



The Village Gazette

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Village Creek Community Association

September 2004

Carousel of Crafts – Craft Bazaar

The 14th annual Carousel of Crafts will be held Friday, October 1st, and Saturday, October 2nd, from 9am – 5pm at Cypress Creek Christian Church, 6823 Cypresswood Drive.

This robust event features unique booths showcasing home decorating items, stained glass and wood art, clothing, jewelry, candles, gourmet foods, florals, adult's and children's gifts, and much more.

For your pleasure, a light lunch menu will be offered each day. Visit our Bake Shoppe for homemade desserts and our famous Cran-Tea.

All profits of this event go to our outreach projects of the Christian Women's Ministry including Boys and Girls Country, NAM, CAM, Youth Mission, NAM's Children's Clinic, Disciples' Quadrennial, The Bridges, and Bridges' Summer Program, Start of Hope and Women Helping Women.

Decoration Help

Hey neighbors! It almost holiday time again and we are in need of some volunteers for community decorations. If you would like to help decorate the community for holidays or have decorations you would like to donate. Lets make our community look great this holiday season. Please contact Carissa Nelson at 281-370-6652 or e-mail at vcwc@sbcglobal.net.

Hey Village creek neighbors,

If you would like to submit an article, editorial, classified, birth announcements, playgroup, or book club, or take on the newsletter for a month at a time? To submit articles for October's newsletter please do so by September 12th. This is a community newsletter and it is here for you to use so if you would like to submit a comment or suggestions. Please e-mail to vcwc@sbcglobal.net. (all articles must be submitted by e-mail in word document format).

Community Sign

By now each of you have seen the new communication sign and hopefully you are finding relevant information for the community.

You are also able to rent the sign to share best wishes for birthdays, anniversaries, new arrivals, or other exciting information. Cost is \$5.00 the first day and \$3.00 for each additional requested day. Funds are due prior to display and will be deposited into the social fund for the community.

Contact Kelly Gilmore at 281-376-8419 or kellygilmore@ev1.net for more information or display request.

VCWC September Meeting

The Village Creek Women's Club would like to invite anyone interested in finding out more about us to attend our meeting in September. Come join us September 7th at 7:00pm at the pool house for free pizza and fun. Please RSVP by September 5th so we can order enough for everyone. You may RSVP to Carissa Nelson at VCWC@sbcglobal.net.

The Village Creek Women's Club

Would you like to be active in your community? Do you have a couple of free hours a month? Do you want a break and to chat with neighbors? If so please come join the Village Creek Women's Club. We are responsible for many great community events, newsletter, Easter egg hunt, pictures with Santa, adoption of needy families, outreach for overseas troops, welcoming new neighbors, craft fair, annual yard sales, summer mixer, fall festival, National Night Out, community decorations, and many other important events. We meet the 1st Tuesday of every month (locations will be posted on the community sign. If you are interested please e-mail Darla Porto, president at Dkhere@sbcglobal.net or Carissa Nelson vice-president at vcwc@sbcglobal.net.

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Homeowner Board Representatives

Village Creek Residents

Do you have a question about how things are done in your community? Contact one of your board members for the answers!

Scott Porto, Cobble Shores 281-379-2290
Brett Gilmore, Flower Mist. kellygilmore@ev1.net, 281-376-8419

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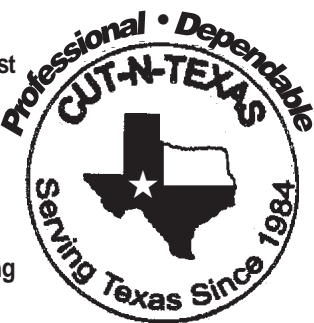
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Village Creek Fall Festival and Craft Fair

The Village Creek Women’s Club is pleased to announce the upcoming Fall Festival and Craft Fair. Please join us for shopping, food, and fun on Saturday, November 6th at 10:00am at the Pool. We will have vendors offering food and gifts for the Holidays, games and activities for the entire family, and a great opportunity to meet and interact with the wonderful neighbors we have in our terrific neighborhood. Committees are forming to help put on this exciting event.

- Oversight Committee
- Craft Vendor Coordination
- Festival Games Coordination
- Set Up/Tear Down
- Neighborhood Food Contributions Coordination
- External Donation Coordination

If you are interested in playing with the kids or the adults, please contact Katherine Quarfordt at cell: 281-450-8788 or home: 281-379-6248 or by email katq@houston.rr.com

The Stork is Here!

Special thanks go to Kara Puente, Prudential Gary Green Realtors, for her donation of a wooden stork to the Village Creek Women’s Club. Kara is a resident in Village Creek and has been always given 100% to the women’s club and most importantly to the community. If you or anyone you know would like to announce the arrival of your new baby please contact Kara at 281-376-3658. We will write an announcement in the monthly Gazette and place the stork in your yard to welcome mom and baby home.

Business Classified

Rubber Stamping with Stampin’ Up! Classes, Sept. 22, 23, 24, 10am or 7pm, \$15, incl. supplies and instruction for making 10 cards, gifts, scrapbook in a couple of hours. NEW ... Open Stamp Night at my house here in VC, Sept 8, 7-10pm, FREE. Call for more info. Kathryn Kauffman, 281-370-3236, or email katprints@houston.rr.com.

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SAND ART: Ahead of time, cover an open workspace with newspaper. Fill several lidded jars almost to the top with clean sand and add a few drops of food coloring to each. Screw lids on tightly and have kids shake up the jars until the sand is evenly colored. (A Ziplock bag may work fine, also.) Next, have kids outline a design on white poster board (or you, if you have little ones). Brush a thin layer of glue over the parts they want to cover with the first color. Using a sponge or paintbrush may be easier for small hands. Also, you may want to water down the glue to make it spread better. Tell the kids to sprinkle the first color of sand over the surface. When the glue dries, have them tilt the paper to pour off excess sand and repeat the process until all the colors are complete.

Great books to teach about the desert:

A Night and Day in the Desert by Jennifer Owingo Dewey

Look Who Lives in the Desert by Brooke Bessesen

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BUNKO?

We are putting together another ladies BUNKO group! If you are interested in joining a group, or just to learn what BUNKO is, we will be meeting Friday August 27th at 12835 Carriage Glen Dr. We will be putting together a list of people and teaching those who don't know how to play. If you are interested please call Beth Seeger 832-717-3074.

2004 National Night Out

On August 3rd the community of Village Creek once again participated in the National Night Out Campaign for 2004. Despite having a heat index of 106 degrees, the turnout exceeded last year's numbers. Neighbors of all ages gathered together to enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Sergeant Hazel and Deputy King visited each block party and the local sheriff's department distributed a variety of giveaways. Several of the residents who hosted the block parties volunteered to be "block captains" for a Neighborhood Watch program. If there are any others out there who would be interested in becoming one of the leaders for their block, please contact Kathy Ryckman – phone # 281-370-2905/email: Ryckman6@aol.com. Hopefully we can get enough volunteers to get the project up and running for Village Creek. Thanks to all who participated in strengthening our community.

ATTENTION Jersey Village H.S. Graduates

Did you graduate from Jersey Village High School between 1975 and 1982? If so, we are looking for you! The Class of 1979 is hosting an all-class reunion on Saturday, October 2, 2004 at Tin Hall in Cypress, Texas. You can get all the details at one of the following websites: Classmates.com; TinHall.com or by contacting Elaine Wernecke-Chandler directly at ElaineChandler@promessage.com. Spread the word so that we can see all of our old classmates!



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2004 VILLAGE CREEK CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, November 6, 2004

Venue to be advised

REGISTRATION FORM

VENDOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

HOME # & CELL #: _____

E-MAIL: _____

TYPE OF CRAFT: _____

Registration fee: \$40. Will you bring a canopy? If so, what size? _____

Make check payable to Village Creek Women's Club.

Questions? Contact Katherine @ (281) 450-8788 or katq@houston.rr.com

COMMENTS: _____

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS October 1, 2004

Fun in the Fall

Can you believe that summer is almost coming to a close? Time flies when you are having fun! Well just because summer is almost over does not mean that you and your family can not have fun in the fall. How about having a fall party with your neighbors? This is a great way for you to get to know your neighbors. There are several activities that you could do at your fall party or as a family. Here are some examples:

- Decorate a Pumpkin- provide markers, wiggly eyes, yarn for hair and whatever else you can think of. Have kids decorate their pumpkin however they would like.
- Leaf Rubbing- Have kids collect leaves from outside. Put the leaves under a white piece of paper. Color on paper and the leaves will magically appear!
- Decorate Cupcakes or Cookies- Use fall decorations and have kids decorate.
- Pumpkin Patch- go to the nearest pumpkin patch and pick a pumpkin. (Don't forget to bring a camera!)
- Pumpkin Toss- You would play this like the water balloon toss game but use a pumpkin versus a water balloon. The last couple that has not dropped their pumpkin wins.

- Fall Picture Frame- Have kids get some leaves from outside. Either on the matting or on the actual frame super glue the leaves on. Put in a fall picture of the family in the picture frame and display in your home or give as a gift.

Decorating for the Fall:

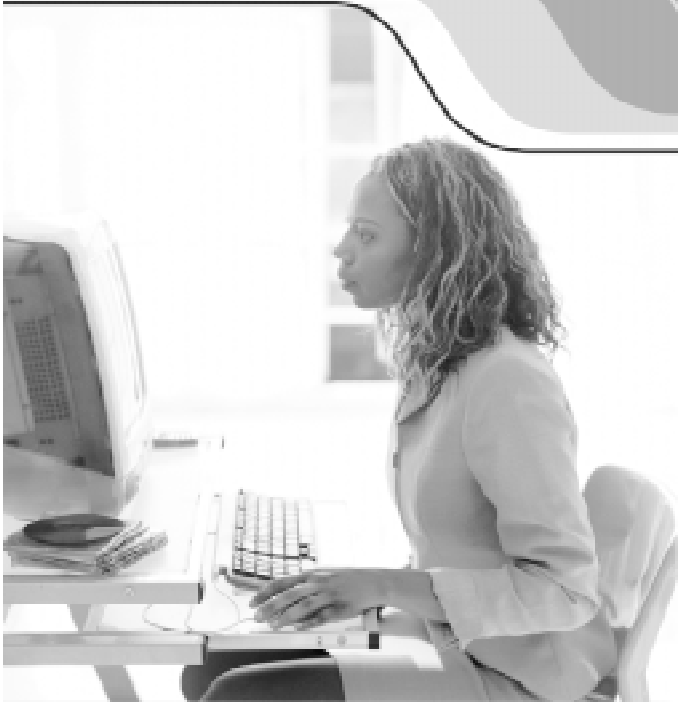
Fall is all about color, color, color! Lots of bright yellows, oranges and reds. The more the better! Remember that when you are decorating it is important to add height. Whether it is decorating your mantle or creating a centerpiece adding different levels can make a big difference and is more appealing to the eye. You can do this by using small haystacks or even using a cardboard box with a piece of fall material over it. Then place whatever you would like on top and next to it. Some examples might be a scarecrow, miniature pumpkins or fall colored candles. The biggest thing to remember about decorating for fall is to have fun and make it a family affair. After all fall is a time to spend time with your family and friends!

Happy Fall,
Amanda Wylie

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“Ladies, put that down! Come, be Mary for a Day.”

As women, we take care of our families, our jobs, our homes, and many other things and people. Often we forget to take care of ourselves, to quench our thirst, and instead we allow ourselves to run dry.

Join the women of **Windwood Presbyterian Church Saturday, September 11, 9 a.m.- Noon** for a morning of refreshing speakers, enriching activities, invigorating music and time to meet new friends and chat with old ones. This event is a time for you to park, breath in some fresh air and drink a water that will quench your thirst— living water.

You'll hear of journeys traveled by women from different seasons, backgrounds and paths. Dare to be inspired and share the joy you gain from this event.

If you need to fill your pitcher - come and enjoy!

Windwood Presbyterian Church, Spring Cypress just East of 249 Saturday, September 11, 9am - Noon. For more information call Tonja Smith 281-655-4516 or email at Tonja.Smith@earthlink.net.

It's Time for You!

Join Mom2Mom's Spa Escape on Sept. 17th

Taking time for yourself isn't a luxury, it's a necessity, especially when you are a busy mom. Marcia Bartos, with BeautiControl, will be showing you how to de-stress in the comfort of your home with a mini spa escape - come and be pampered. Minimal eye makeup suggested. Everyone will participate (hands on), so please RSVP for a headcount.

The meeting is on Friday, Sept 17th from 9:30 to 11:30 am the Library room in the Adult Sunday School wing of Windwood Presbyterian Church (Spring Cypress just East of Hwy 249). Childcare is available for a fee by reservation (by Wed. Sept. 15th at 2pm) to Tonja Smith (email: WWMom2Mom@hotmail.com or 281.655.4516).

Mom2Mom is a diverse group of women with kids of all ages. We come together to enjoy food, fun and fellowship with other moms as we encourage and empower one another in our endeavor to grow Christian families. Take a break worth taking and join us - Contact Ellen Wavro (ewavro@houston.rr.com or 281.374.7407) for further info. or to be added to our email reminder listing.

Babysitting & More...

	Baby Sitting	House Sitting	Pet Sitting	
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Bates, Kathleen*+	16	•	•	281-374-6324
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Bauman, Morgan ^R	10	MH	•	281-370-1255
Christopher, Ashley~	14	•	•	281-251-3159
Colvin, Katherine & Thomas	MH	•	•	281-370-8062
Cugini, Katie	14	•	•	281-655-4296
Cugini, Kelly	13	•	•	281-655-4296
Lohberg, Lindsey~	15	•	•	281-370-5459
* CPR Training		+ First Aid Training	~ Baby-sitting Course	
^R Has References		MH Mother's Helper		

Important School Days(Tomball I.S.D)

No school September 6th for Labor Day

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No school October 7th

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For Sale: 1998 21' Bay Boat, \$12,500; Call 281-927-8625.

Lost & Found

At the National Night Out Block Party in the cul de sac of Briar Harbor and Eagle Ledge. Found were a pair of boy sandals. Size 1 Medium, Sonoma, gray and black with red/green material for the shoe lace. Contact Kathy Ryckman to claim: 281-370-2905.

Classified Ads

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West Houston Home Educators

West Houston Home Educators (WHHE) in conjunction with Home School Communication Network (HSCN) announces their annual Open House and Resource Fair. The WHHE Open House is an opportunity for home educators to find out what activities, events and classes are being offered to support group members in the 2004-2005 school year. The HSCN Resource Fair is a showcase of opportunities for home educators in the Houston area. These events will take place on Tuesday, August 10, 2004, at Bear Creek Baptist Church in The Court from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For more information contact WHHE at info@whhe.org or 281-345-8745 or HSCN at info@houstonhomeschool.org or 281-345-8745, ext 3.

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