







# July 4th celebrated

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merous former and current members of the military, classic and show cars, members of local and city government and youth sports teams.

One unique float showcased the South Belt Sharks swim team. The Sharks seemingly built a swimming pool inside on their float so that the team could keep cool while riding in the parade.

Also riding were several current and former South Belters, riding anything they could get their hands on, including four-wheelers and horses.

Leon Petty, former South Belt resident, was there in his 2004 Chevrolet SSR towing his custom Suzuki Boulevard 109 motorcycle. Petty does not live in the area, but his commitment to the South Belt community is firm.

"I do it for the kids," Petty said. "I love to see the look on the kids' faces when I pass by in whatever I am driving with my stuffed Mickey and Minnie Mouse dolls along for the ride. I also like seeing how the car collectors look when they see my cars."

In addition to his SSR and motorcycle, Petty also owns a Ford Model A.

Also in the parade procession were members of the Knights of Columbus Council 9201 with their gargantuan barbecue pit in tow. Norman J. Mondor, Mike Work, Craig Guth and Steve Buckman were all participating in this year's parade on behalf of Council 9201.

"We usually cook for everyone around here," Mondor said. "We said 'why not show off our equipment?'" Several of the parade participants were blasting music from their brought-along stereos and radios, but two groups were providing live music for the community.

Both Buddy Griffin's All-Star Banjo Band and J. Frank Dobie High school's band were in attendance and playing their respective instruments. Griffin led his band dressed in a sequined Uncle Sam outfit while the Dobie crew - more than 40 in total - were towed in a trailer. All members had their instruments, complete with sousaphones, trombones, clarinets, flutes,

trumpets and a full-sized drum set.

"I hope that rig can stand up to their weight," Buckman joked.

Music has always been a weak point of the parade, but this year's organizers were glad to have both Griffin's and Dobie's bands participating.

Despite the rampant heat, residents lined the streets to celebrate the United States and collect goodies thrown by the motorcade. Among those on the streets were Veda Winfree and granddaughter Jasmin Winfree. Even though the music and sounds were a bit loud, everyone had a great time.

"This was Jasmin's first year at the parade," Veda Winfree said. "She was a bit scared of the fire trucks and their sirens at first, but she will definitely be back next year."

Jasmin was unavailable for comment as she was too busy picking up candy and watching the parade go by.

Overall winning float was created and manned by Frank Baye. Baye has also been participating in the parade since the beginning when the first vehicle he rode in the parade was simply a car draped in red, white and blue. This year he designed a float to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the Pentagon and World Trade Center.

Later that night, a fireworks display was held at El Franco Lee Park. The fireworks started at approximately 9:30 p.m., but attendance was lower than usual. Due to the lack of rain recently, several communities throughout the Houston area had cancelled their own fireworks displays. The cancellations were not citywide, but some of the more mainstream news media misinterpreted the news and broadcast citywide closures and cancellations for fireworks programs. The display went off without a hitch, though, and was a sight to see.

Overall, the festivities for the weekend were a great success, and fun was had by one and all.

The South Belt community gathered as one to celebrate the birth of the nation and enjoy the fellowship of neighbors.

# Over The Back Fence by Jan

## CHERYL CELEBRATES A BIRTHDAY

Local author Cheryl Bolen of Green Tee, formerly of Sagemont, is wished a happy birthday Friday, July 8. Sending her best wishes are her son and Leader staff member, Bo, and other family and friends in the South Belt area.

**BIRTHDAY CHEERS FOR ROBERT**  
Robert Griffin of Utah will celebrate his 23rd birthday Friday, July 8. Robert is wished a great day by his grandparents, Bobby and Kenneth Griffin, and other family members in the South Belt area.

**SCHOOL DAZE**  
The following personnel and staff members of the Pasadena Independent School District celebrate birthdays July 7 through July 13.

**Atkinson Elementary**  
Wishes for a wonderful birthday are sent to Regina Barnes July 13.

**Bush Elementary**  
On July 10, Sandy Copeland celebrates a birthday. Lisa Vick is wished a happy birthday July 11.

**Frazier Elementary**  
Blow out the birthday candles for

Charlotte Plummer on July 12.

**Meador Elementary**  
On July 8, Sanjuanita Nuncio celebrates a birthday. July 10 is the day for a party for Rebecca Nichols.

**Stuchbery Elementary**  
Blow out the birthday candles for Denise Palos July 8. Marking a birthday July 9 is Terri Abbott. Birthday wishes are sent to Beth Maxwell July 12. Joy Degidio enjoys a birthday July 13.

**Melillo Middle School**  
The day for a party for Mary Carter is July 12.

**Morris Middle School**  
On July 8, Leticia Trevino is wished a happy birthday. Enjoying a birthday July 9 is Heather Hibbetts. Rachel Cantu and Carla Covarrubias share a birthday July 12.

**Beverly Hills Intermediate**  
July 8 is the day for a double birthday party for Maria Herrera and Lelis Rivera.

**Thompson Intermediate**  
Deandra Abuto enjoys a birthday July 11. A special birthday greeting is sent to Susie Haas July 13.

## Dobie High

On July 8, Erin Kramer has a birthday. Blow out the birthday candles for Elva Mendiola July 11. Carol McDonald is sent birthday greetings July 12. Three cheers for a happy birthday July 13 for Allison Binicker, Karen Daigle and Cynthia Wilems.

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# Clear Brook excels at UCA Camp

The Clear Brook High School cheerleaders and mascot brought home several awards from the UCA Camp held at Texas A&M University in College Station recently. Both the varsity and junior varsity squads earned Second Place Overall Camp Winners in their division. Clear Brook brought home several team trophies, three Spirit Sticks and numerous Superior Ribbons, and an Overall Superior trophy. Also bringing home an Overall Superior Award was Clear Brook's own Big Will, the team's wolverine mascot.



Clear Brook High School cheerleaders pictured are, left to right, (front row, sitting) Chandler Cheak, Co-Capt. Chelsi Martin, Capt. Lesha Wincher, Co-Capt. Bethany Knight and JV Capt. Kendall Sheey, (second row) Payton Hayman, Kimi Davis, Emily Protic, Bailey Knight, (back row) Mascot "Big Will" Cheyenne Sundberg, Melissa Munoz, Macy Lunney, Alyssa Flores, Claire Hallmark, (third row) Shelbi Magnus, Tayla Haglar, Jordan Peirssol, Lindsay Wallace, Chandler Brumbaugh, Alyssa Perez, Korliss Davis, Emily Protic, Bailey Knight, (back row) Mascot "Big Will" Cheyenne Sundberg.

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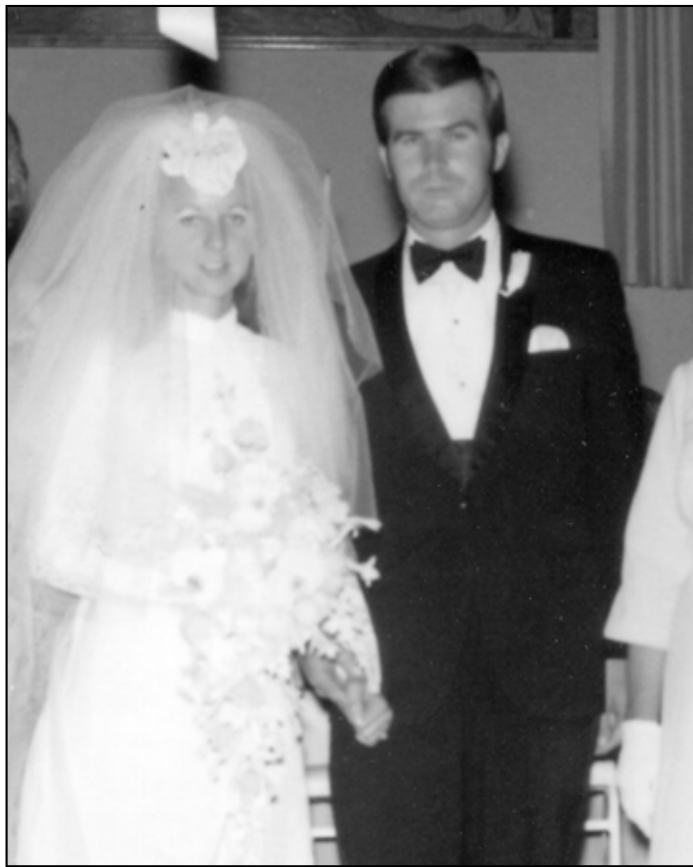
# Remember When

**35 years ago (1976)**  
Barbara Taylor of Sage-meadow was named the Solo Grand Champion at the United States Twirling Association competition.  
Scarsdale resident Tim Crawford scared off a prowler attempting to enter his home. The unidentified male took a swing at Crawford with a sharp object, cutting Crawford slightly on the stomach. The prowler then ran off.  
**30 years ago (1981)**  
Clear Creek Independent School District trustees adopted a new pay scale which gave district teachers and other district employees a 13.3 percent pay hike. The pay increase put CCISD beginning teachers with a bachelor's degree earning \$14,505 annually and beginning teachers with a master's degree earning \$15,275.  
Brad Womack, Doug Pettit and Bert Wilms were elected from a seven-man field at the annual meeting of the Kirkmont II Homeowners' Association.  
**25 years ago (1986)**  
The City of Houston delayed approving a master plan for Ellington Field while it negotiated with a prospective new tenant whose presence would dramatically alter the airport's future.  
Further investigation for single-member districts for Pasadena School District was approved at the regular board meeting. The board approved a study by Bracewell and Patterson law firm which would allow the district to be broken up into various districts, with each district having a representative.  
**20 years ago (1991)**  
Rita Garcia, Dobie High School senior, was crowned Miss South Belt.  
An out-of-court settlement for \$19 million was reached by attorneys for Farm and Home Savings and attorneys for 214 children for medical expenses and education in a case involving the Brio Superfund toxic waste site.  
**15 years ago (1996)**  
The Texas Department of Transportation opened the Beltway 8/Mykawa overpass.  
Kenneth Alan Martin Jr., 3, drowned in an above ground pool.  
**10 years ago (2001)**  
The Clear Creek Independent School District board of trustees reduced the homestead exemption for district residents by one half, to a 5 percent deduction.  
Steven Dittrich, 12, a seventh-grade trombone player at Brookside Intermediate, came to the rescue of 14-year-old friend Chris Crumel of Freeport at the Sam Houston State University Band Camp. It was reported by Dittrich that he was swimming in the pool when he noticed Crumel was in a "cannonball" position at the bottom of the pool. He looked at him for a moment to see if he was kidding around and then swam down to the bottom of the pool and pulled him to the top. A camp counselor and Dittrich pulled the drowning Crumel out of the pool and onto the safety deck. The lifeguards were summoned, and they administered CPR to Crumel.  
**5 years ago (2006)**  
At St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, South Belt resident John Heckler was honored for 50 years of service with the Knights of Columbus. The Rev. Stephen Horn officiated the Mass.  
An increase in motor vehicle burglaries and other crimes prompted South Belt community leaders to pursue the hiring of another deputy for Constable Gary Freeman.  
Arrests for possession of cocaine and burglaries as well as other burglaries of businesses and vehicles broken into at a church and a restaurant kept local law enforcement officers busy.  
**1 year ago (2010)**  
While Houston was spared the brunt of Hurricane Alex, the South Belt area was still hit hard by heavy rainfall in its wake. Roughly 8 inches of rain fell between Wednesday at 10 p.m. and Friday at 10 p.m., according to the Harris County Flood Control District's rain gauge located at the Beamer ditch at Hughes Road. Despite the heavy rains, area flooding was minimal.  
Heavy rainfall, however, is believed to have played a role in a fatal traffic accident that took place Thursday afternoon on the Gulf Freeway at Edgebrook, where an infant was killed when thrown from a southbound vehicle.  
Participation in the annual July 4th parade was lower than expected due to earlier rainfall with several entries dropping out.  
City of Houston Mayor Annise Parker announced the establishment of the Special Ethics and Council Governance Committee on Redistricting and Term Limits and appointed Councilmember Mike Sullivan, who represents the South Belt, as its chair. All other councilmembers would serve as committee members. The committee would consider matters related to City Council redistricting based on the provisions of the Houston City Charter and the 2010 federal decennial census, as well as examine matters related to current city term limits.

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# Tanksleys celebrate 40th anniversary



Eli and Sheila Tanksley will celebrate their 40th anniversary on July 10, 2011. They were married in Miami, Fla., in 1971. In 1988, they moved to Houston where they have been very involved in the South Belt area. Eli currently owns Clear Brook Realtors where he works as a real estate agent, broker and loan officer. He also stays involved in the many South Belt events. During the football season, Eli participates with the *South Belt Leader* in predicting the outcome of the high



school football teams. Sheila has been a kindergarten teacher in the Pearland Independent School District for more than 20 years. Both are active members of Sagemont Church. They have two children. Their daughter, Crystal, is married to Timothy Rothberg, and they live in the Houston area. Their son, Ryan, lives in California and is married to Beth Tanksley. They have two children, Isaiah and Mackenzie.

# Carlton, Sorenson engaged



Eddie and Nancy Carlton of South Belt announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kristin Carlton, to Richard Sorenson, son of Rick and Sandy Sorenson, also of South Belt. The bride-to-be graduated from Dobie High School in 2002. She is a production coordinator at Atlas Gulf Coast. The prospective groom graduated from Southeast Academy in 2002. He owns Millenium Cutts Landscaping. The pair were high school sweethearts. A July wedding is planned.

# Former South Belt resident follows in the family footsteps

By Matt Griesmyer  
South Belt's sons and daughters have often gone on to perform great acts in what



Former South Belt resident and country singer Anita Campbell poses with her cousin, the well-known country-pop singer, Glen Campbell.

ever careers they choose. This is the case when it comes to Anita Campbell, first cousin of singer Glen Campbell, who

most notably recorded such songs as *Rhinestone Cowboy*, *Wichita Lineman*, and *By the Time I Get to Phoenix*. Anita, who graduated from Dobie in 1980, has many different achievements under her belt. She has followed in her cousin's footsteps and become a well-known singer. Like country music songs, though, her story has to begin somewhere. Anita Campbell lived in the South Belt area for more than 30 years. She attended Frazier Elementary, Beverly Hills Intermediate and Dobie High schools. During this time she participated in various activities, but since the age of 10, she was singing with her father's band. After having what she considered professional experience, she opted out of performing in school choirs and instead joined the Dobie drama and speech teams. "I went to the old Dobie when it was still new," Anita Campbell said. "In the theater and speech programs we were so blessed to have such inspirational teachers." Anita also helped instruct the drill team and cheerleaders for the area. Several years have passed since her transition from grade-school life into adulthood. She has been through many ups and downs, but one major event that she still thinks of is her father's death.

Her father, Gene Campbell, died from Alzheimer's on Oct. 21, 2008. Aside from how a father's death normally affects a person, Campbell is still having to cope with the illness through her cousin, Glen Campbell, who has recently gone public with the announcement that he, too, has Alzheimer's. Glen is planning a farewell tour, which will be the next step for cousin Anita as well. On her father's birthday, Anita will be opening for

Glen. "I think it is kind of my dad's way of telling me to do this," Anita said. "The show I will be opening for Glen is on my father's birthday, and one of the days he performs will actually be the anniversary of my father's death." The connection between the families goes far beyond just common blood and talent though. Gene was the one who taught Glen how to play the guitar. In fact, Gene was such an influence on the budding singer that Glen recognized him in his Country

Music Hall of Fame induction speech. Anita lived in Beverly Hills for several years and then moved to Sagemeadow. She has since left but still keeps strong ties to the area through her family. Her sisters, Rita and Tammy, still live in the area, as well as most of her children and grandchildren. With her husband, Alan Thomas, they have five children: A. C. Thomas, Michael Tangedahl, Angela Tangedahl, Rachel Thomas Maurer and Kyle Thomas.

Currently, Anita and her husband live in Beaumont. Alan works for the chemical plants in Port Arthur, and in the midst of her career in show business, Anita still tries to make it to Houston and the South Belt area at least twice a week to visit her sisters, children or grandchildren. "I miss the South Belt area," Anita said. "It will always be my home. I still see people that I know when I go shopping in South Belt. People that I have not seen since I was teaching cheerleading come up to me and tell me that they remember me teaching them. It makes me realize how long it has been since I have lived in South Belt." Anita will be in town for a special performance with actor-turned-singer-songwriter Larry Bagby at the Lone Star Club on July 8 at 7 p.m.

# Surviving the drought

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times the fuel length around all structures; Have fire tools handy such as: ladder long enough to reach the roof, shovel, rake and a bucket or two for water; place connected garden hoses at all sides of the home for emergency use; Assure everyone in a household knows all emergency exits from one's home; and assure everyone in a household knows all emergency exits from one's neighborhood.

**Barbecue pits**  
Although the City of Houston Fire Code prohibits all open burning within the Houston city limits at all times, the Houston Fire Department would like to remind citizens to be extra vigilant in activities that may lead to accidental fires, including improper use of a barbecue pit or improper disposal of barbecue coals, ashes or briquettes and carelessly discarded smoking materials. A burn ban in unincorporated areas of Harris County, has been extended to surrounding counties and more than 200 counties across the state. The burn bans prohibit any outdoor open burning including the burning of a bonfire, rubbish fire, campfire, trench fire, or other fire in an outdoor location where fuel being burned is not contained in an approved incinerator, outdoor fireplace, barbecue grill or barbecue pit. Portable barbecue pits, charcoal grills and other

open-flame cooking devices outside of a building should not be operated on combustible balconies or located within 10 feet of combustible walls or roofs or other combustible materials. When igniting the barbecue charcoal, citizens should use a charcoal lighter, not gasoline. Gasoline can flash violently in and around the pit causing serious injuries to anyone in the area of the flash. A fire extinguisher or charged garden hose should be handy while the fire is burning. Check the pit frequently to ensure it is OK. Hot ash and coals from barbecue pits and charcoal burners should be placed in a non-combustible container until cooled or thoroughly saturated with water, before being disposed of. Another cause of accidental fires which increase during times of drought are carelessly discarded cigarettes, or other smoking materials. These can smolder for hours and should be completely doused with water before being discarded. They should be discarded in a safe manner and not by being thrown out a window or tossed on the ground. Texas' arson law includes felony punishment for anyone whose cigarette recklessly sets fire to a building or injures anyone. Arson is a second-degree felony in Texas, punishable by two to 20 years in prison, but if a person is hurt or killed or if the

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# South Belters share vacation photos

## Gonzales family at Orlando, Disney



Longtime Sagemont residents Adam and Alicia Gonzales, along with their children, Catrena Hodge and Adam "AJ" Gonzales, and granddaughter Skylyn Hodge, vacationed in Orlando, recently. They visited Alligator Academy, below, attended by Catrena, a 2004 Dobie graduate, and AJ, an eighth-grader at Thompson Intermediate. On June 12, to celebrate granddaughter Skylyn's third birthday, they had dinner with the Disney Princesses, shown at far right. While in Orlando, the group visited all the Disney parks, Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure. Skylyn is the daughter of Martena Hodge, who, along with little brother Maverick Carlton, were unable to attend. Pictured bottom left: Adam Gonzales, granddaughter Skylyn, AJ and Alicia Gonzales at the Island of Adventure where they spotted a shark. Catrena and AJ ride a real alligator at Alligator Academy (two instructors were close by at all times); left, Skylyn, Adam, AJ and Alicia wait in line to watch *A Bug's Life*.



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## Texas Football likes JFD

Having come out of nowhere to win the District 22-5A varsity football title in 2010, the Dobie bandwagon has plenty of riders these days.

Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine, the state's most trusted statewide football guide, has picked the Longhorns to repeat as league champions this fall.

A season ago, Dobie went 5-0 in 22-5A action, crushing five opponents on the way to an 8-2 overall finish.

With several skill position players back on offense and the defense having been reloaded this spring, the Longhorns are again the favorites in the league according to the magazine.

Deer Park, which finished second a year ago, is picked to do so again, with Pasadena Memorial third and South Houston fourth.

## Dobie 7-on-7 football off to state

Dobie is one of 64 teams that has qualified for the Division I Texas State 7-on-7 tournament, and the locals aren't going to be satisfied by merely being there.

Although Dobie is a newcomer to the state level, this group has high expectations heading into the big event July 15-16 at Texas A&M University in College Station.

The respective 64 teams will be divided into 16 4-team pools July 15, and from there they will be battling to reach the championship round July 16.

The state 7-on-7 championship game is set for July 16, at Kyle Field, at 5 p.m. The consolation bracket final is at 4 p.m.

Dobie reached the state tournament for the first time in school history by winning a Greater Houston Area Qualifying Tournament at Texas City's Stingaree Stadium last month.

After losing to host Texas City in the opening qualifying game, Dobie reeled off wins against Bay City, Clear Lake, Chavez and 7-on-7 heavyweight Friendswood to advance to state.

Clearly, the Dobie athletes have taken a liking to the multi-option pistol offense in place under the direction of head coach



Dobie 7-on-7 football player Kalen Bailey (left) and his teammates have been sprinting away from the competition for much of the summer with tremendous results. Now, the team will try its hand at the state competition July 15-16 at Texas A&M University in College Station. *MannyGPhotography.*

## Three teams still alive SBHLL stars on D-15 march

The Little League baseball all-star season is alive and well for three age group teams in the Sagemont-Beverly Hills Little League.

At press time, the league's 11- and 12-year-old teams were battling their way through the loser's bracket of their respective Texas District 15 tournaments.

The Sagemont junior division (14-year-old) team opened the Texas District 15 tournament July 5 with a 20-0 win over Dixie and played South Houston July 6 after press time.

The 9-year-old and 13-year-old tournaments have been completed, with teams from the Pearland Little League advancing to sectionals from each of those brackets.

In the 10-year-old division, the SBHLL all-stars have also been eliminated.

The locals opened District 15 tournament play with a 3-2 victory over OFA but then fell 13-2 to Pearland Maroon and 10-3 to Pearland White, wrapping up their all-star season after the two losses.

**11s still in mix**

Sagemont's 11-year-old all-star team took on OFA July 6 after press time, with

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## Arnett sets strong opening standard Longhorns' freshman golfer takes District 22-5A medal

To all of those former Beverly Hills Intermediate students who chuckled at Ben Arnett's golf stories: Take note, Mr. Arnett is a District 22-5A medalist and a rising young star on the high school golf scene.

The Dobie High School freshman burst onto the scene during the 2010-2011 school year, eventually taking third place at the District 22-5A championships and becoming the first male golfer from the school to advance to regionals in quite some time.

At regionals, Arnett found himself tied for the lead after a first-round 73 but struggled on the second day with an 83 en route to a 17th place finish.

Coupled with Lady Longhorn golfer Jackie Vasquez's sixth-place finish at district on her way to a regional appearance, it was quite a year for the Dobie golf program under the direction of longtime coach Richard Hokanson.

And as for Arnett, he hopes his first impression at Dobie is just the start of something special.

The two players who finished ahead of Arnett at the 22-5A tournament were seniors from Deer Park. Per the competition at the regional level, Arnett also believes he is ever so close to being in the mix.

"Right now, I'm the one standing in my way," Arnett said. "My biggest obstacle is myself. In golf, that's the way it is."

"You have to be able to combine the physical tools with the mental focus on a hole-by-hole basis for multiple rounds. I'm sometimes really good at that, and sometimes it gets away from me. It only takes one bad hole."

For much of his freshman season, Arnett didn't experience many backslides on the course. He didn't play particularly well in the Longhorns' first tournament but then came back to lead the way for the group.

Arnett received much of the credit due to the results on the leader boards, but he is quick to point to his teammates at Dobie for the support and teamwork.

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Dobie golfer Ben Arnett turned heads as he placed third at the District 22-5A varsity golf championships as a freshman, but the longtime linkster believes it's only the beginning of something special.

## Rising Stars rule regionals, on to nationals

The South-Belt based Rising Stars Track Club dominated the competition at the regional level and will now send 27 athletes to the Amateur Athletic Union national meet later this month.

Longtime Stars' head coach Ivory Kimble held high expectations heading into the regional meet June 29-July 2 at Atascocita High School, but he still came away in awe of the performance of the athletes.

A total of 35 athletes attended regionals, with 27 qualifying for the state meet in New Orleans. Of the eight who did not advance, a handful missed qualifying by hundredths or thousandths of seconds in the running events.

"It was just a great effort and performance from all of the kids," Kimble said.

"In all of the years I have been doing this, I have never had this high of a percentage of athletes move on to nationals. We knew the opportunities were there, but our kids really stood out in a big way."

The top five finishers in the respective events at regionals have now qualified for the national meet which begins July 30, at Tad Gormley Stadium in New Orleans.

Of the 27 qualifiers from the Rising Stars, several bagged regional championships.

Those winners included a pair of female athletes who took home gold medals for first place in three different events.

Julia Heymach, a 13-year-old, was the regional champion in the 800-, 1,500- and 3,000-meter runs.

Heymach's time in the 800 was 2 minutes, 25.59 seconds, and she finished the 1,500 in a time of 5:02.17. She completed the sweep by posting a time of 10:45.80 in the 3,000-meter event.

Charra Elliott, a 16-year-old, won gold medals in the high jump (5 feet, 5 inches), the javelin (91 feet, 3 inches) and the heptathlon (3,621 total points).

Amari Singleton, a 9-year-old, completed the 1,500-meter racewalk in a time of 11 minutes, 29.40 seconds for a gold medal.

There were also many standouts among the boys, including the effort from D'Vaughn Pennamon, a 13-year-old who will be an eighth-grade student at Beverly Hills Intermediate this fall.

Pennamon won the 400-meter and long jump titles and qualified for nationals in two other events. His overall performance

also allowed him to win the pentathlon at regionals with 2,325 points.

"All of the athletes competed like champions, regardless of if they made their way to nationals or not," Kimble said. "Obviously,

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## Summer FB camps here

July has arrived, so it's time to start thinking about football again.

The National Football League is experiencing a work stoppage at the moment, but that has not dampened the excitement for the game at all other levels.

This month and at the start of August, there are several youth camps scheduled in the South Belt area.

The Dobie High School youth camp is July 11-14, from 6 to 8 p.m. Students ages 6 to 12 are eligible to attend the camp.

As for August, Clear Brook varsity head football coach Paul Lanier and his staff will host the Wolverines' Youth Camp Aug. 1-3 at the school.

Students entering the second through ninth grades as of the 2011-2012 school year are eligible to attend. The sessions will run from 8:30 to 11 a.m.

The Beverly Hills and Thompson intermediate coaching staffs will also host their respective youth camps in August.

The Lions' youth camp is Aug. 1-5 for students entering the seventh or eighth-grades as of this school year.

Incoming seventh- and eighth-grade students may also attend the Battalion Bears youth camp at Beverly Hills, which runs Aug. 1-5 and Aug. 9 at the school.

For more information on these camps and more, see Page 3B.

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## H-Town Jokers 10-U tryout

The H-Town Jokers select baseball program is seeking players for its 10-under baseball team. The Jokers will host tryouts, including an intrasquad game, July 16-17. Serious players may call coach Rudy Mendez at 713-478-1495 or direct e-mail to Josie Mendez at josie.mendez4@att.net. Those interested may also visit the team website at www.houstonjokers.webs.com.

## SJC youth hoops camp

San Jacinto College invites boys and girls, ages 7-18, to register for the 2011 basketball camp at the Central campus. The first session is scheduled for July 18-22. The second is from July 25-29. Both sessions are held from 2 to 5 p.m., inside Anders Gymnasium, located at 8060 Spencer Highway in Pasadena.

## Brook volleyball camp

Clear Brook High School varsity volleyball coach Meredith Thompson and her staff will host the 2011 Lady Wolverines' youth camp July 25-29 at the school. Students entering the fourth through ninth grades as of the 2011-2012 school year are eligible to attend. To register, visit the volleyball website at www.clearbrookvolleyball.org.

## Dobie girls' hoops camp

Dobie varsity girls' basketball head coach Shane Brown and his staff will host the 2011 Lady Longhorns' Youth Basketball Camp July 11-13 at the school. Students entering the fourth through ninth grades as of the 2011-2012 school year are eligible to attend. The cost per student is \$55 cash or money order, which includes a camp T-shirt. No checks will be accepted. The sessions will run from 9 a.m. to noon. For information, direct e-mail to Brown at rbrown@pasadenaisd.org.

## Dobie youth football camp

Longhorns' varsity head football coach Jim Phillips and his staff will host the 2011 Dobie Youth Football Camp July 11-14 at the school, from 6 to 8 p.m. Students ages 6 through 12 are eligible to attend. The cost is \$40 prior to the camp and \$50 the day of the camp. For more information, call Longhorns' assistant coach Kenneth Foster at 713-899-2054.

## Dobie ninth-grade VB camp

Dobie High School varsity volleyball coach Joe Sabatell and his staff will host the Lady Longhorns' camp for incoming ninth-grade students July 27-29, from 8 to 11 a.m. at the school. Participants will take part in a variety of drills, including those for passing, setting, hitting, blocking, serving and digging. There will also be strength and agility drills. Cost of the camp is \$55 per student via cash, money order or cashier's check. Participants must have their own medical insurance as the Pasadena Independent School District does not provide coverage for summer fitness/recreation programs. Those in attendance should dress in athletic shoes, shorts, a proper T-shirt, knee pads (if wanted) and bring a good attitude. For more information, call Sabatell at 281-468-1066.

## Horns 11-U takes third at NB state tournament



The South Belt Horns 11-under select baseball team placed third at the Nations Baseball state tournament after advancing to the semifinals. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Leo Martinez, Alex Perez, Alex Arriaga Seth Barber, Matt Morales, (middle row) Michael Avila, Andrew Arriaga, Jose Esparza, Michael Villarreal, Gilbert Alejandro, (back row) manager Alex Arriaga, Alex Gonzalez, coach David Gonzalez, Jon Saldana and coach Joe Saldana. The team will travel to the world series next month.

## Sluggers 11-under wins Firecracker baseball



The Sagemont Sluggers 11-under baseball team took first place at the Friendswood Firecracker tournament at Renwick Park. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Jacob Sims, Jacob Sulak, Triston Gibson, (middle row) Torrey Tapper, David Zermeno, Mario Rodriguez, Mikey Fuqua, Hunter Garcia, DeJuan Dixon, Jonathan Acosta, Andres Padilla, manager Taji Garcia, (back row) coach PJ McAlister, Joey Espinosa, Kevin Gartner, AJ Martinez, coach Joe Martinez, and Andrew Hinojosa.

## Houston 9 select wins 14-U state baseball crown



The Houston 9, a 14-under select baseball team from the South Belt area, won the Texas South Zone State Tournament in Cy-Fair, going 4-0 along the way to do so. In the championship game, the Houston Nine took down the Friendswood Mustangs 6-3. Members of the team are, left to right, (front row) Isaiah Fernandez, Mason Miller, Martin Cano, Geoffrey Sockwell, Ivan Alfaro, Josh Navarrete, Efrain Cisneros, (back row) coach Juan Navarrete, Aldo Izaguirre, Luis Briseno, Rogelio Rodriguez, coach James Miller, Chris Guevara, coach Thomas Delgado and coach Roy Nunez.

## Thompson Intermediate Football Camp

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 Cost is \$25 per student.  
 Please no checks or money orders. Cash only.  
 Camp hours are 4 to 6 p.m. each day.  
 Report 15 minutes early Aug. 1. Bring tennis shoes. Cleats optional.  
 For more information, call coach John Fowler at 281-991-4209

## Beverly Hills Intermediate Football Camp

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**Houston Area Parkinson Society** - Free water exercise from noon to 1 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehabilitation Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered.  
**Al-Anon** - Meets every Thursday from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Room 111. For information, call 281-487-8787.  
**St. Luke's Catholic Church** - St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 11011 Hall Road, offers free tutoring on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tutoring is held in Room 2 of the Education Building. Contact Joe Pavlicek at 281-484-1397 or by e-mail at joe\_pavlicek@yahoo.com.  
**Diabetes Support Group** - A support group for young adults with diabetes. All subjects are open for discussion: new technologies, research advances, fears, phobias, dating and other personal matters. Meets the first Thursday of each month at 1315 St. Joseph Parkway #1705, Medical Place One. Contact Dan Steiner, CDE, at 713-756-8536 for more information.  
**The Bay Area Writers League** - Meets the first Thursday of each month at Barnes and Noble at Bay Area Boulevard and the Gulf Freeway. Newcomers are welcome.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., and Sundays and Tuesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.

### FRIDAY, JULY 8

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**AARP-South Belt Chapter** - The American Association of Retired Persons meets the second Friday of each month at the community center at El Franco Lee Park on Hall Road.  
**Moving Forward Women's Adult Children Anonymous** - The ACA group meets Fridays at noon at the Up The Street Club in Webster, 508 Nasa Parkway, in room 4. ACA is a 12-step program of hope, healing and recovery for people who grew up in alcoholic or dysfunctional homes. For more information, call 281-286-1431.  
**Frontier Squares** - Meets to square dance at the Westminster Academy at 670 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Refreshments provided. For more information, contact Gina Sherman at 281-554-5675 or visit www.frontiersquares.com.  
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**New Directions Singles Club** - New Directions Singles support meetings are held each Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W. Nasa Parkway. For further information, call Susan at 832-494-5098 or Carolyne 281-340-2354.  
**Civil Air Patrol Meeting** - Weekly at Ellington Field in the Civil Air Patrol Building. Call 281-484-1352 and leave a message for more information.  
**Sagemont Civic Club** - Meetings are held the second Monday of every month at 7 p.m. at Kirkwood South Christian Church, 10811 Kirkfair Dr.  
**Grief Support Group** - "Friends Helping Friends" meets every Monday from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at Clear Lake Rehab Hospital, 655 E. Medical Center Blvd. in Webster. Those who have lost a spouse or other loved one are invited to participate. For information, call Betty Flynn at 281-474-3430 or Diana Kawalec at 281-334-1033.  
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**CCART** - The Clear Creek Association of Retired Teachers meets the second Tuesday of each month, September through May. They are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Bay Area Community Center, 5002 Nasa Parkway in Seabrook near the Landolt Pavilion. All Texas retired school employees from all surrounding school districts are welcome to attend and join this organization. Annual dues are \$35.  
**American Begonia Society** - Meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Pasadena Town Square Community Room. For more information, call 713-946-4237 or 713-941-7158.  
**Tri-County Republican Women** - General meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month except June and July at Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Drive in Pearland. A luncheon is available. To make reservations, call 281-484-8083.  
**Pasadena Heritage Park and Museum** - Exhibits include dioramas, an old-time kitchen and a turn-of-the-century doctor's office. Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. 204 S. Main, Pasadena. For information, call 713-472-0565.  
**Houston Area Parkinson Society** - Free exercise and speech therapy from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Bayshore Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center, 4021 Brookhaven, Pasadena. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered.  
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Clear Lake Toastmasters Club - Meets at the Clear Lake Church of Christ, 938 El Dorado Blvd. Call Jerry Tate at 281-481-5417 for information. 7 p.m.
St. Luke's Catholic Church - St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 11011 Hall Road, offers free tutoring on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tutoring is held in Room 2 of the Education Building. Contact Joe Pavlicek at 281-484-1397 or by e-mail at joe\_pavlicek@yahoo.com.
Houston Space City Lions Club - Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Golden Corral, 12500 Gulf Freeway. For more information, call George Malone at 281-438-7243. 8 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Alcohol problems? AA meetings are held Tuesdays and Sundays from 8 to 9 p.m. and Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2217 Theta Street. For information, call 713-204-2481.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 13
7 a.m.
AA Meeting - "Breakfast With Bill" each Monday through Friday, from 7 to 8 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church Pasadena, 1062 Fairmont Parkway, Room 114. Call 281-487-8787 for information, or just drop in.
9:30 a.m.
Young at Heart Club - Meets the second and fourth week of each month at Covenant United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Lots of activities, trips, etc. Call Nellie Galney at 713-991-3517 for more information.
11:30 a.m.
American Business Women's Association Bay Area Vision Chapter - Now meets at Perry's Italian Grill, 1001 Pinelock in Houston on the second Wednesday of every month. For more information or to R.S.V.P., call Lorilyn Wynn at 281-388-5202. 4 p.m.
Houston Area Parkinson Society - Free exercise held from 4 to 5 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Pearland, 3005 Pearland Parkway, Pearland. Visit www.hapsonline.org for a complete list of services offered. 6 p.m.
Alzheimer's Support Group - The free group meets the second Wednesday of each month at Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital. For more information, call Steven Williams at 281-929-4199 or 713-266-6400. 6:30 p.m.
Bay Area Turning Point Crisis Intervention Center - Domestic violence support group for male survivors meets each Wednesday at 210 S. Walnut off NASA Parkway. Call 281-338-7600 for information. Participants may join at any time as this is an open group. 7 p.m.
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Bay Area New Democrats - Meet at the Clear Lake Court House at 16603 Buccaneer Drive, across from the new Clear Lake Library. For more information, contact John Cobarruvias at john.cobarruvias@bayareanewdemocrats.org or visit www.bayareanewdemocrats.org. THURSDAY, JULY 14
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NASA Aglow Community Lighthouse - meets the second Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at the Lighthouse Fellowship of Friends, 144 Park Avenue in League City. The public is welcome and encouraged to bring others to the interdenominational meeting. 11:30 a.m.
ABWA - Southeast Express Network - American Business Women's Association-South meets on the second Thursday of each month at MiMi's Cafe in the Pearland Town Center, 11200 Broadway Street, #1600. Lunch is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$20 and includes networking with professional business women, lunch and guest speaker. Women of all ages and occupations are invited. Bring plenty of business cards. Reservations are appreciated. Contact Monica Perez at mlynnperez2002@yahoo.com for reservations, or visit the Web site at www.seen-abwa.org. Noon
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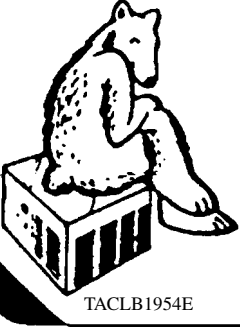
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A special thanks to all who participated to make this year's parade such a community success. I was disappointed in last year's parade and seriously considered not continuing the event. But . . . this year's participation has changed all that. In fact, I am already excited about next year's since it will be the 25th anniversary of our parade and fireworks.

So start planning for next year. It's going to be fantastic!

Again, thanks so much for making it a great day. —Marie Flickinger



Leon Petty stands next to his 2004 Chevrolet SSR towing his Suzuki Boulevard 109.



Emergency vehicles from the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department and City of Houston Station 70, line up for the July 4 parade at Beverly Hills Intermediate.



Boy Scout Pack 773 pose on their float for the parade. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Zacheus Macias, Nathan Scott, Xavier Lowtan, (second row) Christian Sloan, Andrew Ingram, Trey Ingram, (third row) Rosemarie Scott, Jennifer Macias, Steven Smith (back) and Garth Sloan.



Jac, the San Jacinto College South campus' mascot, rides on the parade route waving to residents.



Bobby Lister and Ann Brannen pose for a quick picture while setting up for the parade.



Cheerleaders from All-Star Revolution Cheerleading pose for a picture before the parade begins. Pictured are, left to right, Jill Todaro, Lexy Vela, Paris Todaro, Kristi Vela, Ireland Todaro and Avery Mc-Millin.



Zerick Guinn and Frank Baye pose in front of the float that Baye created for Guinn. Baye won best overall commercial float this year for his work commemorating the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Frank's entries have won first-place commercial entry every year.



Left: Former Dobie swim coach and recent inductee into the Texas Senior Games Hall of Fame Dennis Shippey rides alongside Bruce Rollins, swimmer and friend of Shippey.

Right: Dobie band director Richard Hicks gives his son Coleman a sip of cold water during the set up and staging of the parade.

Bottom: Jasmin Winfree pauses from collecting candy to watch the horses pass by at the parade.



Alexis Assed smiles as she trots her horse through the staging area of the parade. Several horse riders and their mounts were present at the parade.



Classic and show cars lined up next to the floats in the parade staging area at Beverly Hills Intermediate School.



Members of the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary stand next to one of the two boats that they had in the parade. Pictured are, left to right, Tommy Matheson, Paul Heinig, J. Tyler and T. C. Jones.



Buddy Griffin's All Star Banjo Band sits ready to play for the patrons of the parade. Pictured are, left to right, (front row) Andrew LeBlanc, Angela Fleck, Elissa Morris, Abby Sinclair, Carla Corleto, Jacob Sowell, Joshua Sowell, Buddy Griffin, (back row) Morgan Terrell, Aaron Purcell, Gabriella Morris, Anna Purcell, Rachel Morris, Abigail Sowell, Naomi Sowell and Nikki Van Hook.



Members of the St. Luke's Knights of Columbus Council 9201 stand in front of their barbecue pita that doubles as their parade float. Pictured are, left to right, Norman J. Mondor, Mike Work, Craig Guth, and Steve Buckman.