

The Village Gazette



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May 2008

Pool Hours

Due to the overwhelming amount of vandalism last summer, the pool will not be open unless lifeguards are on duty this season.

Weekends in May Only

Noon – 8:00 p.m.

Regular Season

May 24 - Sept 1

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Pool Closed on Mondays

Except:

May 26th-Memorial Day

Sept 1st-Labor Day

Pool will be closed the following Tuesday for cleaning and maintenance.



Splash Pad Is Moving

The HOA has completed the final details of relocating the splash pad from its current location to the area located to the right of the pool. All the old splash pad equipment will be relocated to the new site. The new splash pad will feature chlorinated water, card key accessibility and security fencing. This will allow only Village Creek residents the use of the pool, splash pad and restrooms.

Construction will begin the week of April 14th and estimated completion is by Memorial Day Weekend.

Additional parking will be added to the left of the current parking lot.

Please watch our website, www.myvillagecreek.net for more information.

Swimming Lessons

Available through Greater Houston Pool

Group lessons will be available on the basis of eight (8) classes of thirty (30) minutes each (a "Session"). No more than six (6) students may be enrolled in each class. A minimum of four (4) students shall be enrolled in a class prior to its start date. The cost is \$70.00-\$75.00 per session.

Private lessons will be available for \$21.25-\$23.25 per 30 minute lesson.

Semi-private lessons (two (2) students per lesson) will be available for \$28.00-\$30.00 per thirty (30) minute lesson (\$14.00-\$15.00 per student).

For more information please visit Greater Houston Pools Website at www.takeaswimlesson.com or call 713-771-7665.

Pool Cards

On Saturday, May 3, 2008 from 10 a.m.- Noon, an HOA representative will be at the pool to help you check your pool card to make sure that it is operational and to issue new, replacement or an additional pool card. For more information please email poolcards@myvillagecreek.net.

New residents to Village Creek will receive their pool card inside their new homeowner packet which is mailed shortly after the sale is final. Please contact Chaparral Management at 281-537-0957 if you have not received your packet.

Replacement/Lost Cards:

Please email poolcards@myvillagecreek.net

Be sure to include your name, address and a phone number in case we need to reach you. Please note when replacing a pool card, the old card will be deactivated.

Replacement/Lost Cards: \$10.00

Extra pool card: \$25.00 per card

We only accept cash.

****Please note:** If you choose to pick up your pool card at Chaparral's office, they charge an additional \$10.00 service fee to process your pool card.

Pool Party Fee Schedule/Structure

Pool parties will be provided by Greater Houston Pool (GHP) lifeguards for Members only and GHP shall have the exclusive right to host and provide pool parties at the pool during the term of the agreement with Village Creek's HOA. All GHP insurance shall apply to pool parties.

The current rate for **Open Hour Pool Parties** is \$19 per hour per lifeguard. An open hour party will require one additional lifeguard which the party sponsor is responsible for paying. Pool parties are limited to **20 people (swimmers and non-swimmers)**. All parties will be scheduled for two hours only. There is a \$25.00 non-refundable pool party administration fee. Parties must be scheduled two weeks prior to party date. All pool rules and regulations apply during pool parties.

****VILLAGE CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION REQUIRES A REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF \$250.00** made payable to Greater Houston Pools when your reservation is made. This deposit ensures the pool facility will be returned to its prior condition (no damage to facility) and all party items: food, trash, etc. are removed from the pool area. Please remember that no glass containers or alcoholic beverages are allowed in the pool area. Pool parties will not be allowed before/after hours, only during operational pool hours. If pool party rules are not adhered to, the privileged of parties will be removed immediately.

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Greater Houston Pool 713-771-7665
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www.centerpointenergy.com/outage

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Take advantage of the Constable's vacation watch when you are out of town. Before leaving call the Constable's office and let them know when you will be leaving and when you will be returning. Your home will be checked during the Constable's regular neighborhood drive-through. To contact the Constable's Office, call 281-376-3472

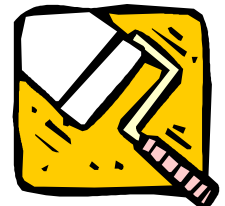
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Yard Fences

Now that Village Creek is more established, and as with anything that ages, we need to be aware of the up-keep and replacement of various items.

For example one of the most noticeable items is privacy fences. Please remember that the privacy fences are the responsibility of the home owner and the Board would like to remind everyone to please maintain their fences. This is an expense that can be shared with your neighbors.

Any staining or changes to the builder installed fences must be approved through the Architectural Control Committee. A request form is located on our website @ www.myvillagecreek.net under Architectural Review.



Website for Street Light Outages

When there is a street light that is out near your home, please report these to the website www.centerpointenergy.com/outage or 713-207-2222. You will need the home address near the street light that is in question and the number located on the pole. Help keep our neighborhood safe!

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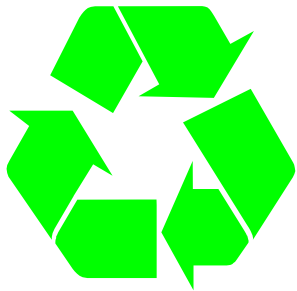
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Cypress Christian School Chamber Choir wins Gold!

Congratulations to the members of Cypress Christian School Chamber Choir for an excellent performance at the San Antonio Heritage Music Festival. Each choir was rated on a point scale from 0-100. All three adjudicators gave the CCS Chamber Choir scores in the 90s! This qualified the students for a Gold Award. In addition to the scoring, the students received an on-stage clinic with an adjudicator, Dr. Brumley (Director of Shreveport Singers), where he shared valuable choral insight. The CCS Choir was also invited to attend the National Festival of Gold in 2009!

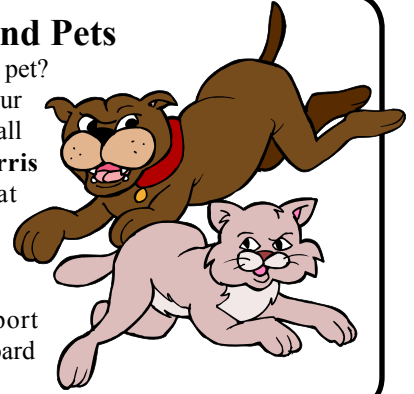


Don't be a Litter Bug!

Please place your trash in one of the many trash receptacles located throughout the neighborhood as you are out and about in the community. Let's work together to keep Village Creek beautiful!

Lost and Found Pets

Have you found someone's pet? Have you lost your pet? If your answer is yes, we encourage all residents to please call **Harris County Animal Control** at **281-999-3191**. The HOA offers their sympathy when one has misplaced a cat or dog, but please do not report lost or found pets to HOA Board Members.



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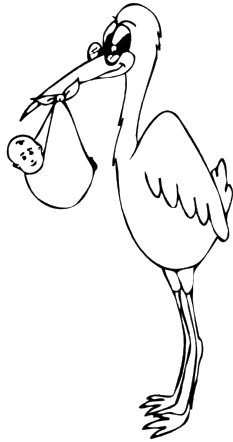
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Cypress Creek Family YMCA

2008 Summer YOUTH PROGRAMS

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Check Out Our Website:

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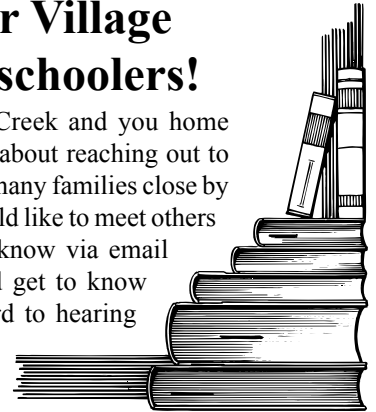


THANK *you*

A big "THANK YOU" to all the residents who maintain their lawns and keep their shrubs trimmed along the streets. Village Creek is a great place to live and keeping up your yard is an inexpensive way to help keep the property values up within our community.

Looking for Village Creek homeschoolers!

If you live in Village Creek and you home school, have you thought about reaching out to others nearby? There are many families close by who home school and would like to meet others who do as well. Let me know via email if you'd like to meet and get to know each other! I look forward to hearing from you! tomandlana@sbcglobal.net.



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Village Creek Market Report

Courtesy of "DAVID FLORY"

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

	Oct 07	Nov 07	Dec 07	Jan 08	Feb 08	Mar 08
\$350,000 +	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$300,000 - 349,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$250,000 - 299,999	0	2	0	0	1	2
\$200,000 - 249,999	3	2	2	3	0	0
\$160,000 - 199,999	0	1	1	0	0	1
\$160,000 -	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	3	5	3	3	1	3
Highest \$/Sq Ft	101.72	91.21	94.42	69.97	76.25	101.30

This chart represents the homes that have sold and closed in the past 6 months according the Houston Multiple Listing Service.

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Pet Owners

Pet owners; please keep your pets on leashes when walking in the neighborhood, as a courtesy to others. Also, take care to pick up after your pooch if they leave a gift in someone else's yard or in any common area. No one likes to see, smell or step in those gifts!

Deed Restriction Reminder:

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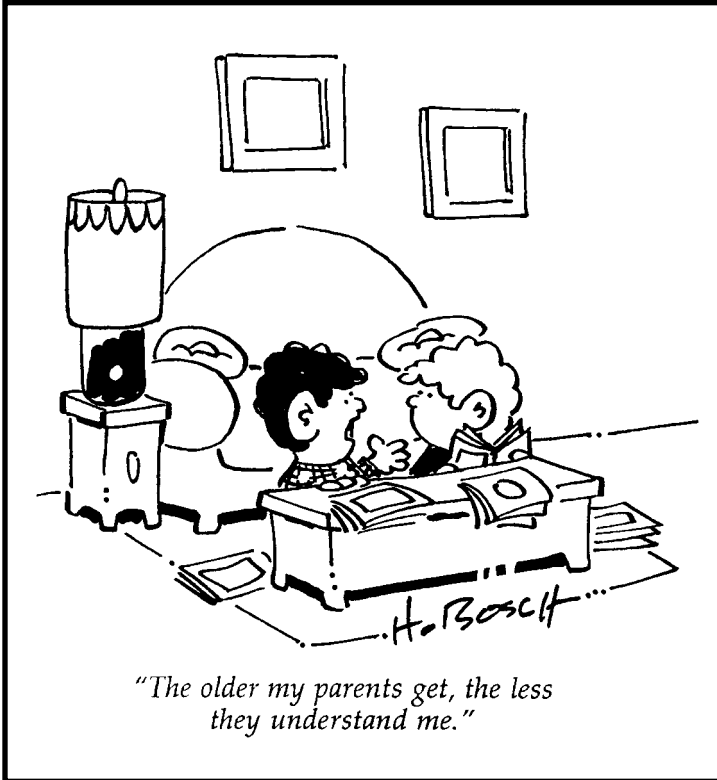


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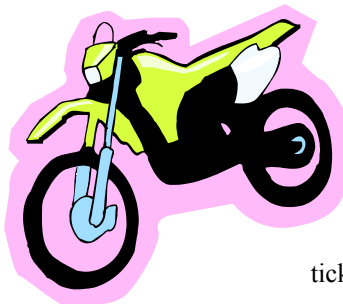
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Reminder:

There are lots and lots of kids living in Village Creek – and we love them all! Please be aware that as the weather turns warmer more and more of them will be out and about playing. If at all possible please park in driveways and not on the street. Parked cars along streets can make it difficult for drivers to see children running back and forth.



NOTICE:

Non-street legal motorcycles, 4 wheelers and mini scooters (that do not hold a state license registration) on Village Creek streets are not legal or safe. The Constable's office will ticket those in violation.

Identity Theft Warning

Remember to shred all personal information including credit card applications and old checks before putting them in the garbage. Incidents of people going through trash have been reported in other neighborhoods and serve as a reminder that no one is above this terrible crime. For more information on how you can protect yourself from Identity Theft visit the Constable's website at www.cd4.hctx.net.

Sudoku

The challenge is to fill every row across, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row across, each column down, and each 3x3 box.

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				9	5		
6							8
1		4		5		9	
	6					4	2
				8	3		6
				3			
	1			5			
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- www.catalogchoice.org allows you to decline any unwanted catalogs you are currently receiving for free.
- www.greendimes.com allows you to stop junk mail, for a fee.



Trash

If at all possible, please wait until the morning of trash day to put out your trash. Putting it out the night before attracts animals and pests who are not welcome guests! Also, take care to secure loose trash items, as they can easily blow away. Thanks for making every effort to ensure the cleanliness and beautiful appearance of Village Creek!

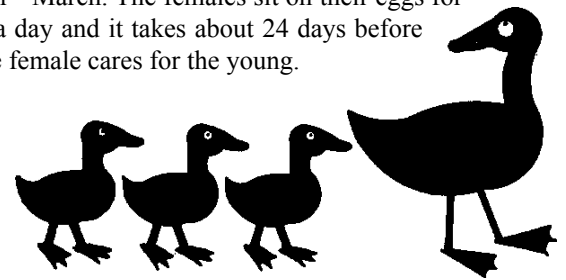
Just Ducky

There have been several questions regarding our resident ducks in the lake. They are **Mallard Ducks** which are common wild ducks. The female is called a **hen**, the male is called a **drake**, and the young are called **ducklings**.

Anatomy: Males are brightly colored, having a green head, a white collar, and a bright yellow bill. Females are mottled brown with a brown bill. Mallards are about 20-23 inches long.

Diet: Mallard ducks have a varied diet. They eat insects, worms, frogs, snails, slugs, small shellfish, grasses and other plants that grow near shore. They've been known to eat bread and plain popcorn.

Eggs and Nests: Mallards build cup-like nests made of grass and leaves; they are lined with duck down (delicate feathers). Nests are usually on the ground in dense undergrowth. Female's lay 5-14 greenish-white eggs in each clutch (a set of eggs laid at one time) from November - March. The females sit on their eggs for about 2 hours a day and it takes about 24 days before they hatch. The female cares for the young.



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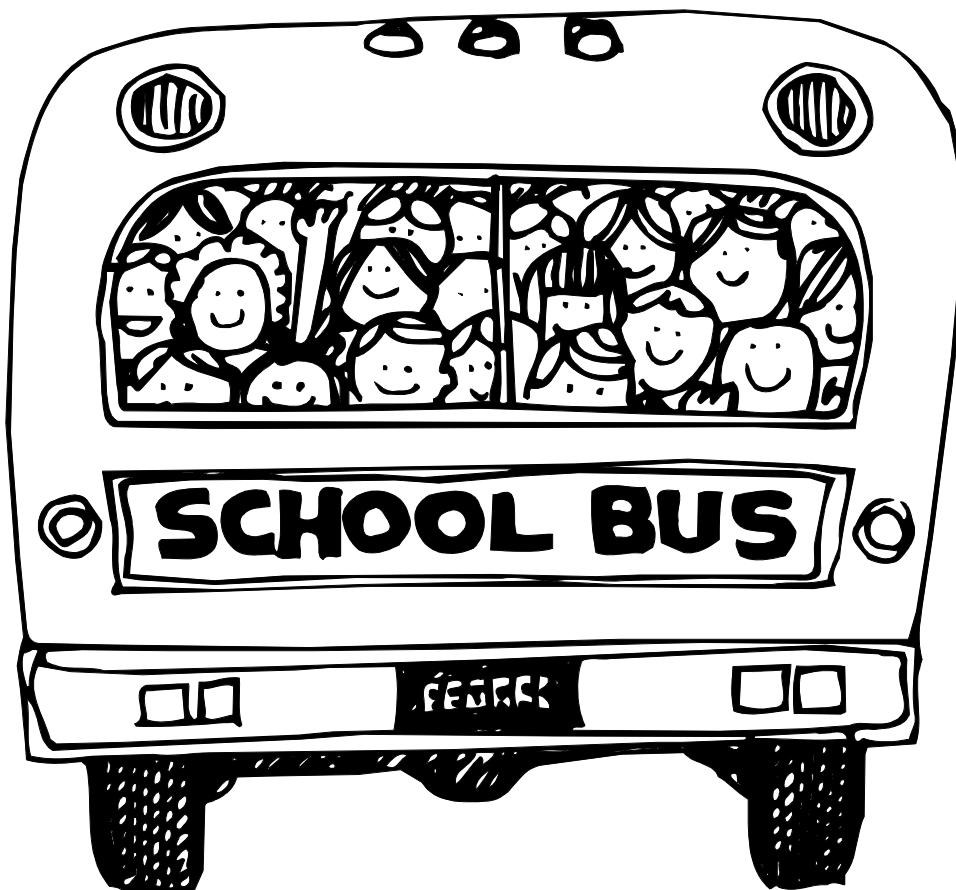
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