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Wortham's own Jordan Mouton, Makes it to Beijing!!

"Champions are not born; they possess the desire to excel. To be successful in anything, it takes quality hard work, self-discipline and careful planning." Willy Cahill, U.S. Paralympic Judo Coach.

Never have these words applied to an athlete more than to Jordan Mouton.

Jordan is an 18 year old blind athlete who graduated from Cy-Falls in 2007. Her dreams of making it to the Beijing Games in 2008 were all but crushed this past summer when her 57kg division was cut during the Parapan American Games in Brazil last summer.

However, Mouton, once featured on the "Oprah Winfrey Show", refused to let her dream die! She moved up two weight divisions for one final chance to fulfill her dream.

Jordan challenged her teammate, who had qualified for Beijing in the 70kg division by placing fifth at the World Para Games and earning a silver medal at the Para Pan Games in Brazil. The challenge took place at the 2008 U.S Paralympic Trials for Judo on April 26, 2008 in Northglenn, Colorado. In order to secure a spot on the U.S Paralympic Judo Team, Jordan, being the challenger needed two wins and no losses and her opponent with the advantage, only needed one win to retain the spot. In the first match after being down on point Jordan pinned her opponent and in the second match Jordan threw her opponent with a left o soto gari (outer leg throw) to win the match! Now Jordan Mouton has a chance to become the first US woman to win Paralympic or Olympic gold in judo!!!!!!

As a Blind athlete, Jordan is required to meet the same requirements as her sighted peers.

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Any questions, can be directed to her parents @ 281.955.7066
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Please submit all articles and photos for publication in upcoming newsletters to Lora Bergeron, lorabergeron@gmail.com. The submission deadline for publication in the July issue is June 12th.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Marie Trascher

Recently I have heard of residents concerned about the safety of their homes and property. We have one of the safest subdivisions in the area. Crime is NOT on the increase rather it is on the decrease.

Due to the diligence of residents reporting incidents and the Block Captains getting the word out about any incident our crime has lessened. Over the past years our network did not report to our residents all of the serious and small incidents that are now being reported.

For the last three years I have been sending emails to our Block Captains after verifying with the Sheriff's Office. I do not send any emails without verification. This may explain why some believe we have an increase. I feel that good reporting will make each one of us more aware of our surroundings.

Our Block Captains deserve a big "Thank You", without them we could not keep you informed. Also, please welcome our two new Block Captains – Chris & Kelly McNulty on Dogwood Blossom and Vernetta Franklin on Harvest Dale. We still need help on some streets and YOU could help get the word out. They are Azalea Creek, Birch Falls, and Timberland Trace. Your streets would be better served with someone to pass along the information.

For those that feel moving would be of a benefit to an area with less crime. Please let me know which area that would be and we will



all move there. On the TV News there are reports of crime in River Oaks, West U, Tanglewood and Memorial. Since most of us do not have \$1 million to spend on a home, we are among the communities with the least crime. Our Sheriff's Office has done a fine job in being proactive for our protection. Our Deputies are diligent in their duties.

Each month you will find published in our Newsletter an Incident Report from the Sheriff's Office. This will tell you of the happenings in Wortham Villages.

On a new note: Summer is now here and our swim team is competing in events, the traffic on Wortham Blvd. is increasing. Here are some of the State laws that we need to be aware of: No parking is allowed within 20 feet of the Stop sign at Wortham Blvd. and Walnut Lake. No parking on the bridge on Wortham Blvd and, of course, no parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant. Our Deputies are issuing tickets for these violations.

Also, on Wortham Blvd. there are two areas that have yellow stripes which indicate NO parking. Going to the Lake will require a little more effort. Park in the clubhouse parking area or on Wortham Centre. Again, tickets will be given for this violation. This Lake is for the enjoyment of all Wortham residents but we have people from other areas using it. This is why we are discouraging non-Wortham residents from parking and using our facilities.

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Check Park	34	Property Found/lost	2
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Contract Check	298	Theft/Other	1
Discharge Firearm	1	Traffic Stop	22
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Junior Tennis Team Wins Second Place

Submitted by Donna Sommer

Wortham's junior tennis team won second place in the spring season of the North West Youth Tennis Association's 11-14 age lower division. The team played on Thursday afternoons. Congratulations to the team! Team members are Chase McShane, Jack Sommer, David Meyer, Brady Sommer, Kallie McShane, Claire Heineman, McKenna Hubbard and substitute player, Grace Sevier. The team will play again in the fall. Thank you to Rebecca McShane for heading up the team as team manager.



Pictured from left: Chase, Jack & Brady

Calling All Boxer Owners!

Since adding Lady, our boxer pup, to our family, I've noticed many boxers walking throughout Wortham. I've talked to a couple of owners and most of have thought it would be a great idea to get together with our four-legged family members on any given weekend for some boxer fun. If you are interested in having a "Boxer Play Day," email me and we'll try to get organized. We can share kidney-beaning stories, training tips (or horror stories) and other Boxerisms! You can reach me at rlawrence@craftsmanfab.com.



Classifieds

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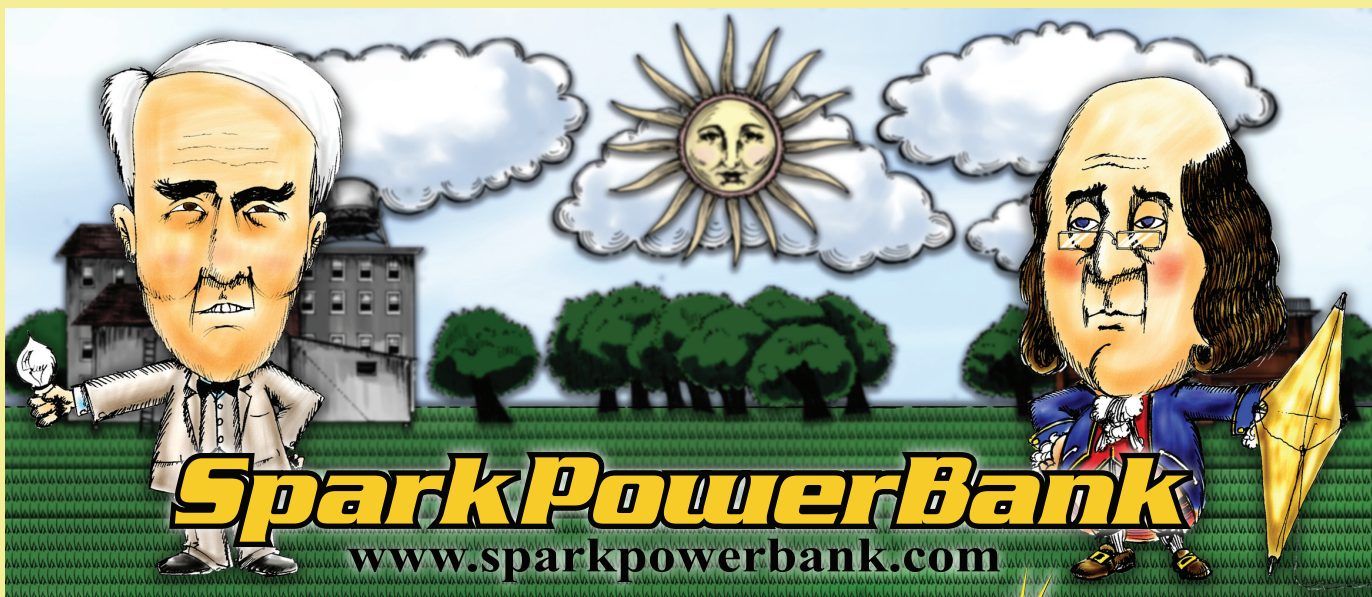
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Wortham's Womens' Tennis

Submitted by Donna Sommer

Wortham's womens' tennis team won second place in the C-2 division of the Texas Jackrabbit League. Many of the team members celebrated at the season ending luncheon at Shriley Acres on May 9th. The team plays on Fridays during the fall and spring season. Anyone interested in playing team tennis please call a team member or email djsommer@aol.com.



(Photo from left: Donna Sommer, Eileen Meyer, Danielle Mendes, Debbie Chovanec, Mitzi Nugent, Marcia Sevier, Jean Otto, Aylene Holom. Not pictured: Julie Kuzin, Kriti Garner, Darby Rodriguez, Birgit Green.

Congratulations Seniors

The Wortham Villages Community would like to recognize our Seniors from Cypress Falls High School for 2008. We wish them success for the future and want to thank them for their contributions to our community. We are proud of them all.

Daniel Albers, Jonathan Alford, Kelsey Anderson, Keshia Bias, Manal Bou-Chedid, Kristen Boyd, Sarah Carter, Neil Caskey, Jason Chovanec, Jonathan Clinkenbeard, Goldie De Costa, Joey Dineen, Jonathan Fey, Andre Franklin, Andrew Fumagali, Scott Harrington, Emilia Harris, Kylie Held, Jamie Henkhouse, Ron Hood, Anna Lefler, Marcus Myhaver, Justin Norris, Kevin Oakley, Lauren Pazitney, Trenton Peterson, Victoria Phan, Chris Ratliff, Joseph Reynolds, Kari Scarborough, Ethan Seidel, Henry Shi, Megan Sikkema, Stephanie Smith, Kristen Tang, Alexis Tapp, Victoria Teague, Megan Warren and Jason Weir. We would also like to include Eric Bassett in Memoriam.



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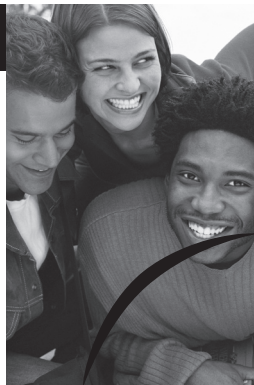
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Neighborhood Recreational Facilities Corner

By Rick Anderson

Well, it is now June and the swimming pool season is well under way. Also, as you can easily tell, the swim team is in full gear again with practices already underway and swim meets on Saturdays. The last home meet for the team is June 7, 2008. Please be mindful of the kids and cars at the pool and surrounding areas. Let's all be safe!

The Annual Pool Opening Party was on May 3, 2008 and the weather was great and the turnout was great and I hope everyone who attended had a great time. Thanks to all those who helped, Bob Pazitney, Darrell and Cissy Heafner, Bea Robertson, Cindy Byrne and her daughters and friends, Shawn Williamson, Blake Walker and Miles and Martin Mayne. Also, we want to thank those who donated door prizes for the event; Lockton Companies, ACE Risk Management; Skeeter's Mesquite Grill, Carraba's Restaurant, Margo Horton with Gary Green Realtors and Cafe Express.

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

Thanks to everyone for making this neighborhood a great place to live and have a Great Summer.

WOW – Planning Christmas in July

By Reschele Lawrence

May WOW was great! Some catching up was done and laughs were shared! Thanks, Lisa, for hosting, and thanks ladies for sharing and laughing.

I plan on WOW meeting at Chuy's Mexican Restaurant (where Barton Springs use to be) in June. They are tentatively scheduled to open the end of May so I will keep checking and will let everyone know! Check the signs and your email for updates.

WOW has volunteered to decorate the entrances to the neighborhood for Christmas. Word on the streets is that we need to start shopping in July. Everyone come to June WOW with ideas in hand for places to shop and decorations to by. We will plan a Saturday shopping day for those who want to join the fun! Way to go Margo for recognizing this need and rallying the troops.

Have a blessed summer!

Reschele

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42nd Street

Three Wortham residents will be found tapping their feet away on stage at Playhouse 1960 in a production of 42nd Street from June 6th - June 29th. Victoria Teague, Graduating Senior at Cy-Falls and future Baylor University student, is a resident of Wortham Park. She is performing and choreographing some numbers. Sarah Krennerich, leaving Arnold Middle School and starting Cy-Fair HS has a featured supporting role and Wayne Krennerich, Sarah's dad, has a supporting role in the production. Sarah and Wayne lived in Wortham Park from 1991 to 1998 and currently live in Wortham Grove. Many of you know all three of them from school, Wortham Whitesharks and Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church.

This is great family entertainment at a reasonable price. Wayne will also be directing GREASE this summer. Auditions are June 8th and 9th and we are looking for lots of energetic teenagers, male and female along with a few adults. We need tech and backstage crew as well so there is something for everyone to do. Go to www.playhouse1960.com for more information or call 281-58-STAGE.

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3. Pool passes will be strictly enforced. It is the resident's responsibility to bring to the pool. It is very awkward and uncomfortable situation for everyone when the lifeguard must ask a member to go back home and get his or her tag.
4. Lifeguards are employed to insure the safety of swimmers, and they have the authority to remove from the pool area anyone disobeying the rules and/or endangering the safety of themselves or another person.
5. There will be a 10 minute break each hour. During this time the pool will be cleared with the exception of persons who are eighteen (18) years of age and older.
6. The following activities and items are not allowed:
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9. Any child nine (9) years or under must be accompanied by said child's parents or person eighteen (18) years old or older. Children 10 - 15 years of age may swim without adult supervision after passing a swim test and received pool tags.
10. Baby Pool Rules:
 - Only non-swimming toddlers 5 years and under may use the baby pool.
 - Parents, not lifeguards, are responsible for children in baby pool.
 - Any child not potty-trained must wear rubber pants with elasticized waist and legs over disposable diapers when in the water.
11. Trespassers and vandals will be prosecuted.
12. Parents are responsible for their children and guests at the pool. Parents must closely supervise their children at all times. The lifeguards will always enforce pool rules throughout the facility, but children who cannot swim must have an adult (18 or older) within arms reach at all times. The same rule applies even if the child is wearing a flotation device.

WORTHAM VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

2008 POOL SEASON

POOL TAGS & DISTRIBUTION:

Residents must be current on their maintenance fees before tags will be issued. Every resident issued tags will be required to wear pool tags for admittance to the pool area.

The pool tag registration days for tag distribution at the clubhouse have been completed for this season.

If you were unable to attend the official registration days, tags will be issued by Crest Management by mail only at a cost of \$ 20.00 per family. Fill out the form you received in the mail and send in with the \$20.00 fee for the tags to be mailed. Again, you will not be admitted to the pool area without a tag. Cost for replacing tags is \$20.00.

POOL HOURS OF OPERATION: The pool will be open during the following hours:

May 3rd through May 26th

Monday through Friday Closed

Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sundays 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Exceptions:

Saturday, May 3rd (opening day) 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Monday, May 26th (Memorial Day) 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturdays, May 10th and 17th Pool will not open until 2:00 p.m. due to swim meet

May 29th through August 24th

Mondays 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Tuesdays through Thursdays 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sundays 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Exceptions:

Thursday, May 29th 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturdays, May 31 and June 7th Pool will not open until 2:00 p.m. due to swim meet

August 25th through August 31st

Mondays through Thursdays 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sundays 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

September 1st through 14th

Mondays through Fridays Closed

Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sundays 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Exceptions:

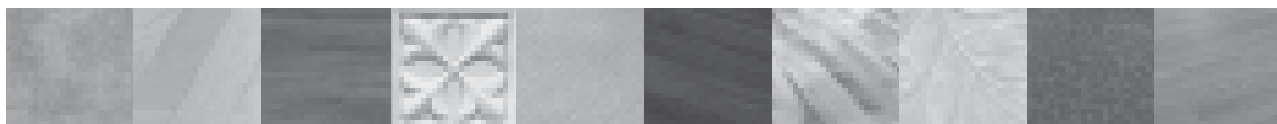
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All the rich and famous celebrities have one. In fact, some are rich and famous themselves. But you don't have to be either one to reap the benefits of hiring a personal trainer.

More and more people, novice and veteran exercisers alike, are working with personal trainers because they offer a practical and affordable means of getting and staying healthy.

A trainer for every body

Many automatically equate personal training with gyms full of hard-core strength trainers and body builders. This is only part of the picture. Anyone, young and old, in shape and out, can utilize a personal trainer for a variety of reasons.

For example, many professional and amateur athletes work with a personal trainer during the off-season to prepare themselves for in-season competition. Individuals recovering from an injury or accident may enlist the help of a personal trainer (in conjunction with their physical therapist) to get them back in top form.

The work of a majority of personal trainers focuses on increasing and/or maintaining their clients' fitness levels, assisting them in weight loss and overseeing their strength-training and cardiovascular activities. Strength training, in particular, has received increased recognition in recent years because the lack of strength is now known to be a risk factor for disease, especially for older populations.

Tailor-made training

Personal trainers wear many hats, serving not only as coach, but also as confidant, role model, educator and a major source of motivation and encouragement.

Some people may want constant supervision two to three times a week,

which makes them more likely to stick to their program because they are accountable to someone else for their exercise time. Others may prefer to see a trainer only on occasion to update their exercise program, or for periodic fitness testing to receive feedback on their progress.



It is the novice exerciser, however, who may find a personal trainer most valuable. Working with a personal trainer for a few sessions is often all it takes for some people to feel comfortable with independent exercise.

The following describes the most common services offered to those beginning an exercise program:

1. Fitness evaluation

This is a series of tests designed to assess cardiovascular fitness, body-fat percentage, flexibility and muscular strength and endurance.

2. Personalized exercise program

An individualized exercise program is designed based on the individual's fitness evaluation results and personal fitness and health goals.

3. Supervised exercise

Personal attention during exercise is the primary function of personal trainers. Clients are given a detailed orientation that addresses the aerobic, strength and flexibility components of the exercise program, and are educated about the fundamentals of strength

and aerobic training, as well as the proper and safe use of equipment.

Choosing one that fits

Once you have made the decision to hire a personal trainer, all that is left is to find one that best suits your needs. Of course, you want a personal trainer that is certified by the American Council on Exercise. (Call 800-529-8227 to locate the ACE-certified Personal Trainer nearest you.)

This is your assurance that you're working with a trainer who has the knowledge to provide you with a safe and effective workout. Don't hesitate to ask for references, and be sure that the trainer has liability insurance and provides business policies in writing.

Rates will vary, depending on the trainer's experience and the length and location of the workout session. While some health clubs offer personal training services to their members at reduced rates, most personal trainers typically charge \$25 to \$50 per hour for their services.

Finally, ask yourself if you could get along well with the trainer and whether or not they seem genuinely interested in helping you. If they meet all your other prerequisites, this is the trainer to hire. Together, you and your trainer can determine your best route to better health and fitness.



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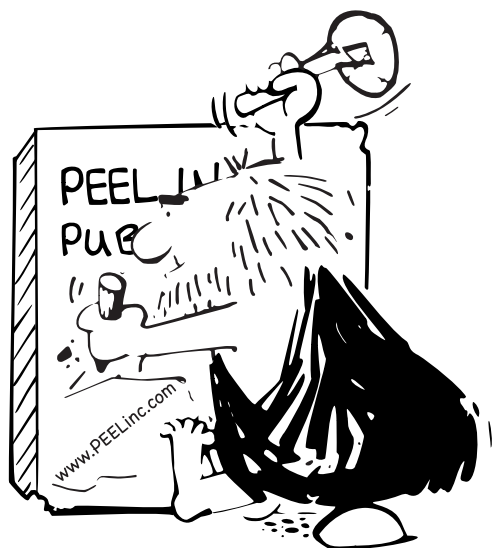
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WORTHAM MARKET REPORT

Courtesy of Super Dave

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

	Nov 07	Dec 07	Jan 08	Feb 08	Mar 08	Apr 08
\$250,000 +	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$220,000 - 249,999	1	0	0	0	0	0
\$200,000 - 219,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
\$180,000 - 199,999	0	2	0	0	0	1
\$160,000 - 179,999	1	1	0	1	1	1
\$160,000 -	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	3	3	0	1	1	3
Highest \$/Sq Ft	68.66	68.16		80.58	51.52	73.25

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