

# South Belt-Ellington Leader

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### Kirkwood South HOA meets

Kirkwood South will hold its HOA meeting for all six sections Thursday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m. at Freeway Baptist Church, 8702 Kingspoint. Homeowners are invited to attend to meet the board of directors for 2019 and discuss community issues.

### Life Church to celebrate

Life Church, 9901 Windmill Lakes Blvd., will celebrate the eighth anniversary of its Celebrate Recovery program at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 7. CR addresses "hurts, habits and hang-ups" that could happen to anyone. Jim "Mattress Mack" McIngvale, owner of Gallery Furniture, will be the guest speaker at the event. Blake "Ziggy" Thompson will lead worship and sing original tunes, along with guitarist John Matlock. The church aims to help the community by meeting in its chapel at 5:30 p.m. every Sunday, even on holidays.

### Knights hold fish fry

The Knights of Columbus Council 9201 will host a fish fry Fridays through April 5 in the St. Luke Catholic Church social hall, 11011 Hall Road, from 5 to 7 p.m. Each dinner includes a breaded USA catfish fillet, fries, hush puppies, corn on the cob and iced tea or lemonade for \$10, eat-in or take-out. Baked fish fillets are available (limited). All proceeds benefit local and community projects. All are invited and welcome.

### Beverly Hills Civic to meet

The Beverly Hills Civic Club will meet Thursday, March 28, at Beverly Hills Park Recreation Building, 10201 Kingspoint, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

### BOPA collection event set

City Council Member David Martin will host a batteries, oil, paint and antifreeze (BOPA) mobile collection event Saturday, March 30, at Ellington/Clear Lake Neighborhood Recycling Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event is free to all city residents. A valid driver's license or other proof of residency is required. Business waste will not be accepted. For information, contact Martin's office at 832-393-3008 or [districtc@houstontx.gov](mailto:districtc@houstontx.gov).

### Chick-fil-A holds event

Chick-fil-A 45 and Alameda, located at 10225 Alameda Genoa, invites the public to its biggest event yet on Friday, March 29, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. when the Houston Rockets promo team will be on site. The event will feature Clutch and the Chick-fil-A cow, games, face painting, music, giveaways and more. Guests can RSVP to the event or order through the Chick-fil-A One App during the event for chances to win prizes and treats. More information and the RSVP form can be found at [cfaalameda.com](http://cfaalameda.com) on the events page.

### Freeway closures planned

The ramp connecting both the northbound and southbound lanes of the Gulf Freeway to the westbound lanes of Beltway 8 will be closed from 9 p.m. Friday, March 29, through 5 a.m. Sunday, March 31.

The eastbound and westbound U-turn lanes at Beltway 8 and Beamer will be closed continuously through 9 a.m. Sunday, April 21.

At least one northbound lane of the Beltway 8 frontage road will be closed at of SH 3/Old Galveston Road daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Thursday, April 11.

At least one lane of the northbound Beltway 8 frontage road at Genoa Red Bluff will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Thursday, April 4.

The southbound U-turn lane at Beltway 8 and Vista will be closed continuously until 5 a.m. Monday, April 1.

The closures are part of ongoing project to widen Beltway 8 from two to four lanes each direction.

### Master gardener sale set

The Genoa Friendship Garden's 2019 Pepper and Perennial Sale will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 30, at the Pasadena Fair grounds, Campbell Hall, 7601 Red Bluff in Pasadena. Affiliated with the Harris County Master Gardener Association, the event will include an Ask a Master Gardener booth and vendors. For more information on the group, visit [hcmga.tamu.edu/genoa-friendship-garden](http://hcmga.tamu.edu/genoa-friendship-garden).

### Washburn Tunnel to close

The Washburn Tunnel will be closed for 10 days, beginning at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 29, and continuing through 4 a.m. on Monday, April 8.

During this time, crews will be conducting in-depth maintenance to the tunnel lining as part of the Washburn Tunnel concrete repairs project, which was planned to pro-actively preserve the life of the tunnel.

Drivers are reminded to use alternate routes during the closure. Alternate routes include I-610 East Loop Freeway, the Sam Houston Parkway and Highway 146.

Be sure to visit [www.hcp2.com](http://www.hcp2.com) or follow Harris County Precinct 2 on social media, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Nextdoor for the latest updates on the project.

## Clear Brook City MUD begins sewer work

The Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District is launching a massive undertaking to rehabilitate the sewer systems in some older subdivisions that are serviced by the district.

Newer subdivisions in the Clear Brook City should not be affected by the construction.

Portions of the Clear Brook City sanitary sewer systems are in need of rehabilitation because they have met their life expectancy and gone beyond their limits. Sanitary sewer leads, trunklines and manholes are cracking, being obstructed and/or otherwise failing.

Also, the district is concerned with infiltration (the transfer of rainwater and irrigation into the surrounding soils), which then enters the sanitary sewer systems due to the stated problems and results in increased flows at the receiving lift stations and wastewater plants.

When such infiltration occurs, the system is overburdened, life expectancy of facilities is reduced and additional power is needed to run pumps and other electrical components.

All of these things increase Clear Brook City MUD's costs. Furthermore, the district will be

billed by the City of Houston on a per-gallon basis of sanitary sewer flow entering into the city's wastewater treatment plant, and any reduction in infiltration will also reduce the amount charged by the City of Houston.

To address these issues, the Clear Brook City MUD board has recently undertaken a \$5.4 million project to rehabilitate the remaining portion of sewer system within Clear Brook City. This will reduce the amount of infiltration occurring in the older systems within Sageglen, Highland Meadow and Wood Meadow subdivisions.

Although infiltration into any system, even new systems, cannot be eliminated, this project

will significantly reduce infiltration. In particular, the project will use mostly pipe-bursting to replace the older pipe (mostly truss and concrete) with polyethylene pipe, replace all service leads from the point of connection at the trunk line to the utility easement line and rehabilitate the manholes.

This process will allow the work to be done without major trenching of yards. Most yards in the affected areas will still see construction crews, however.

It is projected that the rehabilitation will take approximately 15 months to complete and will be done in phased sections.

### Organizers prepare for fest



Organizers are gearing up for the fourth annual Family Fun Fest, set to take place at Clear Brook City Park on Saturday, April 13. Shown above at a committee meeting Wednesday, March 27, preparing for the event are, left to right, Steve Sipes (State Farm), Cecelia Ganji (Clear Brook City MUD), Dr. John Doyle (Liberty Chiropractic), Cynthia Hawk (JSC Federal Credit Union), Christina Davis (volunteer), Kindra Green (Clear Brook City MUD) and Linda Webster (volunteer). Photo by Marie Flickinger

## Family Fun Fest set for April 13

The Clear Brook City Municipal Utility District and the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Family Fun Fest Saturday, April 13, at Clear Brook City Park, located at Blackhawk and Scarsdale, from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Now in its fourth year, the event will include the Strut Your Mutt dog show, an Easter Egg hunt, inflatables, games, activities, food trucks and more. The festival will also feature Touch-a-

Truck, which will allow children to get up close and personal with a wide variety of different trucks. Other attractions include KidSafe fingerprinting, a distracted-driver simulator.

Sponsorship opportunities are available in multiple categories, ranging from \$100 to \$800. No-cost exhibitor space is available for local businesses.

For additional information, call the chamber at 281-481-5516 or visit [southbeltchamber.com](http://southbeltchamber.com).

## Harris to begin countywide polling

Texas Secretary of State David Whitley approved Harris County as one of six counties in the state with a population of more than 100,000 to participate in the Countywide Polling Place Program.

Such a program allows constituents to vote at any county polling place on Election Day, rather than just the one for their specific precinct. While Harris County voters may cast their ballots early at any of the 46 early voting locations in the county, Election Day voting must currently be done at one of the more than 700 individual precincts.

With more than two million registered voters, this makes Harris County the largest county in the country to implement this program.

The measure was proposed by new Harris County Clerk Diane Trautman, who campaigned on the issue.

She contends voters are more likely to participate when they can cast ballots on Election Day near their work or school, which may be outside their local precincts.

"The voters of Harris County have made it clear that a Countywide Polling Place Program would have a positive impact on elections," said Trautman. "And I am confident that the transition to a Countywide Polling Place Program will be successful."

In Texas, 52 other counties, including the neighboring counties of Fort Bend and Brazoria, already have such a program in place.

Trautman, who started in her new position Jan. 1 after defeating former County Clerk Stan Stanart in November's election, said she has extensively studied the countywide polling place program currently in place in Travis County.

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## Olson, local ISDs brainstorm vet-student mentor program

On Friday, March 22, U.S. Rep. Pete Olson hosted a round-table event to bring together local elected officials, veterans organizations and school districts to discuss how they can connect veterans with local students to serve as mentors.

Local school districts represented at the function included Pearland ISD, Fort Bend ISD, Al-

vin ISD and Katy ISD. While Pasadena ISD was not represented at the event, Olson said he hoped to work with it too, once plans are more formalized.

Other notable attendees included Fort Bend County Judge K.P. George, Texas Veterans Com-

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## South Belt's Rojas found dead

South Belt Elementary teacher Amy Rojas was found dead at her house in League City on Monday, March 25. Police had gone to do a welfare check on Rojas when she failed to report to work or arrange for a substitute teacher for the

day. At press time, the cause of Rojas' death had not been determined by the medical examiner's office. Services for Rojas will be held Friday, March 29, at Forest Park East Funeral Home in Webster. See related obituary on Page 2A.

## No make-up days for PISD, SJC

The Pasadena Independent School District will not have to schedule any make-up days to replace the time missed due to the chemical fires in Deer Park.

PISD Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell said the district had enough minutes in attendance to cover the three missed days of Wednesday,

March 20, through Friday, March 21.

The San Jacinto College District, which missed the same three days, will also not have any make-up days. Students will, however, have to participate in instructional recovery, which could involve additional out-of-class assignments or online work.

## BAHEP group to lobby Legislature

Unprecedented is a word that is used frequently but not always accurately. The dictionary says that unprecedented means never done or known before. That's a pretty big deal. On Feb. 27, a Bay Area Houston group of mayors, a council member, a county commissioner, and presidents of two companies gathered in Austin to present its legislative agenda to members of Texas' 86th Legislature.

The mayoral trip was organized by the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership in an un-

precedented initiative in the 42-year history of the organization to deliver a unified message on behalf of Bay Area Houston's cities.

The group included Mayor Michel Bechtel, City of Morgan's Point; Mayor Mark Denman, City of Nassau Bay; Mayor Mike Foreman, City of Friendswood; Mayor Carl Joiner, City of Kemah; Mayor Thom Kolupski, City of Seabrook; Mayor Louis Rigby, City of La Porte; Mayor Julie Masters and the Rev. Wil-

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## Bombshells cleared in fatal crash

Bombshells Restaurant & Bar, located at the Gulf Freeway and Fuqua, has been cleared of any wrongdoing in the March 1 traffic accident that left one man dead and another seriously injured.

The establishment, along with its sister business in Webster, had been the target of an investigation launched by the Harris County District Attorney's Office to see if it had over-served alcohol to the driver accused of causing the fatal accident.

In the incident, Erik Julian De Leon, 21, was charged with intoxication manslaughter and intoxication assault after he allegedly rear-ended another vehicle at a red light on Old Galveston Road/State Highway 3 at Pineloch.

Billy Satterfield, 40, was killed in the crash. A second victim, Lyft driver Ezatullah Safi, 29, remains in a coma.

De Leon reportedly told investigators he had been drinking tequila at Bombshells on NASA Parkway.

While there used to be a second Bombshells located on NASA Parkway, it has since been re-branded by the owner as Studio 80.

The investigation into the business was the latest battle in a war waged against the establishment by Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg, who has described the bar as a "crime factory," as it has a lengthy history of alcohol-related incidents.

This past June, a temporary restraining order was placed on the business preventing it from selling alcohol, following a string of crimes involving the bar.

According to court documents, at least 94 people have been arrested at the business since

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## SoHo chase ends at local home

A car chase that started in South Houston the night of Sunday, March 24, ended at the home of a South Belt resident, with that individual going to jail, along with the driver. According to police, the pursuit began around 9 p.m. on Highway 3 in South Houston when a female driver failed to pull over for a traffic stop. Deputies from the Harris County Precinct 2 Constable's office joined the chase once it reached the South

Belt area, taking them down Blackhawk, Sagevale and Southbluff, before reaching the resident's home on Kirkwren. Police said the resident was the boyfriend of the driver, and he allegedly fought officers when they attempted to arrest her. Joshua Marshall, 32, was arrested for interfering with public duties. The female was arrested for felony evading in a motor vehicle. Her identity was not available at press time.

## CT Church seeks sponsors to send kids to summer camp

CT Church Youth Pastor Zac Coffman is leading a local effort to raise scholarship funds to send area students to summer camp.

"Youth camp is something that every student should experience," Coffman said. "It teaches leadership, teamwork, courage. A lot of good things come from it."

Coffman's work is part of a broader program sponsored by Project Houston, which hopes to send 100 low-income youths to summer camp in Livingston—something they'd likely not be able to do on their own without financial assistance.

"Project Houston is looking to partner with

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## Morris campus placed on lockdown

Morris Middle School was briefly placed on lockdown on Tuesday, March 26.

According to Pasadena Independent School District Superintendent Dr. DeeAnn Powell, a pair of frightened Dobie students entered the campus late in the afternoon and told administrators they had gotten into an altercation outside the school and that someone had pulled a gun on

them.

Officials placed the campus on lockdown while police secured the area and looked for the suspect. The school was re-opened once police deemed it safe to do so.

Powell said the incident is still under investigation. Parents should have received a message notifying them of the situation.

## Robbers target outside residents

Houston police responded to two separate armed robberies in a two-day period, in which the victims were apparently chosen at random as they were outside their own homes.

The first incident took place early Saturday, March 23, in the 9400 block of Tree Bridge, near the intersection of Blackhawk and Lettie Avenue. According to police, two men were returning home around 12:55 a.m. when three individuals in a beige Honda approached them.

A male suspect got out of the car and produced a pistol and threatened the two residents. At this time, a female suspect allegedly got out of the vehicle and took a wallet from one of the men.

When someone exited the house to check on the situation, the male suspect fired a warning shot into the air, before fleeing the scene in the vehicle, which was being driven by the third suspect.

The driver and the gunman are both described as Hispanic males between 17 and 20 years old. The female suspect is described as heavyset and also between 17 and 20 years old.

The following evening on Sunday, March 24, a similar incident took place in the 11900 block of Sagecliff. According to police, two men were on the side of the street working on a car when they were also approached by three suspects in a gray Honda Accord.

Again, one of the suspects got out of the vehicle and produced a pistol. The suspect demanded money, but the two victims showed they did not have any, and the gunman fled the scene in the vehicle empty-handed.

Some Facebook sleuths suggested the two crimes must be related because of the similarities. Police, however, said this was not likely because the Honda Accord used in the second robbery was a later model and the suspects did not match the previous description.

The second suspects were all merely described as black males.

Anyone with any information on either of these crimes is urged to contact the Houston Police Department's Robbery Division at 713-308-0700 or Crimestoppers of Houston at 713-222-TIPS (8477). See related entry on Page 2A.

# In My Opinion

## Albrecht reminds all regarding signs

Well it's that time again for signs advertising garage sales, yard sales and missing pets. Remember it is not legal to attach or hang these signs on county/city property. This means no stop sign poles, no street

sign poles, no traffic light poles, nothing that belongs to county/city property!

Instead why not support our community by advertising in our very own *South Belt Leader*! Let's keep our community beautiful!

P.S. Please do not nail signs to our beautiful trees!

Michele Albrecht

# Elected officials share their words

## District 129 News

By State Rep. Dennis Paul

**Deer Park fire update**  
Be sure to check the Harris County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management's Ready Harris website for the latest updates on the Deer Park fire: [www.ReadyHarris.org](http://www.ReadyHarris.org).

**First bills pass Texas House**  
This month the Texas House of Representatives considered its first two calendars of the session. A calendar is a list of bills scheduled for debate on the House floor. These first two calendars had only a few bills on them each, but as session progresses, the calendars will become increasingly lengthy.

**Internet Transparency Bill passes House**

Recently, the Texas House of Representatives unanimously passed my bill to bring online transparency to local governments. HB 305 will require local governments to post important contact and election information on their websites, as well as notices and minutes of their meetings. I am grateful to my colleagues for helping me make HB 305 one of the very first bills passed by the House this session.

**Hurricane Harvey Bill heard in committee**

Last week I presented HB 2320 to the House Committee on Homeland Security and Public Safety. This bill is a compilation of four recommendations from the post-Hurricane Harvey report issued by the Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas.

**Animal Shelter Transparency Bill heard in committee**

Earlier this week I presented HB 3092 to the House Committee on Public Health. This bill would require animal shelters to notify adoptees of shelter animals if there was a recent outbreak of an infectious disease at the shelter. Currently, adoptees may not be made aware of a recent outbreak, which raises serious health and safety concerns for these animals.

**Houston Hurricane Harvey recovery funds**

From the Mayor's Office:  
Did you know that the City of Houston has recovery programs for homeowners whose homes were damaged during Hurricane Harvey? Learn about reimbursement and support options by calling 832-393-0550, or go to [recovery.houstontx.gov/survey](http://recovery.houstontx.gov/survey).

**BOPA and electronic recycling event scheduled for Ellington Airport/Clear Lake recycling center**

Houston City Council Member Dave Martin and the City of Houston are hosting a Batteries, Oil, Paint (latex only) and Antifreeze (BOPA) mobile collection event on Saturday, March 30, 2019, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Ellington Airport Neighborhood Recycling Center, 246 Loop Road, Houston, Texas 77034. This year's event will also include electronic recycling. A valid Texas driver's license or other proof of residency will be required. This is a rain or shine event, except in the case of severe weather. Business waste will not be accepted.

Many common household materials are considered hazardous and need disposal. When Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is disposed in the trash, it can contaminate landfills and subsequently ground water. This event provides a free and safe alternative for residents to rid their homes of potentially dangerous materials. Below is a list of acceptable and non-acceptable items for the March 30 collection event:

• **Accepted items:** rechargeable household and automobile batteries, motor oil and filters, LATEX paint, antifreeze, small appliances and scrap metal. Used motor oil will be limited to 15 gallons. All liquids are required to be in sealed, nonleaking containers that are labeled as to their contents. Accepted electronics include computers, monitors, key boards, cellphones, microwaves, VCRs, and televisions.

• **Items not accepted:** business, medical and agricultural waste; oil-based paints, solvents, flammables, pesticides, herbicides and other similar hazardous materials, and electronic waste.

The Ellington Airport Neighborhood Recycling Center site is open year-round and accepts a variety of items. The items accepted are newspapers, magazines, telephone books, catalogs, ad inserts, cardboard, glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans, tin cans, aerosol cans, steel cans and plastics #1-5 and #7.

For more information about the City of Houston Solid Waste Management Department and its services, residents may check online at [www.houstonsolidwaste.org](http://www.houstonsolidwaste.org), "like" the department on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/houstonsolidwaste>, follow SWMD on Twitter @houstontx or call 311 (713-837-0311), the City of Houston's Customer Service Hotline.

For more information, please contact Council Member Martin's office at 832-393-3008 or via email at [district129@houstontx.gov](mailto:district129@houstontx.gov).

**This week's agenda**

This week's legislative events occurring at the Capitol include:

**Monday**  
The House of Representatives convened at 10 a.m. to consider a calendar.

**Tuesday**  
The House Committee on Insurance met, of which I am a member.

The House of Representatives convened at 10 a.m. to consider a calendar.

**Wednesday**  
The House of Representatives convened at 10 a.m. to consider a calendar and House Bill 1, the General Appropriations Bill. The General Appropriations Bill is the two-year budget for the State of Texas and is the only piece of legislation the legislature is required to pass each session.

**Thursday**  
The House of Representatives convened at 10 a.m.

**How to Keep Track of Legislation**  
To keep track of my legislation, and the legislation of other members, you can visit the Texas Legislature Online by clicking this link: [www.capitol.texas.gov](http://www.capitol.texas.gov).

# Deaths

## Rudy Charles Schubert



Former longtime South Belt resident Rudy Charles Schubert, 81, died March 19 after suffering a heart attack. Rudy's positive outlook, infectious smile and zest for life had a way of impacting everyone with whom he came in contact. Rudy was born on Dec. 20, 1937, to Rudolph and Lillian Boeker Schubert in the small south Texas town of Woodsboro where he grew up working on the family farm and assisting at his parents' mercantile store Schubert's Variety & Electric. A 1955 graduate of Woodsboro High School, Rudy lettered in track, played on the tennis team, was a member of the yearbook staff, served as a class officer and played cornet in the junior and high school bands. He was an altar server at St. Therese Catholic Church and participated in Boy Scouts in which he was a member of the Indian Dance Team.

In the fall of 1955, Rudy enrolled with the Class of 1959 at A&M College of Texas (now Texas A&M University) in College Station and was a member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band in which he served as head drum major and band liaison on corps staff.

During his time at A&M, he participated on Silver Taps Team, Drum and Bugle Corps, MSC Dance Committee and was director of the Intercollegiate Talent Show. He was an usher and altar server at St. Mary's Catholic Church, where he also was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Newman Club. Rudy taught ballroom dancing to teens at Manning Smith Dance School in College Station, and later taught at Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Houston. He loved being a Texas Aggie and reveled in stories about lifelong friendships made and leadership experiences gained that would guide him throughout life.

In 1960, Rudy met Jennie Borman on a blind date at Sam Houston State Teachers College. After graduating from Texas A&M with a degree in mathematics and physics, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. Rudy and Jennie married on Feb. 4, 1961, and honeymooned on the drive to their new home in Virginia, where Rudy was stationed at the Pentagon as a systems analyst and technical supervisor in computer global war gaming. While there, daughters Lisa and Kim were born.

In 1964, Rudy left active duty and the family returned to Texas, where he was employed by NASA contractor Philco Ford Corporation working on the Gemini and Apollo space missions. He continued military service as a reservist at Ellington Air Force Base, attaining the rank of captain. During this time, the couple welcomed daughter Mandy.

Rudy entered the real estate business in the late 1960s, selling new residential homes in Sagemont and eventually becoming a commercial broker in the greater Houston area, operating Rudy Schubert Real Estate and RJG Inc. (Rudy, Jennie & Girls). Being self-employed provided him the time to attend nearly all his girls' sports, band and school activities and be of service to his church and community. Rudy served in leadership roles for many local organizations including the Sagemont Civic Club, South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce, South Belt Optimists, First City Bank-Alameda Genoa, American Red Cross-Houston Chapter, and was elected a Pasadena Independent School District trustee.

Over the years, Rudy gave of his time, talent and treasure to both St. Francis Cabrini and St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic churches, serving as song leader, lector, Eucharistic minister, religious education teacher, parish council representative, building committee member, and representative to the Houston-Galveston Diocesan Pastoral Council and the Texas Catholic Conference. After experiencing a heart attack and triple bypass surgery in the early 1980's, Rudy and Jennie began to reassess their life goals, eventually embarking on an adventure as full-time RVers in 1992. Their

love of travel took them to all 50 states and six of the seven continents. Never straying from his Aggie values of selfless service and leadership, Rudy was elected to boards at RV parks in New Mexico and Canyon Lake. He and Jennie eventually settled in the Canyon Lake/New Braunfels area, where Rudy quickly became entrenched in the community, serving on their condo association board and becoming a faithful volunteer at the CRRC Food Pantry. Rudy's weekly routine included exercise classes with a group of ladies that called themselves "Rudy's Girls."

The first person in his family to graduate from college, Rudy never stopped learning, reaching for higher goals, or discovering a better way to do something. His mathematical mind was always analyzing the world around him. A lifelong optimist, he found joy in life, saw value in all people, was dedicated to self-improvement, and regularly offered mentorship and encouragement to young people. Rudy never met a stranger; his smile lit up a room and it only took one meeting to make a lasting impact. He was an avid boater who loved to water ski, often spending hours teaching others the sport. He was a giving, loyal, and loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, Aggie, and friend who especially enjoyed sharing his wisdom with his grandchildren and making his great-grandchildren laugh. Rudy would be the first to say he lived a wonderful blessed life.

He is lovingly survived by his wife and soulmate of 58 years, Jennie; his daughters Lisa McMillan and husband Scott, Kim Phelps, Mandy Scott and husband David; grandchildren Casey Brown and husband Austin, Shannon McMillan, Courtney Wyatt and husband Blake, Bradley Phelps, Braden Scott and wife Amanda, Garrett Scott and wife Victoria; great-grandchildren Kylie Brown and Knox Wyatt; sisters Shirley Persinger and husband Lee, Kathie Westley and husband Jeff, sister-in-law Mary Rogers and husband Bob; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A memorial Mass celebrating Rudy's life will be held on Saturday, March 30, at 11 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, located at 180 St. Thomas Dr., Canyon Lake, Texas.

Interment will be Monday, April 1, at 10:30 a.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, 1520 Harry Wurzbach Road in San Antonio. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Rudy to: Texas A&M Foundation, Jennie L. and Rudy C. Schubert '59 General Rudder Scholarship Fund (indicate account #0422391 on memo line), 401 George Bush Dr., College Station, TX 77840; or CRRC Food Pantry, P.O. Box 1472, Canyon Lake, TX 78133.

## Amy Nicole Rojas



Amy Nicole Rojas, 32, of League City, died March 25, 2019. She was born in Houston, on April 1, 1986 to mother Rose Rojas and father John Paul Rojas.

Amy had a career in education and was a teacher for South Belt and Mae Smythe elementary schools. She attended the University of Houston and was a UH Cougars and Houston Astros fan. She had a passion for teaching her students and playing softball.

She is preceded in death by both sets of grandparents Pablo and Antonia Rojas and Jose Guadalupe Chapa and Romona Chapa.

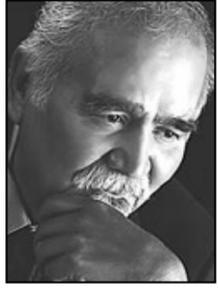
She is survived by her

mother Rose Rojas, father John Paul Rojas and stepmother Cynthia Vantilburg; brother Eric Rojas and wife Allison; nephews Brayden and Heaton Rojas; step-sister Aimee Vantilburg; stepbrother Joshua Vantilburg; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family will receive friends Friday, March 29, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Forest Park East Funeral Home, 21620 Gulf Freeway, Webster. A celebration of life will begin at 12:30 p.m. with a committal service to follow.

In honor of Amy's life, the family requests attendees dress in bright colors to celebrate her vibrant life.

## Pete Aguilar Ortiz



Pete Aguilar Ortiz, 72, died peacefully on March 22, 2019, in Houston at his home surrounded by family and friends.

He was born Nov. 9, 1946, in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, to Pedro and Alicia Ortiz (both deceased). His family moved to Corpus Christi where he and his siblings Elena Valenzuela and husband Robert, Alicia Garza and husband Robert, Roman Ortiz and wife Viola, Humberto Ortiz and wife Mary, Joe Ortiz and wife Norma, John Ortiz and wife Miriam, Maricela Ortiz (deceased), Martin Ortiz and wife Delia and Modesto Ortiz and wife Olya were raised.

In July of 1967, he joined the U.S. Army and fought in the Vietnam War. He was a member of the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions. Pete was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant and received the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Parachute Badge and the Purple Heart. He was very proud of his service to his country and often spoke of his experiences and the men who served with him.

Pete met the woman who became his wife of 50 years, Aurora, at the bakery that his parents owned in Corpus Christi. He asked her to write to him while he was away fighting in the Vietnam War. She did so and when he returned, they married in July of 1969. Together they managed the challenges of life but also remembered to celebrate the successes.

The couple raised three children, all of whom later married, and are Amelia Ortiz and husband John, Pete Ortiz Jr. and wife Erin, and Amanda Rodriguez and husband Adrian. Their beautiful grandchildren are Gabriel Thomas Ortiz, Stephanie Lynn Perez, Zoe Leal Rodriguez, Dominic Martin Ortiz, Hope Noelle Ortiz, Ian Michael Rodriguez, Mia Cruz Rodriguez and Ava Rose Rodriguez.

Pete enjoyed being around family and friends. He loved fishing, his church community, and being surrounded by his loved ones. Pete liked to travel and experience the food, culture, sights and sounds, and history of other peoples. His heart was always open to people and animals in need. Most importantly, Pete enjoyed a blessed life.

Remembrance arrangements were held on Wednesday, March 27, at Niday Funeral Home with a viewing, reflecting the life of Pete Ortiz and a service. A Mass will be celebrated Thursday, March 28, at 10:30 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary, 7539 Avenue K, Houston. Interment will follow at 1:15 p.m., at Houston National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Dr., Houston.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Bell Tower Fund: Immaculate Heart of Mary, Bell Tower Fund, 7539 Avenue K, Houston, Texas 77012.

# Elected officials share their words

## Olson opposes House motion

On March 26, Rep. Pete Olson issued the following statement after opposing the House motion to override President Donald Trump's veto of H.J. Res. 46:

"Commander in Chief Trump knows that we are at war with the drug cartels on the Texas border with Mexico. The cartels control the drugs, human traffickers and violent criminal gangs like MS-13. The innocent lives of children are being de-

stroyed by the humanitarian crisis occurring amidst this war. The Democrats know we have a crisis, but play politics with our national security by seeking to override the president's veto of their resolution to terminate the emergency declaration. I'm pleased the House lacked the votes to terminate the emergency declaration. Let's get to work to secure the border and protect the public immediately."

## Garcia cosponsors new bill

On March 27, Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia cosponsored sweeping new health care legislation that will lower Texans' health insurance premiums, crack down on junk health insurance plans, strengthen protections for people with pre-existing conditions, and reverse the Trump Administration's health care sabotage.

The Protecting Pre-Existing Conditions & Making Health Care Affordable Act was introduced the day after the Trump Administration asked a federal court to strike down not only the Affordable Care Act's protections for people with pre-existing conditions, but every other part of the health law.

"Just yesterday, the Trump Administration filed a brief here in Texas indicating their intent on continuing their war on affordable health care and people with pre-existing conditions," said Garcia. "Sadly, even after the 2018 election, Republicans have not learned the lesson that Americans want increased access to quality health care and to protect those with pre-existing conditions."

"With the Protecting Pre-Existing Conditions & Making Health Care Affordable Act, Democrats are taking another step forward in delivering our promise to lower health costs for the American people, and I am proud to be an original cosponsor of this bill that will make our families happier and healthier."

The Protecting Pre-Existing Conditions & Making Health Care More Affordable Act of 2019 includes provisions that will: Lower health insurance premiums with strengthened and expanded affordability assistance

• Strengthening tax credits in the Marketplace to lower Americans' health insurance premiums and allows more middle-class individuals and families to qualify for subsidies;

• Ensuring that families who don't have an offer of affordable coverage from an employer can still qualify for subsidies in

the Marketplace; and,

• Providing funding for reinsurance, to help with high cost claims, improve Marketplace stability, and prevent the Trump Administration's sabotage from raising premiums.

Strengthen protections for people with pre-existing conditions

• Curtailing the Trump Administration's efforts to give states waivers to undermine protections for people with pre-existing conditions and weaken standards for essential health benefits, which would leave consumers with less comprehensive plans that do not cover needed services, such as prescription drugs, maternity care, and substance use disorder treatment.

Stop insurance companies from selling junk health insurance plans

• Stopping the Trump Administration's efforts to push Americans into junk health insurance plans that do not provide coverage for essential medical treatments and drugs, and that are allowed to discriminate against people with pre-existing medical conditions.

Reverse the GOP's health care sabotage that has needlessly driven up premiums and uninsured rates, and empower states to innovate and invest in enrolling more people in affordable health coverage

• Reversing the Trump Administration's sabotage by requiring open enrollment outreach, education, and funding for navigators;

• Investing in state efforts to conduct outreach to increase enrollment, educate consumers of their rights, and help individuals navigate the health insurance system;

• Empowering states to implement new approaches to increasing enrollment and allows states to set up their own Marketplaces; and

• Holding the Administration accountable for its use of federal dollars dedicated to increasing enrollment, outreach and running the federal exchange.

# Turner encourages Houstonians to learn about NACA program

Mayor Sylvester Turner encouraged Houstonians to learn about the NACA (Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America) CEO Bruce Marks, a Bank of America executive, to announce a commitment of \$100 million of the Best Mortgage in America to Houston homeowners. This will create unprecedented homeownership opportunities in Houston for low and moderate income buyers by breaking down the barriers that prevent many working people from buying a home.

The NACA program features no down payment, no closing costs, no PMI, a below market fixed rate, without consideration of one's credit score. With Houston's financial assistance and other funds, homeowners can buy down the interest rate to virtually zero percent.

# Boykins issues proclamations

Council Member Dwight Boykins is honored to issue proclamations recognizing the heroic life-saving work of Houston firefighters who were first to respond to the shooting of several Houston police officers on Jan. 28, 2019.

The proclamation ceremony will take place at Houston City Hall this afternoon at 1 p.m.

"Our public safety employees confront enormous risks on the job daily and yet perform their duties steadfastly and without hesitation," said Boykins. "The

horrific scene that day was a powerful reminder of the valor and character of those entrusted to keep us safe.

"They serve as one collective body, united in purpose, and deserving of our respect and gratitude for all that they do."

"NACA's Achieve the Dream Event continues each day through Sunday at Greenspoint Mall, with doors open 8

## Date changes for South Belt music program

The South Belt Elementary Music first-grade program has been rescheduled from Thursday, March 28, to April 4, at 7 p.m.

## Friends of Parker Williams accepts donations

The Friends of the Parker Williams Branch Library are accepting donations of gently used pocket paperbacks, full size hardbacks and paperbacks, children and young adults' books, DVDs and CDs and current magazines. Proceeds from sales are used toward program support at the local library. Donations can be left at Parker Williams Library, located at 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

of property to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale to be held at Niday Public Storage at 12450 Beamer Rd., Houston, Texas 77089 on April 16, 2019 at 10 a.m. Property will be sold to the highest cash bidder for each unit. Cleanup and deposit may be required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw the property at any time before the sale. Property includes contents of spaces of the following tenants:

- GERALD CROWHURST - freezer, dresser, misc. household goods and boxes
- HAI M. LY - bed frame, scaffolding, boat console
- JOHN B. BLEVINS - (3 UNITS) chain saw, misc. tools, weed eaters, misc. air conditioner, misc. boxes
- TAMARIA K. TURNER - washer/dryer, mattress, table, misc. furniture
- SHANEL D. THOMPSON - couch, blankets, misc. bags
- JESUS FAZ - dresser, chairs, blankets
- CESAR G. HERNANDEZ - exercise machine, tv, misc. boxes and clothing

Contact: NIDAY PUBLIC STORAGE  
12450 Beamer Rd., Houston, Texas 77089 (281)484-5335

# Leader checks out social media

By Laura Benavides Scallan

A member of *The Official South Belt & Sagemont Area Crime Alert* Facebook group shared a post regarding a string of robberies that occurred within 40 minutes outside Baybrook Mall.

Another member of the same Facebook group shared a link regarding a Houston Police Department sergeant who

is charged with murdering his wife, who was a Pearland Independent School District librarian.

There have been several reports regarding robberies that have targeted local residents outside their home. See Page 1A for story.

A member of the *South Belt This & That* Facebook group shared an image that states

ELITE Dance is now enrolling for 2019-2020. For more information, see the member's post.

A member of the *People of Sagemont 2* Facebook group shared a post that includes a video of a suspect allegedly robbing a family member's truck near Telephone Road and Fuqua. If anyone has any information, contact the member via Facebook.

## Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

The following events are scheduled for the Bracewell Branch Library, 9002 Kingspoint: Thursday, March 28, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Spanish computer class for adults and seniors

Monday, April 1, 10:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Citizenship class. The classes cover the 100 civics questions and how to prepare for the citizenship interview. Other topics include the citizenship application and qualifications. Class participation is by appointment only.

Tuesday, April 2, 10:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.

Wednesday, April 3, 10:30 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. Citizenship class. Class participation is by appointment only.

Wednesday, April 3, 10:30 a.m. Toddler storytime and playtime

Wednesday, April 3, Computer courses: 2 p.m. Computer Basics; 3:15 p.m. Internet Basics; 4:30 p.m. Basic PowerPoint

For more information, call the library at 832-393-2580.

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

Parker Williams Library

The following events are scheduled for the Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.: Tax help is available Mondays and Fridays (AARP Foundation) and Saturdays (VN Teamwork Inc./Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until April 15 with volunteers tax assistants. Bring Social Security cards for oneself and dependents, a copy of last year's income tax return, W-2 forms, unemployment compensation statements, 1099-R forms and other IRS forms to help the volunteer complete the return.

Thursday, March 28, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Computer Basics: Online Job Search Help. Learn to search sites including LinkedIn LI to find job openings or to post a resume. Registration is requested.

Monday, April 1, 2 - 4 p.m. Genealogy group: The Parker Williams Genealogy Group is an informal group that meets the first and third Monday to discuss family history research (beginner to advanced). Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in tracing family history.

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

Tuesday, April 2, 2:30 p.m. UpWORDS, for infants from birth to 24 months. The upWORDS program, using the LENA Start™ curriculum, consists of 14 one-hour sessions during four months in which parents learn how to improve their child's early language. Progress is measured between sessions with LENA System™ technology which records speech at home for a day after each class. Reports will be generated with information on how much a parent is talking, when one could talk more, and how much the parent is growing with the baby. The program is scheduled through June 4. Preregistration is required. Contact the children's librarian at 832-927-7870 or in person.

Below are the programs that occur every week, unless the library is closed:

Tuesday, Babytime lapsit, 10:30 a.m. For babies 0 to 18 months, featuring a mother-baby lapsit time with fingerplays, songs and playtime.

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

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

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

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

For more information on these programs, call the library at 832-927-7870.

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.

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

## Dance Houston offers scholarships for camp

Dance Houston is pleased to offer the No Limits Scholarship program to inspiring dancers residing in the Houston area. No Limits Scholarship recipients will develop creativity and technique while engaging in positive social interaction, paving the way to a bright and well-rounded future.

Merit-based and need-based scholarships are available. Students are encouraged to apply.

A reminder that early registration, \$50 discount, ends April 22. Reserve a spot at [www.dancehouston.org/programs/camps](http://www.dancehouston.org/programs/camps).

The new west Houston location is at Dance of Asian America, 9889 Bellaire Blvd., Suite C-335.

Auditions are required for all applicants. There is an audition fee of \$5 per student. Dance Houston will teach dances and interview each child. Students are encouraged to register in advance by submitting a scholarship application at <http://www.dancehouston.org/programs/camps/scholarship-application/>.

For auditions, students may wear whatever they will feel comfortable and confident in dancing. Students are not expected to have a headshot or résumé. Scholarships can be based on need or merit, so a child does not need to be the best dancer in order to receive a scholarship. Dance Houston is looking for students who show interest in dance, positive attitudes and locomotor skills.

During the auditions, parents are welcome to stay and watch their child, to relax in the lounge area, or to leave and come back by 3:15 p.m.

The Summer Dance Camp sessions are:

### Session 1

June 17 – 28, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., ages 7 – 17. Registration is \$650.

### Session 2

July 8 – 26, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., ages 7 – 17. Registration is \$900.

### Junior session

July 15 – 19, 9 a.m. – 3:15 p.m., ages 5 – 8. Registration is \$300. Extended day is optional for 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. for an additional \$50.

To register for the sessions, visit <http://www.dancehouston.org/programs/camps/camp-registration/>.

### Internships

Dance Houston is seeking high school and college students and graduates to assist in the studios and performances during the summer camp sessions. For more information, visit <http://www.dancehouston.org/programs/internships/>.

## Students represent Stuchbery at science fair



Stuchbery Elementary's top scientists in third and fourth grades competed at the Pasadena Independent School District Science Fair on March 26. Shown are, left to right, (front row) Jacobo Ramirez, gold medalist; Tyler Albert, gold medalist; Jason Chen, silver medalist; Jeremiah Turner, gold medalist; (back row) Jose Wong, campus science fair coordinator; and Adelle Bongfen, gold medalist.

Photo submitted

## CTHS includes salon days, gives students experience

At Dr. Kirk Lewis Career and Technical High School, the cosmetology program benefits through salon days by providing opportunities for students with hands-on experience in the cosmetology industry. Salon days help students learn how to interact with clients one-on-one and gain experience and knowledge in the work field. By working with name brand products and top-of-the-line tools, students can provide clients with first class service. The money received from salon days helps students advance to Skills USA district and state competitions.



Cosmetology students at Dr. Kirk Lewis Career Technical High School have the opportunity to gain experience with customers through salon days. Shown above is Ruby Romero (right) as she is doing a curling style on a client. Shown below are Amy Villegas (far back) doing eyebrow tinting on a client and Sara Robles (front right) doing face exfoliation.

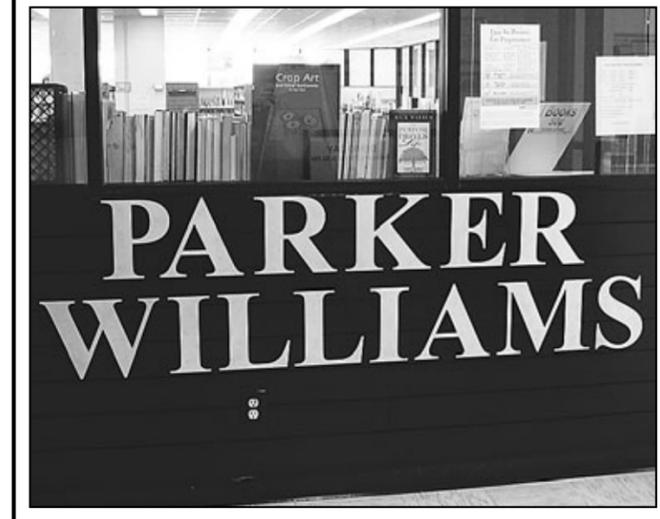
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## Parker Williams gets a face-lift



After 25 years, the Parker Williams Branch Library received a new face-lift for its lobby which community members may stop by to see. While there, visitors can get information on many events and programs available to the community. The library is not just for checking out books or movies, but for participating in activities geared toward the family, tweens, teens and adult members. The family programs encompass reading time, chess club and crafts. Teen and adult programs include help for learning a second language or studying for a GED. There are discussion groups that center around various books and genealogy as well as lectures on gardening topics, health and other subjects that are scheduled throughout the month. The Parker Williams Branch Library calendar is available online and a printed copy of the calendar of monthly events may also be picked up at the library. One can even sign up for a monthly e-newsletter about the events and programs hosted by the library. The library is located at 10851 Scarsdale Blvd., Suite 510. For more information, call 832-927-7870 or visit [www.hcpl.net/location/parker-williams-branch-library](http://www.hcpl.net/location/parker-williams-branch-library).

Photo submitted



## Thompson art class wins \$1,000



Janet Reynold's Thompson Intermediate art class participated in the Fort Worth Livestock Show and Rodeo. The class received a \$1,000 award for the artwork. Shown are, left to right, Reynolds, Lilyan Nguyen, Jaiya Carrier, Liliana Nava,

## Meador releases third rolls

Meador Elementary has released its bug, honor, merit and recognized rolls for the third nine-weeks.

### Bug Roll

#### First grade

Camila Aguila, Katherine Barahona, Lillian Blanco, Carmella Holcombe, Alexa Lara, Miranda Montemayo, Alfonso Renteria, Lily Rodriguez, Alice Rodriguez, Alexia Ruiz, Aiden Saucedo, Giovanni Ventrella and Eddison Villar.

#### Second grade

Diamonique Burton, Isabella Carmichael, Evanie Carreno, Anna Dao, Censei Graves-Bubbs, Ruby Jasso, McKenzie Levy, Andres Maldonado, Isaac Martinez, Mariah McCray, David Mitchell, Renata Segura, Gabriela Torres and Flor Vazquez.

#### Third grade

Musa Bahar, Julian Banda, Angie Baragan, Josiah Bravo, Gissele Cardiel, Mario Cardona, Steven Corporan, Jose Cortez, Megan Do, Ariana Espinoza, Alana Fonseca, Naomi Green, Ra'Naiya Guichard, Cayden Hamed, Helen Hernandez and Alexis Hernandez.

Georgio Howard, Yahir Ibarra, Monserrat Jaime, Elsy Jimenez, Sunshine Juarez, Luke Kellen, Alayah Lewis, Yogenis Linares, Miguel Loreda, Luis Lupian, Karely Maldonado, Derreion Malone, Donovan Mandani, Maia Martinez, Chai'Nyia McGowen, Ty Momon and Josue Murillo.

Adan Ortiz, Madalyn Parrish, Arabell Perez, La'Brie Perry, Tahira Rashied, Joseph Rodriguez, Alyssa Rodriguez, Jayson Saucedo, Alexander Tiscareno, Amalia Torres, Devin Torres, Alexander Vargas, Jeremy Villafra, Katelyn Ware, Jahrey Williams and Emilio Zavala.

#### Fourth grade

Janis Aguila, Aracely Al-

varado, Mirian Andrade, Janie Cardenas, Julius Crosby, Kevin Del Cid, Isabella Diaz, Matthew Dunn, Mia Flores, Leslie Garza and Abraham Guillen.

Cayden Hedge, Yasmine Joseph and Angel Lopez, Mattison Love, Derrick Malone, Ashley Moreno, Janeiya Piper, Eric Reyes, Fidencio Rodriguez, Eileen Rose, Faraell Sims, Alina Sosa and Brianna Thompson.

Miriam Torres, Mikalah Tramble, Payton Turner, Alan Vallejo, Ella Valois, Felipe Villa Delgado, Aidan Wambua, Darrin Washington and Chance Williams.

### Honor Roll

#### Third grade

Emily Espinoza, Luis Gomez, Renee Guy, Luis Lupian, Anthony Maldonado, Karely Maldonado, Jennie Mancuso, Mariany Mendez, Maurice Ty and Alexander Vargas.

#### Fourth grade

Harrison Abney, Kevin Alfaro, Andres Garcia, Daniel Salamanca and Julian Villase-

### Merit Roll

#### Third grade

Megan Do, Sunshine Juarez, Maia Martinez, Emilio Zavala, Alexander Tiscareno, Derriion Malone and Alyssa Rodriguez.

#### Fourth grade

Britny Cedillos, Koy Hol-

### Recognized Roll

#### First grade

Felicia Aguirre, Jasmine Alvarado, Jaelyn Alvarez, Diana Alvarez, Aya Bahar, Trinity Baiza, Tace Baker, Alannah Calzada, Emily Chavez, Timothy Craig, Myriam Davis, Daniel Denova, William Dunn and Ana Elizalde.

Natalie Estrada, Isabella Fernandez, Axel Flores, Skylar Glayzer, Blake Gonzalez,

Daria Gonzalez, Rylie Hagan, Hannah Hernandez, Abigail Herrera, Parker Hladysch, Shae Ibarra, Omar Jimenez, Aneya Knight, Alyssa Lilly, Alejandro Lopez, Arleny Maldonado, Sophia Mancus, Valeria Martinez, Rylee McElfresh and Miguel Perez.

Sedrick Phillips, Philip Rachel, Sophia Ramos, Melanie Rico, Isabella Rios, Gabriella Rodriguez, Bella Salazar, Aiden Saucedo, Malaysia Scott, Camden Scott, Luis Serrano, Alan Serrano, Adyleen Solache, Daryn Thomas, Daniela Torres, Jason Vargas, Robert Vigil, Roman Wynn, Kimberly Yerena and Jordan Young.

### Second grade

Cecilia Anthony, Matthew Barragan, Hazael Benitez, Derek Broadwell, Evanie Carreno, Jaliyah Coleman, Natasha Cordova, Anna Dao, Xavier Davis, Ja'maree Davis, Carolyn Erazo, Jaiden Espinoza, Daniel Garcia, Antonio Garza, Virginia Gavarrete, Cesar Gonzalez, Jeffrey Gonzalez and Sebastian Gonzalez.

Bryceton Green, Alexa Guervara, Arlett Guzman, Jasmon Harris, Paige Hladysch, Ruby Jasso, Milan Johnson, Brooklynn Jones, Domingo Martinez, Emmanuel Martinez, Isaac Martinez, Kara McElfresh, Gregory McNeil, Jeanelle Melgoza, David Mitchell, Isaac Montono, Valerie Narro, Caleb Navarro, Joseph Nguyen, Christopher Nunez, Alyssa Picarro and Azul Pineda.

Grasiela Preza, Taaliah Rasheed, Annabelle Rodriguez, Gavin Rodriguez, Ke'asia Ross, Lyla Saldana, David Salguero, Roman Salina, Kyleigh Scott, Josiah Soudine, Marissa Thompson, Gabriela Torres, Flor Vazquez, Madilynn Wallace, Miley Williams, Andre Williamson and Jayda Womack.

### Notice of Destruction

#### of Special Education Records

Special Education records which have been collected by the Pasadena Independent School District related to the identification, evaluation, educational placement or the provision of special education in the district must be maintained under state and federal laws for a period of five years after special education services have ended for the student. A special education student's services end when the student is no longer eligible for services, graduates or completes his or her educational program at age 21, or moves from the district.

State law prohibits the destruction of any record if the subject matter of the record is known by the custodian to be in litigation, if it is subject to a pending Open Records Request, if there is an outstanding request to inspect the record under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, or if the record is subject to a pending audit or state granting agency.

This notification is to inform parents or adult students of PISD's intent to destroy the special education records of students who received special education services in the past, and it has been five years since their most recent service has ended. Specifically any remaining special education records from 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012.

These records will be destroyed in accordance with state law unless the parent or adult student notifies the school district otherwise. For further information contact: Custodian of Records: Special Education Department 1515 Cherrybrook Lane Pasadena, Texas 77502 Phone (713) 740-0213

### Notificación De Destrucción De Archivos De Educación Especial

Los archivos de Educación Especial que han sido acumulados por el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Pasadena referentes a la identificación, evaluación, colocación educativa o de provisión de educación especial en el distrito deben mantenerse bajo leyes estatales como federales por un periodo de cinco años después de que dichos servicios de educación especiales hayan terminado para el estudiante. Los servicios de educación especial terminan cuando el estudiante ya no sea elegible para servicios, se graduó o complete su programa educacional a la edad de 21 años o se mude del distrito. La ley estatal prohíbe la destrucción de cualquier archivo si es sabido que el asunto del archivo está en litigación, si es sujeto a un solicitud de archivos, si no hay una petición pendiente para revisar el archivo bajo el acta de Los Derechos Educativos de Familia y Acta Privada, o si el archivo es sujeto a un revisión pendiente o de una agencia estatal. Esta notificación es para informar a padres o a estudiantes adultos del intento del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Pasadena para destruir los archivos de educación especial de los estudiantes que en el pasado han recibido servicios de educación especial cuyos servicios más recientes recibidos terminaron hace más de cinco años. Específicamente cualquier archivo de educación en especial que quedó 2009, 2010, 2011, y 2012. Estos archivos serán destruidos de acuerdo con la ley estatal a menos que el padre o estudiante adulto notifique al distrito escolar de otra manera.

Para más información por favor de comunicarse con: Consejero de Archivos: Departamento de Educación Especial 1515 Cherrybrook Lane Pasadena, Texas 77502 Teléfono (713) 740-0213

## Morris students read for prizes



Morris Middle School challenged its students to read 40 books this school year and these students have been up to the task. Each nine-weeks grading period, the reading department provides an incentive for students who are on track. The first nine weeks, each student who read 10 books was given a bag of chips. For the second nine weeks, students enjoyed a holiday movie and a snack during the school day. On Friday, March 8, students were allowed free gym time and an opportunity to pie a teacher or administrator in the face or take a selfie with the principal, taped to the gym wall. There are about 180 students who have read 30 books this year, for a total of about 5,400 books. Shown are, left to right, Mollie O'Rourke, sixth-grader; Allison Lewallen, principal; Ashley Hernandez, sixth-grader; and Jaylene Melo, fifth-grader.

Photo submitted

# Bombshells cleared in local auto fatality

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 it opened less than five years ago. Some of those arrested have been known gang members. In May 2018 alone, there were four DWIs related to the bar, one of which seriously injured Houston Police Officer Chayne Brothers, who went on to sue the establishment for overserving the driver responsible for the crash. A second lawsuit was filed by an injured party from a DWI crash in February 2018.

Other reported crimes at the site include shootings, assaults, robberies and drug possession. In January 2015, an off-duty police officer working security at the bar shot and killed a man after he allegedly pointed a gun at him in the parking lot after being kicked out for fighting. In March of that year, the business made national headlines after it refused to serve patrons with face and neck tattoos, claiming it represented gang affiliation, most notably the Houston sect of the Tango Blast prison gang. Last year's temporary restraining order forced the restaurant to sell only food, no alcohol, and to close at 9 p.m. for 14 days. The business opted to temporarily close its doors rather than serve food exclusively. The restraining order was later lifted, provided the establishment adopted certain safety measures, such as digitally monitoring the amount of drinks each patron consumes and having at least two police officers on site from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. A trial has been scheduled for later this summer to determine if the establishment will be allowed to continue selling alcohol.

# Countywide polling OK'd

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 Begun in 2011, the Travis County's program has increased voter turnout by more than 10 percent, while simultaneously closing approximately 20 percent of polling locations. It is currently unclear how many polling centers will be necessary in Harris County, but Trautman said plans call for initially using all current polling locations, including early voting sites and individual precinct sites. All elections, including general, special, joint, prima-

ries and runoffs will be recommended to use the Countywide Polling Place Program. The first election using the new system will be the joint elections scheduled for May 4, 2019. "The Countywide Polling Place Program will allow more Houstonians to exercise their most precious right, the right to vote," Trautman said. Voters can find additional information on the Countywide Polling Place Program by visiting [www.HarrisVotes.com](http://www.HarrisVotes.com) or by calling at 713-755-6965.

# Senate passes \$8.4b supplemental budget

The Texas Senate unanimously approved a measure recently to balance state spending over the last two years with what was appropriated in 2017. This is a process that happens every session, as state budgets are written based on projections of revenue and spending for the upcoming biennium. The budget passed this session, for example, will pay for state services in 2020 and 2021. Any unexpected expenses over that period, like natural disaster recovery, will have to be paid for by the 87th Legislature's supplemental budget. Disaster recovery is a big part of this session's supplemental, accounting for \$3.1 billion to pay for relief and rebuilding efforts incurred since Hurricane Harvey made landfall in September 2017. In all, the supplemental budget would spend \$6.1 billion in state funds — \$1.7 billion in general revenue and \$4.4 billion from the state's rainy day fund. The rest will come from federal funds.

\$750 million in additional federal aid. There was some discussion on the floor about spending money from the Economic Stabilization Fund, more commonly known as the rainy day fund. In the past, lawmakers have been reluctant to tap this pool to pay for ongoing costs, like increases in education or health care spending, but have occasionally used funds from the ESF to pay for one-time expenses. Sen. Larry Taylor represents a coastal region hit hard by Harvey, as well as the city of Santa Fe, and he believes strongly that hurricane relief and school security improvements meet this standard. "Hurricane Harvey affected one out of five public school students in Texas...if we're not going to use the rainy day fund to cover something like that, I don't know when you're ever going to use the rainy day fund," said Taylor. Taylor said he's heard some outside the Capitol questioning the bill's price tag. "You take away Harvey, you take away school violence, and we'll be happy to lower this budget," said Taylor. "But this is what we're having to respond to, these are the events that happened in Texas, and I'll be d — if we don't deal with it." Should all \$4.3 billion in ESF funds proposed in the bill end up being appropriated, the balance in the rainy day fund would still surpass \$11 billion. The Senate reconvened in regular session Monday, March 18.

Some of the largest expenses to the supplemental budget are shortfalls in state health care spending, which is not unusual.

"Every year that's in our supplemental, because we don't know what that number's going to be," said Sen. Jane Nelson, Senate Finance Committee chair and bill author. "We guess, we go low and we know that we're going to have to true it up in two years. Medicaid numbers are growing."

The bill includes \$2.1 billion in general revenue to cover that shortfall, and another \$160 million to cover shortfalls in the prison health care system. It also would spend \$542 million to shore up the Teacher Retirement System and to cover a bonus 13th check, up to \$500, to retired teachers. Another \$100 million will go to pay for improving safety on school campuses to increase security in the wake of 2018's Santa Fe High School shooting.

The \$3.1 billion in Harvey-related expenses will address a number of recovery needs. The biggest chunk, more than \$900 million, will go to help school districts maintain services while they cope with recovery efforts. Districts' entitlements are based on student population, and most of that entitlement is paid for by local property taxes.

The hurricane impacted both factors, causing a reduction in attendance as students whose families were left homeless moved away, and a reduction in property value, and therefore tax revenue, due to storm damage. Another \$840 million will go to fund SB 7, which would create the funding framework for the development of the statewide flood plan, to lessen the impact of the next storm, and to create the Texas Infrastructure Resiliency Fund. That money will be used, among other things, to help local communities participate in FEMA public assistance and hazard mitigation matching fund projects. Nelson estimated these funds could draw down as much as

## 40 years ago (1979)

A fire at Frazier Elementary School on Hughes Road, deemed to be caused by arsonists, resulted in damages in excess of \$100,000. A pipe that broke during the fire caused the entire school to be flooded with approximately three to five inches of water.

The South Belt-Ellington Leader office officially opened at 12007 Beamer Road.

## 35 years ago (1984)

Two left-turn signal boxes on Fuqua and Beamer were reported as a source of confusion to drivers. City traffic officials said two lanes could turn, while others reported only one lane could turn. Police reportedly gave tickets to those turning from the middle lane.

A husband and wife in Scarsdale were charged with possession of a controlled substance after being arrested by Houston police.

Having a constable patrol the unincorporated sections of the South Belt area resulted in the confiscation of \$7,000 in stolen property during the first three weeks.

## 30 years ago (1989)

With more than 730 concerned parents and teachers looking on, Clear Creek ISD board members answered the question of Weber sixth-graders attending Webster Intermediate by rejecting proposed administration

# Over The Back Fence by Alexis

**BABY EZRA ARRIVES!**  
 Congratulations and best wishes are sent from family and friends with the March 20 arrival of baby Ezra Nehemiah Dominguez for the proud parents Emilio and Deyanira Dominguez and happy paternal grandparents Roland and Velma Dominguez of South Belt and maternal grandparents Abel and Maria Aguilar of Harlingen. Baby Ezra was born on the first day of spring at St. David's Hospital in Austin, weighing in at 6 pounds, 8 ounces and measuring 20 inches long. This new addition makes a total of three great-grandchildren and eleven grandchildren to the Dominguez family.

**BELETED WISHES FOR JOE**  
 Special belated but happy birthday wishes are sent to longtime resident and very active community member, Joe Dominguez, who celebrated his birthday Monday, March 25. His wife, Yolanda, family, friends and the South Belt community wish Joe many more years of health and the best of life's enjoyment.

**BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR JUDY**  
 Wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent March 30 from friends and the Leader staff to Judy Harrison, a former faculty member at San Jacinto College.

**SCHOOL DAZE**  
 The following personnel of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays March 28 through April 3.

**Meador Elementary**  
 Join in the birthday fun March 28 with Any Melendez. Light the birthday candles March 29 on a cake for Cecelia Stewart.

**Moore Elementary**  
 The day for a party for Melissa Hickman is March 28. On March 31, Cheryl Ivens celebrates a special birthday.

**South Belt Elementary**  
 Candy Howard celebrates a birthday March 31. Light the trick birthday candles April 1 for Amy Rojas.

**Stuchbery Elementary**  
 Best wishes for a wonderful birthday April 3 are sent to Laurie Chmarney.

**Roberts Middle School**  
 Enjoying a happy birthday March 31 are Jeffery Hamilton and Maribel De La Fuentes.

**Beverly Hills Intermediate**  
 Send birthday greetings March 28 to Samantha Thompson. Share in the birthday celebration for Freddie Joseph April 2.

sent to Clarence McNeill on April 2. William Daugherty marks a day of celebration on April 3.

**FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS**  
 The Leader sends happy birthday wishes to friends who enjoy a birthday:

Thursday, March 28: Moses Mondragon, Jennifer Blake and Zina Corpus; Friday, March 29: Melissa Oliviea, Marquise Scott, Adam Stringer, Mary Wilms, Veronica Rivera and Bobby Rodriguez; Saturday, March 30: Marilyn Kiel, John Berlitz, Gina Escobar, Michelle Matzahn, Walter Luna and Kristin Baxter; Sunday, March 31: Sabita Harnamji, Beth McDonald, Marsha Flournoy, Ami Haviv, Sabine Jones, Eric Schwab, Gilbert Marlowe, Cheryl Padora, Eliza Gillock, Gloria Bustamante and Sandy Cline; Monday, April 1: Sharon Lay, Carol Baccaro, Charlie Heaton and Natasha Logan; Tuesday, April 2: Raven Brooks, Minerva Segovia, Stephen Hooper, Mona Valerio, Suzette Corona, Yvette Cheatwood, Cathy White, Edward Gish and Lisa Bourque; and Wednesday, April 3: Erika Saavedra, Lillian Lee, Aimee Salazar-Arroyo, Maria Keim and Sharon Rhoads.

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# Atkinson former, current teachers hold reunion



Atkinson Elementary teachers, former and current, reunited at Olive Garden with retired principal, Hollis Powell on March 12. Shown are, left to right, (first row) Gail Ward, (second row) Maria Padilla, Powell, Diana Bradshaw, Leigh Anne Lidrbauch, Nora Artze, (third row) Jan Clark, Linda Pennison, Diane Wheeler, Joy Edleman, (fourth row) Dana DiMarco, Jeanette Tomlin, Beverly Simmank, Judy Geissen, Donna Enlow, (fifth row) Mark Priest, Regina Barnes, Remynt Holmes, Nigel Leach, Nan Presley and Sandra Vann. Not Pictured are Ina Johnson and JoNell Lamothe. Photo submitted

# Olson promotes vet-student mentor program

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 missioner Kevin Barber and representatives from the VFW and Travis Manion Foundation veterans group. A U.S. Navy veteran, himself, Olson feels veterans are uniquely qualified to serve as mentors for students. "As a parent, nothing is

more important than protecting my children," Olson said. "Today's youth face pressure and challenges that are vastly different from previous generations. Our veterans are trained to protect others and have a keen understanding of the mental and emotional issues our

kids face. By encouraging more veteran involvement in our schools, we can help our kids foster relationships with our veteran community and give students mentors and role models to look up to during their formative years." This sentiment was shared by George, who also

spoke as a parent. "The best part of my time serving on the Fort Bend ISD Board of Trustees was with the tens of thousands of students in the school system," George said. "Now, as county judge, I serve hundreds of thousands of children throughout our area and realize there is an

important need for mentorship and development of lifelong values. As my wife and I raise our three children, I want to ensure they are instilled with a good moral compass, discipline and strong character as they become the leaders of tomorrow. "In addition, these traits and values are also those of our veterans who have stepped up yet again, to serve their community by working with our schools. The partnerships between our veteran population and our schools are invaluable in making our world a better place for our children and generations to come."

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# Remember When

solutions and leaving the situation at status quo.

An aggravated robbery and an attempted capital murder left one man wounded in the foot following a holdup and shootout at the Texaco station at Fuqua and Sabo.

**25 years ago (1994)**  
 Dobie graduate C. Mark Chassay, M.D., was one of 50 young medical professionals to receive the American Medical Association/Glaxo Achievement Award and a \$900 grant to attend educational sessions at the AMA National Leadership Conference in San Francisco.

Part of Beamer Road and Scarsdale would be blocked off for the Saturday morning fun run held at San Jacinto College South and sponsored by the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce.

**20 years ago (1999)**  
 The South Belt-Ellington Leader, in an attempt to catch up with modern technology, established an email address for news submissions.

Atkinson Elementary was recognized as a Title I Distinguished School at the Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas' spring workshop.

**15 years ago (2004)**  
 Senior Department of Defense officials agreed in principle to a plan offered by Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, to move 2,300 Army, Navy and Marine

Corps Reserve troops from the Old Spanish Trail Reserve Center to Ellington Field, creating a Joint Reserve Base that would allow the military to operate more efficiently and better utilize the base.

Eight South Belt elementary schools in the Pasadena Independent School District scored 90 or better on the third-grade reading section of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Academic Skills test.

**10 years ago (2009)**  
 Capt. Michael Mayfield, a former longtime Sagemeadow resident, was injured when two Houston Fire Department trucks collided at Dunlavy and Westheimer while responding to a call. Mayfield broke his femur in two spots, broke multiple ribs and suffered other minor injuries. He had a plate implanted in his wrist and screws installed in his elbow. Ten others were injured in the collision, including eight firefighters.

The Catholic Community of St. Luke the Evangelist held a celebratory blessing of its land on Riverstone Ranch Road that would house its future church. The move was necessary because the area church had outgrown its location on Hall Road.

**5 years ago (2014)**  
 A Whataburger employee was taken to the hospital after getting cut by an attacker at the fast-food restaurant in the 11000 block of Fuqua at

Park Fuqua near Sabo. The incident took place shortly after 3 a.m. when a masked man entered the establishment. While the suspect reportedly didn't make any specific demands, he got into a physical altercation with the employee. During the brawl, the suspect produced a knife and slashed the employee's hand. The employee was transported to the hospital and treated for his wounds. No immediate arrests were made.

**1 year ago (2018)**  
 Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Chris Diaz deputies busted a prostitution ring operating out of a residence in the 11400 block of Gnarlwood. Yabei Wang, 36, was arrested and charged with felony aggravated promotion of prostitution, while Bixiang Xu, 42, was arrested and charged with misdemeanor prostitution. A search warrant led to the seizure of U.S. currency, which was believed to be linked to prostitution. Deputies found evidence indicating the residents living inside were making more than \$1,000 a day by providing prostitution services.

Houston police arrested two men early Thursday, March 22, for attempting to steal an ATM from Texan Bank in the 12900 block of the Gulf Freeway. Police were notified of the incident around 2 a.m. when they re-

# Area mayors lobby

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 liam King, council member, City of Dickinson; Galveston County Commissioner Ken Clark; BAHEP President Bob Mitchell; and Glenn Freedman, Ph.D., president, EduSafe Systems, Inc., and group facilitator.

In order to meet with as many legislators as possible, the group divided itself into five teams. Those teams held meetings with over 30 different legislators and their staffs throughout the day. Among others, they met with members of the following committees: Senate Select Committee on Property Tax Reform, Senate Finance Committee, House Appropriations, Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development, and the House Committee on Insurance.

There were three key elements of the message the group took to Austin. First, the mayors supported legislation that would assist Texas' citizens' preparation for and response to natural disasters. Second, Bay Area Houston's cities support legislation that respects the integrity of local government, which is closer to the citizens and more accountable than state and federal government. Third, regional infrastructure issues were addressed — from the need for evacuation routes, such as completion of the Grand Parkway, to support for a storm surge suppression system along the Gulf Coast.

Importantly, the delegation's message aligned with other Texas municipalities, but the weight of having a delegation united in support of their communities made

an impact. During the course of the day's meetings, other issues arose. Specifically, selected legislative recommendations included:

- Supporting legislation that allows municipalities to reclaim as taxable assets previously condemned properties after appropriate remedial processes have been completed.
- Holding municipalities harmless for costs of displacing citizens through proper eminent domain or code enforcement actions.
- Supporting a locally driven state water plan that promotes conservation and outlines infrastructure improvements, while balancing public need, property rights, and water rights.
- Supporting legislation that promotes local and state incentives for economic development.
- Opposing legislation that would impose new property tax exemptions that substantially erode the tax base and support legislation that would allow local decision-making for homestead exemptions within a defined lower and upper limit range of 5 to 30 percent.
- Opposing state-mandated revenue caps on municipalities.

**BAHEP sets April meeting**  
 The Bay Area Quilt Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 2, with fellowship at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m. at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale. This month's speaker is Laura North, a teacher and a professional quilter. Visitors can attend two meetings for free. For more information, call Debby Benson at 713-248-8757 or visit the website at [bayareaquiltguild.org](http://bayareaquiltguild.org).

**Israeli folk dancing continues**  
 Few people really enjoy cardiovascular exercises per se, but it doesn't have to be a chore because dancing is an excellent way to exercise while having fun. The dances are held at Congregation Shaar Hashalom on Mondays, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. April dates are 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. The cost is \$4 per session or \$35 for 10 sessions for CSH members and \$5 per session or \$45 for 10 sessions for nonmembers to cover expenses. Everyone is welcome to join the group — even if one has not yet attended. Congregation Shaar Hashalom is located at 16020 El Camino Real and is the conservative synagogue in the Bay Area. For more information, contact the synagogue office at 281-488-5861 or at [csh@shaarhashalom.org](mailto:csh@shaarhashalom.org).

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# CCISD theater productions earn nominations

Clear Creek Independent School District theater productions are in the limelight after receiving eight nominations for the 17th Annual Tommy Tune Awards by Theatre Under the Stars.

Clear Brook High School's production of "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spell-

ing Bee" earned two nominations, Clear Lake High School's "The Drowsy Chaperone" earned four nominations and Clear Springs High School's "Hairspray" earned two nominations. Categories include Best Leading Actor, Best Supporting Actor, Best Supporting Actress, Lighting

Design, Scenic Design and Costume Design.

"Musicals are one example of how our performing arts departments across the district collaborate to create wonderful experiences for students and quality entertainment for our community," said Shara Appanaitis,

CCISD coordinator for visual and performing arts. "We are very proud of each of these programs and every student that dedicated their time and talents to making the musicals a success."

The Tommy Tune Awards recognize and reward excellence in the artistry of musi-

cal theater by high school students and their teachers in the greater Houston metropolitan area. The annual awards ceremony will take place on Tuesday, April 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hobby Center for the Performing Arts.

For more information, visit [www.tuts.com](http://www.tuts.com).



Clear Brook High School's production of "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" earned two Tommy Tune nominations. Shown above are Ryan Fielder, left, as "William Barfee" and Madison Thompson as "Olive Ostrovsky" in the production.



Clear Springs High School's production of "Hairspray" earned two nominations. Shown above are Brilyn Fletcher, center, as "Tracy Turnblad" in "Hairspray." To her right, in the red dress, is Joselyn Lopez.



The cast of "Hairspray" dancing in a scene are, left to right, Marco Molldrums, Margie Alford, Kelsey Maca, Sterling Merrill, Crystal Erb, Shivonne Bendle, JoJo Knott, Elaina Marquez, Ethan Hernandez, Elena Potter, Jacob Erb, Lauren Cochran, Zach Gregersen, Jordyn Paul, Daphne Breaux, Brandon Doan, Nevaeh Mansur and Michelle Ebell.

Photos submitted

## Hinojosa's class raised money for Pennies for Patients



Melisa Hinojosa's second graders from Meador Elementary raised the most money during the Pennies for Patients service learning program that helps raise money for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. A special Olive Garden lunch was delivered to their classroom on March 25, for them to enjoy. Hinojosa's class raised \$85.26. Meador raised a total of \$975.04. Shown enjoying their lunch are, left to right, (front row) Antonio Garza, Destiny Gutiérrez, (back row) Natasha Cordova, Sebastián González and Azul Pineda. Photo by Tara Merida

## Herring, Bolen marry

Johnny Bolen and Jodi Herring were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony at the historic Houston Heights Fire Station on March 2.

The bride is the daughter of Vince and Sandy Colvin of Mineola, and the groom is the son of John and Cheryl Bolen of the South Belt area.

Matron of honor was the bride's sister, Shelley Gilbert of Milton Keynes, England, and James "Bo" Bolen, brother of the groom, served as best man.

A dinner and dance were held upstairs in the historical building after the ceremony, with catering by Butter & Company and music by Access DJs.

The bride is a graduate of Mineola High School and a graduate of Texas A&M University. In her career she specializes in financial planning and analysis and technical accounting for commodity trading companies.

A 1986 graduate of Dobie High, the groom obtained a BBA from the University of Texas in 1990 and a law degree from the University of Houston in 1993. He is a partner in M.D. Gibson & Bolen, P.C.

After a wedding trip to Paris and Lisbon, the couple will reside in the Houston Heights area.



## Chrisman and Cummings wed

On March 2, Danielle Chrisman married Cole Cummings in a double-ring ceremony in Friendswood hosted by Liz Connealy Farrell, the bride's aunt.

The matron of honor was Magen Weissing and the maid of honor was Annisa Olson. Serving as bridesmaids were Elizabeth Farrell, Amber York, Samantha Chavez and Katie Culp. The best man was Mike Cummings, father of the groom, and the groomsmen were Connor Key, Brandon Lugo, Mathew Chitwood, Brodie Anderson and Josh Taylor. Serving as flower girl and ring bearer were Islay Weissing and Ronan Cummings, respectively. The officiant was Clayton Smith and Samantha Connealy was the wedding planner.

Parents of the bride are Brian and Sharon Chrisman of Sagemont, who have resided in the South Belt area for 20 years. During the ceremony, the bride was given away by her dad.

Parents of the groom are Mike and Christina Cummings of Burnet, Texas, formerly of Cypress.

Danielle is employed with Harris County Constable Precinct 2. She is a 2007 Dobie High School graduate. Cole is currently employed with the CY-Fair ISD police department. He attended Bureau Valley High School and graduated in 2009. He then attended UH Police Academy and graduated in 2013.

The couple now reside in Pinehurst and will honeymoon in October on a Caribbean cruise.



## Deadline approaches for business owners to report taxable property

If one owns a business in Harris County and has tangible personal property used to produce income such as office equipment or inventory, one must report that property to the Harris County Appraisal District by April 1.

HCAD is reminding all business owners that they must report personal property to the appraisal district by filing a rendition listing the property. Personal property is tangible property that can be owned, but it does not include land or other structures attached to the land such as buildings or fences. Examples of personal property include computers, desks, chairs, office supplies, business inventory, machinery and vehicles used to produce income, along with other items used in the business.

A rendition is a report that lists all the taxable property the business owner owned or controlled on Jan. 1 of this year. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such

as church property with an approved religious exemption or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming.

Some renditions may be filed electronically using HCAD's iFileTM system. If a unique iFileTM number is printed on the rendition form below the account number, the owner may render online by going to [www.hcad.org](http://www.hcad.org) and clicking "iFile A Rendition." If no iFileTM number is printed on the rendition form, the owner will need to complete and file the form manually.

"The appraisal district may use the information submitted in the rendition to set business property values," said Roland Altinger, chief appraiser.

If a rendition is not filed, filed late or not complete, a 10 percent penalty may be imposed. Filing a fraudulent rendition carries a 50 percent penalty if found guilty. Property owners who need

more time to file their renditions may file a written request with the chief appraiser on or before April 1 to receive an automatic extension to May 1. If there is a good cause, the chief appraiser may also grant an additional 15 days after the postponed deadline.

The appraisal district has already mailed personal property rendition forms to businesses known to have been operating in Harris County during 2018. However, all business owners are required to file renditions whether or not they have received notification. A rendition form is available on the appraisal district's website at [www.hcad.org](http://www.hcad.org) under the "Forms" tab along with information on the rules of the process.

For more information about rendering property, deadline extensions, penalties and rendition forms, taxpayers may call the appraisal district's information center at 713-957-7800.

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# Harris' memory takes wing in Dobie High School butterfly garden

In a small butterfly garden located on the Southbluff side of J. Frank Dobie High School, the name and legacy of one of the campus' most beloved teachers will now be remembered for generations to come

Barry Harris, an English teacher at Dobie for more 20 years died on June 22, 2018, following a long battle with cancer. "Barry was one of those people that you would immediately become a fan of from

the moment you came in contact with him because of his personality, humor, honesty and fun-loving nature," said Franklin Moses, Dobie principal.

A science teacher and long-time friend of Harris, Tracy Wheatly, brought the idea of naming the garden the "Barry Harris Butterfly Garden" to campus administrators.

"Last summer the garden was partially destroyed and I jokingly said that it would not have happened if Barry was watching over it," said Wheatley.

"Ultimately we realized that maybe he needs to be here watching over this garden and that every butterfly that emerges will hopefully carry on his memory and legacy."

The garden now features an assortment of flowers, plants, caterpillars, monarch butterflies and a commemorative bench built by Dobie math teacher Tucker Smith.

Wheatly said that when she first started her career at Dobie, she taught in the same portables as Harris and that a running joke between the two was the inspiration for the garden.

"In the mornings, it would be a race to find a parking space close to the building and he would always end up beating me to the last parking space," said Wheatly. "I would tell him that he needed to slow down and smell the flowers."

The campus recently held a dedication ceremony in the garden where dozens of students, staff and family members came together to reflect on their memories of Harris and his impact on the campus.

"I miss my friend," said Shane Brown, Dobie CTE teacher and former girls' basketball head coach. "I'm sad that he is not here and that there are people who will come to Dobie and not have the opportunity to know Barry."

Moses added, "This memorial gives us something to always remember him by and it will give us opportunities for conversations with future Dobie students and staff about a man named Barry Harris and his tremendous impact on our campus."

Also in attendance were Harris' sister Debra Daughtry, nephew Demarques Daughtry, goddaughter Deni Wanza and cousin Linda Hatton.

"I want to thank all of you for loving Barry the way we love him and sharing him with us," said Daughtry. "Butterflies are a symbol of life and as we celebrate Barry's life, I know that if he were here today, he would wish everyone a life of love, peace, happiness and freedom. He was a man that truly loved people and he showed it every day through his work and the way he treated others."



The "Barry Harris Butterfly Garden" serves as a way to honor Barry Harris features a commemorative bench built by Tucker Smith, Dobie math teacher. Shown at the bench are, left to right, (front row) Franklin Moses, Dobie principal; Linda Hatton, Harris' cousin; Debora Daughtry, Harris' sister; Denise Wanza, Harris' goddaughter; Tracy Wheatley, Dobie science teacher; (back row) Wendy Sharpless, Dobie choir director; Demarques Daughtry, Harris' nephew; and Smith.

Photos by Jade Wise

# Koncabas enjoy the snow



Kristi and Kenny Koncaba enjoyed spring break and a fresh snowfall in Santa Fe, N.M. Kristi is the president and chief operating officer and Kenny is the chief executive officer of Texan Bank.

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Shown above is Barry Harris, former Dobie English teacher, with a plaque recognizing his service. Harris died on June 22, 2018, after a long battle with cancer.



Flowers, caterpillars and butterflies can be found all around the garden. Shown above is one of the caterpillars enjoying its stay in the garden.

# CT Church seeks sponsors

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 leaders and businesses in our community to provide these students with a once-in-a-lifetime, five-day experience in a simpler, less stressful, power-packed environment which will impact them in ways that we cannot yet imagine," Coffman said. "These students will experience mentoring, positive peer pressure, fishing, swimming hiking, sports, zip-lining and archery, along with a host of other things."

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# 22-6A champion Longhorns eye another playoff run

**By John Bechtle Sports Editor**

Having taken over a program that had gone deep into the postseason the season before, Justo Manrique likely felt the sting as the Dobie varsity boys' soccer team fell to Deer Park in the bidistrict playoff round to close out his first season back in 2014.

Since then, Manrique has overseen the emergence of one of Region III's top programs, complete with a 2017 state semifinal appearance and now a fifth straight District 22-6A title.

Beating South Houston 4-2 in a game played at Manvel High School due to the fires in Deer Park, the Longhorns secured that fifth crown in a row dating back to 2015.

The team then closed out the regular season with a 2-0 shutout over

Memorial, a decision that allowed Kingwood to snatch the No. 2 playoff seed in 22-6A away from the Mavericks.

As for Dobie, the team now has 19 wins and just two losses to go with three ties. The Longhorns' 14-1-1 finish in District 22-6A play is as impressive as any put together by a Manrique-coached team during this five-year run.

It was truly a team effort this season as the Longhorns allowed a district low of just 11 goals in district play.

Senior Bryan Nava, who missed the 2017 state semifinal with an injury, had two goals against South Houston to pass former teammate Sabino Lozano as the school's all-time leading scorer.

He has 21 this season alone as the Longhorns prepare for the bidistrict playoff round against

Channelview.

The Longhorn/Channelview winner will take on either Strake Jesuit or Clear Springs in the area playoff round April 1-2.

For Manrique and the Longhorns, it's been a special time. Perhaps of any of the five, this title was the most difficult to come by. There were

challenges aplenty, both on and off the field. Key seniors exited, there were injuries and the usual concern of passing grades. Yet, the Longhorns are again champions. "It's the kids, and their ability to recognize the expectations and rise to them year after year," Manrique said. "But especially this season, I'm so proud of this group and what they have been able to do out there."

"I think maybe other teams thought it was open

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## Bidistrict Soccer Dobie boys at Channelview

Fri., March 29, 7 p.m.

At right, new Dobie boys' soccer all-time leading goal scorer Bryan Nava (11) is set to lead the Longhorns into the bidistrict soccer playoffs Friday, March 29, at Channelview. The Longhorns, having come off winning a fifth consecutive District 22-6A championship, met the Falcons in the 2017 Region III championship game, winning the title and advancing to state after a sudden death shootout victory. But this is a new season, and the Longhorns are intent on making another deep playoff run. The Dobie/Channelview winner will face either Strake Jesuit or Clear Springs April 1-2.



# Lady Longhorns draw North Shore soccer

Thankfully, the winner of a sporting event is not determined by a coin flip. If any were, the Dobie

varsity girls' soccer team would be in trouble.

As it stands, the Lady Longhorns, who grabbed the No. 3 playoff seed out of District 22-6A, will head to Galena Park ISD Stadium Friday, March 29, where the North Shore Lady Mustangs await.

Dobie head coach Bryan McDonald admitted he lost every coin flip against his North Shore counterpart, Margarita Saldana.

McDonald had hoped to play at home - Veterans Stadium in Pasadena - but the coin favored North Shore. He also preferred

playing a day earlier, but that didn't go his way, either.

Coins aside, the Lady Longhorns will enter the playoffs with plenty of confidence after closing the season with a 3-1 win over South Houston and then a 2-0 victory over Memorial.

Dobie wound up with 10 wins in district play as part of a 14-6-3 overall record.

North Shore is having a fine season of its own, having finished second to unbeaten league champion Deer Park in District 21-

6A. North Shore is talented, McDonald conceded, but he's more concerned about his team as the postseason starts.

"We have to defend well on that end and neutralize some of their clever attacking tendencies. On the other end, I think we'll look to be a little more aggressive and try to use counterattacks and set pieces to our advantage. I think our kids are ready for this challenge."

## Bidistrict Playoffs

**Dobie girls at North Shore**  
Fri., March 29, 5 p.m.  
Galena Park ISD Stadium

# Comeback lifts Dobie nines

With Kingwood and Summer Creek having already established themselves at the top of the District 22-6A standings, it would not have been fun for Dobie to lose a home game to a one-win Humble team.

After a slow start that

included a 3-0 deficit and an unlucky bounce or two, the Longhorns took care of business, eventually defeating the Wildcats 6-3 March 26, at Dobie High School.

Miguel Torres had two hits and drove in three runs, including a big two-

out, full-count single in the bottom of the fourth inning that plated two and tied the game at 3-3.

On the very next pitch, Dobie's Jeffrey Mercado grounded a hard single up the middle to give the Longhorns a 4-3 lead.

In the Dobie fifth, a sacrifice fly from David Amaya to right field gave the Longhorns a 5-3 edge they would not lose.

Then, Humble's defense fell apart, committing two throwing errors on one play that allowed Dobie's Alan Lopez to circle the bases on a simple ground ball to third base.

Falling to 1-6 in league play, the Wildcats made enough mistakes later in the game to negate a solid start.

In the top of the second inning, Humble used

a pair of walks to set the table against Lopez.

Keilon Simon drove in the game's first run with a sharp single to center, and Christian Kaopua lined a two-run double to left-center field with two outs to give his team a 3-0 lead.

That would be the extent of the damage against Lopez, who went 4 2/3 innings to get his second win of the season against one loss.

The Wildcats looked to put something together in the top of the fifth, but Longhorn reliever Dominec Martinez struck out the Wildcats' Donovan Rice to end the threat.

That would effectively be the end for Humble, as Martinez struck out the side in both the sixth and

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Dobie's Noah Torres (7) takes a lead off first base in the third inning of the Longhorns' 6-3 victory over visiting Humble March 26. With the win, the locals improved to 4-1 in league play.

# Standings tighten Lady Longhorns roll past SC 14-1

A Dobie softball playing legend herself, Lady Longhorn head coach Robin Rackley could not have imagined career win No. 300 being any sweeter.

Quickly dismissing a sloppy 9-2 loss to Memorial to close out the first half of league play, the Lady Longhorns more than got back on track, routing first-place Summer Creek 14-1 over five innings March 26, at Summer Creek.

Getting hits throughout the lineup, the Lady Longhorns scored four runs in the first, six more in the second and three in the third to build a 13-1 lead before closing it out.

Seemingly capping off each inning, Dobie junior Camryn Wincher drove in

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# Memorial, Rayburn name HFCs

By Jade Wise  
Pasadena ISD

James Crocker and Demond Stafford were recently named the new Pasadena Memorial and Sam Rayburn campus athletic coordinators and head football coaches, respectively, during the March Pasadena ISD board meeting.

Crocker will take over the Maverick athletic program, including the football operation, following the retirement of longtime head coach Chris Quillian.

"I'm very excited for the opportunity to come in and take the leadership role for Pasadena Memorial student athletes," said Crocker.

"I plan to bring a lot of energy and motivation to the program by fostering relationships and continuing to build upon past successes."

With more than 19 years of coaching experience, Crocker has made

stops at Industrial High School, Truman Middle School, Hamshire-Fannett, Friendswood, Danbury and Manvel high schools.

Crocker most recently served as the defensive coordinator and assistant varsity baseball coach for the past seven years at Friendswood High School, where he also coached from 2005-2009.

A graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University, Class of '99, Crocker went on to earn his master's degree in Education Administration in 2009.

"First and foremost, we are excited that coach Crocker is an educator at heart and that he can bring that element of teaching and learning to our student athletes," said Pasadena Memorial principal Jeremy Richardson.

"He comes from a very successful football program that advanced to the third round of playoffs in

three of the last six years. "We are looking forward to what he brings not only in the development and growth of our young men, but also to success on the football field."

Stafford, Sam Rayburn High School's new head coach, will take over the Texans athletic program following the stepping down of head coach Shaun Wynn.

"I'm very thankful for this opportunity and I look forward to showing the Sam Rayburn administration the same confidence that they showed to me," said Stafford.

"I hope to bring a fresh energy and excitement to the Texans football program that the students can feed off of and get behind."

The Texans didn't have to travel far to find their new coach, poaching Stafford from Pasadena Memorial High School, where he spent the last

six years as an assistant football coach and track coach.

Stafford is a veteran coach with more than 18 years of experience on his resume with stops at Angleton, Willis, Dobie and Stafford high schools.

In 2000, Stafford graduated from the University of Texas—El Paso with his bachelor's degree in kinesiology.

"Some of the qualities that immediately stood out to me with coach Stafford was his love for students, his ability to build relationships and a passion to teach and grow students, not only as athletes but as people," said Sam Rayburn principal Vanessa Reyes.

"With his unique energy and passion, I believe that he's not only going to build up the football program, but all of Sam Rayburn athletics and help students get college, career and world ready."



James Crocker (left) and Demond Stafford (right) have joined the Pasadena ISD ranks as head football coaches. Crocker, formerly the defensive coordinator at Friendswood, will now lead Pasadena Memorial. Stafford, who had been an assistant coach at Memo-

rial for six seasons, is now Rayburn's head coach. Stafford was also once an assistant at Dobie. The pair are joined by Rupert Jaso (center), PISD Director of Athletics.

Photo by Jade Wise

## Pioneer tracksters score wins

The Lutheran South Academy track and field team continued gearing up for the district championships, coming up with a solid team effort at the Fort Bend Christian Academy Invitational in Sugarland.

Freshman Ayana Smith came up big for the Pioneers, winning the long jump with a leap of 17 feet, 6 inches. Smith also got the job done in a big way on the track, coming up second in the 100 dash at 13.05 seconds.

Smith chipped in on the 4x1 and 4x2 relay groups. In the sprint relay, the Pioneers delivered a time of 52.05, and the 4x2 squad was also second in a time of 1:51.40.

Hannah Cottingham, a sophomore, was second

to Smith in the long jump with her effort of 16-1 1/2.

LSA went 2-3 in the pole vault as senior Alison Klein cleared 7-6 for the silver medal, with teammate Isla Diertert, a sophomore, third at 7-6 on more tries.

Diertert was a finalist in the 100 dash as she was eventually seventh at 13.83, and junior discus competitor Francesca Scotto placed fifth with a top throw of 81-1.

The Pioneers also stood out on the boys' side of things.

A time of 2:01.77 gave three-sport star Noa Miller the victory in the 800 run.

In the high jump, Lutheran South's Peyton Soderstrom was the champion after clearing 6-0, with teammate Daniel

Hutchens third, also at 6-0 but on more tries.

The Pioneers' Paul Leblanc also took part in the high jump, going over the 6-0 mark for seventh place.

In the 100 dash, the Pioneers' Easton Brenner, a sophomore, scored second place with his time of 11.80, and sophomore teammate Zihao Yang came away eighth with a clocking of 12.20.

Yang finished in the 200 dash, eventually taking seventh with a time of 24.68.

The Pioneers scored very well in both hurdling events. At the 300 distance, LSA's Adam Zimmerman was the winner in a time of 44.43, with Mark Zamarripa, third with his time of 45.11. Sopho-

more Braden Leimkuehler placed fourth with a clocking of 46.09.

Leimkuehler was second overall with a time of 17.35 in the 110 hurdles, and Zamarripa was fourth in the event at 17.59. The Pioneers' Chandler Smith wound up eighth with his time of 19.19.

In the relays, the Pioneers won the 4x1, took third in the 4x2 and claimed eighth in the 4x4.

Shifting to the pole vault, LSA's Zimmerman took third place at 10-0, with Leimkuehler fourth at the same height but on more tries.

Junior Gabe Degollado placed sixth in both the discus and shot put events. His discus throw traveled 112--11, and his shot toss went 40-11.

## SJC baseball's pitching rolls on

Camryn Williams had a brilliant series at the plate and the San Jacinto College pitching staff did its part as the Gators took two of three games from Blinn.

The Bucos won the opener 3-1 as Jacob Millender came up with one of the best pitching performances of the season against the locals.

San Jacinto's Jackson Rutledge was the hard-luck loser on the mound despite allowing just one earned run over eight innings.

Rutledge also struck out nine Blinn batters in the game to give him a national best of 85 over 50 innings of work.

Offensively, Williams doubled and had three hits overall, while Justin Diaz had two hits.

and four SJC pitchers combined to strike out 14 batters in the game.

The Gators won the middle game 3-2 as left-hander Dane Acker won his seventh game of the season, second in the nation.

Acker is now 7-0 this season with a 1.62 earned run average after allowing two earned runs and striking out five Blinn batters.

Williams had a key solo homer in the sixth and drove in a pair in the game as part of a 2 for 3 effort at the plate.

Chase Wilks doubled and had two hits in the game for the locals.

A first-inning two-run homer was enough as San Jacinto College took the final game 5-2.

## San Jacinto softball at 4-2 in conference

At 21-18 overall and 4-2 in conference play, the San Jacinto College softball team is now set to enter the key stretch of the season with conference play coming the rest of the way.

The Coyotes got to 4-2 in the region with a two-game split on the road against Lone Star-Port Arthur.

LSPA won the opener 11-3 as SJC got a three-

run homer from Sam Martinez as its offensive production.

The locals rebounded with an 8-4 victory as Dominique Garcia had two hits and drove in two, and Allison Bravo had a homer among her two hits.

Ashley Tran also had three hits and drove in four runs.

In nonconference action against LSU-Eunice on the road, SJC lost 14-6 and 13-5.

## Lil' Crushers 6U capture second at Santa Fe Bash



The South Belt Girls Softball Association's 6U Lil' Crushers continued a string of strong play, capturing second place at the Santa Fe Spring Bash with several big wins. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Abbygail Moya, Kinley Brister,

Elisa Davila, Chloe Vasquez, Mariah Mendez, Mariah Victorian, Audrey Torres, (middle row) Rylee Hayes, Avi Guerra, Sofia Nava, Sofia Escobar, Emma Hernandez, Sophia Robinson, Zuleigh Gaona, (back row) assistant coach Ralph Cruz, head coach Aaron Vasquez, and assistant coaches Mike Mendez and Nadia Moya.

## SBGSA's Killer Kleats place third at Santa Fe



The South Belt Girls Softball Association's 6U Killer Kleats squad enjoyed a successful weekend at the Santa Fe Girls' Softball Association's Spring Bash tournament, placing third overall in the end. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Kadence Bursey, McKinley Bursey, Isabelle Ocanas,

(middle row) Melody Rivera, Kaliyah Shackelford, Analeya Warford, Sydney Logan, Kimberly Duran, Shannon Logan, Juliana Hinojosa, Mazzy Romero, Marissa Duran, (back row) coaches Kristen Moralez, James Bursey and Lisa Castellano. Not pictured are Annabelle Trevino and coach Clarissa Moreno.

## Raptors 12U baseball wins USSSA Super NIT



The 12U Raptors, a select baseball team based in the South Belt area, came away with a victory at the United States Specialty Sports Association's Select 30 Super NIT Invitational in La Porte, defeating LBC from Boerne for the championship. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Rigo Alaniz,

Joan Loera, Hector Arrieta, Zab Cummings, (back row) coach Hector Arrieta, Angel Molina, Derek Rodriguez, Santiago Leija, Angel Garcia, A.J. Abidlatif, Cesar Amador, Liam Vasquez and coaches Mikey Cummings and Adam Abidlatif.

# Sports Calendar

## PISD Athletics Hall of Fame event sells out

## Area sports news, notes

### TENNIS

#### Friday and Saturday, March 29-30

Dobie varsity at Beachcomber Classic, Galv., TBA

#### Wednesday and Thursday, April 3-4

Dobie varsity at 22-6A champs., Kingwood, TBA

### SOFTBALL

#### Friday, March 29

Dobie varsity hosts Pasadena, Dobie, 6:00

Dobie JV hosts Pasadena, Dobie, 4:30

San Jacinto College at Galveston (2), 1:00

#### Saturday, March 30

San Jacinto College at Alvin (2), 1:00

#### Tuesday, April 2

Dobie varsity at Humble, 6:00

Dobie JV Orange at Humble, 4:30

#### Friday, April 5

Dobie varsity hosts Kingwood, PISD, 7:00

Dobie JV Orange hosts Kingwood, PISD, 5:30

Dobie JV White hosts Kingwood, PISD, 4:00

San Jacinto College at Blinn (2), 2:00

### TRACK AND FIELD

#### Friday, March 29

Dobie varsity girls at Rockhold Relays, Baytown, TBA

Dobie varsity boys at Rockhold Relays, Baytown, TBA

#### Wednesday and Thursday, April 10-11

Dobie varsity girls at 22-6A champs, Turner Stad., TBA

Dobie varsity boys at 22-6A champs, Turner Stad., TBA

### BASEBALL

#### Friday, March 29

Dobie varsity at Humble, 7:00

Brook varsity at Clear Springs, 6:00

Brook JV hosts Clear Springs, 6:30

Brook sophomores host Clear Springs, 4:30

#### Saturday, March 30

Dobie varsity at Kingwood, 4:00

#### Tuesday, April 2

Dobie varsity hosts Kingwood, 4:00

#### Friday, April 5

Dobie varsity hosts Atascocita, 4:00

#### Saturday, April 6

Dobie varsity at Atascocita, 4:00

#### Tuesday, April 9

Brook varsity hosts Dickinson, 6:00

Brook JV at Dickinson, 6:30

Brook sophomores at Dickinson, 4:30

### SOCCER

#### Friday, March 29

Dobie varsity boys at Channelview, 7:00

Dobie varsity girls at North Shore, GPISD, 5:00

All tickets for the April 13 Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Banquet are now sold out. Each year, the event attracts nearly 400 guests, with this year's seating maxed out at 450. Attendees will include current and former Hall of Fame inductees, community partners, student athletes, PISD board members and district administrators, along with the guest emcee, Tony Fitzpatrick, former Houston Gamblers' defensive lineman and University of Miami All-American. The banquet will honor the 1958 Pasadena High School football team, the only Eagles' squad to compete in the state championship game, and six individuals, including: Paul Ratliff/Pasadena High School/Class of 1962 - Former Minnesota Twins baseball player. Wayne Adams/South Houston High School/Class of 1967 - All-District, All-Greater Houston and All-State football and track and field standout. Don Key/Pasadena High School/Class of 1978 - Key signed with the University of Oklahoma and quickly became a standout during the coach Barry Switzer era (a legend in college football). The Don Key award is named after the former athlete. Karima Christmas-Kelly/Dobie High School/Class of 2007 - WNBA starting forward and double-digit scorer for the Dallas Wings/ Blue Devils of Duke University. She led Dobie to state as a freshman. James "Jimmy" McNeil (deceased)/Pasadena High School/Class of 1947/Head Football Coach at Sam Rayburn - Lamar University Cardinals Football Standout/Little All-American/first head athletics director and coach (1963). Bill Newcomb/Pasadena High School/Class of 1956 - head football coach and campus athletics director at South Houston High School/Pasadena ISD Athletics Director (1995)/fullback and linebacker at Baylor.

### Rising Stars Track Club practicing, etc.

The Rising Stars Track Club, the area's longstanding youth track and field organization, is set to begin practices and registration at Dobie High School. Returning team members are encouraged to join workouts now through March, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the JFD track.

The team will also practice each Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. as well as each Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon until the season begins. Team officials will also accept registration each Saturday in conjunction with the practices. For more information, call head coach Ivory Kimble at 832-561-1248.

### Pear Run to aid Pearland PD on May 11

The 2019 Pear Run will this year celebrate 15 years of police support, healthy living and exercise; and members of the jogging public are invited to get involved. Organized by the Pearland Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, the run through funds raised has previously assisted the Pearland Police Department, helping to purchase equipment, K-9 officer needs, officer memorials and more.

This year, the goal is to raise \$50,000 for a new mobile command center to be used in SWAT situations and at other large public events.

This planned command center will be state-of-the-art in technologies to keep citizens safe and assist with police activities. Participants are encouraged to register for the 10k or 5k Run, 5k Walk or the Kids Fun Run.

In addition, those who choose to be business sponsors for the event will have the opportunity to be seen by more than 1,000 potential customers. There are several sponsor levels to meet all budgets.

The Pear Run will be May 11, 2019, held at the Pearland Town Center Pavilion, 11200 W. Broadway in Pearland. The first race begins at 7 a.m. Visit the official website at [www.pearrun.com](http://www.pearrun.com) for details.

### Rising Star, Brook freshman wins at PVAM

Rising Star Track Club and current Clear Brook High School freshman Camryn Dickson starred at the Prairie View A&M University Relays March 22-23, winning the 200-meter dash in a time of 24.48 seconds to continue what has been a terrific season for the first-year schooler. Prior to high school, Dickson made multiple appearances at the national level for the Rising Stars, winning a variety of medals for her efforts. She also played freshman volleyball for the Lady Wolverines this season. Dickson is planning to continue competing with the Rising Stars this summer.

Meanwhile, the Clear Brook varsity boys' track and field squad attended the prestigious Victor Lopez Classic at Rice University. The Wolverines' Michael Hernes was second in the high jump, clearing the 6 feet, 5 inch mark.

In the triple jump, the Wolverines' Stone Marion was sixth with his top effort of 43-7, and teammate LaDarrion Florez was next as he finished seventh with a distance of 42-8.



Dobie graduate Karima Christmas-Kelly (7), set to be inducted into the Pasadena ISD Athletics Hall of Fame April 11 at Phillips Field House, has enjoyed quite a career on the hardwood. She helped guide

Dobie to the state tournament as a freshman and then had a solid career at Duke University. From there, she has had extensive playing success both in the WNBA and overseas.

### Clear Brook's Hernandez scores bowling accolades

At right, Clear Brook High School bowler Alexis Hernandez picked up a couple of honors ahead of the Lady Wolverines' appearance at the Texas High School Bowling Club's state championships March 30-31. Earlier this month, Hernandez was awarded the Maria Bennett Memorial Scholarship. Bennett was instrumental in the growth of high school bowling in the Houston area, and the scholarship award honors those who have given back to the game. Hernandez was also inducted into the Greater Houston Coaches/Parent Association's Hall of Honor, also recognizing those who give back to youth bowling. As for the Lady Wolverines at state, regional champion Lynn Cao and third-place finisher Allison Lee will lead the locals at state as the team seeks a state championship. Brook grabbed a top-four finish a season ago.



# CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, MARCH 28

**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.

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.

**Kirkwood Civic Association** meets at the South Belt Chamber of Commerce (new location), 10500 Scarsdale. For more information, call Ericka McCutcheon at 281-989-9990.

**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Women's Group, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 29

**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.

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

**Bay Area Genealogical Society** - Meets monthly, the last Friday, at University Baptist Church, 16106

Middlebrook Dr., Clear Lake. Coffee and socializing prior to 7 p.m. meeting. No meeting in December. For details, visit [www.TxBayAreaGen.org](http://www.TxBayAreaGen.org).

**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 2245 N. Main St., Pearland. Call 713-661-4200.

**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, MARCH 30

**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.

**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.

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

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

### SUNDAY, MARCH 31

**Clear Lake Bridge Club** - Open games Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. Call the club at

281-480-1911 or email the director at [jpochsner@aol.com](mailto:jpochsner@aol.com) for details.

**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.

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

### MONDAY, APRIL 1

**Al-Anon Deer Park** - Mondays, 10 to 11 a.m. Literature Study. In His Presence Fellowship Church, 1202 East P Street, Deer Park. Enter through back of church. Call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.

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

**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.

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.

**Genealogy Group** - Parker Williams Genealogy group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. on first and third Monday at the Parker Williams Library, Beamer at Scarsdale. Public is invited. For details, email Liz Hicks at [eroottrot@usa.net](mailto:eroottrot@usa.net).

**New Directions Singles** - Age 50 and older meets the first and third Mondays for a potluck dinner with activities and/or guest speakers at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. NASA Pkwy. For details, call Margarita at 832-715-9658.

**Scrabble Club #511** - Meets Monday at IHOP, 11222 Fuqua. Come, improve crossword playing skills. Call 281-488-2923 for details.

**Toastmasters** - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 meets Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the South Belt Chamber of Commerce, 10500 Scarsdale Blvd., next to the fire station. For details, call Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565 or visit <https://youngprofessionalstoastmasters.com/>.

**Survivors of Suicide Support Group** - gives coping skills in a non-threatening environment to adults who have lost a loved one to suicide. For details email LynneAnnH@yahoo.com or visit [www.crisishotline.org](http://www.crisishotline.org) or call 832-416-1177.

**Narcotics Anonymous (NA)** - Vigilance Group of NA, open meeting, 7 p.m., 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200.

**Congregation Shaar Hashalom** - Israeli Folk Dancing Mondays, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 session for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For information, contact 281-488-5861 or [csh@shaarhashalom.org](mailto:csh@shaarhashalom.org).

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**MONDAY, APRIL 1**  
 7:30 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery, open meeting Mondays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Education Bldg., 11011 Hall Rd., 77089. For details, call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2**  
 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.

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

11:30 a.m.  
**Local NARFE Meeting** - National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1321, meets the first Tuesday at Clear Lake Community Center, 5001 NASA Pkwy. Lunch is \$6. For details, call Norman Chaffee at 713-944-2461.

Noon  
**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.

**Rotary Club of Pearland** - Meets Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m., Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland. Lunch is \$15. Variety of speakers. For information, call 281-900-7257 or email nalix@texascitizensbank.com.

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1 p.m.  
**Trailmixers** - Meets the first Tuesday at Luby's, 11595 Fuqua. Former and current employees of J. Frank Dobie High School are welcome.

1:30 p.m.  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - #1530 meets at the Sagemont Park Community Center, 11507 Hughes Rd., 1:30 p.m. For information, call Jeanette Sumrall at 713-946-3713.

2 p.m.  
**Clear Lake Bridge Club Lab Class** - Tuesday, 2 p.m., 16614 Sea Lark, 77062. For details or classes, contact Dr. Glandorf at drglandorf@sbcglobal.net or call 281-488-6318.

6:30 p.m.  
**Bay Area Quilt Guild** - Meets the first Tuesday, Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 10310 Scarsdale Blvd. Fellowship is at 6:30 p.m.; meeting/program begins at 7 p.m. Visit www.Facebook.com/BayAreaQuiltGuild.

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 713-661-4200.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3**  
 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.  
**Carmelites** - a nondenominational senior citizen social group that meets at 15500 El Camino Real in Clear Lake on the first and third Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. for fun, fellowship, coffee and bingo. A lending library is available. The meetings are open to all age 50 or older and there are no dues. Day trips and extended trips are available. Deposits are being taken for Classical Italy by Rail, Oct. 15-24; Cuba Cruise, Nov. 9-16; New York City Holiday, Dec. 6-10; Eastern Caribbean Carnival Cruise from Galveston featuring Key West, Fla., Half Moon Cay and Nassau, Bahamas, Feb. 15-23, 2020 (great prices); and Classic Danube River Cruise with Oberammergau Passion Play, June 7-16, 2020. Plan ahead to join the trips. For details, call Marilyn at 713-947-2388.

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

details.

11:30 a.m.  
**Houston Hobby Airport Lions Club** - meets monthly, first and third Wednesday, Golden Corral, 4021 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena. December may be an exception. For information, email Teresa Dover at doverbookkeeper@aol.com.

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, 3525 Broadway, Pearland. For details, call 713-686-6300.

1 - 3:30 p.m.  
**Hometown Heroes Park** - has Hump Day Dance for free practice ballroom dances (not lessons) in a casual environment. A variety of rhythms are played from entry to advanced dancing levels at 1001 E. League City Pkwy. League City nonresidents must purchase activity card (see Tuesday 12:30 p.m. dance for details). Help is available to assist learning dance moves. For information on the activity card, call the city at 281-554-1180.

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 713-661-4200.

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

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

**THURSDAY, APRIL 4**  
 7 a.m.  
**AA Meeting** - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 281-487-8787 for details, or drop in.

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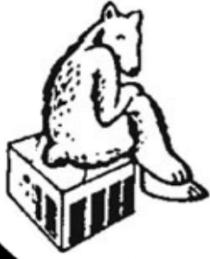
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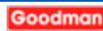


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## 22-6A Boys' Soccer Standings Final as of March 27

Team	W	L	T	Pts.
Dobie	14	1	1	43
Kingwood	11	3	2	35
Memorial	11	4	1	34
Humble	9	6	1	28
Atascocita	7	6	2	23
Rayburn	5	10	1	16
Pasadena	3	11	1	10
S. Houston	3	12	1	10
S. Creek	2	12	2	8

## JFD boys soccer begins RIII title hunt

Continued from Page 1B season on us this year with some of the injuries and then the fact that we lost some seniors," said Manrique, who now has 102 career wins at Dobie.

"In that respect, it's very satisfying to watch what these guys have done. I've said before that we have not always been the most talented across the board, but yet we get it done.

"We provide the leadership and structure, and the guys just keep believing. At the beginning of every season, we give them five or six simple plays and field alignments to work on, and we just keep drilling them in over and over. When the wins comes, it's

easier to get the kids to believe in what you are doing as a group."

And yet as exciting as this season has been, the Longhorns now must start anew at 0-0 and begin the playoffs.

While the Longhorns defeated Channelview 4-2 on the opening day of the season Jan. 3, Manrique knows much has changed. The Dobie lineup has undergone quite a makeover since that time, while Channelview, the fourth-place finisher in 21-6A, has remained largely intact from a roster standpoint.

"Channelview lost to North Shore (March 26), but North Shore is very good, and Channelview is,

too," Manrique said.

"In the playoffs, it's all about who wants it more. Yes, you have to have some luck. We haven't had any luck on coin flips for location or game days, but we have had pretty good success on the field.

"Channelview is a tough place to play, always has been. We just have to want it more."

With now the five league titles consecutively in hand, Manrique, ever the researcher, believes his program has tied Dobie baseball for the most in a row.

The sixth will have to wait until 2020. The Longhorns now have more important business to take care of.

### Dobie Soccer's Five-Year Run

- 2019 – 14-1-1 to win district; playoffs start against Channelview.
- 2018 – 13-1 to win district; quarter-final loss to North Shore.
- 2017 – 10-1-3 in district, won region title and advanced to state.
- 2016 – Undefeated in district, quarter-final loss to North Shore.
- 2015 – Undefeated in district, area round loss to Clements.

## Dobie's soccer title run extends to five seasons

The Dobie varsity boys' soccer program extended its run of dominance this season, first defeating South Houston 4-2 March 21 at Manvel High School to clinch the District 22-6A championship and then helping to drop Memorial into third place with a 2-0 victory over the Mavericks March 23, at San Jacinto College South. The team compiled a 14-1-1 record in district play this season to win a fifth straight league title and is now 19-2-3 heading into the postseason. At left, members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Israel Perez, Fernando Portillo, Daniel Hernandez, Christian Saldivar, Diego Calderon, Bryan Nava, Oscar Trevino, Illsen Urrutia, Alberto Chavez, Imanol Pena, (back row) Oscar Medrano, Gerardo Torres, Eli Donaho, Jonathan Mendez, Natanael Delgado, Manuel Trejos, Eduardo Benavides, Eris Acosta, Isaac Cortez, Juan Castaneda, Oscar Beltran, Josh Hernandez (trainer), Jean Arreguin, Oliver Vivas, Max Parra and Adrian Garcia.



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## Lady Longhorns avenge early loss

Continued from Page 1B seven runs in the game, all over the first three innings.

Leslie Longoria, who had two hits and scored four runs in the game, led off the top of the first inning with a single and went to second on a single by Jasmin Benitez, who had two hits and scored three runs.

Louisiana State University signee Taylor Pleasants singled to load

the bases before Wincher ripped a two-run double. Mykayla Gutierrez knocked in another run as the Lady Longhorns built a quick 4-0 lead.

Atascocita plated a run in the bottom of the first but could not contain the Lady Longhorns.

In the second, Dani Colunga and Longoria both singled and Benitez was hit by a pitch to again load the bases. Pleasants

first had an RBI single and Wincher tripled to right field, scoring two more. Wincher added a three-run double in the third, all in support of starting pitcher Jessica De La Cerda, who was brilliant in a five-inning, one-run effort.

At 7-2, Dobie trails first-place Memorial by a half-game after the Lady Mavs were helped by six Dobie errors in a 9-2 win at Alvin March 22.

## Dobie baseball jumps out to 4-1 in D-22-6A

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**Horns punish Eagles**

Dobie went against Pasadena in a special doubleheader March 22, at Maguire Field as district officials continued to work around the fires in Deer Park.

At the end of the day, it was simply a quick business trip for the Longhorns, who cruised to separate 12-1 and 20-1 wins.

David Amaya had three hits and drove in a pair in the first game, and Jeffrey

Mercado, Garza, Christian Cleckley and Caleb Exum all had a pair of hits.

Dobie helped itself with 10 runs in the first inning to cruise to the win.

The Longhorns then took a 20-1 win in the second game, plating 11 runs in the first inning this time around.

Amaya was 4 for 4 with three runs batted in and three runs scored, and Noah Torres had two hits, drove in three runs and scored three more.

Cleckley doubled among his two hits and

had two runs batted in.

**Summer Creek 7 Dobie 1**

Exactly a week after the Longhorns began league play with a 3-2 victory over Summer Creek, the two teams met again. This time, the Bulldogs turned the tables.

Scoring five runs in the top of the first inning, Summer Creek went on to win 7-1 behind a gritty pitching performance from Andre Duplantier, who went the distance, punching out eight batters along the way.



Dobie starting pitcher Alan Lopez (32) allowed a pair of run-scoring hits in the second inning March 26 against the Humble Wildcats, but was otherwise solid, going 4 2/3 innings for the win as his team erased an early 3-0 deficit en route to a 6-3 win, moving to 4-1 in league play.