood Civic Club's monthly meeting will take place 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road. Meetings are typically scheduled for the last Thursday of the month. For additional information, call Kirkwood Civic Club President Ericka McCrutchon at 281-989-9990.

South Belters celebrate fall, Halloween

Southeast VFD to not hold event this year

Fall has arrived, and with the cooler temperatures comes a variety of local activities for South Belt residents to enjoy.

Residents should be aware the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department will not host its annual Halloween party due to lack of space. The department now leases part of its Hughes station to Clear Lake Emergency Services. Fire department officials tried to secure a different venue but were unable to do so in time. Organizers said they will attempt to do so again next year. The following is a list of events happening this year:

– St. Luke's Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road will host Trunk or Treat at 6:30 p.m. Friday Oct. 28.

– Stuchbery Elementary, 11210 Hughes

Road, will host its annual Trunk-or-Treat event on Thursday, Oct. 27, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the front parking lot of the school. The event will feature activities, games and candy. The event is free and open to the public. Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

– South Belt Church (formerly Easthaven Baptist Church), 13100 Beamer Road, will host a Boo-Nanza! trick-or-treat event on Monday, Oct. 31, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This event will be held indoors and will take place rain or shine. The event is free and open to the public.

– Almeda Mall will host its annual trick-or-treating event Monday, Oct. 31, from 6 p.m. until supplies run out. Children are encouraged to wear costumes and go from store to

store, but no masks are allowed for adults.

At a separate event, the Morris Middle School choir will perform a fall concert at the mall Friday, Oct. 28, at the center court beginning at 6 p.m.

– South Belt Elementary, 1801 Riverstone Ranch, will host its annual Trunk or Treat event on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m. Donations of unwrapped bags of candy are currently being sought. Donations will be accepted through Wednesday, Oct. 26.

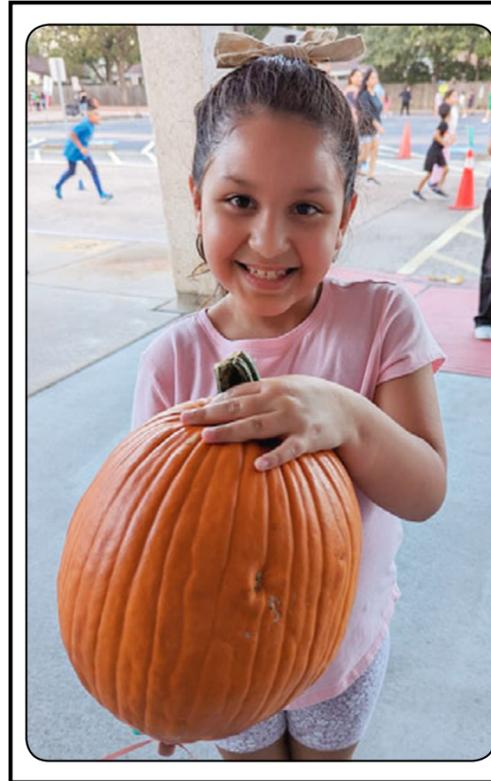
– Frazier Elementary, 10503 Hughes Road, will host its Fright Night Friday, Oct. 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

– Meador Elementary, 10701 Seaford, will

host its Trunk-or-Trot event Thursday, Oct. 27, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The event will feature trick or treating, laps on the track, games and community vendors. Attendees should park in the front parking lot or field and walk to the track and back circle drive. (Back parking lot reserved for vendors only.)

– Atkinson Elementary, 9602 Kingspoint, will host its fall carnival Friday, Oct. 28, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

– Burnett Elementary, 11825 Teaneck, will host its Beaver on the Bog event Tuesday, Oct. 25, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The event will feature trick or treating, a haunted house and other fun activities. Candy donations are currently being sought.



Atkinson celebrates Halloween

Local youths have gotten into the fall spirit, with several seasonal activities taking place throughout the South Belt community. There is a marked improvement in the amount of events planned this year compared to the past two since the COVID pandemic struck. One of the community's most longstanding events – the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department's annual Halloween party – will not be held this year due to space limitations. Atkinson student Melanie Cervantes, from Becky Garcia's second-grade class, is shown to the left participating in the school's recent pumpkin fun run. Atkinson's fall festival is scheduled to take place Friday, Oct. 28.

Photo by Chris Bui

Early voting set to begin Oct. 24

Early voting for the upcoming Nov. 8 general election is scheduled to begin Monday, Oct. 24, and continue through Friday, Nov. 4.

Several key positions are to be decided including governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, Congress members, Legislature members, county judge and county commissioner.

Voters will also decide on a \$1.2 billion county bond and a \$478 million city bond, as well as multiple local propositions.

The last day to apply for ballot by mail is Friday, Oct. 28 (received, not postmarked).

The following is a list of nearby early voting locations:

– Harris County Scarsdale Annex, 10851 Scarsdale.

– El Franco Lee Community Center, 9500 Hall Road.

– BakerRipley – gym, 720 Fairmont Parkway in Pasadena.

– Forest Bend Civic Building, 4300 Laura Leigh Lane in Friendswood.

– South Houston Municipal Courthouse, 1019 Dallas St. in South Houston.

– Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Lane.

– UH-Clear Lake – game room, 2700 Bay Area Blvd.

Voting hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For additional information or to see a complete list of polling locations and sample ballot, visit www.harrisvotes.com.

BAHEP to address human trafficking

The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership will host an event Friday, Nov. 4, at the Lonestar Flight Museum, 11551 Aerospace Ave. near Ellington Airport, aimed at human trafficking prevention and awareness.

The event will be held in collaboration with the Houston Airport System and other community leaders from the Bay Area Houston region.

Spreading knowledge and awareness is a critical factor in the fight against this crime.

In 2020, Texas ranked second in the nation for reported human trafficking cases.

The event will feature a walk-through exhibit showcasing artifacts from the human trafficking industry.

Advocacy groups will be in attendance to give

details on available local resources.

Representatives from chambers, businesses, law enforcement, churches, and government, as well as advocates and survivors will join together to address the impact of human trafficking in our neighborhoods and resources available to combat this horrific crime.

A barbecue sandwich lunch will be provided following the event.

Schedule

News conference

– 10:30 to 11 a.m.: Harris County Sheriff Ed Gonzalez; Pasadena Mayor Jeff Wagner; representatives from the Department of Homeland Security, law enforcement, the Houston Airport

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Voters to decide on city, county bonds

City bond to total \$478M; County measure for \$1.2B

In the upcoming Nov. 8 general election, voters will decide the fate of two local bond measures.

A City of Houston bond referendum would approve \$478 million in funds, while a Harris County measure would total \$1.2 billion.

City of Houston

The \$478 million City of Houston bond proposal would prioritize public safety and does not require an increase in property taxes.

The city's proposed authorization is needed to finance \$194 million for existing projects in the FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan passed by City Council on June 29, 2022.

If passed, the bond proposal would include the following:

- \$277 million for police and fire.
- \$156 million for deferred maintenance.
- \$60 million for inflationary costs.

– \$45 million for a new BARC facility.

– \$13 million for park facilities.

"I thank members of the City Council for approving the November 8, 2022, bond election," said Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner this past summer. "I am asking voters to support it because it will allow us to meet critical needs within the City of Houston without raising property taxes. Specifically, the bond allocation will fully fund projects currently included in the 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan. These are critical projects located in every council district throughout the city. The bond allocation will also allow us to fund other priority projects, such as public safety, representing 60 percent of the total request. Additional priorities include deferred maintenance, parks, libraries, solid waste and BARC. The November 2022 bond election is a pragmatic, forward-looking proposal that focuses

on responsible investment for the long-term benefit of all Houstonians."

Harris County

Harris County will also have a bond referendum on the November ballot.

The measure passed during a special meeting of Commissioners Court Thursday, Aug. 18, in an expected 3-2 vote in the Democrats' favor. County Judge Lina Hidalgo cast the tie-breaking vote, in what has become somewhat of a tradition on the court.

The \$1.2 billion proposal will be divided into three separate bond votes, representing the following components:

– \$900 million for transportation and drainage projects.

– \$200 million for parks.

– \$100 million for public safety.

According to Hidalgo, the bond proposal would do the following things, if passed:

– Build or repair roughly 300 miles of county

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City recognizes code compliance

Illegal parking on Kirkholm to be addressed

Mayor Sylvester Turner joins leaders from the city and around the country in the observance of October as National Code Compliance Month, which recognizes the work done by city employees, contractors and private citizens to keep our communities safe.

City code enforcement officers can be found in several departments, including the Department of Neighborhoods, Houston Public Work and the Houston Fire Department. Code enforcement officers are tasked with inspecting residential and commercial properties as well as streets and sidewalks. Their duties include identifying and removing safety hazards, nuisances, unhealthy conditions and other city codes violations to keep Houston clean and safe.

"Code compliance is a bedrock of safe and healthy communities," said Turner. "The city of Houston, led by key departments, works daily to protect people and property. This year, I established the Apartment Task Force, which focuses on holding apartment owners accountable for maintaining a safe environment for their residents by following the city's ordinances and codes. I thank all our code enforcement officers, whose dedication may often go unmentioned.

Keep up the great work."

DON's Inspections and Public Service division conducts residential code enforcement and responds to neighborhood complaints pertaining to overgrown lots, dangerous buildings, trash and junk accumulation and inoperable motor vehicles on private residential properties.

"Code enforcement officers are unsung heroes that work tirelessly, conducting nearly 48,000 inspections annually to enforce city codes and improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods," said TaKasha Francis, DON director. "They often perform their duties despite hostile property owners, stray animals, and other dangerous conditions at the properties they inspect. I'm excited to recognize and applaud DON's Code Enforcement Officers for the service they provide for the safety and welfare of the citizens in Houston year-round. They are an invaluable part of our city and make Houston a beautiful place to live with cleaner and safer neighborhoods."

HPW Code Inspectors review, inspect, and issue permits for more than 30,000 projects each year. These professionals ensure buildings, streets, drainage systems, sidewalks, signs and water

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Truck takes out BHI power



An illegally parked 18-wheeler recently knocked out power at Beverly Hills Intermediate when it struck a light pole while attempting to turn around in the school parking lot, preventing the campus from having class that day. The parking of commercial vehicles along Kirkholm has been an ongoing problem for decades, dating back to when the adjacent facility on Beamer used to house Dobie High School. At press time, there were two attached trailers – marked Midnight Freight – and one detached trailer (unmarked) parked along the street.

Photo by Pat Spence

Thompson celebrates custodial staff



Shown above, left to right, are Thompson Intermediate's star custodial staff Samuel Mendoza, Perla Pena, Araceli Cavazos (head custodian) and Maria Lara. These hardworking staff members were treated to dinner, Nothing Bundt cakes for dessert, notes and cards from students, H-E-B gift cards, as well as gifts from teachers.

Elected officials share their words

Mayor Pro Tem informs of propositions

By Dave Martin

Hope everyone is enjoying the slightly cooler temperatures that fall is starting to bring our way. Thank you to all who participated in National Night Out events across District E. I had the pleasure of attending National Night Out in Waters Edge, Barrington, and Trailwood Village. While my staff stretched across the rest of Kingwood, Northshore, Southbelt Ellington and Clear Lake, attending numerous events and dropping off communication materials. We appreciate the members of our Houston Police Department and Houston Fire Department for joining us in these events, as well as our friends from the City of Houston Office of Emergency Management for providing some informative items to pass out along our stops throughout the evening.

As we get closer to November, I want to encourage each of you to get involved this election season. There are very important items on the ballot ranging from our Congressional Representatives, Governor, State Supreme Court Justices, State Legislators, County Judge, Local Judges, and seven City of Houston Propositions.

City of Houston Proposition A: The issuance of \$277,000,000 public improvement bonds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipment of public safety permanent improvements and facilities for the city's police and fire departments and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

City of Houston Proposition B: The issuance of \$60,000,000 public improvement bonds for the conservation, improvement, acquisition, construction and equipment of neighborhood parks, recreational facilities and trails and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

City of Houston Proposition C: The issuance of \$47,000,000 public improvement bonds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, and equipment of buildings and facilities for animal care purposes

(BARC) and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

City of Houston Proposition D: The issuance of \$33,000,000 public improvement bonds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, and equipment of buildings and facilities owned by the city to support and provide public health and wellness and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

City of Houston Proposition E: The issuance of \$29,000,000 public improvement bonds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, and equipment of existing city administrative buildings and facilities and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

City of Houston Proposition F: The issuance of \$26,000,000 public improvement bonds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipment of public library system buildings and facilities and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

City of Houston Proposition G: The issuance of \$6,000,000 public improvement bonds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipment of permanent improvements for solid waste management purposes and the levying of taxes sufficient for the payment thereof and interest thereon.

The first day of early voting is Monday, October 24 and the last day to vote early is Friday, November 4. All Harris County voters may vote anywhere in the county during early voting. Election Day is Tuesday, November 8, polls are open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Election Day. To learn more about this upcoming election and look at your sample ballot, visit www.harrisvotes.com.

Thank you all for continuing to support the District E Office and allowing us the opportunity to serve you.

David Martin

Local library events set

In case of storms or adverse weather, refer to library website for details.

Bracewell Branch Library

Bracewell Library is at 9002 Kingsport. Customers are encouraged to visit the building to browse, check out and return materials, use the computers and Wi-Fi, and check out holds. For information, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/>. For online learning, visit <https://houstonlibrary.org/online-learning-7556> or call 832-393-2580. Hours are: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Wednesdays, noon – 8 p.m.; Fridays, 1 – 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Bracewell is closed Sundays.

Thursday, Oct. 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 3 – 4 p.m. Open lab - computer class. Registration is required.

Thursday, Oct. 20, 4 – 5 p.m. Family story time. Registration is required.

Monday, Oct. 24, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 3 – 4 p.m. Open lab - computer class.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. The Basic Houston.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 4 – 5 p.m. Kids craft.

Wednesday, Oct. 19, 6 – 7:30 p.m. English class - shopping - living English lessons. Registration is required.

Visit <https://houstonlibrary.libcal.com/calendar/events> for more library events.

Book drop

The book drop is open. Library materials can be returned. The library continues to provide online resources to enjoy the library virtually. Large items such as FLIP kits or laptops should not be placed in the book drop, but taken inside.

Additional resources

The Houston Public Library has electronic resources, books, audiobooks, databases for research, tutoring, language learning, education and parent information for Texas residents with a library card. To get a card, visit the home page at www.houstonlibrary.org under Here's What's Happening. Click on Free Resources for All to access digital resources and access a link for a temporary card. Also, under Here's What's Happening, the card titled Online Resources for Kids accesses a Virtual Storytime provided on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. The archived storytimes are found on Facebook under Houston Public Library Virtual Storytimes. Another virtual program is Craft.

Houston Public Library's many free online resources and digital services are available 24/7 with a MY Link Library Card at www.houstonlibrary.org, including e-books and e-audiobooks, streaming TV, movie and music services, online classes and tutoring and databases. Until further notice, only electronic items (i.e. e-books, e-audio books, etc.) are eligible for holds and check-out. HPL has a collection of free e-books and audio books. Visit the catalog for previously requested hold selection may be in a digital format. Instructions on downloading the e-book or audio book are on the site.

Parker Williams Library

Parker Williams Library is open. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/reopening> for reopening information or the main website at <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library>. The library will follow state and county guidelines for mask and social distancing.

The book drop is open. Social media links are Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary and Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary.

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

Thursday, Oct. 20, 10:15 a.m. Toddler story time.

Friday, Oct. 21, 1 – 3 p.m. Genealogy.

Friday, Oct. 21, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Page Fright 2022. Join for the fourth annual Page Fright outdoor community event for all ages. There will be various outdoor activities, crafts, pumpkin walk, trick or treating and photo booths.

Saturday, Oct. 22, 10 a.m. – noon Virtual citizenship workshop.

Saturday, Oct. 22, 3 – 4 p.m. Korean language reading class. Registration is required.

Monday, Oct. 24, 11:15 – 11:45 a.m. Family story time.

Monday, Oct. 24, 5 – 7 p.m. Closet cosplay and costume design. If one has ever been interested in cosplay and costuming this is the class for them. They will be going over every aspect of creating a cosplay by hand or using what one has already available to them. Special effects makeup will also be available for people to touch and play with.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Bilingual story time.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 11 a.m. – noon Tech help hour.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 3 – 4 p.m. Sewing club.

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 11:15 – 11:45 a.m. Babies and books.

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 4 – 6 p.m. Dungeons & Dragons: Candlekeep mysteries.

Online services

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

Don't have an HCPL library card? Instant access can be obtained to all HCPL's digital materials and research tools with an iKnow Digital Access Card. Apply at <https://www.hcpl.net/services/iknow-card> for a HCPL card. For details, visit <https://www.hcpl.net>.

In My Opinion

King on public policy

Immediately after the collapse of the Texas electrical grid in February 2021, the SAM Party of Texas (now the Forward Party of Texas) initiated an online petition calling for an independent commission to study the causes of the disaster and to make recommendations to ensure the future stability of the grid. Unsurprisingly, state leaders had little interest in turning over the investigation to an independent group. So, the SAM Party formed its own working group of six subject matter experts to study the failure and to make recommendations.

That group has been working over the last eighteen months to gather as much information as possible on the Texas' grid and the problems that lead to the failure. Over that time, they met for hundreds of hours, reviewed thousands of pages of data and conducted live webinars to discuss the grid and receive public input.

Throughout their work, the group stayed focused on honest fact-finding and a search for workable, pragmatic solutions. There were many disagreements and different points of view. But instead of shouting slogans at each other, the grid members had respectful discussions and learned from each other.

Last week, our working group issued their preliminary findings and recommendations. I think you will find it thoughtful and thought-provoking with none of the vacuous ideological talking points to which we are incessantly subjected. The group plans to continue and expand their work to consider the entire gambit of energy policy for Texas and the country. Of course, all Americans have a common interest in affordable and abundant energy, but the issue is particularly important in Texas because of our state's outsized role in energy production. The group will now be known as the Texas Energy Policy Group and will be looking for more participation from other stakeholders and the public. You will be hearing more about their plans in the near future.

If this is the kind of political party you think our state and country need, come join us.

Daniel on district clerk

In the flurry of enthusiasm for top of the ticket candidates, in 2018 Democrats voted overwhelmingly straight ticket for change in Harris County. Unfortunately, officeholders doing a good job were swept out in the wave – replaced by less than optimum alternatives and substitutes. Witness how quickly two separate County Clerks resigned or did not seek reelection in succession: mainly due to errors and incompetence regarding multiple elections in their charge. Witness the various judges who fail to run a timely docket, leaving plaintiffs and defendants languishing for additional years to see justice – even several judges who haven't held a single trial since taking office! Witness

Bill King

Chris Daniel

further the dramatic rise in crime due accompanied by a misapplication of the fundamentals to practical criminal justice reform. A glaring and sad change brought by the 2018 wave is at the very heart of the courthouse: the "Clerk of Courts" or here in Texas better known as the District Clerk's Office. By electing a non-lawyer with practically zero legal experience to run the largest court system in Texas, voters unintentionally invited a cluster of problems, issues, messes, legal concerns, and over all disaster to Harris County's legal system. The District Clerk is often forgotten until you have jury duty or need to look up a case personal to you. It is an office that is apolitical typically and out-of-sight-out-of-mind to most but the lawyers who utilize the office daily. In comes a non-lawyer with minimal managerial experience to run a five hundred-plus person organization with no idea how it functions. That alone should have been a concern for the uninformed voters that voted straight blue without vetting the down ballot candidates.

What did the new clerk do on day one? – fire or demand the resignation of more than 60 veteran employees (many themselves minority and/or Democrat) simply because she needed to make room for her friends to be hired. More than a century of institutional knowledge left overnight including key positions in training and quality control. What followed became a nightmare stemming from a flattened management structure with little accountability, whereby phones didn't get answered, filings were vastly mis-filed, the filing system grinded to a halt, and necessary legal documents (like citations) were either lost or issued months after requested (far beyond statutory limits). The most grievous is the consistently down website that lawyers heavily rely upon – especially since COVID – to interact with the electronic filing system and the courthouse itself. It is a joke that is painfully relayed daily on lawyer forums and such. The mismanagement of the taxpayers and public court records and court management system must come to an end. Harris County should demand better of its public officials, and this includes the district clerk's office. This election season, it is time we bring back competency to the courthouse. Changing the criminal justice system for the better starts at the courthouse, and change at the courthouse starts with the district clerk.

This is not a party issue but a question of leadership and ability: the past two district clerks, a Democrat and a Republican, both lawyers, ran the office quite capably. The transition between the two was nearly seamless. It was a prime example of public service above self or party. What the new district clerk has done echoes what one district clerk did at the start of the 90s where they gutted the office and set it back a decade before Charles Bacarisse began the modernization under his term.

Let's not make that mistake again. Let's bring back competency to the office and replace those who cannot handle their job.

Chris Daniel

Avis Martin Smith Gunnells



Avis Martin Smith Gunnells passed away Oct. 3, 2022, at the age of 76.

Born Jan. 24, 1946, to Earl and Julia Smith, she grew up in Galveston. After graduating from Central High School in 1964, she met her husband Charles S. Gunnells Jr.

Avis was devoted to her faith, family and friends. She found joy in life's big and

Death

small moments. She exuded grace, beauty and love. The outpouring of love for her and her family in her final years is a testament to how much she meant to so many people. Her laughter, optimism and kind, gentle manner will be dearly missed.

Behind her grace and humility was an inner strength. She was steadfastly faithful and focused on life's blessings, even during hard times.

Gunnells' greatest legacy is her family, and she would be quick to tell you that they were her greatest joy. She raised three wonderful children and gave them her optimism, faith and quiet strength. Her family grew to include six beloved grandchildren: Adrian Sanders, Rachel Brooks, Christopher Brown, Nicholas Brown, Bennie Jones III and Brandon Jones. Affectionately known as "Nec," she showered them with love, attention and endless prayers. She treated each one as if they were her only grandchild – encouraging

their individual interests and filling them with confidence.

She saw the best in everyone and every situation. Friends were like family. Friends knew that they could count on her support wherever and whenever. She was there, by their side, to hold and support those who needed it.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and her sisters Gloria Haywood and Ernestine Campbell; and brothers Clarence, Raymond and Henry Smith.

She is survived by her daughter Jordane Gunnells, her daughter and son-in-law Tansie and Gerald Brown and her daughter and son-in-law Kimberly and Bennie Jones Jr.; as well as her sister, Geraldine Morgan and her brothers Robert, James, Gerald and Richard (Nola) Smith. She also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews and cousins whom she loved dearly.

Services were held at Wynn Funeral Home in Galveston.

City to enforce local codes

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"Houston Public Works Code Inspectors review, inspect, and issue permits for more than 30,000 projects each year," said Carol Haddock, HPW director. "These professionals ensure buildings, streets, drainage systems, sidewalks, signs, and water and wastewater connections are built to the minimum standards of the codes. Code Compliance month is an opportunity to recognize the team dedicated to making sure our community is safe, our building codes are up to date, and all projects comply with Houston's codes."

The Houston Fire Marshal's Office has responsibility in reducing community risk through Life Safety Bureau inspections, with more than 27,000 inspections completed annually. Additional inspectors are dedicated to support HPW's plan review processes related to access, alarm systems, and fire protection systems.

"The safest way to handle a structure fire is to prevent it

from happening," said Houston Fire Chief Samuel Peña. "The Houston Fire Marshal's Office is committed to fire prevention and public education. The office prioritizes fire code compliance, and occupancy safety and works to ensure the wellbeing of our community."

Report code violations
The city relies on the community to help identify potential code violations. The City of Houston 311 Help & Info platform makes it easy, quick, and convenient for residents to report nonemergency issues and request services.

There are three ways to create a service request:
– Smart phone app (Apple and Google).
– Web portal via the Virtual Agent.

– Call 311 or (713) 837-0311.
To learn more about the city code enforcement, visit the following websites:

– Department of Neighborhoods: www.houstontx.gov/ips.

– Houston Public Works: www.houstonpermittingcenter.org/building-code-enforcement.

– Houston Fire Department: www.houstontx.gov/fire/HFMO.

Kirkholm parking

The illegal parking of commercial vehicles and trailers along Kirkholm near Beamer across from Beverly Hills Intermediate has become problematic again. The parking of such vehicles on the area street has been an ongoing problem for decades, dating back to when the adjacent facility on Beamer used to house Dobie High School.

One of the illegally parked vehicles – an 18-wheeler – recently knocked out power at Beverly Hills Intermediate when it struck a light pole while attempting to turn around in the school parking lot, preventing the campus from having class that day.

In addition to being an eyesore, the parking of such tractor trailers – often abandoned – poses safety risks, as area youths often play inside them.

At a recent Houston Police Department Positive Interaction Program meeting, City of Houston officials said officers will monitor the situation, in an effort to enforce ordinances that prohibit the measure.

City of Pasadena library announces the ending of late fees

If anyone has returned an overdue book to the Pasadena Public Library, and hasn't yet paid the fine, all is forgiven. The Pasadena Public Library ended all late fees for books and movies. PPL now officially joins more than a dozen Texas libraries that no longer apply late fees to any overdue items. The only fine that remains is for lost or damaged items. An item is considered lost and incurs a replacement

fee if overdue for more than 30 days, but if one brings it back in its original condition, the fine will be waived. The library changed the number of renewals allowed, as well as the checkout period, which is

now two weeks. At that point, an item can be automatically renewed up to five times unless it is being requested by another patron. Account holders are encouraged to keep an eye on their library account, though.

If an item becomes overdue, or if there are any unpaid late fees, borrowing is blocked until it is returned. Checkouts and requests can be viewed at www.pasadenalibrary.org. Click on "My Account," then

enter the library card number and PIN. Overdue fines are also waived for all books and movies checked out at Pasadena public libraries through the reciprocal borrowing agreement. Fines for damaged or lost items apply. The Axis360 app to download free eBooks and eAudiobooks will not be affected by late returns.

For information, call 713-477-0276 or 281-998-1095.

Houston Gun Buyback proves successful

Harris County Commissioner Rodney Ellis said he's proud that hundreds of residents turned in 1,200 guns for gift cards in what officials billed as the most successful single-day Gun Buyback in recent U.S. history. "Our gun buyback event was an incredible success," Ellis said. "Over 1,200 guns were collected, making this the most successful Gun Buyback in recent history. It's clear people are ready to do something about gun violence even when our state won't. Mayor Sylvester Turner thanked everyone who made the event an overwhelming success."

"This is a demonstration of a collective effort in our city," Turner said. "It's not just HPD, but it's our elected officials who are working with this. It's community organizations and faith-based leaders – everybody coming together to make it happen."

In addition to Ellis and Turner, Houston Police Chief Troy Finner, Congressman Al Green, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, Houston City Council Member Tiffany Thomas and state Rep. Gene Wu also supported the event at Metropolitan Transit Authority's Westchase Park and Ride in Alief.

"I am grateful that this gun buyback took place in the Ninth Congressional District and allowed guns from any place in the area to be received using a well-established, no-questions-asked approach," Green said.

"Gun buybacks are an effective means by which to help reduce crime as well as gun violence in our communities. I urge all persons of goodwill to participate in gun buybacks in an effort to save lives by getting guns off our streets. The epidemic of gun violence and mass shootings must end or it may be our end."

Said Lee, "Guns kill innocent children, teenagers, women, men and seniors. Over the years, I have advocated for strong buyback programs. I am delighted to collaborate with the City of Houston and Harris County to continue the successful buyback programs."

At a Gun Buyback in July,

about 850 weapons were turned in at the event held in Third Ward. Last month, Commissioners Court invested about \$1.1 million to conduct up to eight gun buyback events. As part of the One Safe Houston Initiative, the City of Houston has allocated \$1 million to create a robust Gun Buyback Initiative. The city and county funds may represent the single largest financial investment into gun buyback programs in the history of the country.

"Because of lax gun laws in our state, our community is drowning in guns," Ellis said. "We may not control gun laws, but we are not powerless to take guns off the street." Residents received a \$50

gift card for every nonfunctioning gun, \$100 for a rifle, \$150 for a handgun and \$200 for an assault rifle.

This program is part of a broader strategy recently implemented by Harris County to get at the root causes of crime. The County's Violence Interruption Program works with trusted and trained community messengers to de-escalate local conflicts, provide pathways out of gangs, and provide resources and support in terms of jobs, substance use, health and education. In addition, the County's Holistic Assistance Response Team (HART) sends trained first responders to assist people struggling with issues related to mental health, substance use, or homelessness so they can receive the help they need. This also eases the burden on law enforcement by allowing them to focus on serious violent crimes.

The gun buyback also is part of Turner's One Safe Houston Initiative, a \$53 million investment aimed at crime reduction. The comprehensive violence reduction initiatives link research-based strategies to improve public safety and reduce the harms caused by violent crime. "We have invested record amounts of resources into public safety initiatives that are smart and tough on crime," Ellis said. "Yet, as we've seen time and time again, we can pass all the great policies in the world. But at the end of the day, we have to get

weapons off the street to keep our community safe."

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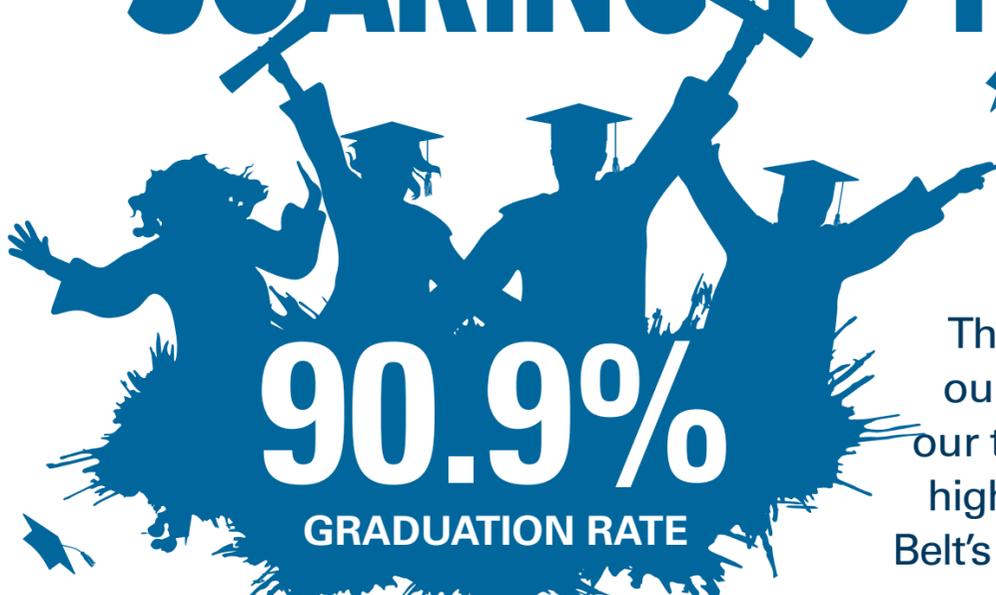
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The district boasts a rich history of success from our award-winning educational programs to our talented students and staff. We are proud to highlight a few of Pasadena ISD's and the South Belt's top moments from the 2021-2022 school year.

Academic Accountability Report Card from the Texas Education Agency

ACADEMIC GROWTH		SCHOOLS	GRADE	SCHOOL PROGRESS	
<p>90 out of 100 Academic Growth shows the amount of growth students make from year to year.</p>	<p>OVERALL RATING</p> <p>86 out of 100 Overall Rating measures how much students are learning in each grade and whether or not they are ready for the next grade.</p>	Atkinson Elementary	A	<p>124 TOTAL DISTINCTIONS EARNED DISTRICTWIDE 41 Campuses earned at least one distinction for which they were eligible.</p>	<p>14 Campuses Received "A" Rating</p>
		Beverly Hills Int.	A		
		Bush Elementary	B		
		Frazier Elementary	A	<p>36 Campuses Received "B" Rating</p>	
		J. Frank Dobie HS	B		
		Meador Elementary	A		
		Melillo Middle School	A		
		Moore Elementary	B		
		Morris Middle School	A		
		South Belt Elementary	A		
Thompson Int.	B				

PISD NAMED ONE OF THE BEST COMMUNITIES FOR MUSIC EDUCATION For the 16th consecutive year, Pasadena ISD has been named "One of the Best Communities for Music Education" by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation.

PASADENA ISD NAMED H-E-B EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD FINALIST Pasadena ISD was one of five finalists selected for recognition by H-E-B in the Large District division for Texas and one of only two districts selected as a finalist in Harris County.

VOTERS APPROVE 2022 BOND On May 7, 2022, Pasadena ISD voters approved a \$305 million bond package that will benefit every campus across the district.

PASADENA ISD HONORED AT STATE LEVEL FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT Pasadena ISD was named one of the top school districts to earn the prestigious Award of Excellence in Financial Management by the Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO).

PASADENA ISD IS THE #1 PINK POWER LEAGUE Komen Breast Cancer Foundation recognized PISD as the #1 Pink Power League in the School/University Division. Melillo, Atkinson and Gardens were honored as the top three fundraising schools.

THOMPSON INTERMEDIATE CELEBRATES 50th ANNIVERSARY Thompson Intermediate celebrated its 50th Anniversary with a community-wide carnival. Families, faculty, staff, campus administrators, alumni and district leaders enjoyed a fun-filled morning at the Lion campus.

DOBIE FFA PRESIDENT RECEIVES BRONZE AWARD IN PROFICIENCY AT NATIONALS Dobie FFA Chapter President, Madison Lugo, received a Bronze in Proficiency at Nationals. She is the only student from Texas to place!

MORRIS & MELILLO MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EXCEL IN STEAM FAIR Morris student, Avery Payne, wins first place in the traditional Steam Fair. Alayna Rodriguez and Lexi Rodriguez from Melillo win Best of Show. (*Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics*).

BUSH ELEMENTARY WINS 1ST PLACE IN ROCKETS READ NATION CONTEST Bush students read 404,199 minutes, placing them 1st overall in the greater Houston area.

BEVERLY HILLS SOCCER TEAM WINS DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP IN OVERTIME Beverly Hills 8th Grade soccer team defeated Southmore 3-2 in overtime to win the District Championship.

TEXAS SCHOOLS TO WATCH Beverly Hills Intermediate, Bondy Intermediate, Keller Middle School, Milstead Middle School, Morris Middle School, and San Jacinto Intermediate.

BURNETT ELEMENTARY LIBRARIAN RECEIVES GRANT FROM BUCKLEY MOSS FOUNDATION Mrs. Moon received a \$900 grant for her project titled "Hands on Art History and Gallery Program" from the Moss Foundation for Children's Education.

BLACK VIOLIN FOUNDATION GRANT WINNERS Dobie students Ava Cosse, Trisha Hoang, Gale Ramoz, Emily Reyes, and Ngoc Tran won a national grant contest from the Black Violin Foundation, including fine arts instruments and private lessons totaling \$5,200.00!



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PISD NEWS

Atkinson names students of the month for September



Andrew Howells of Aushunay Banala's three-year-old class consistently follows the classroom expectations. He is respectful to his classmates and teachers. He independently offers to help his classmates and is always willing to share. He is great example of an Atkinson Eagle.



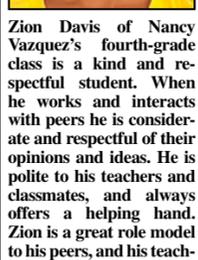
Rogelio Gonzales of Prachi Bhatt's fourth-grade class persistently follows school and classroom rules. He shows respect to all his friends and his teacher. He is kind and polite to everyone with whom he interacts. He is a true example of what a true Atkinson Eagle should be. Great job, Rogelio.



David Sanchez of Ambika Adimoolah's third-grade class consistently follows the golden rule and treats others like he wants to be treated. He is kind and polite to everyone. He uses his manners, encourages his classmates, and shows respect to his teachers. Being new to Atkinson, David has embodied all the qualities of being an Eagle and shown his classmates how to SOAR to success.



Benjamin Garcia of Elizabeth Cecil's second-grade class is a kind, considerate student who looks out for his peers. When some may be having a difficult day, he treats them the way he would like to be treated and sets a positive example for peers. Ben takes care of the building; he's not afraid to clean up messes he did not create. He willingly offers to help others who need it.



Zion Davis of Nancy Vazquez's fourth-grade class is a kind and respectful student. When he works and interacts with peers he is considerate and respectful of their opinions and ideas. He is polite to his teachers and classmates, and always offers a helping hand. Zion is a great role model to his peers, and his teachers are proud of him.



Cameron Nunez of Sheri Graham's first-grade class consistently displays respect in all that he does. He is kind to all, strives to follow school and classroom rules and shows respect to friends and his teacher. He is a great example of how a true Atkinson Eagle should behave. Awesome job, Cameron!



Ayleth Fuentes of Maria Hubley's pre-K class models respect every day. She follows rules, works hard and is kind to all.



Ariel Hernandez of Jane Childs' kindergarten class is kind and helpful to everyone. She completes her work and is willing to help a friend. She is happy and polite and is respectful to friends and teachers. Ariel uses good manners and is a good friend to all.

City, county bond election set

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– Create or improve close to 80 parks.
– Make safety improvements on more than 20 miles of high-injury intersections.
– Reduce flooding potential for about 13,000 residents through drainage improvements.

The bond would cost the owner of a \$300,000 home approximately \$32 per year, according to Office of Management and Budget Director Daniel Ramos.

County officials noted, however, that Commissioners Court could continue to lower taxes in the future, despite the addition of the new bond.

The two Republicans on Commissioners Court who opposed the measure – Precinct 3 Commissioner Tom Ramsey and Precinct 4 Com-

missioner R. Jack Cagle – said there isn't enough time before the upcoming election to properly address a measure so massive in scale.

At least Ramsey said he'd be open to a possible 2023 bond election.

Proponents of the 2022 proposal, however, note that voter turnout would be significantly higher if the vote were held this year due to the midterm elections. County Administrator David Berry predicted that voter turnout would be three times higher in November 2022 than November 2023, based on historical data.

A second concern for Republican commissioners was how the funds were to be specifically divided.

The court's Democratic leadership stresses the need to take a "worst-first" approach.

September top Lion students named



Thompson Intermediate officials recently named their students of the month for September. Pictured, left to right, are eighth-grader Syed Alifajri, seventh-grader Heidi Patron, Assistant Principal Christine Veltman, seventh-grader Chris Romero and eighth-grader Lali Bowman.

Meador celebrates campus coaches



National Coaches Day, Oct. 6, saw Meador Elementary celebrating their amazing coaches for all that they do for Meador. Connie Daumas (left) supports the math department and Derenda DeHoyos supports the ELA department. While no longer in the classroom, these coaches attend district instructional coach meetings and meet with teachers weekly to support in lesson planning, analyzing data and using effective teaching strategies. The coaches also present information on a districtwide level.

CCISD offers special education to eligible

The Clear Creek Independent School District (CCISD) offers special services to eligible infants, children and young adults, specifically from birth through age 21, identified with a disability.

The district must first identify, locate and evaluate these individuals in order to provide the help and support they need to thrive in school. Through Child Find*, CCISD seeks to provide awareness of both the evaluation process and service offerings so that parents and guardians may take full advantage of the array of special services that can benefit children and young adults with a disability or who are experiencing difficulty learning.

CCISD provides Special Education services under the following areas, autism, blindness, deaf and hard of hearing, emotional disturbance, intellectual disability, multiply disabled, noncategorical early childhood, other health impairment, orthopedic impairment, specific learning disability, speech/language impairment, traumatic brain injury and visual impairment.

The following persons are entitled to a comprehensive evaluation to determine if their disability qualifies them for special education and related services to be

provided through an Individualized Education Program (IEP) under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEIA) and the rules of the Texas State Board of Education:
– Residing in their homes or foster homes.
– Not yet attending school or are attending day-care centers, public schools, independent schools, parochial schools, or are being home schooled.
– Highly mobile or homeless.

– Suspected of having a disability even though they are advancing from grade to grade.
– Based on the results of the evaluation, CCISD will determine service needs and placement options in partnership with the parent or guardian.

Children learn at different rates, but some children have significant difficulty in one or more areas of development. If parents and guardians are concerned their child may be learning differently or suspect a disability, they can contact the principal or assistant principal on their child's campus or CCISD Director of Special Education Support Services Dr. Pam Ellis at pmoore1@ccisd.net or (281) 284-0096.

If you do not live in the CCISD zone, contact the

Special Services office for the district where you live. Every public school district is required to provide Child Find services under federal and state law.

Clear Creek ISD also seeks the support of the community to create awareness among families and encourages the display and/or

dissemination of Child Find informational flyers, in both English and Spanish. A referral to Child Find may be made by any person concerned about a child's development including parents, preschool teachers/directors, physicians, outside agencies, therapists or early childhood interventionists.

Garza named Lariaette of the Week



Sophomore Brianna Garza was named Dobie High School's Lariaette of the Week for Oct. 14.

BAHEP hosts event

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– Amanda Amore, Texas System, local advocacy groups and human trafficking survivors will address prevention, protection and partnership.

Panel Discussion
– 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
The moderator will be Kerri Taylor, Unbound Now Houston, executive director.

The event will include the following panelists:
– Special Agent Danielle LaFosse, Department of Public Safety, state trooper.

– Forensic Nurse Examiners, clinical manager.
– Chris Alston, Clear Creek Community Church, pastor.

– Mother of a trafficked child from local area.

This free event is open to the public. Registration is required. Visit www.eventbrite.com and key in Ellington Area Human Trafficking Awareness & Prevention Event in the search bar.

Remember When

45 years ago (1977)
Finalists for homecoming queen at J. Frank Dobie High School were Lisa Bartlett, Sandy Bond and Sherri Whitnah.

Teddy Washington, Al Burton, Billy "White Shoes" Johnson and Conway Hayman from the Houston Oilers spoke at Sagemont Baptist Church.

40 years ago (1982)
James Etienne, 17, was handed a 60-day sentence for possession of drugs after being arrested at Dobie High School.

Bill Brawn, Dobie's band director, and C. J. Leslie, Dobie's choral director, handed in their resignation to the PISD trustees. Brawny reportedly resigned to accept a position with a different district.

35 years ago (1987)
Stephanie Sherman was crowned Dobie's homecoming queen.

Some \$27 million of the county's proposed bond issue was earmarked for improvements that would directly affect the South Belt area. Among those improvements were \$7.6 million in flood control, \$15.8 million in roads, \$1.25 million for a county court annex and \$2.6 million in parks development.

30 years ago (1992)
Dobie High School senior Andrew Coulston was named a semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

Three armed robbers and a getaway driver stole an undisclosed amount of money from the courtesy booth at the Fuqua Kroger. A 74-year-old male customer was clubbed in the head when he walked into the store.

25 years ago (1997)
Envoicing Texas legislation, the Pasadena Independent School District board of trustees ruled a Dobie student expelled over a shotgun possession should be able to graduate with his class.

Daniel Gonzalez, 19, was charged with the shooting death of 18-year-old Carlos Salmeron in an incident at the 12300 block of the Gulf Freeway.

20 years ago (2002)
Houston Fire Department had at least 12 engine companies, a safety officer, a district chief, a rehab vehicle, EMS units and other support personnel at the scene of a fire

at 706 Old Genoa Red Bluff Road.

Dr. Jim Horton, chancellor of San Jacinto College for seven years, resigned after accepting a position as vice chancellor for the Higher Colleges of Technology in the United Arab Emirates.

15 years ago (2007)
A 72-year-old man was fatally shot at a grocery store in the 10900 block of Scarsdale near Beamer in an apparent carjacking. Baldey Sharma was waiting in his vehicle while his wife finished shopping around 9 p.m. when he was approached by two young men. Witnesses said one of the men opened fire and drove off in Sharma's 2002 Nissan Maxima, while the other fled on foot toward Astoria. With-in two hours of the shooting, his car was found torched at

706 Old Genoa Red Bluff Road.

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Over The Back Fence by Natalie

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR KAY
Best wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent Oct. 21, to active community member and business owner Kay Barbour, former South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce president/CEO and current Sagemont Civic Club president, from friends and staff at the Leader.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SANDRA!
South Belt resident and longtime business owner Sandra Yandell celebrates a birthday Sunday, Oct. 23. She is wished a wonderful day from her family, community members and from friends at the South Belt Leader.

FRED CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY
Fred Flickinger celebrates a memorable birthday Oct. 23. Wishes for a wonderful day are sent by wife Leslie Flickinger; daughter Kimberly and husband Matt Lipino; daughter Courtney and husband Chris Durham and their children, Abigail and Jackson; brother David (Leader president), wife Ellie Flickinger, and their daughter, Natalie and her husband Jose Abarca and children Kelvin Lopez, Noah, Eliana and Isabella Abarca; parents Marie (Leader owner) and David Flickinger; and aunt Alexis Lochner.

PENELOPE TURNS 3!
Best wishes for a happy birthday Sunday, Oct. 23, are sent to Penelope Durham who celebrates her second birthday from parents Courtney and Chris Durham, sister Abigail and brother Jackson; aunt Kimberly Lipino and husband Matt; grandparents Fred and Leslie Flickinger; great-grandmother Olive Falkowski; great-grandfather John Fairchild; great-grandparents Marie (Leader owner)

and David Flickinger; and great-uncle David Flickinger (Leader president) and his wife Ellie.

SCHOOL DAZE
The following staff of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Oct. 20 through Oct. 26.

Atkinson Elementary
Sing a happy birthday song to Nora Freeman Oct. 25. Remember to wish Kristi Johnson a happy birthday Oct. 26.

Bush Elementary
Wishes for a happy birthday are sent to Valentina Saucedo Oct. 20.

Frazier Elementary
Send a birthday greeting Oct. 24 to Charity Boone.

Genoa Elementary
Light the birthday candles Oct. 22 on a cake for Cassidy Horton.

Meador Elementary
A special birthday wish is sent to Damon Schwerdtfeger Oct. 23.

Moore Elementary
Blow out the birthday candles for Cade Robeson Oct. 23. Send a birthday greeting Oct. 25 to Jayna Cruz.

Melillo Middle School
Join in the birthday fun Oct. 14 for Stephen Rios.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
Anastasia Payne celebrates a birthday Oct. 20. Give a birthday shoutout Oct. 26 for Gerardo Nunez.

Thompson Intermediate
Edward Ashmawee and Naoreen Tibbals celebrate a birthday Oct. 20. Remember to wish

Manuel Reyna a happy birthday Oct. 22. Best wishes for a special birthday Oct. 23 are sent to Jeanne Thibodeaux. Tanis Griffin, principal, and Aaron Kutra celebrate with a double-layer cake Oct. 25.

Dobie High
Oct. 22 is the day for a celebration for Christopher Ferguson. The day for a party for Zach Whitt is Oct. 24. Lanita Simmons and Gregory Steen share a birthday Oct. 25. Send a birthday greeting Oct. 26 to Ashley Moore.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS
Thursday, Oct. 20: Trina Gibson, Jennifer Chavez and Trey Sanchez; Friday, Oct. 21: Mindy Homann, Craig Funni, Eddie Youngs and Robert Fortson; Saturday, Oct. 22: Craig Tyer, Jamie Nevarez, Stacey Glass, Kimberly Gale and Jonny Heitman; Sunday, Oct. 23: Mike Jimenez, Jennifer Garcia, Kelly Kasselman, Johnny Smithers, Melissa Guerrero, Ruben Salazar, Rosanna Luna and Janna Horst; Monday, Oct. 24: Stacey Lindsey, Tyra Chopra, Rolf Michelson, Barry Fuller, Marilyn Ramirez; Tuesday, Oct. 25: Kim Clardy, Sybil Scott, Chloe Cantu and Michael Crawford; and Wednesday, Oct. 26: Laurel Robertson, Crystal Ramirez, Missy Locklear, Autumn Prater, Sandy Hinson and Arturo Fernandez.

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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES

JFD girls cruise to third straight CC crown

The league's elite program reigned again as top overall medalist Ashlee Garcia led the Dobie varsity girls' team to a third straight District 22-6A Cross-Country Championship Oct. 13 in Deer Park.

This time around, Dobie's performance over the 5,000-meter course was as dominant as any other, with the Longhorn girls finishing 1-2-3-4-11 en route to a low score of 20, while second-place Deer Park was second with a total of 49.

A sixth competitor for the Longhorn girls, sophomore Mariah Medina, was 28th overall.

Garcia joined the varsity cross-country program for her sophomore season in 2020 as Dobie began its resurgence.

This season, Garcia has consistently been Dobie's top finisher most weeks while also

competing as a member of the varsity volleyball program.

At the 2022 District 22-6A championships, Garcia paced her teammates to the finish line as her time of 20 minutes, 56.21 seconds earned the senior a

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At right, the Dobie varsity girls' cross-country team dominated the field on the way to the program's third consecutive District 22-6A championship trophy as senior Ashlee Garcia claimed top overall medalist honors after covering the 5,000-meter course in Deer Park at 20 minutes, 56.21 seconds. The Longhorns' title-winning squad included, left to right, Mariah Medina, Kyla Lobo, Ashley Dunn, Garcia, Isela Munoz and Lauren Garza.



Dawson tennis aces Dobie

Dawson, the state's 21st-ranked program, ended the varsity team tennis season with a relatively quick 10-0 victory in the area playoff round Oct. 14 at Dobie.

The season now concluded for the locals, Dobie head coach Manuel Moreno Jr. said he will remember this group for years to come.

"This is the most fun I've had coaching a team here at Dobie in my 24 years," Moreno said.

"From an attitude point of view, this group was part of a complete 180 degree turnaround from last season. They were upbeat and supportive of one another and played to the best of their abilities."

"We were 8-13 overall, having played a very demanding schedule. The win over Pearland at the Remembering Ike tournament was a turning point for us, and the kids truly gave it their all."

Deer Park went unbeaten to win the District 22-6A championship, with Dobie sweeping past Channelview and the other Pasadena ISD programs for second place.

Dobie officially defeated Beaumont West Brook by forfeit in the bidistrict playoff round, as the Bruins did not place the required six boys' and girls' singles players on the court.

Against Dawson, Dobie played to the best of its abilities against the seventh-ranked program in Region III, leaving Moreno pleased with the season as a whole.

"The kids gave it all they had, and Dawson is certainly no slouch. I am proud to be the head coach of this group," Moreno said.



Dobie senior William Ho played No. 1 boys' singles and was also involved in No. 1 boys' doubles action as he enjoyed a stellar final season.

At right, the Dobie offensive front has left the field in celebration quite frequently of late as the unit has been producing plenty of points. The group that includes, left to right, tight end Nathan Mena (81), linemen Francisco Aleman (77) and Jaime Tellez (70), tight end Adam Perez (82) and lineman Markel Terry (75) got in on the action against Memorial and will look to contribute again as the Longhorns take on Sam Rayburn in the school's annual homecoming game Friday, Oct. 21, at Pasadena ISD's Veterans Stadium. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.



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HoCo 2022!
Dobie vs. Rayburn
 Oct. 21, 7 p.m.
 Veterans Stadium

Longhorns top Falcons; Rayburn next

Dobie's annual Tussle with the Texans, otherwise known as the Longhorns versus Sam Rayburn on the varsity football field, will carry plenty of meaning as the two teams meet in Dobie's homecoming game Oct. 21 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

Following a 48-35 loss at Channelview Oct. 14, the Longhorns find their season boiling down to the final two weeks, with the Texans first up.

Following its loss to Channelview, Dobie is now 3-5 overall, including 2-2 in District 22-6A play. Seeking a fifth consecutive playoff berth, the

Longhorns will need wins over the Texans and then over South Houston Oct. 28 to ensure the No. 2 seed in the Division I bracket.

With three weeks to go in the regular season, all signs point to unbeaten Deer Park (7-0, 3-0) and Channelview (5-2, 3-0) going head-to-head for the

District 22-6A championship Oct. 21 at Deer Park ISD's Abshier Stadium.

The Deer are looking to defend their league title from the 2021 season, while Channelview is brimming with confidence after never trailing in its 48-35 win over the Longhorns.

Deer Park leads the 22-6A ranks in total offense and also fewest defensive yards allowed, but Channelview's Darius Clark-James is the leading passer in the league, having totaled 1,626 yards and 16 touchdowns.

The Falcons rolled to the win over Dobie and now take on the Deer.

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Brook football earns first victory

At right, Clear Brook junior quarterback Jesse Shelton (3) signals for the crew to move the chains after picking up a big first down Oct. 14 against the Clear Creek Wildcats. The Wolverines got three field goals from Damian Chacon, including the 25-yard game winner as time expired to give Clear Brook a 16-14 victory over the Wildcats at Clear Creek ISD's Veterans Memorial Stadium in League City. Senior tailback Jaylon Richardson rushed for 121 yards and Shelton eclipsed the 100-yard mark as the Wolverines handed first-year head coach Patrick Sanders his first career win within the program. Brook, now 1-7 this season, has a bye week Oct. 20-22 before taking on Clear Springs Oct. 28. For more word on the Wolverines' win over Clear Creek, see Page 8.



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Stuchbery honors PPK champions



Stuchbery Elementary fourth-grade students Hayden Mateo (left) and Nathaly Velasquez represented their school at the Pasadena ISD districtwide Punt, Pass and Kick competition Oct. 3 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.



Stuchbery Elementary third-grade students Adrienne Guzman (left) and Leonardo Medina represented their school at the Pasadena ISD districtwide Punt, Pass and Kick competition Oct. 3 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.

South Belt football predictions



John Bechtle



Emory Gadd



Troy Leland



Stephen Sutton



Debbie Vaughn

Dobie vs. Rayburn	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Channelview at Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park
Atascocita at CE King	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita
Kingwood at Beaumont West Brook	Kingwood	BWB	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood
Dawson at Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek
Brazoswood at Clear Falls	Falls	Falls	Falls	Falls	Falls
Clear Lake at Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson	Dickinson
Kingwood Park at Barbers Hill	Kingwood Park				
Baytown Sterling at La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	La Porte
Friendswood at Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton	Angleton
Last Week's Results	4-6	7-3	7-3	6-4	8-2
Season record	50-30	55-25	63-17	53-27	66-14

Finishing with two wins is atop Dobie's agenda

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While the Longhorns have played .500 football through the first month of league play, the key contributors on offense continue to produce big numbers.

Sophomore Cameron Mathews has been one of the top newcomers across the Houston area.

Through eight games, Mathews has rushed for

757 yards, fourth overall in the league, and six touchdowns.

He's also been the Longhorns' top receiver, having come up with 16 grabs for 437 yards and another four scores.

Senior Raynard Hall has scored a team-high eight touchdowns and rushed for a tad over 600 yards despite missing time.

Fellow senior Jalen Baldwin has also maximized his touches, rushing for 477 yards on just 60 touches, including a pair

of scores. At this point in the season with just two regular season games remaining, the Longhorns

are who they are, meaning Mathews, Hall and Baldwin will continue to get the bulk of the touches both this week against

Sam Rayburn and then in the finale against South Houston. It's all a matter of finishing the season with two wins.



Dobie quarterback A.J. Hernandez (8) and his teammates will aim to officially secure a Class 6A Division I playoff berth as they face Sam Rayburn in the school's annual homecoming game Oct. 21 at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena.
Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Memorial volleyball secures seeding over Dobie



Host Memorial won a battle with Dobie for playoff seeding position in the varsity volleyball postseason Oct. 11, sweeping the Longhorns 25-15, 27-25, 25-22 at Memorial. With a season sweep of Dobie, Memorial is all but assured no worse than the No. 2 seed out of District 22-6A, with Dobie holding the third seed. Dobie's Bella Pe-

rez (10), at left, aims to hit over Memorial's Emma Carro (5), while the Longhorns' Haley DeHoyos (13), above, also goes against Carro in play Oct. 11. Dobie took on Rayburn Oct. 18 after press time and will finish its regular season Oct. 25 at home against South Houston. The bidistrict playoff round is Oct. 31-Nov. 1. Photo by Donna Alsdorf

Bay Area Football League Week 10 Results

	Srs.	Jrs.	Sophs.	Fr.	PWs
Pasadena	6	0	0	7	20
Cowboys	20	30	57	7	8
Brazosport	46	45	35	1	1
Dolphins	0	0	0	0	0

Week 11 Games – Saturday, Oct. 22

Dolphins host Cowboys, Blackhawk Park

Freshman Div. Standings

Team	W	L	T
Angleton	9	0	0
League City	9	0	0
Hitchcock	8	1	0
Pearland Pats	8	1	0
Southeast	7	2	0
Bay Area	6	3	0
La Porte	6	3	0
Pearland Texans	5	4	0
Brazosport	5	4	0
Pasadena	4	4	1
Magnolia Park	4	5	0
North Shore	4	6	0
Barbers Hill	3	6	0
Sagmont	2	6	1
East End	2	7	0
Alvin	1	8	0
Santa Fe	1	8	0
Manvel	1	8	0
Southbelt	0	9	0

Sophomore Div. Standings

Team	W	L	T
Hitchcock	9	0	0
Pearland Patriots	8	1	0
League City	8	1	0
Sagmont	8	1	0
Magnolia Park	7	2	0
Bay Area	6	3	0
Angleton	6	3	0
La Porte	6	3	0
Pearland Texans	5	4	0
Alvin	4	5	0
Brazosport	4	5	0
Barbers Hill	4	5	0
Southeast	3	6	0
Manvel	3	6	0
Pasadena	2	7	0
North Shore	2	8	0
Southbelt	1	7	1
Santa Fe	0	9	0
East End	0	9	0

Junior Div. Standings

Team	W	L	T
Pearland Pats	9	0	0
League City	9	0	0
Pearland Texans	9	0	0
Barbers Hill	7	2	0
Brazosport	6	3	0
Manvel	6	3	0
Hitchcock	6	3	0
Magnolia Park	5	4	0
Angleton	5	4	0
Sagmont	5	4	0
Bay Area	4	5	0
Alvin	4	5	0
Pasadena	3	6	0
Santa Fe	3	6	0
East End	2	6	0
Southeast	2	7	0
Southbelt	0	8	0
La Porte	0	9	0
North Shore	0	10	0

Senior Div. Standings

Team	W	L	T
Magnolia Park	9	0	0
Hitchcock	9	0	0
League City	8	1	0
Pasadena	7	2	0
East End	7	2	0
Southeast	6	3	0
Manvel	6	3	0
Barbers Hill	6	3	0
Sagmont	6	3	0
Pearland Patriots	5	4	0
Alvin	4	5	0
Bay Area	3	6	0
Angleton	3	6	0
La Porte	3	6	0
Brazosport	2	7	0
Santa Fe	1	8	0
Southbelt	1	8	0
Pearland Texans	0	9	0
North Shore	0	10	0

PeeWee Div. Standings

Team	W	L	T
Pearland Pats	9	0	0
League City	9	0	0
Bay Area	8	1	0
Hitchcock	8	1	0
Angleton	7	2	0
La Porte	7	2	0
Pasadena	5	4	0
Sagmont	5	4	0
Barbers Hill	5	4	0
Alvin	4	5	0
Manvel	4	5	0
Brazosport	4	5	0
Santa Fe	3	6	0
Magnolia	3	6	0
Pearland Texans	2	7	0
East End	2	7	0
Southeast	1	8	0
Southbelt	0	9	0
North Shore	0	10	0

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20
7 a.m. **AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill," 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 713-686-6300 or visit https://aahouston.org/meetings/.
7:30 a.m. **Rotary Club of Pearland** - Meets at 6117 Broadway St., Pearland, or on Zoom (attendee preference). See Pearland Chamber of Commerce website calendar or call 281-485-3634.
Noon **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group, 3525 Broadway, Pearland, or at https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners. Call 713-686-6300.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
1 - 3 p.m. **Parker Williams Genealogy Group** - meets at the library, Beamer at Scarsdale. Email Liz Hicks at eroottrot@usa.net for details.
3:30 - 6:30 p.m. **Bay Area Singles Club** - monthly dance at 5204 Hwy. 3, in Dickinson. Call 281-470-2750 or 281-337-3112.
7 p.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - All services are live and Zoom online. For details visit https://www.shaarhashalom.org.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com or https://nastuff.com/.
8 p.m. **Serenity Now Al-Anon Group** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
8 p.m. **AA** - meets at CrossRoads UMC, 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22
7:30 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - See Friday's notice.
11 a.m. **Al-Anon Meeting (Women Only, English)** - meets at 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room #111.

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1 p.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - offers a knitting class. Call 281-479-7285 prior to coming.
Jam-3:30/ Bands-6:30 p.m. **Bay Area Bluegrass Association** - music show and jam session at Webster Civic Center, 311 Pennsylvania Ave. Visit http://www.bayareabluegrass.org.
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23
8 a.m./ 10:15 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - has worship at 11456 Space Center Blvd. Call 281-479-7285.
2 p.m. **Grief Support Group** - Meets at Revive Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. Call 281-487-8787.
5:30 p.m. **Celebrate Recovery** - A faith-based 12-Step program, at 9900 Alameda Genoa. Call 713-419-2635.
8 p.m. **AA** - See Friday's notice.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24
10 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call 713-472-0565 for appointment and details.
10:30 a.m. **TRIAD** - Meets at 1700 East Thomas St., in Pasadena. Call 713-477-0175.
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday's noon notice.
1:30 - 3 p.m. **Hometown Heroes Dance** - at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway. Call 281-554-1180.
5 p.m. **New Directions Singles** - meets at 201 W. NASA Parkway. Call Grant at 281-814-4750.
6 p.m. **Scrabble Club #511** - Meets at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. COVID-19 vaccination required. Call 281-488-2923.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. **Toastmasters** - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets virtually https://youngprofessionalsoastmasters.com/. Visit the website or call Fatimah Jones, club president, at 281-467-1880.
7 p.m. **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - Meets at 110 N Friendswood Dr. in the

educational bldg, room 201. Call Lynette Ringrose 832-858-4617 or Dorothy Pourteau 713-875-8820.
7 p.m. **NA** - Vigilance Group, see Friday's notice.
7 p.m. **AA** - St. Luke's 12 Step Recovery, open meeting in the Education Bldg, room 4, 11011 Hall Rd., Call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.
7 p.m. **The Clear Lake Gem and Mineral Society** - Meets at 5001 NASA Pkwy., Seabrook. For details, visit www.clgms.org.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
10 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - See Monday's notice.
11:30 a.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - see Sunday's notice.
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
2 p.m. **The National Active and Retired Federal Employees** - NARFE Chapter 941 meets at 9500 Hall Rd. Call Roy at 713-734-1461 or EFL Center at 281-464-9708.
7 p.m. **Houston Skyscraper Shadows Civic Club** - meets at 7900 Fuqua. Contact Cathy at houstonsskyscrapershadows.org or call 713-332-6294.
7 p.m. **NA** - see Friday's notice.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26
7 a.m. **AA** - "Breakfast With Bill." See Thursday's notice.
9:30 a.m. **Carmelites** - meets at 15500 El Camino Real, Clear Lake Call Marilyn at 713-444-6744 for details.
10 a.m. **The Community Club** - meets at 5824 Spencer Highway, Pasadena. Email Jmproy@yahoo.com.
Noon **AA** - Imperfect Nooners. See Thursday noon notice.
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Hometown Heroes Humpday Dance** - See Monday's notice.
7 p.m. **St. Paul's Anglican Church** - See Sunday's notice.
7 p.m. **NA** - See Friday's notice..
8 p.m. **AA** - See Friday's notice..

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Dobie runners stampede to Region III cross-country championships Oct. 24

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memorable championship plaque.

Junior Kyla Lobo, also a three-year varsity performer, was second at 21:05.40 while senior and third-place finisher Isela Munoz crossed the finish line in a time of 21:27.70. Munoz was seventh at the 22-6As to finish as one of her team's top five finishers during that title run.

Sophomore Lauren Garza, elevated to the varsity level as a freshman in 2021, placed fourth in a time of 21:55.80. Garza was also a qualifying scorer at district in 2021 as he was 10th.

Senior Ashley Dunn, also a three-year varsity soccer standout, was 11th in a time of 24:07.60.

A sixth runner for Dobie, sophomore Mariah Medina, clocked in at 26:02.00 for the 28th over-

all position.

Dobie's five qualifying runners will represent the program at the Region III Championships Oct. 24 at Kate Barr Ross Park in Huntsville.

"This group has run with some of the best in the region, and we are looking forward to competing Oct. 24," Dobie head coach Mo Hickman said.

"They rolled through like a herd. It's fun to see them compete like that and see them stay tight to one another. Just a great group."

The Dobie boys will also head to regionals as a team after placing second at district behind Deer Park.

Juniors Manny Garza and Julian Andrade led the Deer to the team championship, with Garza's time of 17:11.20 giving him the crown of top overall med-

alist.

Andrade wound up second with a time of 17:17.90.

As for Dobie, senior Giovanni Avila was third overall in a time of 17:52.60, and sophomore Chris Lopez finished in a time of 18:12.00 for eighth place.

Damian Rosas' time of 18:58.40 cracked the top 15 for the junior, and a time of 19:09.60 landed junior Simon Sepulveda 17th overall.

The Longhorns' fifth official scorer was Pedro Acevedo, 21st overall in a clocking of 19:17.80.

Dobie also had juniors Francisco Dunn (22nd at 19:23.10) and Jose Munoz (24th at 19:36.00) competing at the district championships.

Horton heads back

South Houston senior Jeremiah Horton, son of former Dobie assistant

football coach and current assistant principal Joseph Horton, is headed back to the regional meet for the second straight season as his time of 18:04.30 placed him sixth overall in the varsity boys' 5000-meter run.

JFD JV boys win
The Dobie junior varsity boys' squad won the 22-6A team championship as its five qualifiers landed within the top 18 spots.

Freshman Johan Villavencio led the way for the Longhorns in the 5,000-meter race as his time of 19:50.40 was third-best.

At 20:32.60, Longhorn senior Kim Padernal was sixth, and eighth place went to Dobie sophomore Jorge Jasso in a time of 20:40.00.

In a time of 21:18.60, Longhorn sophomore Santino Perez placed 14th,

and junior Antwoine Wilson's time of 21:37.50 was 18th-best.

Dobie JV girls second
Junior Jordan Davis finished the junior varsity girls' two-mile race in a time of 16:13.10, and junior Jasmine Mooney's time of 16:35.00 was eighth.

Isaura Correa, a freshman, was in at 16:35.70 for ninth place, with sophomores Daisa Ram (17:15.90) and Ashley Hernandez (17:21.20) 16th and 17th, respectively.

De Paz is ninth

The Longhorns' Orlando De Paz was his team's top finisher in the freshman boys' two-miler as he was in a 13:29.90 for ninth place overall.

Dobie's Harrison Henderson also competed as his time of 15:16.00 was good enough for 25th

place.

The graduation of current collegiate runners Alberto Campa and Jhancarlos Carpio left the boys' program in need of restocking in conjunction with the arrival of coach Stephen Cross.

Following 24 years on the basketball court and 16 on the football field, Cross is still somewhat of a newcomer to cross-country.

But with the help and knowledge of girls' coach Mo Hickman, Cross my has been dedicated to learning the intricacies of the sport.

Still, Cross said, the credit goes to the athletes.

"We've built our numbers but also the guys have worked so hard to get to this point," Cross said. "They deserve this."

At right, Dobie senior Ashlee Garcia (left) shared her District 22-6A Top Overall Medalist honor with her father, Julian Garcia, following the league championship 5,000-meter cross-country race at the Jimmy Burke Center in Deer Park. Ashlee Garcia will next lead the 22-6A Dobie team champion at the Region III Championships Oct. 24 in Huntsville. The Dobie varsity girls' cross-country team has now won three consecutive District 22-6A championships. Dobie junior Kyla Lobo, also a three-year varsity performer, was second at 21:05.40 while senior and third-place finisher Isela Munoz crossed the finish line in a time of 21:27.70. The No. 4 overall finish went to sophomore Lauren Garza, and senior Ashley Dunn placed 11th to round out the Longhorns' scoring.



Texas invite sets big field Nov. 17-19

The field has been set for the 2022 McDonald's Texas Invitational basketball tournament, which will play out Nov. 17-19.

Richardson, the defending Division I gold bracket boys' champion, returns.

On the girls' side, defending Division I gold bracket champion Cedar Park will also play in the 24-team girls' field.

More information about the tournament will appear in future Leader editions.

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The Dobie varsity boys' cross-country team took a huge step forward in 2022, reaching the regional round as a team for the first time in many years. Members of the team include, left to right, Jose Munoz, Simon Sepulveda, Damian Rosas, Chris Lopez, coach Stephen Cross, Giovanni Avila, Francisco Dunn and Pedro Acevedo. The Region III meet is set for Oct. 24 at Kate Barr Park in Huntsville as programs from across the region aim to reach state.

Brook's Joseph Trevino heads back to regionals

At right, Joseph Trevino (center) of Clear Brook will return to the Class 6A Region III Cross-Country Championships Oct. 24 in Huntsville. Running the 5,000-meter course at Hometown Heroes Park Oct. 13 in Webster, Trevino trailed only top overall varsity boys' champion Sam Golla (left) of Clear Lake (15 minutes, 46.16 seconds) and runner-up Caden Ryskoski (right) of Clear Springs (16:07.58) as his time of 16:13.97 was third-best. In the varsity boys' team standings, Brazoswood was the winner. Also for the Clear Brook boys' varsity squad, juniors Tristan Ecord (24:03.44) and Ruben Herrera (24:11.32) were 33rd and 34th, respectively, with senior Anthony Cortez 35th with his clocking of 24:15.99. In the varsity girls' 5,000-meter event, top overall medalist Kaitlyn Gale, a junior from Clear Falls helped lead the Knights to the team crown at 18:35.92, while sophomore Hailey Castillo was second. Clear Brook sophomore Leslie Garcia posted a time of 22:36.19 for 24th place overall. A time of 14:38.49 was good enough to place Wolverines' freshman Destiny Coronado eighth in the junior varsity girls' 3200-meter race, while Isabella Carranza, also a freshman, was 37th in a time of 17:24.05.



Chacon's field goal as time expires gets Brook its first win

Damian Chacon's 25-yard field goal as time expired led Clear Brook to a 16-14 win over Clear Creek as the Wolverines secured the first head coaching victory for Patrick Sanders Oct. 14 at Clear Creek ISD's Veterans Memorial Stadium in League City.

Sanders, the former Deer Park defensive coordinator who took over as head coach of the Clear Brook this summer, had previously watched his Wolverines lose by eight on opening night to Dobie and then battle Clear Lake all the way in an eventual 17-13 loss.

Faced with another make-or-break late game scenario against Clear Creek, the Wolverines this time earned their first win of the season and got Sanders his first W along the way.

The Wildcats were up 14-13 late in the final quarter and essentially no more than a couple of first downs to win, but Dre Ketchum's fumble near midfield was pounced on

by Clear Brook's Keyon Kellum with 3:25 to go.

From there, the Wolverines leaned on senior running back Jaylon Richardson, whose 121 yards on the ground provided much of the team's offense to go with 102 yards rushing by quarterback Jesse Shelton. The final drive stalled as the clock ticked in the final minute, but Chacon's third field goal of the game from 25 yards out provided the win.

Chacon also made field goals from 39 and 31 yards, while the Wildcats blocked a fourth try. Richardson now has 861 yards rushing this season and added his seventh scoring run of the season. He leads the District 24-6A ranks in rushing through eight weeks.

The Wolverines, now 1-7 overall and 1-3 in league play as Sanders and his staff continue to reshape the program as a whole, have a week 9 bye before facing Clear Springs Oct. 28 and then closing the season against first-place Dickinson.



Clear Brook senior running back Jaylon Richardson (22) rambles into the end zone on a 6-yard scoring run while getting a key block from offensive lineman Jalen Baker (55) on Clear Creek defensive back Denis Anderson Oct. 14 at Veterans Memorial Stadium in League City. Richardson had 121 yards rushing in the game and now leads the District 24-6A ranks with 861 yards through eight games. A late field goal gave the Wolverines a 16-14 win over the Wildcats as Brook. Photo by Madisson Taylor Duke

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