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Neighborhood Watch News

Marie Trascher

By the time you read this the Holidays are over and I hope everyone had a safe and wonderful Holiday Season.

On December 11 we had a Block Captains meeting where Deputy Parnell Roy was the guest speaker from the Crime Prevention Unit. He offered many tips to keep safe at any time of the year. Auto theft – do not leave valuables in your car. Even during lunch periods thieves may be watching if you put laptops or other items in your car or trunk. Put them in and immediately get in your car, first locking your door then starting it and buckling up.

In your garage – do not open the garage door instead get in your car, lock the doors, start the car, buckle up, then open the garage door. And reverse when entering, close the garage door, then stop the car, open the car door and unbuckle.

At a filling station – take the keys and lock your door while pumping gas.

When shopping any time of year – the same applies. Store your packages, get in car, lock doors, starting the car and buckle up.

During the season there were reports of decorations stolen and cars (especially on the street) being “egged”. Remember to call the Sheriff’s office for any incident no matter how small. This is the only way our Deputies know what is going on in our community.

Following is the incident report for November:

Incident Report November 2007

Incident	Offense Total
911 Hang Up	1
Accident/Minor	1
Alarm Local	12
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Assault	1
Burglary/Motor Vehicle	5
Check Park	24
Contract Check	391
Credit Card Abuse	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Disturbance/Loud Noise	1
Disturbance/Other	4
Domestic/Prevent	1
In Progress	1
Information Call	1
Meet the Citizen	5
MUD Building Check	28
Open Door/Window	1
Prop Found/Lost	1
Road Rage Incident	1
Telephone Harass	1
Theft/Other	3
Traffic Stop	33
Vehicle Suspicious	5
Vehicle Stolen	1

Neighborhood Recreational Facilities Corner

By Rick Anderson

“Well, 2007 has already passed us and it is the start of another year here at Wortham. I hope all of you had a wonderful and blessed holiday season and enjoyed your family. We are looking forward to a great year and we have planned on some renovations to be done at the pool again this off season. We will be having the entire pool re-plastered with new tile and “safety-grip” coping installed. This will include once again upgrading the pool safety markers/equipment to be in compliance with the current codes. We are also replacing the tile at the outdoor shower as well. This renovation is part of a planned repair/replacement schedule that we have set up with our pool company to ensure that this pool lasts for many years to come and we have budgeted for this work to be done this year for the last couple of years.

We are also planning on purchasing the remainder of the new pool furniture, which we started last year. We feel this new furniture not only looks much better and is more durable, but is much more comfortable as well. This purchase was planned for to be done in consecutive years to take advantage of special pricing, but also to ensure that we would be able to get the same style and colors.

The Recreational Facilities Committee will continue to look at ways to upgrade our

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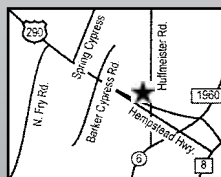
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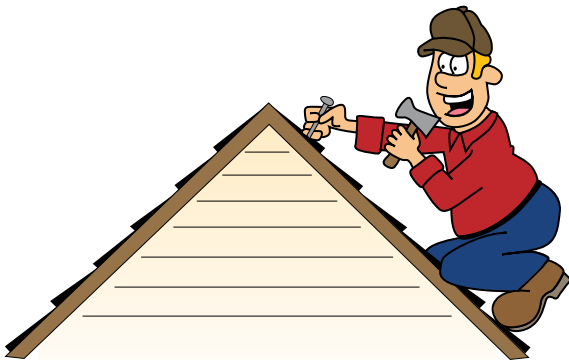
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Recreational Facilities - (Continued from cover page)

amenities. Any reasonable suggestions/ideas are always welcome, so please feel free to join our committee or drop me an email (rick_anderson@efiglobal.com).

We are also asking the residents to provide comments on the operation and usage of the pool (lifeguards and operations/maintenance by Greater Houston Pool Management), tennis courts and clubhouse from this past year. We are looking for positive and not so positive comments, as appropriate, so we can try to meet the needs of the community and fix anything wrong with the operation/upkeep of our facilities. Please send any comments to my email and the Board will take them under consideration.

One additional point I would like to make is that when I go by the tennis courts on occasion, I usually see trash around the outside of the court area inside the fence. Please take time to clean the area up when you are using the courts and even if someone else has left trash, please help clean it up. We want this area to always look good and need everyone's help. If the trash cans are full inside the tennis court area, then use the trash can just outside the courts.

Thanks to everyone for making this neighborhood a great place to live and let's enjoy the remainder of cool weather ahead of us and look forward to a great spring season. Before you know it, we will be handing out pool tags again."

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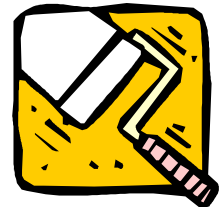
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WOW – Happy New Year

By Reschele Lawrence

Thank you Margo for hosting a small, but sweet Christmas WOW! Everyone brought beautiful ornaments that really fit the theme and we had some nice chats about local happenings and current events. Thanks again Margo for a lovely evening!

Stay tuned to your email for January WOW information.

Cy-Falls High School Project Prom Spring Mulch Sale

The Cy-Falls High School Project Prom Committee will be selling and delivering bagged mulch on Saturday, March 1st. The dark hardwood mulch can be ordered in advance or purchased at the clubhouse beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The cost is \$5.00 per bag including delivery to your home. For additional information and advance orders please call: (281) 894-8438

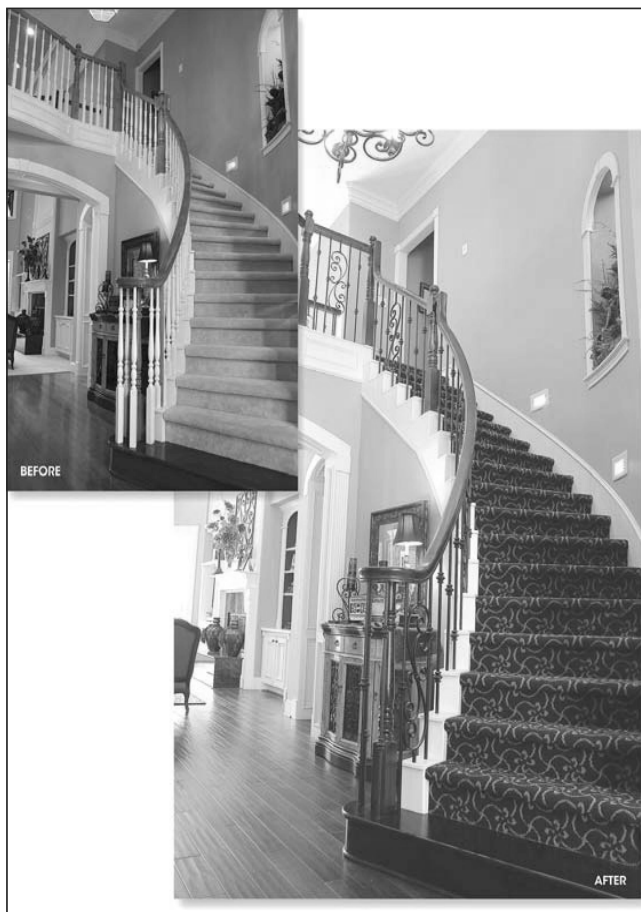
Cy-Fair College, “Perspective”

Register for Spring Semester Classes: Spring semester classes begin Jan. 14. Cy-Fair College provides a variety of options such as weekend, evening, distance learning and even hybrid (part on campus instruction and part online learning) courses. For information, call 281-290-3200 or 832-782-5000 or go online to www.cy-faircollege.com.

Financial Wellness Talks Set for Children, Teens and Adults: Celebrate Financial Wellness Month in January at the Cy-Fair College Branch Library on the Barker Cypress campus. Programs include a talk on the secrets of the Moonjar for ages 3 and older set Jan. 14 and Jan. 16, an “In Debt We Trust” documentary and discussion for teens and adults Jan. 17 and Jan. 19 and a presentation with radio’s Hal “Captain Cash” Lynde Jan. 22 and Jan. 23. For information on any of these programs, contact Melanie Metzger at 281-290-3211.

Art Exhibition Gives Voice to “I Have a Dream” Speech: Umoja, an African American student organization, and the Bosque Gallery present an art exhibition focusing on work that gives a contemporary voice to Dr. Martin Luther King’s “I have a Dream” speech. This exhibition, on display Jan. 29 through Feb. 21 will feature community members’ art as well as that of guest artist and lecturer Henry Earl Price, Art Supervisor for the Caddo Parish School Board in Louisiana. An artist reception and lecture is set for 4:30 p.m. Jan. 31. The Bosque Gallery is located in the Center for the Arts Building on the Barker Cypress campus. For gallery hours and information go to www.cy-faircollege.com.

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And what a bargain! For only \$40.00, kids get six to eight weeks of matches, T-shirt, USTA membership or renewal, the season's end award/fun event and winners' trophies. What other sports league gives so much at such a low price

NWTYA welcomes youth up to 18 years old, who already know how to play tennis. We do not teach tennis, but support the work of our local tennis professionals by giving the youth an opportunity to put into practice what they are learning in their lessons. Teams, set by age and ability, play out of their own neighborhood or local clubs against other clubs and neighborhoods. NWTYA can help you build a neighborhood team or place you on a team elsewhere.

Registration for the 2008 Spring Season closes January 18th. Play begins in mid-February, ending with playoffs and a fun awards banquet in May.

If your kids already have the basics of tennis, or if they are more advanced and want to sharpen their skills for school or individual tennis competition, visit our website at www.nwyta.org to see how to sign up. You may also call Donna Sommer at 832-237-4684 for more information.

Women's Tennis Team



The Wortham tennis team in the C-2 division in the Texas Jackrabbit League ended up placing fourth in their division. A great time was had by all and we are looking forward to our spring season which begins in February. Anyone interested in playing team tennis should contact Donna Sommer at djsommer@aol.com.

Pictured from left: Jean Otto, Aylene Holum, Eileen Meyer, Danielle Mendes, Debbie Chovanec, Darby Rodriguez, & Donna Sommer. Not pictured: Marcia Sevier, Julie Kuzin, Mitzi Nugent



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Cypress Christian School Winter Banquet – Celebrating 30 Years

We at Cypress Christian School would like to cordially invite you to our 2008 Winter Banquet. Our 30th Anniversary Celebration will continue with this special event to be held on Saturday, January 26, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Downtown Aquarium. This event will be a "laugh a minute" with our two special performers—David Ferrell and Susan O'Donnell. Through the generosity of sponsors, this evening is free to our guests.

For over 15 years, Christian comedian David Ferrell has shown audiences that comedy can be both clean and funny! In 2006 and 2007, David was nominated for Inspirational Comedy Act of the Year by the Inspirational Country Music Awards, sharing the honor with Mark Lowry, Chonda Pierce and Dennis Swanberg.

With comedy and a mix of testimony and song, Susan O'Donnell, KSBJ Christian radio host/comedienne/singer will take you on a roller coaster ride that takes you from belly laughs to tears and back to belly laughs again.

If you would like to RSVP, sponsor this event, or inquire about advertising opportunities, please contact our Development Office at 281-664-0211 or Lynnette.Anderson@CypressChristian.org. Banquet information is available on the school web site at www.CypressChristian.org.

2008-2009 Informational Meetings for Cypress Christian School

On Thursday, February 7, CCS will host an informational meeting for future Kindergarten parents from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Elementary Building. On that same night, families with students entering 1st -12th grades are invited to attend an informational meeting from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. For details, please contact Mrs. Vicki Moore at 281-469-7745 or log on to www.CypressChristian.org.

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L.I.F.E. Lessons in January: 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.) In January, learn a bit about yoga Jan. 9, NASA Jan. 16, saving money from radio's "Captain Cash" Jan. 23 and nanobots Jan. 30. 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>.

Courses for Ages 50 and Better Available: The Academy for Lifelong Learning (A.L.L.) at Cy-Fair College offers adults, 50 years and older, leisure classes, lectures and informal activities. A.L.L. class spring registration will be held at the Feb. 1 noon to 7 p.m. and again Feb. 4 and Feb. 5 from 9 a.m. to noon. The spring session will include classes on Internet tools, history, Bible study, acting for seniors, Dulcimer lessons, Qigong, ballroom dancing, medical and fitness issues and many others. A.L.L., a cooperative effort of volunteers and Cy-Fair College, has an annual membership fee of \$10 (September 2007- August 2008) which entitles members to student discounts. Register early as classes will fill up quickly. For more information, call Janet Taber at 281-290-5991.

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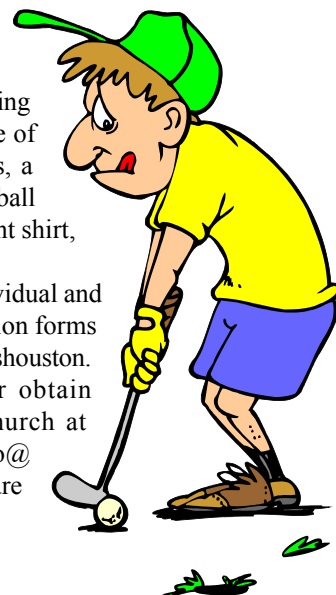
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The tournament will be held at BlackHorse Golf Club on January 14th with 11am registration, noon shotgun start and 5pm dinner, raffle and prizes. The tournament will be a four person scramble with prizes for the top teams. Entry fee includes lunch, driving range and putting practice, a sleeve of Titleist BlackHorse logo golf balls, a BlackHorse bag tag, a BlackHorse ball marker and repair tool, a tournament shirt, two bottles of water and dinner.

The entry fee is \$130.00 for individual and \$500.00 for team of four. Registration forms are available on line at www.staidanshouston.org, or to become a sponsor or obtain more information contact the church at 281-373-3203 or email us at info@staidanshouston.org. Registrations are due by January 10th.



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A New Year's Resolution that Lasts

By Scott McKay

It's that time of year again...the time we think about the year which lies ahead and reflect upon the year we are leaving behind. Usually, this time of contemplation and reflection yields a host of thoughts and ideas about how to live well - how to make improvements in our lives that will benefit our health, our families, our work. These thoughts and ideas generally lead to the creation of an action plan for the coming year.

One thing we all seem to have in common is a desire to take better care of our bodies, particularly through exercise. As such, most action plans include activities we plan to start doing regularly to improve our health and fitness (ie. the workout).

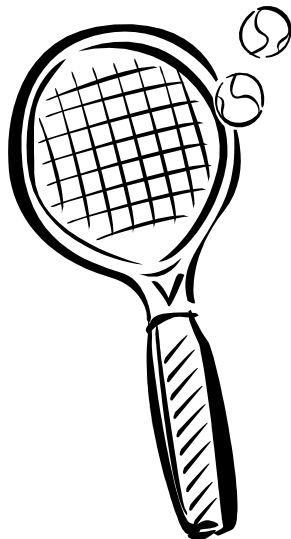
Often, we make our plan and get off to a great start at the beginning of the year. After a few months, though, we find our interest, enthusiasm and commitment waning. What seemed like a great idea in January often feels too hard by March. The last thing we need is something else that feels like work, right?

There is good news! There IS something that can put the fun back into your workout. This great game allows you to strengthen your body while also developing and strengthening relationships. (It's a great game for families...and a great way to create special family memories!) This game strengthens the heart of the player, too, building inner character with qualities such as endurance, patience, persistence and perseverance.

This 'something' is tennis and, around the globe, people have been enjoying the game and reaping the benefits of play for nearly 140 years.

Did you know that you burn 7 calories a minute playing doubles and 14 calories a minute playing singles? Did you know that tennis strengthens the bones, thereby decreasing the risk of osteoporosis? Tennis is also a great way to relieve stress, which is a catalyst to many diseases. Studies show that tennis is one of the best ways to work out your body and maintain a high fitness level for a lifetime.

As you are considering how to get a healthy start to the year, consider getting into the game of tennis. I am confident that when you do, you will enjoy this fresh, new way of working out so much that it will become a way of life - a workout you will enjoy for years to come.



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Courtesy of Super Dave

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	Jun 07	Jul 07	Aug 07	Sep 07	Oct 07	Nov 07
\$250,000 +	0	0	1	0	0	0
\$220,000 - 249,999	1	0	0	0	0	1
\$200,000 - 219,999	0	0	1	1	0	0
\$180,000 - 199,999	2	0	1	0	0	0
\$160,000 - 179,999	1	1	0	1	0	1
\$160,000 -	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	4	1	3	2	0	3
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