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### Leader seeks submissions

The *South Belt-Ellington Leader* encourages local schools, groups and individuals to continue sending story ideas and photos they'd like to see included in the newspaper. Submissions have declined following the death of *Leader* publisher Marie Flickinger in November. Contributions may be submitted to [mynews@southbeltleader.com](mailto:mynews@southbeltleader.com).

### Freeway Manor to meet

Freeway Manor Civic Club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, at Bible Way Church, located at 10120 Hartsook. Meetings typically take place the fourth Thursday of the month. Residents of Freeway Manor, Sun Valley and Gulfway Terrace are encouraged to attend.

### Mistletoe Market approaches

The 21st annual Mistletoe Market will be held Saturday, Oct. 4, at the BellaVita clubhouse, 1548 N. Riviera Circle in Pearland, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sponsored by the BellaVita Belles, the holiday market will feature more than 70 local vendors selling jewelry, home decor, women's clothing, children's clothing and much more. Food and drink will be available for purchase. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Military Moms and Wives of Brazoria County.

For additional information, call 281-464-3150 or visit [club-bellavita.org](http://club-bellavita.org).

### Beverly Hills to meet Oct. 3

Beverly Hills Civic Club will host a meeting Friday, Oct. 3, at the Beverly Hills Park community center, located at 10201 Kingspoint, from 10 to 11 a.m. All Beverly Hills residents are welcome to attend.

### Kirkwood to meet Sept. 29

The Kirkwood Civic Club's monthly meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Sagemont Community Center, 11507 Hughes Road near Beltway 8. Meetings are typically held for the last Monday of the month. For additional information, call Kirkwood Civic Club President Ericka McCutcheon at 281-989-9990.

### Coffee with the Constable

Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia will be at Donut Haven, located at 10802 Hughes Road at Beamer, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. each Thursday morning as part of the weekly Coffee with the Constable series. For additional information, call Sagemont Civic Club President Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545.

### Sagemont to meet Oct. 7

The Sagemont Civic Club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at The Gardens, 12001 Beamer at Hughes. All Sagemont residents/homeowners are invited to attend. The meetings typically take place the first Tuesday of each month. For additional information, call Sagemont Civic Club President Kay Barbour at 713-419-3545.

### Hughes/Sabo closures set

At least one southbound lane on Hughes/Sabo will be closed continuously at Beltway 8 until further notice due to a city water repair. Westbound Beltway 8 frontage roads may also be intermittently closed at Hughes/Sabo until further notice.

### Gulf Freeway closures set

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from SH 96/Calder/Brittany Bay in League City to FM 519/Main Street in La Marque daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from Deats Road in Dickinson to FM 2004/Camp Wallace Access in Texas City from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. until further notice.

At least one northbound and one southbound main lane and frontage road lane on the Gulf Freeway will be closed from FM 519/Main Street in La Marque to Tiki Drive in Galveston daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nightly from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. until further notice.

### Beltway closures planned

Two northbound and two southbound Beltway 8 frontage road lanes will be closed at Fairmont Parkway daily from 4 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday, March 31. Significant delays are expected.

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

### Schulba benefit planned

A barbecue fundraiser for Dobie baseball coach Kevin Schulba and his family will be held Saturday, Sept. 27, at the area high school from noon to 3 p.m. Hosted by a group of Dobie baseball families, the benefit will offer pulled pork sandwich plates for \$12 (\$10 pre-sale). Monetary donations will also be accepted. Vendor space is also available (vendor fee applies).

Funds are being raised to help defray medical costs associated with Schulba's 15-month-old daughter Everleigh, who suffers from a rare liver disease called biliary atresia. See related photo on this page.

## Hidalgo will not seek 3rd term as county judge

### A crowded field of candidates emerges in 2026 election to replace her

In a move that reshapes the political landscape of Harris County, Judge Lina Hidalgo confirmed she will not seek a third term in 2026, honoring a promise she made when first elected.

"The first time I was elected, I said immediately, 'I don't want to do this for 30 years. I don't want to have more than two terms,'" said Hidalgo.

Her announcement has already catalyzed a surge of candidates vying for the powerful county judge seat, which oversees a \$4 billion budget and emergency management for the nation's third-largest county.

#### A progressive trailblazer

Elected in 2018 at age 27, Hidalgo stunned

political observers by defeating 11-year incumbent Ed Emmett. She became the first woman and first Latina to hold the office, quickly emerging as a national progressive figure.

Over two terms, Hidalgo led Harris County through the following milestones:

- COVID-19 pandemic response.
- Winter Storm Uri and Hurricane Beryl.
- Expansion of early childhood education.
- Historic investments in public safety.
- Reduction in homelessness.
- Push for health equity initiatives.

Her tenure was not without turbulence.

In 2023, Hidalgo took a nine-week leave for inpatient treatment for clinical depression. Hidalgo would later speak candidly on the issue in an effort to help destigmatize mental health struggles.

She also faced political friction, including a

censure from Commissioners Court and a criminal investigation into her aides – charges that were later dropped or resolved.

#### Rumors and rebuttals

Speculation swirled that Hidalgo might challenge U.S. Rep. Sylvia Garcia for Texas' 29th Congressional District. Hidalgo dismissed the rumors.

"I will do everything I can to back Garcia's candidacy and other Democrats around the state," said Hidalgo.

#### 2026 race: A crowded field emerges

With Hidalgo stepping aside, the race to succeed her is heating up. Confirmed candidates include the following individuals:

#### Democrats

- **Annise Parker:** Former Houston mayor (2010-2016), nationally known for LGBTQ advocacy and progressive governance.

- **Letitia Plummer:** Former Houston City Councilwoman, campaigning on flood control, economic growth and public safety.

- **Erica Lee Carter:** Former U.S. Rep. for TX-18, daughter of Sheila Jackson Lee, previously stated she would run if Hidalgo stepped down.

#### Republicans

- **Aliza Dutt:** Piney Point Village mayor, former journalist, focused on fiscal discipline and limiting social programs.

- **Warren Howell:** Harris County native, campaigning to reduce tolls and eliminate DEI initiatives.

- **Oscar Gonzales:** Law enforcement veteran, launching his campaign in June.

#### Marty Lancton

- **Marty Lancton:** Houston firefighter union president, endorsed by several prominent Republicans including Jim "Mattress Mack" McIngvale.

#### What's next for Hidalgo?

While she's signaled she will not run this election cycle, Hidalgo has not ruled out a possible return to public office in the future.

"If the voters will have me, I'd like to be in elected office again," said Hidalgo. "I think that with everything I've been through, I have learned so much about how to be an elected official and make it sustainable."

## Flickinger to host pair of town halls

### Edgebrook and Clear Lake meetings planned for October

Houston District E City Council Member Fred Flickinger will host a pair of town hall meetings in the South Belt community in the coming weeks, with functions scheduled to take place in both the Edgebrook and Clear Lake areas.

A third town hall meeting is scheduled to take place in the Kingwood portion of the uniquely shaped district.

The first local event will take place Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Space Center Houston, 1601 E. NASA Parkway, from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The second local event will take place the following week Tuesday, Oct. 21, at One Movement Bible Church, 10120 Hartsook St., from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The doors will open for each event at 5:30 p.m., with informational booths from various city departments available to answer questions. The main program will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

The town hall meetings will also feature presentations from the following representatives:

- Houston Public Works.

- Solid Waste Management Department.

- Houston Police Department.

- Houston Fire Department.

- Houston Health Department.

- Houston Airport System.

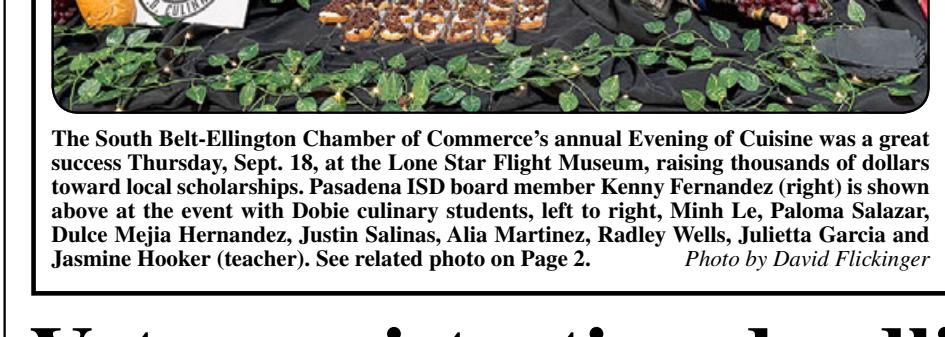
- Department of Neighborhoods.

Flickinger encourages residents to actively participate in the discussions.

"Your feedback is a vital part of the discussion and plays a key role in shaping the future of our community," said Flickinger. "Your questions, concerns and ideas are invaluable in guiding the decisions that impact our neighborhoods and quality of life."

To submit questions or concerns, residents should visit [forms.cloud.microsoft/pages/response.aspx?id=EFqoV4sItEWIGclsdyEJTO1fPKFlbVLrcANPFnZJtUNFVLUEFWU0pQsJy3U0w0RjhIWkhFMFc5OS4u&route=shorturl](http://forms.cloud.microsoft/pages/response.aspx?id=EFqoV4sItEWIGclsdyEJTO1fPKFlbVLrcANPFnZJtUNFVLUEFWU0pQsJy3U0w0RjhIWkhFMFc5OS4u&route=shorturl).

For additional information, contact the District E office at 832-393-3008 or via email at [districte@houstontx.gov](mailto:districte@houstontx.gov).



The South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce's annual Evening of Cuisine was a great success Thursday, Sept. 18, at the Lone Star Flight Museum, raising thousands of dollars toward local scholarships. Pasadena ISD board member Kenny Fernandez (right) is shown above at the event with Dobie culinary students, left to right, Minh Le, Paloma Salazar, Dulce Mejia Hernandez, Justin Salinas, Alia Martinez, Radley Wells, Julietta Garcia and Jasmine Hooker (teacher). See related photo on Page 2.

Photo by David Flickinger

## Voter registration deadline nears for Nov. 4 races

### Congressional, City Council vacancies on ballot; Oct. 6 last day to register

The deadline to register to vote is Monday, Oct. 6.

#### Eligibility

Eligibility requirements include the following:

#### U.S. citizenship.

- Age 18 or older by Election Day.

- Residency in Harris County.

- Not currently serving a felony sentence.

Residents can register in person at any county voter registrar's office or by mailing a completed application postmarked by that date. Voter registration forms are available at [VoteTexas.gov](http://VoteTexas.gov).

#### What's on the ballot?

While there are no regularly scheduled countywide or statewide races this election cycle, two special elections are set to take place this year.

Voters will decide the following special elections:

- Houston At-Large Position 4 City Council

seat: This seat is being vacated by Letitia Plummer, who is stepping down to run for Harris County judge in 2026.

- U.S. Congressional District 18: This seat was vacated by the death of former Houston Sylvester Turner, who died unexpectedly this past March.

The filing deadline was Sept. 3, and a plethora of potential candidates filed in both of the contests.

#### Houston At-Large Position 4 City Council

Vying to replace Plummer are the following 15 candidates:

- J. Brad Batteau.

- Sheraz Mohammad Siddiqui.

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### Methodist Clear Lake nationally praised

#### Local hospital ranked 11th in nation in prestigious annual listing

Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital has been ranked No. 11 out of 243 community hospitals in the nation by Vizient Inc.'s 2025 Bernard A. Birnbaum, MD, Quality Leadership annual rankings, recognizing excellence in patient safety and quality.

Houston Methodist Hospital also earned a spot in the top five comprehensive academic Medical centers for the second consecutive year.

In all, seven Houston Methodist acute care hospitals are top performers in the 2025 Bernard A. Birnbaum, MD, Quality Leadership Rankings by Vizient Inc., which provides a national hospital scorecard focused on patient safety and quality metrics.

Six Houston Methodist hospitals ranked among the top 15 in their respective surveys, and Houston Methodist Hospital finished in the top five in its cohort for the second consecutive year.

All rankings-eligible hospitals were chosen using measures of safety, mortality, effectiveness, efficiency, patient centeredness and variation of care.

#### Rankings

This year's rankings include the following facilities:

- Houston Methodist Hospital: Ranked No. 3 out of 118, comprehensive academic medical centers.

- Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital: Ranked No. 1.

- Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital: Ranked No. 2.

- Houston Methodist West Hospital: Ranked No. 4.

- Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital: Ranked No. 9.

"I am so grateful to our physicians, nurses and staff for the teamwork that made this recognition possible," said Carl Little, CEO of Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital and senior vice president of Houston Methodist. "This honor reflects the dedication and compassion they bring to patients and families every day, and reinforces our commitment to providing safe, high-quality care close to home."

Vizient's Quality and Accountability study is a tool to help gauge where hospitals stand and where they can use improvement. To learn more about this year's Vizient results, visit [www.vizientinc.com/who-we-serve/members/member-awards](http://www.vizientinc.com/who-we-serve/members/member-awards).

### Pedestrian killed on I-45 service road

A pedestrian was killed in an accident around 3:40 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, after being struck by a vehicle in the 15400 block of the Gulf Freeway service road at Dixie Farm Road/FM 1959.

The identity of the male victim was pending verification by the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences at press time.

According to Houston Police Department officials, the driver of a black Ford Fusion was traveling south on the frontage road at the above address when they struck the male pedestrian.

## PISD bus involved in accident



Pasadena ISD official and police are shown above assessing damage incurred when a school bus transporting students home from Genoa Elementary Wednesday, Sept. 17, was involved in an accident near SH 3/Old Galveston Road and Fuqua. No injuries were reported. School principals and a counselor arrived at the scene to calm affected students.

Photo by Dae'Chon Williams



### Nicol receives award

Thompson Intermediate librarian Mary Beth Nicol (right), was awarded the Drs. Emil and Anna Steinberger Excellence in Holocaust Education Award over the summer from Holocaust Museum Houston for the work and promotion she has done in coordination with the museum since 2019. She is also serving on Holocaust Museum Houston's Educator Advisory Council for the 2025-2026 school year. Pictured with Nicol is CEO of Holocaust Museum Houston Gary Weissman.

## NASA Aglow Lighthouse meets Sept. 27

NASA Aglow Lighthouse invites all to its meeting on Saturday, Sept. 27, beginning at 11 a.m. at Praise Chapel, 18516 Hwy 3, Webster with Joan Hunter as guest speaker. Hunter is well known as a trusted and highly respected Christian minister who ministers the gospel of Jesus Christ with manifestations of supernatural signs and wonders in healing school sessions, miracle services, conferences and church meetings locally and all around the world.

She is considered a compassionate minister, dynamic teacher, an accomplished author of more than 31 books and has recorded teachings of how to pray for the sick to see them recover. She is an anointed healing evangelist with a sincere desire to see the body of Christ set free in their bodies, minds, souls, spirits and finances.

Hunter's approach and delivery enables her to connect with people from all walks of life being sensitive to the Holy Spirit under the anointing of Jesus. Joan speaks prophetically in the services, releasing personal and corporate prophetic ministry to those in attendance.

Beside all of her local and worldwide travels, Hunter has been a guest on television and radio programs such as Sid Roth, Jim Bakker and Katie Souza. In Tomball, her ministry home base, she is the hostess of monthly conferences with well-known Christian ministers and on Sundays she has the "Hour of Power" and "Nights of Refreshing" meetings. She also presents on her very own show "Miracles Happens."

Hunter and her husband, Kelley, live in northwest Houston. Together, they have four daughters, four sons, three sons-in-law and seven grandchildren.

She is the daughter of the late Charles Frances Hunter of "Happy Hunters."

Bring a friend to the meeting as NASA Aglow celebrates the presence of the Lord.

### Local library events set

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

#### Bracewell Branch Library

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

Thursday, Sept. 25, 4 - 5:30 p.m. Weekly English language classes. Registration required. Monday, Sept. 29, 11 a.m. - noon. Open lab computer help. Registration required.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 - 5 p.m. Get creative at Craft Lab. Registration required.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 - 5 p.m. Board games in the library. Registration required.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 6 - 7 p.m. Pajama storytime. Registration required.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Conversational English classes. Registration required.

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

#### Book drop

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

#### Parker Williams Library

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

The book drop is open. Social media links are [Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary](https://Facebook.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary) and [Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary](https://Instagram.com/ParkerWilliamsLibrary).

The following events are scheduled for Parker Williams Library, 10851 Scarsdale Blvd.: Thursday, Sept. 25, 10 - 11 a.m. Thrillers, killers & mayhem book club.

Thursday, Sept. 25, 10:15 a.m. - 10:45. Toddler time.

Friday, Sept. 26, 1 - 3 p.m. Diamond painting club. Registration required.

Saturday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m. - noon. Tai Chi.

Saturday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Vietnamese classes: topic conversation. Registration required.

Saturday, Sept. 27, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Adult painting class with Malu. Registration required.

Saturday, Sept. 27, noon. - 1 p.m. Otoni style embroidery class.

Monday, Sept. 29, 1 - 2:30 p.m. ESL conversation club. Registration required.

Monday, Sept. 29, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Tai Chi.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Babies 'n' books.

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2 - 3:30 p.m. Cooking with Esteban: Panama smoothies.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 10:15 - 11:30 a.m. Personas que corren con libros, club de lectura.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 11 a.m. - noon. Know your rights workshop with HILSC.

**Parker Williams "No-Contact Curbside Holds Pick-Up"**

- After receiving notification that holds are ready for pickup, call 832-927-7870.

- Have a library card number and PIN handy.

- A pickup time and instructions will be given.

- Upon arriving, park in one of the two parking spots reserved for curbside holds.

- Be prepared to show a library card or other form of ID for verification.

Hours are Monday, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Visit <https://www.hcpl.net/branch/parker-williams-branch-library> for details.

#### Online services

- Use HCPL Wi-Fi service with HCPL's drive-up Wi-Fi.

- Download e-books and audiobooks; stream movies, research and learn at [www.hcpl.net](https://www.hcpl.net).

- Attend an HCPL program or story time online through Facebook or YouTube.

- Check an account to renew loans or request books, e-books, comics or graphic novels.

- Stream classic films, Indie cinema and award-winning documentaries on Kanopy.

- Listen to audiobooks through RBDigital or OverDrive.

- Read along and play with picture books on TumbleBooks.

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

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## Elected officials share their words

### Senator Cornyn: 'Big Beautiful Bill' is a big win for Texas on border security

Throughout the Biden administration, Texas suffered from an unprecedented wave of illegal migration resulting from the president's failure to secure our southern border. Texas was forced to step up, and Gov. Greg Abbott created Operation Lone Star, a multi-pronged effort to try and secure the border. Earlier this year, Abbott asked Congress to reimburse our state for the \$11 billion that he should never have had to spend to keep Texans safe as millions of migrants illegally entered our country.

In response, I began immediately taking steps in the Senate to ensure that this request was fulfilled in President Donald Trump's One Big Beautiful Bill. The task was not easy, and the naysayers were many. But Texans have never backed down from a fight, and I am proud to have ultimately secured \$13.5 billion for states like Texas to be reimbursed for their border security efforts.

With slim margins in both chambers, getting any priority over the finish line is no simple undertaking. I worked hand-in-glove with Rep. Chip Roy in the House of Representatives to include this funding provision during the House's amendment process.

In the Senate, the provisions had to be carefully drafted to comply with Senate rules so the item wouldn't be cut from the legislation by the parliamentarian. Thanks to our diligent and persistent efforts, reimbursement for states like Texas was part of the final text that passed both chambers and was signed by Trump on his deadline of July 4.

Because of this work, the Big Beautiful Bill, now law, will make states like Texas whole from funds spent to mitigate the damage we endured from former Presi-

dent Joe Biden's reckless border policies. From day one of his administration, Biden and Department of Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas refused to enforce the laws on the books, incentivizing millions of migrants to illegally cross the Texas-Mexico border, and precipitating a crisis of historic magnitude.

Texas was left as the last line of defense to stop the human trafficking, drug trafficking and other crimes.

Border security is a federal responsibility, but Abbott stepped up to fill the gap and protect American citizens from Biden's border betrayal. Operation Lone Star, which led to the apprehension of more than half a million migrants and more than 50,000 criminal arrests, is the best example.

While this operation was incredibly successful at stemming the tide of illegal immigration and trafficking into our state, it cost Texas taxpayers billions of dollars and was necessary only because the federal government failed to keep our borders secure. Now it is only right that the federal government will reimburse Texas for these expenses.

Biden betrayed the American people by his refusal to enforce our immigration laws. But Texas Republicans in Congress refused to stand idly by. I am proud that the Big Beautiful Bill included these important provisions to help right this wrong. The signing of this bill into law marks an important win for the American people, but it is an especially big victory for Texas.

The Lone Star State suffered the worst of the damage from Biden's border policies. But with the state's reimbursement on the horizon and Trump at the helm, we are on a path to making Texas taxpayers whole.

Sen. John Cornyn

### James "Jim" Philip Thompson



James "Jim" Philip Thompson, beloved dad, passed away peacefully on May 21, 2025, surrounded by family. Jim was born Feb. 13, 1944, in Indiana Harbor, East Chicago, Ind. Jim lived a life full of love, faith, dedication and achievement.

Jim's early years were spent in Whiting, Ind., where he graduated from Bishop Noll High School. He attended Holy Cross Seminary School before seeking higher education. Jim graduated from Indiana University with a bachelor's degree in psychology. He went on to join the United States Army, earned a master's degree and served as a certified social worker assisting other service members and their families. Jim retired with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Jim went on to pursue his Doctor of Jurisprudence from South Texas College of Law. He practiced law in Houston over the next 15 years. He returned to Whiting, where he served as an assistant district attorney for Lake County. Upon his retirement from practicing law, Jim returned to Houston in 2006 to be near his children.

Jim was a devout Catholic, a member of the St. Luke the Evangelist community, and a life member of The Knights of Columbus. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking, tinkering with things and most of all reading. Jim was a consumer of knowledge. His greatest pleasure was spending time with his children, biweekly breakfast at City Café, Sunday drives and all family gatherings. He instilled in his children a dedication to God, hard work, helping others, love and compassion.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Annette Susanne (nee Baginski) Thompson and Philip Robert Thompson; his former wife, Mary Louise (nee Goebel) Thompson; and his siblings, Philip Francis Thompson and Kath-

leen Marie (nee Thompson) Dreyvano.

Jim is survived by his son, Jason Thompson; three grandchildren; his sister, Rita Henrietta (nee Thompson) Karpel and at the time his daughter, Lisa Marie Thompson.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, Oct. 10, at 11 a.m. at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to The Resource Crisis Center of Galveston. <https://www.rccg.org/contact-us>.

Lisa's hope and light will forever shine bright in the promise of eternity with Christ.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 11 a.m. at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to The Resource Crisis Center of Galveston. <https://www.rccg.org/contact-us>.

### Carmen B. Jimenez



Carmen B. Jimenez of Houston passed away peacefully at the age of 90 on Monday, Sept. 15, 2025. Carmen was a beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt, neighbor, friend and "Mimi."

Carmen was born on July 19, 1935, in Sugar Land, to Jacinto Bustamante and Maria de la Luz Soto. After living with various relatives and small cities due to her father passing at an early age, her family settled in the Pearland area. She graduated from Pearland High School in 1956; during her years in high school she participated in sports and the yearbook staff.

On Feb. 9, 1964, she married Jose Jimenez. They had two children: Anthony and Cynthia Jimenez. She worked up until the birth of Anthony; and she and Jose decided she would be a full-time stay-at-home wife and mom. She, also, took care of John Hernandez, Louis Marsha and Lauren Davila.

In 1976, Carmen along with her family began to attend Templo Bethel after accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as her Savior. While there she participated in the Good Samaritan department and was the Sunday School secretary for more than 37 years. She faithfully served and worshipped God at this church for almost 60 years.

Carmen is survived by her children, Anthony and Cynthia Jimenez.

Carmen is preceded in death by her parents, brothers Jesse and Johnny Bustamante, and sisters Lupe Zuniga and Mary Martinez.

The visitation will be held at Peevey Funeral Home, Tuesday, Sept. 23, from 6 until 8 p.m. The funeral service will also be held at the funeral home Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 9 a.m. Interment will follow at Houston National Cemetery.

### Leader obituary policy

Obituaries submitted to the Leader are published free of charge. They are edited to conform to the Leader style.

## Evening of Cuisine a success!



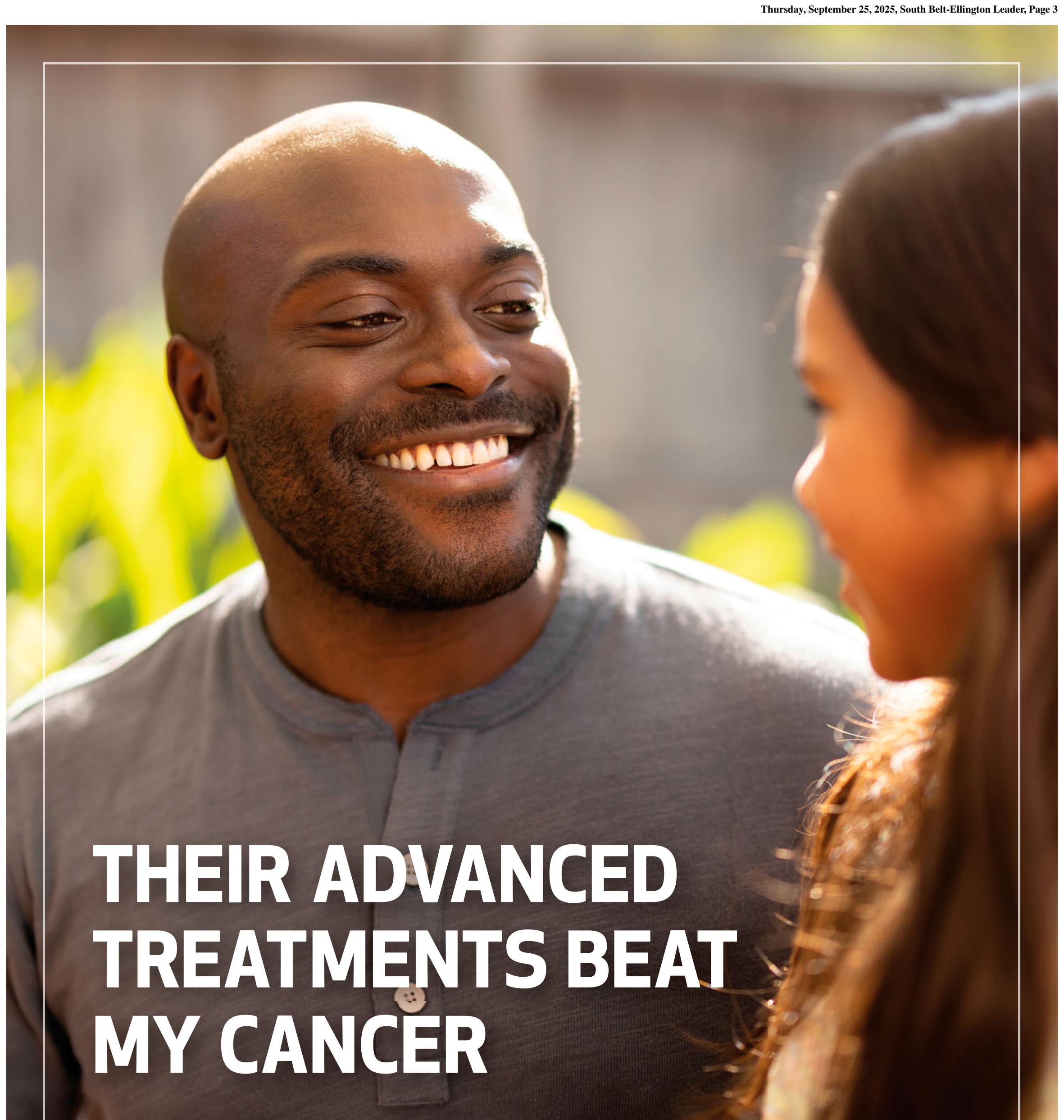
Several elected officials were in attendance at the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce's annual Evening of Cuisine, held Thursday, Sept. 18, at the Lone Star Flight Museum. Shown above at the event are, left to right, Houston District E City Council Member Fred Flickinger and his wife, Leslie; Will Carter (aide to U.S. Rep. Brian Babin); and Harris County Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Garcia.

Photo by David Flickinger



### Mother, daughter duo takes on South Belt Elementary

Lifelong resident of the South Belt area Yvonne Soliz (left) has been an educator in Pasadena ISD for 17 years



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# Remember When

**45 years ago (1980)**  
Sagemeadow homeowners who had not paid their \$96 annual maintenance assessment received notice that failure to pay the fee would be reported to the credit bureau. Since the mortgage companies had stopped deducting the maintenance assessments from escrow accounts, Sagemeadow homeowners had been lagging in paying the yearly fee. In 1979, 95 percent of the residents had paid the assessment, but in 1980, only 75 percent of the homeowners had paid.

**40 years ago (1985)**  
Drinking water from wells near the abandoned Brio Refinery on Dixie Farm Road was given a clean bill of health by the Brio Task Force.

Installation of street lights on Fuqua at I-45 was set to take place by the end of January 1986, a year after the initial request.

Firemen worked half an hour to put out a fire that destroyed the engine and front inside of a 1997 Mercury Cougar.

**35 Years ago (1990)**  
South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce board members introduced a resolution asking a federal judge not to sign the Consent Decree for the Brio Superfund site without further investigation. The resolution also called for a temporary cap. While acknowledging Brio as a problem that would not go away, the chamber's Economic Development committee expressed a need to focus on positive Brio-related actions.

After five years of South Belt area students taking TEAMS and parents trying to understand exactly what scores meant, TAAS arrived along with new criteria. Area school officials agreed the new test would be harder than the TEAMS because of the emphasis placed on reasoning skills and comprehension. State graduation requirements included passing the exit level TAAS administered to juniors.

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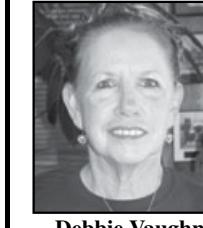
Emory Gadd



Troy Leland



Stephen Sutton



Debbie Vaughn

Dobie vs Memorial	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie	Dobie
Alvin at South Houston	Alvin	Alvin	Alvin	Alvin	Alvin
Dawson at Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek	Shadow Creek
Manvel at Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland	Pearland
Creek Memorial at Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood	Kingwood
Atascocita at C.E. King	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita	Atascocita
Lutheran South hosts St. John's	LSA	LSA	St. John's	St. John's	LSA
Friendswood at La Porte	La Porte	La Porte	LaPorte	La Porte	La Porte
Deer Park at Clear Creek	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park	Deer Park
Kingwood Park at Kempner	Kempner	Kingwood Park	Kingwood Park	Kempner	Kempner
Last Week's Results	8-2	6-4	7-3	7-3	8-2
Season record	29-11	26-14	26-14	28-12	30-10

## BAFL Week 7 Sept. 27

### Cowboys' Peewee host Hitchcock, 8 a.m.

### Cowboys' Freshmen host Hitchcock, 9 a.m.

### Cowboys' Sophs. host Hitchcock, 11 a.m.

### Cowboys' Juniors host Hitchcock, 1 p.m.

### Cowboys' Seniors host Hitchcock, 3 p.m.

### Organizational

Red Raiders 20-5-0

Buccaneers 19-6-0

49ers 18-7-0

Manvel Texans 21-8-0

Cardinals 15-9-0

Cowboys 1-69-0

Wildcats 19-11-0

Patriots 14-11-0

LP Texans 13-12-0

Sharks 11-12-0

Panthers 10-15-0

Pear. Texans 13-16-1

Eagles 11-19-0

Stingrays 10-19-0

Gators 9-2-10

Longhorns 3-22-0

Braves 4-26-0

Gators 0 6 0

## BAFL Weekly Standings

### Peewee Division

Team	W	L	T
Wildcats	6	0	0
49ers	5	0	0
Pearland Texans	5	1	0
Cardinals	4	1	0
Panthers	3	2	0
Red Raiders	3	2	0
LP Texans	3	2	0
Patriots	3	2	0
Eagles	3	3	0
Manvel Texans	3	3	0
Buccaneers	2	3	0
Cowboys	2	3	0
Braves	2	4	0
Stingrays	2	4	0
Longhorns	0	5	0
Sharks	0	5	0
Gators	0	6	0

### Freshman Division

Team	W	L	T
Red Raiders	5	0	0
Manvel Texans	5	1	0
49ers	4	1	0
Cardinals	4	1	0
Panthers	4	1	0
Patriots	4	1	0
Buccaneers	3	2	0
Cowboys	3	2	0
Pearland Texans	3	3	0
Stingrays	3	3	0
Wildcats	3	3	0
Eagles	2	4	0
Longhorns	1	4	0
Sharks	1	4	0
LP Texans	1	4	0
Braves	0	6	0
Gators	0	6	0

### Sophomore Division

Team	W	L	T
Manvel Texans	6	0	0
Buccaneers	5	0	0
Cowboys	5	0	0
Red Raiders	4	1	0
Stingrays	4	2	0
49ers	3	2	0
Patriots	3	2	0
Sharks	2	2	1
Cardinals	2	3	0
Braves	2	4	0
Eagles	2	4	0
Wildcats	2	4	0
Pearland Texans	1	4	1
Longhorns	1	4	0
LP Texans	1	4	0
Panthers	0	5	0

### Junior Division

Team	W	L	T
Buccaneers	5	0	0
Manvel Texans	5	1	0
Red Raiders	4	1	0
49ers	4	1	0
Sharks	4	1	0
Wildcats	4	2	0
Cowboys	3	2	0
Patriots	3	2	0
LP Texans	3	2	0
Gators	3	3	0
Panthers	2	3	0
Cardinals	2	3	0
Eagles	2	4	0
Stingrays	1	5	0
Pearland Texans	1	5	0
Longhorns	0	5	0
Braves	0	6	0

### Senior Division

Team	W	L	T
Buccaneers	5	0	0
LP Texans	5	0	0
Sharks	4	0	0
Red Raiders	4	1	0
Gators	4	2	0
Wildcats	4	2	0
Cardinals	3	1	0
Cowboys	3	2	0
Pearland Texans	3	3	0
49ers	2	3	0
Manvel Texans	2	3	0
Eagles	2	4	0
Longhorns	1	4	0
Panthers	1	4	0
Patriots	1	4	0
Stingrays	0	4	0
Braves	0	6	0

Dobie seniors Kris Morris (left) and Darius Jackson (11) celebrate while holding the Battle of the Beltway trophy courtesy of a 65-35 win over Memorial at Veterans Stadium in Pasadena. Morris, a

four-year starter, led the way to the victory with 246 yards rushing and three touchdowns as the Longhorns also reached the playoffs with the win in 2018. Photo by Jade Wise

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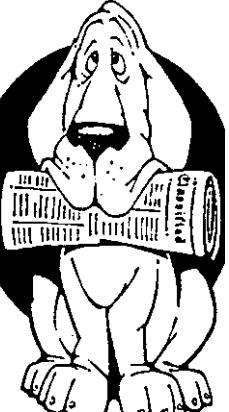
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# CALENDAR

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

7:30 a.m. **AA Meeting** – "Breakfast With Bill." Tuesday through Friday, 7 a.m., and Saturday at 7:30 a.m. Hope Community United Methodist Church, 2838 Lily St. Call 713-686-6300 (24/7) or visit <https://aahouston.org/meetings/>.

7:30 a.m. **Rotary Club of Pearland** – Check website for time and location <https://pearlandrotary.com/events/calendar> or call 832-293-9860.

9 a.m. **Pasadena Heritage Park and**

**Museum** – Exhibits include dioramas, a

turn-of-the-century doctor's office and an

old-time kitchen. Open Tues. – Sat., 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., 204 S. Main, Pasadena. Call Karen Hollon at 713-472-0565 for appointment. Tours 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

7 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA) – Vigilance Group of NA**, open meeting, 2930 E. FM 518, Pearland, First Presbyterian Church (youth building). For details, call 713-661-4200 or visit [www.hascon.com](http://www.hascon.com) or <https://nastuff.com/>. Meets Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

7 p.m. **Congregation Shaar Hashalom** – All services are live and Zoom online. For

details on the 7 p.m. Friday night or the

9:30 a.m. Saturday service, Judaism classes,

film series, and lunch with the rabbi, visit [www.shaarhashalom.org](http://www.shaarhashalom.org).

8 p.m. **Serenity Now Al-Anon Group** – meets at CrossRoads UMC Fridays, 8 – 9 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Family members and friends of problem drinkers/ addicts share and discover choices available. Call 281-484-9243.

8 p.m. **Beverly Hills Sharers Group AA** – meets at CrossRoads UMC Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. Call 281-484-9243.

8 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** – meets at CrossRoads UMC Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, 8 p.m., 10030 Scarsdale Blvd. For details, call 281-484-9243.

8 p.m. **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)**. See

Friday's notice.

**TUESDAY**

**JFD's Moise leads way up front**

Senior Jessica Moise (2) has come up with more than 50 kills up front for Dobie as she has more than done her part at the net. Heading into a match against Alvin Sept. 23 after press time to close out the first half of league play, both the Longhorns and Yellowjackets were 3-4 for a fifth-place tie in the standings with plenty of work to do to catch up to the current top four postseason contenders. Moise, a co-captain for Dobie, will begin the second half of 22-6A action Sept. 26 at Manvel.

**Garza aids Dobie's D on court**

Alessandra Garza (19) has excelled in her role as libero for the Longhorns during a solid stretch of matches that has allowed the locals to push their overall record over the .500 mark. Through 53 sets played, Garza has received more than 200 serves and also contributed 129 digs from the back line. She is one of four sophomores on the Dobie roster.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE**

The KIRKMONT MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2025 on October 15, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. at 10102 Blackhawk Blvd., Houston, Texas 77089. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

**FOR** the proposal:

Carlos Lopez, Deborah Carroll, Jean Ann Williams and Michael Grizzaffi

**AGAINST** the proposal:

None

**PRESENT** and not voting:

None

**ABSENT:**

Lonnie Piquet

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	<b>Last Year</b>	<b>This Year</b>
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	<b>\$ 0.478000 / \$100</b> Adopted	<b>\$ 0.498000 / \$100</b> Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$ 0.020000 / \$100	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)	4.184100%	
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$ 216,346	\$ 214,713
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$ 216,346	\$ 214,713
Tax on average residence homestead	\$ 1,034.13	\$ 1,069.27
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)	+ \$ 35.14 +3.398025%	

**NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE**

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 3.5 percent, an election must be held to determine whether to approve the operation and maintenance tax rate under Section 49.23602, Water Code. An election is not required if the adopted tax rate is less than or equal to the voter-approval tax rate.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

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**24-6A tri-champions set early tone**

Early indications are that defending 24-6A tri-champions Dickinson, Deer Park and Clear Springs will yet again be front and center of the variety football playoff race.

Dickinson, out of the game with an impressive 4-0 start, had little trouble cruising past visiting Clear Creek as the league race opened Sept. 19, while host Deer Park squared its record at 2-2, taking care of business against visiting Clear Falls.

Clear Springs perhaps had the easiest of times, dominating the action against winless Clear Brook as each of the three programs announced that they will be in the mix as the season progresses.

Brazoswood was the other opening week winner,

defeating visiting Clear Lake.

Jayse Washington had a pair of touchdown catches and star running back Malachi Gamble had a pair of touchdown runs as the Gators scored the final 52 points of the game to soundly defeat 1-3 Clear Creek by a 59-7 count.

Deer Park came into the game against Clear Falls with a bit of momentum after having defeated Barbers Hill the week prior, and the Deer made it two in a row by taking down the Knights 49-35.

Deer quarterback Hayden Lafrenz had a hand in five different touchdowns in his finest game as a varsity starter, and the Deer made just enough plays on defense in the fourth quarter to hang on for the victory.

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Park came up with a defensive stop to stall a potential Clear Falls' scoring drive before Christian Gamme ran 11 yards for the go-ahead touchdown.

Lafrenz tossed his second scoring pass of the game later in the final quarter as the Deer emerged victorious in what became an offensive shootout throughout.

Clear Falls' Barker has been the most productive offensive player across the district through four games as he has passed for 1,283 yards and 11 touchdowns after having transferred from Galveston Ball.

Aguirre, getting his first chance as a full-time starter with Dickinson after sharing time as a sophomore at the position, has also thrown over 11 touchdowns through

four games while passing for 978 yards. Teammate Gamme leads the district in rushing with 484 yards and has scored five touchdowns.

**Clear Creek hosts Deer Park**

**Sept. 25, 6 p.m.**

**Challenger Stadium**

**Clear Brook hosts Dickinson**

**Sept. 26, 7 p.m.**

**CCISD Veterans Stadium**

**Clear Springs at Clear Lake**

**Sept. 26, 7 p.m.**

**Challenger Stadium**

**Brazoswood at Clear Falls**

**Sept. 25, 6 p.m.**

**CCISD Veterans Stadium**



Clear Brook Junior quarterback Samuel Alfred (13) and his teammates showed some positive things offensively in the 24-6A opener against Clear Springs despite falling to 0-4.

Photos by Andy Tolbert



Freshman running back Mozhia Hayling (2) has gotten in on the action for Clear Brook early this season as the Wolverines work to emerge from an 0-4 start that included a loss to Clear Springs Sept. 19 at Challenger Stadium in Webster.

**Battle of the Beltway owned by JFD**

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They would extend that record to 16 overall a week later by crushing Sam Rayburn.

**Oct. 7, 2022 – Dobie 52, Memorial 27** – The Longhorns went just 4-6 in Stafford's debut season in 2022, but it didn't stop the locals from posting 50 points or more for a third straight season against the Mavericks during a 57-27 victory.

In the 2022 version of the Battle of the Beltway between Dobie and Pasadena Memorial, the Longhorns kept possession of the trophy in large part due to a 29-point first quarter output that pro-

duced a 23-point lead after 12 minutes.

Sophomore Cameron Mathews returned a kickoff 83 yards for a touchdown and later added a 78-yard scoring reception in the first quarter, then had a pair of touchdown runs in the second quarter as the Longhorns put this one away early.

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Dobie varsity football head coach Danny Fitzmorris relished the excitement that came with his first victory over Memorial in the Battle of the Beltway series in 2024 and will look to lead the Longhorns to what would be an eighth consecutive victory over the Mavericks in the series.

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