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OFFICIAL FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## The Cypress Community Honors a Retiring Firefighter

*Tracy Martin, Fairfield resident, has decided to hang up his helmet to devote more time to his family.*

Tracy began volunteering with the Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department at the Copperfield Fire Station #9 in October 1987. He is a Lifetime Member of the CFVFD and wore many hats during his twenty plus years of service to the Cypress community. Tracy served as Communications Supervisor from the mid 1990's until 2003; was elected Vice President of the CFVFD Board of Directors - served from 1997 to 2000; awarded the honor of Dispatcher of the Year in 1995; and was appointed to the position of Safety Officer in 2005. He has held the distinguished position of Lieutenant at both CFVFD Station #7 and Station #9 and carries certifications in both Firefighting and as an EMT.

Tracy moved to the Fairfield community in 1999 to Inwood Park and currently resides in Bradford Creek with his wife, Wendy, and their 3 ½ year old son, Quentin. Not only did Tracy serve as a Volunteer in the CFVFD, but has held a "regular" job working for the City of Jersey Village since 1993 where he is the Communications Supervisor.

Joe Davis, R.Ph. D.Ph., Fairfield resident and Fire Chief for the CFVFD, had this to say about Tracy: "We will miss Tracy and as in all organizations of our type there are only a select few that continue to give all of their hard work and energy back to their community. The Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department appreciates the 20 plus years of dedication and enthusiasm that he has contributed. From Firefighter to Station Officer to Vice President of the Board he has given back to his community without asking for anything in return; the mark of a true volunteer spirit. We will miss him and it is my privilege to have served our community together."

In the great essay of Benjamin Franklin, "Brave Men at Fires" – he explained the unspoken creed of all firefighters when he wrote: "Neither cold nor darkness will deter good people, who are able, from hastening to the dreadful place, and giving their best assistance to quench the flames." Tracy Martin exemplifies this creed and has served his community in the best traditions of humanity through his compassion for those in need and his bravery to defy dangerous consequences to help them.



*Please join the Cypress Community in  
Thanking Tracy for many years of dedication,  
commitment, courageous and  
unselfish service to all those in need  
and Congratulating him for a successful career  
as a Firefighter and an EMT.*

*It is in this love and these characteristics that has  
inspired Tracy to put his boots and helmet on  
and jump on to a truck when the alarm bell rings ...  
it's in his heart forever!*



# FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY GAZETTE

## Important Numbers

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## BRADFORD CREEK BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEWS

Since we have received several contacts concerning the operation of our Bradford Creek pool we thought it best to share some general information concerning all Fairfield pools. A document titled "RECIPROCAL SWIMMING POOL USAGE AGREEMENT" was put into effect in July of 2002. The basic premise is that "Each neighborhood Association shall contribute funds to pay the total costs incurred to operate all of the swimming pools and related amenities owned by and/or under the jurisdiction of the Neighborhood Associations." The beneficial part is that "The owners and/or occupants of any residential dwelling under the jurisdiction of a particular Neighborhood Association shall have the right to use any swimming pool and related amenities owned by or under the jurisdiction of any other Neighborhood Association ..."

Since our Bradford Creek pool has been the most popular pool in Fairfield this agreement is a mixed blessing for Bradford Creek residents. i.e. You have the right to use any pool but you may prefer to use your neighborhood pool - possibly within walking distance from your residence. However, since it has been the most popular pool it has reached capacity (Texas Department of Health rules) on the early weekends this spring and some people had to be directed to other neighborhood pools that were not at capacity.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused our Bradford Creek residents. In addition, we want to assure our residents that the plan is to have the Bradford Creek pool remain open 6 days per week through the 2008 pool season.

Since the planning and operation of Fairfield swimming pools is a rather complicated process we will not attempt to detail further in this article. If you have a particular interest about this subject or want to provide input for the next pool season please contact one of your resident Directors listed in the front of the Gazette. The planning process begins in late fall with budget allocation for next year so it is not too early to provide your ideas or comments.

### FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY GAZETTE

#### Procedures for Submitting Articles & Personal Classifieds

If you would like to submit an article and/or personal classified ad(s) for publication in the Gazette, please follow these guidelines:

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## Attention Fairfield Homeowners

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July	2008	Tuesday	22nd Board Meeting
August	2008	Tuesday	---- No Meeting
September	2008	Tuesday	23rd Board Meeting (Schedule Budget Meeting)
October	2008	Tuesday	---- No Meeting
November	2008	Tuesday	---- No Meeting
December	2008	Tuesday	2nd Board Meeting

### Fairfield Village Maintenance Assessments

Dear Residents,

The 2008/2009 Fairfield Village Community Association (FFVCA) assessment invoices are in the mail (or should have been received). Please note that the amount is due July 1, 2008 and considered delinquent after July 31, 2008.

For those of you who are new, there are two assessments for your home in Fairfield – one is your individual neighborhood that is due in January of each year and the FFVCA assessment which is due each July.

In order to avoid collection costs these fees must be kept current. We do accept payment plans – however it is the homeowner's responsibility to make a payment every 30 days to avoid legal action. If your account is turned over to the Attorney for collection the legal penalties are substantial – if a suit is filed for foreclosure the fees are over \$2,000. Please plan for these fees to avoid the above situations!

Thank you,  
AMI

### CHINCH BUGS

As we move forward into the hot and dry Houston summer, as usual chinch bugs make their presence known. Many homeowners treat their lawns before the onset of chinch bugs, but some have never heard of them. For those homeowners, chinch bugs will quickly ravage your lawn causing dead areas and you'll need to re-sod those sections, it can be costly.

Please contact your landscaper or go to your neighborhood lawn and garden store to determine the best course of action to prevent these bugs from taking over your lawn. If you already see them, they can advise what materials to use to hopefully prevent them from spreading.

Have a safe and fun Summer!

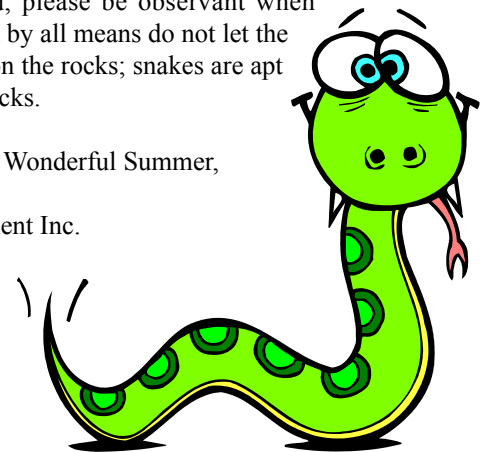
### LAKES AND SNAKES

Residents have observed snakes near the waterfall rocks at some Association lakes. There are some poisonous varieties of snakes that are native to the Fairfield area; copperhead, coral snake and water moccasins. Please know that danger does exist for residents and pets. If you see a snake, do not attempt to approach it.

Keeping this in mind, please be observant when walking the lakes, and by all means do not let the children or pets play on the rocks; snakes are apt to hide between the rocks.

Thank you and have a Wonderful Summer,

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## Community Blood Drive

Did you know that LESS than 5% of the community regularly donates blood? Blood is needed for premature babies, individuals fighting cancer, and so much more.

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## **QUESTIONS?**

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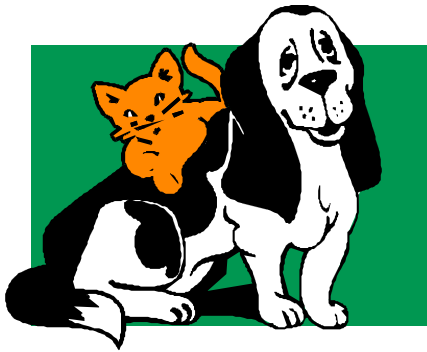
### NEED HELP WITH A LOST OR FOUND PET ...

Please contact Susan Locke, Fairfield's Lost and Found Pet Coordinator at **281-605-5775** or you may go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fairfieldpets>. Susan is the contact for someone that has lost or found a pet and tries to match the two together. Susan is unable to pick up, deliver or provide medical assistance to lost, found or injured animals but will try to help locate the dog or owner when they are lost.

~Your pet's ID tag is their **ONLY** ticket home! ~

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### More **HELP** for **PETS** ...

When a pet is lost, finding the pet means that time is of the essence. It takes time to create, print and distribute flyers. The flyers are many times illegible because of wind or rain. I certainly do not fault the pet owner because I have done this myself.

Frustrated, I thought there has to be a better way. So that is why we created Cypress Lost Pet Alert.com. The idea is to very quickly get the word out through an e-mail alert to as many neighbors as possible plus post the picture and information about the pet on the website under the specific neighborhood.

Once the email alert goes out to the specific neighborhood, many, many neighbors are now aware. If they happen to forward the email to their friends who have not signed up, it could mean hundreds of your neighbors are already alerted and are keeping their eyes open for your lost pet.

Cypress Lost Pet Alert.com is on-call 7 days a week from sun up to sun down and is FREE. We are glad to work with any informal email chains. The whole idea is to find lost pets quick for the good neighbors in Fairfield and surrounding areas.

Regards,

RB Cox

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## CYPRESS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **District to Implement No-cost EKG Screenings**

Beginning in the 2008-2009 school year, Cypress-Fairbanks ISD will implement an electrocardiogram (ECG, also commonly referred to as EKG) screening program for incoming ninth-grade student athletes. The District is partnering with local cardiologist Dr. Tom DeBauche to bring EKG machines to each high school at no cost.

Electrocardiograms display the electrical activity of the heart over time, and can identify most individuals who are at risk for life-threatening heart conditions. According to Dr. DeBauche, the implementation of the screenings could reduce the potential loss of life by student athletes by 90 percent. "This is an example of what makes Cypress-Fairbanks ISD a very special place, when community members like Dr. DeBauche take an active role—not only with an idea, but with a means to achieve that idea—making sure our students are given the best care possible in the school district and taking a proactive measure to prevent possible tragedy," said CFISD superintendent Dr. David Anthony. Beginning in the summer, Dr. DeBauche will train district nurses and athletic trainers on how to conduct the screenings. According to Jan Jones, director of health services, the plan is to begin screening incoming ninth-grade students by the spring of 2009. The long-term goal is to have every high school student athlete undergo an EKG screening. "We will be the only school district in the state of Texas that intends to test every student athlete," Dr. Anthony said. "In my 34 years in education, I've never experienced a donation of time, expertise and material more important to the lives of students."

### **KAISER LOOKS TO BUILD SUCCESSFUL TENNIS PROGRAMS AT NEWEST CY-FAIR HIGH SCHOOL**

Scott Kaiser comes to Cypress Ranch High School as the Mustangs' tennis coach after building a winning tradition at Morton Ranch High School in Katy. Kaiser, 48, helped open the 5A school in 2004 and the Mavericks' program finished fourth and qualified for the District 18-5A playoffs in its first two varsity seasons, then finished third last fall. The Mavericks accomplished this feat in a district that features 13-time Region III champion Katy Taylor and regional powerhouse Cinco Ranch. The tennis team is one of only two MRHS programs to qualify for the playoffs every season since the school's inception. Kaiser is certified in English, history and journalism. He taught English II, journalism and photo-journalism, and served as newspaper advisor for the Maverick Star. The newspaper staff has been honored in national, state and local journalism competitions. He was nominated as KISD first-year Teacher of the Year in 2004 and Morton Ranch Teacher of the Year in 2005 and 2006. Raised in Wisconsin, Scott played NCAA Division III tennis at Winona State University in Minnesota before completing his history degree at Westminster College in Salt Lake City. After graduating, he moved to Texas and began a sports writing career, culminating in a 12-year stint with the Houston Chronicle. During his tenure with the Chronicle, Kaiser was named Sports Writer of the Year by the Texas High School Coaches Association, the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and the Texas Soccer Coaches Association, and was given the Distinguished Service Award by the Greater Houston Football Coaches Association. Kaiser also was a correspondent for the Houston Chronicle High School Sports Show on KHOU-TV, a guest on numerous radio sports talk shows, and a frequent speaker at banquets and award ceremonies. After leaving the Chronicle in 2002, Scott wrote *Completing the Circle*, a manuscript about his birth family (he found out in 1993 that he had three sisters he didn't know he had) and teamed with CrossPoint Community Church pastor Bill Woolsey to write *Scaling Life's Summits: Surviving The Climb Without Losing Your Faith* (published by Publish America). More information about his writing career may be found at [scottkaiser.com](http://scottkaiser.com). Kaiser's daughter, Joey, is a sophomore at Cy-Fair High School. She is a straight-A student, a varsity tennis letter winner, and was in the school choir her freshman year. If you have questions regarding the tennis programs at Cypress Ranch, please contact Coach Kaiser at [scottakaiser@yahoo.com](mailto:scottakaiser@yahoo.com) or by phone at (713) 206-1789.

### **AGGIE ALUMNI EXCITED ABOUT OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD THE ATHLETIC TRAINING PROGRAM AT CYPRESS RANCH**

Phillip Reed has been named the head athletic trainer at Cypress Ranch High School. Coach Reed, who will begin his sixth year in public education when Cypress Ranch High School opens its doors, was the Head Athletic Trainer at Hightower High School for the past three years. He previously taught science for two years in Spring ISD at the middle school level. Coach Reed has a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology from Texas A&M University where he served as a student athletic trainer. Reed, who began his career in athletic training as a student trainer at Eisenhower High School, worked with the football, basketball and track athletic programs while at A&M. He also spent time working with various Aggie sport camps. Reed, who earned a Master of Education degree from Prairie View A&M University, is looking forward to the challenges associated with opening a new school. "I am excited at the opportunity of opening Cypress Ranch High School and starting a Sports Medicine/Athletic Training program," said Reed. "I look forward to forming relationships with our new students and taking great care of our student-athletes."

"The head athletic trainer position is such an important hire," said campus athletic coordinator Gene Johnson. "The kids really need to have someone in that spot that they can trust and that they feel comfortable working with. I guess I am biased because I hired Phillip at Hightower, but I sincerely believe that with his addition, we have secured the very best high school athletic trainer in the state. Our kids are very fortunate to get the opportunity to work with Coach Reed." Any student that is interested in the Sports Medicine/Athletic Training programs at Cypress Ranch should contact Coach Reed for an application. He may be reached at [pmr118@gmail.com](mailto:pmr118@gmail.com) or (832) 576-6966.

### **ASHEBORO, N.C. HEAD COACH NAMED TO CYPRESS RANCH COACHING STAFF**

Cypress Ranch High School athletic coordinator Gene Johnson has announced former Cy Falls co-defensive coordinator Sam Whitley as the newest addition to the Cypress Ranch High School coaching staff. Whitley leaves his position as head football coach, head basketball coach and athletic director at Asheboro (N.C.) High School to join the Mustang coaching staff. Coach Whitley, who brings 18 years of teaching and coaching

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## Cypress Ranch High School - (Continued from Page 17)



experience to the Cypress Ranch coaching staff looks to be a rare find. "It isn't often that you get an opportunity to hire people as Coach Whitley. He is not leaving Asheboro due to a lack of success. He built two very strong programs there as a head coach and we are just very fortunate that he is moving back to this area and has decided to join us. His experience both as a head coach and a campus athletic director will be a tremendous boost to our program," noted Cypress Ranch athletic coordinator Gene Johnson. Coach Whitley is returning to Cy-Fair ISD after serving two years as head football coach, head basketball coach and athletic director at Asheboro High School. After a 3-8 playoff season in 2006, last fall the Blue Comets were undefeated conference champions and finished the regular season ranked No. 1 in the state. Among Coach Whitley's honors were being named Conference Coach of the Year in 2006 and Carolina Panthers Coach of the Week. On the hardwood floors, Coach Whitley's basketball team was 30-22 in two seasons with one trip to the state playoffs. Prior to moving to North Carolina, Coach Whitley spent six years at Cypress Falls High School, the last two as co-defensive coordinator on Coach Wayne Hook's staff. "Coming back to Cy Fair ISD is just a thrill for me and my family. We have some great memories of our time spent at Cy Falls High School," said Whitley. Coach Whitley attended East Carolina University, earning his B.S. in Education in 1988 and Masters of Art in Education in 1990. He and his wife, Shanda, have three children – Carington (11), Carsyn (9) and Canyon (5). If you have questions for Coach Whitley or would simply like to welcome him to Cypress Ranch, you can reach him at coachwit@earthlink.net or (336) 953-1756.

### AREY LEAVING SPILLANE MIDDLE SCHOOL TO RUN WITH THE MUSTANGS ON "THE RANCH"

Kevin Arey, former Spillane Middle School teacher and coach, will be joining the Cypress Ranch High School coaching staff as an assistant football coach and head wrestling coach. One of Coach Arey's key assignments will be putting together the Cypress Ranch wrestling program. "It is going to be a challenge for sure. However, when Coach Johnson and I sat down to visit about the possibility of my taking on this assignment, the more we visited – the more excited I became," said Arey. "Coach Johnson has been adamant about the fact that we want to make sure we are providing "The Ranch" kids with lots of opportunities to compete in a variety of athletic arenas. Being able to keep the wrestling program on campus and lay the foundation for a successful program is something that is very important to both of us." Cypress Ranch Campus Athletic Coordinator Gene Johnson does not hesitate in expressing the importance of the addition of Arey to the Mustang staff. "Coach Arey will be an asset to our school and our community. He has coached many of the kids that will be coming to Ranch and I know that they will feel more comfortable having a familiar face around. His passion for coaching and working with kids is very evident. We are excited to be getting him." Arey, who is in his 10th year of teaching and coaching, spent his first four years in the Alief Independent School District as a science teacher and coach. In 2003, Coach Arey moved to Cy-Fair ISD and taught at Thornton Middle School before helping open up Spillane Middle School in 2005. Coach Arey has a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Lamar University. While at Lamar, Coach Arey was a member of the Cardinal football team from 1986 to 1989. Following graduation from Lamar, Arey pursued an Associates degree from Houston Community College as a Licensed Physical Therapist Assistant. He worked in an outpatient physical therapy clinic for five years prior to starting his career in education. Coach Arey looks forward to moving up with his former students from Spillane Middle School and is excited about the challenges of opening up "The Ranch". He and his wife Shannon reside in Black Horse Subdivision and the couple has two children attending Cy-Fair schools – Katelyn is 8 and Travis is 6. If you have questions for Coach Arey, please call or email him at kevin.arey@cfisd.net or (281) 785-5221.

### VETERAN COACH NAMED TO LEAD THE CYPRESS RANCH SOFTBALL PROGRAM

Bob Maicher has been named head women's softball Coach at Cypress Ranch High School, leaving his most recent position as head women's basketball and varsity assistant softball coach at Richmond Senior High School in Rockingham, North Carolina. A Purdue University graduate with a B.S. in Mathematics, Maicher brings 20 years of experience teaching at the high school and collegiate levels. He also has a vast and varied coaching background in softball, basketball, baseball, volleyball and cross country. Coach Maicher has been on the varsity softball staffs at numerous high schools in both Indiana and North Carolina with this past softball season concluding with a 20-5 team record. He has also coached many traveling teams during the off-season and summer months. A 14-year hardwood head coaching veteran, he has been named Conference Coach of the Year four times and the 2004 team under his direction was ranked by the USA Today. He has also directed a women's cross country team to a 2nd place state finish in Indiana. "Teacher" Maicher will be a member of the Math Department and is "elated and honored to join the faculty and coaching staffs" under the direction of Principal Medford and Campus Athletic Coordinator Johnson, as the doors, classrooms, fields and courts open for the first time ever at Cypress Ranch High School! Coach Maicher was born and raised in Whiting, Indiana and is married to Carol, an executive with SPX in Houston. The couple resides in the Bridgeland subdivision across from "The Ranch". Their son – Matthew – and his wife Nely, live in Pearland, Texas where Matthew is a proud member of the United States Coast Guard and is stationed on Galveston Island. Questions regarding the softball program at Cypress Ranch High School may be emailed to Coach Maicher at Rmaich22@hotmail.com or he may be contacted by phone at (219) 916-3967.

## ATHLETICS – IMPORTANT DATES

- July 14, 2008: TOURS of CY-RANCH HIGH SCHOOL are available for the community the week of July 21st thru July 25th.
- July 21, 2008: Cy-Ranch Football Camp for incoming FRESHMEN only.
- July 28, 2008: Cy-Ranch Volleyball Camp for incoming FRESHMEN only.
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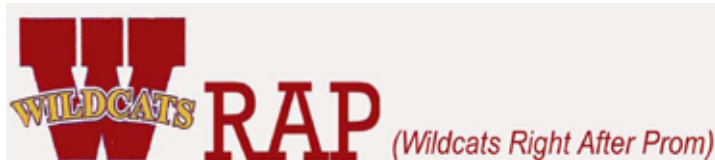
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**Online Registration:** June 23<sup>rd</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>  
**Late Registration:** Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> – Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Tryouts/Assessments:** August 9<sup>th</sup>  
**SEASON:** Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Tournament:** Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>

### FROM THE COMMISSIONER:

This will be the third year I have served as the soccer commissioner and the fourth year on the soccer commission. I believe that it is time for someone else to share in all the fun and excitement that only being a commissioner of a sport can bring about. If you have an interest in stepping up to support the soccer program by filling one of the positions listed below, please let me know by sending an email to [brian.roberts53@att.net](mailto:brian.roberts53@att.net)

### POSITIONS NEEDED:

Grounds Director (Camel crew) (filled)  
 Camel Crew  
 Camel Crew  
 Camel Crew  
 Camel Crew  
 Director of Referees  
 4 year old division liaison  
 5 year old division liaison  
 6 year old division liaison  
 7-8 year old boys division liaison  
 7-8 year old girls division liaison  
 9-10 year old boys division liaison  
 9-10 year old girls division liaison  
 11-13 year old division liaison  
 New Commissioner (2009)  
 Deputy Commissioner (2009)  
 Tryouts Coordinator  
 Rules Committee

Last year we had quite a few volunteers to help with the various tasks that are required to organize and successfully run a soccer program the size of Fairfield, and we broke all previous participation records with 688 children and 79 teams! This year we expect to register 725 – 750 kids in the program, so you can see that we are going to need the above positions filled as well as coaches for about 85 teams!



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### OUR JULY BUS TRIP PLANS ARE FOR:

**Friday, July 18, an Astros Ball Game.** Yes. It's July and time for our third annual base ball game trip. This year it's back to Minute Maid Park to watch the *Astros* play the *Chicago Cubs*. Game time is 7:05 p.m.

This year we were lucky and got group seating in section 334 with some front row rail seats. We had a great time last year so let's fill the bus again this year and cheer on our Astro's, and continue the tradition of a night at the ballpark with other fun-lovers.

Ticket payment had to be in by June 16, to obtain our group price. However, if you still would like to go, check to see if there were any cancellations. There still might be a ticket or two available.

The cost is the same as last year \$24.00 per person (non refundable) for the baseball tickets, plus the cost of your meal, or snack which ever you choose. We will stop at the Cleburne Cafeteria prior to the ball game for something to eat. Cleburne accepts cash or local personal checks – SORRY NO CREDIT CARDS.

To get your name on the list for this trip, call **Ed or Darlene Hofer @ 281-304-9078**. Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus, for the cost of the tickets only. The departure time for this trip is 4:15 p.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 4:00 p.m.

### OUR AUGUST BUS TRIP PLANS ARE FOR:

**Saturday, August 9, a theater trip to Dickenson, Texas.**

We will be seeing a performance of "Urinetown" at the Bay Area Harbour Playhouse. Music and lyrics by Mark Hollmann. Book by Greg Town Kotis.

This is an earnest tale of love, greed and revolution. The show is set in a town plagued by a 20-year drought, where water has become so scarce that private toilets have become unthinkable. The town is at the mercy of a dominate corporation which maintains a monopoly on the town's public amenities. The destitute citizens must pay towering taxes and fines to carry out their private and basic needs. Out of this mass of pitiable, a hero rises up to lead his fellow citizens against the tyrannical regime. This play has won numerous awards on Broadway.

The building where the playhouse is located was originally opened as a motion picture theater in 1941 named "The Hollywood." It was later restored and remodeled in 1991, and has become the center of community dramatic activity with live productions and classes in performing arts for children and adults.

Prior to attending the performance we will be stopping for dinner at Sudie's Catfish and Seafood House in League City. The cost for this trip \$12.00 per person plus the cost of your dinner. To get your name on the list for this trip, call **Mary Ann Tully @ 281-256-2342 or Shirley Hearst @ 281-373-4432**. Make checks out to: Fairfield

50 Plus. The departure time for this trip is 4:15 p.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 4:00 p.m.

### OUR SEPTEMBER BUS TRIP PLANS OUR FOR:

**Wednesday, September 24.** Keep this date open for another exciting trip that the planning committee is organizing now.

### UPCOMING TRIP PLANS:

*A Ten Day Inspirational Israel Tour* – Oct 08 or Mar 09. This trip is still in the planning stages. If you want more information or are interested in the Israel tour, check "Upcoming Trip Information" on our web site for the details:

[www.fairfieldseniorgroup.com/homepage.htm](http://www.fairfieldseniorgroup.com/homepage.htm)

### OUR JULY ACTIVITIES PLANS:

**Thursday, July 10:** The Monthly Planning Committee meeting is at 1:00 p.m. at the Lakeside Trails Club House.

Then later, around **6:30 p.m.** that evening, we have our Monthly Pot Luck. It is also at the Lakeside Trails Club House. However, plan on being there early. Doors open around **6:00 p.m.** for socializing and fellowship. Then stay and join many of our members that stay to play games after the meal and to finish up the deserts.

**Tuesday, July 15:** *Game Night at the Cooks' House.* It starts around **6:30 p.m.**; just bring a little snack. This is always a fun evening with great fellowship. The directions are posted in the Activity details page on our web site and will also be in the July 13 weekly email.

**Thursday, July 24:** *Game Night at Lakeside Trails Club House.* It starts around **6:30 p.m.** and we have plenty of room at the club house. We would like to see you there to enjoy an evening of games and fellowship with us. Just bring a little snack and plan on having lots of fun. There are some card games and dominoes.

**For more information on all our activities other than trips:** Call Mary Lou Cook for more details at **281-304-8359**.

We recommend that you check our web site regularly to get the latest information. Things often change from the time this article is submitted and when you receive your copy of the Gazette.

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**OUR FUN-LOVERS WEEKLY EMAIL:** An event reminder. It is emailed each week to our members and others who have requested it. It provides updated information along with any changes from what appears here in the Gazette. We also include member birthdays and prayer requests; we even have a contest or two, along with other news and items of interest. If you would like to receive our weekly email, send your email address to:

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Happy 4th of July! I hope you are all having a great summer. We have been busy going to pools, the splash pad, parks, movies and much more! It is always fun and often easier to have the kids play together! Don't be isolated because you have chosen to stay home! Come join the fun!

Come visit our next all-member meeting and see for yourself! There is a lot of fun and support just waiting for you! Our next meeting is Tuesday, July 8 10am at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church located on Cypresswood Drive in Fairfield. As always, children welcomed!

For more information please contact Danielle Slot, Membership VP at 832-876-4358, [danielleslot@yahoo.com](mailto:danielleslot@yahoo.com) or Amy Wilkes, President at 281-455-2807, [amywilkes2003@yahoo.com](mailto:amywilkes2003@yahoo.com).



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We invite you to attend one of our meetings as a guest or a member. We currently have openings, however because we hold the meetings in homes our membership is limited. So don't wait, contact me today.

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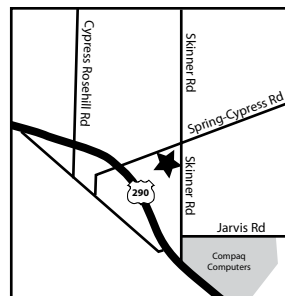
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## Fairfield Singles

*Greetings to all Fairfield Singles:*

Our names are Rogers, Ken and Linda and we are re-invigorating the Fairfield Singles Group. If you are new or old to Fairfield and are single, we invite you to join. This group will not only serve as a database and communication site, but we hope to plan and hold group activities throughout the year. Of course, we invite all who join to put as much input and involvement in as they are able. The last time the group was active, several years ago, there were forty-five plus members. I am confident that we can at a minimum be able to double that number. This is a great opportunity for those singles in the Cypress area, which is mostly a family based community, to get together and meet others of the same interests. We are asking, at this time, that only adult homeowners sign up for membership.

So, now you are asking, "How do I do it?" Actually it is quite easy and as long as you have internet access will take only an email request. As we are keeping the internet membership only open to those who actually do reside in Fairfield, we have made it a private Yahoo Group Site. This will necessitate an email request to join and please state your name, email addresses are sometimes ambiguous, and neighborhood for verification. This will also protect our membership from outside intruders. This qualifying email should be sent to: [FairfieldSingles@yahoogroups.com](mailto:FairfieldSingles@yahoogroups.com)

So sign up, get out, and meet your single neighbors! If we all get involved, we will increase our mutual quality of Life in a great community. We encourage you to be as active as you can, remember what one usually puts in; a lot more generally comes back. Thanks and we look forward to meeting all of you.

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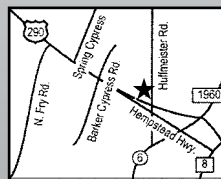
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Mrs. Morgan sent a few packages of goodies and supplies along with letters from her students to the address for Major Lindner. Upon receiving the packages, Major Lindner thanked Mrs. Morgan and her students via email and handwritten thank you cards. Mrs. Morgan began regularly corresponding

with Major Lindner to determine his specific needs and requests. CCS students and parents jumped at the opportunity to continue blessing their "special" soldier.

The back of Mrs. Morgan's classroom was piled with donations which filled nineteen boxes – all to be shipped to Iraq. Donations included study materials, snack items, toiletries, white socks (which soldiers go through quickly), cards, letters and more. Major Lindner received so much that he was able to share the gifts with "his" soldiers serving alongside him in Iraq. He was even able to use some of the items in the Christmas stockings for his troops.



Christopher Lindner

The fifth graders made it a priority to not only bless their special soldier with material items but to bless him through prayer. Major Lindner emailed specific prayer requests for his situation, his troops and his family back home in Colorado. In response to notes and cards sent by the students, Major Lindner wrote Mrs. Morgan saying, "I'm in awe of the love and grace that your children obviously have for God's people. They are truly an inspiration to me, that's for sure."

Some may call this a coincidence but Mrs. Morgan gives all the credit to God for directing her to this godly man who needed encouragement while serving his country in a foreign land. Major Lindner said in an email to Mrs. Morgan, "I don't know if I speak for everyone, but there are many types of people who provide immense value for our country and we are just a small piece. So many people get overlooked regarding their contribution and value to our future. I do miss my family so much, but I know that

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### Serving Our Soldiers - (Continued from page 32)

God has a plan for me and I have to trust that He will take care of the things I cannot. It's tough wanting to be there for my children and wife to provide that something that only a father can provide. However, I've had to realize that God can do that even better than I." What an example of faith this godly man was to our students!

**Special Surprise:** When the students who participated in this service project return to school in the fall, they have a special surprise awaiting them. Major Lindner sent the classes an American flag which was accompanied by a Certificate of Appreciation which states that the flag was flown at the Camp Remembrance II Theatre Internment Facility, Baghdad, Iraq, on February 22, 2008 in honor of Cypress Christian School.

*We "salute" the men and women serving in the military and say "thank you" for sacrificial service!*

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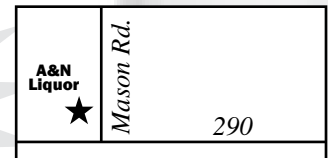
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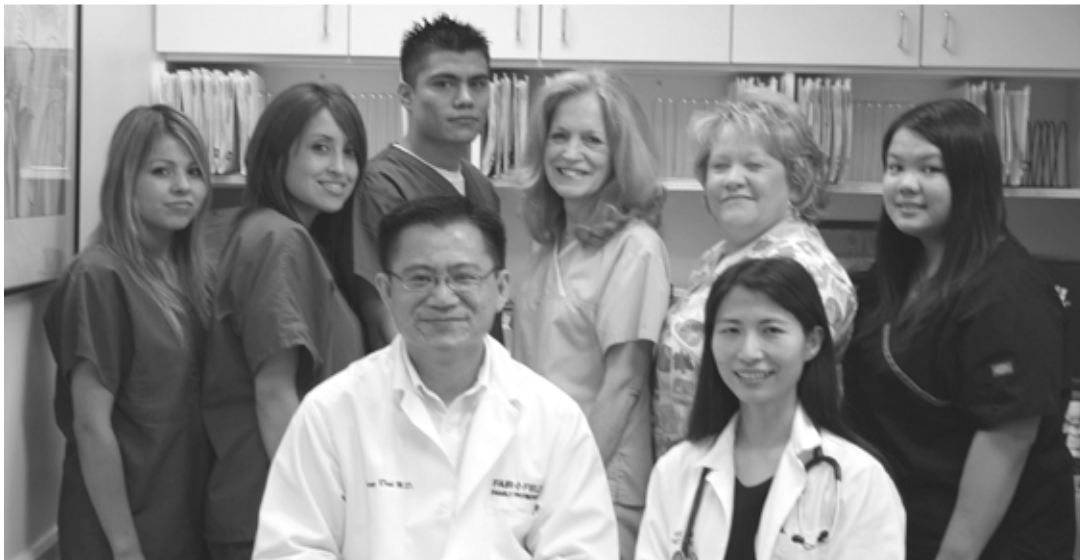


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The Apostle John, some 600 years after Daniel, saw a similar vision: "Then I saw a large white throne and the one who was seated on it; the earth and the heaven fled from his presence, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne. Then books were opened, and another book was opened – the book of life. So the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to their deeds. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and Death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each one was judged according to his deeds. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death – the lake of fire. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, that person was thrown into the lake of fire" (Revelation 20:11-15).

Both prophets saw God at the end of time, on judgment day, opening "books." What are these books, and what do they contain inside? First, in Psalm 87:6, one of these books is a registry of all living beings. This would be like a city's registry of living residents. When a person dies, they are taken off of the registry in that town. On a couple of occasions there are biblical writers who show their disdain for those who hate God, and they plead with God to remove these from this "book of the living" (Ps. 69:28; cf. Rev. 3:5).

A second book spoken of in the Bible is seen in Psalm 56:8: "You keep track of my misery. Put my tears in your leather container. Are they not recorded in your scroll?" This book is a recording of all the events of our lives – right

down to every tear we have shed.

A third book referenced in Scripture is found in Psalm 139:16 which says, "Your eyes saw me when I was inside the womb. All the days ordained for me were recorded in your scroll before one of them came into existence." This book, therefore, is the one that holds all the days that have been ordained for our lives – from our birth to our impending death.

A fourth book the Bible speaks of is found in Psalm 51:1 which says, "...According to the greatness of your compassion, blot out my transgressions." This book contains a list of deeds that we have done throughout our lives. The psalmist has just sinned, and he fears that his deeds will be remembered by God. Therefore, he asks for them to be blotted out – to be forgiven.

A sixth book spoken of in the Bible is the Book of Life (Philippians 4:3). This book was written by God before the creation of the world (Revelation 13:8; cf. 21:27), and it records the names of all who will receive Jesus Christ as Lord – those who truly respect the Lord God (Malachi 3:16) and who will live with Him eternally. These folks are not perfect, and when they do stand before God's judgment seat they are judged with reference to eternal rewards in heaven and not eternal punishment (2 Corinthians 5:10). They do not stand in the same judgment as unbelievers do (Psalm 1:5), but they will answer to God for their actions, whether good or bad.

All of these books will be opened one day in your presence. Now the book of our deeds will not save us. It is the Book of Life that is crucial, and the only way to know if your name is there is to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. He gives life to all who call upon his name.

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## Fairfield Baptist Church

### Spotlight: On Mission

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### Spotlight: Communication

Confused about Facebook and Myspace? Overwhelmed with internet safety for your children? Wondering how to use your computer and cell phone to communicate better with your student? Join us for our second PEP (parents encouraging parents) on July 13th at Fairfield Baptist Church. PEP is a round table discussion over lunch following our morning services. A key note speaker will share with parents some of the variety of things on the internet, and how they can be used to help grow your families communication and relationship. For more information, visit the website or call 281-373-5446.

You are always welcome at Fairfield Baptist Church. Worship services are at 9:45 and 11:00 am. Other Summer Sunday activities includes Bible Study for all ages. Weekday activities include Men's and Ladies Bible Studies, Student Ministry, Playtime@FBC and more special events. Visit our website [www.fairfieldbaptist.com](http://www.fairfieldbaptist.com) for more information on each of these ministries or call us at 281-373-5446. We are located at 27240 Highway 290 between Mueschke and Mason roads on the north feeder road.

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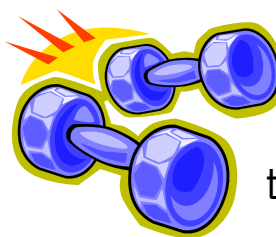
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What difficult time are you going through right now? Can you do something to change it? If you can, don't wait another day... make the needed changes. If you can't change the circumstance, however, change your attitude... you'll discover that circumstances won't have the last word.

The world is so constructed that if you wish to enjoy its pleasures, you must also endure its pains. Like it or not, you cannot have one without the other. Success is not measured by what you accomplish. It's measured by the opposition you encounter and the courage with which you maintain your struggle against the odds. You'll find all things are difficult before they are easy. The greater your obstacles, the more glory in overcoming

them. So, make up your mind before you start that sacrifice is part of the package. You've got to go through the negative before you get to the positive. The highway to success is a toll road. -- Author Unknown

Have you been to our worship center yet? We would love to have you. Why not make plans now to come this Sunday. Every Sunday morning, Bible Classes for babies to adults begins at 9:30am. Each Bible Class is taught by loving, well prepared, Christians utilizing the latest in educational techniques and 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 worshipper realize how wonderful it is when you fall in love with Jesus as your Savior.

Mid-week Bible Studies are also offered every Wednesday at 7:30pm. This is a great time to pause in the middle of a busy week and be re-energized by fellowship, prayer and study of God's Word.

We also offer free of charge in-home, personal, one-on-one Bible Studies and for those who wish to study alone, Bible Correspondence Lessons as well. If you have a prayer need of any kind, please let us know by calling the church office or visiting our web site at [www.fairfieldchurch.org](http://www.fairfieldchurch.org). Our worship center is at the corner of Mason Road and Chappell Knoll and once again, you and your family are always welcome. We would love to see you this Sunday. If you have any questions or we can help you in any way, please call the church office at 281-373-1900.

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**KIDSROCK JULY** - Are you looking for ways to entertain and educate your kids this summer? Give them a PUSH! Starting July 27, our kids will start a new program called P.U.S.H. (Pray Until Something Happens) They will have the awesome opportunity to learn to pray for friends, pray God's Word, and pray with confidence. KidsRock is a worship service for 1st - 4th graders with the purpose of providing our grade school children a place to learn about & worship the Lord in a way that is meaningful to them. They will experience the love of Jesus through active & worshipful music, multimedia presentations and much more. Join us Sunday mornings at 9:45 & 11 in The Lodge. Feel free to contact our Children's Director, Cari Brenek at [carib@goodchurch.us](mailto:carib@goodchurch.us).

**SUMMER 5-2-6** - It's going to be a REMARKABLE SUMMER! Join us for Summer 526, a brand new experience exclusively for graduated 5th graders. We plan to send these kids off to the Youth Group in style! June and July will be our chance to say good bye to our "big kids". We will be having lots of activities just for these kids (exclusive hang time in the youth room, pool parties, laser tag, movie nights, and a finale lock-in). Sunday morning we will have a combined boy/girl 5th grade Sunday School class at

9:45 and a devotion/fellowship time at 11:00. Graduated 6th graders joined the Youth Sunday classes June 1. Check out details in the 526 Brochure at the church.

**Our Student Ministry** is blessed to have Jeff Dunbar along with two summer interns to plan and organize great programs and events for your youth. Visit the [gsm youth.net](http://gsm youth.net) website for the latest on their activities. Many of the youth will attend HEB camp July 6-10 and many Sr. High students will attend a week-long mission project called UM Army July 13-19. Every Sunday there is Sunday School and Youth Worship for your teen. There is also mid-week study called Pools and Parables, Accountability Groups, and a Tuesday/ Thursday Hang Time with our interns when they are not at camp. Contact Jeff Dunbar at [jeffd@goodchurch.us](mailto:jeffd@goodchurch.us) for more information on how to get your middle or high school age child involved.

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Visit our church website at [www.goodchurch.us](http://www.goodchurch.us). Our church is located on Cypresswood Drive in Fairfield; we are right down from the Shell station off 290 and Mason Road. Join us this Sunday for Traditional Worship at 8:30am or 9:45am, New Path at 9:45am, or our Rock N' Roll service at 11:00 am. Our office staff is available to serve you Monday-Friday from 8:30-5:00 pm. Call us at 281-373-2273 for information on programs, services, Bible studies, and more.

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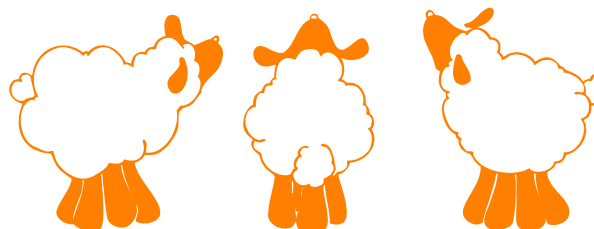
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## Texas Events - July

1-31—BEAUMONT: Brainteasers Exhibit This traveling exhibition produced by the Oregon Museum of Science and industry presents a wide array of challenges — from mathematical conundrums to mind-boggling block puzzles. Texas Energy Museum. [www.texasenergy-museum.org](http://www.texasenergy-museum.org) 409/833-5100

1-Aug. 28—CORPUS CHRISTI: Bay Jammin' Concert Series Features a variety of music from rock, reggae, world beat, jazz, blues, country and more on Thursdays. Cole Park. (Began Jun. 5.) [www.ccparkandrec.com](http://www.ccparkandrec.com) 361/826-3417

1-Aug. 28—KEMAH: Rock the Dock Concert Thursday nights. Kemah Boardwalk. (Began Jun. 5.) [www.kemahboardwalk.com](http://www.kemahboardwalk.com) 800/285-3624

1-Sep. 1—CORPUS CHRISTI: Flamingo Fandango Features the classic pink plastic yard flamingos theme-designed and dressed by area artists. South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center. [www.stxbot.org](http://www.stxbot.org) 361/852-2100

5-6, 12-13, 19-20, 26-27—HOUSTON: Summer Concert Series Includes honky tonk, Tejano, funk, Cajun and bluegrass. Concerts begin at noon. Traders Village. [www.tradersvillage.com](http://www.tradersvillage.com) 281/890-5500

6, 20—ROCKPORT: Pier Fishing Bring a rod and reel, and learn tackle and techniques of fishing in Texas bays. Begins at 10 a.m. Goose Island State Park. 361/729-2858

11-13—PORT ARANSAS: Outboard Fishing Tournament Offers a tournament for vessels powered exclusively by outboard motors. Registration is Friday with fishing days on Saturday and Sunday. Robert's Point Park. 361/749-4923

11-13, 18-20—CLUTE: Barnum This is a Brazosport Center Stages production. Center for the Arts & Sciences. 979/265-7331

11-13, 18-20—GALVESTON: Nipples to the Wind The Grand 1894 Opera House. [www.thegrand.com](http://www.thegrand.com) 800/821-1894

11-13, 18-20—HARLINGEN: Seussical the Musical Harlingen Performing Arts Theatre, 1209 Fair Park Blvd. 956/412-7529

11, 18, 25—ROSENBERG: Hot Summer Concerts Performers include Let It Ride on July 11, The Level One Band on July 18, Rob Darien and the Outside Dogs on July 25. Downtown Park stage on Avenue G. [www.visitrosenberg.com](http://www.visitrosenberg.com) 832/595-3525

13, 20, 27—SANTA FE: Summer Concerts at Haak Winery Haak Winery, 6310 Ave. T. [www.haakwine.com](http://www.haakwine.com) 409/925-1401

15-20—HOUSTON: Disney's When You Wish Features some of the best-loved Disney songs of all time. Begins at 8:15 p.m. Miller Outdoor Theatre in Hermann Park. [www.milleroutdoortheatre.com](http://www.milleroutdoortheatre.com) 281/373-3386

18—DACOSTA: Victoria Country Music Show Barbecue is served from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Hours are 7 to 10 p.m. Sons of Hermann Hall. 361/552-9345

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18-19—PORT ARANSAS: Blue Wave Owners Tournament Robert's Point Park. [www.bluewaveboats.com](http://www.bluewaveboats.com) 800/432-6768

19—GALVESTON: Family Fishing Clinic All the basics will be taught and then practiced with hands-on fishing. Galveston Island State Park. 409/737-1222

19—PORT ARTHUR: Cayman Night in Port Arthur Carl Parker Multi-Purpose Center/Lamar College. 409/963-1107

23-27—ROCKPORT: Sixth Annual Rockport Offshore Challenge Key Allegro Marina. [www.rockportoffshore.com](http://www.rockportoffshore.com) 361/729-8264

24-26—CLUTE: Great Texas Mosquito Festival Offers three days of family fun, athletic events, carnival rides, vendors and live music. See what the buzz is about. Clute Municipal Park. [www.mosquitofestival.com](http://www.mosquitofestival.com) 800/371-2971 or 979/265-8392

24-26—GALVESTON: Texas Race Week in Galveston More than 50 sail boats race on the waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Begins between 10 a.m. and noon. The recommended places to watch the races are East Beach, Stewart Beach or a few miles down the Seawall. 888/425-4753

25—WHARTON: St. Paul Lutheran Church Annual Ice Cream Social Begins at 6 p.m. 325 N. East Ave. 979/532-2336

25-26—PORT ARANSAS: Hooked on Youth Fishing Tournament Woody's Sports Center. 210/695-3016

26—BEAUMONT: Free Family Arts Day Combines an exploration of the exhibits, hands-on activities and storytelling. Art Museum of Southeast Texas. [www.amset.org](http://www.amset.org) 409/832-3432

26—PALACIOS: Palacios Market Days 5th and Main Street. [www.palacioschamber.com](http://www.palacioschamber.com) 800/611-4567

26-27—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Beachcombers Fine Arts Show Convention Centre. [www.harlingenartforum.com](http://www.harlingenartforum.com) 956/761-3000

29—HOUSTON: Beauty & the Beast Miller Outdoor Theatre in Hermann Park. [www.milleroutdoortheatre.com](http://www.milleroutdoortheatre.com) 281/373-3386

30—HOUSTON: Freedom Train Presents an inspiring tale of a family's journey to freedom along the Underground Railroad through Texas into Mexico. Begins at 11 a.m. Miller Outdoor Theatre in Hermann Park. [www.milleroutdoortheatre.com](http://www.milleroutdoortheatre.com) 281/373-3386

30-Aug. 3—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Texas International Fishing Tournament South Padre Island and Port Isabel waters. [www.tift.org](http://www.tift.org) 956/943-TIFT

31—HOUSTON: Peter Rabbit Begins at 11 a.m. Miller Outdoor Theatre in Hermann Park. [www.milleroutdoortheatre.com](http://www.milleroutdoortheatre.com) 281/373-3386.

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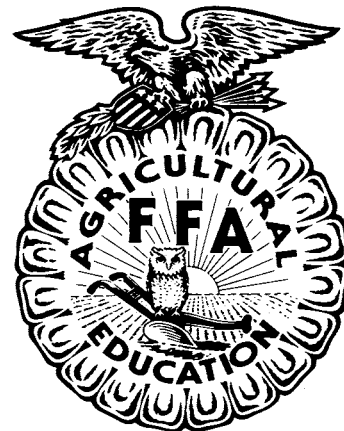
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*Submitted by Donna Wilson*

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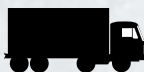
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## Spring Festival Raises \$510,000 for Boys and Girls Country

The Boys and Girls Country Spring Festival, held on May 3, broke all records for this event, netting over \$510,000. It was a day packed with entertainment, all types of booths for children of all ages, auctions, crafts, and barbecue, hot dogs, and hamburgers. Over 3,200 people attended the festival, including 500 hard working volunteers.

Boys and Girls Country is a residential Home for children, ages five to college age. The Home provides a loving, caring, safe environment in which children from families in crisis can grow

into successful adults. Says Shirley Wright, Executive Director, of Boys and Girls Country, "this event not only raised much needed funds to support our work with children, but it was also a wonderful opportunity for our neighbors in northwest Houston to learn how the Home is changing the lives of children".

The event was planned by members of the Spring Festival Committee and co-chaired by Karen Rosales and Frank Todaro. In addition, members of the Northwest Committee provided support in planning, marketing, volunteering at the event, securing booth sponsorships and auction items, and in selling drawing tickets.

Major underwriters for Spring Festival included Schulte Building Systems, HTK Consultants, Inc., Premiere & Co., American Association of Drilling Engineers, KPMG LLP, and Marathon Oil Corporation. Additional supporters included Sim-Tex, L.P., Hercules Offshore, Mirand Card Services, Bob and Helen Howard, El Paso Corporation, The Galloway Family, and Rodney and NaDean Eads. For further information, please call George O'Neal at 281.351.4976, ext. 225.



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- Take a brisk walk. A walk first thing in the morning can reduce stress and generate energy for the rest of the day. Having a buddy to walk with and talk to can also be a mood booster.
- Listen to music. Your favorite music can create a sense of peace or fun that sets the mood. If you walk, take your iPod.
- Practice yoga. Yoga provides good stress management and exercise. Even fitting in a few minutes of yoga stretching each morning can benefit you.
- Stretch during the shower. Hot water can loosen muscles and relieve tension.
- Eat breakfast. Start your day off with delicious, nutritious food. Eating breakfast has been shown to help people concentrate during the day and help them maintain a healthy weight.



*Start your day with a delicious, nutritious treat such as nectarine juice, which is high in vitamin C and antioxidants. Photo credit: California Tree Fruit Agreement*

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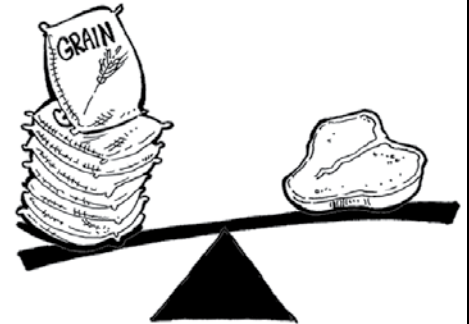
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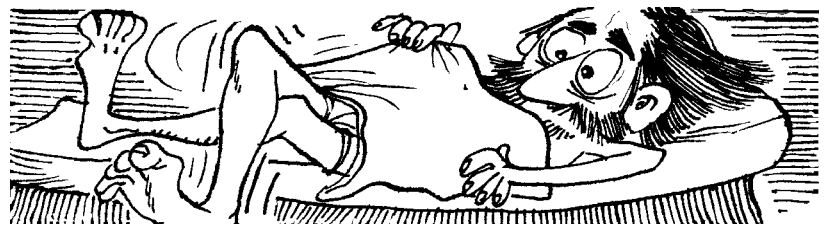
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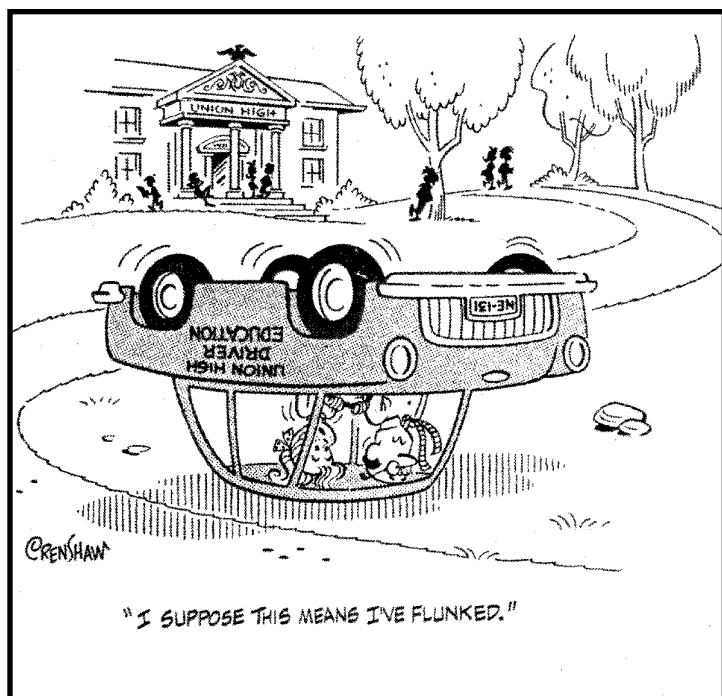
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## HOW TO TRAVEL LIGHT AND BE A “HAPPY TRAVELER”

*Submitted by Marina Byrum*

Your carry-on bag could be the solution to some of the summer travel season's likely woes — including checked baggage fees on American Airlines and possibly other carriers — but it also has the potential to cause headaches. You don't want to find a rumpled mess when you arrive at your destination or spend your vacation shivering or sweating because you weren't ready for the weather.

It is possible to pack fashionable clothes in an efficient way. Some tips from the pros:

### CHOOSE A GOOD BAG

Some travel experts recommend a standard rectangular-shaped bag with wheels for business trips because clothes are less likely to become wrinkled. For recreational travel, however, soft-sided duffel bags are better.

One way to pack play clothes to fit into space more economically is to roll them and stuff them into a bag like cigarettes into a cigarette box. But if you're using the rectangular-shaped bag, it's good to use Zip-lock plastic baggies, which come in 1 and 2-Quart sizes, as well as 1 gallon and 2 gallon sizes. Simply lay your garment or garments inside the bag, then as you zip it shut, squeeze as much air as possible out of the bag. Voila! Your bag/garment is flat as a pancake and takes up practically no space. And best of all, clothes do not tend to wrinkle using this method - unless they are fabrics that are prone to wrinkle anyway.

It's a good idea to separate undergarments and socks into one zip-

top plastic bag, tech gear such as cords and batteries in another, and toiletries all in yet another. (Any liquid needs to be stored in a see-through bag.)

Since you may be asked to open carry-on bags during a security check at the airport, things will go much more smoothly if items are organized. Otherwise, everything can spill out, which can be both inconvenient and embarrassing.

Carry-on bags tend to be treated more gently than checked bags so there is an opportunity to choose more of a fashion-forward bag than basic black. Plus, using a bright colored bag, or one with graphic print, will make it easy to find your bag in the overcrowded overhead bins.

Also, be mindful of your airline's size limit for carry-on bags. American's, for example, is 45 linear inches (height plus length plus width).

### WHAT TO PACK

To minimize the number of garments you have to pack and unpack, choose a neutral color palette — maybe blue and tan, maybe black and white — and then stick with it for the trip. By limiting the number of colors and patterns, everything matches and there's no need for that extra sweater to go with the lime green skirt. To keep your wardrobe from being too boring, pack colorful scarves or cute belts, which take up very little room in a bag.

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## Travel Light - (Continued from Page 52)

Jersey fabrics, as well as washable silks and athletic fabrics, usually pack flat and travel well, according to Susan Foster, author of a book entitled "Smart Packing" (See website at <http://www.smartpacking.com/>). She recently became sold on The Limited's new travel suit, made in a polyester-wool-and-Lycra blend, because it has a slimmer, more modern cut than most travel-specific clothes. Check Travel Smith and Magellan's for travel-friendly wardrobes also. (Both have online shopping sites available.)

The layered look always works well, with enough T-shirts, camisoles or shells for each day, but only one sweater and light, water-resistant jacket to go on top.

Toiletries tend to take up a lot of room and liquid products are also subject to the 3-ounce security rule, so it might be a good time to move toward dry products, such as a stick deodorant and mineral cover-up makeup. It's also a good idea to pack shampoo with a built-in conditioner and moisturizer with SPF.

Some business travelers are forgoing the toiletry hassle altogether, ordering travel-size products (see <http://www.minimus.biz>) to be waiting for them at their hotel.

## WHAT TO LEAVE HOME

A different outfit for every day is the worst strategy because you might need different shoes, a different handbag and different accessories for each one.

Instead, switch out only the pieces that other people notice. Change the tops, scarves, etc., but who'll notice which black pants I'm wear-

ing today?

Jeans might be the basis for many vacationers' wardrobes, but they really aren't practical, because they're too bulky, can't effectively be washed in the sink and take too long to dry.

Too many shoes are the downfall of many packers. Women shouldn't travel with more than three pairs, says Foster, and men, simply because their shoes have a larger profile in the suitcase, shouldn't have more than two.

For most trips, I try to get by with a comfortable pair of walking shoes and a pair of dressier shoes for dinner.

So why not become a "happy traveler", by cutting down on the bulk and weight of your luggage and making it your goal to cut back on baggage charges and hassles by being a smart packer?

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growths from each branch starting at the bottom limbs and working upward. Depending on the overall tree size you can remove these small growths out about 1/3 of the limb length from the main trunk. Removing all this will allow more light to get through to your soil. It also allows for an increase in air circulation through the tree, which is also a benefit to the tree. Another option would be to construct a bed and plant ground cover (Asian Jasmine or English Ivy) as examples of shade loving plants.

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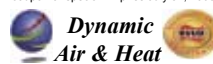


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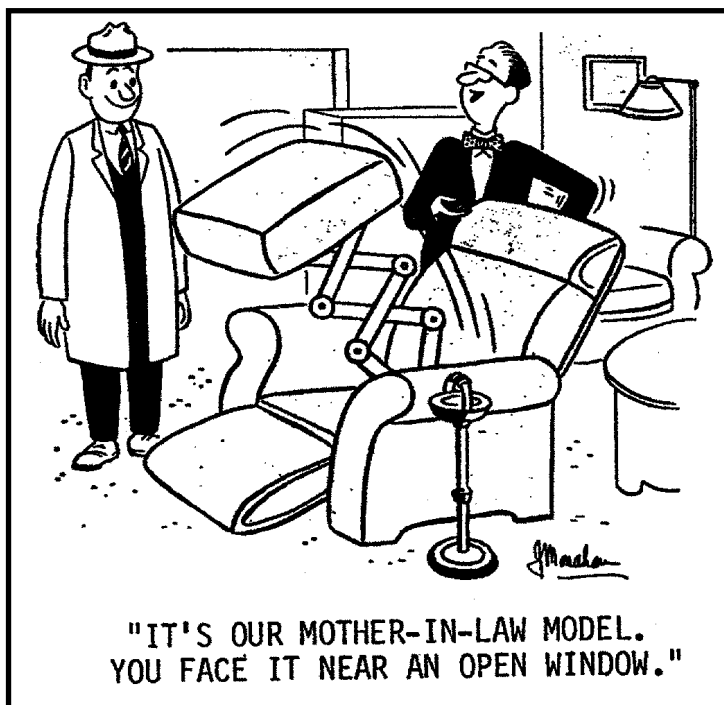
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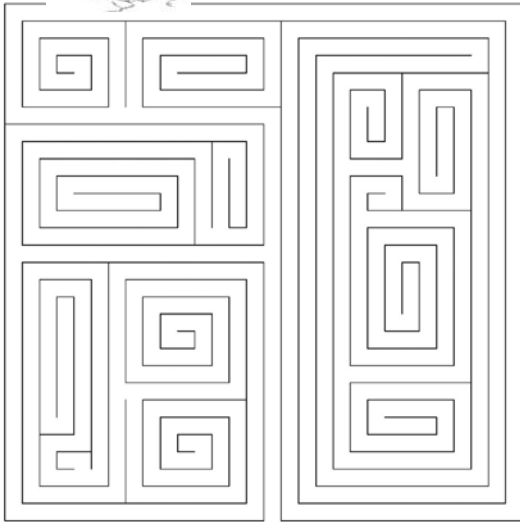
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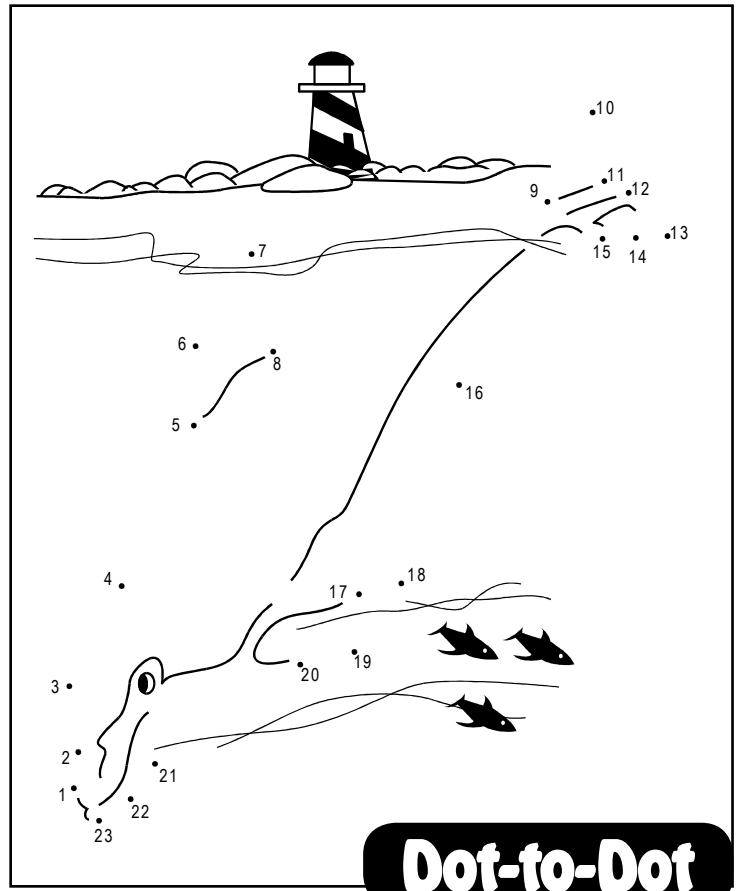
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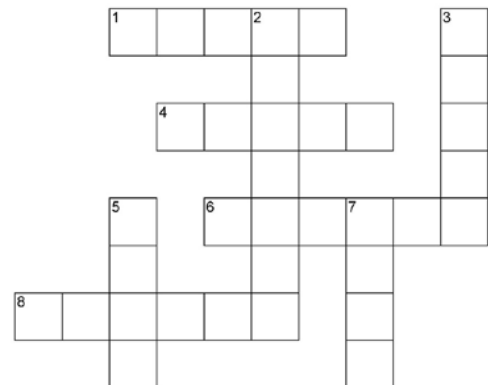
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## Kidz Crossword Puzzle

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



**ACROSS**

**DOWN**

**Clue**

**Answer Clue**

**Answer**

1. Gone away
4. Sound duck makes
6. To laugh
8. Pay no attention to

2. To look at
3. Cost of something
5. Place to put money
7. Something given

- Price
- Examine
- Gift
- Bank

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**Kidz Word Seek**

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## Some Like It Hot! Structure Of Receptor For Hot Chili Pepper And Pain Revealed

*Baylor College of Medicine*

HOUSTON – (May 19, 2008) – You can now not only feel the spicy kick of a jalapeno pepper, you can also see it in full 3D, thanks to researchers at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Using sophisticated equipment, the research team led by Dr Theodore G. Wensel, professor of biochemistry and molecular biology at BCM, generated the first three dimensional view of the protein that allows you to sense the heat of a hot pepper. The report appears in the current issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

“This protein, known as TRPV1, not only senses spicy foods, but also makes it possible to feel real heat and the pain and inflammation related to other medical conditions,” said Wensel, senior author on the study. “This method of viewing the protein now gives us the chance to clearly see the functional relationship between outside stimuli and the nerve cell.”

The outside stimulus used in this study was the heat of a chili pepper. It has been known for years that the burning sensation results from the action of a chemical known as capsaicin on TRPV1 found on the nerve cell membrane. TRPV1 is an ion channel, a tiny pore on the cell membrane that allows chemicals such as calcium to flux in and out.

“Any time you feel a burn or pain sensation, it is mediated by a TRPV1 channel. Different levels of heat are mediated by different

TRP channels,” said Dr. Vera Moiseenkova-Bell, a postdoctoral associate in Wensel’s laboratory at BCM and first author of the study. “They are all related but each is regulated in a different manner.”

Wensel said the three-dimensional image of TRPV1 revealed surprising information about its structure. It is made up of a pore domain embedded in the cell membrane, and a “hanging basket” of regulatory domains that extend into the interior of the cell.

“It’s an unusual thing. There is a whole hollow ‘basket’ area but we don’t know what’s that’s for,” Wensel said. “Now the search is on to understand how the ‘basket’ area regulates the channel.”

Isolating TRPV1 gives researchers an idea of how other channels are structured as well.

“Visualization of TRPV1 gives us insight on other TRP channels since they are structurally similar,” said Moiseenkova-Bell. “Pharmaceutical companies target these TRP channels to make sure the drug binds properly. With this first structure we can start to build models of binding sites and hopefully in the future design more effective pharmaceuticals for a wide range of medical conditions.”

Studying these channels is nothing new. In the past, scientists could measure the activity in the cells but it was unclear what each channel was responding to. Determining which proteins interacted with TRPV1, however, required Wensel’s lab to create a purified model.

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The protein had to be removed from cells, purified, and reconstituted in a synthetic membrane so researchers could control channel activity.

"Since calcium is involved in cell signaling, following the calcium movement confirmed the protein is active," said Wensel. "We are the first group to purify a TRPV1 channel and control what goes in and out when the channel opens."

Others who took part in this work are Dr. Lia Stanicu, of Purdue University, Dr. Irina Serysheva, adjunct associate professor of biochemistry at BCM, and BCM graduate student, Ben J. Tobe.

Funding for this work came from the National Institutes of Health. The article is available at [www.pnas.org](http://www.pnas.org)

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## Prevent Osteoporosis Now

Today is the day to begin preventing osteoporosis, an age-related disorder in which bones become gradually thinner, more porous and less able to support the body.

This condition affects both men and women, but women usually suffer more severely because bone loss accelerates rapidly after menopause. By the time a woman reaches the age of 70, she may have lost as much as 30 percent of her bone density.

### Prevention is the Key

The following lifestyle-related factors may lead to the development of osteoporosis:

- lack of exercise
- calcium and vitamin D deficiency
- prolonged use of drugs, alcohol, caffeine, high-phosphate soft drinks
- smoking

The good news is that osteoporosis may be prevented by a combination of exercise and good nutrition.

### Get Plenty of Exercise

Weightbearing exercises can help prevent bone loss and may encourage bone growth. Specific exercises to twist, bend, stretch and compress bones are needed to strengthen the common sites at risk: the upper arm at the shoulder, the forearm at the wrist, the thigh bone at the hip, and the spine. This process is known as "bone loading."

Before beginning any exercise program, always consult your physician. If you're given the go-ahead, start slowly and build up over time. An ideal program should include

### Keeping Bones Healthy at Every Age

	Calcium (mg/day)	Vitamin D (IU/day)	Physical Activity	Bone Density Testing
Infants				
0—6 months	210	200	Interactive play	As clinically indicated in high-risk patients.
6—12 months	270			
Children and Adolescents				
1—3 years	500	200	Moderate to vigorous activity at least 60 minutes per day. Emphasizes weight-bearing activity.	As clinically indicated in high-risk patients.
4—8 years	800			
9—18 years	1300			
Adults				
18—50 years	1000	200	Moderate activity at least 30 minutes per day, on most, preferably all, days of the week. Emphasize weight-bearing activity. Fall prevention programs, modified for the frail elderly and spine fracture patients.	As clinically indicated in high-risk patients.
51—70 years	1200	400		Bone density testing by DXA in all women over age 65; consider in women under 65 with risk factor. No consensus on men.
>70 years	1200	600		

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bonespecific, aerobic weightbearing exercise three days per week. Weightbearing exercise includes such activities as walking and cross-country skiing.

Include a variety of exercises that will stimulate as many different bones as possible. Add upper-body muscle strength and endurance training two days per week.

Stick with your program and work up to at least 20 to 30 minutes of physical activity a day, on most, preferably all, days of the week. Also, think about ways to increase your daily activity, such as taking the stairs or gardening.

### Eat for Stronger Bones

You can bolster your bone strength by eating a high-calcium, high-fiber, low-fat diet.

Did you know that two-thirds of your bone is composed of calcium? The accompanying chart lists the recommended dietary allowances (in milligrams per day) for calcium and vitamin D for various individuals.

You need vitamin D to help metabolize calcium. The best source of vitamin D is the sun, but fortified milk products offer the same benefit without the risk of skin damage.

You can also get a good dose of calcium from the following sources:

- nuts, seeds, beans and peas
- fish with bones
- green vegetables

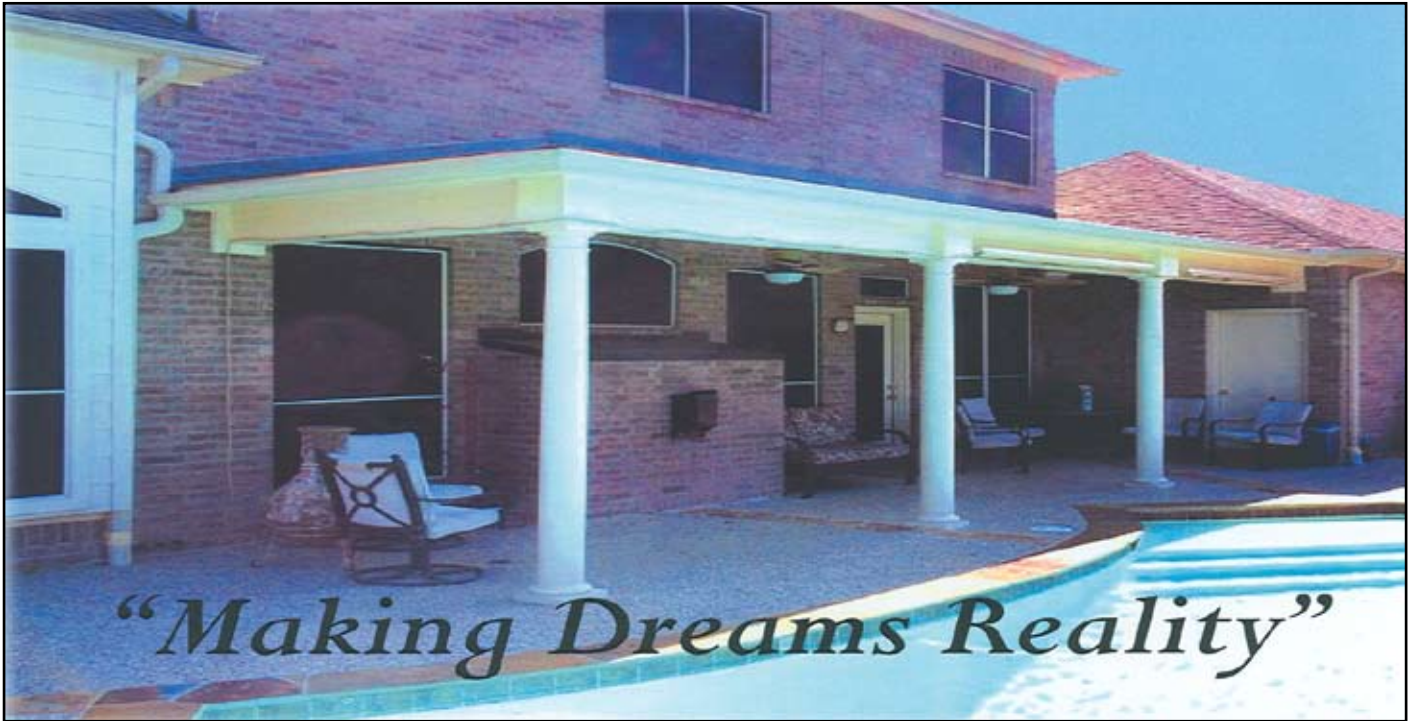
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## Cancer Patients Develop Can-do Attitude At Summer Camp

*Baylor College of Medicine*

HOUSTON – (May 28, 2008) – For many children, summer camp is an annual tradition. Kids with cancer – even those who are physically disabled because of their treatment or illness – don't have to be excluded from this rite of passage.

Camp is an impactful experience for children battling cancer that can instill in them the can-do attitude it takes to deal with their disease, said Dr. ZoAnn Dreyer, associate professor of pediatrics – hematology and oncology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

"I always tell people that camp is the single most important thing we do next to treating the kids' cancer," said Dreyer, who serves as medical director for Camp Periwinkle, a week-long summer camp that promotes emotional healing for patients at the Texas Children's Cancer Center, a major component of the Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center at BCM.

When children don't have the right attitude, they often do not tolerate therapy well, and they may not have a good perspective on life as long-term survivors, Dreyer said.

"In that case, cancer becomes something that, instead of being a limited illness, affects them for the rest of their lives in a negative way," she said.

Camp Periwinkle is celebrating its 25th anniversary this summer. It is available to patients at the Texas Children's Cancer Center between the ages of 7 and 15 and their siblings, and it is completely free for families.

The relationships that are built at camp are very strong because they are built on the same foundation, Dreyer said.

"Each one of them has faced life-threatening illness, and they draw strength from each other and from the counselors," she said. "These children come from all sorts of different backgrounds, but at camp the playing field is equal. It doesn't matter that they have cancer and are undergoing treatment. They're just like everybody else, and there's nothing they can't do."

Often parents feel apprehension about sending their sick children off to camp, but Dreyer said they should feel secure knowing there is a full medical staff, often the same doctors who treat their children at the cancer center.

Camp Periwinkle is a program of the Periwinkle Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of children, young adults and families who are being treated for cancer and other life-threatening illnesses at the Texas Children's Cancer Center, a center of Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

The foundation got its name from the perennial *Vinca minor*, the periwinkle plant. It is the source of one of the most common chemotherapy agents used – vincristine.



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*Baylor College of Medicine*

HOUSTON – (May 27, 2008) — Getting rid of a pain in the neck is usually easier said than done.

Patients who suffer from muscle pain don't always find immediate and lasting relief, however, a new treatment option may be the solution. According to experts at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, injecting Botulinum toxin into trigger points in the muscle may offer longer lasting relief for patients suffering from muscle pain in the back or neck that is due to muscle spasms.

"This treatment used in conjunction with physical therapy can help loosen the muscles and provide relief for several months," said Dr. Benoy Benny, assistant professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation and director of the spine, sports and pain program at BCM.

Many patients suffering with this type of pain have tried several treatment options including non-steroidal anti-inflammatories, physical therapy and trigger point injections with a local anesthetic. Those who felt short-term relief from the trigger point injections may find that Botulinum toxin injections provide the same relief for a longer period of time, said Benny. Whereas the trigger point injections may last for a few hours, days or weeks, Botulinum toxin injections can last for as many as three months for some and can be repeated if necessary.

Over time, the frequency of the injections can be reduced as the patient continues with physical therapy.

Doctors are now exploring what other areas of pain this treatment can be used in, and whether it may be an alternative to surgery for those suffering from refractory back pain. However, the treatment is not recommended for patients with neurological symptoms as it is not meant to treat these symptoms, said Benny.

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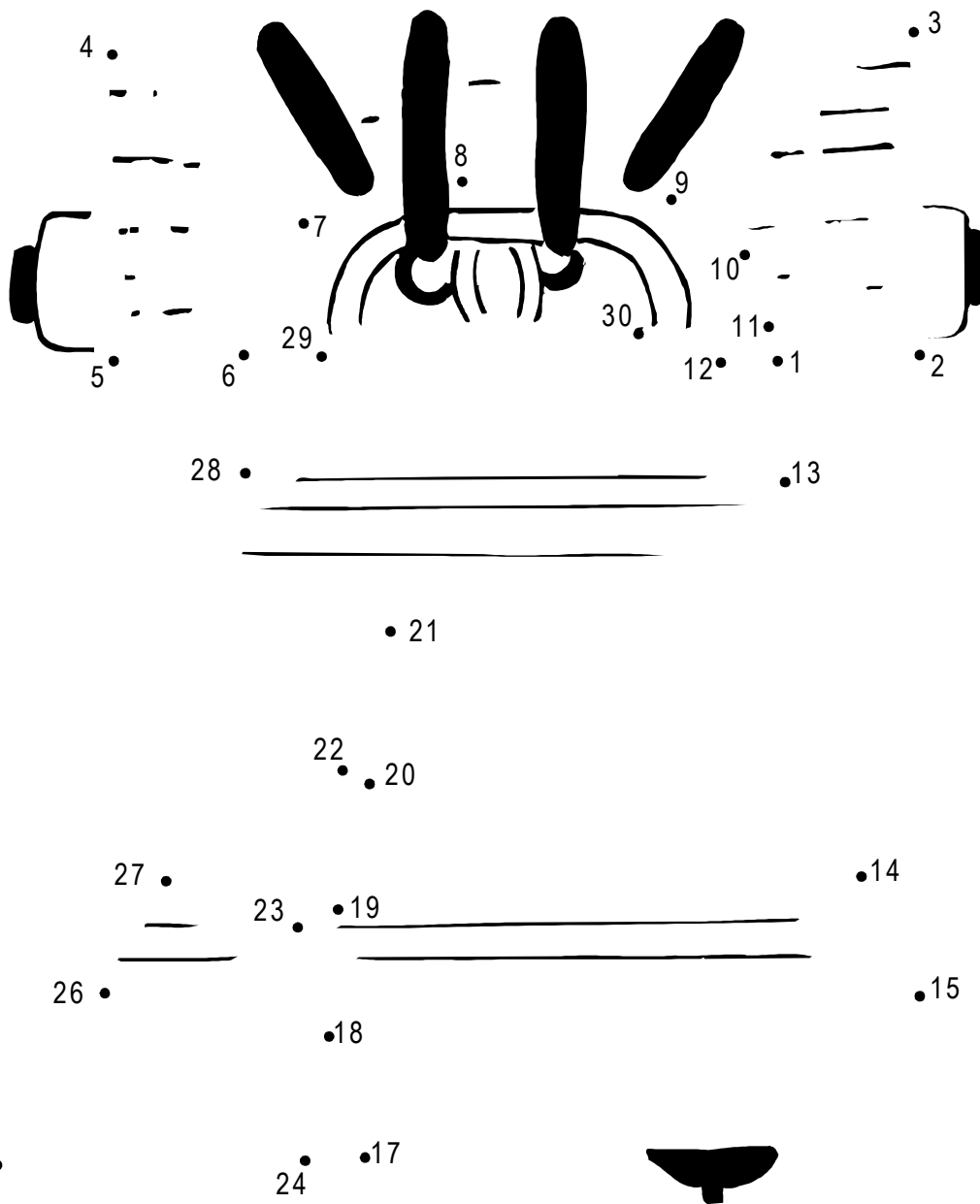
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A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.

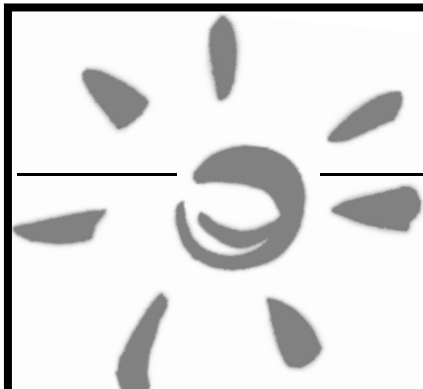
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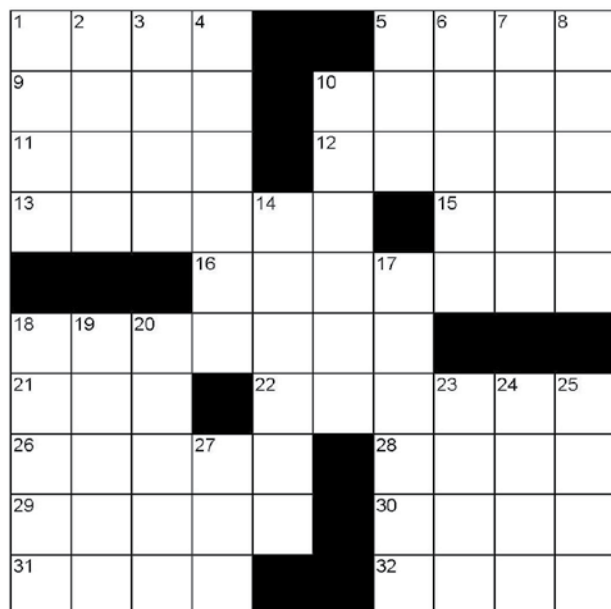
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### ACROSS

1. Curse
5. Glasses
9. Charge card
10. Japanese dish
11. Pear type
12. Type of alcohol
13. Mete out
15. Deer relative
16. Mountains
18. Sin
21. Fawn's mom
22. Rain shoe
26. Angry
28. Sole
29. Whoop
30. A spinning toy (2 wds.)
31. Plateau
32. Former magistrate of Venice

### DOWN

1. Baby's "ball"
2. Famous cookies
3. Loch \_\_ monster
4. Levy
5. Jag
6. Direct
7. Animal kingdom division
8. Soft materials
10. Member of an American Indian people
14. Dancer Rogers
17. Put more ammunition in
18. Abhorrence
19. Skill
20. Heroic actions
23. Upon
24. Slug
25. Publicity
27. Drink

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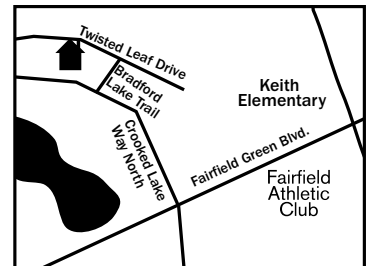
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4/3.5/2, 3261 SqFt, \$218,000



15707 Twisting Springs Drive,  
4/3.5/3, 3590 SqFt, \$264,900



16306 Rolling View Trail,  
4/3.5/3, 3661 SqFt, \$329,900



15823 Lake Loop Drive,  
5/4.5/3, 3767 SqFt, \$389,900



16211 Morning Pine Trail,  
4/3.5/3, 3704 SqFt, \$311,900



15410 Redbud Berry Way,  
4/2/2, 1972 SqFt, \$147,500

### Dawn Fore's Fairfield Market Report

Neighborhood	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Results			Current	
	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM	Avail	Pending
Bluebonnet Glen	0	-	-	0	0
Baker's Ridge	0	-	-	6	0
Chappell Ridge	4	\$73.90	68	5	1
Cottage Glen	3	\$81.90	50	4	2
The Estates	0	-	-	3	0
Garden Grove	5	\$76.30	93	5	3
Glen	2	\$62.05	24	1	1
Inwood Glen	5	\$70.85	24	3	2
Inwood Meadows	2	\$66.89	36	7	3
Inwood Park	1	\$69.14	41	10	2
Lakes/Lake Ridge 2	9	\$73.28	103	11	1
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	5	\$72.31	134	10	1
Meadows/Park/Retreat	3	\$67.67	112	8	4
Oaks/Trails	5	\$70.84	52	8	2
Pines	1	\$86.17	76	0	0
Summer Crossing	1	\$72.75	112	3	1
Summer Ridge	3	\$80.61	90	8	1

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