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# HAPPY BIRTHUAY

## APRIL 30TH

Happy 5th Birthday Zeena! With love- Mommy, Daddy, Kiane, Ma, and Dada

## Keep Pearland Beautiful

Keep Pearland Beautiful will be hosting the Don't Mess with Texas trash-off on Saturday April 6, 2013 from 7:30AM - 12PM. Participants will enjoy a complimentary continental style breakfast at the Pearland Community Center, located at 3523 Liberty Dr., before heading out onto the streets of Pearland to pick up litter and beautify our city! Participants of all ages are welcome to take part in this biannual event! For more information, please visit our newly redesigned website at www.mykpb.org or call (281) 652-1659.



## Pearland Toastmasters' Speaking Competition

By Kathy Ritz

The Pearland Toastmasters hosted 2 club Speech Competitions in February. The first contestants tested their impromptu speaking skills answering the question with confidence, poise and persuasion, "If you were President, what would you want your administration to focus on accomplishing"? Each contestant had 1-2 1/2 minutes to answer the question without letting the pressure of an impromptu speaking situation hinder their skillful answers. The winner, Reggie Destin, will represent the Pearland Toastmasters at the Area contest on March 14th.

The International Speech competition followed the impromptu speeches, and the contestants had 5-7 minutes to win the judges over with their ability to engage the audience with a creative and inspiring speech. Anthony Miller was the winner of the contest with his speech "Pull" and will represent the President's Distinguished Pearland Toastmaster's club at the Area Level competition.

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## **SHADOW CREEK RANCH**

#### **Speaking Competition** - (Continued from Cover Page)



New Members Tammy McDonald, Neitra Blair and 1st Place Pearland Toastmasters Impromptu speaker Reggie Destin.



Kim Walker-President Pearland Toastmasters, Shirley Brandt-Area P-4 Governor, and 1st place speaker in the International Speech Contest for Pearland Toastmasters-Anthony Miller



Roy Hamm, Arzella Miller, Andres Salazar, Ben Wong, Kim Walker, Tracey Peterson, Gevenia Bradford, and Stephen Kleisel





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## Tennis Festival for kids in April

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## ALVIN ISD CAMPUS TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Alvin ISD campuses have made their selections for 2013 Campus Teachers of the Year. These top teachers are now being entered into the Alvin ISD Teacher of the Year program. It is from this program that one elementary and one secondary teacher will be selected to represent Alvin ISD in the Regional Teacher of the Year contest.

Last year, Grady McWhorter from Manvel High School was selected as the District Secondary Teacher of the Year, while Ana Pasarella from Savannah Lakes Elementary School was selected as the District Elementary Teacher of the Year.

The 14 elementary Campus Teachers of the Year for this year are: Christine Shelton, Alvin Elementary; Amanda Dorrell, Alvin Primary; Karen Rebolledo, Don Jeter Elementary; Angie Martinez, E.C. Mason Elementary; Martha Aguilar, Hood-Case Elementary; Kelli Fleischhauer, Longfellow Elementary; Monica Garcia, Mark Twain Elementary; Abby Williams, Mary Marek Elementary; Linda Palacio, Melba Passmore Elementary; Torie Stewart, Savannah Lakes Elementary; Amy Nesrsta, Stevenson Primary; Ken Haynes, Walt Disney Elementary; Ralph Presley, Wilder Elementary; Kristi Cessna, York Elementary.

The nine secondary Campus Teachers of the Year are: Marie Tucker, Alvin High School; Barbara Wells, Manvel High School; Jeff Hummel, ADAPT Academy; Antoinette Woodson, ASSETS Academy; Karen Ender, Alvin Junior High; Alison Gass, Fairview Junior High; Melissa Berger, Harby Junior High; Joanne Light, Manvel Junior High; Jennifer Hemmick, Nolan Ryan Junior High.

Each of these 23 teachers are now being tasked with filling out the application used in the Texas Teacher of the Year program, and participating in a 15 minute interview to be conducted by a panel of district personnel. The panel will submit the names of the top candidates to the superintendent of schools, who will then make the final selection of the two teachers to represent Alvin ISD in the regional competition. The decision will be announced at a special Teacher of the Year Celebration scheduled at the end of the school year. Each campus Teacher of the Year will also be honored by the district administration and Board of Trustees during the special celebration.

Each campus also selected a paraprofessional of the year, who will compete to become the District Paraprofessional of the Year. The individuals selected were Cathy Rerich, Alvin Elementary; Kristi Shipley, Alvin Primary; Diana Coward, Don Jeter Elementary; Isabelle Benitez, E.C. Mason Elementary; Karen Underwood, Hood-Case Elementary; Pam Maples, Longfellow Elementary; Beth Goodwin, Mark Twain Elementary; Michelle White, Mary Marek Elementary; Jill Wheatley, Melba Passmore Elementary; Jill Lopez, Savannah Lakes Elementary; Deborah Williams, Stevenson Primary; Cris Schlaegel, Walt Disney Elementary; Shannon McCord, Wilder Elementary; Jackie Le, York Elementary; Debra Manis, Alvin High School; Cynthia Saenz, Manvel High School; Lana Jordan, ADAPT Academy; Carolee Osborne, ASSETS Academy; Kay Totty, Alvin Junior High; Sherry Hickerson, Fairview Junior High; Elida Lara, Harby Junior High; Anna De La Cruz, Manvel Junior High; Dawn Rinn, Nolan Ryan Junior High.

"We are pleased to conduct the Alvin ISD Teacher and Paraprofessional of the Year competition each year in an effort to recognize outstanding faculty and staff in the District. We are proud of the hard work and dedication that each of our educators put forth, and look forward to their continued success," said Dr. Fred Brent, superintendent of schools.

Savannah Lakes Elementary Teacher of the Year, Torie Stewart, pictured with her second grade students.



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