

Volume 3, Issue 2 Village Creek Community Association

February 2006

Northwest Harris Country Municipal Utility District #5

Dear Village Creek Resident:

To continue to provide the highest quality water in quantities necessary to meet our recent growth, Northwest Harris County MUD #5 is constructing improvements to the water production facility near your residence.

The construction is schedule to begin on or about January 9, 2006 and will continue until approximately June 1, 2006. Improvements include the addition of a new well, additional storage, additional production capacity and the ancillary electrical improvements, miscellaneous piping and site work required. The contractor will be installing a 16 ft. temporary sound attenuation barrier while the new well is being drilled in order to minimize any inconveniences caused by the work.

Most of the noise and inconvenience will occur during the drilling stage as the contractor will work 24 hours during that phase. Every effort will be made to keep the noise and distractions to a minimum. The contractor will not access the site through Village Creek Subdivision.

Should you have any questions or concerns during the construction, please contact the contractor (Gemini Contracting Services, Inc. (Jim "Van" VanSchuyver) at 713-453-4691. If our contractor is unable to assist, you are invited to call our General Manager, Jim Burke at 713-819-9461.

Cordially, Board of Directors Northwest Harris County MUD #5

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A great big thank you to Diana Christopher & Martina Wagner for putting up the community holiday decorations this year. Many of the residents have expressed thanks for the beautiful holiday decorations displayed within our community this year! Thanks for the time committed and the thoughtfulness it was truly appreciated!





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Free Diabetes Support Group meets the 1st Tuesday of each month from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in the hospital cafeteria led by Sylvia Kircher, RN, CDE, CPT.

Free Diabetes Teaching Classes

th These 3 classes will be given on the following Saturdays: Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 11, April 8, May 6, June 3, July 15, August 12. September 9

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Fit Facts

Eat Well to Stay Motivated and Energized

Do you have trouble exercising at noon or after work even though you're truly committed to exercise and it's the only time you have to work out?

Do you feel so exhausted that you just can't face the gym? Your diet - rather than simple sloth - may be the problem.

If you tend to skip meals in an attempt to save calories, you may be robbing yourself of important fuel for your workout. While skipping meals may temporarily make your stomach feel flatter, doing so can also leave you feeling tired, irritable and unfocused.

Then you'll be tempted to forego your noontime workout, or go home, eat and stretch out on the couch in front of the TV after work

If, however, you follow some simple, sensible dietary practices throughout your day, you'll get that workout done. And rather than feeling lightheaded and exhausted afterward, you'll be energized and refreshed.

Stay with feel-good foods

One key to staying motivated to exercise is to keep the amount of sugar in your blood - and thus, your energy level - stable. You can

best do that by eating a series of small meals throughout the day - as many as five or six - that are composed of complex carbohydrates such as whole grain breads, beans and other vegetables, whole grain crackers and fruit.

If you plan ahead and make time for grocery shopping, you can easily pack some simple meals and snacks to take to work with you.

Eating complex carbohydrates helps keep your blood sugar stable because they are digested and absorbed slowly into the blood and don't require your pancreas to produce much insulin.

Refined carbohydrates, such as potato chips, doughnuts and cookies, are absorbed very quickly and trigger the pancreas to produce large amounts of insulin. So, while they may give you an initial boost, your energy will drop off quickly, and your mood will follow.

The amount of sugar in your blood is also related to the amount of serotonin in your brain. Serotonin is an important chemical called a neurotransmitter that helps to regulate mood.

If your level of serotonin is where it should be, you'll have a sense (Continued on Page 5)

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of well-being and confidence - and feel ready to tackle the treadmill. Should it drop, you may feel tired and depressed.

If you often experience a craving for carbs, this may be your brain's way of telling you it needs more serotonin.

Cut the caffeine

What about caffeine? Good question. Many athletes rely on caffeine for the initial kick it can provide.

Remember, though, that caffeine can also affect the amount of insulin, and thus, sugar, in your blood. Further, it can cause dehydration, which can also sap your energy.

While drinking a caffeinated beverage may help get you to the gym, within an hour you may feel tired and too lightheaded to complete your workout, or to do it well.

If you plan to engage in running or other highly vigorous activity, remember that some forms of caffeine, coffee in particular, can lead to mild gastronomical distress, as can some bulky foods.

So, you'd be wise to limit the amount of coffee, tea and soda that you drink for a number of reasons.

Suppose you're an early bird, and your best time to work out is in the morning before you go to work. For quick energy, drink some juice upon rising and avoid coffee.

Once you've completed your workout, have a more solid breakfast of whole-wheat cereal or toast and fruit to fuel your concentration for the morning's work. If you work out and eat too lightly, chances

are you'll get "the drowsies" by 2 p.m., if not sooner.

Keep in mind that finding the right combination of food and drink to energize your workout - whatever time of day you choose - may take some experimenting. It all depends upon your individual tastes and your metabolism.

With a little patience, an open mind and a little creativity, you'll determine which foods suit you best.

You'll keep your motivation to exercise if you:

- Have a glass of juice to boost your energy before a morning workout.
- Eat a breakfast that includes whole grains and fruit or fruit juice.
- Eat small, frequent small meals and snacks during the day to maintain your blood sugar.
- Make sure to have a light, healthy snack an hour before your noon or after-work workout.
- Stay hydrated, keeping a water bottle at your desk at work.
- Limit or eliminate the amount of caffeine in your diet.



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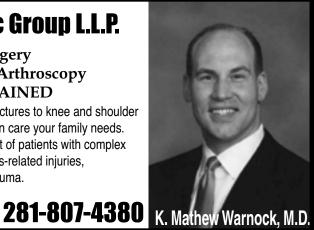
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3-4, 10-12, 17-18—CONROE: *Mr. Roberts* To relieve boredom during a mission, the crew of a World War II cargo ship constructs endless antics to provoke the captain. Shows are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Crighton Theatre, 235 N. Main. www.crightonplayers. org 936/441-7469 **Piney Woods**

3-Apr. 23—HOUSTON: *Eva Hesse Drawing* The exhibition features about 100 of the artist's finished drawings, as well as examples of her early drawings, major examples of Hesse's "reliefs" of 1965 and a group of sculptural works, and several "test pieces." The Menil Collection. www.menil.org 713/525-9400 **Gulf Coast**

5, 8, 11—HOUSTON: Puccini's *Manon Lescaut* Houston Grand Opera performs. Wortham Theater Center. 713/228-6737 or 800/626-7372 **Gulf Coast**

8-26—HOUSTON: Searching for Eden: The Diaries of Adam & Eve The world's first lovers meet in paradise at the dawn of time and embark on an epic, exuberant battle of the sexes. One fall from grace and several thousand years later, the middle-aged couple returns to

present-day Eden attempting to recapture their primal passion. www. stagestheatre.com 713/527-0123 **Gulf Coast**

9—ABILENE: Artwalk Hours are 5 to 8:30 p.m. Historic Downtown. 325/677-8389 **Panhandle Plains**

9—COLLEGE STATION: OPAS — Christopher Parkening & Jubilant Sykes Rudder Theater, Texas A&M University Campus. opas.tamu.edu (no www) 979/845-1234 or 888/890-5667

9-11—SWEETWATER: National Hampshire Hog Conference Nolan County Coliseum. 325/235-3484 **Panhandle Plains**

10—CONROE: A Symphony Evening of Romance Features flutist Laura Rakel, winner of the Audience Choice Award and first place in the Instrument Division of the 2005 Entergy Young Texas Artists Music Competition. Another highlight of the evening will be the popular Celebrity Guest Conductor contest. Begins at 8 p.m. Lone Star Convention Center. 936/760-2144 or 888/823-6610 **Piney Woods**

10-11, 17-19, 24-25—BAYTOWN: *The Importance of Being Earnest* Baytown Little Theater. E-mail: ellenbradj@aol.com 281/424-7617 **Gulf Coast**

11—LA GRANGE: Polk of a Fest Texas Polka Music Museum fundraiser includes two bands, dancing and fun. Texas Czech Heritage & Cultural Center Fair Pavilion. E-mail: czech@cvtv.net 979/968-9399

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Prairies and Lakes

11—SEALY: Peter's Hall Community Chili Cook-Off Includes a dominoes tournament, dancing and lots of great chili. Peter's Hall, 144 Trenkmann Road. 979/627-0411 Prairies and Lakes

11—VICTORIA: Black History Parade & Festival Parade begins at 10 a.m. at Patti Welder School on North Street then proceeds to the Victoria Community Center. The festival follows. 361/576-5650

11—VICTORIA: Lippazaner Stallions Victoria Community Center Arena. 407/366-0366 Gulf Coast

11-12—KATY: Katy Antique & Collectible Show Katy ISD Merrell Center. E-mail: info@cwgs.com • www.cwgs.com 877/840-3829

13-14—HOUSTON: Valentine's Day Lectures Explore the wild world of animal mating and dating and learn about the zoo's renowned breeding programs to save endangered species. Houston Zoo. www. houstonzoo.org 713/533-6500 **Gulf Coast**

16-18, 23-26—ABILENE: *The Glass Menagerie* Hardin-Simmons University. 325/670-1405 **Panhandle Plains**

16-18, 24-25—ABILENE: *Jane Eyre* **Dinner Theatre** Abilene Christian University Fulks Theatre. 325/674-2787 **Panhandle Plains**

17—VICTORIA: Country Opry Hours are 7:30 to 10 p.m. Victoria Community Center Annex. 361/552-9347 **Gulf Coast**

17-19—HOUSTON: Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Begins at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Jones Hall. www. spahouston.org 713/227-4SPA **Gulf Coast**

17-19—LIVINGSTON: Trade Days Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Pedigo Park, 925 U.S. 59 Bypass North. www.cityoflivingston-tx.com/tradedays 936/327-3656 **Piney Woods**

17-28—GALVESTON: Mardi Gras! Galveston Strand Historic District. www.mardigrasgalveston.com 888/425-4753 **Gulf Coast**

18—ABILENE: Annual Fur Ball Enjoy dinner and dancing with your dog. Benefits Rescue the Animals. Abilene Civic Center. 325/695-7270 or 325/676-6211 **Panhandle Plains**

18-May 7—CLEAR LAKE AREA: *Robots & Us* Meet the lifelike, intelligent machines known as robots — passionately created to maintain and extend human capabilities. Why do people embrace and fear them? The answer lies at the curious intersection where humans meet machines. Space Center Houston, 1601 NASA Road. www. spacecenter.org 281/244-2100 **Gulf Coast**

23, 25-26—HOUSTON: *Swan Lake* Houston Ballet Artistic Director Stanton Welch creates a spectacular new version of this ballet. Wortham Theater Center. www.houstonballet.org 713/227-2787

25—HOUSTON: Teddy Bear Repair Clinic Bring your child and teddy bear to the Memorial Hermann Children's Hospital Teddy Bear Repair Clinic. Houston Zoo. www.houstonzoo.org 713/533-6500 **Gulf Coast**

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Homes Sold	23	30	17
High Sales Price	\$200,000	\$246,441	\$337,000
Low Sales Price	\$150,000	\$201,490	\$257,000
Price/Sq. Ft High	\$88.27	\$95.76	\$95.87
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Days on Market - Low	2	5	4

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