

Merry Christmas to all!

South Belt-Ellington Leader

Voice of Community-Minded People since 1976

Thursday, December 21, 2017

Email: mynews@southbeltleader.com

www.southbeltleader.com

Vol. 42, No. 47

Holiday closings set

South Belt-Ellington Leader

The *Leader* will be on a holiday schedule from Friday, Dec. 22, through Monday, Jan. 8. The last issue of 2017 will be on Thursday, Dec. 28, and the first issue of 2018 will be on Thursday, Jan. 11. There will be no Jan. 4 edition. Items for publication may be sent to mynews@southbeltleader.com. Emergencies may be directed to Marie Flickinger at 281-948-2714.

Clear Brook City MUD

Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District offices will be closed Monday, Dec. 25, and Tuesday, Dec. 26, in celebration of the Christmas holiday. They will reopen Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 8 a.m. To avoid late fees, payments may be left in the drop box on the drive-thru side of the building.

The MUD offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 1, for New Year's Day. They will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 2, at 8 a.m. Again, to avoid late fees, payments may be left in the drop box located on the drive-thru side of the building.

Residents living in Clear Brook City MUD who receive trash service on Monday will not have regular trash service pickup on Christmas Day, Monday, Dec. 25. Regular services will resume on Thursday, Dec. 28. Residents who receive trash service on Tuesdays and Fridays will have regular services on Tuesday, Dec. 26, and Friday, Dec. 29. All trash must be at curbside no later than 7 a.m. on the day of pickup.

Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-528/NASA Road 1 to SH 96/League City Parkway will be closed nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Dec. 31. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM-518 to FM-517 in League City will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Friday, Dec. 22. Alternate entrance and exit ramps will be closed.

At least one northbound and one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from the IH-610 South Loop to Edgebrook Drive/Clearwood Drive will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 22.

AARP seeks volunteers

The AARP Foundation's Tax-Aide group is seeking volunteers to work as tax-preparers, facilitators, greeters, technology coordinators and translators (speakers of both Spanish and English are especially needed). For more information or to sign up, go to www.aarp.org/giving-back.

PISD named to AP honor roll

The Pasadena Independent School District was one of 28 Texas school districts named to the College Board's eighth annual AP District Honor Roll for 2017.

This is the second time the district has earned this achievement. The honor was shared among 447 school districts in the U.S. and Canada that simultaneously achieved increases in access to Advanced Placement courses for a broader number of students and also maintained or improved the rate at which their AP students earned scores of 3 or higher on an AP exam.

"I'm so proud of our students and our awesome AP team led by Pat Sermas," said Deputy Superintendent Karen Hickman.

PISD has been committed to expanding the availability of AP courses for students at each high school campus.

"Our students work hard and are supported by great teachers," Hickman said. "They really deserve this recognition."

Philmon assault charges dropped

All criminal charges against the man accused of assaulting an individual at the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department's annual Halloween party have been dropped.

Robert Philmon, 37, was originally charged with two counts of felony aggravated assault with a deadly weapon after he allegedly struck a volunteer with his vehicle in front of the department's fire station on Hughes Road.

Police initially stated that Philmon had become agitated because the fire department had blocked off the street to through traffic. Upset by the added traffic, police said Philmon purposely accelerated his vehicle to strike the volunteer, who was on foot trying to get him to stop. Philmon was then accused of getting out of his vehicle and punching the volunteer. He was then alleged to have attempted to run over a second individual as he fled the scene.

Philmon's family had consistently contested the charges since the incident occurred on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Pasadena ISD extends open enrollment

Decision related to homelessness following Harvey; roughly 2,000 PISD students displaced

The Pasadena Independent School District is extending its open enrollment program that allows children who reside outside of the district to attend PISD schools tuition-free.

Begun at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, the district's Power of Choice campaign was originally intended to be temporary but has now been expanded after PISD's enrollment significantly dropped following Hurricane Harvey.

At the beginning of the 2017 school year, Pasadena ISD saw enrollment numbers hovering above 56,000. After the storm, however, nearly 2,000 students were displaced or relocated due

to flood damage. As a result, enrollment declined to roughly 54,000.

Elementary schools across the district have seen the greatest decrease in enrollment numbers, especially in neighborhoods that were heavily impacted by Harvey.

"Some families didn't want to leave their homes, but due to the Harvey devastation, home was not an option," said Neitzty Retta, PISD migrant and homeless coordinator.

Homelessness among students has spiked city-wide since Harvey. A recent report on KHOU 11 estimated there were 22,208 students who were considered homeless following the August hurri-

cane. The Houston Independent School District has 2,562 students who have been designated as homeless, the report stated.

PISD Superintendent DeeAnn Powell said finances were a contributing factor in the decision.

"Our ADA (average daily attendance) drives our funding, and some of our schools have a lot of extra room," Powell said.

The district will accept as many students as space will allow at the elementary, middle and intermediate levels (kindergarten through eighth grade). The open enrollment period has begun and will last as long as space allows.

"We empower students to choose an educational pathway that fits the learning styles of each student," Powell said. "This is our way of increasing access to those opportunities. We want to extend an invitation to all students across the Greater Houston area to join Pasadena ISD."

The Power of Choice campaign encourages students of all backgrounds to take advantage of various educational programs available in the district.

These include:

- Connect personalized learning
- Dual language

• Advanced placement/College Now – dual credit

• Career and technical pathways

• Early College High Schools

"For families who want to find the best schools, the best programs and the best educational experience for their child, then Pasadena ISD is the place be," Powell said. "We are putting education in the hands of students."

There is no tuition cost for out-of-district students to enroll in Pasadena ISD schools. Parents are only required to complete an application form and submit it, along with all required documents, to the district.

These include:

• A copy of the student's final report card

• Attendance record from student's previous school

• Conduct and discipline report

• If a student received Special Education services at their previous school, then the most recent ARD document is also required.

For more information regarding open enrollment, call 713-740-0000 or visit https://www1.pasadenaisd.org/parents_students/enrollment/limited_open_enrollment.

Dobie students donate food, toys



Dobie High School students once again participated in the *Leader's* annual Christmas program by donating toys and food. Shown above at the school are, left to right, (front row) Vy Viet, Le Nguyen, Gisselle Guerra, Aleida Gonzalez, Carlos Cantu, Emily Duren, Elyssa Armenta, Christopher Mendiola-Garcia, Scotty Fults (teacher), Reina Ramnarine, Andrea Menendez, Jacqueline Martinez, Johanna Cristal Elel, Dailyn Cruzado-Baez, (back row) Nhi Nguyen-Hoang, Melody Le, Alivia Gonzales, Yvonne Whaley, Taylor Pleasants, Joseph Figueroa, Magdonio Arias-Palacios, Franklin Moses (principal), Juliet Weigand (teacher), Ke'Sean Brown, Raven Jackson and Erik Aguirre. The *Leader* is grateful for all the schools, businesses, individuals and organizations that participated in this year's drive. See more Christmas photos inside and in next week's paper. Photo by David Flickinger

City approves Harvey repair program

While the effects of Hurricane Harvey's devastation continue to reverberate throughout the city, significant help is on the way for residents who have been approved for FEMA assistance. City Council recently accepted an allocation of up to \$424.5 million in FEMA funds for direct housing assistance and approved an interlocal agreement with the Texas General Land Office (GLO), which is administering the funds at the state level. Locally, the city's Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) will play a lead role in implementing the housing assistance programs, the first of which will be FEMA's Direct Assistance for Limited Home Repair (DALHR) program.

During Wednesday's council session Mayor Turner stressed his desire to focus on housing needs, noting the significant shortage of resources. HCDD Director Tom McCasland echoed these sentiments and sense of urgency saying,

"My team will be working through the holidays to ensure we have hammers swinging (on the home repair program) by the second week in January."

The acceptance of funds is the first of two City Council actions required to meet the mid-January start date. The second is slated for next week, when City Council will consider a measure to appropriate funds and award contracts for single-family home rehabilitation, reconstruction and new construction services related to the DALHR program.

The DALHR program will provide permanent repairs to homes with significant damage for homeowners who applied for FEMA funding prior to the deadline. FEMA will be responsible for determining eligibility for applicants on a case-by-case basis, prioritizing homeowners who have exhausted all other forms of housing

Continued on Page 2A

Pasadena chamber honors Powell



Pasadena Independent School District Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell was presented the Spirit of Community Award by the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce at a gala held by the organization Tuesday, Dec. 12. The superintendent was honored for her service during Hurricane Harvey. Powell was instrumental in gaining access to Dobie High School in order to use the campus as a temporary shelter during and following the storm. At its peak, the Dobie shelter housed roughly 1,350 evacuees. Powell was also responsible for setting up two smaller makeshift shelters at other PISD campuses. In addition, Powell was tasked with assessing all PISD facilities that sustained damage during the storm and ensuring they reopened as quickly as possible. Shown above with Powell at the event is Pasadena Chamber of Commerce President Cristina Womack. Photo by Alison McPhail

Turner greets SJC's Hellyer



Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner (right) served as the keynote speaker for the San Jacinto College fall 2017 commencement, held at Minute Maid Park on Sunday, Dec. 17. Turner recounted the year Houston hosted the Super Bowl, survived Hurricane Harvey and celebrated the Astros as World Series champions. Shown above with Turner at the event is San Jacinto College Chancellor Brenda Hellyer. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Wheel thefts continue in area

Thieves struck the AutoNation Chevrolet dealership at 13800 Gulf Freeway near Beltway 8 early Monday, Dec. 18, stealing the wheels from several vehicles.

Wheel theft has been a growing problem in the South Belt community in recent months, with numerous cases being reported since this past July. The crooks, however, usually target homes, rather than businesses. The Pearland and Pasade-

na communities have also been affected, police said.

Most of the wheels are stolen from Chevy or GMC trucks that are 2014 models or newer.

The issue has become a hot topic on local social media sites, with one victim posting a \$15,000 reward on Facebook for information leading to a conviction of the suspects. See related story on Page 2A.

Turner joins Nextdoor network

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner recently announced that he has started using Nextdoor (nextdoor.com), the private social network for neighborhoods, to better connect with residents on a hyper-local level.

The mayor will be posting under the city's Nextdoor account, which was established this past May.

Turner's partnership with Nextdoor comes at an important time, as residents across the city are working to rebuild after Hurricane Harvey. On Nextdoor, Turner and Nextdoor neighborhoods will be able to work together on this important issue, and future topics that affect the city. Turner joins the city, the Houston Police Department, the Houston Office of Emergency Management, the Houston Fire Department, the Harris County Sheriff's Office and Ready Harris on Nextdoor, making it one of the most comprehensive Nextdoor partnerships in the country.

"As Hurricane Harvey has proven, Houston is an innovative, resourceful and resilient city," Turner said. "Our residents have shown their strength over the past two months, as neighbors have come together to help one another in the face of tragedy. During Harvey, Nextdoor became a lifeline for many, and our agency departments relied on it to share critical information before, during and after the storm. I am thrilled to join Nextdoor today and look forward to building stronger relationships with the residents we serve."

Houston has always been a strong market for

Nextdoor. Hundreds of thousands of Houston neighbors, from more than 1,105 neighborhoods, are connected on the neighborhood network, representing one in five Houston households.

With Nextdoor, Houston residents create private neighborhood websites to share information, including neighborhood public safety issues, community events and activities, local services and even lost pets. Turner is able to post information, such as public safety issues, community events and activities and local services to Nextdoor websites within the city.

Nextdoor is free for residents and city departments. Each Houston neighborhood has its own private Nextdoor neighborhood website, accessible only to residents of that neighborhood. Neighborhoods establish and self-manage their own Nextdoor website, and Turner is not able to access residents' websites, contact information or content. All members must verify that they live within the neighborhood before joining Nextdoor. Information shared on Nextdoor is password protected and cannot be accessed by Google or other search engines.

Turner joins more than 2,500 public agencies across the country that are using Nextdoor for Public Agencies to build stronger relationships with residents.

Those interested in joining their neighborhood's Nextdoor website can visit nextdoor.com and enter their address. Agencies interested in connecting with residents on Nextdoor can visit nextdoor.com/agency.

Publisher's Opinion

Very Merry Christmas to all!

The *Leader* staff wants to wish all our advertisers, readers and friends a very Merry Christmas. And most importantly, we want to thank you for making our Christmas program a great success for the 35th year in a row! A special thanks to Stacey Waugh and her mom, Sandy Robb who spend countless hours getting

us ready for the program every year. Once again, our residents and many of the children from the community guaranteed our families that had a special need this year, a great Christmas. I, for one, am glad to see this year end and welcome 2018. Best wishes to all!

-Marie Flickinger

In My Opinion

Lewis concerned about lots of trash

I'm a concerned resident in the Southbelt area. Why is there so much trash paper, bottles, cans and trash bags scattered on Sabo Rd.

bi weekly or monthly? Sabo is becoming a bad eyesore when leaving and returning to the community.

Carolyn Lewis
Publisher's note: Unfortunately, there is no one charged with cleaning up the streets. Maybe we need a community group or groups to take this on.

-Marie Flickinger

Local library events set

Parker Williams Library

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. this week: Thursday, Dec. 21, 4 p.m. Community craft: Holiday printmaking (ages 7 and older). Meet in the library community room to learn to etch seasonal designs into foam plates and print them on paper.

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 3 p.m. Teen DIY and a movie: *Spiderman: Homecoming* (PG-13) and Spider Mugs (ages 13 and older). Meet in the library community room to enjoy a movie and some cocoa in a custom Spider-Mug, made by participants. Snacks and cocoa are provided by the Parker Williams Friends of the Library.

Below are the programs that occur every week:
 Wednesdays, Preschool storytime, 10:30 a.m. For children, ages 3 years to 5 years, storytime features stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.
 Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m. Basic Computer class. The December class emphasizes basic internet skills.

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

Saturdays, Vietnamese Learning Time. Level 2 begins at 10 a.m., Level 1 begins at 11:15 a.m. and Level 3 begins at 2 p.m. For more information on these programs, speak with Loc Bui.

For more information on library events, call the library at 281-484-2036. Regular library hours are: Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday, closed; Monday, 1 - 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. All HCPL branches close at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, through Tuesday, Dec. 26, for Christmas.

Bracewell Branch Library

The following event is scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint:
 Winter Reading Program: Sign up with the library to read 10 minutes a day for 10 days through Jan. 8 to earn a holiday season prize (awarded Jan. 2 through Jan. 13). For more information, call the library at 832-393-2580. This event is free and available to the public.

Bracewell regular hours are: Thursday, noon - 8 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, closed; Monday, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Bracewell Library will be closed Dec. 22 through Dec. 25 for Christmas.

Leader checks out social media

By **Laura Benavides Scallan** of *Sagamont* Facebook page
 A member of the *People* posted that thieves alleged-

ly targeted the AutoNation dealership near Beltway 8 and I-45 South. The post was published on Dec. 18 and stated the theft was discovered earlier that morning. See related story Page 1A.

According to a post of a member of the *People of Sagamont* Facebook page, the "gas can man" was spotted in the area of I-45 and Dixie Farm Road.

Visit the *Everything Sagamont* Facebook page to help a member who is in search of children's crutches.

A member of the *Everything Sagamont* Facebook page reported a tan dog was found with a collar but the dog was not microchipped.

The person who originally posted the photos on the *Pets of Southbelt* Facebook page stated that the dog had been seen around the Carrington Apartments behind the AMC Theaters.

The dog was taken to BARC and its animal ID number is A1528835.

Moore choir performs



Moore Elementary fourth-grade choir sang at the Christmas musical *Santa's Frosty Follies* for the school and various other places. The celebrities are shown, left to right, (front row) Jevonne Perez, Suzy Snowflake; Thalia Oddo, Rudolph; (back row) Cooper Estes, Frosty; Gizelle Escobar, Mrs. Santa; and Josiah Romero-Love, Santa. Photos submitted



Above are the Frosty Dancers who participated in the musical. Left to right are, (front row) Amanda Fernandez, Melanie Sanchez, (back row) Cooper Estes, Lauren Turner, Juliet Silva, Mia Gutierrez and Katelynn Binns.



The Polka Dancers enjoyed their stage performance. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Jaslynn Chavez, Christopher Sanchez, Morgan Hill, (back row) Ava Macias, Grant Garcia, Jevonne Perez, Eli Jackson, Kamila Murguia and Ethan Garay.

Deaths

Judith Ann Maskel



Judith Ann Maskel, 76, loving wife, mother, and grandmother, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2017, after a courageous battle with multiple illnesses. She died peacefully surrounded by family and prayer.

She is survived by her loving husband of 54 years, Jerry Maskel; her daughter Lynne Christensen; daughter Laurie Branham and husband David, granddaughter Cali and grandson Cory; daughter Lisa Wagner and husband Pete, grandson Caleb; and daughter Leigh Ann Trejo and husband Nef.

Judy was born on April 16, 1941, in Chicago, along with her identical twin Gloria. She was preceded in death by her parents Henning and Mildred Johnson; sister Gloria; and brother Henry.

Judy was a homemaker for many years who enjoyed cooking and gardening, and raising her four daughters. Their home was warm and welcoming for many neighborhood children and friends of their daughters. She loved entertaining with food and laughter, and was always ready for a competitive game of Trivial Pursuit.

Judy looked forward to yearly summer vacations in the station wagon and, in later years, traveling throughout the Hill Country of Texas. She shared her love of movies with family, even hosting a yearly Academy Awards party at their house.

As a longtime member of St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, she and Jerry participated in many church activities and were a mainstay every Sunday morning. Judy enjoyed socializing with many of her friends through women's club, altar guild, book club and Apostles of Goodwill.

For many years, Judy worked outside the home as the secretary of the Church's Continuing Christian Education. She also generously volunteered her time at A.B. Freeman Elementary School as a tutor.

Judy was an anchor of love for her family, and pivotal in the well-being and happiness to countless others. The family extends thanks to all who have held them in their thoughts and prayers. The family received friends Wednesday, Dec. 13. A funeral Mass was celebrated Thursday, Dec. 14. Services were at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church. A Rite of Committal followed at Mount Olivet Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the St. Frances Cabrini Building fund or the Lupus Foundation.

Joseph Roy Scanlin



Joseph Roy Scanlin, 56, died Dec. 9, 2017, in Webster. He was born in Houston Sept. 4, 1961, and is preceded in death by his parents Anthony and Sandra Scanlin;

grandmother Grace Lefley; and brother Chris Scanlin.

Joe attended Dobie High School and was a long-time Sagemont resident. He worked in the movie industry as a key grip and lighting technician in California for many years. He was a lifelong fan of Elvis Presley and John Wayne, and was a natural with impersonations of them.

He is survived by his siblings Camille York, Anthony Scanlin Jr., Robin Kristoff, Sandy and husband Mike Powell, Mary and husband Fernando Davila; John and wife Lisa Scanlin; Dino Scanlin; David and wife Marie Scanlin; and Catherine Prince. He is also survived by nieces and nephews Laura York, Kim and husband Jason Hillis; Bobby and wife Sally Kristoff; Jennifer Kristoff, Grace Powell, Nicholas Davila, Joshua Davila, Christopher Davila, Joseph Davila, Meloni Scanlin, Scotty Scanlin, Kaylee Scanlin, Corey Scanlin, Vince Scanlin, Dominic Scanlin, Nicole Scanlin and Desi Scanlin. He is also survived by great-nieces and great-nephews Avalon York, Aidan Migliori, Ella Migliori, Caleb Hillis, Sophia Hillis, Alyssa Kristoff, Michelle Kristoff, Anthony Kristoff, Corbin Smith, Olivia Powell, Brody Williams, Haylen Scanlin and many extended family members and friends.

Services were held Saturday, Dec. 16, at Crowder Funeral Home in Webster. In lieu of flowers and plants, donations may be made in Joe's name to the American Heart Association (www.heart.org).

Correction to Ray obituary

In last week's issue, the obituary of James Earl Ray was published. In the obituary, there was an incorrect name that was listed under Ray's survived family members. The name should have been printed as Linda Montez. The *Leader* apologizes for any inconvenience.

City approves Harvey assistance

Continued from Page 1A
 assistance. Harvey survivors without alternative housing options or cost-effective solutions will also be given preference.

With so much work to be done, there are additional programs forthcoming. FEMA's direct temporary housing assistance program allows funding to be used for leasing and repair of multifamily properties; direct leasing of typically unavailable properties like corporate lodging; and manufactured homes and recreational vehicles. While not all of these are appropriate options for Houston, HCDD will be evaluating those that are and gearing up programs to address the city's needs.

With more than half of the Houston population renting, their needs are an immediate topic of concern for the mayor and HCDD, both of which pledged to continue work on solutions as the DALHR program is underway. For information on disaster recovery, assistance and other programs, visit www.houstonrecovers.org or www.houstontx.gov/housing.



BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

DEC. 30-31

nrg arena

Buy Tickets:
Ticketmaster.com
800-745-3000
NRG Stadium Box Office

ticketmaster®

www.DisneyLive.com

MONSTER ENERGY SUPERCROSS
 FIM World Championship

JAN 13
 nrg stadium

Buy Tickets: Ticketmaster.com
800-745-3000
 NRG Stadium Box Office

ticketmaster®

SUPERCROSSLIVE.COM



*In the warm
Christmas Spirit
of friendship and
good cheer, these local
merchants and public
servants wish you a
festive Yuletide holiday
and joy throughout
the year.*

Kwik Kar & Ocean Car Wash
11210 Scarsdale
281-484-KWIK

Ray Pomykal, D.D.S
13310 Beamer Road
281-481-5035

Niday Funeral Home
12440 Beamer Road
281-464-7200

Niday Storage
12450 Beamer Road
281-484-5335

**Farmers Insurance
Rick Tinker**
2206 E. Broadway, Suite E-2
Pearland • 281-484-7158

Brooks & Sparks, Inc.
Consulting Engineering
281-578-9595
randys@brooksandsparks.com

**Clear Brook Realtors
Eli Tanksley**
11555 Beamer Road
281-450-3305

**Farmers Insurance
Michael W. Jewell, CLU**
12929 Gulf Freeway, Ste. 112 (Fuqua Exit)
281-481-2121

South Belt Church
13100 Beamer • 281-922-5520

**South Belt-Ellington
Chamber of Commerce**
10500 Scarsdale
281-481-5516

Judge JoAnn Delgado
Justice of the Peace
Precinct 2, Pos. 1

Judge George E. Risner
Justice of the Peace
Precinct 2, Pos. 2

Big Edd's
Garage Doors & Openers
Repair • Replacement
281-480-8898 • 713-784-4238

Ann Brannen, Agent
State Farm Insurance
281-332-0568

Liberty Chiropractic
Dr. John Doyle DC
281-484-9492
www.libertychiro.us

Kirkwood Dance Studio
10906 Beamer Road
281-481-4983

Flowers For You
12405 Scarsdale Blvd.
281-484-7405
Family Owned - 32 years in South Belt

Almeda Postal Center
10592A Fuqua @ Beamer
281-484-0334

**Hansco Heating
A/C & Refrigeration**
P.O. Box 75171, Houston, TX 77234
713-944-0950

**Friends of the Parker
Williams Library**
10851 Scarsdale, Ste. 510
281-484-2036

Central Ace Hardware
11676 Beamer
281-481-6482

Reggie Finch, D.D.S.
13310 Beamer, Ste. E
281-484-9521

Glenn's Hair
11427 Hall Road
281-464-7620

Dwight Boykins
District D
Houston City Council Member
832-393-3001

Tony's Pizza & Grinders
10330 Blackhawk Blvd.
832-406-7045

**Morgan's Janitorial
Service**
11555 Beamer Rd., Suite 300
281-481-1850

9er's Grill
9865 Blackhawk, Ste. A
713-991-4040

Best Friends Boutique
11506 Hughes Road
281-484-9655

Dave Martin
City of Houston
Council Member, District E
832-393-3008

Daniel J. Snooks
Attorney At Law
11550 Fuqua 370 Chase Bank
281-484-8400

Barry Insurance Group
12621 Featherwood, Ste. 115
281-464-3383

**Wayne's Landscape
Supply**
1202 Dixie Farm Rd.
281-484-2275

B & L Lock
10638 Almeda Genoa
281-481-0234

C & D Burger Shop
10606 Fuqua
281-481-1491

IBI Group Architects
455 East Medical Center Blvd., #500
281-286-6605
www.bayarchitects.com

**South Belt
Air & Heat, Inc.**
281-484-1818 • 4403 FM 2351
www.southbeltairandheat.com

Perez Barber Shop
10634 Kingspoint
713-946-9785

Haws Burglar Alarm Co.
281-484-9983

**Roberts & Assoc. Insurance
Fred Roberts**
For all your insurance needs.
713-269-9674

Winning Way Services
281-922-0700
www.winningway.net

Hobbs Auto Repair
10530 Mango
713-943-2628

Pets Place & Resort
Grooming • Boarding
Dogs • Cats • Birds • Fish • Pet supplies
13730 Beamer Road • 281-922-7387

West Belt Surveying, Inc.
Randy K. Sparks, Principal
281-599-8288
www.westbeltsurveying.com

American Legion Post 490
11702 Galveston Road
281-481-1179
officemanager@legion490.com

Serene Wellness Spa
"A Place to Relax"
10851 Scarsdale Blvd.
281-464-8322

**Norwood Richardson
State Farm Insurance**
12941 Gulf Frwy., Ste. 101
281-484-2222

**Any Season
Pest Control**
281-484-6740

Walker Law Offices
Milton Walker, J.D.
10909 Sabo, Ste 120
281-481-0909

**State Farm
Cynthia Beecher**
11705 S. Sam Houston Pkwy. East
281-464-2422

**RMG Inc.
Runoff Management Group**
281-578-9595
www.runoffmanagementgroup.com

Maximum Impact CrossFit
Wellness, Yoga, Fitness, Massage, Therapy
832-619-1676 • 713-819-7629
www.maximumimpactcrossfit.com

Meador Staffing
722-A Fairmont Pkwy.
713-941-0616

Blackline Engineering
www.blackline-eng.com
832-431-5959

**Las Haciendas
Mexican Bar & Grill**
12933 Gulf Frwy. 1020 W. NASA Road 1
281-484-6888 281-557-3500

South Belt Animal Hospital
10330 Blackhawk Blvd.
281-506-8699
www.southbeltanimalhospital.com

**Pete Olson
Congressman
Texas 22**

**Little Longhorns
Daycare**
10331 Blackhawk Blvd., Ste. B
281-412-4411

Time Out Sports Bar
11460 Fuqua
281-484-9911

**Jeanie Lampard
Realtor Associate**
Pat Griffin REALTY, Inc
713-702-6523

**Abacus Plumbing, Air
Conditioning & Electrical**
www.abacusplumbing.net
281-489-7200

**Keith D. Huff,
CPA, PLLC**
2525 Bay Area Blvd. Suite 135
281-984-7503

**Campbell Family Practice &
Ghebranious Internal Medicine**
10950 Resource Pkwy., Ste. A
281-484-5587

**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!**
Kenny Fernandez
Pasadena ISD Board Member

**Texas Top
Roofing & Siding**
281-481-9683

U.S. Golf & Games
— 32 Years of Fun —
10106 Thermon 713-943-2299

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR JOEY
Joseph "Joey" Hayes celebrates his birthday Dec. 21. Best wishes and lots of love are sent from mom and dad, **Jannie and Robert Scarberry** of South Belt; sister **Jenny** and children **Brayden, Baylee** and **Olivia**; sister **Stacey**, husband **Stephen** and children **Kennedy, Owen** and **Evie**; brother **Austin**, wife **Tiffany** and daughters **Jade** and **Lily**; and brother **Tyler**. Joey was a member of the Dobie High School Class of 2000 and the Longhorn Marching Band. He is currently serving in the U.S. Coast Guard.

HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY, JERRY!
 Former Dobie principal and former Pasadena ISD board member, **Jerry Speer**, enjoys a birthday Dec. 22. Best wishes are sent from family, friends and the *Leader* staff.

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR JACKIE
 Happy birthday wishes are sent Dec. 22 to **Jackie Wiess** from family, friends in Texas and the *Leader* staff. Special wishes are sent for a wonderful birthday from her equestrian friends in North Carolina.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DAVID!
David Flickinger enjoys a birthday Dec. 22. Wishes for a very happy birthday are sent from his wife, **Marie**; sons **Fred** and wife **Leslie Flickinger** and **David** and wife **Ellie Flickinger**; granddaughters **Kimberly Flickinger** and **Courtney Durham** and husband **Chris**, great-granddaughter **Abigail** and great-grandson **Jackson**; granddaughter **Natalie** and husband **Jose Abarca** and great-grandchildren **Kelvin Lopez**, and **Noah, Eliana** and **Isabella Abarca**; and the *Leader* staff.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ELAINE!
Elaine Edwards, wife of former *Leader*

staffer **Bill Edwards**, celebrates her birthday Dec. 26. Best wishes for a wonderful birthday from her family and the *Leader* staff.

SCHOOL DAZE
 The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays Dec. 21 through Dec. 27.

Atkinson Elementary
 Send a humorous birthday card to **Dana DiMarco** Dec. 21.

Burnett Elementary
Sylvia Lazard enjoys a birthday Dec. 22. Send a warm birthday greeting Dec. 24 to **Haley Emery**.

Bush Elementary
 Sing a happy birthday song to **Cathy Perez** Dec. 22.

Frazier Elementary
Katie Belus celebrates a happy birthday Dec. 26.

Meador Elementary
 The day for a celebration for **Sarah Rankin** is Dec. 26.

South Belt Elementary
 Dec. 23 is the day for a birthday celebration for **Graciela Hernandez** and **Sarah Smith**. Enjoying a Dec. 26 birthday is **Amy Batson**.

Melillo Middle School
 Dec. 27 is the day for birthday greetings for **Alyssa Alvarez** and **Moriah Conner**.

Roberts Middle School
 Special birthday wishes are sent to **Nicole Bond** Dec. 21.

Beverly Hills Intermediate
 Happy birthday wishes are sent to **Johna Moreland** on Dec. 22.

Dobie High
 A double birthday celebration is in order Dec. 21 for **Sarah Mains** and **Kristen Tolley**.

Three cheers on Dec. 22 for a happy birthday for **Susan Ayala**, **Tedria Fluellen** and **Cheryl Sanders**. **Traci Jacobs** and **Chassity Allen** celebrate a birthday Dec. 23. Light the birthday candles on a double-layer cake Dec. 26 for **Donna Cobb** and **Martha Jack**.

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

Thursday, Dec. 21: **Jimmy Thomas**, **Patricia O'Brien**, **Scott Louvier**, **Helen White**, **Christopher Lewis**, **Jeana Pierce**, **Ruth Fischer**, **Tara Garven** and **Crystal Billeri**; Friday, Dec. 22: **Susan Taylor**, **Jennie Kaufhold**, **Sara Sotelo**, **Jennifer Bryant** and **Tiffany Wrennerstrom**; Saturday, Dec. 23: **Miguel Lopez**, **Carolyn Sanders**, **Mary Montgomery**, **Sarah Smith** and **Holly Fielder**; Sunday, Dec. 24: **Lori Lee**, **James Perales**, **Christina Nelson**, **Jessica Carrion**, **Victor Ramirez**, **Tiffany McCullough** and **Kim McDonald**; Monday, Dec. 25: **Yvonne Acosta**, **Claudia Cardenas**, **Jillena Mata**, **Jose Garza**, **Abby Skowron**, **Johnna Overstreet-Pierce** and **Anita Griego**; Tuesday, Dec. 26: **Cindi Williams**, **David Parker**, **Dave Huston**, **Travis Sattiewhite**, **Pam Moore** and **Sam Ditta**; and Wednesday, Dec. 27: **Rhonda Valdez**, **Jen Mintz**, **Ricky Stacey**, **Julia Argo**, **Laurel Chicas**, **Arthur Medina**, **Donna Shaw-McCullough** and **Stacey Donohue**.

LEADER WANTS YOU IN THE NEWS
 Email birthday, anniversary, vacation, congratulations, etc., to mynews@southbeltleader.com with OTFB in the subject line. Items must be submitted by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

South Belt Elementary students write Santa

The following are letters written to Santa Claus from South Belt Elementary second-graders:

Cindy Gomez's class
 How are you? I am doing well this year. I can't wait to tell you all the good things I've done this year. The good things I've done this year at school is that I help people getting up off the floor. I help people with the computer. I would really like to get a walkytalky for christmas. I've been very good this year. I'm very kind to my sister. For Christmas I want Phone and a Figet spinner and a Houston Texas shirt.

Teyonna Beason
 How are you doing good this year I can't wait to tell you that all the good things that I want this year. I will really like for Christmas a kids makeup and a hover board a puppy squches barbe dream house close shoes fake nails outfits Flone slime American Doll Joo head Flone computer charm breilit choker Timblet when you sing on the miker fone. **Kaci Lynn**

Elizabeth Cervantes
 I bine good this year but I don't like when eery botey be mene to me. So I try toup my game but I gite in trubol. But please please pritey 100 prettys please can you still give me preist to me? I promis to beye a good girl nexse year. and please don't pite colt in my preist

Delilah Deleon
 How are you? I am doing well this year. I can't wait to tell you all the good things I've done this year. For Christmas I would want a big

Elena doll and Doc Mafstafin Lady bag baby, shimmens, and shine. and Moana pet hey hey, and shoppens. Sleeping beauty the prinsess and the prins and muleast. Beaty and the Beast, Bell and the Beast. Pie Face. I love you santa.

Isabella Gonzales
 I've been very good this year. I have been taking care of my brothers even doh they fight. For Christmas I will like a Anacin skywalker to Darth Vader toy transformer. And I want a Darth Vader blanket. And I want a Kilo ren to Ben with light Saber sith sword.

Jose Herrera
 I would really like to see you santa and I would won't to see how big your beard is and for Christmas I want I want is a pair of Jordans and a pair of Yezzy that are black with a red line.

Jaylen Hill
 I was good and nice this year and my little sister. My little sister name is chelsea she wants a big toy car. I want new backpack and pony toy. Chelsea wants a American car. I want a JoJo bow and American outfits. The number a outfits 20. computer and a neck choker. Slime kide make up.

Nathalie Huynh
 I've bin a good kid this year I can't wait to tell you I took care of my grandma and grandpa and baby sister I would like a xbox live a x box is like a box but I can play games.

Shayaan Khan
 I've been very good I help my mom. Because she has two babys and I need to help her. So I want for Christmas I want is a phone and a pet and some money and some good grade that all I want for Christmas Oh I won't this phone case. and a computer. thank you santa.

Paula Medrano
 Heres all the good things I've done this year. I got 13 Happe fases and for Christmas I want a

freeen ninjas green ship Dragon and a clasek Lego Box and that all for Christmas Santa tak you Santa,

Santiago Morales
 I've been good this year. I can't wait to tell you all the good things I've done this year. I really want this year a smoshins cause there so fun I love it. They squish that's why I love them and want them. Merry Christmas.

Abby Rodriguez
 How are you? I am doing well this year. I can't wait to tell you all the good things I've done this year. When my mom said to wash my baby sister, so I wash my baby sister. I was so good. At school I got smily face at school because I did great job. For crismas I want a Nerf gun and a hover board.

Alec Tamegnon
 I've been good this year. I really want for Crismas a Biggg Bear and a puppy, and a stufft animal puppy and a candy gakit Santa shoes. Santa pants and shirt. a phone case lat top Books and a candy glue stick, and a robot and a blakit of me and my mom and a pilo.

Krystal Thomas
 How are you? I've been good this year. I've help my mom clean the Elf's mess. I can't wait to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want Yezzy and a puppy and a xbox! game and xboxlive puppits. and for my stockeing I want money and ticktaks. The End.

Noah Aleman
 I can't wait until x-mas! even my brother and sister don't bieve in you. but I bieve I am reading lots of books about you. I have lots of x-mas spirit in my stocking. I want a wonder Book for x-mas and a real working cash register.

Shelby Armstrong
Kasey Nefron's class
 I was good this year because I cleaned my room. I would really like an Xbox1. Silly squishes clothes size 6/7. two gallons of elmer's Glue.

Sophie Centeno
 I was good this year I have been helping people. I made more friend. for chrismas I want 30 dollars.

Abriella Sanchez
 I was good this year because I was Helping my sister and mom dad thank you for all enjoyment for chrismas every year. I was good for cleaning the House and Jonnat my special bunny and my clothes. Thank you for reading my letter.

Kenya Delong
 These year I was good because I help my family I will really like a xbox and to plason4 thake you for reading my letter. **Jerron Lendsey**

Keith Moyo
 I was good this year because I was do my wrok. I would really like a pet kitten also a BFF Bracelet. And a piano also a now jorten and Iphon 7 and Ipad. And computer.

Elizabeth Lopez
 I was good this year because I cleaned my room. I want a Iphone7 and a Ipod. I also want a kitin and a puppy and a computer.

Chloe Garcia
 I was good this year because I lsen to my teacher. I would really like a present please. Thank you for reading my letter!

Simra Zafar
 I was good this year I like my famly. So much and Grampa and mom dad. all my famly!! so much. and I like cresmes ssso much.

Issac DeLuna
 I was good this year because I did home work. I would really lik a pokmon booster box. Thank you for reading my letter.

Justin Tran
 I was good this year because I had my brotr fock. I would really like pokmon books. thank you for reading my letter!

Bradren Bell
 I was good this year because I helped my mom clean the house and I helped my teacher. I would really like apet kitin and a tablet. Thank you for reading my letter.

Juwaryriyah Ali
 I was good this year because I go git the mell and I wash my dishis I would really like a mavrik pro It is at Best Buy and A G'Shock it is blue it is A Woche A Mavrik Pro is A Crown and fun fin that is to much

Isaiah Lopez
 My name is Caylee. I am 9 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like 1. slime gitt woch kid and Jojo boll. Thank you very much

Caylee Martinez
 My name is Damian. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like 1. XboX 1X 2. leper geko 3. parit Thank you very much.

Damian Peraida
 how are you and Rudolph? I hope you have time to deliver presents to the kids. If you need help ask me. I want for christmas is a real puppy. Merry christmas Santa. Some people dont belive in you, but I do. **9.Gabriela Ramriez**

Tanya Hensley's class
 I think you are real. I love rudolph I want a Ifhone seven. How is Mrs Claus? and a PS4 and a new bike. Flua 18 I Love Christmas. Age 8.

Christopher Torres
 My name is Mia. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like LOL sursale slime kit. bathboms, wolfe-boms books. Thank you very much!

Mia Ropolo
 My name is Nala. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like bike, chubling, brise hose, brisedos bric much P3 IPI0P4 bipy puppy 4 red car toy bird 21 Thank you very much!

Nala Tealer
 My name is Langston. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like bike, lazrtag, and a dog, and a NurF Fun a wwe toy fone, and tablit. Thank you very much!

Langston Edwards
 My nama is Bella I am 8 Years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like Bling, toy Bird 21, books, Tu, muskp. Thank you very much!

Bella Starks
 My name is Jvon. I am 8 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like dirt bike, nerf bmx bike, RC car, Dog. Thank you very much!

Jvon Neal
 My name is David. I am 8 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a dirt bike, xdox 360, police car, iphnone, a football, Garmen shepherd. Thank you very much!

David Melchor
 My name is Zamira. I am 8 years old. I have been ok this year. For Christmas I would like 1. A 2000 tablet. PS it's for Art, A medium seech book, and A art board, a make up table. Thank you very much!

Zamira Mosley
 My name is Pocal. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For chrismis I would like 1. xbox one x and a 2. tablet and a phone Thank you very much!

Pocal Salinas
 My name is Leslie. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like 1. Pikcne-pod, and 2 LOL Doll Thank you very much!

Leslie Torres
 My name is Isaiah. I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a cat and a game. Thank you very much!

Isaiah Lopez
 My name is Caylee. I am 9 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like 1. slime gitt woch kid and Jojo boll. Thank you very much

Burnett students send Christmas letters to Santa

The following are letters written to Santa Claus from Burnett Elementary second-graders:

Shannon Roberts' class
 All I want for Christmas is a PS4 because I can play games on it.

Lucas
 All I want for Christmas is cozmo and a toy T-rex and a ant farm and a toy ant.

Jot
 All I want for Christmas is legos. Can you give me presents?

Minh Vo
 All I want for christmas is...a super mario maker because I like to create things. What else I want for christmas is a Ipad because I like to take pictures. The las thing I really want for christmas is Jesus for christmas because it is most important of all. The story is about Jesus gating born on christmas.

Edgan Douglas
 All I want' for Christmas is a Nitendo-switch because I want to play with it with my dad.

Anthony Vazquez
 All I want for Christmas is a... Nerf River Nemisis because I like nerf guns and because they are really really cool my friends and I will have a nerf war. hope you have a Merry Christmas!!!

Michael
 All I want for christmas is a Barbie draem house because I dont have it. My mom say no and I love it.

Thai Nguyen
 I missed you so much and the reindeers. I've been waiting for Christmas! The things I want some fairy tale books because I like reading, and a lot of surprise cause I like dressing them up, and hatching-mals that's all.

Cayla Tang
 All I want for Christmas is Dog Man book. A Diary of A Wimpy Kid book because I like reading funny books and comic.

Kayla Fitzpatrick
 All I want for Christmas is...x-box, play kitchen set, my own pixcl purse, and of course my own diary. I want a x-box, play kitchen set, pixcl purse, perfume maker, books, diary-because I want to stay active.

Aubrey Navarre
 All I want for Christmas is... a doll I can dress it up And also I want...play set Because I can play with it. Also I want a Bag Gull of school supplies.

Lily Freeman
 All I want for Christmas is a kids science set because my mom and I love science and I want a yo-yo and a fashion set for my barbies.

Vivianna Montez
 All I want for Christmas is. Some headphone because it is not loud. I want a Ipad because I need a new one.

Sydney Lumsey
 All I want is Chrmas..A phone so I can text my mom and dad and so I can play games and so I can watch youtube and so I can watch movies that are out yet I can call someone.

Amilya Yates
Nancy Fehst's class
 Tell the homeless pepol bless them. And am sorry that They lost their home. And I will go help them. And tell them I dont care how far they are but I will see them.

Lynette Aviles
 U ned some beb. u ned some apple, and u ned furne, and a ned some food. u ned some sope, and u ned some naces. u ned some Love U ned a Love home.

Love
 I want a toy dog I want to give peapl mony for they can buy a new car and for they can buy a bed and a hous and a new tapd for them

Alexis
 I want all the peple to have money and a home evin the homlis peple and I want my home fixs to be

Jasara Key
 I wish that our family house was fixed. I wish that this is going to be a good chrmas. I wish that my family to have good year. I wish that we will get good things. I wish that this will be a good day.

Jade Nguyen
 I love my mom and I wish that she had all money I love syendn my cuzin I wish that she can get betty spagid like I ded Joy I love my BFF Joy she funny I love you Joy ABBY shes my BFF to I love you ABBY.

Roquelle
 I want evbtoy to have abest day ever to have fun, gummy food, good water, play in the snow, have presents, share, good care, play some games, meet new peple say welcome to them every day to be nice for everybody. **Ryan Nguyen**
 Bless everyone who need help. Bless my family with food in other

good all yere and I promis to be good.

Keira
 I wish you feel happy Santa and Mrs. Claus. I wish you can be my dad. Santa how did you get Rudolf? Santa how did you get the elves? Santa how dos Rudolf? Santa I want for christmas a computer and a blanket and wit a and a dog sherpdr.

Oswaldo Monte
Kanika Douglas' class
 All I want for Christmas is...a Doll school, a Dc tablet and an American Doll because me and my sister love each other. We play with them. I love snow?

Aliyah R.
 All I want for Christmas is a Nintendo Sich. Some books and a xbox I with a xbox remote.

Jose Q.
 All I want for christmas is 100,000 Barbie dolls, a soccer ball, and 100 LOL dolls. why I want all that stuff is that stuff is cool and fun!

Ashley C.
 All I want for Christmas is...a Ninja sword toy, xbox 360, and Nerf guns, because they are fun to play with! I watch some videos about them! Theya re fun to play with.

Erik H.
 All I want for Chrmas is money for my house, a hamster that comes with every thing, and clothes. I like clothes because they are important. some thing that is also special is you santa!

Jessalyn G.
 All I want for Christmas is...a puppy, makeup, a squishy, and an iPhone 7 because our house flooded and I have nothing to do. I watch my ipad. Every one loves you Santa even Mrs Claus I want lots of slime.

Barbara M.
 All I want for Christmas is a poop face Emoji pillow, a football, and Titanic Books. I also want a jacket paul pillow shirt, squishes because I like squish things. I would feel happy.

Nathan C.
 All I want is an iPhone 8, a foot ball, a soccer ball, a Nerf Gun. I want a bb gun. Jake Paul pillow, and XBOX 360, because they are fun to play with.

Donarius M.
 All I want for Chrstmas is a

mermaid Tail makeup, and a iPhnone 8 because they are fun to play with.

Yulianna R.
 All I want for Christmas are Squishes, slimes, iPhone 8+, because I have been waiting for so long. I can't for them to come. I will play with them all day and every day.

Isabella T.
 All I want for Christmas is a

Harold Davila
 All I want for christmas is a drum set, new bike, money. you can buy stuff with your money. you can play music with your drum set and go out side to ride your bike.

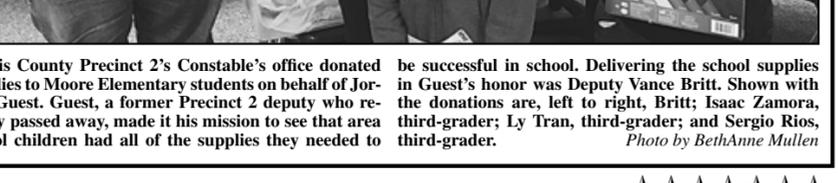
Nitendo Switch and a Just Dance 2017, and iPhone X. I can play with my friends. They are fun with cousins, and family, and friends.

Tyrin
 All I want for Chirtnas is.American Girl doll, an iPhone 7, and a fake spider because I heard that they are cool. The spider looks real and plays music when it

Connor M.
 All I want for christmas is a bb gun and a foot ball that gretno best toys ever and I want a me TV.

All I want for Christmas is a American Girl doll, an iPhone 7, and a fake spider because I heard that they are cool. The spider looks real and plays music when it

be successful in school. Delivering the school supplies in Guest's honor was Deputy Vance Britt. Shown with the donations are, left to right, Britt; Isaac Zamora, third-grader; Ly Tran, third-grader; and Sergio Rios, third-grader.



Harris County Precinct 2's Constable's office donated supplies to Moore Elementary students on behalf of Jordan Guest. Moore, a former Precinct 2 deputy who recently passed away, made it his mission to see that area school children had all of the supplies they needed to

Remember When

40 years ago (1977)
 Public outcry prompted the removal of a stop sign which had been placed at the corner of the South Belt and the Gulf Freeway.

20 years ago (1997)
 Attendees at a community meeting held at the Sage-meadow MUD building voted overwhelmingly to retain the Pony-Colt baseball program for the South Belt area.

15 years ago (2002)
 Pasadena Independent School District was experiencing record-breaking housing growth, particularly in the South Belt area, according to Metrostudy housing projections submitted to the board of trustees.

10 years ago (2007)
 Clear Creek Independent School District Superintendent Sandra Mossman stated she would officially retire following the Christmas break. She was the first female to hold the position and the only superintendent to be hired from within the district.

5 years ago (2012)
 Gov. Rick Perry designated the special election date to fill the state Senate District 6 seat formerly held by the late Mario Gallegos. Vying for the position were Carol Alvarado, Sylvia Garcia (who eventually won the seat), Rodolfo "Rudy" Reyes, Dorothy Olmos, R.W. Bray, Joaquin Martinez, Susan Delgado and Maria Selva.

1 year ago (2016)
 Santa Claus visited the South Belt community Thursday, Dec. 22, riding aboard a Southeast Volunteer Fire Department fire engine down various streets in the Kirk-mont and Sagemeadow subdivisions. The fire truck stopped at Moore Elementary from 8 to 8:30 p.m. allowing children to visit with Santa.

35 years ago (1982)
 All Clear Creek School District seventh- and eighth-grade students in Galveston County would attend the new League City Intermediate School.

15 years ago (2002)
 Pasadena Independent School District was experiencing record-breaking housing growth, particularly in the South Belt area, according to Metrostudy housing projections submitted to the board of trustees.

10 years ago (2007)
 Clear Creek Independent School District Superintendent Sandra Mossman stated she would officially retire following the Christmas break. She was the first female to hold the position and the only superintendent to be hired from within the district.

5 years ago (2012)
 Gov. Rick Perry designated the special election date to fill the state Senate District 6 seat formerly held by the late Mario Gallegos. Vying for the position were Carol Alvarado, Sylvia Garcia (who eventually won the seat), Rodolfo "Rudy" Reyes, Dorothy Olmos, R.W. Bray, Joaquin Martinez, Susan Delgado and Maria Selva.

fensive newcomer of the year, most valuable player and defensive newcomer of the year respectively by the District 22-4A football coaches.

20 years ago (1997)
 Attendees at a community meeting held at the Sage-meadow MUD building voted overwhelmingly to retain the Pony-Colt baseball program for the South Belt area.

15 years ago (2002)
 Pasadena Independent School District was experiencing record-breaking housing growth, particularly in the South Belt area, according to Metrostudy housing projections submitted to the board of trustees.

10 years ago (2007)
 Clear Creek Independent School District Superintendent Sandra Mossman stated she would officially retire following the Christmas break. She was the first female to hold the position and the only superintendent to be hired from within the district.

5 years ago (2012)
 Gov. Rick Perry designated the special election date to fill the state Senate District 6 seat formerly held by the late Mario Gallegos. Vying for the position were Carol Alvarado, Sylvia Garcia (who eventually won the seat), Rodolfo "Rudy" Reyes, Dorothy Olmos, R.W. Bray, Joaquin Martinez, Susan Delgado and Maria Selva.

1 year ago (2016)
 Santa Claus visited the South Belt community Thursday, Dec. 22, riding aboard a Southeast Volunteer Fire Department fire engine down various streets in the

Meador shares Christmas



Meador Elementary received a generous donation on Dec. 15 from Advance America for the annual holiday Toy Drive to help needy families. The toys were dropped off by Teneka Curry (left), from Advance America, who is shown with Beverly Bolton, Meador's principal. Photo by Amy Clowers

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Attend the church of your choice

The Catholic Community of
ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST
 Rev. Douglas J. Guthrie, Pastor
 Rev. Alvaro Interiano, Parochial Vicar
 11011 Hall Rd. Houston, TX 77089
 (between Beamer & Blackhawk)
 www.stlukescatholic.com

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	Vigil	5:30 p.m.
Sunday		7:30, 9:15, 11:15 a.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m.	Misa en Español
Monday, Wednesday, Friday		9:00 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday		7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated
 Thursday 7:45 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday 4 to 5 p.m.

Parish Office 281-481-6816
 Faith Formation 281-481-4251
 Youth Ministry 281-481-4735

St. Luke's offers ministries for ALL-families, men, women, youth, children, young adults, single, divorced, separated, widowed.



New Covenant Christian Church

10603 Blackhawk
 281-484-4230

Bill & Cheryl Hines, Pastors
 We've Enlarged Our Day Care Facilities
 Register Now! 281-481-2003

Bill & Cheryl Hines

WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES

Sunday	Wednesday
Early Service • 7:45 a.m.	Prayer Meeting • 7:00 p.m.
Sunday School • 9:30 a.m.	Mid-Week Service • 7:45 p.m.
Worship Service • 10:45 a.m.	

Nursery Available at all Services

Merry Christmas!
 From Almeda Mall

For unto us a child is born ... Prince of peace.
 Isaiah 9:6

December 2017

For 48 years Almeda Mall has been proud to serve the Southeast community we call home and we want to extend to all our neighbors our wish for a blessed Christmas Season filled with Joy and Peace.

It is our hope that the Almeda community, diverse as it is in its religious beliefs and ethnicity will all enjoy the season with us at Almeda Mall as the birth of Christ is remembered.

Our electronic reader board will contain daily Christmas messages and on Christmas Day will be dedicated to continuously proclaiming thanks to God for the gift of the Christ Child, so many years ago in Bethlehem.

We wish you all a blessed, safe and Merry Christmas!

Wayne C Fox
 CEO
 WCF Development

JOY GOODWILL

HAPPINESS

PEACE

LOVE

PROSPERITY

Macy's • Palais Royal • Burlington • dd's Discounts

713-944-1010 • I-45 South @ Almeda Genoa Exit

www.almedamall.com

Frazier students write Santa

The following are letters written to Santa Claus from Frazier Elementary second-graders:

Sara Rodriguez's class
 Are you warm in your Big red coat? I have been a good girl this year! I move my clip up. I would like Squishies and a coloring book for Christmas. Tell Rudolph have a good Christmas!
Abigail
 We love the snow I been good this year. I clean my closet. I would like a girl dollhouse and a toy car for Christmas. Have a good time at the north pole.
Aliyah
 Are you ok. I have been a good boy this year! I helped my dad with the dishes. I want a hoverboard and a football for Christmas. I hope you enjoy the cookies and milk.
Earon
 I sol snow tomorrow at my skool and my haws. the snow is bry pril I hap my sistr with her homrk. Bori has and a Dol. I hop that you saty worm in yor slay. hapi crims satta mri kims.
Amanda
 I like to play in snows I like for Krismis Holdaey is a Barbey in a Sofeyo Makeup. We luve you so prete luve satu is thee bisst is ivrr. Yor Elf is so nees. I live satu so muks.
Deliyah
 How have you been! I have been a good girl this year! I cleaned dishes. I would like a cotton candy maker and cocacola at the movies for Christmas. have a good Christmas.
Jady
 today it snowed. I have been a good boy this year. I help mom whith the dishes. I would like a chater book and a ipad. for christmas I hope Rudolph have a good night sleep.
Jordan
 I love you. I have been a good boy this year! I have helpt pick up trash. I would lik coors and mik for christmas. I hope you get a gift too.
Ezekiel
 It's snowed in the winter. I have been a good boy this year! I help my dad clean the dishes. I would like a stuffed Bear and stuffed minion for Christmas. I hope you like snow.
Adam
 it snowed in houston. it was fun there. i have been a good boy i helped pick out a tree i would want a laptop & stickbot's for x-mas. i hope rudolph's nose is red.
Gilbert
 Thanks for bringing the elf. I have been a good girl this year! I helped my mom wash the dishes. I would like a little horse and a same squishy orbes.
Alyzza
 It snow her today. I had been a good boy this year! I clean the dishes. I would like amove game and a Nintendo Switch for Christmas. I laft some cacke.
Joseph
 How are the raindeer doing? I have been a good girl this year because i help my mom do the dishes. I would like a Laptop and orbes. I hope you have a fun Christmas.
Emme
 Hi Santa how are you? I have been a good girl this year. I would like Leg friends and a computer and sashes for christmas. merry christmas. I love you Santa.
Kyndall
 We have a elf in our class named coco. I have been a good girl this year! I helped my BoBo up. I would like a new Phone and a Puppy for Christmas. I hope Rudolph has a great christmas.
Brooklyn
 I have been a good boy. I've help mom clen the dishes. I would like to keep the elf on the shelf. I hope you like the cookies!
Phillip
 It snowed to day an Honton. I have been a good girl this year! I help my mom do the dishes. I like a elf today to night. and a car for Christmas. I like coco the elf.
Amaira
Huong Tran's class
 It snow today! I have been a good girl this year! I want a dog, and Jojo doll, ganastic bor, for Christmas. I deserve it because I clean my room. I hope you have a bless day.
Shaila
 It snowed, today! I have been a good girl, this Year! I want Obees and a Dole I deserve it because I helped my mom wihe dishes. I hope I go Bagt gymnastic.
Yaszy
 It snoed today! I have been a good boy this year. I want 10 Pokemon f naf bottens and a Nin-tendow Swich!
Elias
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl I want a toy doll a new showes and a gymnastic bar. I deserve it because I help my mom clean. I hope you mack it.
Dez
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl this year! I want Legos, boots and hymphreys books for Christmas. I deserve it because I hope my sister clen my roome. I hope i snow again and happy Christmas.
Haley
 It snowed today! I been a good girl this year! I want lego, orbes and gymnastic brar for Christmas. I deserve it because i clean the caoch when my mom tell me. I hope you are well.
Jasmine
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl this year! I want American girl doll, LOL Dolls and a baby doll for Christmas. I deserve it because I help my mom. I hope you make it.
Melanie
 It snowed today! I have been a good boy this year! I want a new phone, a new iPad and a puppy for christmas. I deserve it because I have been nice to my friends and I have been nice to my family and I have teacher. I hope it will snow again.
Damyean
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl this year! I want a phone, dolls and a doll hosne for Christmas. I deserve it because I have been nice. I hope it snows every Christmas.
Jaelyn
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl this year! I want little Pet Shop, shopckins and new shirts for Christmas. I deserve it because help my mom clean the dishes i hope it snows.
Gabby Soza
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl this year! I want a dog, boots and a jacket for Christmas. I deserve it because I love my familie. I hope it snow's again.
Ava
 it snowed today! I have been a good boy This Year! I want boy puppy, Normal Bonnie Plushey and for Christmas I deserve it because I helpnt my grandma put up the dishes and I take care of my Books. I hope your feeling good!
David C.
 It snowed today! I have been a good girl this year! I want a foot ball, a Jmasti bor, 2 puppys for Cristmas. I deserve it because i'm hepl to my friends and i'm lising to my teher. I hope you hav a great day.
Taylor
Amanda Brewton's class
 Today it sonw and I got to Play in it. I have been a good girl this year! I sometime help my mom cook. I woutd like a phone and slime kit for christmas. I willle hop you come to my home.
Yvette
 I got to Play in the snowe. I have been a good girl this Year. I helped my mom whith the dishes. I would like a hachimel and a wurme for Christmas. and i hop you cum to my haws and eta my cuces, and Merry Christmas.
Sophia
 I did a snow fight. I have been a good girl this year! I help my mom cleaning up. I would like nikes and coat for merry christmas. How do elf powers.
Tayla
 Today it snowed in Hoston! I have been a good girl this year I helped my mom with the dishes. I would like a JoJo doll and Litties pet shops for christmas. I super Happ your coming to see mee!!!
Abigail
 It was snowing out side. I have been a good boy this year! I helped my mom with the dishes. I would like a bike and a iphone for christmas. How do your raindeer fly? meery christmas
Damian
 Today we got to go play in the snow. I have been a good girl this year. This year I open the dore for my mom. I would like a New Bard and desendens dal's for Christmas. I cant wate for you to eat my cookie's we mack.
Gabby
 It snowed and I played in it. I have been a girl this year! I helped my mom. I would like in iphone 6 and slime for Christmas.
Reagan
 It snowd to day. I have been good boy This year! I bin good in school. I would like a toy sord and a toy car for christmas. Merry christmas.
Cameron
 We got to Play in snow. I have been a good girl This year! I helped my mom doing the dishes. I would like a darde doll and Laptop for Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Annalise
 We got to play in the snow. I have been a good girl this year! I helped my mom wash the dishes. I would like a dollhome ane a books for christmas. Merry Christmas.
Aaliyah
 I playd in the sonw to day. I have been a good boy tisy year deuce I feed my fish evey day. I would like Pokemon crats and videou gams for Cristmas. merry christmas.
Konner
 It snowd in the fist time and I was so happy. I have been a good girl this year! I help my mom do the dishes. More sime and toys for Christmas. I want evryone to have safe Christmas and have a happy Christmas.
Alicia
 It snow to day. I have been a good girl this year! I clean my room for a week. I would like a toy unicorn and a car for Christmas. MERRY CHRISTMAS Santa Claus.
Hazel
 I have been a good girl this year! I help my mom do the dishes. I would like slime and I would like for evryone to have a good christmas. I can't wate for christmas.
Destanee
 I belt a snowman. I have been a good boy this year! I help my mom do the logrey. I would like a iphon and a xbox1 for christmas. I can't what to see you.
Kingston
 I felt snow to day. I have been a good girl this year! I Play with my family. I would like a scotr and a elf for christmas. I hop you come soon santa.
Daisy
Jessica Vela's class
 It snowed today! I have been nice. I have been nice by helping my friend's family, cousin's, and family members. For Christmas I want hair spray (red.) I also want wedges (shoes like boot's) so I have new church shoes. I also want baby doll stuff. Mostly a stroller with two seats.
Minka
 I have been nice. I helped my mom put up the village up and help her do the dish's. I want shopkins orbez and a shopkin snowglobe if there is one. I am happy it snowed today. We got to make snow angels, snomans and throw sn balls. Merry Christmas.
Annalee C.
 It snowed today! I been so nice at my house. I would like a star wars toy. I been nice to my mom and dad. I like snow because we build a snow man on are car. Thank you for the snow!
Draiden
 It snowed today I benn nice becus I was quiet in class. I want a toy dole espes becus I like the move.
Israel
 It snow today! I have been nice. I help my mom and dad clean the house and babysite my baby brother. I want a iphon 10 because i don't call my mom and dad lately.
Julie
 It snowed today! I have been nice. I helped my mom do the dishes. I want a vist from Theu.
Isabella Pecina
 It snowed today! I have been nice. especially when I helped my sister by not letting the dog get out. For christmas I want a new football because I can have fun with it. also I want a super mario DS.
Aaron
 I have been nice, and I want a remot cortrole monster truck a big one, and more snow, 10 fiddiget spinners, and a holly Jolly cristmas, and a fiddiget cude, and a gold fiddiget spinner.
Zeke
 It snowed I've been nice I want an elf on a shelf in my house. I want to see the elf do funny things.
Hyrum
 It snowed today I have been good I get good grades in class I want some new shoes and a new football helmet. Merry Chistmas
Caleb

Melillo helps with donations



Melillo Middle School staff and students donated 1,500 food and toy items to the *Leader* food and toy drive. This is the 10th year Melillo has donated to the drive. The class that brought in over 800 items was Heather Kaboutari's sixth-grade homeroom. Shown with the donations are, left to right, (front row) Cardin Vo, Ian Thomas, Richard Vasquez, Sophia Rodriguez, Vivica Valencia, (middle row) Maryssa Rodriguez, Celestine Works, Jay'nya Turner, Gianna Barreiro, Dulce Torres-Padilla, Princesa Rodriguez, Juliana Tavera, (back row) Stephen Wiggins, Maria Escamilla, Thalia Tabarez, Ashley Marroquin, Tran Ngo and Heather Kaboutari.

Photo by Sandra Vann



Maria Escamilla and her family donated more than 20 cases of SpaghettiOs to the food drive. Shown above with all the food are, left to right, Diane Wheeler, Melillo principal; Maria Escamilla; Digna Nunez, Escamilla's mother; and Benjamin Garcia, Escamilla's brother. Ashley Marroquin and her mother contributed 40 bags filled with 10 items each of groceries to the *Leader* food and toy drive. Shown below are, left to right, Wheeler; Ashley Marroquin; and her mother Elizabeth Marroquin.

Photos by Michelle Rush



Santa, elves visit Stuchbery



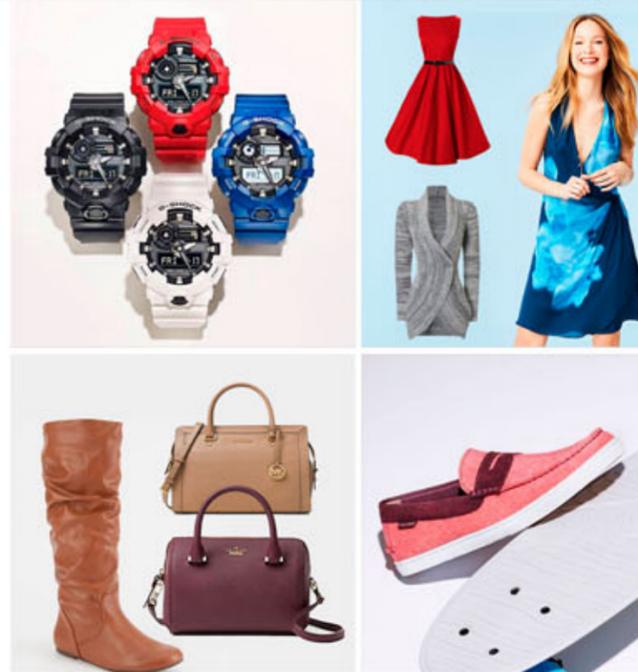
Stuchbery Elementary students were surprised during morning arrival on Dec. 19 as they were greeted from the school rooftop by their principal, Jose Hernandez, dressed as Santa with his elves. Shown on the roof are, left to right, Kevin Albert, coach; Hernandez, principal; Dylan Richter, third-grade teacher; and Lauren Palos, HOSTS coordinator.

Photos submitted

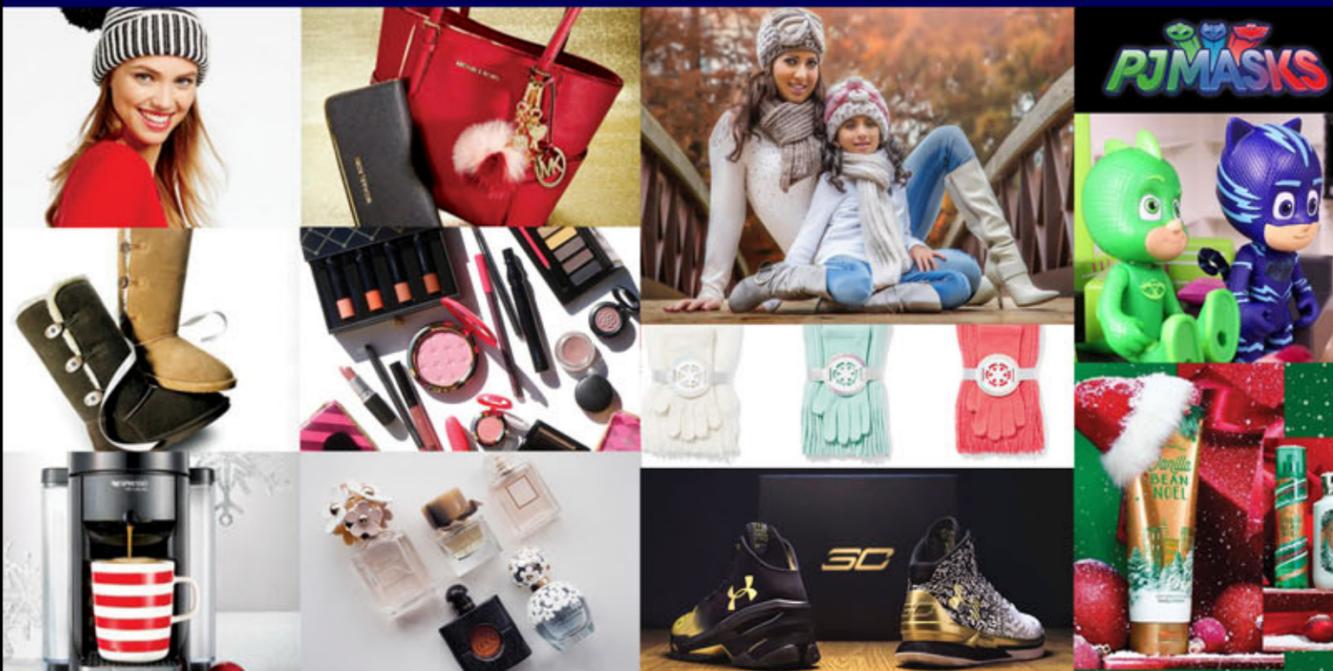


SUPER HOLIDAY SALE!

UP TO 70% OFF MALL-WIDE NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS



FOLLOW US



VISIBLECHANGES

kids Foot Locker

Bath&BodyWorks



ZALES THE DIAMOND STORE

FOOTACTION USA

NEW YORK & COMPANY OUTLET

Lids

JOURNEYS

Foot Locker

macys

dd's DISCOUNTS



MACY'S | PALAIS ROYAL | BURLINGTON | DD'S DISCOUNTS

713-944-1010 I-45 SOUTH @ ALMEDA GENOA EXIT

WWW.ALMEDAMALL.COM

SECTION B SPORTS & CLASSIFIED

Happy Holidays!
- Leader Sports Department

RESOURCE PARKWAY DENTAL GROUP
Cosmetic, Implants and General Dentistry
Bring ad for free whitening after a new patient exam, xrays, and cleaning.
10950 Resource Parkway Suite C (Near Memorial Southeast Hospital)
281-481-0056



Dr. Angel Román

Sagemont BBQ
Tues. - Thur. & Sun. 10:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Lunch Special
Noon to 2 p.m. Tues. - Fri.
Sandwich, Fries & Drink \$7.99
Daily Specials
Tues. - Two Meat Combo \$13.99
Wed. - Chopped Beef Sandwich \$9.99 2nd Sandwich \$3
Thur. - 1 lb. Chopped Beef \$11.99
Fri. - Two Meat Combo With Dessert \$15.99
832-672-6553
12132 Sabo Rd. Suite G
Across from Kroger
www.sagemontsmokedmeats.com

TEXAS DIVE CENTER
281-741-9949
www.txdivecenter.com
364 FM 1959, Houston, Texas, 77034

Learn to Scuba Dive Today!
Sign up by Christmas for our PADI Open Water Diver Course for only \$225 + books normally \$300 + books and complete your course by May 1, 2018 with promo code TDCXMAS. *Call today for details*

PapaGayos 10943 SCARSDALE 281-922-1477
MEXICAN CANTINA
Merry Christmas
HAPPY HOUR EVERYDAY 3-7 P.M.
Lunch Menu Monday-Friday 11 a.m.-3 p.m. We Can Cater Your Special Event!
Visit Our Website www.papagayosgrill.com

USA KARATE
AFTER SCHOOL CARE
SIGN UP NOW!
COME LEARN:
• RESPECT
• FOCUS
• CONFIDENCE
• DISCIPLINE
• AND MORE
\$75 Registration Special
Call USA KARATE for details
USA KARATE - 11101 RESOURCE PARKWAY (Behind Sonic)
281-484-9006

WE ARE #TEXANSTRONG
We Are Texans Serving Texans
We are a bank with heart and grit, from water rescues, to knocking down sheetrock and making loans...we are here for our neighbors!
We are offering personal Harvey Recovery Loans as well as providing advice on all financial matters, whether you bank with us or not.
TEXAN BANK
www.texanbank.com/Texans-Serving-Texans.aspx
Houston • Friendswood • Clear Lake • Sugar Land
FDIC (281) 276-1800

Soccer teams excited; openers near

The public school holiday break is here, yet for high school soccer programs, there will be anything but that upcoming. Preseason workouts have been ongoing for a few weeks now, and scrimmages are up next. Then there is the start of the regular season, which comes as early as Jan. 4 for most teams. Highlighting the list is

defending Region III boys' champion Dobie, which is coming off the most successful season in program history and is ranked No. 8 in the Texas Association of Soccer Coaches Class 6A preseason poll. The Longhorns spent the offseason and so far this preseason learning to move on without the talents of several senior graduates from last year's state

semifinalist team. Still, while the Alief Elsik Rams may enter the season as the Region III favorites, the Longhorns are not going to back down from anyone as the quest for a fourth consecutive District 22-6A title starts the team's list of goals. It all begins Dec. 28 for the Longhorns, who will host the Conroe Tigers in a scrimmage at Veterans

Stadium in Pasadena. Play begins at 2 p.m. Dobie will then scrimmage Klein Dec. 30 on the road, also at 2 p.m., before facing Mayde Creek Jan. 2, back at Veterans Stadium at 6 p.m. The Longhorns, 20-3-4 a season ago, will go against Goose Creek Memorial in the season opener Thursday, Jan. 4, opening day of the Pasadena ISD Cup at 10 a.m. The Clear Brook varsity boys' program, looking to get back into the postseason after a narrow miss last season, will scrimmage the Texas City Stingarees Tuesday, Jan. 2, at 7 p.m., at Clear Brook High School. Junior varsity play is at 5 p.m. The Brook boys will play Jan. 4-6 at the Katy Showcase. As for the Dobie girls, it all begins for the Lady

Longhorns Friday, Dec. 29 in Alvin. The junior varsity team will scrimmage Alvin at Alvin ISD's Veterans Stadium beginning at 10 a.m., with the varsity action to follow at noon. Dobie's varsity team will start the regular season Jan. 4, the first of three days at the Waller Classic. Clear Brook's varsity girls' team will also scrimmage Texas City Jan. 4, with that action taking place at Stingaree Stadium in Texas City. The junior varsity match is at 5 p.m., with the varsity to follow at 7 p.m. The Lady Wolverines will then begin the regular season Thursday, Jan. 4, against Jasper at 10:30 a.m., as part of the Humble ISD Invitational at Turner Stadium. Clear Brook will return Jan. 5, to face either Santa Fe or Humble.



Dobie's Kevin Hernandez (14) is back and ready to help lead the Longhorns into the 2018 regular season as the defending Region III champions. The locals will begin the regular season Jan. 4, against Goose Creek Memorial.

TASCO State Rankings 2018 6A Preseason Boys' Poll

1. Dallas Jesuit - 6A state champion.
2. Alief Elsik - area round finalist.
3. Arlington Sam Houston - 6A state finalist.
4. San Antonio Reagan
5. Coppell
6. Lake Travis
7. Lewisville Hebron
8. Dobie - Region III champion.
9. Seven Lakes - Region III Final Four.
10. The Woodlands

Brook basketbatters score 24-6A victories

Senior Kendrick Christian had a team-high 25 points as Clear Brook opened the varsity boys' basketball season with a come-from-behind 81-74 victory over visiting Clear Falls Dec. 19. Meanwhile, the Lady Wolverines also defeated Clear Falls, improving to 2-1 in 24-6A action with a tight 54-48 over the Lady Knights in Seabrook. In

that one, Celeste Clement came up big for a second straight game with 22 points. NaKayla Bell added 14 and Veyda Lake had 10 points for a Lady Wolverine team that has bounced back nicely after a tough loss against Alvin to begin league play. All in all, it was a great night for Clear Brook basketball. **Continued on Page 6B**

Holiday hoops next across local stops

The Clear Brook and Dobie varsity boys' and girls' basketball teams will make one more foray into tournament action as part of the holiday break. Clear Brook's varsity boys' team, which was third in the silver bracket at the Carlisle Krueger Classic earlier this month, will play in the Eric Medina Memorial

Classic at Pasadena and Memorial high schools Dec. 28-30. Medina was a student-athlete at Pasadena. On Dec. 27 and Dec. 28, the Dobie varsity boys will play in the Conroe Classic, while the Dobie and Brook varsity girls will compete in a Barbers Hill ISD event. **Continued on Page 2B**

TASCO ranks Dobie boys' soccer at No. 8

Defending Region III champion Dobie will open the varsity boys' soccer season ranked eighth in the Texas Association of Soccer Coaches preseason poll, with Class 6A state champion Dallas Jesuit

occupying the top spot. Jesuit will be led this season by 2017 all-state selections Alex Garcia, a defender, and forward Christian Lerma. Elsik, which was upset by C.E. King in the area playoff round a season ago, is ranked No. 2 in the TASCO state poll, with Arlington Sam Houston at No. 3. Sam Houston defeated Dobie in the state semi-

finals last season before falling 2-1 in overtime to Dallas Jesuit. Rounding out the state's top 10 is San Antonio Reagan at No. 4, fifth-ranked Coppell, Lake Travis at No. 6, seventh-ranked Lewisville Hebron, Dobie, Seven Lakes at No. 9 and 10th-ranked The Woodlands. The Longhorns, 20-3-4 a season ago, are slated to face Goose Creek Memorial Jan. 4, in Pasadena, to

open the 2018 regular season. Dobie's Justo Manrique was the 2017 TASCO Head Coach of the Year in 6A Region III. Arlington Sam Houston's Joey Rodriguez captured the honor in Region I, with Dallas Jesuit's Charles DeLong garnering the honor in Region II. TASCO's Class 6A state girls' preseason poll includes top-ranked Cinco Ranch and No. 6 Katy Tompkins within Region III.

SBHLL's spring sign-up is online

The Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League is now accepting online registration for the spring 2018 season, and there are a few in-person dates for those who prefer to do business that way. Children ages 3 and 4 (born between Sept. 2013 and Jan. 1, 2015) will be eligible to register for \$125 per player, and those ages 5 to 16 (born between Sept. 2001 and Aug. 13, 2017) may register for \$200 per player. Those who want to register online may do so at www.eteamz.com/sbhll. The in-person registration dates include Saturday, Jan. 6 and Saturday, Jan. 13, from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

both days. The in-person sessions will all be held at the SBHLL facility at El Franco Lee Park, 9400 Hall Road. SBHLL will again host the Longhorns' Challenger Division team this season for those with physical and/or mental disabilities. Those aged 5 to 16 will have the opportunity to enjoy the game of baseball in a fun, safe and structured environment. All registrants must provide three forms of proof of residency (driver's license, voter's registration card, school records, tax records, etc.). With questions regarding sign-up or other league information, direct email requests to sbhll@hotmail.com.

Ocean CAR WASH 11210 Scarsdale (Between I-45 & Beamer) 281-484-5945
11613 Broadway (Next to Pearland Town Center Mall) 713-436-2326
Kwik-Kar LUBE • SERVICE • REPAIR
Mon. - Sat. 8am - 7pm, Sun. 9am - 5pm
Now Offering A Full Line Of Exterior Washes "Wash & Go in under 5 min."
The Works Includes \$16
• Ocean LAVA Carnauba Wax
• Wheel Cleaning (In Tunnel)
• Clear Coat Protectant
• Tire Shine (In Tunnel)
• rain-guard
Wheels & Tires Includes "Shine & Polish" Plus \$13
• rain-guard
• Tire Shine (In Tunnel)
• Clear Coat Protectant
Shine & Polish Includes "Express Exterior" Plus \$10
• Tri-Color Wax
• Wheel Cleaning (In Tunnel)
• Underbody Rinse
Express Exterior \$6
• Wash
• High Velocity Drying (In Tunnel)
*MONTHLY UNLIMITED WASH PLANS (PER VEHICLE)
Full Service Oil Change \$29.99 plus FREE Car Wash
- Includes our 16 point inspection - Oil Change (Up to 5 Quarts Conventional Oil)
• Install New Oil Filter • Check & Fill Transmission Fluid • Check & Fill Windshield Washer • Check PCV Valve
• Complete Chassis Lube • Check Air Pressure in all Tires • Vacuum Interior • Check Radiator Overflow Reservoir
• Check Brake Fluid • Check Gear Boxes • Check Air Filter & Cabin Filter • Check Belts
• Check & Fill Power Steering Fluid • Check Battery Fluid • Check Breather Element • Check Wiper Blades
Up to 5 Qts Conventional Motor Oil - 16 Point Check - With coupon. Not valid with any other offer or discount. Expires 1/7/18.
Join our eClub for more savings www.oceancarwash.com

DIXIE DELI
364A FM 1959 (between I-45 & Hwy 3) 281-484-3083
Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
DAILY SPECIAL - \$4.99
6" PO-BOY, CHIPS & DRINK

LOOK BETTER. SEE BETTER.
PREMIER EYE & VISION
Full Service Eye Care
Glasses & Sunglasses - Contacts
NOW OPEN at 12334 Gulf Freeway, Suite A
Accepting new patients
CALL FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY! 713.941.1082
PREMIEREYEANDVISION.COM

GREEN AND ASSOCIATES REALTORS®
Toni Muse
Moving Families For 30 Years!
Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas!
281-389-6519
muset@hotmail.com

Peace on Earth
Wishing our South Belt Neighbors a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
"THE SOLD TEAM"
Sandra Yandell & Laura Yandell
281-464-SOLD

Sports Calendar

Holiday hoops to welcome locals

Jingle Bell Jog at Mellilo

BASKETBALL
Friday, December 22
 Brook varsity boys at Clear Creek, 7:00
 Dobie varsity girls at George Ranch, 4:00
 Brook varsity girls host Clear Creek, 5:00
 Brook JV girls host Clear Creek, 3:30
 Brook JV boys at Clear Creek, 5:30
 Dobie JV girls at George Ranch, 2:30
 Brook sophomore boys at Clear Creek, 5:30
 Brook freshman A boys at Clear Creek, 4:00
 Brook freshman A girls host Clear Creek, 2:00
 Dobie freshman A girls at George Ranch, 1:00
 Brook freshman B boys at Clear Creek, 4:00

Wednesday, Dec. 27
 Dobie varsity boys at Conroe Classic, TBA

Thursday, Dec. 28
 Dobie varsity boys at Conroe Classic, TBA
 Brook varsity boys at Pasadena H.S. invit., TBA
 Dobie varsity girls at Barbers Hill Invitational, TBA
 Brook varsity girls at Barbers Hill Invitational, TBA

Friday, Dec. 29
 Brook varsity boys at Pasadena H.S. invit., TBA
 Dobie varsity girls at Barbers Hill Invitational, TBA
 Brook varsity girls at Barbers Hill Invitational, TBA

Saturday, Dec. 30
 Dobie varsity girls at Barbers Hill Invitational, TBA
 Brook varsity girls at Barbers Hill Invitational, TBA

Tuesday, Jan. 2
 Dobie varsity girls host South Houston, 1:00
 Dobie JV girls host South Houston, 11:30 a.m.
 Dobie freshman A girls host South Houston, 10 a.m.

Friday, Jan. 5
 Brook varsity boys at Friendswood, 7:00
 Dobie varsity girls at Rayburn, 1:00
 Dobie varsity boys vs. Rayburn, Phillips, 7:00
 Brook varsity girls host Friendswood, 5:00
 Brook JV girls host Friendswood, 3:30
 Brook JV boys at Friendswood, 5:30
 Dobie JV girls at Rayburn, 11:30 a.m.
 Dobie JV boys vs. Rayburn, Phillips, 5:30
 Brook sophomore boys vs. Rayburn, Phillips, 5:30
 Brook sophomore boys at Friendswood, 5:30
 Brook freshman A boys at Friendswood, 4:00
 Brook freshman A girls host Friendswood, 2:00
 Dobie freshman A boys vs. Rayburn, Phillips, 5:30
 Dobie freshman A girls at Rayburn, 10 a.m.
 Brook freshman B boys at Friendswood, 4:00
 Dobie freshman B boys vs. Rayburn, Phillips, 5:30

Tuesday, Jan. 9
 Brook varsity boys host Clear Lake, 7:00
 Dobie varsity girls host Pasadena, 7:00
 Dobie varsity boys at Pasadena, 7:00
 Brook varsity girls host Clear Creek, 5:00
 Brook JV girls host Clear Creek, 3:30
 Brook JV boys host Clear Lake, 5:30
 Dobie JV girls host Pasadena, 5:30
 Dobie JV boys at Pasadena, 5:30
 Dobie sophomore boys at Pasadena, 5:30
 Brook sophomore boys host Clear Lake, 5:30
 Brook freshman A boys host Clear Lake, 4:00
 Brook freshman A girls host Clear Creek, 2:00
 Dobie freshman A boys at Pasadena, 4:00
 Dobie freshman A girls host Pasadena, 4:00
 Brook freshman B boys host Clear Lake, 4:00
 Dobie freshman B boys at Pasadena, 4:00
 Dobie freshman B girls host Pasadena, 4:00

Wednesday, Jan. 10
 Thompson 7th Dark boys at Queens, 5:00
 Thompson 7th Light boys at Queens, 6:15
 Thompson 8th Dark boys at Queens, 5:00
 Thompson 8th Light boys at Queens, 6:15
 Thompson 7th Dark girls hosts Queens, 5:00
 Thompson 7th Light girls hosts Queens, 6:15
 Thompson 8th Dark girls hosts Queens, 5:00
 Thompson 8th Light girls hosts Queens, 6:15
 Beverly Hills 7th Dark boys host Park View, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 7th Light boys host Park View, 6:15
 Beverly Hills 8th Dark boys host Park View, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 8th Light boys host Park View, 6:15
 Beverly Hills 7th Dark boys at Park View, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 7th Light boys at Park View, 6:15
 Beverly Hills 8th Dark boys at Park View, 5:00
 Beverly Hills 8th Light boys at Park View, 6:15

SOCCER
Thursday, Dec. 28
 Dobie varsity boys host Conroe scrimm., Veterans, 2:00

Friday, Dec. 29
 Dobie varsity girls at Alvin scrimmage, noon
 Dobie JV girls at Alvin scrimmage, 10 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 30
 Dobie varsity boys at Klein scrimmage, 2:00

Tuesday, Jan. 2
 Brook varsity boys host Texas City scrimmage, 7:00
 Dobie varsity boys host Mayde Creek scrimm., Vet., 6:00
 Brook varsity girls at Texas City scrimmage, 5:00
 Brook JV boys host Texas City scrimmage, 5:00
 Brook JV girls at Texas City scrimmage, 5:00

Thursday, Jan. 4 through Saturday, Jan. 6
 Brook varsity boys at Katy Showcase, TBA
 Brook varsity girls at Humble Invitational, TBA
 Dobie varsity boys host Pasadena ISD Cup, TBA
 Dobie varsity girls at Waller Classic, TBA

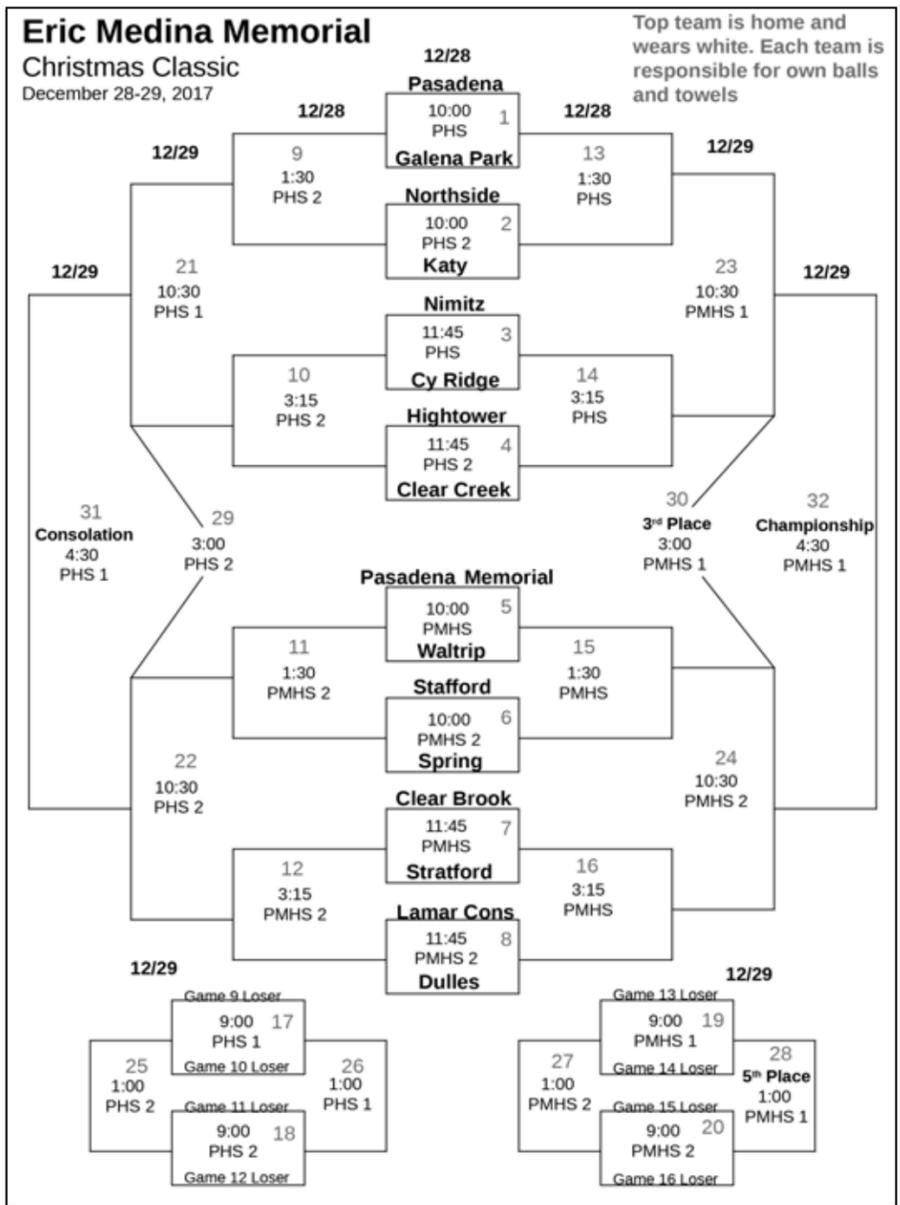
Continued from Page 1B

The bracket for the Dec. 28-30 Barbers Hill Gulf Coast Classic is not out, but there's a chance the Clear Brook and Dobie varsity girls' teams could be facing one of the nation's top players. The Lady Eagles' Charli Collier, easily one of the state's top players during her three plus years thus far, leads a Barbers Hill squad that won 11 of 12 games to start the season. A *USA Today* High School Sports All-USA Preseason Girls Basketball Team selection, the 6-foot-5-inch Collier averaged 23.8 points, eight rebounds and three blocked shots as a junior. Originally a verbal

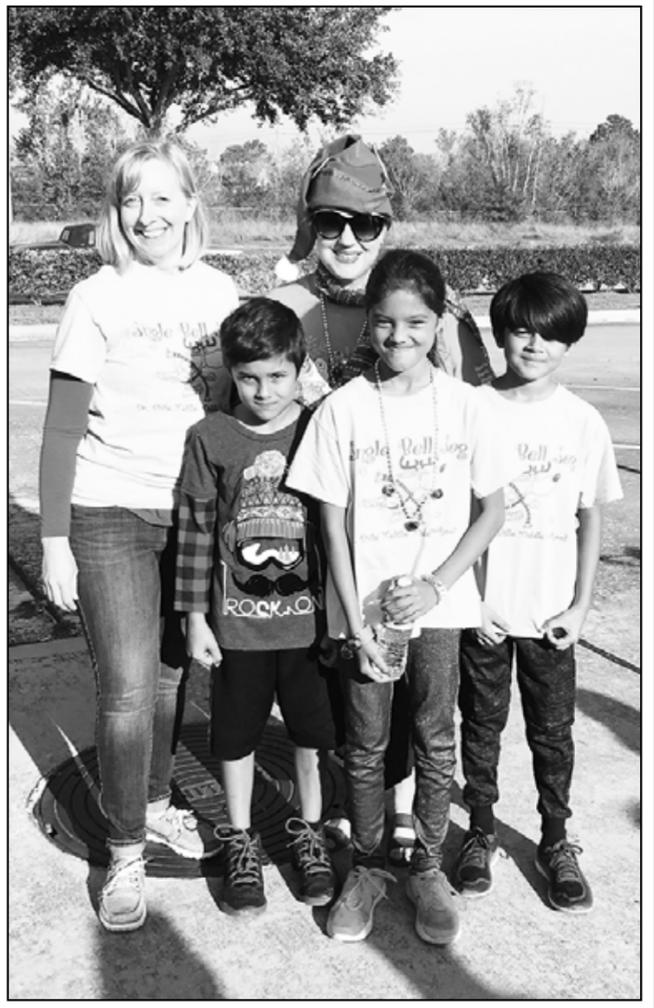
commit to the University of Connecticut, Collier has now decided to play at the University of Texas in Austin following this season. The final tournament appearance for all of the teams involved, the competition will help the respective teams get back into the flow of things. Following the trip to Barbers Hill High School over three days, Dobie returns to District 22-6A play to face South Houston Jan. 2, at home in a special 1 p.m. start. Clear Brook, meanwhile, will go against Friendswood Jan. 5, also at home, in a 5 p.m. contest. The Dobie varsity boys'

basketball team will get into the swing of things Dec. 27 and Dec. 28 at the Conroe Classic. A season ago, the Longhorns went 1-2 in Conroe, losing to Eisenhower and host Conroe, but defeating Katy in overtime. To tip off the 2018 portion of the schedule, the Longhorns will go against Sam Rayburn Jan. 5 at Phillips Field House. The varsity game will begin at 7 p.m. Beginning Dec. 28 and continuing Dec. 29, the Clear Brook varsity boys' squad will be in competition at the Medina Memorial event. At first glance, it would appear the Wolverines are in a favorable position

where the bracket is concerned. The Wolverines will open the tournament against Stratford, and the two teams will meet at 11:45 a.m. at Pasadena Memorial High School. In the afternoon session, the Wolverines will go up against either Lamar Consolidated or Dulles. Host Pasadena has the likes of Katy, Hightower, Cypress Ridge and Clear Creek in its portion of the bracket. After competing in its final tournament of the season, the Wolverines will return to District 24-6A action. That all begins Jan. 5 as the Wolverines take on host Friendswood in a 7 p.m. matchup.



Dixie Melillo Middle School fifth- and sixth-grade students celebrated the arrival of the 2017 holiday season by taking part in the school's 4th annual Jingle Bell Jog, which also served to help raise gift donations for the South Belt-Ellington Leader's Christmas program. This season, the Leader's program will also aid those in need who were most adversely affected by the damages caused by Hurricane Harvey in late August. To learn more about the program, including some of the generous donations turned in this month, see Page 1A.



Kelly Jurek, Melillo faculty member and jog event coordinator, (far left) announced the Ram family as winners of the event's complimentary turkey raffle drawing. Members of the Ram family include, left to right, Damien Ram, Dasia Ram, Dominic Ram, (back row) and their mother, Nicole Ram.



The winners of the Dixie Melillo Middle School Jingle Bell Jog best costume contest included student winner Bella Sanchez (center) and adult winner Irma Villanueva (right), who received gift cards for their victories. With the winners is Jurek.

San Jac VB's Rhoder a repeat All-American

In the storied legacy of success within the San Jacinto College volleyball program, sophomore Madison Rhoder certainly

has found a place for her name. Earlier this month, Rhoder was named a National Junior College Ath-

letic Association first team All-American selection for the second time. Rhoder, a sophomore from Fort Bend Austin

High School, was one of five Division I players to repeat as All-Americans. San Jacinto College, 26-7 overall this season, missed reaching the national tournament with a loss in the Region XIV tournament, but Rhoder nonetheless came up big for the team once more this season.



Playing in each of the team's 33 matches this season, Rhoder led the way with 369 total kills and a hitting percentage of .385, which was fifth-best nationally. Her 369 kills placed her 22nd among all Division I competitors. The 6-foot middle blocker also had 168 total blocks, giving her 1.42 per set, also good for fifth-best in the nation.

Rhoder debuted for San Jacinto in 2016, landing first team All-American accolades after registering 272 kills (2.32 per set). Rhoder played in each of SJC's 68 matches over two seasons. A true great one she is.

At left, San Jacinto College sophomore Madison Rhoder prepares to deliver a kill in a match earlier this year. After leading her team to a 26-7 record this season, Rhoder, a middle blocker from Fort Bend Austin High School, was named a National Junior College Athletic Association first team All-American for the second straight season.



Jurek (center) congratulated the overall jog winners, including boys' champion Michael Montano (left) and girls' champion Hope Ortiz. Submitted photos

Laura Bush Elementary second-graders write letters to Santa Claus

The following are letters written to Santa Claus from Laura Bush Elementary second-graders:

Maria Trela's Class
How have you been? For Christmas I would love cokes and melk to rest. I won't see you for Christmas can you leave me a note for Christmas. How wouldn't two dogs for Christmas for my baby brother and I because my brother needs sam thing to play with you are so nise to children. I love you Santa.

Amelia
How have you been Santa. Thank you for the elf out Ms. Waiters room and my house. First I have a few requests first I want a hover board because I dont want to whak because it egsting but rolling is beter. Sekent I whont the nerf rino-fire because me and my brother can do a nerf ware. Please thank you! and have a merry krismus.

Miguel
I love you you are the best. I would like some shoes because I need some for school I would like some jordans. And can you get me some more clothes because I am running out of them. How are the elves doing?

Alexis
How do you now that we want for crismas? I have a couple of requests. First I will like a foot tube with woder and marbells, and a fack kitted. How does the raners fly. **Kim**
I have been good in 1 month and I've got milk and cookies ready for you and if you make a mess, that's ok. Also, my list is ready and I want a kang computer kit, because I can, hack mincraft, watch you tube and more!

Alek Escobedo
Santa How are you today? I wude love to have a dog because they are flufey and ud-bol, and a amr grol dall close, and the bes dege is a gre elf in the shelf and hav dog grads, and dos cars that dhay move by it sefe, and have a god day Santa. **Ana Sofia**
Are you busy with your elfs? Could I have a Elf on a shelf I love those. Also could I have Hachimals and a pony that are in people. And a snow-globe and barbies with clothes. And a toy of you and three of the Elfs.

Amaris
Santa How do you make preses they are so cool and I hop ever one in the wrold gets a preset and I like uore elf on the chelf it is butfole.

Alexander
How have you been? How do you deliver presents all over the world in one night this what I rele want a nefu gun because I wisht fo this forever. **Bronson**
How are you I know you have a busy time. I don't know if I have a chimney but I think that I have an elf on the shelf but if I don't then can I please have one because I want a friend and see if I have been good and I hope you have a grate time. And I think I will make some food for the rain-dears and I will make some cookies for you and my mom or my dad will help me make some cookies.

Van
How are you being? May I acek how old are you? I am 8 you proball no. I have a couple of requests. First I wuld like a name for my 2 elf. And a big present you can poot wut ever you like in it. I hope you have a nise year!

Brendan
I know your busy making kids toys but can you make a prient for my dog Buster but if you don't have time you don't have to if you have time. Santa can you make a prient for my family. Please and I want 3 or 5 prients Santa okay. I want a chark it saids I love Santa. Some fake nails, some elf that you can make Santa oh and last thing a bot-

tal and lunch box thank you oh yeah because sometimes I want to take a lunch! **Ashley**
How have you been? you have a good day Santa? I can give you malk and cook-ie. I hope you have a good day Santa. Can you give me a gifts?

Diey
How do your elfs get magic. Have you been making presents. First, I would like a lego batman set because I know if I have a lot of lego but I want to built a masif city. Next, I want a power ranger toy because I want a new one!

Jaren
How is your day Santa? You must be really busy on crismas Day. I hope you have a great! crismas How many raindeers do you have. What do you do in your spare time, do you know if this year is gonna be bad or good. I was wondering if the Elfs are good. What day or time go to houses and give presents. Do you actually give coal Why do you live in the north pole. What you do when elfs make the presents do you help them.

Evan
How many elf's are there? I think Lucy wants a friend. Oh and Lucy been good!! I hope I am on the nice list. Can I have some cole's for my doll. Some times Lucy Saez she love you. Molly want a toy to. Do not get sick, stay safe!!

Maddison
How have been this year? I have some requests. Do you like chococoll milk with your cookies. And this will make my year if my little sisetr bella can have a bubble gubes scool play set because she loves to watch bubble gubs. And can I have a leog friends of emma's house because I love to bild. And I hope you stay very warm this time of year.

Aileen
Hope you get a lot of rest and thank you for giving presents to evry one evry year I really, really want that elf can you tell who ever you are sending is it ok if I call it Zack or Max and I hope you have a mxy Christmas! And thank you for the elf's in my class room's. Thank you for evry thing! Bye!!! **Damian Chavez**
Marry Christmas I hope that you are taking care of Rodolph. A couple things I want for Christmas are a new bed for my puppys Audrey, Zoey, and Fluffy Also one thing I have begging my dad for is the helo dream house it talks and it is so fun!

Celeste
Can you give me an elf i rilly want one but can you give me a real muskit please if you had one that would be rilly awsome I have some reacts I would like some army toys and a toy mechs. **Karim**
How is everthing going you would like to have a nintendo of super mario bros 2 game and a nintendo switch game of super mario odessy game, and my baby sister want's a barbie toy. I hope you have a good christmas day.

Giovanni
You are so cool and nice and helpful to my friends and my teachers and you are so pererty and I know that came to get ever bodys houses and to get ever bodys candys and toys. **Fatima**
Are you doing fin. I want to ask you something can I get a time mushin. Can I also get a puppy for my dog please.

Devion Livings
How are you Santa are you are you going to be at my house I hope you stay warm on Chirmas Santa and I will left cookies for you and milk for you stay warm santa.

Jorden Francis
How are you doing time is olett thogs I want three thongs a cat and I want a bick then a elf. **David**
I hope you and the Elf's

are doing good I hope that you are ready for chirmas can you please give me a Elf on the shelf toy please and a bik because I want to learn how to rid a bike and santa can you give me new books because I like reading books at school and I want lots of play do!

Noah
How are you? Can you please git me an elf for my houses? I will be really good. **Aubry**
How was your day?Have you been working all day. I would request to have a puppy. And a toy please. And can you please get my note on the chirmas tree. And I think you too. You are gonna do a great job. Okay Santa.

Tory
How is your workshop going. Just to let you no I have been so good Here are a fer thing that I want I want a pet dog the next thing I want is a spy prurse from prochet mc square and that is it and I will give you cookie! **Brooklyn**
How is everything going? Are you getting me a lot of cakes. Can you giving me a lot of prizes.

Donald Edwards
How are you doing? Are you giting chily in the north poll. You are so cool. But I think Maya was trying to sap-come me because some times I came home my cup with the flors that my dad gave me! And am I on the notthy or nice list? And on Crismas may I have a puppy they are so cutt and I allways wantid to have one or some. And tell me if I a notthy or nice an tell me if I can have the puppy or not.

Amyah
Dow days did you counc. I want a supr smash bros wiuu game. I think you are on a north boll. But you counc in Dec. 25. I think your elf is at awrr school. I hope you have a gra day today! **Chris**
Kristi Emiler's Class
Greetings I know you are real but my older sister thinks you are not real so I wanted to write you this letter. I know Christmas is not all about presents it's about friends and family you spend time with your family and friends. Anyways I don't even want a present cause I have too many toys. And I think I'm half naughty and half nice. But I'm gonna try to be nice. And I want to try to be nice to my enemys. And if I get a present I would rather give it to my family in case I change my mind. And I would want to know more about Mrs. Claus and please write back. And 20 more days until Christmas. And before I end this letter I wish you a merry Chirmas.

Tracy Bui
How are you? I would like to see you. Can I have a Elf on the shelf. And a toy puppy and snowman. My brother wants a xbox one. I have been a good girl. My dog wants a big bone. I will leave milk and cookies. I am not joking. I love you. Santa you are cool I like you. You are my hero like your presents your rule.

Ayana
How is the wether doing Santa! I want makeup and minny maws toys and books. Slime and ordese and a jar that can make my room smell good like flowers. I want a cat toy for my cat minny villarreal. My sister wants some rolksas and a bonsh of candy. My 2 brothers wants poptwrl and cars to play with in the rv. I want a bonsh f makeup and erings. Ples santa.

Jaslyne Villarreal
This year I want to find out if your real Well Im writing a letter to you so I suppose your real. I belive in you I have never herd of someone not beliving in you I love reading crismas and cam jansen well eam janson isnt crismas related. I hope I am on the nice

Olivia Trevino
How are you doing Santa. I am doing grate and I love chirmas it is my faverit time of the year. Santa ow is mis Claus doing my little name is Alex for chirmas I want if bother he is deyth I woude I would like if my family gets what they like espshly my cousin chrisman en has ben thro a lote so pless help him.

Iliana
How are you this year!

list I have been trying to keep my room clean so I could step thure my room without stepping on something speaking of stepping on something my dad has stepped on a cord the part that goes in the outlet I hope you can get him something to help his foot case it is swollen I hope it gets better. I know how hard it is to deliver presents to every kid in the USA So I hope you get some rest like my dad you and my dad deserve it thank you santa for every thing like giving evry single kid in the usa a present thank you thank you very much!

Gabriel Trevino
I hoping to see you this year if you can this is want I want a bike for me and my babie brother. I want a truck that you can get in and drive it and a game and a toy t-rex for my little babie brother and a battle ship toy and a new computer for my mommy. And a cool new sun class is and also for my little babie brother.

Angelo
I look forwed to seeing you beakaz the elves hucia to work 365 days a yere that sure does take hard work I hope you visit me this yere I hope I am on the nice list and can you get small bone for my sisters dog and 4 big bones and fore my mom more close and can we get 400 bukse. I want a hot weles truck and a sky lander pood more sky landes and a Re car and a hot whelles car and a remote control car.

Kolly
How are you. I want a mega pack amazing tracks. I want a radio. A science pack. My dog wants a big bone. My dad wants a rifle. I want a lego death star. I want a star wars cup. A robot firsh. A robot. A wig. A pig. A office. A house. New clothes. A jacket food. I want evry thing. fish. cat. dog. tigers. Mrs. Claus you're pretty. Your nice you're cool. You're the best. You have nice hair.

Amarcio
How are you Santa! I am a rilly good kid in school. I won't a elf on the shelf for Chirmas pleas! For Chirmas I won't a compeater. And I won't some candy. On Chirmas I allow won'ty squisy. That slowly riyts and they are like food or like a yonecorn and. They have rambows and they have santas or a snow man. I am gowing to leav you your elfs and Mrs. Clous some cookies. And I am gowing to leav you some milke. And I am gowing to leav you rand-er some food outside so they won't be hungry. **Natalie Soto**
How is the weather? Is it hard? Tell roof hello. Have I been notty or good? Some people in my family says you are not real. and they say you are just in a fake suit but my dog needs a bone so can you get one for him. I've been good, or notty. I want a xbox one please and a football.

Jacob
How are you? Maybe all I want is a kitten I give you my wishlist if it just says a kitten then all I want is a kitten. Can the elfs come soon? Cuse I really want to see them soon and can you get me some snow? Or just bring me some fake snow get something for all of my family. And Sofi and Rico to and maybe I will put some food outside for your rain-deers I hope I have been good and I hope I am on the nice list I hope I will get to see you on crismas day. **Olivia Trevino**
How are you doing Santa. I am doing grate and I love chirmas it is my faverit time of the year. Santa ow is mis Claus doing my little name is Alex for chirmas I want if bother he is deyth I woude I would like if my family gets what they like espshly my cousin chrisman en has ben thro a lote so pless help him.

Iliana
How are you this year!

Your cool I want to see you and your elf's I like elf's their are funny like clowns to me! I'm going to give you cookies and milke. Can you give me a ps3 and a will with super mario go carte I love games like N8ak18 and MIB 17 and maenden 17 for me my little sister wants a elf on the shelf she wants a boy elf we are going to name him lassaac flores the elf on the shelf.

Fernando Flores
How the weatr ther at the North pole. The Elf is good. how are you. are you good with evry. I bet it is cold ther at the North pole. how Mrs. Claus. What I want for chirmas my list is not long. Fist I want is a lol surpris a elf on the shelf book a hair boll to and I want that for, yay. **Sansa-Ray**
I was wondering if you could come to my house on chirmas Eve. I brought cookies and hot milk my mom, brother and me help put the decoration on the chirmas tree. All I wish for chirmas is a new ipad. I hope you enjoy my dear Santa letter. And my house is clean and it smells fresh and clean. hope you enjoy it.

Dawson Tran
Hi Santa how are you doing. I have been looking forward to see you and Mrs. Claus. I have been good during the school year. Every year Mrs. Claus reads the kids a book. Evry Chirmas my cousins come with me to see you and Mrs. Clause. The hole place is all ways crowd. We got to sit on Santas lap. **James**
I look forward to seeing you! Can I get a backyard playmole set, a seson 2 Roblox toy I have a quation how many elfs I work in the work shop? There must be a lot. My mom would like a necklace. My brother would like a football or basketball. My dad would like a laptop or computer. If you did it you are so nice! Thank you!

Kathleen Tran
Can I plesse have a nuthr doll house. It will go good with all my athr doll houses if I do get a nuthr doll house I promis I will no play on my sister Iphone anymore or you can give me a I phone five. I now I am to yode to have a phone but my Ipede is boring so plesse give me a doll house or you can give me a Iphone five. Or you can give me both of them so if you dot now wich one to give me you can ghasht give me bot.

Melina Flores
I always wanted to take a poto with you. And I want a spris for my techers a gift because thear the best techers ever. And I love chirmis. Ok santa. Santa can you get my mom and dad plesse ok my mom wanted a mack up kit and my dad wanted a new job and my little sister named Delilah she waned a mack up kit and I waned a new toy. I love my family. And my dog wanted a new bols.

Giselle Esparza
I like you a lot oh chirmis. I rily want a toy that wrks beacas last year I did not get a toy that wrks. I want a yoyo and a big monster high doll. My las word is I love you santa. I want my mom to get a ring. I want my dad to get 1,000 dollers. I want my sister to get a toy mouse. I want my brother to get a big toy car. I want a baby puppy and a bab kitty. **Ruby Reyes**
I look forward to see you and Iv'll been really good this year I've been good since I was a baby and my brother Thomas he said he wants a new phone because he broke his old one and santa i want a Lego set and a barbie car set and a new lop top because at my house I ac-idently spilled some wanter and I was pressing the on button and it did not work so plesas get me a new loptop please. **Tina Tran**

I look forward to seeing you I havint seen you in a long time, I miss you I will see presents under the Christmas tree and santa tell mis claus I miss her to! I want her to come with you to it will be fun if I were you! but I miss both of you. My nmom said she miss you to and my dad and sister miss you to! but I hope to see you.

Chassidy T. Wilson
I look forward to seeing you! I want a xbox with mini kraf I also want a Astros fig spinner and a teaxns fig spinner and a teaxns football a zombie nerf gun and laser tag games I want my family have a presint for Chismas I want to not want my family to get me fives night freedys carpit I want them to get me a wach about fives night freedy and new showes and a Astros shert.

Isaiah Villeda
I look forward to seeing you! Your elf's are fun and chriky even which we try to find them. One of them is in a bucket the other one is one was in the plant were are they going to be next time. And what I want for Chirmas is an elf on the shelf. What my mom wants for Chirmas is to keep her house clean. What my dad wants to go hunt deer. What my dog wants a big bone what my sister wants is a box with crayons in it. My other sister wants new shoes. That is all the chirmas gifts. **Eduardo**
I look forward to see you and your reindeer fly in scaie with you'r slay. I am kind and karing to my family and friends and my teacher I al-was love your presents every year I love decrating to and I love hanca and qanza I love dradls and choclit coyns! and the family trdishins and for chrimis i want a Amaruicindall and i am going to give spizezz with butyful paper with a prity ripin and play lots of games and lots of crismis shows and on crismis evea I open onley one prezent befor chrimis.

Katrina Perez's Class
Hello Santa!! It is me Naomi, how are you doing? I can't wait for Christmas to come!! I am so excited that Christ-

mas is coming soon!! Santa three things I want for Christmas is a elf on the shelf and a brand new rainbow hert bike. The last thing that I want it is not a gift but I want Houston to snow a lot!! I forgot to tell you that I want the elf to be a girl. Thank you santa and have a Merry Christmas!!! **Naomi**
Hello Santa!!! It's me Brady! How are you doing? How is the rindear? Are you ready? I have been good and I hope no body laugh at ru-doulth nose. I hope you and Ms. Clase have a really really really good Christmas. I would like a purse for my mom, and I want my dad's truck fixed, and I want golden kicks for my brother. **Brayson**
Hello Santa!!! It's me Gisele! How are you? How is Ms Claws also? Are you ready for crismas? I'm not!! I have been really REALLY good! Thank you for letting Lucy come. I like Lucy here. I want a Elf on the Shelf and a toy. Plz! Thank you. **Gisele**
Hello Santa. It's me Brooklyn! How are doing? How is the elf? can you get me a dog and a toy dog and a toy cat for Christmas because I have been good. Really, Really, good for Christmas. So can you get me the toy cat and a toy dog and a dog but if you can It's ok. but I hope you a toy. Thank you.

Brooklyn
Hi Santa!! Its me Gianni! How are you doing? How is your elfs? Are you ready for Christmas? I'm READY!!! I have been really, really, Good. I know you are busy, but if you can make my wish come true, here it is...I would like a xbox one. If you can't get me a xbox one, can you get me a diary of a wimpy kid, old school? Thank you Santa! I am wishing you well and a Merry Crismas.

Gianni
Hello Santa!! It's me Will! How are you doing? How is the reindir? Are you ready for Christmas? I am. I have been really really good!!! I am in 2nd grade for my very first time in 2nd grade. I will like a dirt bike and a fourwheeler. **William**
Hello!!! Santa how are you doing? I want to meet you. I

like the presis that you give to me. I open them! When I open the presis, you give me what I wanted. This Christmas I want you to make it snow and if you cannot make it snow then I will like you to give me a drowne for Christmas.

Alexander
Hi Santa how are you doing? Remember me, Dani A? How are you and the raindeer doing? If you can get me an iPhone 7 but if you can't you can give me coco the DVD or a mincraft plushy.

Daniel A.
Hi Santa! It's Rachel! Thanks for giving the class a elf! Are you ready for Christmas? Is your raindeer Okay? Hope they don't make a accident. What I wished for Christmas is...three packs of poké-cards, A Daring Doo pony, and a Elf on a shelf. Please bring those toys because they are on my wish list. I will be thankful if your nice. One question, Am I on the nice list? I am going to miss you next year, but I wish you a merry Christmas. I won't forget about Ms. Claus! I wish you two a merry Christmas!

Rachel
Hello Santa!!! How are you doing? I have been really GOOD to my parents and Ms. Perez. I can't wait to open my presents! So...what I want for Christmas is a drawing tablet. My tablet broke. Last I want 5 colors of acrylic paint (red, onage, sky blue, purple and yellow). And if you don't have paint you could send me small candles. And Merry Christmas!

Steven
Hello Santa!!! It's me Devin. How are the Rain-deers? Are they ready to fly? How are the elfs? Are they ready to build toys? I been really good!!! Are you ready for Christmas because I AM! I know your busy but can you give me my presents? I want black and white hirochies and I want red hirochies and a bape mask. I hope you have a great day. Bye! **Devin**
Hello Santa!! It's me Destin. Do you remember me? I just want n't to see if your rain deers are ok? And I want to see how are you doing? I have been very good and I wish

for...I wish for an easy bake oven, and a iphone seven. I wish you a Merry Christmas!!! **Denym**
Hello Santa! How are you doing? I'm doing great at home. I was nice to my brother and family. I really want my wish to come true. And my name is Jocelyn. I know you were really nice to kids. I may be want a toy as good. I will like Shopkins. Your so nice. If you forgot my toy it's still ok. Even if your nice, it means that your sweet. I really like you because your really nice. I seem like living with you as good. I like snow, and I like your weather. your weather is cold but I like cold. And am I on the nice list? **Jocelyn**
Hello Santa!!! It's me Key. How are ya and you'r reindeer. When I go to bed I will tell my parents to make a snack for you!!! I heard sound like the door and you putting presents. You stoped by my house! I would like a nerf cool regulator. If you can not get me it then let it snow here and get ready for the most wonderful time of the year! If you'r rein deer wis-perer salad. I want to meet you and you'r elfs and your wife!!! So make me up and I'll put on my jacket and we will go and Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas Santa and your elfs and your wife!

Kevin
Hello Santa!!! its me Eliz-abeth! How is raindeers? are you ready for Christmas? How are you doing? Santa are raindeers ready to fly for Christmas? Are you ready for Christmas eve? I am! I was really really good! I am lthad listor the nice list? I want for Christmas is cat and a rainbow dash toys because their on my Christmas list. I hope you come for Christmas! Santa is my sister good? **Elizabeth**
Hi Santa! I am Lucas N if you don't know. I am pretty good. I am ready for chrimis. Sorry if I spelled chrimis-miss wrong. But how are you doing? I want a toy. But I can't get me a toy. Give me a another toy. Are you ready for chrimis? My sister wants little pet shop toys. I think my sister wants a iphone too. But merry chrimis!!! **Lucas**

South Belt helps with toy, food drive



Students and staff members at South Belt Elementary joined other area schools to participate in the Leader toy drive for needy children. They collected new, unwrapped toys to help spread the season's spirit. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Simone Jones; Malachi Cabalero; Hannah Walker; Marley Manriquez; Matthew Martinez; (back row) Elijah Barron; Paris Valencia; Liam Thomas, Lakitha Green, counselor; Chacidy Carter; Candy Howard, principal; Evan Treadway; and Isabella Rembert. Photo by David Flickinger

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21
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 for details.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 2245 N. Main, Pearland. For details, call 713-856-1611.
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park - has dance lessons Thursdays, following the senior luncheon. Lewis and Betty Whistler teach lessons in two-step, triple two-step, west coast swing and night club two-step at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. A \$25 activity card is required for nonresidents which is free to senior League City residents.
6 p.m.
Texas German Society, South Belt (SE) Chapter - A social group focused on the culture, music, heritage and language of Texas German immigrants. Meets the third Thursday, monthly, 6 p.m., Fellowship Hall of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Visitors welcome. Call 281-481-1238 for details.
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.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 - 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22
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 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, DECEMBER 23
7:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - "Breakfast with Bill", Saturdays, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787, or drop in.
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 for details.
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.
CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24
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.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 to 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.
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.

CHRISTMAS DAY MONDAY, DECEMBER 25
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.
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.
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.
Noon
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., 77089. For details, call Russell at 832-483-6715.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26
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.
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.

CLASSIFIEDS

Reap the Horn-of-Plenty, in jobs, homes, articles, autos, business opportunities or anything in this whole wide world you can imagine.

CALL TODAY

South Belt-Ellington Leader

11555 Beamer Road

281-481-5656

Continued on Page 4B

25 Words - \$8 for 1 week - 3 Weeks - \$21; Business: 25 Words - \$10 for 1 week • 3 Weeks - \$27

LEADER READERS

AUTO
FOR SALE: 2008 Ford Fusion 61k miles \$6.9K or \$1200 down, 2013 F150 FX2 59k miles \$25.5K or \$2500 down. Financing Available. WAC. 979-308-4599 or tmautosalestx.com or tmautosales.com 12-28

COMPUTER
COMPUTER REPAIR. South Belt Area. Free Estimates. New Computers For Sale. Deal with a Technician Not a Salesman. Call Harry 713-991-1355. 1-25 SOUTHBELT - Data-Systems - Hard Drive Recovery - Linux

Installation. 10909 Sabo, Suite 120, 281-481-0909. E-mail: sds@walkerlaw.com TF
MISCELLANEOUS
FOR SALE: Fully-electric hospital bed and mattress by Medline, Model #MDR107003E. Practically new. \$500 Call 713-417-1106. 12-28

FOREST PARK EAST CEMETERY: Three spaces, choice location Section 206, lot 89, spaces 7, 8, 9. Call 281-487-7932.

REAL ESTATE
HOUSE FOR RENT 3/12 Kirkwood South. Call: 713-306-1784. 12-28

HELP WANTED

Baywood Crossing Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center
Is seeking experienced full time and part time CNAs.
If you want to work in a dynamic and fulfilling team environment, then Baywood Crossing is for you.
We offer competitive pay rates and benefits.
Please stop by and complete an application at 5020 Space Center Blvd. in Pasadena or give us a call at (713) 575-1800

DRIVERS
\$5000 Sign-On!
Big Miles=Big Money!!
Company, Lease, or O/O.
CDL-A, with H&T End.
866-451-4495

SB students ask Santa for presents, wishes

Continued from Page 4A
Are you feeding you reindeer? I want a game called spoo, and pokemone games, and ants of the undergrof. Thank you. Age 7.
Idunu Baruwed-Etti
How are you? How is Mrs. Claus and Rudolph? I want for X-mas, is a phone case for a iphone, 4, hachudi, Big turtul stuffed animal, elf on the shelf, more craft stuff Age-7.
Emma Olvera
How are you? How is Ms Claus and Rudolph and the reindeer? Are the elves doing good? All I want for Christmas is a iphone and a pop up night vision nerf gun, and legos, a new toy arrow. Age 7 in a Half.
Miguel Angel Galan
How are you? I will give you cookies and milk. I want slime, Jojo Siwa my life doll, and Jojo bows, Dog, have a great chrissmiss and I want a elf friend. Joking! Age 9.
Lariah Houston
I Love you, how are your reindeers? I hope Mrs. Claus is ok. For Christmas I want to have a dollhouse, and Skates, and a big pretty doll. Age 7.
Rya Hurd
How are you and your elfs? I have been good in school. I believe in you. I want a DC Super hero dolls, some num noms, and monster high dolls! Age 8.
Jordyn Rodriguez
I would like a nerf gun Please. How is your reindeer? By the way can I have a Phone (iPhone 7?) and Rudolph, your nice. Santa you bright my day. I love you Santa I've Been nice How is the elves? I will like 200 million Dollars. I love you Santa!! How is Mrs. Claus? I'm 7 years old.
Dexter Sullivan
My life is Good Santa. I want a Nonm Nial Posh Maker, and a Barbi Drem House, and Logo Friends. I will give you cookies to eat and your reindeer carots to eat. My Dad want a tv and Laren want a popey hair and a minnie house. Age 8.
Betheny Avelar
How are you doing? How are the reindeer? I want a game for my nintido switch and a car set and a toy car. My brother wants a pikachu. Have a nice day. Age 7.
Isaiah Machado
How are your elves. Can you tell Mrs Claus to bake a cake? I really want a nintando switch but I think my mom is going to get it. Age 7.
MJ Olayimika
How are you doing and how is Mrs Claus? I hope your reindeers have a lot of energy so I can ride your sleigh and can I have a puppy and a kitten that is sooooooo cute plz Age 7.
Thien Nguyen
how is your elfs? I love rudolph and you too. I hope you bring me presents. I want a cute puppy and I want a Book and a Game. Please. Age 7.
Lori Suarez
how are you Doing? I will give you cookies for christmas. This is what I want for christmas. kitten, hoverbord, hotfries, spinning char. LPS. age 7 1/2. **Audrey Russell**
I hope you are doing good. For christmas I would like a Phone and I would like a doll house, a gainit doll house, and a rock and roll doll. I love you. Age 8.
Hailey Naughton
How are you? Dont worry I believe in you. so I want a Nintendo switch, a oculus rift, a brain saw, a iphone 7, Gorn Crazy fishing. Lone echo Arms, Zelda, Mario. Odyssey, Super bomb man. Age 7.
Bryce Edwards
How is your wife? Is your elves fine? Is Rudolph okay? I want for christmas is a dert Bike, and a lego set, and 3 halo Nerf guns and a puppy Also a lazer set. Merry Christmas! Age 7.
Roberto Granados
How is Mrs Claus? and rudolph? Santa, I want a pokémon cards. Santa I want a iphone, Santa I want pfeace skyhigh. Santa, my brother would like a figi cube. Merry Christmas. Age-7.
Jayne Martinez
Jody Finch's class
My name is Donovan I am 7 years old. I have been really real good this year. I have been hlep-fal for my mom, Dad, Brother and sister. really real want a bike because it's so cool a can you please bring me a iphon x so I can play games with me friend. I will be good for ever and ever. I reall love christmas I've been nice to ever baddy. I wish I saw you in person one day. I love you r'ese and reindeers. I love christmas. I love when I open presents.
Donovan Martinez
Hi my name is Kayla I am 7 years old. What I want I want new heleys and all the good kids to get presents. I want the heleys.cause there like skates and I like that. I want all kids to get presents.cause they deserv it. I been a good girl I help my mom clean up and I get money to buy Christmas gifts. THANK YOU Santa.
Kayla DeRobles
My name is Logan I am 7 years old. I've been Tried to be good. I've tried my best. I've been doing what my Parents say. Ant I obayd their commands. I've also been good at school. Can you please bring me a set of lagos. And a cooking set. So I can cook toy food. And some lagos so I can build. Thank You And mary christmas. Hope you have a good christmas.
Logan Stewart
Hi my name is Isaiah and I'm seven years old. I've been trying my best to be good. For christmas I will like a Roblox card because Roblox is the best game. Another thing is star wars Kyo ren's ty giftther because legos are my favo-
Isaiah Ambriz
Hi my name Joseph. I have been great! I would like a hoverboard and Roblox toys and Roblox cards 5 or 999 and ps4 pro with two controls with mine craft and roblox. Thank you and how are you and Ms. Claus tell her I said Hi.
Joseph Bello
I am 8 years old I try my best to not be mean. To clean what I need to now this is what I want I want everybody to be happy also to be in gymnastics and why I want to be in gymnastics because I want to learn new skills oh and why I want everybody to be nice so people don't be left out thank you and merry christmas.
Jasmin Hernandez
My name is Grace and I try my best every year like when I was brave. And I, 1 year younger than my sister which is 8. Every crismas we celebrate at the dojo, at home, and at my other house. I want the dicney calisle and Rigaanna shadow calsel. Both. Because I love buidling. Wishing you a very merry crismas and a safe trip thank you!
Grace Nguyen
Hi I am Miguel. I am 7 years old. And I have been waiting a long time for Christmas. Plas my birthday is coming up so what I want for chismas is a stack of money and a toy car because my old one work. I've been a good boy I hope you bring me all this stuff. Oh and I wish you a merry Christmas.
Miguel Johnson
Hi! My name is Kinora. I just turned 8. I have been being good at school. A lot. So Santa I was wondering if I can have a plushie of Freddy. And may you please bring me a plushie po you? I have been trying my best to be good. But I just hope you have a good trip! And I was very thoughtful! Thank you. I have been making lots of friends every year.
Kinora Ploucha
I am Hayden I have been all year. Please get me a Netendou. So I can play on it after school. And I want a new net for my trempon sowl I can play with it.
Hayden Walker
Hi my name is Liliana I am 7 years old. I have been really really good every year. I do my best to clane my room do the dish and be Happy! Can you plas give me LOL surprise Doll. and a Amarien give Doll because I claan my room and they are COOL I hope you have a safe trip and maery chasara thank you.
Liliana Salazar
My annie is Alessandra Garza I am seven years old. I have been trying to be amazing. I love you Santa! I really really really wish for my friends to come back to my school. I miss them there names are Gianna and Arianna. They are my best friends. A know the thing I want is for my parents to get back together. I have been sad because my parents have not been together. Please get me my wishes. Thank you Santa Merry Christmas.
Alessandra Garza
Hi my name is Adam I am 8 years old I have been really good this year I helped my gramma Build her house she really needed help so I was wondering if I can get a lava lamp and one transformer toy please if you get this note can you get me the toys I wanted thank you have a good Christmas Love santa
Adam Cid
I am Jacob. I've been good all year. Can you please give every kid in the whole world what they wanted and can you please give me a drone. **Jacob Aguirre**
Hi my name is Devin and I was really good and I am seven years old and I want lego mincraft to play with and I want a jolly lolly christmas.
Devin Aguilera
Hi my name is Alayna. I am 7 years old. I have been very very good. I help my friends with their work. And for crismas I would like 2 books for crismas because I love to read A lot the books I want are Lucy the littles puppy and The kidnapped kitten because I like to learn all the time. And thank you santa for the presents. And A holy joly crismas. And A safe ride. Merry crismas.
Alayna Rodriguez
My name is Adrian I am 7 years old. I have been good this year. because I play nice and i done my homework. I was wondering since I have been so good you can bring me present. I want a phone for Christmas and a Ho Wheel. because i dot have a phone and I want a Hot Wheel to play with my brother. Thank you.
Adrian Garza
My name is Danica. I am 9 years old. I have been really really really nice. I do my chores I have a grat spider. I was wondering if you can give me a chocolate pen and a phone. Thank you.
Danica Williams
My name is Kayla Im 8 years old I have been really really good I help my mom clean every thing I help my sister vacume and I help my brother clean his bed. I was wondering if you can give me a very big Bear and a toy puppy to. oh and I want to now a I pray about my family thank you sant.
Kayla Thomas
My name is Luke Kellen and I am 8 years old, and I have been really good, and I have helped my family a little bit. I have helped my homework. since I have helped my family can I have a tablet saw I can play on it, and can I have a DS to play on it, and to take picture. thank you! **Luke Kellen**
My name is Lisa. I'm 8 years old. I've been good this year. I helped my parents, my sister my cousins, and my grandparents. Since I've been good can you get me 2 wishes. My first wish is a new pair of shoes from Adidas. My second wish is for my parents. My mom needs money to take care of me and my sister. My dad needs money to buy medicine. The shoes are for me to catch up to my sister. Thank you! Have a safe Christmas! **Lisa Ngo**
My name is Julie I am 9 and 1/2 year old. I have been really really nice this year I have played with a 2 year old she is nice I hope you give gir toys I want a pony that looke like rebewdsh with pink highlighte I want to Legos hdmec be cuz I wout to play with my Dad. I want a pony becuz I wot to bet my brud in a race. If you bring me this presin I will be happy, can you bring 21 goodie bags for my classmats trach you santa love you **Julie Rich**
My name is Brandon McNeal Im 8 years old. I been so good so I been doing evrything my mom says so I was wandering if I can have a puppy and a xbox-one please. I need one so my sisters puppy can have a friend to play with I need a x-box-one so I can play online with my cousin thank you santa. **Brandon McNeal**
My name is Marissa im 7 and a half. I been sooooooo good and really really really good and nice. I help my mom and dad, and what I want for christmas is a poppy shoes and a puppy. so I can play with it thank you santa. **Marissa Martinez**
My name is Emma Rebecca Parker. I am 7 years old. I was n't so good this year but im trying better. For christmas I want a gymnastics bar to practice doing flips. I also want the worlds largest gummy worm. **Emma Parker**
My name is Kayleigh I am 7 yrs old I have been relly nice Take care of my sibling but I have been fighting with my sister but I have a few things I want for Christmas. I want a new bike and I want a guitar I want a bike so I can ride it I want a guitar so I can play it with my grandpa. PS have a safe trip. **Kayleigh Broussard**
My nam is Paul and i am 9 and ive been good so I want to know if i can get a billion dollars so i can buy my own STUFF and i want to see my mom and see show for the first time. Thank you **Paul Hernandez**
My name is Anabella Cancel. I am 8 years old. I have a Elf on The Shelf They keep on mouking a mess can you tell them to clean there mess. I want a puppy for christmas. I want a puppy for christmas is for a bubbly for my dogez. I want a bike for christmas because my bike is little and its broken. Houve a great trip. **Anabella Cancel**
Hi! My name is Kailynn. Im 7 years old. I have been really really really really GOOD! I play with myt brther's. I help my parents with christmas stuff. I was wondering if you can get me a computer and airdry clay! I want a computer so I don't play on my mom's computer. I want airdry clay to make stuff. Thank you Santa BYE! **Kailynn Scott**
My name is Sophia im 8 years old. I am good sometimes I hurt my brother in mitake. I will try my best to behave before christmas. I want an elf on the shelf and a 3ds XI so I love christmas even you! I got a Jolly spirit. PS. I love you santa I have more! I think carismas I coll I really like chirsmas have a nice trip!
Sophia Cleary
Hi my name is Trent im 8. I want a car and a Ipphone 8. because iv been wanting a iPhone 8. And a car because I like play with cars. When I've been good my mom gives me a treat. I love Chrismes. thank you for all the presents.
Trent Edwards
My name is Karson Edwards. I am 7 years old I want I bec good this year I want to be rich I love chrismas so much Thank you. **Karson Edwards**

REAL ESTATE

OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE
CONVENIENTLY LOCATED ON BELTWAY 8
281-481-5656 or 281-948-2714

Stuchbery Elementary students write to Santa Claus for Christmas

The following are letters written to Santa Claus from Stuchbery Elementary second-graders:

Tracy Duron's class
I know I'm kinda naghty but I'm going to try be good. Hers my chimsmas list. An a Hachamal and a American girl doll and a LOL and a big surprise a lot of LOL dalls an a lot of things for my American girl doll like the clothes. An all the Descendants 2 Dolls Pleas an the LOL Doll game.
Nevach
I want a X-Box. **Chris Jones**
I want for Christmas time I want a bobl game for Christmas, and a Elf for Christmas, and niners that fire Christmas, and a Choky, and lipstike, and a mira that's a drash and For you to have a Alex.
Alex
I want a American girl dalls, 1,000 quishy, Baby alive doll, Barbie dall close, shoes, boots.
Melonie Edozie
I ben a bad girl can you forgive me pleases and if you forgive me then can I get a new doll a boy and 5 LOL Dolls pleases Santa and 5 squshys and fake nells. you Don't give me anything oly my family.
Braylyn
I'm a good girl this year, Santa, can I get a 20 LOL Dolls and a Slime Set and a American girl doll and a 20 LOL Bady Sister and a bunch for Hactmal and a tow more Slime Set and a Jos Blow and a bunch for little Hatchmal.
Jermani Bernard
I want Ben ten Oma tricks and a fidget cube and a rubus cube and a fidget spinner and a wach, and mony so I can be rich. And a ben ten costoom my size. And orange juce.
Josiah
I want a computer and a Books and a Elf.
Sebastian
I had ban a bad girl. Plese forgive me Plese. What i want for Christmas is a American girl doll and a American boy doll and I want 2 of them and the clothes and a baby alive doll and a bareci-set and 5 Squshes and American boy dolls clothes and a Orbees crush set and a JoJ-JoJ set and a chokr from Chugers. Please.
Joyanna
I want a American girl doll and a baby Alive doll and to Slq-shys and a piant set and a slime set and a Shopkins set.
Alison Hernandez
For Crismas I want a PS4Yor and the Ninentendo Switch, and a 3dsXL and Dragon balls Z for PS-4PYo and Xznoblade cyounicals 2.

Isaiah
I have bean a Bad Boy Pleas fore give me. I will be good Jan you get me a Deda Pool kinda tall Lego whith a Army kinda tall Lego whith a tablit and a Stephen zryy kinda tall whith his team and Odell Becom tr whith his team kind tall with the teacns kind tall.

Amare
I was a good bad girl and I would like a Squishy and a hatchimal and a American doll and a camouflagge inket and some brown boots and some clothes and some- books headphons and some LOL dolls some swimsuits too and that's it.

Aurelia
I what for Christas is a bunch av big hatchmals and a laptop and a phone and a slime set and Ameri- can girl doll and 1.988 LOL dolls and a bunch of Jojo bows and can I have a elf this year. Elf is the best!

Trinity
I want a bike, X-Box and lots of games for my X-Box. I will leave you milk and cookies. Thank you.

Zachary
How are you doing? I hope your doing good. I like the toys that you gave me last year. I want Hatchmals collectables, a Big LOL Surprise LOL blind bags, and Yummy Nummis. I have been good.

Olivia J.
I hope your family is having fun, Mrs. Claus to. I would like a LOL Surprise kit and a realistic mincraft game for X-Box 1, and a Pink and black and blue control- lers, and a doll I'll leave you cookies and carrots for your reindeer. Don't forget Rudolph! Tell him that I said hi too. Love you, Santa. Thank you!

Lilly
How is your day? You're cute because you checks are as roses and nose as a cherry. I will leave some cookies that I have. Your reindeer Rudolph and other rein- deers are hungry. I left them car- rots for your reindeers. I hope it snows. Children play in the snow, and it is cold outside.

Ashley
Thank you for giving me a Playstation 4. You are so awe- some. I am going to leave you some cookies for you and car- rots for your reindeers and merry Christmas. This year I would like a bike and a Hatchamals 1.

Tammy
I'm thankful for you! Merry Christmas! I will like to get new toys because I got bad dodes... bad! So I will like toys, a 3Ds, and a skate bored, a lego mine craft, computer, and I been a good boy. I will leave food for you and your friends.
Marco T.

You are a good and jolly man. You give presents to good boys and girls every year. I want a Wii con- troller. I've been good this year so I want a X-box with three X-box controllers. That is what I want for Christmas I will leave you some cookies.

Troy
Thank you for giving me some presents last year and you are cool. This year what I would like is a new bike and a new doll and cookies and a paper to color. I will get cookies for you and some carrots for your reindeer.

Melanie
I hope you have a gratefulful and for Christmas I won't like a X-box DS and a Hachamal and a Dogman book and I will give you a cookie and a carrot for you rein- deer and I bin good and I will give you some milk too.

Denny
How are you? If you are give me a card under my present. Well I will leave you cookies and milk and some carrots for your reindeer. Thank you for my present from last year. I like them. I have been good. Can I get one dimond ring and a LOL doll and hacham! a unacorn that I can hang on the wall.

Linh
For Christmas this year I never had a X-vox and a puppy. I have never had wither and I have been good this year. My mom and I will make cookies for you. I will leave carots for your reindeer.

Angel V.
I hope your family is okay. You are amazing. Can I please get a LOL dolls and a bike. I will give you cookies and milk and some carots for your reindeer.

Sophie A.N.
How is the weather on the North Pole? You are so nice. Thank you for all the presents last year. I want the DS and X-box 1 with the white remotes and a Dog man book. I will leave Christmas cookies and milk.

Juan A.
I would like a DS X-Box 1 and Mohalk nelmint computer with a red mouse. You are amazing!

Michael
I love you for all the things you have gave me. You are awesome and I will Levau you some cookies for you and some carrots for you rein- deers and Merry Christmas this year I would like a LOL Doll 5 of those Hatchamals want 4 of those a Dagnan book a toy computer a Roudole toy to sleep with and a Santa one to sleep with. Thank you.

Rebecca
James Maslonka's class
Are ou ready for Christmas Santa. I hope you are safe may I have a X-box 2 and Santa give me all of the DVD games ty cup sur-

min shapr.

Andrew S.
How is Ms. Class. Are you radey for Christmas. I love you. But all I want for Christmas is a I Probe 8 and a camre. Ther is many more I want for Christmas but want I want for Christmas is my Mom and Dad and Nana to stop fiding. December the 5 is my Brthay. Thank you for my presys ever yere and imy anx- iously happy hoo and one more thing I want for Christmas is a Elf on the Shelf. Merry Christmas.

Autiana
How are you doing Santa Please can I have a X-Box One and are you redey for Christmas cause my favrite holiday is Chrise- mas with you. I love you just like God, and Santa it's getting so close to Christmas and I love Chrismas. I love you it is going to be the best holiday ever. Here's the things I want + Please Here I go. 1. X-Box 1 2. A Hamster 3. A Basketball 4. X-Box 2. Thank you have a Jol- ley Jolley Very Jolley Chrismas. I hope you have a great Chrismas. Have a great Christmas Santa.

Haylise
How is Miss Clus. Well I been good this year if you can have time can you bring me toys well I saw the lights an you oh an I want a puppy an shoes and shrits an pants well Merry Christmas.

Zayley
Are you ready for Christmas Ples can I get a Xbox5 i ben good and i hope you're happy. **Nicholas**
How is Mrs. Santa doing? I am seven year old how are you! I benn a good girl now & then. If you have time can you give me a barbie doll. And I also will like a dog. I have a elve in my house. I do not know what my sister & brother want for Christmas. My mom will like a dog to. I am going to give you cookies & milk in my room.

Liliana
Santa are you rrelay and deers for Christmas? if you have time can you get me a X Box for Christ- mas. I hope you are safe. I'm go- ing to left cookies and milk for you. Ow is the Elf doing? Santa is Mrs. Clays doing? Is Mrs. Clays gifing good food to you yes or no? if you have time can you give me a elf on a shef.

Adrian
I've been good evrey day. I will give you a present and I hope you like up. I've got a little song for you to remember we wish you a merry good Christmas and a happy new year and a nother song jingle bells rock and I hope Mrs. Claus is okay and I hope our reindeers are okay to and I hope that your sled is going to be hap- py and I have Christmas stuff I hope your truly Friends are your Friend realy working hard.

Taylor
Are you redey for Cremes and your rander ready to? fi tonite? and your elfs to flit? and you? and I love you, and your rander.

Aiden S.
I hoe you and Misis. Clous C.love a great Christmas, and I hope your rander are redey for Christmas. I hope you and your rander and elf on the Sheef and Misis Clous I hope you do not have eney Kids. **Julian**
How are you and Mrs. Claus and how is Roudoph and Comet. are you ready for Christmas? I am going to make cookies for you and I also forgot how are the elves what color is your sled do you have a mistole? I am so excited for Christmas!

Emily Nazario
Christmas is coing and I hope you are giting ready and this Chris- mas I will have cookies for you and I hope all the kids get what they want I love Christmas it is the best holiday wear all the kiddes have fun do I am so exsided for Chrisma so have a grt Christmas.

Heidi
I been a good boy this year. How have you been? Are the rein- deers ready? Can you give me a iPhone 8. How is Ms. Claus been? I am waiting for you. **Moises**
Are you redey for Christmas Santa? Pls can you get me a puppy, and a bee Spe. how is Mrs. Claus, and iPhone 8 and a elf on the self and a slush Maker. have a holly jolly Christmas.

Mia
I just want to say hi are the elf doing their job I hope you have a great year and I want for fist i want my two frotheet a iPohs 8 a small puppy a orbees small thing Spe. a siter or ipad 7 Shopkin books a new ipad pack gifts for my family Slime a pen a gif for my mom a cotton candy maker money candy new shoes. xxxoxoxo.

Serenity
I have been loogk for a eiver on the Shelver. I am waiting for Christmas. The holidays are very excited! Sow theis Christmas ev- eryone! Gave a happy holiday.

Raegan
I hope you are ready for Christmas. I hope Mrs. Claus feed you. I love Buddy because hes. is so funny. Now my kit wrod. Santa if you have time to can you bring me some chaptr books, and some stof toys.

Nevaen
How are you? I've been a good girl. How is Ms. Claus? It's almost Christmas. How are the elfs? Are your randeres ready, last year you do remember me? I like Texas now. I still love my home. I want a Diary. I love to color, do you Santa? I can make your face maybe? You are still the best present ever. I hope you have marry Christmas. Ho! Ho! Ho!

Michaela
It's getting really close to Christmas. I hope you and the rein- deer are ready. My wife says she'll watch for you on the NORAD radar this year. I bet they can't even see you up there. Please be safe. erin wants a new dog, so watch out. Kate is coming home, and she only wants a new sweater. Olivia says just bring new climbing shoes. Anyways, thank you. We all hope you are a great success! Mer- ry Christmas! **James Maslonka**
Cristel Hines' class
I would like for chrismas would be a ipad and a little stuffed rander. And would like a mini flash light. And would like emoji stuffed. And would like a watch, and a alarm clock. And a rander pillow.

Vivian C.
I want a Hatchimal, superhe- roes toy, piano, teadybear. I like chrismas. chrismas is the holiday some people like chrismas so as me. I hope you like chrismas. Mar- ry chrismas.

Jenny L.
I want for christmas is a hover- board and earrings and new bos and new jackets and jeans a baby dog and a computer and a pino and shirt.

Ta'Likki S.
I want a Harry Potter book. And some earring and a iphone 8 and a hatchmal calodol and a hatchmal! And a pair of Jordans. And a Nintendo Switch. And a gut- tar. And a violin. And a computer. And a piano.

Savannah M.
I want a hoverboard, and a ps4, xbox coputer, bow, arrow, shovs, Jordans, xbox1.

Harley S.
I want a xbox 1 and a campfire set and a fishing rod the xbox 1 is for playing games and the camp- fire set is for playing pretend and the fishing rod is for fishing with my family.

Kahlan T.
I want chaos! JK! (just kidd- ing!) But what I really want is...a new binder, a green card for my family, to meet Saint Nick, a tarp, 4 new clothes, a brand new mini card box I can fit in my pocket full of pokémon cards, books, 5 bookmarks, a stationery set a soft jacket like my sister, and outfit that looks like I've been in a sport team, 2 boxes full of pens for my dad, a little purse for me, more makeup for my mom, a car that has 2 seats for my brother, a bracelet for my sister, 2 new pairs of shoes some rolls of wrapping paper, some tight jeans, costumes for Halloween, super hero clothes, my paint set, a pencil sharpener, skip 3 grades, graduate collage in just 1 and a half year, the power to fly. P.S. If anyone is going to send this to santa, half his work shop will be full of my toys!!

Ca T.
I like a jacket a guitar a com- puter a Jordans and books like Dog Man and Harry Potter and a Nerf- gun and a bowarrow and ChirSaul and Nintendo Switch and a guitar and shirt and a hover board and a computer and a flashlight.

Devin S.
We want a lot ove things I want a lot ove things I want a stuffed animal and a Harry Potter and a bog and a lot ove book's and stedy things. And I want a lot ove sporte bolles.

Ivanney S.
I want a xbox constole I want a xbox one xonstole I want some money. To give to the poor I have a charity. I want some noe books, to track the money given by my chariti and a computer to play games and a stuffed animal.

Duran S.W.
I want earrings, a violin, stuffed animals, a computer. Can I fly?

Evelynn H.
For christmas i like a hat- comale. Some earrings and a vi- olin. and myhome. and when is jingles coming, and a book of dog man the tale of two kittens and a Nintendo Switch and the game is call one two three switch.

Emily B.
I want a violin, a coputer a shirt, a hatchable, a stuffed animal, a shoes, a shirt, a bow and arrow, a flashlight, a Nintendo Switch, a headband, a jacket, a hoverboard, a doll, a jeans, a ornaments. **Isela J.**
I want a guitar and a hover- board and a Nerf gun and a bow an arrow new Jordans and a Nin- tendow Switch and a soccer goals and a soccer ball and a Harry Pot- ter book and a xbox ones. **Gael G.**
I want a stuffed animal and a computer evrey a Nerf gun and a iPad evrey two 5 dorsy and a Mind Carkl sett.

Diego O.
Thes Christmas can you bring me a jacket, and toy super heroes, xbox, stuffed animals. **Iran W.**

CALENDAR

Continued from Page 3B

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26
10 a.m.
American Begonia Society – Houston Satellite meets on the fourth Tuesday, Clear Lake Park, 5001 NASA Pkwy. (on the lake side), Seabrook. For information, call Joe at 281-481-2458.

10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club – 299'er games Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call 281-480-1911 for details.

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

Noon
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 information, call 281-900-7257 or visit nalix@texascitizensbank.com.

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park – has beginner ballroom lessons taught by Eileen Bauerlein on Tuesdays following the senior luncheon at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. A \$25 activity card is required for non-residents (free to senior League City residents.)

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@sbc-global.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.

Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention – Call 281-286-2525 (24-hour crisis hotline) for confidential domestic violence/sexual abuse sup- port group for women. Visit www.bayareaturningpoint.org for information.

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28
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 for details.

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

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park – has dance lessons Thursdays, following the senior luncheon. Lewis and Betty Whistler teach lessons in two-step, triple two-step, west coast swing and night club two-step at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. A \$25 activity card is required for non- residents which is free to senior League City residents.

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 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous – Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 - 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27
7 a.m.
AAA Meeting – "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

10 a.m.
Clear Lake Bridge Club – Open games Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call 281-480-1911 for details.

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

1 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park – has free Hump Day Dance to practice ball- room dance, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card. 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 sup- port group for women. Visit www.bayareaturningpoint.org for information.

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28
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 for details.

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

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Hometown Heroes Park – has dance lessons Thursdays, following the senior luncheon. Lewis and Betty Whistler teach lessons in two-step, triple two-step, west coast swing and night club two-step at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy. A \$25 activity card is required for non- residents which is free to senior League City residents.

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 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous – Alcohol problems? Meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 - 8 p.m., St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta St. For details, call 713-306-4366 or 713-480-4166.

SERVICE

Leader Reader Ads

25 Words for \$8 • 3 Weeks for \$21

Business - 25 Words for \$10 • 3 Weeks \$27

South Belt AIR & HEAT INC.

Serving your neighborhood since 1982.

CALL FOR HEATING INSPECTION

Free Estimates on New Equipment



TACLB1954E



281-484-1818 4403 F.M.2351

GET IT TODAY!

100% Financing to Qualified Buyers



BONANZA AIR & HEAT

Someone You Can Trust • NEVER A SERVICE CALL CHARGE
We Service ALL Makes & Models • We Honor Competitor Coupons

It's not too soon! Beat the rush!

WINTER CHECK-UP TIME!

It Is Time For A Furnace Checkup!



TACLB002755C



PAR 5 ROOFING & CONSTRUCTION (844) PAR-FIVE

South-Belt area owned and operated
Residential & Commercial Roofing
Complete Interior & Exterior Home Remodeling
Certified replacement and storm windows by Atrium
Patio Covers & Fencing
Pest & Termite control TPCL# 0764027
Fully Insured & Bonded-Always Free Estimates!

844-727-3483

cmaricle@par5roof.com www.par5roof.com

JOE'S Appliance Repair

(Former WARDS employee)

All Major Brands 25 Years Experience

281-585-5693

ELECTRIC

REPAIRS & INSTALLATIONS
• Free Estimates
• Senior Citizen Disc.
• No Service Charge
• Res./Comm.
• Master Electrician
• Insured
• TECL#21246

281-484-8542
We accept most major credit cards.
SAGAMONT ELECTRIC SVCS.

CURRY INC. A/C - HEATING SERVICE

We Service All Brands & Models



Fall / Winter Checkups
713-643-5765
713-817-2302

Serving the Houston Area since 1965
TACLA#023879E

SOUTH BELT SERVICE CO.

Will Beat Most Estimates
Serving South Belt Since 1988

Jim Elder
832-692-7754
E-mail: southbelt12@gmail.com

• WATER DAMAGE REPAIR • POWER WASHING
• SHEET ROCK REPAIR • WALLPAPER REMOVAL
• PAINTING - INTERIOR/EXTERIOR
• ROTTEN WOOD REPAIR & SIDING
• BATHROOM REMODELING • PLUMBING

Annual maintenance will save you money.

10% off Repairs
Free estimates on new equipment.



281-481-6308

Willie's Concrete Works

Driveways • Patios • Etc
Pool Demos & Trash Hauling
Serving the South Belt area 30+ years

281-484-7712
INSURED

www.houstonconcrete.us

Garage Door Problems?

Call Big Edd's
Established 1979
Repair/Replacement Garage Doors & Openers
281-480-8898 713-784-4238

Lighthouse ELECTRIC

Licensed • Insured
Master Electrician
Johnny R. Gibbs
"Look on the bright side"
281-847-1111
www.lighthouseelectric1111.com TECL #19197

GULF TEX REMODELING

Residential & Commercial • Insured
Kitchens • Baths • Plumbing • Painting • Sheetrock • Flooring
Patios • Concrete • Fences • Commercial Design & Build Out
Serving Houston for over 25 years
Flood Disaster Specialist 832-891-4610 Free Estimates

Join us on Facebook!

Get local news and updates between issues!

ADRIAN'S TREE SERVICES.COM

LICENSED, INSURED, AFFORDABLE
• FREE ESTIMATES •
Professional Trimming, Shaping, Removal
713-501-0184

Looking to improve your yard the easy way?

Call the Leader Advertisers for your Lawn & Garden!

11555 Beamer 281-481-5656

\$50 OFF

ABACUS
PLUMBING • AIR CONDITIONING • ELECTRICAL

ANY Repair
→ Plumbing
→ AC/Heating
→ Electrical

24/7 (281) 552-8357
www.AbacusPlumbing.net

Minimum \$250 Invoice. Limit 1 per Household. Cannot be combined with other offers or used towards Service Plan (BAM/AMP/CLUB) Purchase. Show at time of service. Call for Details.
Alan O'Neill M-2628 | TACLA 31525E | TECL 30557

ANY SEASON
TERMITE & PEST CONTROL, LLC
Residential & Commercial
TRUSTWORTHY and RELIABLE

Providing environmentally friendly services with your children and pets' safety in mind.

281-484-6740
Family Owned and Operated Since 1984

G & F APPLIANCE REPAIR

We service all major home appliances. Our Professional Technicians will provide you with service you can trust.

MENTION THIS AD AND SAVE \$10
281-650-4777
SAME DAY SERVICE

A-BETTER PLUMBING
Complete Home Residential Service Plumber

CALL TODAY FOR SPECIALS

A-Rated on Angie's List
281-692-1684

JT Garage Door Systems
Free Estimates Repair, Replace, Install
Over 20 Years of Experience
Contact Jason Teel
281-991-7697

REDWING SERVICES
General Contractors - Ron Whatley
Kitchen • Bath • Flooring • Tile • Paint • Sheetrock • Windows • Doors • Siding
Replacement • Decks • Electrical • Plumbing • Cement Work • Concrete Leveling
Willing to work with all budgets
281-822-2443

Blessing Painting General Contractor LLC
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL
Bedroom / Kitchen / Bathroom Remodeling
Roofing • Interior / Exterior Painting
281-779-5053
blessingconstructions2009@yahoo.com
www.blessingconstructions.com
OWNER OPERATOR - FREE ESTIMATES

J&M SERVICE CO.
A Complete Service Company
Since 1983

Specializing in Bath & Kitchen Remodels

★ CERAMIC TILE ★ TUB & SHOWER CONVERSIONS
★ WOOD FLOORS ★ MEET ADA STANDARDS
★ GRANITE ★ SAFETY GRIP BARS
★ CULTURED MARBLE ★ COMPLETE REMODELS
★ PLUMBING

281-235-8073
REFERENCES AND PROOF OF INSURANCE ON REQUEST
Free Estimates

Triple M Plumbing
Master License # 40217
281-484-4777

Melvin D. Glover III
Cell 281-455-1175

Primary Plumbing Services
COMMERCIAL RESIDENTIAL

713-643-7228
Ruben Muñoz - MPL 17449

ELLIOTT'S REMODELING
A Full Service General Contractor
EXTERIOR/INTERIOR

• BATHS / KITCHENS • ROOM ADDITIONS
• PAINTING • FLOORING • SHEETROCK WORK
• SIDING • ROOFING • CONCRETE • FENCES
• GARAGE CONVERSION • INTEGRITY
• COMMUNICATION • QUALITY

281-487-2234 REFERENCES • 30+ YRS. EXP.

Morgan's Janitor Service

Complete Building Maintenance
Floor Stripping & Waxing
One Time Jobs or Contracts
Insured and Bonded
281/481-1850 or 281/485-4341
Member South Belt-Ellington Chamber

COUPON

\$200 OFF FOUNDATION REPAIR OR SEWER REPAIR
(on jobs \$2,500 & up)
Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per house.

FOUNDATION REPAIR
UNDER SLAB SEWER REPAIR
HOUSE LEVELING

Allied Foundations
281-479-5247
FREE ESTIMATES

CLASSIFIED

FOR WHEN LIFE BRINGS YOU A SHOCK OR TWO!

Our Classifieds will give you a wide selection of professional service people who advertise there. You can compare and choose from among them in the SERVICES columns and be ready for anything shocking ahead!

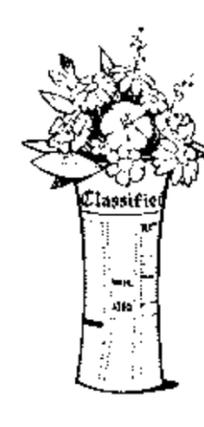
The Classifieds - read them and use them; They're there when you need them!

281-481-5656

Jauregui Construction
It's Time to give your home a fresh new look!

Roofing • Painting • Sheetrock
• Demo work • Tile
• Kitchen & Bath Remodel
• Window Replacement
• Hardi-Plank Siding • Fences
• Flood Damage

David Jauregui
832-884-9999
jaureguiconstruction@gmail.com www.djauregui.com



LEWIS CONSTRUCTION
www.YourCompleteHomeCare.com
713-944-5257
Quality Work - Dependable
Free Estimates - References

Painting Interior & Exterior
Additions - Kitchens
Bathrooms - Garages

Siding All Types - Floors
Conversions - Patios - Fences
Concrete - Carpentry Work

Owner: Myron Lewis
Please Check Us Out - We Are Here To Stay

Advertise in the Leader!

BOOKKEEPING

Cynthia L. Veters, CPA
Individual-Corporate-Partnership & Estates

• All Tax Preparations
• Financial Statement Preparation
• Monthly Accounting Services
• Individual & Business Tax Planning
• Payroll & Other Related Services

281-481-4184

LAWN & GARDEN

No Job Too Small!
Now printing small-quantity orders!
Call For Information
281-484-4337



Beaumont West Brook takes two District 22-6A wins over Longhorns

Turnovers played a big role as the Dobie varsity boys' basketball team suffered a home loss to Beaumont West Brook Dec. 19 in the District 22-6A

opener for both teams. The Longhorns had 16 field goals in the game but committed 11 turnovers while losing to the Bruins by a 45-39 count. Two

other crucial figures in the game? Dobie went four of 20 from 3-point land and attempted just six free throws in the game. The game was tied at

23-all at halftime, but the Bruins stepped up their press defense in the second half and went on to win a big game in league play. Dobie was led by

D.J. Garrett, who had 12 points. Brick Fosnight added 11 in the loss for the Longhorns. Next up, the Longhorns will try to rebound while taking on the defending District 22-6A champion South Houston Trojans.

The Mustangs will also be looking to get in the win column for the first time after losing 54-42 at Deer Park Dec. 19. The Deer led South Houston 30-13 and cruised to the victory as Cade Parham led the way with 18 points. Torrence Stevens paced South Houston with

11. With 11 district games still to be played, Dobie head coach Shane Brown no doubt likes his team's unblemished record to this point, even if he knows there is plenty of season remaining after the loss to West Brook. The Lady Longhorns shared the 22-6A crown a season ago but returned just three players across the roster from that group. With Onozie showing the way to a group of newcomers, including Garza, the Lady Longhorns have gone 9-6 overall.

For Brown, the season to this point has been one requiring patience on his part. "We have played well in spots," Brown said of his team's victory over La Porte. "I really liked our aggressiveness on both ends of the court (against La Porte), but that has to be consistent in order for us to improve. We can't afford to relax at any point in a game. Our effort must be constant."

"We're growing and maturing. I'd obviously like to see us develop at a break neck pace, but that's not going to happen. It's going to be a process, and along the way we are going to learn some lessons the hard way. With that being said, the way we have started district is pretty good." Stay tuned for more.

Clear Brook teams battle tough opponents

Continued from Page 1B
ketball as Falls was taken for a double dip. In the varsity boys' game, the Knights were in great shape at halftime what with a 33-25 lead in hand.

son's halftime chat. The Wolverines came out in the third quarter and went off for 31 points to take the lead. In the fourth quarter, the Wolverines held off the Knights to score the win in the league opener for both teams. **CB boys fall at Cinco**
In one of the final non-

district games for both teams, host Cinco Ranch put together a 19-6 run in the fourth quarter to defeat in the Clear Brook boys 60-53 on Dec. 15. **CB girls top DHS**
The Clear Brook girls rebounded from a tough loss to open district play, crushing Dickinson 60-38

Dec. 15, as Bell led the Lady Wolverines with 23 points in the victory. Celeste Clement came up with 13 points for the winners, and Taylor Balque chipped in with 10 of her own. The Lady Wolverines will now face Clear Creek Dec. 22 at home.

14 points. **Mustangs nip JFD boys**
The Longhorns struggled from behind the 3-point line, ultimately losing 50-47 to Friendswood in a nondistrict game Dec. 15, at Friendswood. Ultimately, the host Mustangs outscored Dobie 19-13 in the fourth quarter to seal the victory. Alex Dehoyos had 23 points to lead all scorers, with teammate Tanner Bandini coming up with 18 for the Mustangs. The Longhorns, who made just three of 11 tries from deep, got 13 points from Justin Thomas and 11 from Brick Fosnight. D.J. Garrett had 10 for the Longhorns in the defeat.

Dobie girls now 2-1
It may not always look pretty, but it's so far, so good for the Dobie varsity girls' basketball team in District 22-6A play. The locals began the 22-6A schedule with wins over La Porte and Memorial before falling 40-33 at Beaumont West Brook Dec. 19.

West Brook now leads the way at 3-0 in District 22-6A action, with four teams, including Dobie, Pasadena, Memorial and Sam Rayburn all at 2-1. The Lady Longhorns held off Memorial Dec. 15 for a 49-48 victory. In the team's 22-6A opening win over La Porte, Victoria Onozie led the way with 12 points, and Briasia Garza added

Dec. 22 Games
Dobie boys vs. South Houston
4 p.m., at South Houston
Brook girls vs. Clear Creek
5 p.m., at Clear Brook
Brook boys vs. Clear Creek
5 p.m., Clear Creek

Las Haciendas MEXICAN BAR & GRILL

We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Joyful New Year. Thanks to the South Belt community for their continued support.

Las Haciendas & the Escobar Family

Buy A \$50 Gift Card And Receive A \$10 Bonus
*Gift card bonus offer expires 12-24-17

Open Christmas Eve 11 a.m.-9 p.m. • Closed Christmas Day
Open New Years eve and New Years day.
Sun.-Thurs. 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. • Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Party Rooms Available at All Locations!

- Homemade Tortillas
- Full Service Bar
- GREAT MARGARITAS
- Catering (All Events)
- Take Out Service
- Large Parties Welcome
- Lunch Specials, Starting @ 4.95

South Belt (12933 Gulf Freeway) 281-484-6888
Nasa (1020 Nasa Rd. 1 @ 45) 281-557-3500
Stafford (12821 Southwest Frwy.) 281-240-3060
League City (2951 Marina Bay Dr.) 281-240-3060
www.lashaciendasgrill.com

Christmas at St. Luke
11011 Hall Road, Houston, TX 77089

We look forward to celebrating with our parish family along with many visitors!
¡Anticipamos celebrar con nuestra familia parroquial junto con muchos visitantes!

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Saturday, December 23rd
5:30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Misa Vigilia para el Domingo
7:30 pm Misa Vigilia para el Domingo
Vigil Mass for Sunday

Sunday, December 24th
Special Sunday Mass times:
8:00 & 10:00 am Masses
Misas Dominicales

Sunday, December 24th
4:30 pm Children's Christmas Eve Mass
Misa de Noche Buena para niños
7:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
Misa de Noche Buena
9:00 pm Misa de Noche Buena
Christmas Eve Mass

Monday, December 25th
12:00 am Midnight Mass
Misa de Gallo
10:00 am Christmas Day Mass
Misa de Navidad

Catholics are obligated to attend Mass for Sunday AND for Christmas. Católicos tienen la obligación de asistir a la Misa del Domingo Y para Navidad.

MY BOOM BOOMS FIREWORKS
MyBoomBoomsFireworks.com

THE KING

\$105

Free Firecrackers
with this ad only. No copies or reproductions allowed.

\$20 SUPER MAGNUM
\$3 ZOMON
\$10 WALKIN' DEAD 19 SHOTS
\$29 HEAVY CAKE HAWK ATTACK 12 SHOTS

\$3 each

Blue Ice, Green Garden, Gold & Silver Treasures, Peach Tree

WINNER BEST ROOFING COMPANY IN BAY AREA

Fall Specials **Call Now!**

TEXAS TOP Roofing & Siding

5 Year Labor Warranty

Kevin Dalley '76 Dobie Grad
Chris Dalley '79 Dobie Grad

- Vinyl
- Hardi Board Siding

281-481-9683

REPLACEMENT & STORM WINDOWS

MONSTER JAM

JAN 27 • FEB 10-11

nrg stadium

Buy Tickets:
Ticketmaster.com
800-745-3000
NRG Stadium Box Office

MonsterJam.com

Located on Beamer Rd.
Corner of Beamer @ Dixie Farm Rd.

Military & First Responder Discounts

VISA MasterCard DISCOVER AMERICAN EXPRESS

We accept Visa/MC/Discover/Amex

Dixie Farm Rd. Blackhawk
Beamer Rd. Astoria
Seasdale Blvd. Gulf Frwy.

Open Now thru Midnight Jan 1st