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# **NEWS**

#### **Public** Safety Meeting on March 24

The East Aldine District will host the Harris County Sheriff's Office in a Public Safety Community Forum Meeting on Thursday, March 24 starting at 6:30 pm in the East Aldine District Office Building, 2909 East Aldine Amphitheatre Drive. The public is invited, please RSVP and send questions for discussion, to info@aldinedistrict.org.

#### Reunion de Seguridad **Publilca**

El Distrito de Aldine Llevara acabo el foro de Seguridad Publica el proximo Jueves 24 de Marzo a las 6:30pm en el edificio de las oficinas del Sheriff de East Aldine en el 2909 East Aldine Amphitheatre Drive. Sera abierto al publico, si desea asisitir favor de confirmar su asistencia, si desea mas informacion favor de enviar un correo electronico a info@aldinedistrict.org.

#### Earth Clean-up Day March 26

The East Aldine District invites everyone to an Earth Day event Saturday March 26. Clean up Greens Bayou. Meet at MEAD Middle School, 3500 Lauder Road. 8:30am check-in, 9:00-

11:00am work time. Info and registration 281-874-2146 Marty.Hughes@ GreensBayou.org. More info on Page 8.

# Aldine students earn \$202,000 in Projects at 63rd Annual Livestock & Art Show

By Mike Keeney

Once again, the Aldine community stepped up to the plate and came through in a big way for Aldine ISD FFA (Future Farmers of America) students.

Aldine ISD employees and business partners pledged \$202,000 to student projects during the Sale of Champions, which concluded the 63rd annual FFA Livestock and Art Show, held Jan. 26-28 at the M.O. Campbell Educational Center.

Nimitz High School junior K'Ven Horn raised the Grand Champion steer, purchased by the Superin-



Nimitz High School junior K'Ven Horn poses with his Grand Champion steer Deebo.

\$12,000. Classmate Delana Temple raised the Reserve Grand Champion steer, purchased for \$5,500 by the Optimist Club.

"It really means a lot to me," Horn said after his steer Deebo earned the Grand Champion honors. "It makes me proud that this proves I did a good job of showing him. This experience has given me a lot of confidence."

Timothy Greer of Nimitz High School raised the Grand Champion pig, and the Optimist Club purchased it for \$5,500. Jaiden Harris of Eisenhower High School raised the Reserve Grand Champion

tendent's Group for pig. The Operations Group purchased it for \$4,600.

> Reagan Verhalen of Nimitz High School raised the Grand Champion goat. It was purchased for \$2,500 by Beasley Tire. Aaron Hernández of Nimitz High School raised the Reserve Grand Champion goat. Beasley Tire purchased it for \$1,500.

> Temple also raised the Grand Champion lamb. It was purchased for \$2,750 by the Nimitz Vertical Group. Rickey Evans of Nimitz High School raised the Reserve Grand Champion lamb. Beasley Tire

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Cirilo Ojeda Jr. has been named the new head football coach at Aldine High School. He comes to Aldine after serving as head coach at Sharpstown High School in Houston ISD.

Cirilo Ojeda Jr. likes a challenge and that's one of the main reasons he gladly accepted the opportunity to become the new head football coach at Aldine High

Ojeda comes to Aldine High after serving as the head coach at Sharpstown High Continued. See Aldine Coach, Page 3



# Ojeda named Aldine head coach Aldine watches, worries for Griner

Brittney Griner, all-star WNBA basketball center, continues to be held in a Russian jail, after her arrest on Feb. 17 at Sheremetyevo airport near Moscow. Russian authorities charged her with possessing vape cartridges with hashish oil, an illegal drug. Reports say that her trial has been set for May 19.

Griner is well known in the Aldine area, having played during her school years for Nimitz High, and later for Baylor University. She is considered by many Continued. See Griner Arrest, Page 2



# HISTORY MONTH

# Texas' First Woman Governor: M. A. W. "MA" Ferguson

Part of a Women's History Month Series -

By Allan Jamail

Miriam Amanda Wallace "Ma" Ferguson (June 13, 1875 – June 25, 1961) was an American politician who served two nonconsecutive terms as the governor of Texas: from 1925 to 1927, and from 1933 to 1935. She was the first female governor of Texas, and one of the first two women to be governor of any U.S. state, along with Nellie Tayloe Ross.

Ferguson was born Miriam Amanda Wallace in Bell County, Texas. She studied at Salado College and Baylor Female College. When she was 24, she married James Edward Ferguson, a lawyer, at her father's farm near Belton in Bell County, Texas.

Her nickname, "Ma", came from her initials, "M. A.", and the fact that her husband was known as "Pa" Ferguson. They had two daughters: Ouida Wallace Ferguson, and Dorrace Watt Ferguson.

After her husband's im-



Miriam Amanda Wallace "Ma" Ferguson (June 13, 1875 - June 25, 1961) American was an politician who served two non-consecutive terms as the governor of Texas.

peachment and conviction, Ma Ferguson ran in the primary for the Democratic nomination for governor and was successful, openly supported by her husband, whom she said she would consult for advice. She was elected to office in the 1924 general election.

During her campaign, she made it clear she was a puppet candidate for her husband, saying voters would get "two governors for the price of one". Her speeches at rallies consisted of introducing him and letting him take the platform. A common campaign slogan was, "Me for Ma, and I Ain't Got a Durned Thing Against Pa." Patricia Bernstein of the Houston Chronicle stated "There was never a question in anyone's mind as to who was really running things when Ma was gov-

After her victory in the Democratic primary, Ferguson defeated George C. Butte, a prominent lawyer and University of Texas

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# Concern for Brittney Griner,

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as the best basketball player in the WNBA, where she currently plays for the Phoenix Mercury. Griner is a 7 time WNBA All-Star center, and a 2 time Olympic Gold Medalist. During the offseason, she has been playing in Russia for the UMMC Ekaterinburg team, since 2014.



Friends and former teammates in the Aldine area have expressed concern about her well-being while held in a Russian jail. Reportedly she has not had contact with American officials, except through her attorney team. Observers feel that the current situation in Ukraine may make her arrest and incarceration more difficult, and have pressed the U.S. government to take a more active role in her case.

The arrest of this high profile professional athlete has attracted national attention from media and officials. Recently her high school coach, Nimitz girls basketball coach Debbie Jackson, was interviewed on ABC network for her recollections and career information about Griner. Others, such as Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, have spoken out for our government to more strongly intervene on Griner's behalf.

EDITOR'S NOTE: If you would like to share your recollections or stories or well-wishes about Griner, you can send them to this newspaper at nenewsroom@aol.com and we will publish a select few for our readers and Griner's friends.

# **Aldine ISD Trustee Garcia Appointed to National Assessment Governing Board**

Aldine ISD Trustee Dr. Viola M. Garcia has been appointed to the National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB) by U.S. Secretary of Education Dr. Miguel D. Car-

NAGB sets policy for the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

Dr. Garcia's term will run from Oct. 1, 2021 until Sept.

"I am honored and humbled to serve on the National Assessment Governing Board," Dr. Garcia said. "As a lifelong educator, student achievement and student success has been at the core of my professional and volunteer endeavors. I am committed to maintaining the integrity and independence of The Nation's Report Card to guide public schools in the U.S. in ongoing student achievement initiatives and ormative efforts toward the realization of a promising future for all of the students we serve.

The Governing Board is a nonpartisan body established by Congress in 1988 to oversee and set policy for the Na-Assessment of tional Progress Educational (NAEP), also known as The Nation's Report Card. NAEP provides objective information on student performance in various subjects and for different student groups and reports on student achievement across the nation, in states, and in large urban districts. The 26-member Governing Board is responsible for deciding which subjects NAEP assesses, determining the assessments' content, setting achievement levels that describe student performance, and pursuing new ways to make NAEP results useful and meaningful to the public. Although the Board operates independently, NAEP law calls for members to be appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Education.

"It is my pleasure to appoint this distinguished group of leaders to the National Assessment Governing Board," said Secretary Cardona. "As we address students' educational needs during this challenging time, I'm confident these leaders will bring the perspectives necessary to ensure the National Assessment of Educational Progress remains the gold standard in measuring student academic outcomes. The pandemic has disrupted our students' educational opportunities and their learning, with impacts on students' academic and social and emotional development, as well as their mental health. As we work to address

students' academic needs, we need The Nation's Report Card now more than ever to help us understand students' academic progress and where additional supports can be targeted, ensuring all students reach their full potential."

In addition to serving on the NAGB, Dr. Garcia currently serves as president of the National School Boards Association.

Dr. Garcia has served as an Aldine ISD Trustee for 29 years and is the longest tenured member of the Board of Education. She is a retired faculty member of the University of Houston-Downtown, where she chaired numerous committees. She has provided her expertise on a wide variety of topics ranging from academic policy to leadership.

Dr. Garcia is also active in many organizations. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi-Omega, the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), where she served as that group's president, and the Mexican American School Members Association, which she has also served as president. She is also a life member of the PTA and the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO).



# Free Flu Vaccines and Immunizations in March from Harris County Mobile

HOUSTON° — During March, Harris Health System's Troubleshooters Mobile Immunization Program is offering free immunizations for children two-months to 18-years of age and free flu vaccines to children six-months to 18-years of age.

To receive immunizations, a parent must be present with the child's shot record. All shots will be given based on availability.

(All times are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. except when noted)

Monday, March 21, Major Elementary School, 16855 Sugar Pine Dr., Houston,

- Tuesday, March 22, Steve Radack Community Center, 18650 Clay Rd., Houston, TX 77084, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 23, Drew Academy, 1910 W. Little York, Houston, TX 77091
- Thursday, March 24, Hoffman Middle School, 6101 Little York, Houston, TX 77091 Friday, March 25, Woodson K-5, 10720
- Southview St., Houston, TX 77047 Monday, March 28, Hambrick Middle School, 4600 Aldine Mail Rd., Houston, TX 77039
- Tuesday, March 29, Hambrick Middle School, 4600 Aldine Mail Rd., Houston, TX 77039
- Wednesday, March 30, Hines-Caldwell Elementary, 5515 W. Orem Dr., Houston, TX 77085, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

# FFA Livestock & Art Show,

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purchased it for \$2,000.

Hernández raised the Grand Champion turkey, and the Optimist Club purchased it for \$3,750. Joshua Piper of Eisenhower High School raised the Reserve Grand Champion turkey. The Superintendent's Group purchased it for

Robert Allen of Eisenhower High School raised the Grand Champion broilers. Parker Supply purchased them for \$2,750. Rodrigo Martínez of Eisenhower High School raised the Reserve Grand Champion broilers. The Eisenhower Vertical Group purchased them for \$1,100.

Virginia Nevárez of Nimitz High School created the Grand Champion artwork. TCCA purchased it for \$3,100. Alexander Baltazar of Eisenhower High School created the Reserve Grand Champion artwork. The Eisenhower Vertical Group purchased it for \$4,200.

The Nimitz High School FFA team created the Grand Champion scholarship banner. The Nimitz Vertical Group purchased it for \$1,200. The Eisenhower High School FFA team created the Reserve Grand Champion banner. The Eisenhower Vertical Group purchased it for \$1,000.

Aldine ISD's Career and Technical Department took every measure to ensure the safety and health of all who attended the 63rd Annual FFA Livestock and Art Show.

# **Hire Houston Youth Program** Application extended to April 8

HOUSTON - Mayor Sylvester Turner joined City officials and business leaders to kick of his signature program, Hire Houston Youth, which provides paid summer jobs and internships to youth, age 16 - 24, at the City of Houston and in the public, private, and philanthropic sectors.

"Employment plays a pivotal role in reducing gender, ethnic, racial, and other social inequalities," said Mayor Sylvester Turner. "Therefore, providing meaningful employment experiences for our youth is in the best interest of all, including young people, their communities, and Houston as a whole."

Originally, the deadline for students to apply to participate was Friday, March 11. However, in light of Spring Break schedules, the Mayor announced at the press conference that the application period had been extended until April 8.

In 2021, with the economy on the rebound from the COVID-19 public health emergency, Hire Houston Youth offered over 9,500 opportunities. This year, Mayor Sylvester Turner set a goal of offering 12,000 job and internship opportunities, with a stretch goal of

Recently, Houston was one of just five cities across the nation awarded a \$150,000 grant by the National League of Cities that will be used for the Hire Houston Youth initiative. In addition to the monetary award, Houston will receive specialized assistance from the National League of Cities staff and other national experts to advance the city's efforts to expand STEM career pathways for marginalized young

Through Hire Houston Youth and the awarded funds, the City of Houston has an opportunity to address long-standing inequities by creating pathways from residents to resilient, living wage trajectory jobs. This initiative also aligns with the Mayor's One Safe Houston campaign that seeks to reduce

Employers can sign up, and youth can apfor jobs by visiting http:// www.hirehoustonyouth.org. The application deadline is April 8. For more information, please visit our website or contact our team at hirehoustonyouth@houstontx.gov.

# HIGH MEADOWS LIBRARY NEWS

#### GRADCAFÉ:

Every Tuesday we will have representatives from GRADcafé at the High Meadows Library. GRADcafé is a one-stopshop offering free services to help you decide on a career, explore education and training options, apply to college, and find the financial aid you need. Whether you want to attend college to get a degree or work on a certificate in a professional trade, we are here to guide you through every step. You're never too young or old to get started. Services are available in English or Spanish.

#### FREE WIFI HOTSPOTS AT **THE LIBRARY**

We have FREE WiFi hotspots available on a first come, first serve basis. If you don't have internet service where you live or if your internet is slow and unreliable, you can check out a WiFi hotspot with unlimited data FREE. All you need is an HCPL library card and if you don't have a library card, we will get you one.

#### **BECOME A FRIEND OF THE** LIBRARY:

We need YOU to become a friend of the library. We are currently looking for individuals who would like to help us form a group to be the you have what it takes, please contact Jennifer at <u>jennifer.nandlal@hcpl.net</u>.

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#### 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE **KINDERGARTEN:**

Harris County Public Library invites parents and caregivers to participate in the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program! Beginning at birth, children can participate in this ongoing program by signing up through the Beanstack website and (https:// hcpl.beanstack.org/)

#### Online ESL Class

We have online ESL Classes happening every week. Our classes are beginner level classes and all virtual. To register for a class, stop by the library or call us and ask for Maria.

#### 1 ON 1 SPANISH **COMPUTER CLASS ON SATURDAYS**

Every 1st and 3rd Saturday, we have 1 on 1 computer assistance class with Ms. Maria. You can attend our 11am or 3pm session. Registration is required for both sessions. To register, please call us and ask for Maria.

#### **FAMILY TIME**

Join us on Saturday, March 26th at 11am for Family Time. Bring the family and play games,

storytimes, and more! We have something for everyone.

make memories, enjoy

#### WIN A BOOK!

For children 12 and under, win a book with our March display. Look at our four-leaf clovers and pick the lucky one hiding the gold coin! Find it and you win a book! Come by daily to play.

#### TAX FORMS

If you need 1040 Forms, the library has a limited supply of forms and instruction booklets. We also have extension

#### **VOTER REGISTRATION**

Register to vote at your local library. We have registration forms available in English &

For information on any of the above events or programs, please call us at 832-927-5540 or stop by the library.

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# **AIRLINE LIBRARY NEWS**

#### **WOMEN'S HISTORY** MONTH MOVIE MATINEES

We are celebrating Women's History Month by celebrating women and women identified actors, directors, and characters! All ages are welcome to join us every Saturday in March at **2pm** for Movie Matinees! **Mar. 26** - Mulan

Open to all ages.

#### **LECTORES AVIDOS SPANISH BOOK CLUB**

Monthly meeting for adults in Spanish. Contact us for information on the current reading. Saturday, March 26 at 10am.

#### **SPRING POKÉMON SCAVENGER** HUNT

Join us for Pokémon scavenger hunt and learn interesting facts about the Spring season.

#### **GROWING READERS**

HCPL has created our new Growing Readers Program to help parents with developing their child's early literacy skills. Ranging from prenatal up to preschool, Growing Readers has created a variety of activities to help bring literacy easily into daily life.

Growing Readers focus on the 5 key aspects of early literacy: Reading, Talking, Singing, Play-

**TUTORS** ing, and Writing. Would you like to be a With our Little Bud

(toddler) and Little Reader (preschool) take home kits, parents can play and create with their children while focusing on improving those 5 concepts. Kits

include free board books to

help jumpstart your home

library!

With our age targeted Flashcard sets, these cards give parents/caregivers quick tips and activities to try at home or on the go!

Our 1,000 Books before Kindergarten program on Beanstack will help make sure your child is reading ready come school time. Sign up on Beanstack.org to receive free board book prizes as you reach your 1,000 book goal! Sign up early to receive an interactive sticker book to help your track your journey.

#### <u>LENA</u>

LENA Start is coming to Aldine Branch Library this spring! LENA Start is a 10-week program that teaches parents and caregivers of children 0-3 years how to "build babies' brains" and make a difference in their future success through early talk and interactions!

Orientation is required. For more information on how to participate call (832) 927-5410 or email ald@hcpl.net.

**CALL FOR LITERACY** 

on people's lives? If you are interested in becoming a literacy tutor at the Aldine Branch Library, we want to talk to you! We are looking for volunteers to teach English language classes in person and virtually. Call 832-927-5410 or email for info: ald@hcpl.net

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#### **COMPUTER CLASSES**

In addition to our online computer classes in both English and Spanish we will now be offering computer classes in person at the library. If you want to participate, call us to register: 832-927-5410

Tuesdays: various topics (Spanish computer class), 5-7pm, at the li-

Wednesdays: Beyond the Basics with Office 365 plus Google Apps, (English computer class), 5-7pm, online

Thursdays: Beyond the Basics with Office 365 Google Apps (English computer class), 5-7pm, at the library

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## SCHOOL NEWS PAGE

#### **HOUSTON ISD**

# Superintendent House's State of the Schools address focuses on the road ahead

March 11, 2022 – During his first State of the Schools at the helm of Houston ISD, Superintendent Millard House II delivered a keynote address focused on his five-year strategic plan and the road ahead for the largest school district in Texas.

Public education supporters from the business, academic, advocacy, and faith communities attended the annual HISD Foundation's fundraising luncheon on Friday.

"I see our promise – our potential, but it's very clear to me that we must choose where we want to go as a district," said House. "We cannot improve if we do not acknowledge the need for improvement. To see the true state of our schools we must face some hard truths, and we must make some important choices."

House acknowledged the difficulties HISD has faced in recent years, including decrease in student enrollment, schools persistently underperforming, teacher recruitment and retainment, inequities across campuses, and proper budgeting.

House outlined how the six fundamental priorities in his strategic plan will set HISD on a road to improve student success and rebuild a district that meets the needs of all students, in every school, every day.

"As we listened to our parents, families, students, teachers, and campus leaders we began to shape the path forward for our schools and our district," said House. "Our plan, created not just for our community but by our community, is built on a set of core values and aspirations that put students first, restore trust, and demand more excellent and innovative educational opportunities for all."

The six commitments are:

- -- Building trust and reliability of our families and community
- -- Providing equitable opportunities and resources at every school
- -- Ensuring great schools and pro-



- -- Cultivating world-class talent at all levels
- -- Promoting high-quality teaching
- -- Delivering effective services and supports to students with exceptional needs

"I believe our five-year plan builds a framework for investing in world-class talent, getting every student at or above grade level, ensuring all families have access to foundational experiences, and will make HISD a destination for students and families," said House. "The hard work and the important choices to transform this district begin now. It will not be easy, and we cannot do it alone. We need you to stand with us, work with us, and most importantly, hold us accountable."

During the address, House also highlighted the EMERGE program that helps students with scarce resources receive full scholarships to universities and colleges. In 2021, all EMERGE students were accepted into four-year institutions and collectively received more than \$117 million in financial aid offers.

Curtis "50 Cent" Jackson was also in attendance and House thanked him for choosing HISD as the pilot district for his G-Unity Business Lab that provides students at Worthing, Wheatley, and Kashmere high schools business training and prepare them on the road ahead to success.

# Lone Star College students named semifinalists for Cooke scholarship

Houston (March 11, 2022) – The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation (JKCF) announced 19 Lone Star College students were recognized as semifinalists for its highly competitive Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. Finalists who will complete their bachelor's degrees at four-year colleges or universities receive up to \$55,000 per year for up to three years to cover a substantial share of educational expenses including tuition, living expenses, books and required fees.

"Lone Star College continues to redefine the community college experience," said Stephen C. Head, Ph.D., LSC Chancellor. "The semifinalists selected are enrolled in the Lone Star Honors College which meets the needs of high-achieving students who are looking to improve their college transcripts and transferability with challenging coursework."

The 19 LSC semifinalists are...

LSC-CyFair Fatima Shamim Ivey Knebel Marcelo Carrizales Vincenzo De Vita Sifontes **LSC-North Harris** April Aragon Shaith Amous LSC-Tomball Ana Munguia Ayarzagoitia Andrea Juarez Prado Madison Terry Manelle Mensah Nicolas Reyes LSC-Kingwood Angelica Bernal Penaloza Lacy Butler Xitlai Mujica LSC-Montgomery Marysa Barela LSC-University Park Alma Torres Jason Pham Kelsey Roberson Muzil Ahmad

Finalists will also receive all-inclusive educational advising from JKCF staff to

guide them through the processes of transitioning to a four-year school and preparing them for their careers.

"The past year has been particularly difficult as students continued to navigate the complexities of hybrid learning, the demands of family care, and disrupted work schedules," said Seppy Basili, executive director of the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation in a statement. "We are so proud of these semifinalists for their perseverance and achievements at their community colleges."

This year's 440 semifinalists were chosen from a pool of more than 1,200 applicants attending 180 community colleges in 35 states. The Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship recipients will be announced in early May. In all, 26 LSC students have been awarded the Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship since 2012.

"Lone Star College remains committed to continuing the high-quality experiences that make a difference for students' transfer and career goals," said Katharine Caruso, Ph.D., LSC Associate Vice Chancellor Honors and International Education. "We are very proud of the hard work these students and their instructors have done to get this far."

Lone Star College enrolls over 80,000 students each semester providing highquality, low-cost academic transfer and career training education. LSC is training tomorrow's workforce today and redefining the community college experience to support student success. Stephen C. Head, Ph.D., serves as chancellor of LSC, the largest institution of higher education in the Houston area and has been named a 2021 Great Colleges to Work For® institution by the Chronicle of Higher Education and ranked 35th in Texas in the Forbes 'America's Best Employers By State' list. LSC consists of eight colleges, seven centers, eight Workforce Centers of Excellence and Lone Star Corporate College. To learn more, visit LoneStar.edu.



# Ojeda named new Aldine head coach,

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School in Houston ISD for the last two

The Mustangs have struggled as a program the last few years, and Ojeda is focused on turning things around, and he's aware it won't happen overnight.

"I want to accept the challenge to get back to where this program has been," the University of Houston graduate said.

"Where" the program has been was a perennial playoff participant under long-time head coach Bill Smith. During Smith's 29 years as the Mustangs' head coach, Aldine won 237 games, which included a state and national championship in 1990 when the team finished 15-0.

Ojeda brings 16 years of coaching experience with him to his new job. He has served as the offensive coordinator at Clear Spring, and Eisenhower High School, the linebacker coach at Ridgepoint and spent 11 years at Pasadena High School where he also served as the offensive coordinator.

The 41-year-old said he became interested in coaching as a profession in college when he would assist his father, Cirilo Ojeda Sr., and his uncle coach youth football.

His wife Angela also had an influence on him becoming a coach.

"My dad and uncles had a dream for me to become a coach, and my wife also pushed me in this direction," Ojeda said. "I'm glad I listened to them."

Ojeda was named the Mustangs new head coach in February and he has hit the ground running. He and his staff have implemented the offseason program. There are currently 55 players on the team and Ojeda hopes to increase those numbers between now and the start of the 2022 season. Ojeda knows he is facing a tough challenge entering District 14-6A with perennial powers Westfield and Spring, along with Aldine ISD's four other programs.

"Our immediate goal is to focus on us," he said, when asked what he hopes to accomplish in his first season. "We want to recover some kids and get them back in the program. We want to implement structures to where we can be successful. We will focus on us and not worry about what anybody else has."

In his two years at Sharpstown, Ojeda oversaw a program that broke a 21-game losing streak and a five-year district losing streak. His last team finished 3-7, but lost two games by six combined points. If they had won those two games, they would have earned a playoff berth.

When the Aldine job came open, Ojeda quickly applied.

"I had my eye on it," he said. "We want to honor our past and move into the future. We want to keep the Aldine brand and bring pride back into this program."

Ojeda said the Mustangs will run the I on offense with some spread concepts and play a 3-4 defense.

He said he's been proud of the work the team has put in thus far in the offseason and he said he and his staff will coach more than football.

"It's about becoming a better person in life," Ojeda said. "We'll focus on teaching the kids life lessons and accepting challenges. We'll also focus on how to be a team. We want to instill discipline and create a mentality to get to the fourth quarter and be competitive."

Ojeda and his wife Angela and have two children, Ava, 14, and Nathan 12.

# ALDINE ISD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2022-2023

District Traditional School Year Calendar and Additional Days School Year Calendar for 2022-2023 Available

Parents and students can start making their summer and back-toschool plans and marking key dates.

The start date is Wednesday, August 17, 2022, for schools under the district's traditional school year calendar. The last day of school will be June 1, 2023.

For students attending the district's four schools on the additional school days school year (ADSY) calendar — Vines Primary, Ermel Elementary, Harris Elementary, and Smith Elementary — the first day of instruction will be Monday, July 18, 2022. The last day of school will be June 16, 2023.

Thanksgiving will be a whole week for students on either school year calendar.

The Aldine ISD Board of Trustees approved the calendar recommendations for the 2022-2023 instructional calendar during its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 15.

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The district received input from teachers, parents, community members, campus administrators,

and support staff through an online

survey on the two proposed

calendars.

Traditional School Year Calendar 2022-2023 Important Dates

August 17 — First Day of School September 5 — Labor Day Holiday October 17 — Fall Holiday November 8 — Election Day Nov. 21-25 — Thanksgiving Break Dec. 22-Jan. 4 — Midwinter Break January 16 — Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

February 20 — Presidents Day March 13-17 — Spring Break April 17 — Spring Holiday May 29 — Memorial Day Holiday June 1 — Last Day of School

Click here for a complete list of dates on the traditional school year calendar.

calendar.
Additional Days School Year (ADSY)
Calendar 2022-2023
For Vines Primary, Ermel Elementary,
Harris Elementary & Smith Elementary
Important Dates

July 18 — First Day of School
August 15 — Student Holiday
Sept. 2-6 — Student Holiday
October 17 — Student Holiday
November 8 — Election Day
Nov. 21-25 — Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 21-Jan. 6 — Midwinter Break
January 16 — Martin Luther King Jr.
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# ★ OPINION PAGE ★



#### American Dollars Will No Longer Fund Russia's War Machine

Calls for passage of bipartisan bill suspending normal trade relations with Russia and Belarus

Ways and Means Republican Leader Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX) spoke on the floor for passage of the "Suspending Normal Trade Relations with Russia and Belarus Act."

Madame Speaker,

Yesterday, President Zelensky made a passionate plea to the United States and all free nations: to stand with the brave people of Ukraine against Putin's deadly ambitions and heartbreaking genocide.

After showing gut-wrenching footage of Ukrainian cities torn apart by missiles and machine guns, he said: 'To be the leader of the world means to be the leader of peace.'

Today, Madame Speaker, we have the opportunity to lead, and I thank Chairman Neal for his great leadership and work on this bipartisan provision.

After bipartisan public pressure from lawmakers in Congress – in both parties – President Biden announced his support for suspending Russia's special trade status, and we are taking that action with today's bill.

I was proud to have helped lead this bipartisan effort of the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance committees.

Both parties in Congress came together quickly, working in good faith on a bipartisan, bicameral agreement to immediately ban purchases of Russian energy and suspend our trading relationship with Russia and Belarus.

We don't take these steps lightly, but Russia's aggression requires this approach.

Russia will no longer enjoy the same special trade status with America as the country it is invading, so that it will no longer be able to sell Made-in-Russia products into the United States at lower tariffs.

Combined with the energy import ban Congress passed last week – which targets 60 percent of what Russia sells us – this provision targets the remaining 40 percent, hurting Russia's economy and cutting off funding for its war effort.

Said another way: American dollars will no longer fund Russia's war machine.

This is another step in the right direction and includes further incentives for Russia to end its

This bill includes tough conditions to be met for restoring Russia's trade status, including Russian action to end hostilities, protecting the freedom and

sovereignty of Ukraine, and ensuring the end of

Russia's aggression.

The same tough conditions apply if the President seeks to end the energy import ban, and I plan to work with colleagues in the Senate to achieve that.

Going forward, we must continue to work closely with our allies to increase pressure on Russia and

Neighboring Canada has also taken serious action to do both of these, and other nations have announced their intentions to do the same.

ensure this is an effective, global effort.

Unfortunately, the Administration's executive orders and the bill we're voting on today both fail to

soften the impact of the oil ban by replacing Russian oil with Made-in-America energy.

We've seen the highest year over year increase on

We've seen the highest year over year increase on wholesale prices ever recorded. Nearly half of the price increases in goods come from the rise in the price of gasoline over the past year.

Nothing in this bill creates access to more American-made energy on or off-shore.

Nor does it approve American pipelines that could easily replace Russian oil with U.S. and Canadian energy. Or accelerate approval for delayed permits for American export facilities to help the world wean themselves from the grip of dirty Russian energy.

There is still yet more Congress can do. I would like to see Congress sanction Russian energy companies so they can't continue to profit and fuel their war machine.

It's also time for Congress to unleash America's own ability to be energy independent, to replace Russian oil with American sources, and use our energy strengths to wean the world from Russian energy.

Finally, I want to make it clear to my colleagues this bipartisan, bicameral agreement applies only to the suspension of normal trade relations with Russia.

I do not support the inclusion of the Democrat's Foreign Affairs Committee's Global Magnitsky Act in this bill, which includes changes to the original statute that I believe is unnecessarily vague and could lead to future abuses.

I understand this expanded language may have been included in a temporary executive order by the previous administration to address human rights, but I don't believe it is warranted in a permanent extension of this law.

I am confident there are Senators who share my concerns, and I strongly urge them to remove that provision for future vetting.



# STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Gary Borders



# Task Force to Address Teacher Shortages

## TASK FORCE TO ADDRESS TEACHER SHORTAGES

At the behest of <u>Gov. Greg Abbott</u>, a task force has been created by the Texas Education Agency to address staffing shortages facing the state's public schools.

"Teachers play a critical role in the development and long-term success of our students," Abbott said. "This task force should work diligently to ensure that best practices and resources for recruitment and retention are provided to districts to ensure the learning environment of Texas students is not interrupted by the absence of a qualified teacher."

The Teacher Vacancy Task Force is intended to ensure Texas schools are equipped to deal with these challenges, relying heavily on the input of current and former teachers. More than two dozen superintendents, administrators and teachers have been appointed to the task force.

The state has long endured a shortage of certified teachers that has been exacerbated by the pandemic. A survey of more than 900 teachers last year by the Charles Butt Foundation revealed 68% of those surveyed were seriously considering leaving the profession.

## DROUGHT CONDITIONS STABLE IN FEBRUARY

Precipitation in February was close to normal, but Andrew Weinberg with the Texas Water Development Board predicts the entire state will be in drought conditions by the end of spring.

According to the <u>U.S.</u> <u>Drought Monitor</u>, only a few counties in Texas, mainly in far south Texas and along the Gulf Coast, are not considered to be in drought conditions.

The most severe drought is occurring in the Texas Panhandle, through the Great Plains and into the Big Bend area.

### PANEL REVIEWS ROLLING PINES WILDFIRE

An independent panel reviewing a prescribed fire that got out of control at Bastrop State Park recommends requiring more personnel present and smaller

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burns at the park.

The Rolling Pines wild-fire in January involved nearly 800 acres and forced about 150 house-holds to temporarily evacuate. No private property damage was reported. The Texas Parks and Wild-life Department two days later formed the panel to investigate why the fire got out control.

The panel also recommended that bulldozers be required to be on site during prescribed burns, which are intended to lessen the risk of large-scale fires such as the Bastrop County Complex Fire in 2011, which destroyed nearly 1,700 homes and scorched almost 35,000

Members of the panel included fire experts from across the United States.

#### KAUFMAN WOMAN ARRESTED FOR TIMBER THEFT

A Kaufman woman has been arrested for timber theft in Hopkins County, according to the <u>Texas</u> A&M Forest Service.

Frances Charline Cole, 51, was charged with hiring a logging company to harvest timber on 42 acres on which she had entered into a real estate agreement but never actually bought.

A timber deed filed with the county clerk indicates she was paid \$8,000 for the timber. However, the logger returned to cut the tract and discovered she had backed out of buying the land.

"Essentially, the logger paid her for timber that wasn't hers, that she had no rights to sell," said Jonathon Keller, Texas A&M Forest Service Law Enforcement Investigator.

## NINE ACCUSED OF SEX TRAFFICKING AT CENTER

Nine employees at a Bastrop County facility that cares for young victims of sex trafficking have been accused of trafficking those same girls, according to the <u>Austin American-Statesman</u>.

One employee of the state-contracted Refuge Ranch has been arrested on an undisclosed charge and more arrests are anticipated, according to Tara Olah, a director with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

The facility employed more than three dozen employees to provide 24-7 care for the girls. According to Olah, DFPS received multiple phone calls in January to the statewide intake hotline that "alleged sexual and physical abuse, sexual exploitation, neglectful supervision and medical neglect" at Refuge Ranch, according to the Statesman.

"This is appalling and is a disregard of these children," U.S. District Judge Janis Jack, who presided at a hearing Thursday evening, told state staff, including

told state staff, including Family and Protective Services Commissioner Jaime Masters and contract monitors. "And we had to wait for eight calls to come in before we took already trafficked children out of this situation. This is a system that remains broken."

Jack pointed out it took almost six weeks and several phone calls before the girls were removed from the facility. The Texas Rangers have been called in to investigate.

Refuge Ranch opened in 2018 on 50 acres in Bastrop County and is designed to house girls ages 11 to 19. The state ordered the shelter to close on Friday.

#### NEW COVID-19 CASES RISE, BUT DEATHS, HOSPITALIZATIONS DROP

The number of new COVID-19 cases in the past week in Texas rose to 31,965, up about 5,000 compared to the previous week, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. However, the number of new deaths reported dropped to 678, down about a third from the previous week.

The number of lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations in Texas dropped to 2,008, down 29% from the previous week, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches and Cedar Park. Email: gborders@texas press.com.

# THE POSTSCRIPT By Carrie Classon

## Super Bonito

"Maybe I'm a little old for this dress?" I suggested tentatively as I made my way to the mirror in the little shop.

I was in the artisans' market in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, where they sell everything imaginable—and quite a few things I had never imagined. I was wearing a dress that had been hanging on a rack outside a tiny shop in the market. It was in my favorite colors.

I've been collecting "my" colors, various shades of blue and green. It started with the bracelets. I bought a turquoise one for a few pesos and then I found another one that matched. Then another. Then another. None of them has cost more than a couple of dollars and, at this writing, I have eight bracelets around my wrist. Maybe it's a bit too much. But I get happy every time I look at my wrist, so maybe it isn't.

My husband, Peter, and I are now settled into a little apartment for the month. It is certainly not fancy. I look at the photos of friends staying in vacation resorts and they probably wouldn't think much of our lifestyle here. I am sitting at a little desk made of Formica that looks out on a sunny brick wall covered with smiling ceramic suns. I have sunflowers on my desk. Peter is keeping me supplied with coffee (as he always does) and I am writing (as I always am). I think that is why we like it here so muchwe are living very much as we always do, just in a different

And I also think it is why I am constantly buzzing through the artisan market, dipping into little shops along the way, looking for my colors. I'm like a bird feathering her nest. I bring back woven napkins and potholders and a bright blue apron with yellow flowers embroidered on the front. Peter is a regular at the chicken roasting shop where dozens of chickens turn on a rotisserie. When he takes too long fumbling with his pesos, the woman who roasts the chickens grabs the money out of his hand, takes what she needs, and returns the wad to him. She is not about to burn her chickens waiting for Pe-

Today is our seventh anniversary and we are celebrating it in the best way possible—by living our life the way we do every other day. Peter is going for his hike in the botanical garden. I am writing and drinking coffee. Later, we will go out for lunch at a rooftop restaurant. The view is wonderful and the weather is fine and, from our vantage point, we can see a cactus that has somehow managed to take root right on the dome of the church roof across the street. The cactus must be nearly 6 feet tall. It is amazing.

I plan to wear my new dress to lunch.



"Maybe I'm a little old for this dress?" I said to the shopkeeper, who I knew would say "no."

"No!" she said on cue.

"Bonito!" said a customer, unprompted, as I looked skeptically at the rather skimpy blue and green dress in the mirror.
"Super henite!" the shop

"Super bonito!" the shopkeeper agreed. That is when I decided I would buy the dress. I've had pretty dresses before, but never one that was "super bonito."

Our anniversary today will be another ordinary day that will be perfect because it is not special. It will be perfect because it will be more of the same. It will be super bonito.

Till next time, Carrie

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#### ENTERTAINMENT



Q: It seems like Benedict Cumberbatch is in everything these days. I first noticed his talents in the "Sherlock" series, but I'd never heard of him before then. How long has he been acting professionally? — B.B.

A: Benedict Cumberbatch started out on the stage in London, which is no surprise given that he is the son of two actors, Wanda Ventham and Timothy Carlton. He's been earning screen credits for the past 20 years, but the British mystery series "Sherlock" was his breakout hit. Before then, he built up an impressive resume with small roles in U.S. films like "August: Osage County," starring Meryl Streep, and "12 Years a Slave," starring Chiwetel Ejiofor. After joining the Marvel Universe as Doctor Strange, Cumberbatch's name is now above the title. He re-



Benedict Cumberbatch in "Sherlock"

cently reprised the comicbook role in the blockbuster hit "Spider-Man: No Way Home" and will next star in "Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness." He'll also soon learn if he can add Oscar winner to his list of accomplishments, as he's a Best Actor nominee for his role in "The Power of the Dog." The Academy Awards will air Sunday, March 27, on

Q: When is the new "Jurassic Park" movie coming out? I want to make sure I don't miss it on the big screen.

> Movies don't seem to last very long in theaters these days. -B.D.

> "Jurassic A: World Dominion" is expected to premiere in theaters nationwide on June 10. It will no doubt be a big hit as it stars not only Chris Pratt, but features the return of characters from the original "Jurassic Park" trilogy - Jeff Goldblum, Laura Dern and Sam Neill. In the newest installment, humans and dinosaurs must

learn to co-exist. and Bryce Dallas Howard leads the movement as the founder of the Dinosaur Protection Group.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra @gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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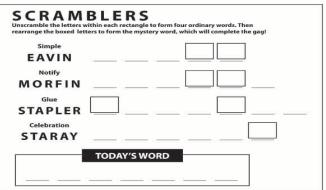






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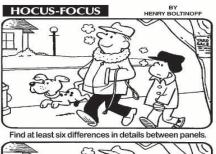
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2. TELEVISION: Eric Taylor was the dad in which 2000s TV drama?

3. MATH: What is the Arabic number equivalent of the Roman numerals MDCCLXXVI?

4. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the Tyrrhenian Sea located? 5. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient in the canned product SPAM? 6. ADVERTISING SLOGANS: What

product did football player Joe Greene promote in the "Meet Joe Greene" TV commercial? 7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How fast do

honeybees fly?

8. MOVIES: Who was the famous person portrayed in the movie "Lust for 9. HISTORY: When was Elizabeth II

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# Women's History MA Ferguson,

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dean who emerged as the strongest Republican gubernatorial nominee in Texas since Reconstruction. Due to the widespread corruption of her husband's term, resulting in his impeachment, thousands of voters crossed party lines in the general election to vote for the Republican candidate. Republicans usually took between 11,000 and 30,000 votes for governor, but Butte won nearly 300,000 votes, many of them from women and suffragists. It was still primarily a Democratic state, and Ferguson received 422,563 votes (58.9 percent) to Butte's 294,920 (41.1 percent). Butte had been supported in the general election by former governor William P. Hobby, who had succeeded James Ferguson in 1917 and won a full term in 1918

In 1924, Ma Ferguson became the first elected female chief executive of Texas. She was the second female state governor in the United States, and the first to be elected in a general election. Nellie Tayloe Ross had been sworn in as governor of Wyoming to finish the unexpired term of her late husband two weeks before Ferguson's inauguration, though Ross and Ferguson won their respective elections on the same day. Ferguson's campaign manager was Homer T. Brannon of Fort Worth, Texas.

In 1926, state attorney general Dan Moody, who had investigated her husband for embezzlement and recovered \$1 million for Texas citizens, ran against her in a run-off election. He defeated her to become the next and then-youngest governor of Texas. Suffragist activism provided a major contribution to her defeat, as these women rallied behind Moody and campaigned for him.

Ferguson ran again in 1932. She narrowly won the Democratic nomination over incumbent Ross S. Sterling, then soundly defeated Republican Orville Bullington in the general election, 521,395 (61.6 percent) to 322,589 (38.1 percent). It was a year of Democratic successes as Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected as President of the United States. Bullington was a cousin of the first wife of John G. Tower, future U.S. Senator from Texas. He fared more strongly than most Texas Republican candidates did in that period, but did not match Butte's 1924 showing against Ferguson.

Ferguson's second term as governor was less controversial than her first. It was rumored that state highway contracts went only to companies that advertised in the Fergusons' newspaper, the Ferguson Forum. A House committee investigated the rumors, but no charges were ever filed. Ferguson issued almost 4,000 pardons during her two nonconsecutive terms in office, many of them to free persons who had been convicted of violating prohibition laws.

Except for an unsuccessful bid to replace Governor W. Lee "Pappy" O'Daniel in 1940, the Fergusons remained retired from political life after 1935. In the 1940 campaign, Ma Ferguson trailed O'Daniel's principal rival, Ernest O. Thompson of Amarillo, who was Texas Railroad Commissioner.

Her husband, James, died of a stroke in 1944. Miriam Ferguson died from congestive heart failure in 1961 at the age of 86. She was buried in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin.

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#### BakerRipley is Hiring a Community Development Manager Description

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- Manage volunteer engagement
- Support civic engagement goals for the campus · Ability to work flexible schedule, to include some evenings and weekends as needed

## Qualifications

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#### Experience

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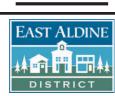
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#### Community Engagement & Events Specialist

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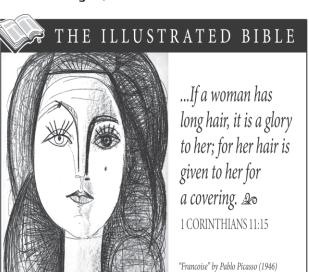
by Wilson Casey -

1. Is the book of Nebuchadnezzar in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. In which book's 34th chapter does the Lord tell Moses to tear down all pagan altars? Genesis, Exodus, Judges, Ruth

3. How many books of the Bible (KJV) begin with the letter "G"? 1, 2, 3,

4. From 1 Kings 9, who built the walls of Jerusalem?



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David, Solomon, Belshazzar, Nimrod 5. What angel appeared to Mary and Zacharias?

Haniel, Paschar, Sofiel, Gabriel 6. From Genesis 4, who invented tents? Cain, Jabal, Abel. Adam

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Exodus; 3) 2 (Galatians, Genesis);

4) Solomon; 5) Gabriel; 6) Jabal "Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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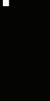


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# **East Aldine District COMMUNITY NEWS**

# **Management District Backs** "Stop the **Bleed**" Training for **School Nurses**

From constructing and running the East Aldine Town Center to removing graffiti from commercial buildings to bolstering law enforcement patrols and hosting holiday celebrations, the East Aldine Management District works to improve the everyday quality of life in the area.

But the District also works with community partners to prepare the community for potential emergencies that create the kind of tragic days we hope will never come.

So, the District's board of directors recently approved funding for an event where 72 nurses at Aldine Independent School District schools received hands-on instruction through the Stop The Bleed program on how to treat severe bleeding among people, whether in a mass



casualty scenario such a school shooting or other types of incidents.

Clinical education instructors from Harris County Emergency Corps (HCEC) provided the life-saving training to the nurses gathered at the M.O. Campbell Event Center. HCEC, based in East Aldine, oversees emergency medical services, training and other emergency communications for a north Harris County areas in which about 400,000 people live.



Training supplies were provided by the South Texas Regional Advisory Council, a state program that coordinates trauma and emergency healthcare systems. Texas law requires public schools to Stop The Bleed equipment on hand and to receive training about the treatment techniques, said Monty Northern, HCEC director of community relations.

The Stop The Bleed program is managed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, he said.

With 100 tourniquets on hand, the Aldine school nurses trained in a buddy system on how to apply the compression bandages that stop bleeding.

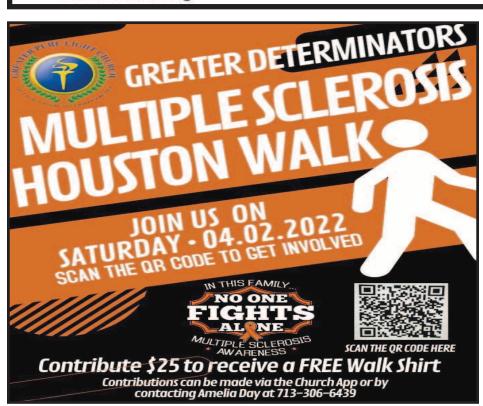
The nurses who treat students every school day were good students themselves.

"We also had work stations set up for 'wound packing' and 'bleed control,' "Northern said. "It was an overall positive interaction, with lots of questions for our clinical staff."

East Aldine Management District Chair Joyce Wiley said the board's funding of the training session dovetails with the District's long-range mission to help the area become even more resilient.

"The people and businesses of East Aldine have shown they are strong and adaptable, and the board will continue to look for ways to partner with agencies and organizations to ensure our community is ready for any and all challenges," she said.





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