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OFFICIAL FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



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FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY GAZETTE

Important Numbers

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Ambulance/Fire	911
Poison Control	800-222-1222
Sheriff's Department	911

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Ambulance	713-466-4073
Cy-Fair Medical Clinic (24 hr)	281-890-4285
FBI	713-693-5000
Fire	713-466-4073
Harris County Animal Control	281-999-3191
Sheriff's Department	713-221-6000
Vacation Watch	281-290-2100

CHURCHES

Christ Church Houston Northwest	281-304-7228
Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church	281-357-8880
Community of Faith	832-875-2520
Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church	281-469-5533
Fairfield Baptist Church	281-373-5446
Fairfield Church of Christ	281-373-1900
Fairfield Family Church	281-256-0031
Fountain of Life Fellowship	281-373-9337
Good Shepherd United Methodist Church	281-373-2273
Harvest Bible Church	281-304-1441
Messian Lutheran Church	281-890-3013
Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church	281-353-3203
The Fellowship at Fairfield	281-923-5130

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FAIRFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Resident Board Members:

Please remember that the resident Board Members are volunteers with families.

As a courtesy please communicate with them during reasonable hours.

Ed Hofer (Bradford Creek)	bradford.neighbor@hotmail.com
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Terry Noe (Inwood Park, FF Village Community Assoc.)	281-213-8780
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Chris Delahoussaye (Lakes of Fairfield)	281-304-9112
Rick Todd (Trails of Fairfield)	281-304-1741
Ken Heil (Trails of Fairfield)	281-256-2093

Friendswood Development:

Tim Fitzpatrick (Bradford Creek, Chappell Ridge, Garden Grove, Lakes, Trails)	281-875-1552
Tommy Weaver (Bradford Creek, Chappell Ridge, Garden Grove, Lakes, Trails)	281-875-1552
Nan Peavey (Bradford Creek, Chappell Ridge, Lakes)	281-875-1552

GOVERNMENT/STATE NUMBERS

Courthouse Annex	281-859-0685
Driver's License	713-681-6187
Post Office	281-373-9125
Voter Registration	713-224-1919

MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

A.M.I (deed restrictions, etc.)	713-932-1122
Cecelia Panzineti, AMI Onsite Manager	281-256-0065
Community Meeting Room	281-373-0834
Cy-Fair College	281-290-3200
Cypress Area Home Schoolers	281-890-3792
Fairfield Athletic Club (FAC)	281-373-0834
Fairfield Information Center	281-373-1177
Friendswood Development	281-875-1552
Harris Co. Library (Northwest)	281-890-2665
Harris Co. Animal Control	281-999-3191

Harris County Mosquito Control	713-440-4800
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SCHOOL NUMBERS

Ault Elementary	281-373-2800
Bus Information	281-897-4380
Cy-Fair Administration	281-897-4000
Cy-Fair High School	281-897-4600
Goodson Junior High School	281-373-2350
Keith Elementary	281-213-1744
Spillane Middle School	281-213-1645

UTILITY NUMBERS

ENTEX (gas)	713-659-2111
Centerpoint Energy (Electricity)	713-659-2111
Southwestern Bell (phone)	713-638-7000
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20419 Lake Spring Ct.....	5/3.5/3A	\$315,000
16314 Granite Park	4/3.5/2D	\$311,900
15214 Heather Mist.....	4.3.5/2A	\$236,190
20811 Chappell Knoll.....	4/2.5/2D POOL.....	\$219,900
20806 Magnolia Brook	4/2.5/2D POOL.....	\$224,900
17211 Penick Rd	4/3.5/2	\$199,900
14723 Country Rose	4/2.5/2A ... Pending ...	\$189,900
16331 Cumberland Trl	4/3.5/2A	\$179,900
9518 Barretts Glen	4/2.5/2A	\$174,900
15210 Freestone Peach	4/2.5/2A ... Pending ...	\$164,900
15339 Court Amber.....	3/2.5/2A	\$154,900
15107 Crescent Lilly.....	3/2/2A.....	\$141,750
20519 Bouganvilla Blossom	3/2/2A.....	\$139,900
15404 Hillside Park Way	3/2.5/2A	\$139,900
15419 Hillside Park.....	3/2/2A.....	\$138,900
7702 Park Falls.....	4/2.5/2A	\$132,900

20318 Savannah Bay.....	3/2.5/2A	\$129,000
19606 Plantation Grove	3/2/2A.....	\$119,900
26 Regency Ln	4/2.5/2A ... Pending ...	\$117,000
22106 Manor Estates.....	3/2/2A.....	\$92,500
3423 Creek Grove	3/2/2A.....	\$86,500
742 Pine Ave	3/1/1A.....	\$55,900

Current Rentals

19906 Black Cherry Bend.....	3/2/2A.....	\$1,250
15404 Hillside Park Way	3/2.5/2A	\$1,350
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Articles, personal classified ads (limit 30 words), questions regarding regular columns and teen job postings (i.e. additions, deletions, changes) must be submitted to the editor, Holly Reichert, via e-mail at hreichert@houston.rr.com.

Please submit all articles and personal classified ads in Microsoft Word only. Photographs and graphics must be submitted as a jpg, tif, or wmf file.

The deadline for submission of articles and personal classified ads is by the 10th of each month; your article and/or ad will appear in the following month's Gazette. In order for the Gazette to be delivered on time the submission deadline date will be strictly adhered to and no articles and/or personal classified ads will be accepted after the 10th of each month.

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Thank you, Holly A. Reichert, #281-304-9956

Pet Corner

My name is Susan Locke, and I am the Lost and Found Pet Coordinator for Fairfield. I am a contact for someone that has lost or found a pet and tries to match the two together. I am unable to pick up, deliver or provide medical assistance to lost, found or injured animals but try to help locate the dog or owner when they are lost.

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Pet Corner continued

Dear Residents,

Here is a very sad story and a good reason why all pet owners should understand the importance of microchips for your animals. The cost is \$30-45 and vets and shelters will scan most animals for them when checking them in. There is still a great need for the residents of Fairfield to volunteer to foster animals that have lost their way. Please sign up at Yahoo Groups to get emails for lost and found animals to help match owners with their pets faster.

Sam, a Fairfield Dog

Last Monday during the bad storm our dog, Sam, got scared by the thunder and got under the fence and pulled off the tag from his collar. On Tuesday evening a "post" describing Sam was posted on the site. My husband tried the number posted Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and finally got a recording and left a message.

On Sunday we finally received a message back that they had brought our dog to the SPCA due to out of town requirements and that he had been adopted by a lady and her 7 year old daughter. They had bathed Sam and changed out his collar. It appears the roommate dropped him off and they stated they left our contact information at the SPCA and someone would be contacting us.

After speaking with the SPCA this morning and finding requirements for the waiting period before they would put up a dog for adoption that was lost, my husband went down to the SPCA to try and locate the information on our dog. The SPCA had no record of our dog ever coming through there.

I have phoned the individual again and now she states that her roommate brought the dog down on Friday at 4pm and just gave him to someone leaving the shelter that was looking for a dog and thought Sam was perfect. We have no record of the dog or who has him and our 5 year old daughter is devastated that her dog is missing. I would highly encourage that there be a posting on your web-site on the importance and responsibility of those rescuing a dog.

Number 1: Check your messages and make sure that messages can be left at the number you give.

Number 2: Never give the dog away to a stranger. If you cannot care for the dog you rescue and do bring him to the SPCA, drop him off and give all the information on where he was found, etc.

Do not remove the dogs collar and replace with another These are identifying characteristics.

If this procedure would have been followed we would have our dog back. Now ... we have no idea where he is and who has him.

Fairfield Resident

a specialist in Family Medicine Jennifer Kwak, M.D.

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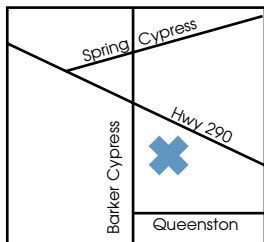
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SECURITY REPORT



KEY SECURITY INDICATORS FOR AUGUST

Burglary of Habitat (Incl. attached garage)	0
Burglary (Non-residence)	0
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	5
Theft	1

Garden Grove:

- Complainant stated unknown suspect(s) damaged his sprinkler heads.

Inwood Glen Village:

- Complainant advised unknown person(s) cut his tire while his vehicle was parked in front of his residence.

Summer Crossing:

- Complainant advised unknown person(s) entered his vehicle and took numerous items without his consent.

Inwood Park Village:

- Complainant advised two (2) vehicles were burglarized and items were taken without consent.

The Trails:

- Complainant advised that unknown suspect(s) burglarized his motor vehicle.

The Landing:

- Complainant advised unknown person(s) took property from her vehicle without her consent.

Information Reports:3

Forgery / Identity Theft:1

Disturbances/Assaults:6

Criminal Mischief:6

SAFETY TIPS: Several vehicles were burglarized during August. Keep your cars secured and do not leave purses/wallets or other valuables visible.

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For an after the fact crime...
Or to report suspicious activity...
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SECURITY REPORT



KEY SECURITY INDICATORS FOR SEPTEMBER

Burglary of Habitat (Incl. attached garage).....	3
Burglary (Non-residence).....	1
Burglary of Motor Vehicle.....	2
Theft	5

Lake Point:

- Complainant advised his business was burglarized and items were taken without his consent.

The Park at Inwood Glen:

- Complainant advised unknown suspect(s) kicked in the front door and burglarized his residence.

Summer Ridge:

- Complainant advised unknown person(s) entered his garage and took items without his consent.

Lake Ridge:

- Complainant advised unknown person(s) entered his garage and took items without his consent.

Lakeside:

- Complainant advised her purse was stolen.

Bluebonnet Glen:

- Complainant advised unknown suspect(s) stole doors and plywood from two (2) separate residences currently under construction.

Information Reports:.....6

Forgery / Identity Theft:.....1

Disturbances/Assaults:6

Criminal Mischief:0

SAFETY TIPS: Keep your cars secured and do not leave purses/wallets or other valuables visible. Be vigilant and report suspicious activity.

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Now that Fall is approaching, you'll probably be spending more time outside and may be considering making changes or additions to your home. Please be reminded that anything that alters the exterior aesthetic appearance of your home, i.e., basketball goal, pool, play equipment (including trampolines), patio cover, storage building, satellite dish, etc. must have your Association's approval prior to construction or installation. Fence staining/painting is not permitted (only clear stain with no color pigment is permitted and approval must be obtained before proceeding).

If you're building something that has a roof and/or sides, i.e., patio cover, storage building, you will need to include the following along with your application: materials including roofing, dimensions, height (measured from ground to peak), width and length, and a copy of your lot survey indicating the proposed location and a side view elevation drawing. Remember, metal, plastic, etc. are not permitted.

If you plan to install play equipment, please include a copy of your lot survey showing the proposed location, the dimensions of the equipment (height, width and length) and color of the tarp.

If you're painting your home, please include a sample of the color(s) you wish to use.

Basketball goals....include a copy of your recorded lot survey indicating the proposed location where you wish to keep the goal.

Keep in mind that installation/construction may not commence until you have received your Association's approval.

It's a real easy process and takes no time at all to adhere to your governing documents. You can apply by U.S. Mail, fax (713-932-6059) or email (ami@amitx.com)– whichever is easiest for you.

To obtain an application or if you have any questions regarding the process or what items to include with your application, please contact AMI at 713-932-1122. You can even obtain an application on AMI's website www.ami@amitx.com.

Why is ARC Approval Required?

The architectural review process is required by the Governing Documents of deed-restricted communities. But why should someone else have any say over what you do with your own home?

Everyone who buys a home in a deed-restricted community (whether it is a condominium, townhouse or single-family association) agrees to be bound by the governing documents of that association. That includes applying for architectural approval of just about anything that changes the exterior appearance of your home or your unit.

Architectural control for a condominium association tends to be more understandable by most owners because the exterior is generally owned, maintained and otherwise controlled by the association. You may not like the fact that you cannot paint your front door a different color or add distinctive decoration to the exterior – but you tend to understand the fact that it is not your individual property but is owned indivisibly by everyone in the community.

Single-family associations have similar architectural control over what owners may or may not do when it pertains to exterior painting, roofing, fences, fence staining, statues, additions, swimming pools, basketball goals, play structures and other things that affect the exterior appearance of a home. Some owners feel this is an intrusive burden that violates their property rights. This is not so. The association's architectural review authority is based in the community's governing documents and in the state's property code. The purpose of architectural review is to maintain or enhance your property's value by helping owners to use colors, materials and styles that coordinate with and compliment the rest of the community.

Remember that the members of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) or Architectural Control Committee (ACC) are your neighbors and they understand your desire to improve your home and the importance of having you do so. They are, however, obligated by the governing documents to consistently and fairly enforce the community's architectural guidelines for your benefit and for the benefit of the entire community. By so doing the Committee helps better ensure that the community maintains a harmonious and consistent appearance.

When people select a deed restricted community in which to purchase a home they do so for a variety of reasons. Chief among them are:

- Homes in deed restricted communities tend to be better maintained.
- There is continuity, consistency and harmony (as well as variety) among the homes.
- Your next door neighbor cannot use garish colors and hence reduce the value of your home or your enjoyment of the neighborhood.
- There is more of a sense of community and belonging.
- Homes in deed restricted communities hold their values better.

The architectural review process in a well-managed community is simple and usually quick. Complete a simple application form and, depending on your plans, attach samples of the paint or roof materials or, if you are doing something more extensive like a patio cover or room addition, you will need to attach drawings, dimensions and lists of materials. Submit the completed application and it will be promptly reviewed. You will also be notified in writing of the Architectural Review Committee's decision in writing. Assuming your application is approved you may commence work without further ado. If your application is denied the Committee or your managing agent will tell you why it was denied and what you can do to get the work approved. Finally, if you feel your application was denied unfairly you have the right to appeal the decision. Your managing agent will help you through this process.

ARC approval does not apply to minor repairs to the exterior of your home such as replacing and repainting a piece of trim or patching a small area of shingles. Nor is it intended to get in the way of urgent things like the replacement of a badly leaking roof. If you tell your managing agent the urgent nature of the repair or replacement, the application can most often be walked through and approved in a day or two.

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Dear Residents,

For those with mail cluster boxes, repair is the responsibility of the Post Office. We have encountered a situation where a cluster box has rusted through the base and has toppled over. When this occurs the mail is then held for those residents and must be picked up at the Spring Cypress post office. A work order is then turned in and the repair/replacement falls in order received. It could take up to a month to replace a toppled box according to the Spring Cypress post office, as the service area includes Tomball, Spring and Cypress.

Therefore, if you notice that your cluster box is rusting through at the base please call and report the needed repair/replacement. The direct line to the Spring Cypress Post Office is 281-373-9125. AMI will be happy to report it also if the nearest address is provided to our office.

Kind Regards,

Lynn Byrne
Community Manager

Security

Dear Homeowners,

If you see any suspicious activity, please contact the Sheriff's Department to report the activity at 713-221-6000. When making the call you can tell the operator you do not wish to be identified as the complainant, keeping your identity anonymous but that you want an officer to check the situation out. Residents who live near parks and common areas don't hesitate to call when you see unusual activity at night. It is in everyone's best interest to report the activity while it is happening, if it turns out to be OK that is great.

Our officers have advised that they prefer that you leave a call back number in case they need additional information. Let's all help keep Fairfield safe and continue to be a wonderful place to live!

Lynn Byrne
Community Manager

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Dear Residents,

- Christmas Decorations are ordered and will be installed the week prior to Thanksgiving. Thank you to Board Directors John Hanes and Donna Bonneau for serving on the Committee handling this project.
- Fairfield Village Community Association is again a major sponsor of Holiday on the Square which is scheduled for December 10th. We hope all residents will enjoy the "snow". Your Community Association also contributed towards Movie Night, held October 28th which is a great event coordinated by the Women's Club.
- Ailing pine trees – some of the established pine trees on cul-de-sacs and common areas are struggling. Your Association has had tree experts look at these trees and the conclusion is that it is more prudent to replace the dying pines than spend money trying to keep them alive. In Garden Grove, Inwood Park and Chappell Ridge we are replacing these trees as they die with Oaks on the cul-de-sacs.
- Tree and Crepe Myrtle pruning is a late fall project for our landscaping contractor, however due to the cost of clean up from the storm damage in October we will be reviewing budget numbers for additional tree pruning at year end.
- Pool repairs are under consideration by the respective Neighborhood Boards and are either currently underway or will be completed prior to the 2007 pool season.
- Inwood Park Neighborhood is considering several major projects, replacement of the play scape at the Inwood Pool/Park facility and the addition of a shade structure in the pool area.

We hope you and your family have a happy and safe Thanksgiving!

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BRADFORD CREEK BOARD OF DIRECTOR NEWS

This is the first article from your resident Board members since being elected in May of this year. We intend for it to be a bi-monthly update of Bradford Creek Neighborhood Association, Inc. news.

Your Board is currently comprised of three members of Friend-wood Development Co. and two resident members. The resident Board members contact information is listed in the front of the Fairfield Community Gazette.

Bradford Creek is in sound financial condition with good collection rates of dues and adequate funds to maintain our properties. We have just completed repairs on the gazebo at Fair Falls Loop and have a small sidewalk revision on Lower Lake Dr. underway at this time.

We are considering two additions at our pool for the 2007 season. One is for the addition of a shade structure over the shallow pool and the other for the addition of a water slide. There are sufficient funds available to complete these projects. Your comments on these items and any other projects or problems you have can be directed to your Board for consideration and resolution.

Finally, please report any suspicious activity around our gazebos, pool and common areas to the Sheriff's office at 713-221-6000. We would rather spend money on improvements than repairs of vandalism.

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Membership Drive

Station 7 is actively seeking new members. Want to join us? Anyone interested in becoming a Volunteer Firefighter, EMT, or learning more about the department is invited to visit the station on any Thursday evening between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. or check our website at www.cyfairvfd.org. No experience necessary.

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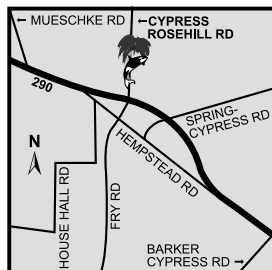
THE PEDESTRIAN (person on foot)

Laws and Other Safety Tips for Pedestrians

- Obey all traffic control signals unless you are otherwise directed by a pedestrian control signal.
- Do not cross the street between two intersections. It is dangerous to cross in the middle of the block.
- Use sidewalks when available, and do not walk/jog in the street.
- Walk/jog on the left side of the road if there are no sidewalks and step off the pavement when a car approaches.
- If you cross a street at any point other than within a crosswalk at an intersection, you (the pedestrian) must yield the right-of-way to all vehicles.
- If you cross a street without using a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing which has been provided, you the pedestrian must yield the right-of-way to all vehicles.
- When crossing at a crosswalk, keep right if possible.
- Blind, partially blind, or disabled persons may carry a white cane while walking. **Others must not display such a cane on any public street or highway.**
- No person may stand in the roadway for the purpose of soliciting a ride, contributions, or business. A person may stand in a roadway to solicit a charitable contribution if **authorized to do so by the local authority having jurisdiction over the roadway.**
- Do not suddenly walk or run into the street in the path of a vehicle. These sudden actions may make it impossible for the vehicle operator to yield.
- **Wait on the curb**, not in the street, until the traffic signals change to green or read "Walk."
- Always wear white or light colored clothing, or carry a light or reflector when walking/jogging when dark.
- **Look both ways before crossing** the street and before stepping from behind parked cars.
- Be extra careful when getting off a streetcar or bus.
- Get in and out of cars on the curb side of the road when possible.
- Do not walk on a roadway when you are under the influence or consuming an alcoholic beverage. Alcohol is a contributing factor to pedestrian traffic crashes.
- If you see a pedestrian crossing or attempting to cross the street, slow down, use your horn if necessary, and be prepared to stop.
- Be alert to a pedestrian guided by an assistance animal or carrying a white cane. A driver shall take the necessary precautions to avoid injuring or endangering a pedestrian crossing or attempting to cross the street. The driver shall bring the vehicle to a full stop if injury or danger can only be avoided by that action. Remember, the white cane indicates the person may be blind, partially blind, or disabled.
- Watch especially for blind persons at bus stops, intersections, business areas, and near schools for the blind.
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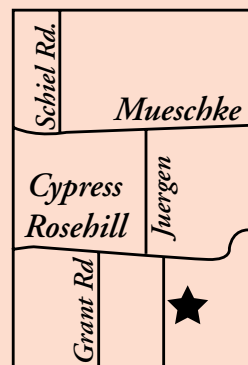
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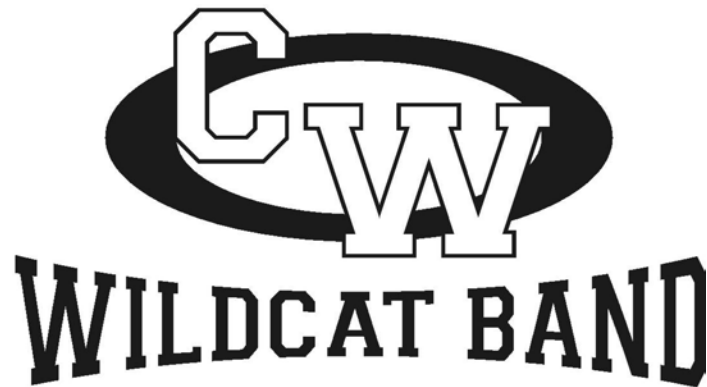
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NOVEMBER TRIP PLANS:

Wednesday, November 8th: Cheesemakers, Inc., Cleveland, TX. We will be taking a tour of Cheesemakers, Inc., see a short film of the company's history, see some Alpine goats, tour the plant, and learn how cheese goes from the farm to your table. We will get to watch how yogurt is made and see them hand-craft their fine cheeses, like Lone Star Goat cheese, Texas Fresh Mozzarella, and Jaimito Mexican style cheese. Their cheeses are used in many fine restaurants and sold in such stores as HEB, Rice Epicurean Markets, Central Market, and Whole Foods.

We will even receive some cheese samples, and have the opportunity to buy their products at wholesale prices. Coolers will be on the bus where you can store your purchases. The tour will take 2 ½ hours, so wear comfortable shoes. Then we have lunch at Luby's in Conroe. After lunch we will visit the Heritage Museum before heading home.

The cost is \$9.00 per person, plus your meal. **Call Patti Welch @ 281-758-0903** for additional information, and to get your name on the list. **Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus.** Bus departs at 8:00am from the Fairfield Village parking lot. However, please be there by 7:45am

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The cost is \$20.00 per person, and will include the tour and lunch. **Call Janice Vidrine @ 281-373-3044 or Kay Wheeler @ 281-890-1934** for additional information and to get your name on the list. **Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus.** Bus will depart at 7:00am from the Fairfield Village parking lot. However, please be there by 6:45am. Note: Dress comfortably.

NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES PLANS:

Thursday, November 9th: The Monthly Pot Luck is held at the Lakeside Trails Club House. It starts around 6:30pm. However, plan on being there early for socializing and fellowship. Then stay and join the group to play games after the meal and to finish up the desserts.

Tuesday, November 21st: Game Night at the Cooks' starts around 6:30pm. Directions are posted on the Activity details page of our web site. Directions will also be in our November 19th weekly planner. This is always a fun night with great fellowship. Just bring a little snack.

Thursday, November 23rd: No Game Night this month.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

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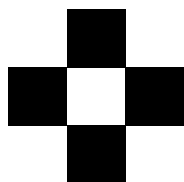
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The MOMS Club has numerous activities including playgroups, baby-sitting co-op, Moms Night Out, coupon swap, cooking and crafts.

Our next monthly all-member meeting will be held at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church located on Cypresswood Drive in Fairfield on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM.

For more information please contact Carissa Thompson, Membership VP at 281-256-6204 or email carissalt@sbcglobal.net with MOMS Club in the subject line.

*We are happily welcoming new moms at each meeting,
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Howdy Aggie Moms Dads & Aggies



Tuesday, November 13th, 2006 at 7:00 PM will be the next general meeting of the **Northwest Harris County Texas A&M University Mothers' Club** – known to many as **AGGIE MOMS** at: The Houston Distributing Company, Inc. **7100 High Life Drive**, Houston, TX 77066 just off Cutten Road and West of Beltway 8 and between 1960 & Hwy 249. Our featured speaker for the evening will be **Mr. Bill Byrne, Athletic Director for Texas A & M University**. At the same time, we want to invite all interested AGGIES, AGGIE MOMS and **AGGIE DADS** to join us for a Chili Dinner at 6:30 PM prior to Mr. Byrne speaking. Come see the AGGIE SPIRIT and AGGIE LOVE. See you there. WHOOP!

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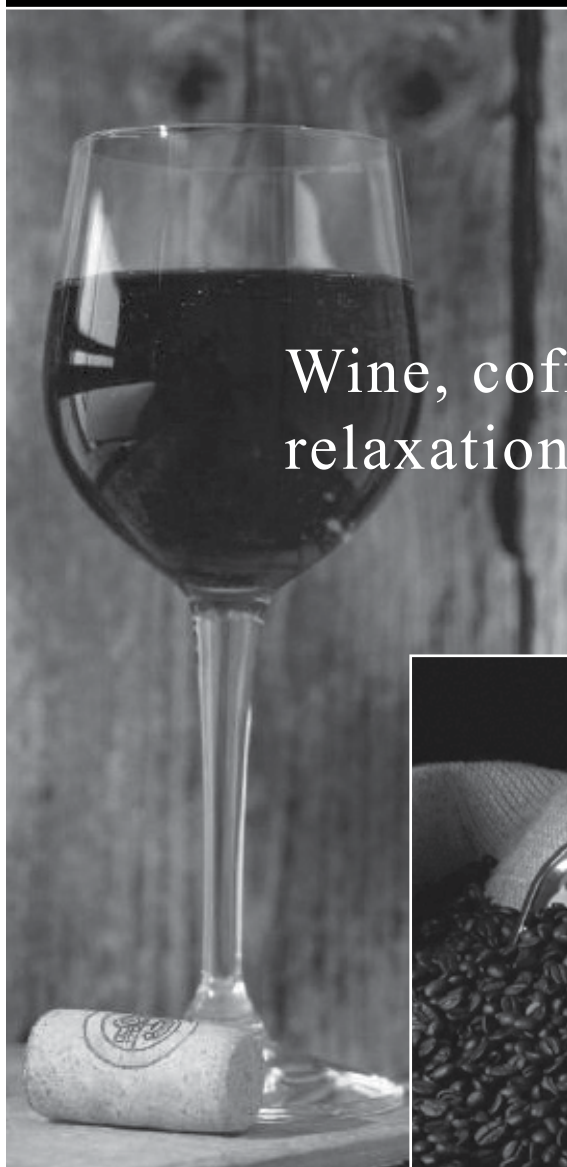
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Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club

CHILDREN: PRIORITY ONE is the motto of Kiwanis Clubs worldwide. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club, an affiliate of the International Kiwanis organization, will focus its services, programs and activities on this theme as it moves into its new year. Officers elected to serve for 2006-2007 are Terry Ortiz, president; David Paul, vice-president; George Crowl, secretary; Jim Meadows, treasurer and Steve Gleinser, immediate past president.. Peggy Presnell, Andria Vickery, John Carroll, and John Overton will serve on the Board of Directors.

On October 5, the Club generated approximately \$3000 by sponsoring its annual Golf tournament. Also, the Club began its sale of children's coloring books for the Christmas season. Books sell for \$6 each and can be obtained from any member and are available at several participating businesses. All funds will be used to support scholarships for high school seniors, Key Clubs, Boy and Girl Scout Troop activities or projects and other worth while services for children.

During the months of November and December, the Club will be collecting canned goods and money at the monthly meeting for distribution to families for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner. Donations received will be donated to the Cypress Assistance Ministries and the Bear Creek Assistance Ministry for distribution.

The Greater North Houston and the Cy-Fair Kiwanis Clubs hosted the Texas-Oklahoma District Governor, his wife, and other Division 3 Kiwanis Clubs on October 19 at a reception and dinner, held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. After a business meeting, the Governor addressed the group concerning his goals for the year and his project supporting the Disaster Training Program of the Salvation Army.

The Club meets three times a month at the Hearthstone Country Club in Hearthstone from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. for lunch, fellowship, and programs including guest speakers on subjects concerning the community and individuals. We invite you to visit with us and learn more about our organization (cost of lunch is \$10). Meeting dates for this month are November 7, 14, and 21. Reservations are not required.

Membership in Kiwanis is open to persons of good character who adhere to the standards of good conduct in their community and believe in and subscribe to the objects of Kiwanis International. If you would like to know more about Kiwanis and the service programs it promotes, call John Carroll at 281-463-0373; George Crowl at 832-467-1998; or Peggy Presnell at 281-304-7127.

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Little Lambs MDO & Preschool

Our students are having so much fun celebrating fall at Little Lambs. We had a great time at our fall festival. The huge slides were a big hit again this year! All of our classes heard some stories out by the pumpkin patch and picked out a special pumpkin to take home. Our 3-5 year-old classes also participated in the Little Lambs Olympics at Cypress Academy of Gymnastics. They are very proud of their gold medals! We would like to thank Cypress Academy for the wonderful experience our students had.



Now with the month of November here, we are ready to begin our Thanksgiving, nutrition and family theme units. We will celebrate Thanksgiving with our little pilgrims and Indians at our annual Thanksgiving feast. Our students are looking forward to the yummy treats at the feast. Our 4's and 5's will also have Donuts with Dad. All the children love to bring their dads to school for a special treat!

Little Lambs Mother's Day Out and Preschool is a weekday ministry of Good Shepherd United Methodist Church in Fairfield serving children from 18 months of age to five years. We have two and three day program options in our mother's day out and preschool. We also have a four day bridge program for children who are already five but are waiting another year before starting kindergarten. We will be conducting registration for the 2006-2007 school year in February. Watch for registration dates in upcoming newsletters. If you would like more information about our program or to enroll your child, please visit our website, littlamlamsmdo.org or give us a call at 281-373-0052.

Keith Elementary VIPS – Get Connected

Sock Hop:

A fun-filled time was had by all at the annual Sock Hop. Students, parents and staff enjoyed stepping back in time to the rocking 50's. Many thanks to all that supported our event!



VIPS:

Volunteers are busy with many events at the school. 5th graders are preparing for Exchange City, 1st graders are eagerly awaiting the outcome of their chicken eggs and 4th graders have had a fantastic time at ROPES. Many of our parents were involved in the first theme teacher luncheon. Teachers enjoyed a fall themed lunch consisting of ham, sweet potatoes, sweet desserts and more all prepared by the Theme Luncheon Committee.

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Among a cast of many talented actors, Josh Novick will play the ugly duckling, Keeley Lambert will play the mother, Aaron Freidman will play the father, and Caroline Carthey will play the wicked cat. Adults will appreciate the sophisticated humor in such characters as the Jazzy Bullfrog played by Ryan Moon and Maureen and Henrietta in addition to the nosey neighbors played by Jackie and Alayna Matranga.

As we see Ugly's true beauty "hidden" until the end, we are reminded as Christians that our life is "hidden" in Christ and He is molding us into His image! The classic tale reminds us again that what truly matters is the heart. Watch for tickets to go on sale in mid-October and join us for great family fun! Additional information is available on the school web site at www.CypressChristian.org or you may call the school at 281-469-8829. For group tickets contact Drama Director Lisa Matranga: Lisa.Matranga@CypressChristian.org or Music Director: Stephanie.Shepson@CypressChristian.org

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The proceeds from this sale benefit the Cy Fair Senior Class of 2007 Project Prom. Project Prom is a safe after party prom that all the seniors are invited to attend with food, games, loads of door prizes and more.

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The relationship between Cypress Christian School and Cypress Assistance Ministries (CAM) began many years ago and continues to this day. We have partnered to help meet the needs of families in crisis due to illness, job loss or other circumstance. Last fall, Cypress Christian participated in the effort to provide for Katrina families; and over the 2005 holidays, CCS hosted a food drive to stock the pantry at CAM.

Again this holiday season, CCS employees and students plan to contribute food items such as turkeys, canned goods, non-perishables, toiletry items, diapers, formula and more to meet the needs of those in the Cypress area. We urge you to join the effort to ensure that men, women and children in the Houston area do not go without. Please consider giving to your local food bank this season and beyond! You'll put smiles on many faces!

Cypress Assistance Ministries is located at 11202 Huffmeister and accepts donations from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Monday through Wednesday and 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Thursday through Saturday. If you need to speak to someone about donating, please call the Assistance Office at 281-955-7684.

Girl Scouts

Cypress Trails Service Unit

Cypress Trails is off to an awesome start this year. We are excited about the 8 new troops that were added from the rallies.

We had a great time at the Girl Planning Board Block Party in September and are looking forward to Ornament Making in November. If you missed out on the rallies, it is never too late to join Girl Scouts. We accept new girls all year long. Please contact Denise with any question at gradygill@hotmail.com

Congratulations Troop #5197!

This outstanding troop was recognized as Troop of the Month for September. The girls went to Schlitterbahn, earned a badge and had two meetings. Way to go Troop #5197!

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The Campout kicked off with an Opening Flag Ceremony and a Nature Scavenger Hunt. The Scouts also worked on various Achievements and Badges, including the Flag Football Beltloop, Fishing Beltloop/Pin, Outdoor Cooking, Emergency Preparedness and the Texas Badge.

All the Den's competed in the Pack's First Annual Chili Cookoff. The contest featured twelve different entries submitted by the various Dens'. The winning pot of chili was submitted by Wolf Den # . Now that the bar has been set, next year should be even tastier!

The highlight of the weekend was the campfire. Jokes, skits, songs and awards were presented around a roaring campfire. And, after all the fun, it was time for a solemn moment in which several Texas and American Flags were "retired" in the fire. The flag retirement ceremony is truly a moving experience and one that is held in highest regard by the Scouts. The Boy Scouts of America is one of only a few organizations that can legally retire the American flag.

The Webelos II Dens were also busy in September working on their Artist Badge. They even had a special guest, Kathy Harris, Art Teacher at Ault Elementary, stop by to discuss careers in art. A special thank you goes out to Ms. Harris from the Scouts.

Pack #1533 also wants to thank everyone who generously purchased popcorn from their Scout's. The popcorn will be delivered beginning November 11th. Please check back next month to see which Scout's were Top Popcorn Salesmen!

What a great time to be a Cub Scout! It's not too late to join the fun. Every boy is welcome; regardless of what school he attends. If you know of a boy (1st grade through 5th grade) who may be interested in Scouting, please feel free to contact Cubmaster, Ryan Potter at anpotter@ev1.net or Pack Committee Chairman, Tom Huber at tomh@tdspecialty.com for more information. Be sure to check out Pack #1533's website at www.pack1533.org for more news and great photos. It *is* a great time to be a Cub Scout, especially in Pack #1533.



Webelos II Dens visit with special guest Art Teacher Kathy Harris to complete their Artist Badge.



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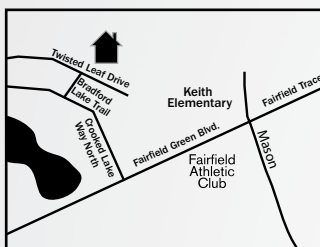
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Funds received through the resale shop help support the ministry services and Food Pantry at CAM.

Food Pantry

You can brighten the holidays for families in our community by donating the following items to be used for Thanksgiving Food Baskets:

- Turkeys
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Donations of paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates and paper cups are also greatly appreciated.

Christmas Baking Baskets

Imagine the holidays without your favorite cookies, candy or cake. A Baking Basket is a wonderful way to provide a CAM family with a special treat during the holidays. The baskets are put together using your favorite holiday cookie, cake or pie recipe along with all the ingredients needed to make the recipe. Be sure to remember flour, sugar, sprinkles, nuts and chocolate chips. Baking utensils or pans can also be added to the baskets. Let your imagination inspire you. Please bring the Baking Baskets to Cypress Assistance Ministries by December 15, 2006.

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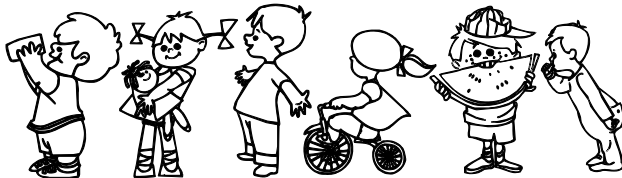
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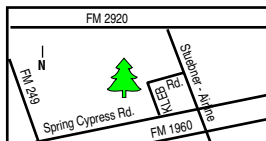


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Fairfield Athletic Club News

New Website

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Guests

If you are going to bring a guest with you to the FAC, you will need to pay a \$5.00 guest fee and have your guest sign a waiver. ALL guests must be accompanied by a resident.

Weight Room Orientation

Orientation will be offered at the club on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Please check the website to make sure of the dates, occasionally we do have to change our dates due to our trainer's schedule.

Weight Room Rules

No one under the age of 12 is allowed in the weight room. 12-14 year olds must have completed weight room orientation and be accompanied by an adult that is taking responsibility for them. 15 year olds must have completed weight room orientation. We would like to remind residents that proper athletic attire must be worn when working out. We will not allow residents to work out in jeans, blue-jean shorts, cargo pants or other non-athletic apparel.

Rentals

The Association rents out the Bradford Creek clubhouse, and The Lakeside Trails clubhouse. For rental fees please call the CeCe at 281-256-0065.

Adult Lap Swimming

If you are over the age of 18 you can sign a waiver and lap swim when the FAC is open. Please call the FAC about the time for lap swimming as it changes throughout the year. The phone number is 281-373-0834.

30 Minutes Senior Fit & Toning

Classes start Tuesday November 7, 2006. Do you want to tone, increase your strength & feel younger? Sign up now for Senior Fit & Toning with a Personal Trainer. Classes will include a variety of toning, stretching & strengthening exercises for all muscle groups with emphasis on breathing, balance and range of motion for a total body workout. Minimum Class size: 3 people. Maximum Class size: 4 people. Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Weight Room. Class dates are 11/7, 11/9, 11/14 & 11/16 from 8:30am – 9:00am and 9:30am – 10:00am.

30 Minutes Core Fitness Toning

Classes start Tuesday Nov 7th. Do you want to look great in all the right places? Sign up no for Core Fitness Toning with one of our certified Personal Trainers. Classes will include a variety of toning, stretching & Strengthening exercises for all muscle groups with emphasis on the body's core (shoulders, pecs, abs, gluts & hips) for a total body workout. Minimum class size is three; maximum class size is four. Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Weight Room. Dates are 11/7, 11/9, 11/14 & 11/16. 6:30am – 7:00am; 8:00am – 8:30am; 9:00am – 9:30am; 7:30pm – 8:00pm.

Please call Charlotte Byrne if you have any questions about either program (832)594-7656.

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Did You Know? You can't call yourself a Christian and not love Jesus Christ. True believers are more than simply people with an intellectual understanding of God. True believers have outward marks of belief which reflect their belief in Christ as Lord and Savior. Their hearts have been regenerated (born again), and their lives are characterized by repentance from dead works. They now live lives of obedience to God seeking to worship Him through their obedience.

Now the change of heart that Christians experience when they believe in Christ is not one of their own doing. All true Christians, prior to being saved, were dead in sin, and it is God alone – not our human choice – who brings us to life spiritually (Eph. 2:4). Then God instills new desires within the new hearts of new believers. God enables them to love Him and to worship Him. Salvation is utterly, in every facet, the work of God. Believers in Christ are new creatures, and their old form of life has passed away (2 Cor. 5:17). The grace God shows them is all His work, and that's why their salvation is called "grace." Eternal salvation in Christ comes BY God's grace, THROUGH faith in Christ, and it is UNTO good works (Eph. 2:8-10). The ability to perform godly works comes as a result of the washing and renewing work of the Holy Spirit within us (Titus 3:5). That cleansing work (called regeneration) is also a work of renovation. And our inward transformation manifests itself outwardly through our service to Jesus Christ.

Consider what Jesus says in John 10:26-27: ***You do not believe because you are not of My sheep. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. First, those who reject Jesus Christ are not his children.*** Conversely, those who do believe *are* God's children. Second, God's children hear the voice of Jesus – the Shepherd of God's sheep. **The idea of hearing Jesus' voice in John 10:27 is synonymous with following Jesus;** it carries the idea of discipleship. And discipleship involves leaving everything to follow Jesus (Mark 10:28; cf. Luke 5:11). God's true children not only hear Christ's voice, they follow that voice leaving everything else behind.

On the other hand, those who do not follow Jesus are not God's children. They are God's *creation*, for all are part of His creation; they're just not His children. And if they are not His children, then they are children of the devil (1 John 3:10). Now this truth may not get much attention from atheists, agnostics, and other unbelievers, but when you consider that most professed Christians today don't know a thing about God's Word it becomes a great concern. Why? Because most professed Christians today know little to nothing about the Bible, so therefore they don't ever "hear" Christ's voice leading them. And because most preachers care little about preaching truth from the Bible church-goers are rarely ever lead by or to Christ.

There are simply too many people today who call themselves Christians who aren't. They know nothing about what saving faith really is, and they know little to nothing about true love for Jesus. The only way to love Jesus is to know Jesus, and the only way to know Jesus is to read the Bible and see what the eyewitnesses of his life recorded. Bible readers will soon learn that Jesus is God incarnate, and He is the creator of the universe and the giver of eternal salvation. He rebukes sinfulness and the people who live continually in it. He offered himself as a once-and-for-all sacrifice to atone for man's sinfulness, and those who truly believe this live for Christ – they love him! And their outward actions loudly proclaim their love for Him.

Harvest Bible Church exists to glorify Christ by preaching His Word and living out our faith in everything we do. We are currently working our way verse-by-verse through the epistle of Hebrews on Sunday mornings and studying the superiority of Christ throughout this great letter in the New Testament. Come worship with us in our new facility at 14954 Mueschke Rd. at 10:30 each Sunday morning. Phone: 281-304-1441; Web: www.harvestbiblechurch.net



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Fairfield Baptist Church

Children's Ministry:

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God's Little Angels MDO is a two-day a week preschool program. We offer Tuesday and Thursday classes from 9 am to 2 pm, August through May. For information about enrolling your child for Fall 2006, contact Jenny Cunningham at 281-373-5446 or jenny.cunningham@fairfieldbaptist.com.

MDO Thanksgiving Feast November 16 as we thank God for all he has provided.

Karly Welch is offering a Christian-based preschool ballet class on Tuesday, after MDO, at 2:15 pm. For more information call 832-868-6014.

It is not too late to join AWANA, an exciting Christian program which emphasizes learning about God, memorizing scriptures in an interest grabbing way. Registration packets are available. Call 281-373-5446 for more information or check our website at www.fairfieldbaptist.com.

Looking for something more?

Looking for something more? Want to know what life should be about? Join **Men's Quest** each Wednesday at 6:00 am or 7:00 pm. Fall session ends Nov 15. Spring session resumes in January.

Ladies Christmas Banquet coming Friday, December 1. Admire the fabulous decorated tables. Share with your friends. Listen to a wonderful message how God can change lives!

Spring Ladies Bible Studies begin in January.

Jazzercise Classes meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm and on Saturday mornings at 9:15 am in the Education building. For more information, please call Kristine Lewis at (281) 855-8895.

Student Ministry '06 Fall Schedule:

Sunday 9:45 am—Sunday Morning Connection Group, 11:00 am—Worship, 5:00 pm—Free Shipping (student worship/study)

Wednesday 6:45 pm—Halftime in the Education Building

High School W-Now: In home overnight retreat designed for connected students to grow in their relationships with God and others. Begins Friday, November 10-Sunday, November 12, 2006. Cost is \$40. Check our website www.fairfieldbaptist.com or contact vickie.brumett@fairfieldbaptist.com for more information.

Services: Fairfield Baptist Church has **Worship Services** and Adult Community Groups at 9:45 and 11:00 am. Children's and Preschool age graded Sunday school meet at 9:45 am. KidStuf Live! Children's church meets at 11 am for Kinder -Grade 5 kids and their parents and for preschool at 11 am is Lil'K/Nursery. Our Adult Small Groups meet Sunday morning and off-campus throughout the week. Call for times and locations.

Location: We are located at 27240 Hwy 290 between Mueschke and Mason Roads. Due to road construction check our website for current access directions. For more information call us at 281-373-5446 or email us at info@fairfieldbaptist.com. Visit our **website** for current information on all activities, directions, events and schedule updates at www.fairfieldbaptist.com. Come check us out!

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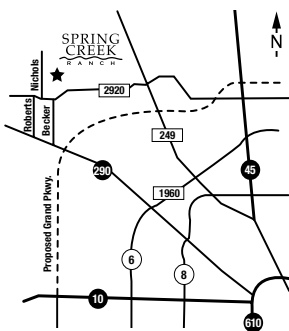
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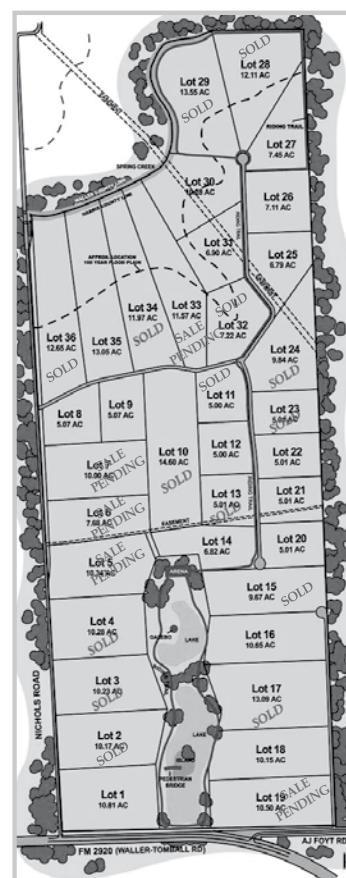
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The Thing I Value Most — It had been some time since Jack had seen the old man. College, girls, career, and life itself got in the way. In fact, Jack moved clear across the country in pursuit of his dreams. There, in the rush of his busy life, Jack had little time to think about the past and often no time to spend with his wife and son. He was working on his future, and nothing could stop him. Over the phone, his mother told him, "Mr. Belser died last night. The funeral is Wednesday." Memories flashed through his mind like an old newsreel as he sat quietly remembering his childhood days. "Jack, did you hear me?" "Oh, sorry, Mom. Yes, I heard you. It's been so long since I thought of him. I'm sorry, but I honestly thought he died years ago," Jack said. "Well, he didn't forget you. Every time I saw him he'd ask how you were doing. He'd reminisce about the many days you spent over 'his side of the fence' as he put it," Mom told him. "I loved that old house he lived in," Jack said. "You know, Jack, after your father died, Mr. Belser stepped in to make sure you had a man's influence in your life," she said. "He's the one who taught me carpentry," he said. "I wouldn't be in this business if it weren't for him. He spent a lot of time teaching me things he thought were important... Mom, I'll be there for the funeral," Jack said. As busy as he was, he kept his word. Jack caught the next flight to his hometown. Mr. Belser's funeral was small and uneventful. He had no children of his own, and most of his relatives had passed away. The night before he had to return home, Jack and his Mom stopped by to see the old house next door one more time. Standing in the doorway, Jack paused for a moment. It was like crossing over into another dimension, a leap through space and time. The house was exactly as he remembered. Every step held memories. Every picture, every piece of furniture... Jack stopped suddenly. "What's wrong, Jack?" his Mom asked. "The box is gone," he said. "What box?" Mom asked. "There was a small gold box that he kept locked on top of his desk. I must have asked him a thousand times what was inside. All he'd ever tell me was 'the thing I value most,'" Jack said. It was gone. Everything about the house was exactly how Jack remembered it, except for the box. He figured someone from the Belser family had taken it. "Now I'll never know what was so valuable to him," Jack said. "I better get some sleep. I have an early flight home, Mom." It had been about two weeks since Mr. Belser died. Returning home from work one day Jack discovered a note in his mailbox. "Signature required on a package. No one at home. Please stop by the main

post office within the next three days," the note read. Early the next day Jack retrieved the package. The small box was old and looked like it had been mailed a hundred years ago. The handwriting was difficult to read, but the return address caught his attention. "Mr. Harold Belser" it read. Jack took the box out to his car and ripped open the package. There inside was the gold box and an envelope. Jack's hands shook as he read the note inside. "Upon my death, please forward this box and its contents to Jack Bennett. It's the thing I valued most in my life." A small key was taped to the letter. His heart racing, as tears filling his eyes, Jack carefully unlocked the box. There inside he found a beautiful gold pocket watch. Running his fingers slowly over the finely etched casing, he unlatched the cover. Inside he found these words engraved: "Jack, Thanks for your time! Harold Belser." "The thing he valued most... was... my time." Jack held the watch for a few minutes, then called his office and cleared his appointments for the next two days. "Why?" Janet, his assistant asked. "I need some time to spend with my son," he said. "Oh, by the way, Janet... thanks for your time!" Have a blessed day... and thanks for your time. —author unknown

We invite you to come to church this Sunday and join in on celebrating and adoring God almighty who has done, and will do, great things in the lives of believers.

Sunday mornings at 9:30am we have a special adult bible class entitled, "*The Answers to All of Life's Struggles*." We also have other Bible Classes for all ages taught by loving, well prepared, Christians utilizing the latest in educational techniques and the finest bible curriculums.

Worship is at 10:30am and each service is carefully thought out and planned by our worship ministry leaders. Every service is meant to bring glory to the name of Jesus and help each person realize how wonderful it is when you fall in love with Jesus as your savior.

At 5:00pm on Sunday evenings we have home Bible Study/Fellowship groups that study life issues and pursue the topic, "*How Do I Get Ready For Monday Morning?*"

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MINISTRY THE HEART OF WORSHIP

We get together in members' homes in groups we call Mid-Week Connection. We sing God's praises, study God's Word, pray for those with needs, and fellowship. This is a great time to pause in the middle of a busy week and be re-energized. What an important time of refreshing, to feed our body, Soul, and Spirit. Come join us Gear up for the fall and come "Take the Journey" to the cross, through the cross, and with the cross. This is a wonderful study on the power of the cross to save, deliver, and keep us. This is a great time to come and bring a friend, coworker, or neighbor to share in the miracle of God's grace. This study will transform you; you will never be the same again.

BIBLE STUDY FOR LADIES

Ladies, join us for an empowering Bible study every Thursday morning at 10:00 at our church. We are involved in the inspirational study by Beth Moore, "Believing God." Come ready to change your life forever.

YOUTH AND KIDS – HAVE WE GOT FUN FOR YOU!

Youth and Kids, are you looking for a positive atmosphere that is magnetically charged with "Holy Spirit" power. Have we got the place for you – Fountain of Life Fellowship. We have two exciting groups to tell you about. One, *Youth Group* for 6th – 12th graders, especially geared toward Youth, with the vibrant today's sound with Christian lyrics, Bible study and activities.

The other, *Kidz Klub*, for k - 5th graders, geared toward the active, "bouncing off the walls" temperament of the elementary aged kids.

JOIN US FOR SOME HOLIDAY FUN

As we prepare our homes for the holidays, let us also prepare our hearts as well and build a relationship with the Lord. Our heart is to bring families and friends together for some good old fashioned fun. One such event is, the day after Thanksgiving. On that Friday, our ladies get together for a day of fun, shopping, tea, and fellowship at Old Town Spring. Yes, we shop 'til we drop. Come and join our ladies for this special event.

BAPTISM

We have a baptismal service each month. Jesus commanded believer's baptism in Matthew 28:18-19 and Mark 16:15-16. Peter and Philip also taught that baptism follows belief in Acts 2:38 and Acts 8:36-37. Baptism is the believer's outward demonstration and testimony of what Christ did for us all, in His death, burial and resurrection. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and You've never been baptized, we encourage you call our church today to sign up for baptism.

OUR OPEN INVITATION

We are each special and unique and God's love is more than sufficient to meet all our needs. Here, at Fountain of Life Fellowship, we provide hope for the hopeless and a sanctuary for those who are weary. Our open invitation is for you to join us in our congregational service on Sunday morning or in one of our small mid week groups.

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	11:00	Contemporary Worship in the Gym
	11:00	KidsRock (4 years old by Sept. 1 through 5 th grade)
Sun. Evening	11:00	Adult Education Opportunities
	5:00	KidSpirit Plus
	5:30	Sunday Night Youth Group
Sat. Night	6:00	Common Grounds Worship in the Sanctuary
	6:00	Children's Education and Nursery (start drop off at 5:45)
	7:00	Young Adult and Adult Life Groups

Nursery care is offered during each service for immunized babies – 3 yr olds.

Join us for **KidSpirit PLUS!**

All children ages 4 yrs old (as of 9/1/06) through 3rd Grade begin with Large Group Fun. It's BIG surprise, BIG excitement and God's Word presented in a BIG-time cool way. At 5:40pm, our Small Groups journey to the gym for run around fun with games that reinforce the Bible point. And finally from 6:10-6:30pm, each Small Group digs into God's truth while building relationships with our friends.

4th & 5th Graders have their own time together for a Bible study that's designed to meet their specific needs as they move towards their teenage years. Girls & Guys hang out in the gym from 5-5:30pm, then they head to their own classrooms for small groups as they study God's Word and the message He has for each of them.

Parent Connect is a time to discover ways to teach your children about God by finding creative ways to apply the teachings for the week from 5:45-6:25pm. If you have questions about Parent Connect, or would like info, contact Pastor Rick at gsmrick@sbcglobal.net.

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watchWord Bible Study

We are studying the minor prophets of the Old Testament. Daily Bible reading, but no homework will be required. Email Pastor Bill bhaygood@sbcglobal.net. Join us Wednesdays at 7:30pm.

Praxis Men's Bible Study

Men are welcome to join us each Wed. morning, 6-6:30am for a fall study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth. Come enjoy study, discussion, and coffee before work. Email gsmrick@sbcglobal.net.

Women of the Word

Our **Nov 7th** gathering at **7 pm** in the M/P room will be a talk on "Holiday Stress" with our own Guy Gourley, Christian Counselor. Childcare is available by reservation if requested by October 31st. Call Cynthia at 281 304 0869.

United Methodist Men

On the first Saturday of every month, the Men of Good Shepherd gather for a wonderful breakfast, joining in fellowship, service, and fun. Our next meeting is **November 4th at 8 am.**

First Ladies(50 +)

November 14th will be the ladies next bus trip. They will tour the National Weather Service, enjoy lunch at Wild Rose Tea Room, and Shop in League City. Call Shirley 281-373-4432 or Sue 281-213-3312 to sign up or find out more out this great group of ladies.

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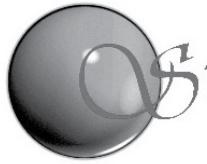
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Here are some of the reasons for gums receding which can cause sensitivity to cold or even worse, over time, damage the nerve for good.

Bite being a problem, as the bite may be putting too much force on certain teeth. Make sure your dentist checks your bite thoroughly at every visit since it changes frequently.

The gums around the teeth are very thin, thus easy to recede due to the above reason.

A crown that is put on a tooth is too thick at its edge, which goes down inside the gums, thus irritating the gums and making it recede. You will see continuous redness instead of pink, firm gums.

Bacterial infection from just not brushing and flossing well can also make the gums recede.

Treatments such as fillings, gum grafting, and just simple fluoride treatments are available. However, same thing will recur if the cause is not taken care of first.

In the mean time, if you have any dental related questions, please email me at sundranids@yahoo.com, and I will happily respond to your inquiries.

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Who are we?

We love Jesus. We are growing through study of the bible. We find life and purpose in relationships. We exist to pursue God in the company of friends.

What can you expect?

At Trinity Vineyard Church we invite people to come as they are. Everyone is welcome. Our style is informal and our dress is casual. Our services start with 30 minutes of music led by our worship band.

After a brief prayer, we announce upcoming events and then we have a short coffee break. We hope this can be a time where new friendships are discovered and developed. Also during the coffee break, parents can escort their children to our children's ministry. After the break, you'll hear a teaching from the Bible that will encourage you in your pursuit of knowing God. The teaching will usually end with a growth point - an action step that you could take to continue pursuing God. Sometimes our services will end with another worship song, other times we will end with a simple prayer. After the service you will have the opportunity to receive prayer, if you so desire. Our services last about 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Who is invited?

Imperfect people of all ages, backgrounds, and cultures are welcome to attend.

When are our Gatherings?

We meet on Sunday mornings. The morning service begins at 10:30 am. Children's programs are provided for those 6 months - 5th grade.

Mid-week small groups are another opportunity to join us. We study the bible together, pray for each other, and do life together. Email or call for more info.

Teenagers can join us on Sunday nights at 6 pm for *The Gathering*.

What is our Location?

We are located on Cypress North Houston between Huffmeister and Telge. 12022 Knigge Cemetery Road; Cypress, TX 77433

What is our contact information?

Visit our web page at www.TrinityVineyard.cc. Our phone # is 281-897-8463. Our email is info@TrinityVineyard.cc

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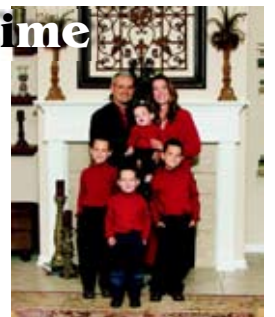
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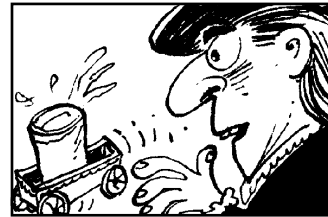


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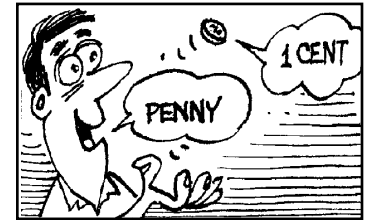
When a giraffe is born, it falls from a height of six feet, usually unharmed.

Ten percent of the Russian government's income comes from the sale of vodka.



Hang on to your glass. Prior to 1750, coasters originally came with small wheels so drinks could be moved across a table. Sometimes shaped like tiny wagons, they were also known as sliders.

Technically, the coin that we call a penny does not exist. At the U.S. Mint, it's officially called a "cent."



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Texas Events - November

1-4—HARLINGEN: Dia de los Muertos Exhibit Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum. (Began Sep. 19.) 956/215-4901

2—HARLINGEN: Dinning by Design Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Harlingen Country Club. 956/425-1204

2—HARLINGEN: Native Plant Tour/Harlingen Thicket Explore the diverse, native arroyo brush, which attracts wildlife with its blooms and fruit. Begins at 9 a.m. Harlingen Thicket Bird Sanctuary. 956/364-1410

2—PEARLAND: Celebrity Murder Mystery Dinner Theater www.leisure-express.com/mm.shtml 281/652-1673

2—WHARTON: Circus Sponsored by the Pilot Club. 979/532-1862

2-5—GALVESTON: Lone Star Rally Includes more than 300 vendors and exhibitors, live entertainment from 30 bands, U.S. Navy ship tours, daily poker runs, biker church service with Blessing of the Bikes and more. www.lonestarrally.com 281/597-8800

3—GROVES: First Friday Downtown Groves. E-mail: gchamberofcommerce@gt.rr.com 409/962-3631

3—HARLINGEN: *Spoken Word* Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum. 956/216-4901

3-4—HARLINGEN: Annual School Festival/St. Anthony Includes kiddie rides and children's games, live music, food, drinks and more. St. Anthony Church & School Grounds. 956/428-6111

3-4—LAKE JACKSON: St. Michael's Craft Show 979/297-4139

3-5—ARLINGTON: Holiday Magic Features holiday items for sale. Arlington Convention Center. 817/459-5000

3, 5, 7, 9, 11—HOUSTON: Mozart's *Don Giovanni* Houston Grand Opera. Wortham Theater Center. 713/228-6737 or 800/626-7372

3, 10, 17, 24—SAN BENITO: Texas Country Band Hours are 7:30 to 10 p.m. Fun 'N Sun RV Resort. 956/399-5800

4—FULTON: Rockport-Fulton Farmers' Market Hours are 8 a.m. to noon. Fulton Harbor Park. 361/463-1231

4—HARLINGEN: Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk This is a non-competitive fun walk. 956/440-0636

4—HARLINGEN: Annual Bazaar Begins at 11 a.m. First United Methodist, 321 E. Harrison St. 956/423-0540

4—HARLINGEN: Jackson Street Market Day Offers an old-fashioned open-air street fair. Downtown. 956/423-4041

4—HARLINGEN: Marine Military Academy Birthday Ball Parade Marine Military Academy Parade Grounds, 320 Iwo Jima Blvd. 956/423-6006 ext. 235

4—HOUSTON: Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra* Houston Grand Opera. 713/228-6737 or 800/626-7372

4—LAKE JACKSON: Brazosport Art League Gallery Opening: Gift of Art & Silent Auction Center for the Arts & Sciences. 979/265-7971

4—MANVEL: The Naked Rib Smokehouse Car Show Hours are 6 to 10 p.m. 19405 Hwy. 6. 281/489-1000

4—ORANGE: Holiday in the Park Includes food, craft items and entertainment. WESCO Baseball Park. 409/883-3468

4—PEARLAND: Kid's Fish Fest Kids, ages 3 to 16, are invited to experience the joy of fishing. Centennial Park. www.leisureexpress.com/fishfest.shtml 281/652-1673

4—SAN BENITO: Narciso Martinez Quinceanera Gala Hours are 7 p.m. to midnight. Narciso Martinez Cultural Arts Center, 225 Stenger St. 956/361-0110

4—SINTON: Citywide Market Downtown. www.sintontexas.org 361/364-2307

4—WHARTON: Boling Lions Club Carnival Includes games, food and more. Boling High School Practice Field. 979/532-1862

4-5—GALVESTON: *I Can't Stop Loving You* — The Music of Ray Charles

The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

4-5—PALACIOS: Texas Fishermen's Seafood Festival Includes vendors, carnival, barbecue cook-off, motorcycle rally and contests. South Bay Boulevard. www.texasfishermensfestival.com 800/611-4567

4-5—PEARLAND: Circus Days in Pearland FM 518, adjacent to the old Randall's Shopping Center. www.candbcircus.com 281/482-5588

4-5—ROSENBERG: Fort Bend County Antique & Collectible Market Fort Bend County Fairgrounds. E-mail: info@cwgs.com • www.cwgs.com 512/441-2828

5—BEAUMONT: Mamie McFaddin-Ward's Birthday Open House McFaddin-Ward House. www.mcfaddin-ward.org 409/832-2134

5—PORT ISABEL: 13th Annual World Championship Shrimp Cook-Off Have fun watching, eating and seeing the preparation of fresh Gulf shrimp. Crowds are entertained with live music. www.portisabel.org 956/943-2262 or 800/527-6102

8—SAN BENITO: *El Second Weensdee* Oral history series on conjunto music. Begins at 7 p.m. The Narciso Martinez Cultural Arts Center. 956/361-0110

8-12—HARLINGEN: Rio Grande Valley Birding Festival Includes a Birder's Bazaar with vendors, seminars & keynote presentations, workshops, youth activities, guided field trips, special birding activities and more. Harlingen Municipal Auditorium and Casa de Amistad. www.rgvbirdfest.com 800/531-7346

10—HARLINGEN: History of the Harlingen Public Library Hours are 2 to 4 p.m. Harlingen Public Library. 956/345-4758

10-11—DEER PARK: Creative Hands Crafts Sale Jimmy Burke Activity Center. www.deerparktx.gov 281/478-2050

10-11—GALVESTON: *Man of La Mancha* The Grand 1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

10-11—PEARLAND: First United Methodist Pearland Gift Alley Includes high-end arts & crafts, silent auction, music and a children's activity area. First United Methodist Church. www.fumcpearland.org 281/485-1466

10-12—BEAUMONT: Seventh Annual Spindletop Film Festival This festival is a great way to meet Hollywood insiders and professionals involved in all aspects of filmmaking. www.lamar.edu 409/880-8490

10-13, 17-18—BROWNSVILLE: *I Remember Mama* 1 Dean Porter Park. www.camilleplayers.cjb.net 956/542-8900

11—BEAUMONT: Flamin' Hot Car Show The museum grounds will be full of hot rods, street rods, muscle cars, antique and classic cars, trucks, mustangs, import cars and vettes. Includes food vendors and kids games. Fire Museum of Texas. www.firemuseumoftexas.org 409/880-3927

11—EDNA: Annual Flag Retirement for Veteran's Day Begins at 2 p.m. Lake Texana State Park. 361/782-5718

11—EDNA: Christmas in the Outback Arts & crafts show is held in conjunction with the Texana Chili Spill at Brackenridge on Lake Texana. Hafernick Center, Brackenridge Plantation Park. www.jacksoncountytexas.com 361/782-7146

11—GALVESTON: Eighth Annual Texas Aviation Hall of Fame Induction Gala Black-tie optional event celebrates aviation pioneers and heroes of Texas. Begins at 6 p.m. Lone Star Flight Museum. www.lonestarflight.org 888/354-4488

11—HARLINGEN: Kidsfish Dixieland Lake Park. 956/216-5950

11—HARLINGEN: Veterans Day Parade Iwo Jima Monument at Marine Military Academy. www.mma-tx.org 956/423-6006 ext. 235

11—PORT ARTHUR: St. Catherine of Siena "Taste of Culture" Includes cultural music and food. 409/962-3011

11—SANTA FE: Wine & Stars Party Haak Winery, 6310 Ave. T. www.haakwine.com 409/925-1401

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FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY GAZETTE

Texas Events - (Continued from Page 49)

11—WEST COLUMBIA: Brazoria County Bluegrass Concert American Legion. www.westcolumbia.org 979-265-4757

11—WEST COLUMBIA: Veterans Day Open House Special patriotic display includes honors, medals, uniforms and personal tributes to Brazoria County veterans. Columbia Historical Museum. 979/345-6125

11-12—HOUSTON: 17th Annual Texas Championship Powwow Includes colorful tribal dance contests, an Indian artist and traders arts & crafts tent, honoring ceremonies, singing, dancing and more. Traders Village. www.tradersvillage.com 281/890-5500

11-12—PASADENA: 25th Annual Martyn Farm Fall Festival Includes demonstrations, farm animals, antique machines, crafts, music, storytellers, rides and more. Armand Bayou Nature Center. www.abnc.org 281/474-2551

11-12—TEXAS CITY: Model Train Festival Features modular layouts and interactive kids layouts. Museum & Showboat Pavilion. www.texas-city-tx.org 409/643-5799

11-Dec. 24—SPRING: Home for the Holidays Celebrate the season with more than 150 shops offering unique gifts from around the world. www.otsid.com 281/288-2355

12—GALVESTON: 16th Annual Lone Star Flight Museum Fly Day Feel the excitement as WWII bombers and fighters take to the skies. Lone Star Flight Museum. www.lonestarflight.org 888/354-4488

12—GALVESTON: The Levee Singers — A Trip Down Memory Lane The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

12—TEXAS CITY: Taste of the Town & Auction Showcases area restaurants. Mall of the Mainland. www.texascitychamber.com 409/935-1408

16—HARLINGEN: Christmas Tree Extravaganza Opens the Christmas Tree

Forest Exhibit. Hours are 6 to 9 p.m. Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum. 956/216-4901

16-19—HARLINGEN: *Murder at the Howard Johnson's* (Comedy) Harlingen Performing Arts Theatre. 956/412-7529

16-Jan. 8—HARLINGEN: Christmas Tree Forest Exhibit Be enchanted by the creativity and spirit of a forest of Christmas trees. Call to schedule a tour. Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum. 956/216-4901

17—HARLINGEN: Alpin Hong Pianist — Harlingen Concert Association Harlingen Municipal Auditorium. 956/748-3020

17—HARLINGEN: Feast of Sharing Dinner celebrates Thanksgiving Day. Harlingen Community Center. 956/423-5440

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

17—WHARTON: Christmas-on-the-Square Take in the holiday season with the Christmas tree-lighting spectacular at 6:30 p.m. 979/532-1862

17—WHARTON: Lighted Holiday Parade Begins at 7 p.m. 979/532-1862

17-19—WHARTON: Cowboy Christmas 979/531-0000 or 979/532-1862

17-19, 30—VICTORIA: *Nuncrackers* Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts. www.theatrevictoria.org 361/576-6277

18—BAY CITY: Market Day www.visitbaycity.org 800/806-8333

18—BEAUMONT: Jefferson Theatre Presents Vocalist Cassandra Black Begins at 7:30 p.m. Jefferson Theatre. www.sost.org 409/892-2257

18—GALVESTON: *Jesus Christ, Superstar* The Grand 1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

18—KEMAH: Seventh Annual Beat the Heat Kemah Boardwalk. www.kemahboardwalk.com 281/334-9880

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18—LA PORTE: Hard Hat Tour Battleship *Texas* State Historic Site. 281/479-2431 ext. 234

18—LAKE JACKSON: Festival of Lights Lake Jackson Civic Center & Plaza. 979/297-4533

18—SAN BENITO: Arts & Crafts Show Fun 'N Sun RV Resort. 956/399-5800

18—TOMBALL: Holiday Parade Features more than 175 entries. FM 2920/Main Street. Miss Tomball Pageant is held at the Tomball Intermediate School. www.tomballchamber.org 281/351-7222

18—VICTORIA: Market Days DeLeon Plaza. www.victoriatx.org 361/485-3200

18-Jan. 7—GALVESTON: Moody Gardens Festival of Lights Moody Gardens. 800/582-4673

19—EL CAMPO: Polka Expo Features polka dancing, various bands and craft booths. Silver Wings Ballroom. www.kulpradio.com 979/543-3303

19—GROVES: Christmas Tree Trail to Groves Find specialty gifts and more. Downtown Groves. 409/962-3631

23—BEAUMONT: Thanksfest Historic Downtown Beaumont. www.crockettstreet.com 409/832-2944

23—HOUSTON: Holiday Parade Route travels 20 blocks throughout downtown Houston. www.hebparade.com 713/654-8808

24—GALVESTON: Harbor Parade of Lights & Boat Festival View the decorated boats. Pier 21. 409/763-7080

24—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Lighting of the Island Join Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus for the official lighting, refreshments and caroling. South Padre

Island Visitors Center. 800/767-2373

24-25—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: South Padre Island Division I Invitational Basketball Tournament Teams from around the nation hoop it up. 800/767-2373

25—GALVESTON: ArtWalk Galveston's Historic Downtown District. www.galvestonartscenter.org 409/763-2403

25—KEMAH: Nutcracker Vignette Kemah Boardwalk. www.kemahboardwalk.com 281/334-9880

25-26, 30-Dec. 3—CLUTE: Elizabethan Madrigal Feast Begins at 7 p.m. Center for the Arts & Sciences. 979/265-7661

27—HARLINGEN: *Folkways* Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum. 956/216-4901

28—DEER PARK: Christmas Tree Lighting Includes musical entertainment, Santa appearance, and turning on of Christmas lights. Municipal Court Building. www.deerpark.org 281/479-1559

28—HARLINGEN: 15th Annual Lights for Life Tree Lighting Ceremony Features tree lighting, caroling and visit from Santa. East Tower of Valley Baptist Hospital. www.valleybaptist.net 956/389-1024

28—SAN BENITO: Fall Fun Festival Fun 'N Sun RV Resort. 956/399-5800

29—HARLINGEN: Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra Harlingen Municipal Auditorium. 956/748-3020

30—HARLINGEN: Arroyo Holiday Lighting Features performances by local groups and Santa Claus. McKelvey Park. 956/423-5440

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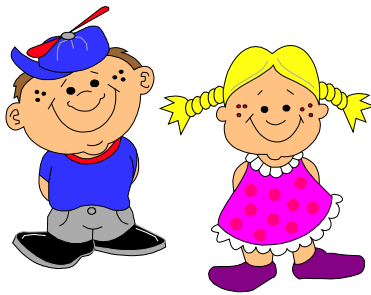
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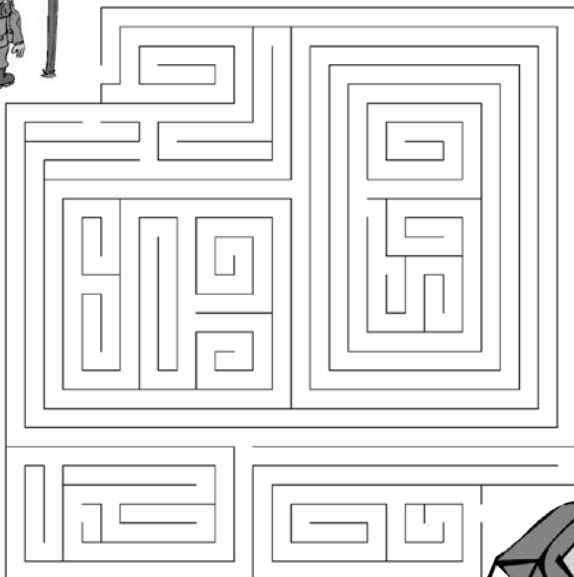
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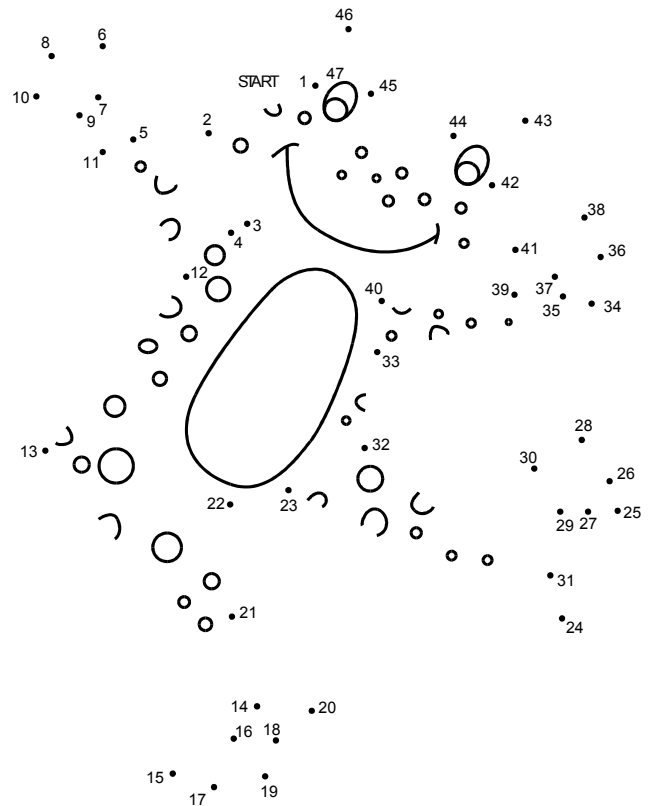
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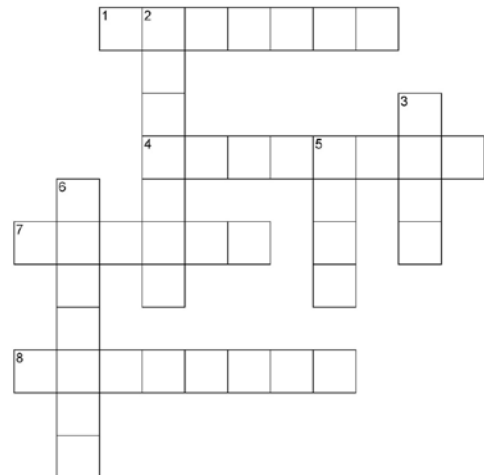
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Kidz Crossword Puzzle

Instructions: Match the correct answer with each clue to complete the puzzle.



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Clue

Answer Clue

Answer

1. Language spoken in Mexico

George

2. We eat at the movies

Dentist

4. Capital of Ohio

Birthday

3. 6th month each year

Milk

7. Our President's first name

Spanish

5. Cheese is made from...

June

8. Your special day

Columbus

6. Fixes teeth

Popcorn

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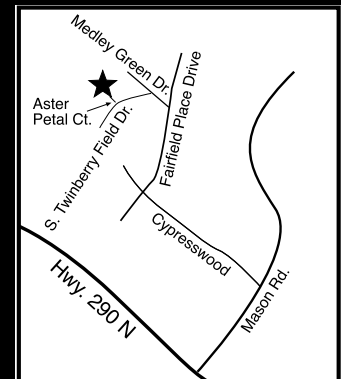
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(NAPSA)-"Losing your mind" is the tongue-in-cheek term used to describe the loss in memory that we experience as we age. Although a decline in memory is a normal aging process, researchers are looking for ways to delay its onset or progression or, better yet, prevent it altogether. So far, the best strategies for preserving brain health appear to be the very same ones that may also protect against other chronic diseases such as heart disease and cancer: a healthy diet and exercise.

New research shows that eating delicious foods such as strawberries may help prevent the decline in learning and motor skills commonly seen with aging. In a new study out of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University, researchers sped up the aging process in laboratory animals and then added strawberries to their meals. These additions to their diet helped preserve the animals' ability to learn, remember and relearn different patterns in a maze.



Strawberry preserve: Anti-oxidant-rich strawberries may help keep the brain healthy as we age.

There are several reasons why strawberries may be effective. Previous research has shown that damage to the brain by harmful substances called free radicals plays an important role in the decline of brain function. Strawberries are rich in anti-oxidants that destroy these free radicals; a study ranking the anti-oxidant content per serving of over 1,000 foods and beverages ranked strawberries third overall, behind only blackberries and walnuts.

Strawberries are an excellent source of vitamin C and other anti-oxidants that may help protect the brain as it ages. Strawberries are also a good source of folate, an important B vitamin that, along with vitamin B12, helps maintain normal levels of a protein called homocysteine. An analysis of older U.S. women in a 2004 Nurses' Health Study found that those women with the highest levels of folate and vitamin B12 were cognitively equivalent to being about five years younger.

It's easy to incorporate strawberries into meals and snacks. Strawberries are a terrific way to get your morning off to a great start: Top a whole-grain English muffin with low-fat cream cheese and sliced strawberries or make a smoothie with fresh berries. Strawberries can be a sweet addition to any salad. You can dress up entrées of grilled chicken, beef or broiled seafood with salsas or sauces made with strawberries. And they can be added to desserts or simply eaten whole or sliced for an end-of-meal treat or snack.

So add some anti-oxidant-rich fruits such as strawberries into your diet as often as you can. Your brain will thank you for it.

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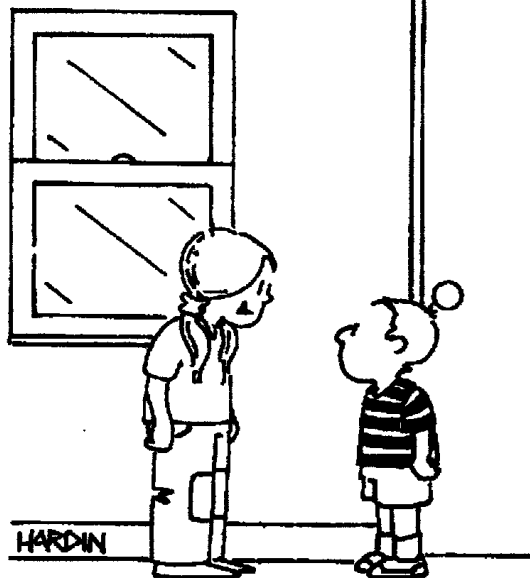
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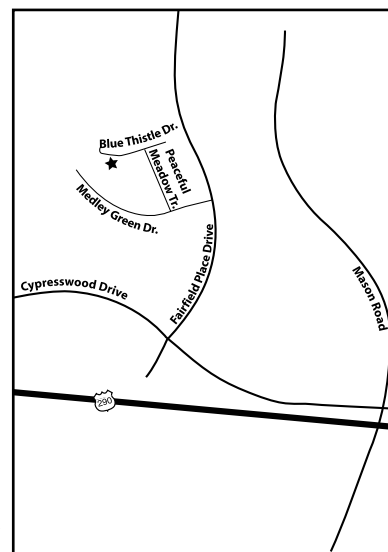
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It's not just cutting calories

Eating less, or cutting back on fat in your diet, won't keep the weight off. What you really need to do is strike a good balance between the number of calories you consume and the number you burn. And the only way to do that is to exercise.

Don't groan! By exercising, you can lose weight while you eat more calories than if you simply went on a diet. Regular physical activity is much more effective at keeping the weight off in the long run than any diet.

One choice is aerobic exercise

With aerobic exercise, you can lose weight without drastically reducing the calories you consume or sacrificing important nutritional needs. One reason for this is because aerobic exercise not only elevates your metabolism while you're exercising, it can also keep it elevated even after you're done, depending of course on how long and how strong you exercise.

You've probably heard about exercise programs that actually turn your body into a "fat-burning machine." Aerobics can do that. An aerobic program you stick with can help you lose weight easier because it can stimulate your body and make it burn calories.

If weight control is your goal, some types of aerobic activity will work better than others. Low-impact aerobics, like walking, step aerobics and low-impact aerobic dance are your best bets. Some good no-impact aerobic activities you can benefit from include swimming, bicycling and rowing.

If you're just getting started, begin with as

little as 15 minutes of low-impact aerobics three times a week. Gradually increase to 30 minutes of moderate aerobic activity four times a week.

Strength training = weight management



Your muscles burn calories during physical activity. What you may not know is your muscles also burn calories when your body is at rest. Increase your muscle mass, and you'll be increasing your body's capacity to burn calories both during activity and at rest.

Add to that the research that shows diets that restrict calories substantially can cause the loss of lean muscle mass, along with the loss of fat. By incorporating strength training into your activity program, as well as following a moderate diet, you'll be able to maintain lean muscle mass while you lose fat.

Start any strength-training program with one set of exercises and a weight that allows

you to complete eight to 12 repetitions. Your program should exercise your legs, arms, chest and upper back. If you want to strengthen your stomach and lower back, increase the number of repetitions with weights that offer less resistance.

Success means good eating and good exercise

Follow a moderate low-fat diet and an exercise program that combines aerobic activity and strength training. That's the key to losing weight - and keeping it off.

Begin slowly with exercises you find comfortable and build as your body becomes accustomed to the activity level. Don't start out too hard or too fast. Chances are you may injure yourself or quit before you've done yourself much good.

And remember, you can't lose weight overnight. Set a realistic weight-loss goal for yourself - like one to two pounds a week - eat healthy, get going on a program of regular physical activity, and you'll be delighted by what you accomplish.

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2 eggs
1 tsp. vanilla
1 C sour cream
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1 tsp. soda
½ tsp. salt



Cream margarine and sugar until fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla and beat. Combine dry ingredients; and add alternately with sour cream. **Do not over beat.** Spread half of batter into a greased and floured 10x13" cake pan. Sprinkle half the topping mixture over this. Spread rest of batter on and top with remaining topping mixture. Bake at 350° about 30 minutes. When done, drizzle mixture of 1 C powdered sugar, 2 T milk and ½ tsp. vanilla over hot cake.

Topping: ½ C brown sugar
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A Merry Cherry Twist On Holiday Cheer

(NAPSA)-Forget the dancing sugar plums. Here's a way to create an elegant and memorable holiday dessert in a snap using cherries. Some may appreciate the fact that while this dessert is full of holiday cheer, it can be made just as easily without the alcohol.

This one-of-a-kind martini-inspired dessert is made with frozen, dark sweet cherries that are grown and harvested in summer. Freezing captures the cherries' height of flavor and juiciness, making the sweet taste of summer available all year. Try substituting cherries-fresh or frozen-for raspberries, strawberries and other fruits in your favorite recipes.

Cherry Martini Dessert

Yield: 4 servings

- 1 10-oz. or 12-oz. bag of frozen dark sweet cherries
- ¼ cup almond liqueur or orange juice
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 12 lady fingers, split in half lengthwise
- ¼ cup whipped cream

Mix cherries, liqueur (or orange juice) and sugar; marinate 1 hour or longer. Arrange lady fingers against sides of 4 martini glasses. Just before serving, spoon ½ cup cherries over lady fingers in each glass. Swirl 1 tablespoon whipped cream on top. Garnish with a Maraschino cherry if desired. Angel food cake or pound cake cut into 3x1½-inch strips may be substituted for lady fingers. Lightly toast strips if desired.

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Resistant Bacteria Increasing Source Of Muscle Infection

Baylor College of Medicine

An antibiotic-resistant bacteria called methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) is increasingly a cause of muscle infections in children, said Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) researchers in a report in the journal Clinical Infectious Diseases.

The report appears online at <http://www.journals.uchicago.edu/CID/journal/contents/v43n8.html> in the October 15, 2006, issue.

"We had noticed an increase in the number of muscle infections," said Dr. Pia Pannaraj, a post-doctoral fellow in the department of pediatrics' section of infectious diseases at BCM. She said that in recent years, she and her colleagues at Texas Children's Hospital had started to see a case of the MRSA muscle infection every month. In the cases she studied, the infection was acquired in the community, she said.

"I think it is important for parents to be aware that this bacterial infection can exist," she said. "They should seek care from their child's primary physician if there are symptoms of such an infection, such as a child limping or if there is redness or swelling in an extremity."

Houston, in particular, has a high rate of MRSA infections. More than 75 percent of community-acquired staphylococcal infections treated at Texas Children's Hospital are MRSA (resistant to the antibiotics commonly used to treat these infections in the past), she said. The rate of such infections is increasing nationwide.

In surveying patient records, Pannaraj and her colleagues found that in 60 percent of the 45 previously healthy children with the muscle infections called myositis and pyomyositis, the cause was a form of bacteria – either Staphylococcus aureus or Streptococcus pyogenes. The infections occurred between 2000 and 2005. Fifteen of the 26 S. aureus infections tested were methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) forms of the bacteria

that were circulating in the community. The other infections were forms of staphylococcal bacteria that were not resistant to methicillin, an antibiotic.

It is important the doctors treating patients for skin infections such as cellulitis to use antibiotics that will cure the resistant forms of the bacteria, said Pannaraj.

"Be aware that this is out there," she said. "When someone comes in, doctors should be aware that this could be a muscle abscess."

Antibiotics that successfully treat MRSA include oral clindamycin and trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, which are usually used out of the hospital, and vancomycin or clindamycin, which is given intravenously, usually to hospitalized patients.

The form of MRSA that is acquired in the community spreads more easily than that usually caught in the hospital, said Pannaraj.

"That's why I am seeing it in otherwise healthy children," she said.

She and her colleagues are trying to find out why this particular form of the bacteria spreads so easily. Her studies are focusing on specific genes. One, pvl, permits holes to be poked into the cells, damaging them irreparably.

"There seems to be an association between bacteria carrying the pvl gene and the severity of disease," she said. However, she said, they have not yet determined whether the problem is this specific gene or another that is close to it.

Others who participated in this research include: Drs. Kristina G. Hulten, Blanca E. Gonzalez, Edward O. Mason, Jr., and Sheldon L. Kaplan, all of the section of infectious diseases in the department of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

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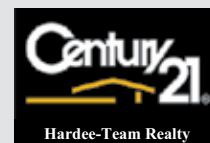
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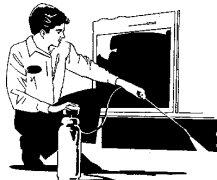
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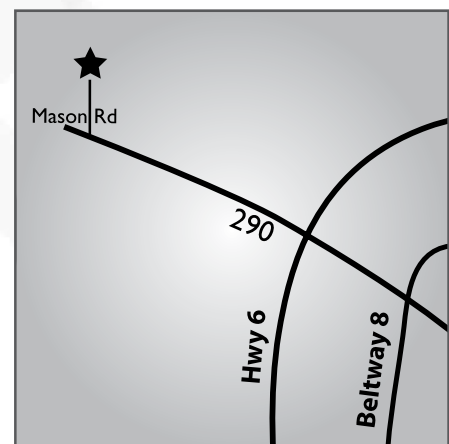
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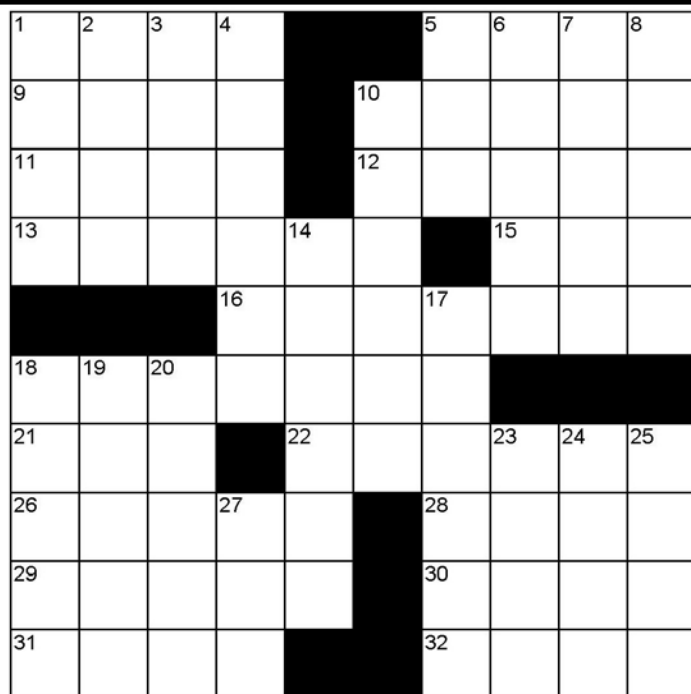


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1. Tails
5. Tableland
9. Billy or nanny
10. Expressing dislike word
11. Capital of Norway
12. Dote
13. Eludes
15. Beverage
16. Crime
18. Crayon name
21. Cause of sickness
22. Merchant
26. Arc
28. Dwell
29. Ballerina skirts
30. Among
31. Dueling sword
32. Fly alone

DOWN

1. Id's counterparts
2. Eat
3. Painter of melting clocks
4. Breezy
5. Soil
6. Show emotions
7. Lark
8. In the lead
10. Fuss
14. Booths
17. City
18. Social position
19. Shred (2 wds.)
20. Having wings
23. Fancy car
24. Vile
25. Do it again
27. Regret

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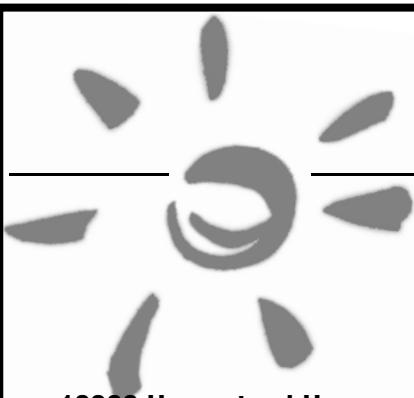
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Hint: A famous quote by Ivern Ball...

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To a dog the whole world is a smell.

-Unknown

A dog has the soul of a philosopher.

-Plato

Kidz Crossword Solution

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	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM	Avail	Pending
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Baker's Ridge	0	-	-	2	1
Chappell Ridge	6	\$67.83	85	5	1
Cottage Glen	5	\$67.18	34	4	3
The Estates	3	\$93.49	60	2	0
Garden Grove	12	\$67.56	54	9	1
Glen	1	\$82.00	30	2	1
Inwood Glen	6	\$71.29	61	1	2
Inwood Meadows	6	\$67.84	68	5	2
Inwood Park	11	\$67.70	59	11	2
Lakes/Lake Ridge 2	7	\$83.06	55	8	3
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	12	\$67.41	53	3	1
Meadows/Park/Retreat	5	\$68.50	34	1	2
Oaks/Trails	6	\$73.74	27	3	1
Pines	1	\$74.33	21	2	0
Summer Crossing	0	-	-	2	0
Summer Ridge	0	-	-	0	2

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