

SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Tomball ISD superintendent receives alumni award

Tomball ISD Superintendent Martha Salazar-Zamora was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award by Texas A&M University-Kingsville, the district announced in a July news release.



Courtesy of Tomball ISD

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Retired Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Sarah R. Saldaña and professor of Bilingual Education at the University of Texas at El Paso and Josefina Vilamil Tinajero joined Salazar-Zamora as 2022 honorees.

Salazar-Zamora has more than 35 years of education experience earned a Bachelor of Science degree and two master's degrees (Education Administration and Special Education) from Texas A&M University-Kingsville and a Doctorate degree from Texas A&M University.

She previously served as Chief Academic Officer for three years before becoming Tomball ISD's first female and first Hispanic superintendent in 2017.

"Javelina alumni and faculty make amazing things happen in the

world. Their accomplishments significantly benefit both society and our campus, by inspiring others and providing insight and creativity," the Javelina Alumni Association stated via the news release.

"Their actions communicate the dynamic excellence of being a Javelina and the importance of service as a component of our philosophy. To celebrate the accomplishments of our alumni and faculty, the Javelina Alumni Association sponsors awards for distinguished alumni, research and teaching."

Salazar-Zamora helped pave the way for Bond 2021, passing \$494.5 million across two propositions, and Bond 2017, which encompassed the new Tomball ISD Stadium and Event Center and

Grand Lakes Junior High. She also assisted in bringing the Tomball ISD Innovation Center to fruition.

Salazar-Zamora is the past president and founding member of the Texas Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents and previously served as Vice President for the Texas Association of School Administrators, Region 4 - The Council of Women School Executives and the State Fast Growth School Coalition.

She served in the Hospital Corporation of America Tomball Board of Trustees, Greater Tomball Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Trustees, Texas Education Agency (TEA) Commissioner's Cabinet and was a Texas Representative for the American Association of School Administrators.

Magnolia ISD enrollment deadline ahead

Returning Magnolia ISD students can submit their Annual Enrollment Verification from July 11-31, the district announced on its website.

The Annual Enrollment Verification is required for those returning and can be completed via the Frontline Parent Portal.

According to Magnolia ISD, "the process is to make sure the district has updated information for your students prior to the start of the school year."

New students who completed the forms during the registration process can omit the verification requirement. New student registration opened July 1 for the upcoming school year. To see requirements

and enroll, visit www.magnoliaisd.org/parents/enrollment-transfers.

Students finish STEM program

Over 35 students from Willow Wood Junior High concluded a year-long Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) program by visiting Baker Hughes' Rankin Road facility, Tomball ISD announced.

Employees and students met for the first time during the tour as classes were held virtually throughout the year.

The students spent half a day touring the facility, were introduced to drilling tools and observed 3D printing demonstrations.

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old entrepreneur died in a plane crash.

Now, the foundation created in his memory has a mission "to continue Duke VanLue's Legacy of entrepreneurship, innovation and service by giving back to the community that supported him by providing scholarships to local seniors."

The money raised through the inaugural event will fund 15 scholarships for class of 2023 students in Tomball, Magnolia and Waller schools.

From designing a logo and flyers to picking out food and gifts, Duke Tyler put a lot of effort toward pulling off the event. However, he credits its success to volunteers and supporters.

"It was really just a lot of help from people that

we know and friends and family, and Blackwood for letting us do it there," he said.

Registration for the clay shoot was open for less than six weeks, but the foundation worked quickly to get the word out by using social media and enlisting the help of people they knew, said his mother, Shanna Magnus.

Magnus founded the organization on behalf of Duke Tyler, who is not legally old enough to do so, she explained.

"We had an amazing response for only having six weeks and I think next year will be even bigger because we had a lot of people who wanted to come and couldn't due to short notice," she said.

Duke Tyler was among the 92 participants in the clay shoot tournament. His team, named Boss Hog after his father's



Duke VanLue Memorial Scholarship/Submitted

From left: Travis Starnes, Thomas Magnus, Duke Tyler VanLue and Robbie Rogers of Team Boss Hog took home first place during the inaugural Duke VanLue Memorial Clay Shoot on June 25 at the Blackwood Gun Club in Conroe.

company, ended up taking home the top prize in

the competition. To Magnus, it was the

perfect outcome for the inaugural event that Duke

Tyler poured so much into making a reality.

"It was like this couldn't have been any better. ...For him to win and the name of the team to be his dad's company was pretty cool," she described.

Eventually, Duke Tyler hopes to introduce a second annual event, possibly a barbecue cookoff. Magnus has confidence in his vision to continue growing the foundation and its impact on the community.

"He has a lot of support behind him of people who really care about him and love him," she said, "so everyone wants to come out and support him."

For more information about the Duke VanLue Memorial Scholarship Foundation, visit www.facebook.com/DukeVanLueScholarship.

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