

Wortham Villages

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Breakfast With Santa

What an awesome turn out we had for the Breakfast with Santa event. The rain held out and fun was had by all Saturday, December 4th.

Santa made his way through the neighborhood following the fire truck and firemen from Cy-Fair Fire Station #2. Also in our parade this year, was the cow from Chick-fil-A. Thank you to our drivers-Mark Goldsteen for driving Santa and Kay McGlamory for driving the Chick-fil-A cow in the parade.

As Santa entered the clubhouse, he had a long line of little kiddos ready to sit on his lap and to tell Santa his or her Christmas wishes. Thank you Santa for taking time out of your busy schedule and visiting the Wortham kids!

Our biggest thanks go out to two of our sponsors for this event. Margo Horton from Prudential donated goodies bags to each of the children and gave her time the morning of the event to wish all the Wortham residents a Happy Holiday Season. Also, we want to thank Chick-fil-A for donating numerous food items such as their chicken breakfast sandwiches and mini chicken breakfast bites for the kids. They also brought extra food to serve all the volunteers. With the awesome turn out we had the morning of the event, we could have not been so successful without Chick-fil-A's enormous donation. A Chick-fil-A representative, David Whitefield, stayed and worked the entire event. He had his helpers playing games with the kids, constantly restocked the food table with their donations, and passed out coupons to their restaurant. Please thank Chick-fil-A next time you dine with them for supporting our neighborhood.

Thank you to all of the "Wortham Elves" for volunteering for community service hours. We couldn't have run the event so smoothly without your help!



Happy New Year

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The Social Section

Thank You Event Coordinators for 2004:

Easter Egg Hunt- Emily Heineman
 4th of July Parade & Picnic- Susan Parker
 Kindergarten Social- Kim Lacagnina
 Fall Festival- Rachael Gerhardt
 Breakfast with Santa- Julie Cannon & Emily Heineman

We are always looking for event coordinators. Please consider planning or volunteering at an event. This year we need someone to:

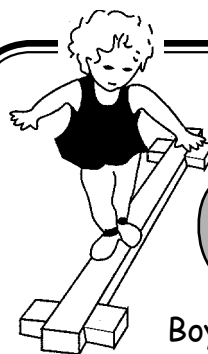
1. Coordinate the 4th of July Parade and Picnic.
2. Coordinate the Kindergarten Social. (If your child will be starting Kindergarten in the Fall of 2005, please consider planning this event.)
3. Adult volunteers to help brainstorm ideas and plan the Adult Party for this year.

Funding for these events is provided by the Wortham Social Committee. We just need volunteers with great ideas to make the events happen! Please consider taking time this year to volunteer in your community.

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Margo Horton donated goodies bags to each of the children at Breakfast with Santa.

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The WOW Christmas party was a lot of fun. Thank you to Barb Ramage-Thornton for hosting the party. Christmas ornaments were exchanged and good food was shared. We love having new faces join us at the WOW parties, as well as those of you who have joined us in the past, so please plan on joining us for the next WOW meeting in January. Look for date and location to be posted.



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WOW - First in '05

by Reschele Lawrence

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A special thanks to Barb Ramage-Thornton for hosting a wonderful gift exchange and get together in December. Wortham is truly blessed to be full of such wonderful neighbors.

The following is a tentative schedule for next year. If anyone would like to host October or December, please give me a call at 281-469-6321. Exact dates will follow.

January 18th
February 22nd
March TBA
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Exchange)
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Exchange)
October TBA
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Dec TBA

Backyard Grill
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Donna Sommers
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Karen Costa (\$10 Summer Gift Exchange)
Angela McDaniel
Barb Ramage-Thornton (Pool Party)
Reschele Lawrence (\$10 Fall Gift Exchange)
Hostess Needed
Brenda Walker
Hostess Needed

WVCA Newsletter Policies

Call Donna @ 832-237-4684 or Email to Worthamnews@aol.com any articles or information you would like to put in the newsletter. **NOTE: Articles must be submitted as a Word documents and photos as separate jpg files. Photos imported into a Word document or PDF files are not acceptable.** Please include your name and phone number, also. The deadline for submitting news is the 12th of each month for the following month's newsletter.

Until we meet again...

Newsletter Coordinator Needed!

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We're having an **Eagle Wings Painting Party** on Sunday, January 2, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. We need Parent Volunteers to help paint wings in front of Cy-Falls High School. If you have questions, please call Barbara Whiteley at (281) 463-3016.

ALL AREA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO **PROM PROS EXTRAVAGANZA** to be held at the Cy-Falls High School Commons Area on Wednesday, February 16th, from 6-9 p.m. This Extravaganza is similar to a Bridal Fair except for Prom, Homecoming, or any other formal activity. Various vendors from the Area will be featured representing: Fine Dining, Formal Wear, Dance Lessons, Beauty, Travel, Transportation, Flowers, Etiquette, Tipping, and Planning Ahead for Reservations and Budgeting. There will be a fashion show featuring Cy-Falls Seniors. Ticket information will be available soon. If any questions, please call Allison Wynn at (281) 859-1569.

The **2005 Mr. Cy-Falls Pageant** will be held on March 2nd in the Cy-Falls High School Auditorium. Rehearsals are scheduled for February 28th at 6:30. Registration and Ticket information will be available soon. Call Vicki Landua, Chairman at (281) 345-6346.

Project Prom **Garage Sale** at Trader's Village is scheduled for Saturday, March 19th. We will need lots of volunteers to set up on Friday night, March 18th. We are also in need of long tables for display. We are collecting donations and have a storage facility available to store them. If you have donations that you would like to drop off or have picked up, please call Mary Moss at (281) 550-9415.

The **Annual Golf Tournament at Hearthstone Country Club** has been scheduled for Monday, March 21st. Details will be coming. Chairman, Vivian Kardow can be reached at (281) 859-6781.

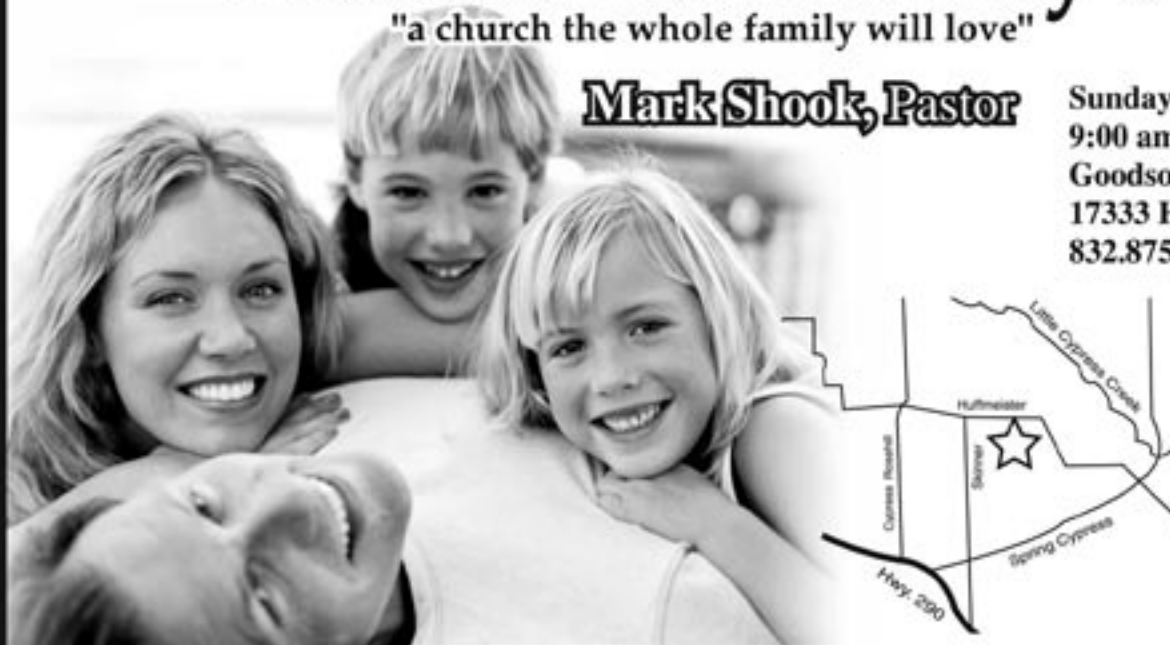
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Cypress Falls Senior Class of 2005

Attention All 2005 Cy-Falls Senior Parents....

Believe it or not... your teen's senior year is half over... So don't wait any longer. Get involved now and join the other dedicated Cy-Falls moms and dads working hard to prepare for the 2005 Project Prom. We all want to know that our kids will be safe on what is statistically the deadliest night of the year for high school seniors... Prom Night! If you have a senior at Cy-Falls who will be attending his/her 2005 Prom, please join us for the next **Project Prom** meeting and find out what we've got planned. (Plus... we could sure use your help!) Below are the upcoming scheduled meeting dates. Make a note on your calendar now and join us!

This month's meeting will be **Monday, January 24th at 7:00 PM** in the Cypress Falls High School Library.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Project Prom 1st President **Barbara Whiteley** at **281-463-3016** or **b-whiteley@swbell.net**. She will be happy to answer any questions you may have. This is a great opportunity to get to know the parents of your senior's friends and classmates and be an integral part of your senior's Project Prom event.

MEETING DATES: MONDAY EVENINGS @ CY-FALLS LIBRARY:

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for January 24th / February 21st and April 18th. Hope to see you there!

PROM / PROJECT PROM DATES: May 6 – 7, 2005

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Adam Elementary

Important Dates to Remember

January 4	Classes Resume	
January 10	TAKS Parent Night for 3/4/5	
January 17	Holiday	
January 19	Group Pictures	
Jan. 20-21	Big Event: 3rd Grade	Nature Trails: 5th Grade
Jan. 24-28	Library Closed - Planetarium Arrives	

Arnold Middle School

Important Dates to Remember

January 3	Student Holiday
January 5	9:00am VIPS Meeting in Library
January 25	Progress Reports
January 25	Arnold Spelling Bee
January 26	3:15pm-4:30pm Counselor's Game Day

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Who: Boys and girls ages 6-14

Where: Cypress Community Christian School,

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281-469-8829 or 281-664-0218

Camp Attire: All campers should wear gym shorts, t-shirt, gym shoes

Fee: \$55 per person **Please bring a sack lunch

Registration: Deadline is January 6.

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Check Out Center For The Arts

The Cy-Fair College Faculty Showcase Exhibition, set Jan. 20 to Feb. 23, features photography by Troy Huechtker and drawings and paintings by Robert McGehee. The next Main Stage Theatre production, set Feb. 10 to Feb. 27, will be "It Ain't Nothin' But The Blues", a sizzling musical revue in celebration of African American Heritage Month. Call 281-290-5201 for tickets and information.

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Miss Margo Horton Married

Miss Margo Horton, daughter of Al and Margo Horton, was married to Mr. Aaron Tolbert on Saturday, November 27, 2004. Vows were exchanged at 12 noon at the Paraiso Maravilla, located in the Galleria. The couple honeymooned at the Sandals Resort in St. Lucia. They will reside in the Houston area. Dad, Mom and brother, Jonathan, wish them both many years of joy and blessings.

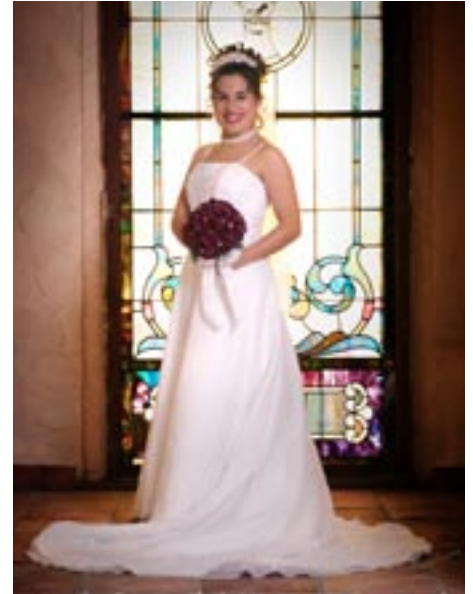
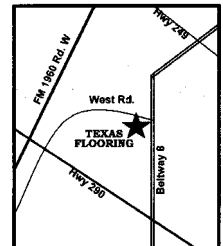


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Scavenger Hunts And Smiley Faces Ease 'Veggie Fears'

Baylor College of Medicine

Vegetables can play an important role in healthy growth and development, but getting kids to eat them can sometimes be a challenge.

"To get kids to eat vegetables, they must be available when and where kids tend to eat, be very easy-to-eat and taste good," said Joan Carter, a registered dietitian at the Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

To make vegetables more tempting to kids, Carter offers these tips:

- Offer the new vegetable at the beginning of the meal when small children are the hungriest and serve vegetables in new combinations. Children tend to favor peas, potatoes, carrots, beans and corn. Mix these vegetables with others they are less likely to eat, such as broccoli and cauliflower.
- Use a little fat, sugar and salt to make the healthy foods taste good to kids. "Kids are born liking sweet tastes, so use this to your advantage," Carter said. Cook carrots with a little sugar and chicken stock; make carrot 'slaw' with raisins; top broccoli with low-fat cheese sauce.
- Prepare vegetables in new ways. Try a stir-fry or add fresh vegetables to prepared soups. Mix a vegetable in with a favorite food, such as peas in macaroni and cheese or blend soft cooked

carrots into mashed potatoes. Add vegetables to pizza toppings or sautéed minced veggies like broccoli and red pepper and add to spaghetti and pizza sauces, meat loaf, and pureed soups.

- Make eating veggies fun and easy. For kids over the age of 4, keep veggie 'kabobs' with cherry tomatoes and cucumber slices or 'grab bags' with baby carrots, broccoli 'trees,' and celery sticks near low-fat dips or salsa on a child-level shelf in the refrigerator. Use cut-up pieces of vegetables to make a "smiley face" on mashed potatoes. Offer an edible spoon, such as a stalk of celery, to scoop up chili or stew.
- Enlist kids to help scour magazines for new veggie recipes that the family could try. Let kids use the recipe to conduct an "ingredient scavenger hunt" at the grocery store and later assist in preparing the recipe at home.
- Become a family of Farmers' Market 'explorers' who stop and ask growers about their produce, their farms, and how they cook their vegetables for themselves. Grow a family vegetable garden.
- Be a good role model. Eat your vegetables, and show your excitement about finding and trying new ones.

And what if despite your efforts, your children still turn up their noses at anything yellow, green or leafy? *(Continued on Page 11)*



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Veggie Fears - (Continued from Page 10)

"Don't give up," Carter said. "It may take some time before kids try a vegetable and it might take a lot of tries before they begin to like it." Young children can sometimes be afraid of new foods.

Continue to offer vegetables at each meal and encourage children to try one bite. If they don't like it, that's fine. Allowing young kids to stop at one bite can make trying new foods less scary, while forcing them to eat something they truly don't like will only make the situation worse.

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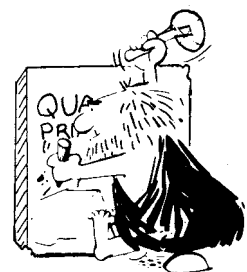
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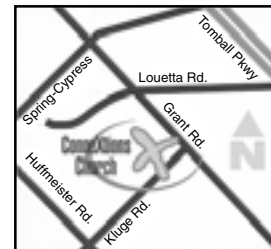
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\$190,000-209,999	0	0	1	1	0	1
\$170,000-189,999	1	4	1	2	1	0
\$150,000-169,999	1	0	3	2	0	2
\$130,000-149,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$130,000 -	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	4	5	5	2	3
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