

Wortham Villages

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Neighborhood Watch News

Marie Trascher

Our community has had no serious incidents to report, however, we seem to have a rash of vandalisms to some of our neighbors. Some houses have been "wrapped" and garbage has been thrown on lawns. While this might be seen to some as a "prank" it is not to the residents that have to clean their yards. It is also "criminal mischief" a charge that when caught can result in a fine and possible prosecution. Please speak with your teenagers and tell them of the seriousness of doing this. I know from experience that teenagers think this is "good, clean fun", it is not.

Everyone should keep in mind, school zones are once again in effect. Everyone driving through a school zone, regardless of the time of day, is cautioned to obey all traffic laws and to watch for children walking or riding their bikes. In addition, drivers should NEVER pass a school bus that's loading or unloading.

I see from my kitchen window that many do not come to a stop at the STOP signs in our neighborhood. Some do not even slow down. Remember STOP signs mean STOP, not just look and continue. By stopping we protect ourselves, our children out playing and other resident's children who may not be watching out for you.

Following is the Incident Report for September.

Incident Report September 2007

Incident	Offense Total
911 Hang Up	2
Accident/Major	3
Alarm Local	11
Assault/Family	1
Burglary/Motor Vehicle	1
Check Park	20
Contract Check	217
Criminal Mischief	4
Disturbance/Family	2
Disturbance/Loud Noise	1
Dist/Other	3
Dist/Weapon	1
Drug/OD/Possession	1
Meet the Citizen	8
MUD Building Check	19
Prop Found/Lost	1
Solicitors	2
Stranded Motor Vehicle	1
Suspicious Person	2
Theft Bicycle	1
Traffic Hazard	1
Traffic Stop	26
Unk Med Emerg	1
Vehicle Abandoned	1
Vehicle Suspicious	2
Vehicle Stolen	1
Welfare Check	3

WOW – Gumbo, Goodies, and Great Friends

By Reschele Lawrence

Everyone had a great time at Jill's Fall Gift Exchange in October. Thanks to everyone who turned out for WOW, and Thank You, Jill, you really know how to set the mood!

On Wednesday, November 14th, Brenda Walker (12906 Azalea Creek) will host her Annual Cajun Gumbo Dinner and Cookie Exchange! As usual, the fun starts at 7:00pm. For the Cookie Exchange, you will need to bring four bags containing six cookies each; one bag to share as a snack and three for the actual exchange. Be prepared to share those recipes too!

December WOW is currently without a Hostess. Anyone who wants to tackle a Christmas Gift Exchange, let me know (rlawrence@craftsmanfab.com)!



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Hello everybody. I wanted to take a moment to re-introduce myself as the Park Committee Chairperson. I'm Martin Mayne, and my house backs up to the detention pond just past the Left Outfield of the baseball diamond. I'm glad that we've had so many residents using the facilities lately.

Please remember that we keep a schedule for the fields, and if you want to be sure you are signed up to use a field or the pavilion, send a request to me and Meya Edwards. My email is park@mayne.us. Meya's is meya1@comcast.net.

Don't forget to check out the facility calendar at <http://my.calendars.net/worthamvillages>.

We're all responsible for taking care of our facilities, and I want to take a moment to express a concern. The other day, Tuesday October 9, there was a group of teenagers playing on the baseball diamond.

That's great as far as that goes, and they looked like they were having fun. When they were done, however, one of them had a dirt bike down there and started riding it across the field. I asked him to stop. I reminded him that dirt bikes weren't allowed in the retention pond area anyway, but especially not on the field.

He stayed off the field for a while as he gave rides to some of his friends. Then, when he was leaving, he tore across the field again, leaving a rut in the field. He obviously did it because wanted to "show off" to the few of his friends who were left. I asked his friend who he was, and got some rude answers from them. I let them know that they were certainly not welcome to play on the field if they were going to treat it like that.

What I'm asking for from you is some help looking after our neighborhood. A whole lot of volunteer time and money, along with neighborhood and MUDD money, has gone into putting together the facilities we have. We all need to look after them and hold each other accountable for how we and our children treat the place.

Don't hesitate to report any suspicious activity to the deputies we have on duty in the neighborhood. Give me a call or send me an email as well if you have any questions or concerns.

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Cy-Fair College "Perspective"

Health Fair Set Nov. 13 at Fairbanks Center: Need a flu shot (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) or a massage (\$1 per minute) perhaps? Want to visit with allied health students or give the gift of life? The Cy-Fair College Fairbanks Center is holding a free health fair from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13. Student projects, displays, vendors and snacks will be included. The Fairbanks Center is located at 14955 Northwest Freeway. For information, call 832-782-5000 or go to www.cy-faircollege.com.

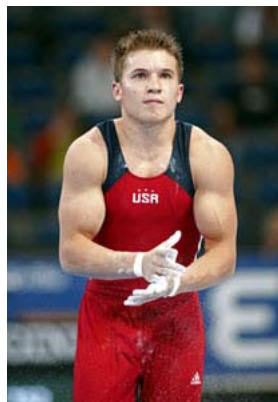
Enjoy the Holidays at Cy-Fair College! The Choral Department presents "Kismet" an enchanted fairy-tale story Nov. 1 through Nov. 3 and "A Winter Collection" of not your ordinary carols Dec. 6 through Dec. 7. The Theatre Department presents "The Honky Tonk Angels Holiday Spectacular" a musical comedy revue Nov. 8 through Dec. 2. The Music Department presents a Jazz Band performance and improvisation Dec. 5. All performances are in the Center for the Arts Building on the Barker Cypress campus. For reservations and ticket information, call 281.290.5201 or go to www.cy-faircollege.com/cfcboxoffice.

Register for Mini-mester and Spring Semester Classes: Catch up or get ahead this holiday season! Take a mini-mester course in December or register early for spring. Phone and online registration begins Nov. 13 with on campus registration set Nov. 26. Mini-mester classes begin Dec. 17. Mini-mester courses range from criminal justice, philosophy, sociology and ethics, to algebra, history, government

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Olympic Dreams For Jonathan Horton

For several years now Wortham's own Jonathan Horton, who is a senior and Captain of the gymnastics team at The University of Oklahoma, has been balancing keeping up his studies, competing for Oklahoma, attending U.S. Team functions and international competitions. Horton recently returned from Germany where he was a member of the U.S. Men's team competing at the World Gymnastics Championships in Stuttgart. Not only did Horton compete but he and his teammates were quite successful. As this was an Olympic qualifying meet where only the top 12 teams can field a full 6 man team at next summers Olympics, the U.S. men went beyond successful with their fourth place finish, proving they have the right stuff to go up against the world's best.



Horton was the high scorer for The U.S. which qualified him for the individual all around competition. There he fell just two tenths of a point short of the bronze medal. According to Horton: "being the fourth best gymnast in the world is pretty good.....for now".

Horton seems more than a little determined to get his hands on an Olympic medal. He calls missing a World Championships medal by only two tenths "fuel".

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Cy-Fair High School Orchestras annual Children's Concert will be held in the school auditorium on Thursday November 8, 2007, beginning at 7:30 pm. They will perform with the Arnold Middle School Orchestra. The concert's main theme is based on the animated show SpongeBob SquarePants, and the concert will also feature characters from another popular animated show Lilo and Stitch.

The evening fun begins at 6:30 with face painting, balloons and clowns. Cakes, other bakery and confections will be available to bid on as part of an auction and fundraiser.

The event is free and open to the public. The high school is located at 22602 Hempstead Highway. Mrs. Cynthia Robicheaux is director of the Cy Fair High School String Symphony and the Cy Fair High School Chamber Orchestra. Ms. Janis Garcia directs the Arnold Middle School Orchestra.

Wortham Bookclub News

The Wortham Bookclub was started almost three years ago by residents that enjoy reading. The group reads about nine books a year. We meet at members homes in Wortham to discuss the books about every six weeks in an informal potluck format. The books vary in topics and length. We are now looking for new members to join our bookclub. If you are interested in finding out more about our bookclub, please email Donna Sommer at djsommer@aol.com. Happy Reading!



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- Monday, May 5, 2008 – Community Golf Tournament

Be sure to watch the school web site for new announcements and event details - www.CypressChristian.org.

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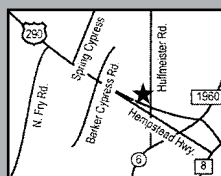
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Art Exhibition Showcases Student Talent: Don't miss this is the end-of-semester exhibition Nov. 13 through Dec. 16 where Cy Fair College's visual art students show work they have completed in their classes. The exhibition showcases the students' talents as well as the breadth of Cy Fair College's art program. Meet the artists at a 4:30 p.m. reception Nov. 15 in the Bosque Gallery located in the Center for the Arts Building on the Barker Cypress campus. For gallery hours and information go to www.cy-faircollege.com/bosquegallery.

L.I.F.E. Lessons in November and December: The Learning,

Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Cy-Fair College Branch Library (Room 131.) November programs include Native American History "Arrows to Wampum", Geography awareness "The World is Flat" and a Toastmasters on how to speak with confidence. In December, learn how to combat weight gain during the holidays and then the following week celebrate with a "Party Pot Luck." Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or check the library web page online at <http://cfclibrary.nhmccd.edu>.

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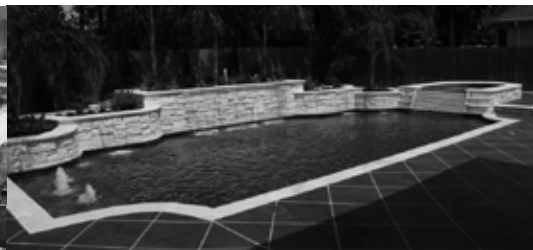
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Recipe of the Month

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2 cups flour
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canned apple pie filling
1 C powdered sugar
slivered almonds (optional)



Cut oleo into flour, stir in sour cream. Refrigerate overnight. Cut in half; roll each half out to a 16x10" rectangle. Fill center with canned pie filling. Fold over sides & ends. Bake in 350° oven 50 minutes. About 15 minutes before taking out of oven, sprinkle with almonds if desired. Combine powdered sugar & 3 T water to make icing. When cool, drizzle with icing. Any flavor pie filling may be used.

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WORTHAM MARKET REPORT

Courtesy of Super Dave

This market information report is provided to keep you informed of resale market activity in your subdivision.

	Apr 07	May 07	Jun 07	Jul 07	Aug 07	Sep 07
\$250,000 +	0	0	0	0	1	0
\$220,000 - 249,999	0	0	1	0	0	0
\$200,000 - 219,999	0	1	0	0	1	1
\$180,000 - 199,999	0	2	2	0	1	0
\$160,000 - 179,999	1	1	1	1	0	1
\$160,000 -	0	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	6	4	1	3	2
Highest \$/Sq Ft	73.03	75.51	80.67	58.66	80.99	72.97

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