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St. Luke's bazaar canceled

As of Wednesday, June 3, ZIP code 77089 had 99 confirmed cases of COVID-19, according to Harris County Public Health officials. That figure is 16 higher than the 83 count reported on Wednesday, May 27. In ZIP code 77075, county officials are reporting 96 known cases. This number is two higher than the 94 cases reported the previous week. County officials are now reporting 85 cases in ZIP code 77034, up eight cases from last week.

In all, there are currently 13,027 known cases in Harris County, an increase of 1,746 from last week. Of those, 7,713 remain active, up 1,132 from last week. A total of 5,078 have recovered from the virus in the county, an increase of 599 from the previous week. To date, 236 have died from COVID-19, up 15 from last week.

Statistics are updated daily and include numbers from within both the Houston city limits and throughout Harris County. To view an interactive map, visit publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/Resources/2019-Novel-Coronavirus.

St. Luke's bazaar canceled

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the St. Luke parish bazaar has been canceled. Many of the families and those from the community have suffered great financial losses. The parish of St. Luke the Evangelist will focus for the remainder of this year on getting the parish financially stable and helping parishioners and the community get back on their feet.

Beltway closures planned

There will be a total closure of the Fairmont Parkway exit ramp on Beltway 8 through 10 p.m. Tuesday, June 16.

At least one northbound and one southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lane will be closed from Vista to SH 225 daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through Friday, June 26.

At least one southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lane will be closed from Fairmont Parkway to Genoa Red Bluff daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Monday, June 22.

At least one inside lane of the eastbound Beltway 8 frontage road lane west of Kirby will be closed continuously through 3 p.m. Saturday, June 6.

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

Gulf Freeway closures set

The northbound exit ramp on the Gulf Freeway at NASA Bypass/ NASA Road 1 will be closed continuously through 5 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31. At least one lane of the northbound and southbound entrance ramp from NASA Bypass/ NASA Road 1 to SH 96 and exit ramp from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to SH 96 will be closed nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Thursday, Dec. 31.

Two alternate lanes on the Gulf Freeway frontage road will be closed from NASA Bypass/NASA Road 1 to SH 96/League City Parkway daily from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Thursday, Dec. 31. The southbound entrance ramp on the Gulf Freeway is closed at FM 518 until further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM 518 to FM 517 in League City will be closed daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Tuesday, June 30. This work requires alternate entrance and exit ramp closures.

At least one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway from FM 517 to Hughes Road in Texas City will be closed until further notice. The southbound entrance ramp at FM 517 in Texas City will be closed until further notice.

There will be a total closure at the southbound IH 610 connector ramp at the Gulf Freeway through 5 a.m. Monday, Sept. 28.

The northbound connector ramp from the Gulf Freeway to the IH 610 South Loop, along with one inside lane, will be closed nightly from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. through Thursday, Dec. 31.

At least two alternate main lanes and frontage road lanes on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from IH 610 South Loop to Broad Street nightly from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. through Thursday, Dec. 31.

The northbound and southbound entrance ramp from IH 610 South Loop to Broad Street and the northbound and southbound exit ramp from IH 610 South Loop to Broad Street will be closed nightly from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. through Thursday, Dec. 31.

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

Heavy trash days scheduled

City residents south of Fuqua will have heavy trash pickup Thursday, June 11. Residents north of Fuqua and west of I-45 will have heavy trash pickup on Friday, June 12, (second Friday of the month). June is for junk waste, but tree waste will also be accepted. Due to a larger amount of debris being discarded during the COVID-19 pandemic, pickups may be delayed. For additional information, visit www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste or call 311.

Free food distribution set

Pct. 2 Constable Chris Diaz will host a food distribution Wednesday, June 10, at Dobbie's 1930 Grade Center parking lot from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Youth sports may get OK for EFL play

By John Bechtle
Sports Editor

County officials have indicated that El Franco Lee Park may soon be opening its gates to welcome back competitive youth team sports, yet as has seemingly been the ever-present case during the coronavirus pandemic, remaining questions far outweigh concrete answers.

Late last month, both the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League and neighboring Pearland

Little League made the decision to cancel their respective 2020 seasons. This followed Little League Baseball taking its world-renowned 12-year-old divisional World Series and others out of play.

Locally, the South Belt Girls Softball Association had earlier made a similar decision, as did the South Belt Youth Soccer Club in relation to its spring season.

The coronavirus pandemic has effectively

wiped out three-plus-months of youth sports and counting.

With leagues now looking to get started in weeks as opposed to days, a little time has been bought. Yet if anything has been learned over the

past 100 days or so, time flies.

Where it relates to the county-controlled El Franco Lee Park, the Sagemont Cowboys of the Bay Area Football League would love to get the

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Constable arrests male on 2 felonies

On Sunday, May 17, 2020, Harris County Constable 2 Precinct deputies from the office of Chris Diaz attempted to stop a vehicle reported stolen on May 16, 2020.

The subject fled, leading deputies on a brief pursuit. However, the subject managed to evade the pursuing deputies.

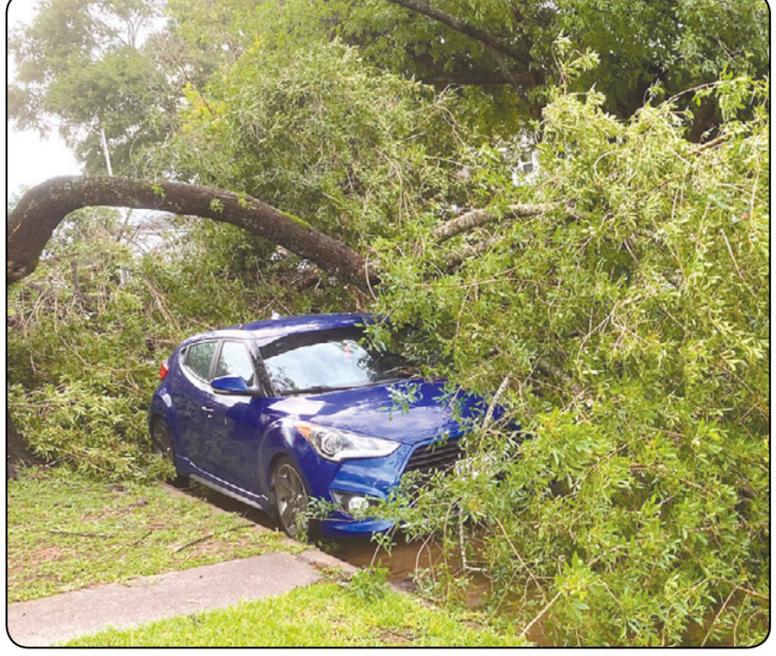
A follow-up investigation identified the driver of the stolen vehicle as 17-year-old Rod'Dre Butler.

Harris County Precinct 2 filed two felony warrants on Butler for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and evading arrest.

Charges were accepted by the Harris County district attorney's office.

Butler was taken into custody without incident on Thursday, May 28, 2020 in the earlier morning hours at an apartment complex on 10900 Highland Meadow Village Drive.

Winds play havoc in South Belt



Heavy thunderstorms struck Wednesday, May 27, bringing strong winds to the South Belt community. The gusts caused extensive damage in the area, downing several trees and fences and causing widespread power outages. The tree shown above fell on Sageburrow near Hughes, completely burying a vehicle on the local street. The car was unoccupied at the time and there are no known injuries. Thanks are given to Jeff Turnipseed for the tip on this photo op. Photo by Marie Flickinger

Storm topples many area trees

Strong thunderstorms ripped through the South Belt community Wednesday, May 27, causing extensive wind damage, flooding and power outages.

Harris County records indicate the Beamer ditch at Hughes Road received 1.56 inches of rain in a 24-hour period.

Wind, however, was the bigger threat.

According to Southeast Volunteer Fire Department Chief Chuck Tylka, a large oak tree snapped on Sageking, falling on a power line, causing several Sageglen and Meadows of Clear Creek residents to lose electricity for several hours.

Another tree fell on Sageburrow, completely encapsulating a vehicle on the area street. See related photo on this page.

The number of snapped trees on Sageburrow and the adjacent Sageglen led many residents to postulate on social media that a tornado may have struck the area. Tylka, said, however, that there were no confirmed tornadoes in the area.

Several other residents took to social media to share photos of downed fences and flooded streets.

Subsequent minor storms hit the community the following day on Thursday, May 28, but the area was spared significant additional damage.

Memorial extends visiting rules

Memorial Hermann recognizes the importance of family support in the healing process and effective June 1 will begin allowing one visitor per patient per day as permitted by Texas law. This new policy applies to its hospitals, as well as TIRR Memorial Hermann and Katy Rehab.

Memorial Hermann's outpatient facilities, including Memorial Hermann Imaging centers, Memorial Hermann Breast Care centers, Memo-

rial Hermann Sports Medicine & Rehabilitation locations and Memorial Hermann Medical Group clinics will continue to enforce a no-visitor policy with very limited exceptions until further notice to ensure social distancing can be achieved in waiting areas. University Place, a Memorial Hermann skilled nursing facility and independent adult living community will also continue to restrict all visitors

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Former Dobie student shot, killed

A South Belt resident was fatally shot Friday, May 15, at a Spring-area motel during an apparent robbery attempt, in which he was the alleged suspect. Jesse Jackson, 24, was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to Houston police, officers responded to the call in the 13200 block of Champions Centre Drive around 12:55 a.m. to find Jackson lying unresponsive with a gunshot wound. Responding paramedics pronounced him deceased. Investigators said Jackson was attempting to rob the occupants in one of the motel rooms. A witness stated he saw Jackson approach the motel room with a pistol drawn and holding it in front of himself as he entered the room. The witness then heard a gunshot

and called police.

The occupants of the motel room then fled the scene, police said. Investigators believe there were two additional suspects waiting in a dark-colored, four-door Nissan in the parking lot outside the room.

The vehicle fled immediately after the shooting occurred. A 2014 Dobie graduate, Jackson played football, basketball and track at the area high school. A remembrance celebration was held at Sagemont Church Friday, May 29.

Anyone with information in this case is urged to contact the HPD Homicide Division at 713-308-3600 or Crime Stoppers of Houston at 713-222-TIPS (8477).

City, county parks open but limited

While city and county parks remain open during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, allowed activities are still limited.

Harris County

Harris County is addressing the issue on a precinct-by-precinct basis, rather than a countywide standard. Precinct 1, which includes both El Franco Lee Park and Tom Bass Park, is currently in the process of establishing a new set of protocols. County officials said all plans will follow federal and state guidelines.

Precinct 1 parks are open but limited to groups of 10 people or less. Playgrounds, pavilions and splash pads, however, remain closed.

Senior events at the El Franco Lee community center also remain closed.

Hike-and-bikes trails, including the wetlands site at El Franco Lee Park, will remain open.

County officials are currently in discussions with local youth athletics groups, as well as national organizations such as Little League Baseball and Softball about the reopening of area sports fields. Some local groups have indicated they may opt to refrain from restarting activities, even if allowed to do so by authorities. See related story on this page.

For additional information on Harris County

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Unsolicited newspaper still delivered

The Leader continues to get complaints from area residents about receiving unwanted newspapers being delivered to their homes. (See last week's Leader, In My Opinion column Page 2.)

The most common of these newspapers is La Voz de Houston, a Spanish-language publication distributed by the Houston Chronicle.

According to the Chronicle's website, La Voz is distributed every Wednesday and Sunday to 147,000 single-family homes in densely populated Hispanic areas. The vast majority of those homes,

however, never signed up for a subscription.

Newspapers and magazines will often distribute their product for free in an effort to increase their circulation, so they can, in turn, charge more for advertising.

A common concern is littering and its affect on storm-water drainage, as residents frequently don't even pick up the unwanted papers, leaving them in the street to cause blockage.

While entire subdivisions are not allowed to

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Pick up medication pouch on June 6

The Bay Area Alliance for Youth and Families will host a free Medication Disposal Pouch pickup at three locations in the local area on Saturday, June 6 from 10 to 11 a.m.

- The distribution locations include:
 - Clear Creek ISD Education Support Ctr., 2425 E. Main St., League City.
 - Friendswood ISD Annex Bldg., 402 Laurel Dr., Friendswood.
 - Harris Co. Constable Precinct 8, 16602 Diana Lane, Houston/Clear Lake.
- For your convenience and the safety of others,

each site will be operated as a drive-thru pickup with little to no contact needed to collect a free medication disposal pouch.

These single-use disposal pouches serve as an easy and safe means to rid your medicine cabinet of unused or expired medications.

To neutralize the medication, simply place pills, patches or liquids into the patent-pending pouch, add warm water and zip the pouch closed. The medications then become deactivated and the pouch is safe to dispose of with household trash.

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Swimming pool openings updated

Most local neighborhood swimming pools are set to open Tuesday, June 2.

Among these are Sageglen, Clear Brook Meadow and both pools in Riverstone Ranch.

Ashley Pointe is scheduled to open Tuesday, June 16.

All City of Houston swimming pools, including those at Sagemont and Beverly Hills parks, will remain closed until further notice, as will the neighborhood pool in Highland Meadows.

Area swimming pools traditionally open for the season on Memorial Day weekend, but the openings were pushed back this year due to the

COVID-19 pandemic.

Occupancy will be limited to 20-percent occupancy, and no guests will be allowed. Gov. Greg Abbott is expected to increase occupancy to 50 percent in the coming weeks.

All area pools will be closed for cleaning on Mondays.

Clear Brook Meadows' pool hours will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Sageglen pool hours will be from noon through 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 1 to 9 p.m. on Sunday.

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Runoff election adjusted for COVID

Early voting for the July 14 primary runoff elections will begin soon, set to take place June 29 through July 10.

The elections were originally scheduled for May 26 but were postponed by Gov. Greg Abbott due to the coronavirus outbreak.

Voters in the primaries will choose who will run for office in the November general election. In Texas, residents may either vote in the Republican primary election or Democratic primary election but not both during the same voting year.

"We encourage voters to take advantage of early voting and ballot-by-mail options," said Harris County Clerk Diane Trautman.

To be eligible to vote by mail, a voter has to be 65 years or older; have a disability or illness; be out of the county during the election period;

or be confined in jail, with no felony conviction.

The last day to apply for a ballot-by-mail is seven days prior to an election. Voters can go to www.harrisvotes.com to print out the application or call 713-755-6965 to request one. The last day to register to vote is June 15.

Several key positions remain to be decided. In the election to fill the U.S. House District 22 seat being vacated by Rep. Pete Olson, both the Democratic and Republican races are involved in a runoff.

On the Democratic side, Sri Preston Kulkarni is facing Derrick A. Reed. During the primary, Kulkarni narrowly missed receiving the 50 percent of the vote necessary to avoid a runoff, taking home 46 percent of the vote to Reed's 28 percent.

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CBC complies with new state mandate



Clear Brook City MUD administrators and employees recently completed the new State of Texas HB 3834 mandated Cybersecurity Security training which must be done by government employees annually. This is to help decrease any breaches into government and city files that contain information such as bank account numbers, customer personal information, etc. Many small municipalities have been held up for "ransom" after their computer systems were compromised and locked out, thus having to make large payouts to get their systems operational again. Left to right, sitting are Kindra Green, Amber Longfellow, Daniel Stringer, Morgan Bourgeois, Ryan Baier, Monica Ayala and Kelly Brown. Standing in back are Cecelia Ganje (left) and Dean Baier, managers of the district. At the podium are Daniel Cohen (left) and Alison Ziskind, owners of TexPC Solutions who gave the presentation. Photo by Marie Flickinger

In My Opinion

Hutsell objects to balloon release

Hello, My name is Callie Hutsell, a resident of this neighborhood for over 30 years and a retiree from Southeast Memorial Hospital. Maybe this is an editorial opinion, and perhaps a legal issue.

Littering is illegal. Sad that has to be legislated, however, that's another issue. Now I see that even the church is involved in littering. Where do these people imagine those balloons end up? In Heaven or some Holy Place? NOT.

They end up killing our wildlife. Not to mention littering our earth and environs. How can this possibly salute our deceased? Tell me how this resolves grief when I find a helpless bird feeding a piece of rubber to their young?

Please explain how such unconcern for others helps celebrate any occasion. Beaches are littered with dead fish having ingested one too many of these celebratory and environmentally deadly weapons. Please, my friends, stop this littering and killing. Pleadingly,
Callie B Hutsell
Editor's note: The balloons were not released.

Tobias grateful for senior car parade

Mr. Moses,

I just wanted to thank you again for putting together such an AWESOME event for the Class of 2020. It was so meaningful, and I saw nothing but miles of smiles from the kids, their families, and all the teachers who gathered to give them such a memorable experience. I know Cameron was very touched by how much effort went into the planning and execution of the parade, and he is likewise very grateful to you for orchestrating the event. As evidenced by the outstanding turnout you had, clearly this had quite an impact on the South-Belt community, the graduating seniors and their families. It was so great to see all the decorated cars, and hear all the honking horns and cheering from the teachers, and seeing the joy on everyone's faces is something I will never forget.

Thank you again for being such an amazing principal and for going above and

beyond the call of duty for your kids. You exemplify "Dobie Pride" and we sure appreciate you! Best wishes,
Shannon Tobias
Publisher's comment:
That goes double for those here at the *South Belt Leader*.
—**Marie Flickinger**

King shares quote of the week

"It is better to be safe than sorry." Our mothers' admonition rings in every one of our ears. And it is an apt one for children unable to appreciate and weigh risks. But the reality is that we live in a world full of risks. Every day we take risks, most of which could be avoided, as a tradeoff for something we need or want. We do it on an individual and a societal level.

For example, we know that there are virtually no traffic fatalities at speeds of less than 30 mph. So, if we reduced the speed limit to 30 mph, we would save nearly all of the roughly 40,000 people in the US that die in car accidents each year. If we were to put lowering the speed limit to 30 mph up for a vote, what do you think the result would be?

Or how about smoking. According to the CDC, "cigarette smoking is responsible for more than 480,000 deaths per year in the United States, including more than 41,000 deaths resulting from secondhand smoke exposure. This is about one in five deaths annually, or 1,300 deaths every day." If we pass an outright ban on smoking, we could save nearly a half a million unnecessary deaths each year.

Globally, two million people die every year in work-related accidents. Should we shut down the world economy forever to save these two million lives?

The reality is that we put ourselves at risk every day for our livelihood, our convenience and our personal pleasure. Implicit in those decisions is the uncomfortable calculus that we will tolerate some number of people dying as a trade-off for a variety of activities we undertake every day.

Of course, this is on my mind because of the current COVID-19 outbreak and various government restrictions that have been put in place to stem its spread. At some point we will have to face the question of what level of COVID-19 risk we are willing

to assume.

It is a calculus that we have already made when it comes to seasonal flu. Before COVID-19, the CDC estimated there would be 24,000-63,000 flu deaths this year in the U.S. If we had adopted the same social distancing and stay-at-home protocols measures at the beginning of the flu season, a large percentage of those deaths could be avoided. But if anyone would have suggested those measures at the beginning of flu season, they would have been laughed out of the room.

There are those who will attempt to portray the dilemma before us as a choice between saving lives and measly pecuniary interests. I saw someone on social media recently say they would rather be poor and have their grandparents. If it were only that simple.

Yes, of course, there are financial implications. But they are not just about lowering our standard of living. There are families that literally will not be able to feed themselves at some point under these restrictions. Individuals will forego medical treatment because they cannot afford it, with unknowable consequences. How many middle-class families will have their savings wiped out? How many of their children will not be able to go to college as a result? How many pension plans will go bankrupt because of the market collapse, leaving pensioners destitute?

But beyond the financial impact, there will also be unintended consequences from these measures we cannot even contemplate now. For example, there were about 48,000 suicides last year. My guess is that when we get those numbers for this year, we will see a big spike. Alcohol sales have shot up. How many more alcoholics will there be at the end of this? Many expect there will be a surge in family violence. How many cancers are not being diagnosed early enough to save a person's life because routine screenings have been shut down.

The list of potential consequences is endless.

Hopefully, the course of the disease over the next couple of weeks will make the calculus less difficult. If not, we will soon be facing some tough decisions. But regardless of the exigency of the circumstance when that time comes, hopefully we will make those decisions with our gray matter and not our glands.
Bill King

Friday evening, while Mayor Turner was asking people to protest legally and controlled, while doing so what happened. A police cruiser which I helped pay for, was severely damaged, all glass broken, they jumped on top of it and probably did a lot of damage to all the expensive equipment inside.

This officer, as the other 3 have been fired, and this one has been charged with a 3rd degree murder. WE HAVE to remember that our Constitution clearly states that you are assumed innocent until you are found guilty in a court of law and sentenced. So all investigative material by the local, state and FBI needs to be kept confidential until a trial is held.

So why am I writing you. You have the opportunity to write, FRONT PAGE IN BIG LETTERS an Opinion article telling these protesting individuals to please go home and ALLOW FOR THE LEGAL PROCESS TO CONTINUE. THANK YOU.

A very concerned citizen
James E. Muecke

Muecke on protest and Chronicle piece

To the Executive and Editorial staff
In the May 29, 2020 Chronicle the head line is LEAVE GUNS AT HOME. Why this Editorial, as up to now I have not heard of any shootings and yesterday in Houston one individual was removed for carrying a long gun.

Our founding fathers in their wisdom debating the Constitution and By Laws thought long and hard and then made/designed the Second Amendment; not the 5th, 9th or 20th. This protest, look at the

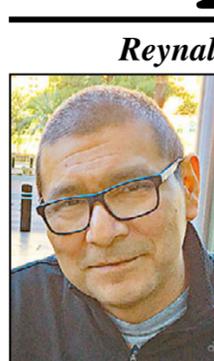
damage by rocks, bottle, iron and wood and MATCHES are being used. Look how much destruction, more than an AR-15

They never dreamed we would see this type protest in this country as we have today. Yes they had protests back then but not like this. The 2nd was for self protection (look at the increase in gun and ammunition sales), safety from animals and to put food on the table.

Now a legal and under control protest is no problem, really one of our rights. I have not seen a protest when a Hispanic, White or Asian is killed in a questionable manner by a white police officer. But this segment of our population protests each and every event. Look at the Rodney King issue in Los Angeles in 1975, the amount of destruction and loss of life. Then the small town out side St. Louis, again rock throwing, burning and much destruction and others. Now look at the destruction across America with this event.

All outside of Minnesota, these were not involved so why the destruction. I have to say our first responders are handling this very careful and correct while several have been injured including the Secret Service agents. The killing of George Floyd as we have seen it is a tragedy. I ask why 4 officers were involved.

He was being questioned about a counterfeit \$20.00 bill which would normally be handled by one or maybe 2 officers. So what happened prior to his being held on the ground in this manner. What may have been in his system (by autopsy) could have him being very violent. He was a very large man. Also, as reported in the Chronicle (A-16) in the Thursday May 28 edition, and I have not seen this mentioned by anyone, Mr. Floyd was involved with a weapons issue in 2007, convicted in 2009 and went to prison for a full 8 years. Then he left for Minnesota to find work. There are more jobs in Houston then up there. Why? Today Michael Berry posted that Mr Floyd and this charged officer worked security at the same bar for many years so they knew each other.



Reynaldo Carlos Trevino, 48, of Houston, went home to be with the Lord May 27, 2020. He was preceded in death by his mother, Maria Trevino, paternal grandparents Bennie and Sally Trevino, and maternal grandparents Martin and Hermelinda Rodriguez.

Many knew Reynaldo, or "Rey" as a fun-loving, laid-back guy with an infectious smile and laugh. Rey loved to golf, and he traveled the world to play rounds in places like Pebble Beach, Ca., and Glasgow, Scotland. He would often combine his hobbies of travel and golf together. Rey was also a huge U2 fan and traveled to London, Chicago and Las Vegas to see them perform live.

Rey loved being a dad

Death

Reynaldo "Rey" Carlos Trevino

to his sons, Sergio and Mateo, of whom he was so very proud. He loved to travel with them and share his interests, including sports and old movies/music from his childhood. He had a great sense of humor and loved to pull pranks on his friends, family and co-workers.

Rey was a star athlete growing up. He played many sports throughout his youth, including baseball, track and football in high school. He then became a member of the University of Houston baseball team, playing second base. He obtained his Bachelor of Science in management information systems (MIS), and worked as an IT manager for Texas Children's Hospital and then Houston Metro for 15 years.

Over the past few months, Rey proved just how strong he was, both physically and mentally in his battle with cancer. He kept up a positive attitude and vowed to fight until the very end, showing his grit and tenacity.

Rey leaves behind his two sons; his fiancé Kathy Herzogenrath and children Sydney and Kennedy Sonnier; father Carlos Trevino; brother Roberto Trevino and Gina Trevino; nephew Nicholas and niece Giuliana Trevino; along

with numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services for Reynaldo include a visitation for the family Thursday, June 4, from 4 to 5 p.m., and an open visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Funeral services will be followed by a graveside burial Friday, June 5, at 2 p.m., all at Forest Park East, 21620 Gulf Freeway in Webster. If one plans to attend the services, respect the family's desire to keep everyone safe and healthy by wearing facial coverings and practicing social-distancing. Also, the family requests that the University of Houston brand ed clothing or U of H color be worn by attendees.

For those who are unable to attend in person, the service will be streamed live via Facebook on the Remembering Reynaldo Carlos Trevino page.

In lieu of flowers, consider giving to the University of Houston Baseball team in Rey's memory.

Checks may be made payable to the University of Houston with "In Memory of Reynaldo/Rey Trevino for Baseball" on the memo line and mailed to the following address: University of Houston System; Gift Processing and Records; PO Box 867; Houston, TX 77001.

PISD Shining Stars parade held

The Pasadena Independent School District Education Foundation hosted its annual Shining Stars event, honoring the top 10 seniors from each high school and their distinguished educators. (See Dobie Shining Stars Page 8 this week; Memorial and South Houston pictures follow in future issues.) With concerns of COVID-19 still looming, the Pasadena ISD Education Foundation decided to turn its traditional indoor gala into a social distancing parade at PISD's Veterans Memorial Stadium. The event operated like a drive-thru parade. Seniors and educators drove around the stadium as Education Foundation board members, Pasadena ISD board members, district and campus administrators, and city leaders including Mayor Jeff Wagner, cheered along the path for the honorees.

"We wanted to give our Shining Stars a night to remember in the safest way possible," said Cheri Hutcherson, Education Foundation board president. "What better way to do this than a pageant-style parade with the Education Foundation, school district, campus leaders, and the city coming together to celebrate the ac-

complishments of our top 10 students and their teachers."

To maintain social distancing practices, each Shining Star and Distinguished Educator rode in separate vehicles with their family and received gifts along the way. Students received multiple items including a personalized yard sign and a laptop for college. Teachers received trophies and gift bags.

Andrea Nguyen, executive director of the Pasadena ISD Education Foundation, said that judging by the smiles on the faces of students and teachers, the parade was a hit.

"These students have worked tirelessly throughout the school year and then they were hit with such an unexpected turn of events — the COVID-19 pandemic," said Nguyen.

"Instead of depriving them of a celebration that they deserve, the Education Foundation decided to organize an event for students that will be remembered for years to come. Our Education Foundation is so proud of these seniors for all they have accomplished and all they have overcome this school year. Congrats to the Class of 2020."

BBQ sale at St. Luke's

Knights of Columbus Council 9201 is sponsoring a barbecue sale Saturday, June 13, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, June 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or until food runs out) in the St. Luke Catholic Church rear parking lot, located at 11011 Hall. The event features a chopped beef sandwich with onions and pickles, chips or Fritos and a soft drink. The cost is \$8. The proceeds will benefit Knights of Columbus charities.

Self-defense classes go virtual

The American Society of Karate has begun virtual self-defense/martial arts classes for teens and adults (ages 13-80) Fridays at 7:30 p.m. in the comfort of one's own home.

Newcomers are welcome. No previous self-defense or martial arts experience is necessary.

Those wishing to preregister, go to the link <https://ringcentral.com/2XpnHWj> and filling out a short form.

For additional information, email Michael.Alonzo@ASKKarate.com or call 281-788-5930.

Memorial extends visiting rules

patients will be allowed to remain on-site until the patient is discharged as long as social distancing is not compromised in the waiting area.

No overnight visitors are allowed. No visitors will be allowed for any patient in isolation.

Visitors may utilize hospital cafeterias and cafés.

Very limited compassionate exceptions to the visitor policy will be made for areas including Palliative Care, Supportive Care, Hospice, NICU, Pediatrics and Labor & Delivery, and will be managed by each facility. Memorial Hermann continues to encourage the use of video chat programs on your personal device to visit with loved ones who cannot visit in person.

Church Directory

Attend the church of your choice

New Covenant Christian Church

10603 Blackhawk
281-484-4230
Bill & Cheryl Hines, Pastors
We've Enlarged Our Day Care Facilities
Register Now! 281-481-2003

WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. (Worship Service • 9:00 a.m.)
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. (Prayer Meeting • 7:00 p.m.)
Mid-Week Service • 7:45 p.m.

Nursery Available at all Services

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Local library events set

Bracewell Branch Library

Bracewell Branch Library is located at 9002 Kingspoint. The phones are now open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, noon to 7 p.m., at 832-393-2580 for reference details or any other information.

Bracewell HPL To Go curbside service is in operation

Curbside services, known as HPL To Go, is now available Mondays, noon to 7 p.m.; Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The staff will also be available for reference questions, information, resources and account information on those days as well. Although curbside services will not be available on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the staff will be waiting to answer customer calls from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call Bracewell Neighborhood Library at 832-393-2580. Note that all overdue fines/fees will be waived through Jan. 1, 2021. The outside book drop is open 24 hours a day.

Book drop

The book drop is now open and all materials can be returned with no overdue fees. The library will continue to provide online resources so the public can enjoy the library at home. Large items such as FLIP kits or laptops should not be placed in the book drops. HPL is asking customers keep those items until further notice.

Additional resources

Currently, the Houston Public Library is focusing on providing electronic resources, books, audiobooks, databases for research, tutoring, language learning, education and parent information for any resident of Texas with a temporary library card. The way an interested resident can get a library card is to visit the website at www.houstonlibrary.org, scroll down onto the Home Page, and find the heading Here's What's Happening. Under that heading, there will be three cards. The middle one is Free Resources for All. Click on the card which will go to the page that lists the digital resources available and a link to obtain a temporary card.

Also, under the heading Here's What's Happening, look for the first card on the left, click on the heading titled Online Resources for Kids. One of the programs listed is Virtual Storytime. This is provided every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 a.m. The archived storytimes can be found on Facebook by searching Houston Public Library Virtual Storytimes. Another virtual program is Craft. Soon there will be STEM programs.

The HPL updated app is much more user-friendly than before. On the very first page, there is a link to Tumblebooks, which has many picture books that are animated read-alongs for children.

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

All due dates for existing borrowed materials will be extended through the closure period. Until further notice, no new late fees and fines will be assessed during the closure period, retroactive to March 14, 2020. While the Bracewell Branch Library remains closed, it's Wi-Fi service is still available for residents to utilize. If a customer has a device, such as a phone, laptop or tablet but no Wi-Fi, they can come to the library and gain access by standing/sitting within six feet of the building. There is no need for a password. All one needs to do is go to Settings, then Network and Internet, Wi-Fi, and then connect to HPL - Public.

Even though HPL appreciates book donations, it's not accepting them at this time. The library staff requests that donations do not get placed outside library buildings, or at the book drops.

Visit www.houstonlibrary.org to find virtual programs, and digital resources including e-books, e-audiobooks, streaming music and videos, online learning, online tutoring, and much more. For more information visit www.houstonlibrary.org to find out how to chat with a librarian 24/7, or how to send questions through HPL's email reference.

Parker Williams Library

The information for Parker Williams reads:
"All Harris County Public Library locations will remain closed to the public at this time. Public safety is our top priority. We will provide service updates as they are developed. The book drop at Parker Williams Library is open. No late fees have been nor will be charged during the library closures. One may return library materials to the exterior book drops at most HCPL locations, but, we urge one to continue to maintain social distancing and other public health guidelines. One will not be charged late fees. Do not leave items outside the library.

Harris County Public Library will continue to offer a wide array of online services:
- Use HCPL Wi-Fi service while maintaining social distancing with HCPL's Drive-up Wi-Fi.
- Download ebooks and audiobooks, stream movies, research and learn at www.hcpl.net.
- Attend an HCPL program or story time online through Facebook or YouTube.
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- Ask us a question via chat on Ask a Librarian.

If one does not have an HCPL library card, one can get instant access to all HCPL's digital materials including ebooks, streaming movies and research tools with an iKnow Digital Access Card. Apply at <https://www.hcpl.net/services/iknow-card> for a HCPL card."

Virtual activities

With the onset of summer, Parker Williams Library has planned online activities. The link to access the activities is provided for each event.

For more information, visit <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library>.

Parker Williams curbside holds pickup postponed

The library's interior will remain closed to the public as will our meeting rooms. The curbside service is scheduled to roll out at a future date that will be announced.

Complete instructions as to the curbside pick-up process will be detailed when the announcement is made for the event to begin. This is planned to be a no-contact curbside.

However, the library staff will not be able to take anyone's returns when curbside pick-up begins, so customers are asked to put them in the book drop.

Events in the near future may be announced in future issues and additional information is available on a timely basis on the library website. For more information, visit <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library>.

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Leader checks out social media

By Natalie Abarca
A member of *People of Sagemont 2* Facebook group posted a surveillance video of two men that broke into a vehicle at a home. The incident happened on Saturday, May 30, at 1:12 a.m., near Frazier Elementary School. Other members commented that the suspects were seen between 3:30 - 4 a.m. The member wanted to advise the community to lock ones' vehicle doors and also do not leave valuable items in vehicles.

On the same Facebook group, another member posted that a person got into

the member's vehicle and stole everything from the vehicle.

The member posted surveillance footage in the comments. The incident happened on Friday, May 29, at 1:20 a.m. across the Thompson Intermediate School.

A member of *The Official South Belt & Sagemont Area Crime Alert* Facebook group shared videos and photos of another break-in into a vehicle that happened also Friday, May 29, across the street from Thompson Intermediate School. Local police were contacted and a report was filed.

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SPORTS NEWS & NOTES

Lady Longhorn softball collects awards; ponders possibilities

Even today, nearly three full months after her varsity team last played a competitive game, Dobie head softball coach Robin Rackley uses the word "blindsided" to describe the way the entire spring athletic season was gone in an instant.

"Obviously, you feel bad for the seniors," said Rackley, pointing to the leadership that Michelle Amezcua, Danielle Colunga, Miquela Guajardo and Mykayla Gutierrez brought to the Lady Longhorns. "Like everybody, they

deserved to be able to finish out their careers on the field. They didn't get that chance, and it's tough for those kids." Rackley remembers how quickly the end came as if it were yesterday. The Lady Longhorns had

been unbeaten in district play but did not come away with good feelings following a 10-4 loss to Atascocita. "It was spring break," Rackley said. "We didn't play one of our better games. I told them to take a few days off and then come back ready to go."

chat to be the last she'd have with the full squad. "I think we were blindsided in a way," she said. "I mean, we knew (coronavirus pandemic) was present and had caused some concern, but I don't think many of us expected the season to end."

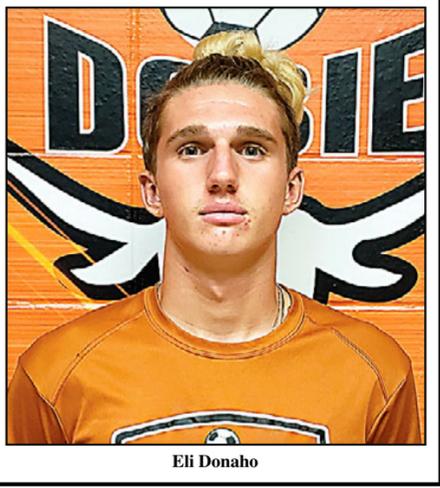
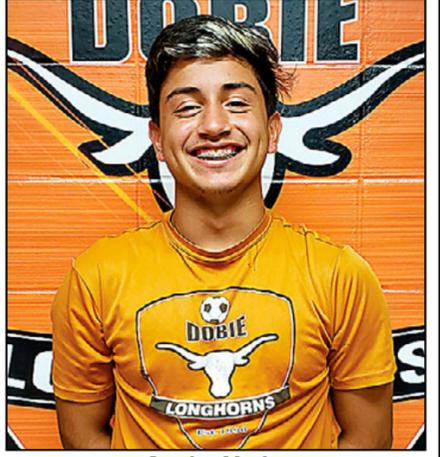
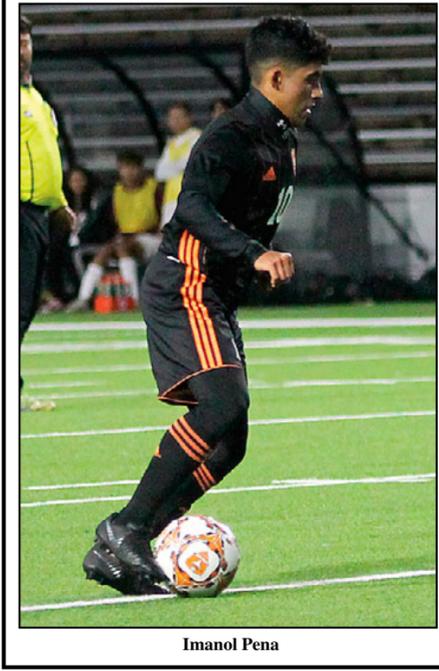
TASCO honors Dobie soccer seniors

The honors continue to roll in for select members of the Dobie varsity boys' soccer team, which claimed a fifth consecutive District 22-6A championship this season and surrendered just one loss during the entire campaign before the season ended prematurely due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Coaches as a second-team all-state performer. While teammate Jonathan Mendez, a defender, scored honorable mention all-state accolades. A third Dobie senior and leading scorer Imanol Pena was an honorable mention all-region pick at midfielder.

Midfielder Eli Donaho, a varsity performer since midway through his freshman season, was named by the Texas Association of Soccer

Donaho has also been honored as one of his school's top 10 seniors based on academic performance.



Dobie netters press on toward fall

The news that some high school and youth sports summer activities may soon proceed has to be music to the collective ears of those surrounding the Dobie High School tennis program, including head coach Manuel Moreno Jr.

With Pleasants having moved on, Dobie nonetheless had gone 14-4 overall when play was stopped. "We had a situation where we had 20 girls buying into what we were doing and playing for each other, and that's not always the case. I know coach (Chris) Swinnen (varsity softball assistant coach) absolutely believed that we were going to advance as far as we did last year, if not farther."

Marisa Perla and Bella Perez will return as two of the area's top sophomores in 2021 after breaking through as newcomers and eventual second-team all-district picks, with Perla emerging as Dobie's top pitcher and Perez catching.

structured camp, clinic or other workouts over the summer, it's all systems go come August.

Having already named four co-captains for 2020-2021, Moreno has released the team's full fall schedule as well as complete details for the 10th annual Remembering Ike Invitational in September.

"I know we are very excited about next season," Rackley said. "That's tough to think about now, but our time will come."

While the Longhorns do not typically engage in the 2020-2021 school year at \$100 per participant. Call 281-617-5597 for more information.

The regular season begins in earnest Aug. 11 as the Longhorns first travel to Dawson and then Katy for matches. The Longhorns will host

Clear Brook Aug. 11 and open District 22-6A action against Channelview Sept. 1, all as part of a very busy schedule.

LSA sets youth baseball, softball camps

The Lutheran South Academy baseball and softball coaching staffs are set to host the Pioneer's 2020 youth instructional camps.

ees will begin preseason workouts Aug. 3, and the ever-popular exes matches featuring former Dobie stars will play out Aug. 8.

Some of the other invitees include Clear Brook, Friendswood and Clear Creek.

LSA varsity baseball coach Aaron Schneider will lead the baseball camp, which is June 8-11 on campus from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each day. The cost for students entering the first through eighth grades as of

the 2020-2021 school year at \$100 per participant. Call 281-617-5597 for more information.

Direct email to Nicole.

TMS lauds Clear Brook's Dickson

Clear Brook High School sophomore sprinter Camryn Dickson landed a spot on the Texas Mile Split's Freshman All-Decade Team (2000s) after registering the Houston area's No. 2 and No. 5 fastest times in the 100-meter dash during the decade. Dickson, who advanced to the state championships as a freshman in

2009, was second to only Alvin High School graduate and current University of Texas standout Kynnedey Flannel.

If things hold according to plan, Dickson is expected to return to the summer track scene later this month and plans to compete in the 100 and 200 as well as the 4x1 and 4x4 relays.

SJC trio eyes MLB draft

San Jacinto College baseball pitchers Brandon Birdsell, Luke Little and Mitchell Parker will be among the thousands of eligible players expected to wait anxiously as the abbreviated MLB First-Year Player Draft plays out June 10-11.

in the five rounds will have the option of signing with a desired MLB franchise for a maximum of \$25,000.

Due to the financial effects across professional baseball due to the coronavirus pandemic, the 2020 draft will be limited to just five rounds in 2020 and very well could do so again for 2021.

round as well as the Competitive Balance Round, encompassing 37 total selections.

On June 11, rounds two through five will air on ESPN2 at 4 p.m. CST. In a normal 40-round MLB draft, all three San Jac pitchers were expected to be chosen.

As it stands, Little still projects as a top five round pick as the draft approaches. Little has signed collegiately with South Carolina; Birdsell with Texas Tech; and Parker with Kentucky.

On June 10, the MLB Network and ESPN will air live at 6 p.m. CST the first

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Dobie baseball duo make it official



Two Dobie varsity baseball players and Class of 2020 seniors made their decisions final as to where they will continue their education and playing career this fall. At left, Xavier Cantu has signed a letter of intent with the Nunez Community College in Chalmette, La. The National Junior College Athletic Association pro-

gram is part of Region 23. At right, the Longhorns' Gabriel Rojas is headed to Division III LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas. Both players helped Dobie to a 9-2-1 start during their respective senior campaigns before the season was cut short.

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Lajaunie scholarship tennis event comes on June 26-28

It's a go for June 26-28 as the ninth annual Darren Lajaunie Scholarship Fund Tennis Invitational will take place at the Harry Taylor Tennis Center in Pasadena. Funds raised from the event go toward youth tennis camp scholarships as well as college education scholarships to deserving Dobie High School tennis players.

Current Dobie players may also compete in the 2020 Lajaunie event free of charge. To do so, call Longhorn head tennis coach Manuel Moreno Jr. at 713-417-8062.

The registration fee is \$35 per player for singles or \$22.50 per player for doubles. To register or to gain additional information, direct email to tournament director John Thomas at jtjohnjr@gmail.com or call him at 713-941-8631. The event honors Dobie graduate and former tennis standout Darren Lajaunie, who died of complications

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Atkinson gives scholarships to alumni



Atkinson Elementary PTO was able to grant two former Eagles with scholarships. Both students attended Atkinson Elementary Kindergarten-4th grade. Andrea Uribe (left) is a 2020 graduating senior from J. Frank Dobie HS. Andrea will be attending Texas A&M University at College Station in the Fall majoring in Journalism/Telecommunications. Sarah Maryum



(right) is a 2020 graduating senior from Dr. Kirk Lewis Career & Technical High School. Maryum will be attending University of New England in the Fall majoring in Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine. Atkinson Elementary PTO members are extremely proud and wish both the best on their college journey and urged them to keep up the great work!

Harris County COVID relief fund to aid community

Harris County has established the Harris County COVID-19 Relief Fund to provide much-needed relief to Harris County residents most impacted by the global pandemic.

The \$30 million fund, which will be administered by Greater Houston Community Foundation, aims to strategically serve a large number of the most vulnerable people, in particular county residents who may not be eligible for other COVID-related funding and/or who cannot afford to wait for assistance.

The Harris County COVID-19 Relief Fund is expected to assist about 20,000 households to provide support with housing, electricity, food, childcare and other essential needs.

"Harris County on its own can't unilaterally turn around the economic fall-out from COVID-19, but we are committed to running the most impactful, targeted program to support the hardest-hit families in our community," said Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo. "If we want the entire community to get through this, it means helping the most vulnerable among us."

Funds will be disbursed in two ways to help ensure equitable distribution.

First, the fund will partner with trusted, high performing community-based organizations that are already actively supporting the community and have deep relationships and understanding of families with emergency needs.

These organizations will work with eligible individuals and families to complete a simple application, verify eligibility, and provide financial assistance.

The first round of grants to these organizations is estimated to disburse in June.

"The coronavirus pandemic has created both a health and financial crisis in our region," Harris County Precinct 1 Commissioner Rodney Ellis said. "Our communities are hurting. And it is our duty as public servants to make sure that our most vulnerable residents, who were already living paycheck to paycheck, do not lose everything in the midst of this crisis."

"Advancing a relief fund with enough resources – and structure to ensure those resources reach the most vulnerable in our community – was a key priority for our County."

Second, the fund will invite all eligible low-income Harris County residents to

complete an application through a multilingual call center and/or website to participate in a fair, randomized process.

Given the incredible need, Harris County knows resources will be insufficient. That is why a randomized process will be used to select eligible households to receive financial assistance. Eligible individuals will be matched with a community-based organization to understand their needs, verify eligibility, and provide assistance.

The public will be given a minimum of one week's notice for when this process will be opened. "Right now, the focus of our work is to get the Harris County COVID-19 Relief Fund up and running as quickly as possible."

"Much like previous relief efforts, such as the Harris County Small Business Loan program, our goal is to expedite the process and get money into the hands of our most vulnerable residents fast while also making sure it's done right," said Harris County Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia. "I have total confidence that our partners at Greater Houston Community Foundation will be successful in this endeavor. The Foundation is a recognized leader in disaster recovery efforts, and their performance managing the Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund as well as the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund proves they are the right organization for the job."

The fund is open to Harris County low-income residents, including those excluded by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act or immigrant households, adults listed as dependents, and people who may receive Pandemic Unemployment Assistance but cannot afford to wait for months. Eligibility and disbursement guidelines for the fund include:

Those who have experienced adverse economic impact related to COVID-19; and are:

- Households below 60 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI), or are accessing public benefits that already confirm they are very low income; or
- Survivors of domestic violence, or
- Youth aged out of foster care, or
- Those in homeless shelters.

Applicants cannot have received benefits from any City of Houston or other

Harris County program administered for the same purpose.

Prioritized consideration will be given to:

- Applicants ineligible for unemployment insurance or have applied and will take too long to receive assistance to meet basic needs.
- Applicants ineligible for CARES Economic Impact Payments, or have not yet received a payment and cannot wait for the assistance to meet basic needs.

"Our biggest priority is to get money and assistance to those who need it the most as quickly as possible," said Stephen Maislin, President and CEO of Greater Houston Community Foundation. "We know people need help and we are committed to working closely with Houston-area community-based organizations through a data-driven process to quickly and effectively deploy these funds to as many people in need as possible. We are honored to work with Harris County to support these critical efforts."

Those in need of immediate assistance are encouraged to call 211 Texas/United Way helpline to find an organization in a specific geographic region that can serve the public.

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Youth sports may get OK for EFL play

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thumbs-up to move ahead with preseason activities at their city-led home field at Blackhawk Park, yet it hasn't happened.

The same can be said for any of the other 14 BAFL organizations.

During a normal year, the preseason fires up with practices for players, drill teams and cheer in mid-July, and the regular season starts by mid-August. As for 2020, things are far from certain.

While those involved in the decision to open El Franco Lee Park for organized contact team sports like football when and if the time comes, yet acknowledges there is much more still to be ironed out.

For instance, the Cowboys will host uniform sizing dates June 6 and June 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Denny Wranich Sr. Field at El Franco Lee Park.

Denny Wranich Jr. has likely fielded it. As president of the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League, he played a role in the ongoing choice-making and ultimate decision to cancel a season that never began. No one wanted it to go that way, but it had to be done.

And now as the athletic director for both the Cowboys and BAFL as a whole, Wranich finds himself in the middle of similar difficult decisions moving forward.

He, like many, welcomes the opening of El Franco Lee Park for organized contact team sports like football when and if the time comes, yet acknowledges there is much more still to be ironed out.

Social-distancing measures will, of course, be taken with only one player and one parent allowed within the sizing area at a time.

However, the Cowboys plan to exercise plenty of caution when it comes to actually ordering the threads. The Cowboys' uniform provider has indicated it will take five weeks from order to arrival, so time remains.

Noting that SBHLL spent tens of thousands of non-refundable monies on unused uniforms for 2020 and also prepaid required insurance and league charter fees for 2020, BAFL organizations as a whole expect to proceed slowly where their up-front costs are concerned.

Make no mistake, BAFL indeed plans to compete in 2020, but beyond that there are many details left untied. Wranich said the possibility

of a delayed or shortened season exists for BAFL depending on how things play out on both a state and city level in relation to the pandemic, as things such as field availability, concession stand use and other key factors play out.

BAFL officials have also agreed to closely follow both the University Interscholastic League, the official governing body of public school extracurricular activities in Texas, as well as the NCAA, in relation to how best proceed within a contact sport such as football.

It could be that the BAFL kickoff delays until Labor Day and the usual 11-week schedule is shortened, but nothing is set.

"Literally everything has been brought up and discussed, yet it's still hard to make final decisions," Wranich acknowledged, conceding that those decisions will soon have to come. And again, he's far from the lone person involved in these meetings.

"There are just so many factors to consider. With baseball, it just became a situation where time ran out. With football, there's much more to it than simply deciding to play games."

"Right now the season is on, but there are so many factors that still need to be determined."

And with the South Belt Youth Soccer Club also looking to get started with fall season plans, many of the same questions will arise and therefore require answers.

Having El Franco Lee Park open for team activities will certainly be a step toward progress, yet little else during this pandemic has been certain.

up from 500. To date, Harris County has offered testing at 29 locations across the county. The new testing sites will be located at the following locations (appointment required, no walk-ups):

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Make no mistake, BAFL indeed plans to compete in 2020, but beyond that there are many details left untied. Wranich said the possibility

of a delayed or shortened season exists for BAFL depending on how things play out on both a state and city level in relation to the pandemic, as things such as field availability, concession stand use and other key factors play out.

BAFL officials have also agreed to closely follow both the University Interscholastic League, the official governing body of public school extracurricular activities in Texas, as well as the NCAA, in relation to how best proceed within a contact sport such as football.

It could be that the BAFL kickoff delays until Labor Day and the usual 11-week schedule is shortened, but nothing is set.

"Literally everything has been brought up and discussed, yet it's still hard to make final decisions," Wranich acknowledged, conceding that those decisions will soon have to come. And again, he's far from the lone person involved in these meetings.

"There are just so many factors to consider. With baseball, it just became a situation where time ran out. With football, there's much more to it than simply deciding to play games."

"Right now the season is on, but there are so many factors that still need to be determined."

And with the South Belt Youth Soccer Club also looking to get started with fall season plans, many of the same questions will arise and therefore require answers.

Having El Franco Lee Park open for team activities will certainly be a step toward progress, yet little else during this pandemic has been certain.

Harris County to open COVID-19 testing sites

On May 28, 2020, County Judge Lina Hidalgo and the Harris County Department of Public Health announced the county's two largest COVID-19 test sites will be moved to new locations.

The testing sites moved to Pasadena and Cy-Fair from Baytown and Katy and began services June 1.

Saturday, May 29, was the last day the Baytown and Katy sites were open and residents in those areas who need to be tested are encouraged to take action to schedule an appointment as soon as possible. Smaller mobile sites will continue to visit the Baytown and Katy area periodically.

Harris County Public Health encourages any residents who believe they have COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone with the virus be tested. To receive free testing, residents should register and use the self-assessment tool available at readyharris.org or by calling 832-927-7575.

During the screening process residents can select a date and time to get tested. Residents must have an authorization code to get tested and walk-ups will be turned away. Residents from other counties can also be tested at any of these sites. (Residents wishing to get tested the following day should call or register online after 6:30 p.m.)

Testing is a key component of Harris County's COVID-19 containment strategy, which includes contact tracing and treatment. Testing enables health officials to identify new cases of COVID-19 so contact tracers can determine the sources of infection and help prevent further spread of the virus.

Harris County operates a total of six testing sites throughout the county with the capacity to test up to 1,700 residents each day. The two new sites which opened this month are able to conduct 750 tests per day each,

up from 500. To date, Harris County has offered testing at 29 locations across the county. The new testing sites will be located at the following locations (appointment required, no walk-ups):

- Cy-Fair: Pridgeon Stadium 11355 Falcon Rd. A, Houston, TX 77065
- Pasadena: San Jacinto College Central campus, 8060 Spencer Hwy., Pasadena, TX 77505

To protect the privacy of patients, individuals and media staff are asked to refrain from taking, airing or publishing video or still pictures of residents.

COVID-19 can be prevented by practicing social distancing, wearing face coverings in public and washing one's hands frequently. Harris County health authorities urge residents who are sick to stay home.

Visit readyharris.org for the latest COVID-19 updates, resources and recommendations for staying safe.

CCISD names new principals

The Clear Creek Independent School District announces new leadership on a few campuses ahead of the 2020-2021 school year.

Elementary
Wendy Menachery is the new principal at Bauerschlag Elementary. She previously served as assistant principal at Gilmore Elementary.

Sandy Varner was appointed to Menachery's former position at Gilmore Elementary. She previously worked at North Pointe Elementary as an instructional literacy coach.

Mark Smith, who previously served as principal of Goforth Elementary, is the new principal at Ferguson Elementary.

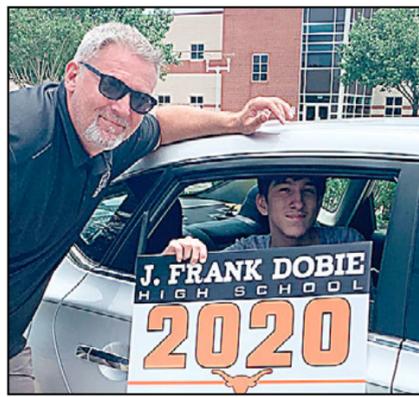
At Goforth Elementary, Mallory Lee will take over as principal and Kara Massey as assistant principal. Lee previously served as assistant principal at the school.

Julia Montes was appointed assistant principal at League City Elementary.

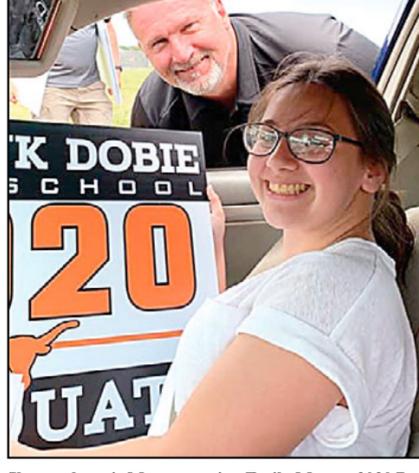
Belinda Garcia has been named assistant principal at Mossman Elementary. She previously served as assistant principal at League City Elementary.

Elizabeth Horner, former assistant principal, will take over as principal of Whitcomb Elementary. Jenny Toups will serve as assistant principal.

Intermediate
Brittney Walker is the new assistant principal of Westbrook Intermediate after serving as an assistant principal intern at Clear Falls High School.



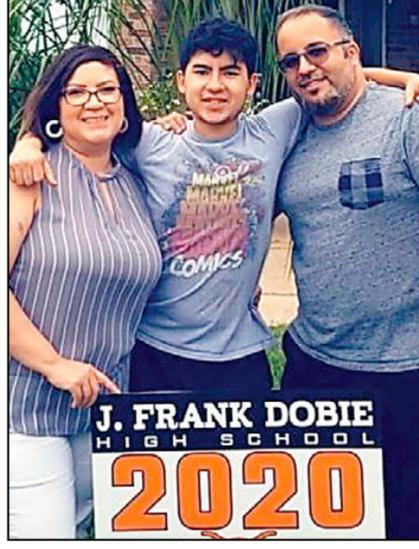
Dobie 2020 graduate Max Montes (right) receives his graduate sign from Franklin Moses, Dobie principal.



Shown above is Moses greeting Emily Mauro, 2020 Dobie graduate, as she receives her yard sign.



Andy Neira, Dobie 2020 graduate stands proudly next to his yard sign.



Shown, left to right, Lillian Mokarzel, mother; Jonathan Mokarzel, Dobie graduate; and John Mokarzel, father, are shown with their graduate's sign.

JFD celebrates 2020 graduates

On May 7 Dobie seniors paraded in their cars to receive Dobie Class of 2020 yard signs that were purchased by the school. Dobie principals and counselors lined up, greeted graduating seniors and handed out yard signs to recognize them for their achievements.



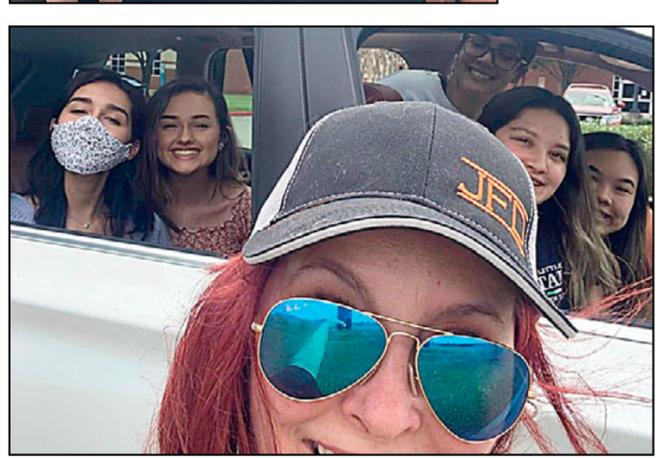
Holding brightly colored decorations and greeting the Dobie grads are, left to right, Leah Walker, counselor; Clinton Hopper, assistant principal; Louis Cannon, assistant principal; Kelcey Davis, counselor; and Jennifer Haynes, counselor.



Dobie staff members hold encouraging signs as graduate cars parade before them. Left to right, are Denice Smajstrla, counselor; Kelcey Davis, counselor; Carey Sink, assistant principal; and Erin Richardson, counselor.



Shown left, taking a moment for a candid camera pose are, left to right, Marcia Griffin, Dobie assistant principal; Linu John, Dobie Teacher of the Year; and Franklin Moses, Dobie principal. Enjoying the festivities of the day below are, left to right, Andrea Uribe; Naomi Rodriguez; Lauren Calderaro, assistant principal; Alexa Benitez; Ashley Tovar; and Angelina Duong.



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Hawk participates in Boss Lift

As a longtime supporter and volunteer for the 147th Attack Wing Family Support Association at Ellington Field, Cynthia Hawk was invited to participate in Boss Lift at Ellington Airport.

Participants rode on board a KC 135, and were able to steer the boom they use to refuel aircraft in the air.

Hawk has supported and raised money for the Family Support Association through a Family Day Car Show for 13 years.

The group is accepting donations for its annual May Military Spouse Appreciation Day. Although the May event has been canceled, the FSA at Ellington may be reached at 281-929-2056.



Cynthia Hawk looks below from aboard a KC 135.

Shown below is an aerial photo of the boom that is used to refuel aircraft.



Cynthia Hawk, Family Support Association volunteer, enjoys the flight.

Garcia delivers food to needy



On Mother's Day Lt. Jerry Garcia, delivered dried goods and canned goods to needy South Belt residents. In seven weeks since the start of the pandemic, Garcia's Adopt a Senior program has delivered more than 20,000 meals to seniors in need. Shown above are Olga Garcia, wife; Garcia, candidate for the position of Harris County Precinct 2 constable; Julie Garcia, daughter; and Adrian Garcia, son.

Runoff adjusted for COVID

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On the Republican side of the aisle, Kathleen Wall will face Greg Hill. Wall received 35.48 percent of the vote to Hill's 20 percent.

The race for the position of Harris County Precinct 2 constable is a runoff between incumbent Chris Diaz and challenger Jerry Garcia. During March's primary contest, Diaz received 34 percent of the vote

to Garcia's 39 percent. The winner of the Democratic constable runoff election will face Republican Daniel Vela in November's general election.

Harris County residents may now vote at any polling location during early voting and on Election Day.

Harris County Clerk offices remain closed to the public until June 10. Employees will

continue serving the public by email and phone, but residents are reminded that they can access most services online.

"The health and safety of both the public and our employees is our highest priority," said Trautman.

For additional information on early voting or to see a list of voting locations, visit harrisvotes.org.

Texan Bank celebrates president's award nomination

Texan Bank, a community bank with a friendly neighborhood feel and locations throughout the Houston area, has announced the recent community honor of Kristi Koncaba, president and chief operating officer of Texas Bank.

Koncaba has been nominated as a 2020 Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce Role Model.

She joins a dynamic group of women being recognized for their leadership in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) and dedication to serving their community.

Koncaba is a member of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce board of directors and has served as chair of events such as the Gala Committee.

She is a former resident of the South Belt area and attended J. Frank Dobie High School.

Koncaba will be celebrated during The Women in the Fast Lane of STEAM Luncheon & Style Show Sept. 18, 2020.

The event benefits several of the chamber's programs including STEAM Town USA, an initiative to increase the exposure of third-grade girls' interest in math and science and LAUNCH Institute, a program to help entrepreneurs

start and/or expand their business.

Texan Bank is based in Houston and is a full-service, independent bank offering business and personal banking with five locations across Houston, River Oaks, Sugar Land, Clear Lake and Friendswood.

Koncaba is married to Kenny Koncaba who is the chief executive officer for Texan Bank.

Texan Bank is led by people who have called the Houston area home for generations and is proud to serve as a center of commerce for those equally invested in the Houston community.

For more information, visit www.texanbank.com.



Kristi Koncaba

Most local pools open

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Both Riverstone Ranch pools will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., except on Sundays, when hours will be from noon to 8 p.m. Ashley Pointe's pool hours will be noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

At press time the splash pads at El Franco Lee Park and the Kirkwood MUD building remained closed.

HOA seeks nominations

The Sagemeadow HOA will hold an election for three seats on its architectural control committee June 20. This committee is responsible for reviewing and approving changes to property within Sagemeadow subdivision. Nominations will be accepted through June 17. All candidates must be property owners in the Sagemeadow subdivision. For more information, see the HOA's website at www.sagemeadow.org.

40 years ago (1980)

Eight major accidents resulting in the deaths of two drivers and the hospitalization of approximately 10 others since September 1979 marked Choate Road as one of the most dangerous thoroughfares in the area.

The Houston Water Quality Control Division continued to work to clear the rust from the South Belt area's water. The water became tinted with rust when an excessive amount of

chlorine in the water began corroding the rust in the water pipes.

Quick action of two Sagemont pool employees, lifeguard Bobby Richmond and assistant manager Bobby Carlton, averted a tragedy when they rescued a 1-year-old girl who fell into the deep end of the pool.

35 years ago (1985) Directors of MUD 13 scheduled another election concerning the \$14.5 million

bond issue, pending favorable response to a questionnaire.

Pasadena Independent School District trustees hired Dexter Joiner to be the district's delinquent tax attorney effective July 1.

A right turn lane was added on Fuqua at the eastbound approach to the bridge over I-45. This was the result of a joint project between the city and the South Belt Chamber of Commerce.

Maintenance and cleanup crews from Harris County Flood Control began working on ditches in the Sagemont area.

30 years ago (1990) Spilled diesel fuel caused several wrecks on the Gulf Freeway between Scarsdale and FM 2351 within a matter of two minutes.

A 20-year-old man drowned while swimming at Windmill Lakes. Dr. Allison Cambre was named the new pastor at Cokesbury United Methodist Church.

South Belt resident Hilda Rios was named the 1990-1991 Teacher of the Year of the Deer Park Independent School District.

25 years ago (1995) A light pole stood in the way of the freeway connector completing the southbound lanes of the Gulf Freeway to the east side of the beltway.

The San Jacinto College system began searching for a new chancellor to replace outgoing chancellor Tom Sewell.

The Miss South Belt pageant expanded to include entrants from outside the South Belt area.

J. Frank Dobie sophomore Devin Mitchell was selected the Outstanding Female Ambassador at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation seminar.

20 years ago (2000) South Belt area taxpayers, and their counterparts throughout Harris County, were to begin paying considerably more in property taxes when tax bills arrived. Most properties in the South Belt area would see an increase of value set near 10 percent, the maximum allowed by Texas law.

Dick Mills retired after 34 years with Pasadena Independent School District.

Woody Owens, a Green Tee resident, was elected to the Pearland City Council in a run-off election. His victory and the election of Larry Marcott appeared to give support to the extension of Scarsdale Boulevard.

Jamie Barrica began projects to keep a promise to Jonathan Barrica. He promised to work hard for the safety of Texas teenagers by forming a citizen's petition for no purchase or possession of handguns in the state.

15 years ago (2005) Three of the Breedlove identical quadruplets were released from the hospital. The quads were born to Dobie graduates Eric and Shelley Breedlove. The fourth, Adelle Felicia, remained in the hospital due to a heart valve problem.

Ellington Field was named on the Base Realignment and Closure committee's list to be downsized, but the fight continued. Both Texas senators and all local congressmen joined with members of the community in the attempt to build a case at the federal level to keep the base open.

The extension of Blackhawk was finally accepted by the county and opened allowing access to Dixie Farm Road. Houston Mayor Bill White agreed to participate in the annual Fourth of July parade. It was his fourth consecutive appearance in the parade.

10 years ago (2010)

Remember When

memorial, provided she keep it clean.

1 year ago (2019) A gunfight erupted the night of Thursday, May 30, when three men impersonating police forced their way into a home in the 11700 block of Kirkmeadow. At least one person, a female resident at the house, was injured in the shootout. According to police, the three males forced their way into the home around 9:55 p.m. and shouted "Police!" When the female resident saw a pistol on one of the suspects, she grabbed her own gun, and a gunfight ensued between the two parties, the suspects fled the house and ran onto the area street. One of the suspects also opened fire on a driver who almost hit him while he was fleeing on foot. The driver was not struck, however. The female resident was shot in the upper right arm. She was transported to Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, where she was

treated for non-life-threatening injuries. No immediate arrests were made.

Shots were fired during another home invasion around 11:30 p.m. Sunday, June 2, in the 10900 block of Sageleaf.

According to police, two brothers had just returned home from the store when three masked men forced their way into the home, fired a gunshot and demanded the brothers lie on the ground while they ransacked the house for valuables. The suspects then fled the house through the home's back door and over the fence into the Clear Creek Landing apartment complex. One of the two brothers then exited the home through the front door, but a fourth suspect in a blue Altima pointed a gun at him and told him to go back inside. No immediate arrests were made. The incident marked the third home invasion in the South Belt community in just over a week.

Atkinson Elementary science fair winners



Atkinson Elementary has named the 2019-2020 science fair winners. Shown left to right, Kyle Contreras, fourth-grader in Nancy Vazquez's class; Anna Trinh, third-grader in Sarah Socie's class; April Gonzalez, fourth-grader in Tulu Sarkar's class; Cayden Hamed, fourth-grader in Tracey Nguyen's class; and Kathrine Acac, fourth-grader in Jennifer Youngblood's class.

Over The Back Fence by Alexis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JUNIOR!

Special birthday wishes go to German Reyes Jr., aka "Junior," who celebrated his birthday Tuesday, June 2, from his family.

MATT CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY

Matt Griesmeyer celebrates a birthday June 4. Best wishes are sent to Matt from his former co-workers at the Leader.

HAVE A GREAT BIRTHDAY, BOBBY

Bobby Griffin, co-founder of the South Belt-Ellington Leader, is wished a very happy birthday on Friday, June 5, from husband Kenneth; son David Griffin and wife Angela; daughter Tracy Giles and husband Jim; grandchildren Robert and Kenneth Griffin, Aaron and wife Ashley and sons Jaxson and Jace Giles, and Kristen and Cody Giles; and friends and co-workers at the Leader.

ENJOY YOUR DAY, LAURA

Birthday greetings are sent to former Leader staffer Laura Aguilar June 7 from her former co-workers.

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR MARY

Dr. Mary Campbell-Fox of Campbell Family Practice and Ghebranious Internal Medicine is wished a happy birthday Sunday, June 9, from her family and friends.

SAMANTHA HAS A BIRTHDAY

Samantha Guerra, former Leader staff member, celebrates her birthday Sunday, June 9. Wishes for a happy birthday are sent from her former co-workers.

GILES MARK 29TH ANNIVERSARY

Tracy and Jim Giles of Kirkwood South celebrate their 29th wedding anniversary Wednesday, June 10. Congratulations and best wishes are sent from their children Kristen and Cody Giles and Aaron and wife Ashley and sons Jaxson and Jace Giles; parents Bobby and Ken Griffin; other family members and friends; and the Leader staff.

SCHOOL DAZE

The following personnel and staff members

of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays June 4 through June 10, 2020.

Atkinson Elementary

Special birthday wishes are sent June 7 to Elsa Martinez. Light the birthday candles for Jessica Carlos June 8.

Burnett Elementary

Send a happy birthday greeting June 6 to Araceli Sosa.

Bush Elementary

Enjoy a slice of birthday cake with Suzanne Anderson June 4. Send a warm birthday wish June 6 to Nancy Akins. The day for a party for Felicia Willis is June 9. Blow out the birthday candles June 10 for Sandra Vazquez.

Frazier Elementary

June 8 is the day for cake and ice cream for Denisse Saldivar. Enjoying a birthday June 9 is Adriana Cortez.

Genoa Elementary

Join in the birthday celebration June 9 for Maria Frias. June 10 is the day for a cake for Silvia Gonzalez.

Meador Elementary

Marking a birthday June 5 is Derek Woodard.

South Belt Elementary

Send a birthday greeting June 6 to Jake Wadkins. Melissa Linder celebrates a birthday June 8.

Stuchbery Elementary

The day for a celebration for Jose Wong is June 4. Susan Hall marks a birthday June 5.

Melillo Middle School

June 5 is the day to break out the balloons and birthday cake with ice cream for Gabriel Busch and Elizabeth Soto. Celebrating a memorable birthday June 8 is Lilliana Monita.

Roberts Middle School

Enjoying a birthday June 9 is Chad Cleveland.

Beverly Hills Intermediate

The day for a party for Guadalupe Ramirez is June 4.

Thompson Intermediate

Jessica Krustchinsky is wished a happy birthday June 6. Send a birthday greeting June 7 to Linu John. Blow out the birthday candles June 9 on a double-layer cake for Larry Davis and Patrick Payne. On June 10, happy birthday wishes are sent to Warren Hussey.

Dobie High

A double birthday is marked by Gilbert Deleon and Ferdinand Labua June 4.

FRIENDS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

The Leader sends birthday wishes to friends. For those wanting a birthday mentioned in this section, email mynews@southbeltleader.com with "OTBF: Friends Celebrate Birthdays" in the subject line by Friday noon for the next week's publication.

Friday, June 5: Zach Fisher, David Reyes, Minnie Gaeckler, Jessica Cordero and Merri Taylor; Saturday, June 6: Amanda D'Orazio, Timothy Turbeville, Vicki Derobles, Tracy Harder and Jay Hyle; Sunday, June 7: Damon Dixon, Nancy Carlton, Liza Vasquez Ybarra and Dee Foster; Monday, June 8: Baron Jones, Tamisha Lowe-Hendricks, Diane Cardenas, Judd Montes, Jennifer Hunter, Delia Marcum, Carolyn Valdez-Gomez, Victoria Wright and Byron Ewald; Tuesday, June 9: Trey Wilmore, Angel Ortiz, Gene Robertson, Estella Davis, Anthony Berg, Sandy Ann, Heather Walker, Austin Gates and Summer Keys; and Wednesday, June 10: Russell Simon, Mariela Ramirez, MaryRose Burk, Shawn Barras and Francine Bretado.

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Lady Longhorns earn all-district softball recognition

Mykayla Gutierrez, Sr.
All-Academic Team
Honorable Mention Pick

Celeste Salazar, Jr.
All-Academic Team

Jayla Arenas, Jr.
All-Academic Team

Leslie Longoria, Jr.
First-Team Pick

Yessenia Pena, Jr.
First-Team Pick

Karlie Barba, Soph.
First-Team Pick



Senior catcher Mykayla Gutierrez ended her outstanding career as a Lady Longhorn by being named an honorable mention all-district pick as a player and earning a spot on the All-Academic list for her classroom excellence.



One of Dobie's star-studded junior class, Celeste Salazar was recognized for her standout studies as she landed a spot on the District 22-6A All-Academic Team.



Dobie junior Jayla Arenas, who hit .429 early on for the Lady Longhorns in her opportunities, did plenty in the classroom as well as she scored an All-Academic Team berth.



Leslie Longoria added to her legacy in the Dobie program in 2020 with a first-team all-district nomination after she hit .429 with 20 runs scored, kick-starting the team's offense from the top of the lineup.



Hitting .531 with 26 hits (five doubles) and 24 runs batted in, Dobie junior Yessenia Pena was an easy choice as a 22-6A first-team performer in helping the Lady Longhorns to a 14-4 record.



Dobie sophomore Karlie Barba was solid in 2019 and perhaps even better in 2020 as a sophomore as the first-team all-district pick led the Lady Longhorns in hitting at .532 while driving in 21 runs and scoring 18 more.

Marisa Perla, Fr.
Second-Team Pick

Bella Perez, Fr.
Second-Team Pick

Jasmine Benitez, Jr.
Second-Team Pick

Michelle Amezcua, Sr.
Honorable Mention Pick

Danielle Colunga, Sr.
Honorable Mention Pick

Miquela Guajardo, Sr.
Honorable Mention Pick



Marisa Perla burst on the scene in 2020 with a tremendous all-around varsity debut. She grabbed a second-team all-district selection after going 8-1 with a 2.46 earned run average and also hit .483 with 10 runs batted in.



Dobie got a big lift from freshman Bella Perez as she hit .386 with 15 runs scored as she worked her way onto the District 22-6A second team.



With 21 runs scored and 16 runs batted in to go with a .400 batting average, Dobie junior Jasmine Benitez's season was plenty good enough to land her a 22-6A second-team nomination.



One of five Dobie seniors, Michelle Amezcua hit nearly .300 as she was named an honorable mention selection within District 22-6A following the season.



Lady Longhorn senior Danielle Colunga had a senior season to be proud of as she contributed in a variety of roles en route to being named as an honorable mention pick in 22-6A.



Senior pitcher Miquela Guajardo finished her Dobie career strong as she pitched well for the Lady Longhorns, eventually earning an honorable mention all-district berth.

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CALENDAR

Due to the current public health situation, it is advisable to verify if meetings are still being held prior to attending. Since Gov. Greg Abbott has initiated Strike Force for the reopening of Texas some groups have resumed their meetings. For Alcoholics Anonymous meetings in the area, visit <https://aahouston.org/meetings/>.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4
7:30 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 713-686-6300 (24/7) or visit <https://aahouston.org/meetings/>.

Rotary Club of Pearland - Meets Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. online on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81372891968>. Meeting ID: 813 7289 1968. Details are on Pearland Chamber of Commerce website under the calendar.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, meeting online. Visit the website link at <https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners/>. Call 713-686-6300.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Women's Group, open meeting, 2930 E. Broadway (FM 518), Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For information, call 713-661-4200 or visit www.hascona.com.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5
7:30 a.m.
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Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Due to the current health situation, all in-person synagogue events are canceled. The synagogue is closed until further notice. All services will be performed online. Join the Friday night service at 7 p.m. or the Saturday Shabbat at 9:30 a.m. service on a computer, tablet or smartphone by using the GoToMeeting app and accessing the link <https://www.gotomeet.me/cshonline> with the access code 471-821-285. For those who don't have a computer, services may be accessed by calling (+1)-571-317-3122. For members who wish to download a copy of the prayer book for the online service, visit <https://www.shaarshalom.org/prayer-book-for-online-service.html>.

8 p.m.
Serenity Now Al-Anon Group - meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 p.m., when the church reopens. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/addicts learn Al-Anon principles and discover choices available. For details, call 281-484-9243 or visit <http://www.houstonalanon.org/meetings.html>.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6
7:30 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" Tuesday through Friday, 7:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 1062 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, in Cornell Conference room. Call 713-686-6300 (24/7) or visit <https://aahouston.org/meetings/>.

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.

Alcoholics Anonymous - No meeting at CrossRoads UMC at 8 p.m. only until the church reopens. For details, call 281-484-9243 or visit <https://aahouston.org/meetings/>.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7
5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery - A faith-based 12-Step Program is not meeting in-person, but will resume meetings when Life Church campus opens up. For more information, call 713-419-2635.

MONDAY, JUNE 8
10 a.m.
Al-Anon Deer Park - Mondays, 10 - 11 a.m. Although there are no in-person meetings at this time, visit <http://www.houstonalanon.org/meeting.html> for an electronic meeting or call 409-454-5720 for details, or drop in.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Imperfect Nooners Group, noon, meeting online. Visit the website link at <https://aahouston.org/meetings/imperfect-nooners/>. For information, call 713-686-6300.

Toastmasters - The Young Professionals Southeast Toastmasters Club #05324194 has gone virtual! Meeting is Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the website <https://youngprofessionals.toastmasters.com/YoungProfessionals>. SE Toastmasters Club is committed to its member's safety during this National Emergency and will conduct virtual meetings every Monday (except holidays), effective 3/16/2020, to ensure its members continue their journey to becoming confident communicators and leaders. To be a guest at the virtual meeting, select the "contact us" button on the home page menu (www.youngprofessionalsoastmasters.com) to obtain access to our virtual meeting platform. For information, call

Karen Nunn at 832-722-9061 or Carolyn Carmichael at 832-372-3565.

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

Sagemont Civic Club - Meetings are held the second Monday, Sagemont Park Recreation Center, 11507 Hughes Rd. 7:30 p.m.

Congregation Shaar Hashalom - Israeli Folk Dancing resumes when the ministry opens to the public. Dance is originally scheduled on Monday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 16020 El Camino Real, 77062. \$4/session or \$35/10 sessions for CSH members and \$5/session or \$45/10 sessions for nonmembers. For information, contact 281-488-5861 or csh@shaarhashalom.org.

7:30 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - Saint Luke's Group, 12 Step Recovery is not meeting at this time but will resume when church opens. For more information, call Jesse at 832-725-8479 or Rita at 281-309-2801.

TUESDAY, JUNE 9
7 a.m.
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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 additional information, call 713-472-0565.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10
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7 p.m.
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.

THURSDAY, JUNE 11
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11:30 a.m.
ABWA - Southeast Express Network - American Business Women's Association-South will have a virtual meeting Thursday, June 11. All attendees must preregister. RSVP at <https://www.facebook.com/events/849023302250286> and the Zoom address is <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/join?meetingid=849023302250286>. After registering, confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting will be sent. There is no meeting fee for the virtual meeting. Visit www.seen-abwa.org for additional information.

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Disposal day June 6

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 It has been reported that most people who misuse prescription drugs get them from family, friends and acquaintances.
 Now more than ever it is important to secure or dispose of one's medications properly. This Spring, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Drug Enforcement Administration was forced to cancel their annual Medication Take Back event.
 To date, the total amount of prescription drugs collected in the Bay Area by DEA since the fall of 2010 is over 23,700 pounds.
 According to Amanda McLauchlin, Bay Area Alliance coalition manager, "This effort encourages everyone to do their part in emptying these potentially hazardous drugs from their medicine cabinets."
 For more information, contact the Bay Area Alliance for Youth and Families at 281-284-0370 or email alliance@ccisd.net.

JFD hosts Shining Stars parade



Shown are Franklin Moses (left), Dobie principal; and Jessica Vu, a Shining Stars award recipient.



Sophia Colmenares (right) smiles as she receives a Shining Stars award from Moses.



Shown are Moses (left) and Peter Hoang, a Shining Stars award recipient.



Moses (left) presents Shining Stars recipient Victoria Chu with her award.



Giving the victory sign are Ashley Nguyen (left) receiving a Shining Stars award from Moses.



Shown are Eloy Sanchez Jr. (left) receiving his Shining Stars award from Moses.



Two awards in one car are presented by Moses (left) to Shining Stars recipients Kennedy Ho (center) and Thuyen Vu.

Not pictured, but receiving the Shining Stars title are Emily Reyes and Jennifer Nguyen.

Municipal parks open

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 Precinct 1 Parks, visit www.hcp1.net/Parks1.
City of Houston
 City of Houston parks, including both Sagemont and Beverly Hills parks, are also open but on a limited basis.
 Like county parks, city park attendance is limited to groups of 10 people or less. Social distancing of 6 feet or more between patrons is encouraged.
 All swimming pools remain closed until further notice. See related story on Page 1.
 All playgrounds, water playgrounds, skateparks, basketball courts and outdoor exercise equipment also remain closed.
 All city hike-and-bike trails and dog parks remain open. Social distancing is encouraged.
 Curbside meals (snack and lunch) for youths (ages 1 to 18) are also still available Monday through Friday between 1 and 3 p.m. For more information on the curbside meal program, visit www.houstononthecheap.com/houston-parks-and-rec-free-curbside-meals.
 For additional information on city parks, visit www.houstontx.gov/parks.

Cody Nathaniel Carrillo

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