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WOW – Margarita Madness (Maybe...)

By Reschele Lawrence

A special thank you goes to Donna Sommer for hosting WOW in April. It's always wonderful to catch up with good friends.

At 7pm, on Tuesday, May 24th, WOW will be held at Las Rosas Mexican Restaurant (on the feeder of 290 behind Chili's). We will enjoy some good food and margaritas while sharing time with friends. Just think ladies, no appetizers to prepare! Let's make this a record attendance night.

WOW in June will be at Karen Costa's house on the 21st and there will be a \$10 summer gift exchange.



Easter Egg Hunt

by Emily Heineman

The Annual Easter Egg hunt was a tremendous success and all of the kids had a great time! Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped make this event happen. I'd like to give a great big special thanks to McDonalds for providing sausage biscuits & Powerade for our hungry hunters! The staff from our neighborhood McDonalds delivered all of the food and drinks and they passed out coupons for free fries & burgers! McDonald's - we really appreciate all that you do for our community!! We would also like to thank Margo Horton for donating all of the wonderful prizes. This event would not have been the same without the help from our volunteers, donations from Margo and the generous support we received from our neighborhood McDonalds!

We thank our residents for coming out for the Easter Egg hunt and we look forward to seeing everyone at the crawfish boil on May 7th!

JVHS Cheerleading Clinic

The Jersey Village High School Cheerleaders will be holding their annual Spring Cheer Clinic, a major fund-raiser, on Saturday, May 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Jersey Village High School. Children from Kindergarten through 8th grade are invited to attend-the pre-registration fee is \$33.00, or \$35.00 at the door.

The fee includes pizza, drinks and a t-shirt. Children will learn cheers, chants, jumps and a dance. A "show-off" performance for the parents will take place @ 1:30. Other activities will include: face painting, games, run through signs, hair and makeup, crafts and a spirit store. A registration form is available on our website: www.jvhscheer.com or at neighborhood schools. For more information, call 713-896-0637.



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Adam Elementary

May 4 Exchange City (5th Grade)
 May 4 3rd Grade Field Day
 May 5 4th grade Field Day
 May 6 5th Grade Field Day
 May 9 1st Grade Program
 May 17, 18 AR Parties at Chuck E. Cheese and Mountasia
 May 23 5th Grade Recognition Night
 May 24 5th Grade Day
 May 25 Last Day of Classes - end of year parties (9:30-10:15
 - PPCD/K/1/2) (2:00-2:45 PPCD/3/4/5)

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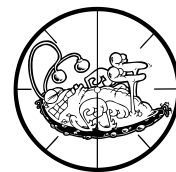
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Arnold Middle School – May 2005

Important Dates to Remember:

May 3	Progress Reports Go Home
May 3 & 4	7:00pm Theatre Arts Play @ Cy-Fair H.S. Black Box Theatre
May 5	7:00pm Orchestra Spring Concert @ Cy-Fair H.S.
May 16	7:00pm Choir Spring Concert @ Cy-Fair H.S.
May 18	6:00pm Band Spring Concert @ Cy-Fair H.S.
May 19	6:00-9:00pm Arnold Awards Night @ Cy-Falls Auditorium
May 25	Last Day of School

Spring is God's way of saying, "One more time!"

-Robert Orben

Poetry is the silence and speech between a wet struggling root of a flower and a sunlit blossom of that flower.

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Deanne Wells
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Volunteers/Special Interest People Needed

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Cashier (Student) 3 – to 6 p.m., Mon. through Wed.

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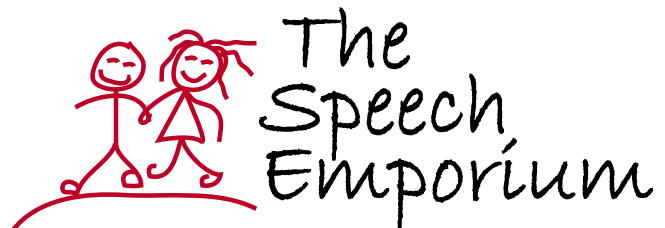
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Pool Corner

By Randall Reinhardt

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Help Needed

The pool committee is need of volunteers to help with pool tag distribution and the pool party. The pool area / clubhouse improvement committee is also in need of volunteers. If you are interested in serving on either of these committees, please contact Randall Reinhardt at 281-970-2901.

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Friday, May 27 th	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 28 th	10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 29 th	12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Monday, May 30 th (Memorial Day)	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 31 st	4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Exceptions:

Saturdays, May 14 th and 21 st	2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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June 1st through August 10th

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Exceptions:

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Tuesday, July 5 th	4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturdays, June 4 th and June 18 th	2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

August 11th through September 5th

Mondays	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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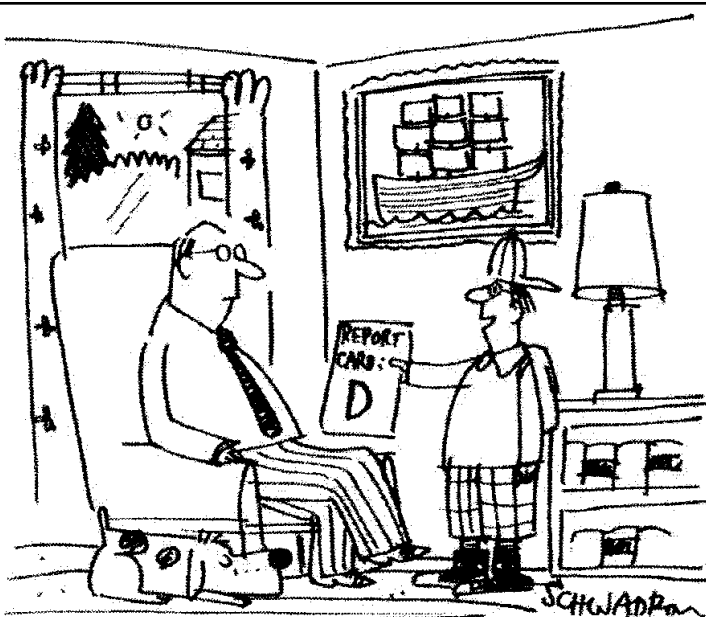
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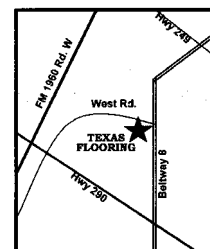
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Musings

By Terri Welch, Wortham Villages resident

If I told you we were a musical family, you'd probably get the wrong impression. You'd probably picture the four of us gathering round, a pickin and a grinnin, me on the mandolin, DH on guitar, OT on piano and YT on tamborine.

You'd be wrong.

Now, don't get me wrong, I like to sing, but my singing tends to be more enthusiastic than tuneful. Before we had kids, I would sing hymns or show tunes while I did the dishes, and for some reason, as soon as I started, my DH would go into the computer room and shut the door. I never really put those two together as a cause-effect relationship until we had kids, and contrary to those lying parenting books that tell you your kids don't care what your singing sounds like, I would start to sing a lullaby and OT would shake her head, put her baby hands on my lips and say, "No sing, Mommy." Of course I did anyway. Until she started to cry. Which was shortly thereafter.

Now OT and YT have begun to sing themselves. OT has a repertoire of about ten songs, but once she decides to sing one, she likes to sing it over and over. The same song. Loudly. Especially in the van.

YT knows a few tunes, but can't really pronounce the words. The first song she sang was "Bah der Berder", also known as the "Bob the Builder" theme song. Her current favorite is "Bahdee Bahdee

Bop Bop," also known as "Row Row Row Your Boat." Here's how it goes: "Bahdee bahdee bop bop, bahdee bahdee bee. Mehnee mehnee mehnee mehnee, bahdee bahdee bee."

Their current practice is to each sing a song. Different songs. Together. As in at the same time. Loudly. In the van.

I'd like to teach them some different songs. Maybe even some current songs, but my problem is I have problems understanding the words. I was watching Beyonce sing a song on TV tonight, and she was urging the audience to sing along with her. Well, unless the words really were "nuh nuh nuh crazy mite," I don't think I *could* sing along.

I've always had this problem. I could have *sworn* back in the 70s that one song was "I'm gonna rock and roll all night, and part of every day." Because, you know, you had to go to work and stuff, so you could only rock and roll after you got off work.

So, until those youngsters on the radio start singing clearly enough for me to understand them, we'll have to stick to our current repertoire. Just don't be surprised if, when we get you see us drive by, OT and YT are seated in the third row, far, far away from the driver's seat.

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To help assure a safe and fun summer for everyone, Greater Houston Pool Management would like to remind you of a few facility and safety reminders:

1. Parents must closely supervise their children at all times. Remember, it only takes seconds for a child to drown.
2. Don't allow children to play with or around the main drain. The main drain suction can be very powerful, and has been known to cause severe injuries, and in some cases death.
3. The safety of the children in the baby pool are the parents or guardians responsibility. The lifeguards will always enforce the pool rules throughout the facility, but children who cannot swim must have an adult within arms reach at all times. The same rule applies even if the child is wearing a floatation device.
4. Define a safe zone for your children where they can always touch the bottom. One of the most common saves a lifeguard must make

is when a swimmer strays to an area that is too deep for them to stand.

5. Do not dive in areas marked "NO DIVING". Nearly 90 percent of all spinal injuries occur in the shallow end of the pool.
6. Breath holding games can be very dangerous and may cause cardiac arrhythmia or seizures. Games like who can hold their breath the longest, and swimming the longest distance underwater should be avoided at all times.
7. Pool passes will be strictly enforced. It is the member's responsibility to bring them to the pool. It is a very awkward and uncomfortable situation for everyone, when the lifeguard must ask a member to go back home to get his or her pool pass.
8. Remember that there are several different types of people who like to use the pool throughout the summer. Both young and old, everyone wants to have a good time.
9. If you should ever have a question about the pool rules, ask a lifeguard or manager. It is better to be safe than sorry!!!
10. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Our staff at Greater Houston Pool Management is committed to making sure the homeowners of Wortham have a great summer at the pool. Please take the time to introduce yourself to the pool staff. We would love to know the clients we so proudly serve.

Pool Parties

The pool will be available this summer for private after hour pool parties. Pool party request forms will be available at the pool or register on our website at greaterhoustonpool.com. To make sure we are able to staff your party, we need a minimum of two weeks advance notice. **For more information concerning pool parties, check with the pool manager, or contact our pool party hotline at (713) 464-7946.**



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May "Perspective"

In an effort to provide you with important information about Cy-Fair College, "Perspective" was developed. This column provides the latest information about news and events. Here is a sampling of what's going on:

Enjoy an Evening of Opera

Cy-Fair College's Music Department will present Giuseppe Verdi's "La Traviata" May 11 and May 12 in the Main Stage Theatre. This opera, featuring professional singers, combines an array of colorful duets, ensembles, gypsy dancing and dramatic performance in the passionate love story of courtesan Violetta Valery. For performance or ticket information, call 281-290-5201.

Don't Miss Out on Our Summer Reading Programs

Cy-Fair College's Summer Reading Program begins May 31 for youth up to age 13! Sign up at the Cy-Fair College Branch Library to get cool stuff to read this summer. There will be many free programs and activities. Pick up a Summer Reading Program calendar for details. The Teen Summer Reading Program runs from June through July. There will be library book clubs, online book clubs and a variety of interesting and fun activities. The full schedule will be on the Teen Activity web site in May: <http://faculty.nhmccd.edu/elsheppard/activities.htm>.

L.I.F.E. Includes Photo Preservation, Mystery Writing, Origami and Purple Martins

L.I.F.E. in May at Cy-Fair College features preserving photographs May 4, learning to write a mystery May 11, an origami workshop May 18 and a Purple Martin talk and tour May 25. These weekly programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Cy-Fair College Branch Library (Room 131.) Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or check the library web page online at cy-faircollege.com/library.

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