

THE SUN



News For the Residents of Stone Gate

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Going Green is Easy with Hot, New Products at the Second Annual Cy-Fair Home and Garden Show

The Berry Center - Saturday and Sunday, March 14-15

No time like the present to turn over a new leaf, and the Second Annual Cy-Fair Home and Garden Show will be brimming with hot, new products and ideas to make your dream home a green reality.

Angelique Grado of Green Builders Source will be one of several featured speakers at this exciting springtime event. Grado is bringing a truckload of the latest products to the Show, along with her eco-friendly expertise and ideas.

One of the new products Grado will be showing off is Bekaert solar window films. "These films allow in almost all visible daylight to naturally light your home," she said, "but they filter out all the radiant heat that comes with the sun." These features result in improved comfort, year-round; protection from ultraviolet damage; and impressive energy savings.

Cork flooring is gaining popularity across the country, but many homeowners know little about it. Cork floors allow homeowners to enjoy a certain bounce to their steps while resisting accidental moisture. As Grado explained, "Cork flooring is much like the cork you find in wine bottles. It expands into the space and holds back liquid. This comes in handy if you use the space for family meals, entertaining, or have kids."



Marmoleum click flooring is another new option for green environments that is easy to design as well as to install. This ecologically produced natural linoleum on high-density fiberboard with a cork layer comes in 12 x 36-inch panels or 12 x 12-inch squares in a patented click system. "Our customers like this product for hallways, kitchens and kids' rooms, where traffic is heaviest," said Grado, a sustainability-conscious environmentalist, wife and busy mother.

For green-minded fitness buffs, Windstorm's Bike Generator offers still another opportunity to conserve energy while burning calories. "Recently, one of our builder-clients purchased one of these generators for a client who had an exercise room," Grado said. "They hooked

up a stationary bike to the generator and during the client's workout, she generated enough energy to run all the electronics in the room, including the plasma TV, kids' computer games, lighting and other exercise equipment."

Woodworkers and furniture builders will want to check out the incredible textures and grains of Kirei Board (kee-ray), a strong, lightweight, durable and environmentally friendly wood substitute. "Our customers are using this

exotic new product for furniture, cabinetry and interior design elements," Grado explained, "It's manufactured from reclaimed sorghum straw and non-formaldehyde adhesive, which means it's rapidly renewable, as well as a unique option for furniture-grade wood."

For kitchen countertops, consider The Green Builders Source selection of Ice Stone products. "Ice Stone is made from 100 percent recycled glass and concrete and comes in 27 colors. It can also be used for backsplashes, bathrooms, vanities, shower surrounds, table tops, bar tops, bathtubs and kitchen sinks," Grado explained. "Eco-friendly, sustainable and green, this product diverts thousands of tons of trash glass from our landfills," she added, "and has the look of the old terrazzo."

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A newsletter for Stone Gate residents

by Stone Gate residents.

The Sun is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Stone Gate residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information and more.

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DYNAMIC LINEUP OF SPEAKERS

Other speakers at the Second Annual Cy-Fair Home and Garden Show include Peggy McGowen, ASID, CMKBD, kitchen and bath expert; LaVerne Williams, green architect; Michael Strong, co-host of Home-Improvement Hotline on the 9-5-0 AM; Randy Lemmon, GardenLine host, 740 AM NewsRadio; Michael Garfield, the High-Tech Texan, The 9-5-0 AM; Linda Durham, organizing guru; Brenda Beust Smith, Q&A with The Lazy Gardener; Charlotte Lampe, new products and interior design; Green lighting efficiency expert with Carol's Lighting; Dan Marshall, with Innovative Skylights & Attics; and John Ferguson, gardening with organics.

Show Information:

The Second Annual Cy-Fair Home & Garden Show features over 200 top-quality exhibitors and takes place Saturday, March 14, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 15, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Berry Center, 8877 Barker Cypress Road (corner of Barker-Cypress and West Road), Cypress, Texas 77433. FREE parking is provided by AM 740 KTRH.

Admission is \$9 for adults, \$7 for seniors, and children under 12 are admitted free.

\$1.00 discount coupon can be downloaded at www.CyFairHomeAndGarden.com, where speaker schedule and a list of exhibitors is also available.

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Astronomy in Stone Gate

By Keith Rivich

Two of the most easily recognized celestial denizens vie for your attention during the latter part of March and beginning April, the brilliant ringed world Saturn and the mighty hunter Orion. But before we delve into how to locate these gems lets take a look at some of the less showy actors on our velvet stage.

Our dominant player of the past few months, **Venus**, is finally plunging into the blinding glare of our sun as it races ahead of the earth in its faster orbit. If your location permits you can find Venus very low in the western sky immediately after sunset, binoculars may help spot it. If you can get a telescope on it you will find a very thin crescent looking much like a two or three day old moon. The reason for this is Venus will be passing between the sun and us on March 27th thereby decreasing the amount of surface we see illuminated. As Venus passes the sun it will then emerge into our morning sky and will become our "morning star" by mid April.

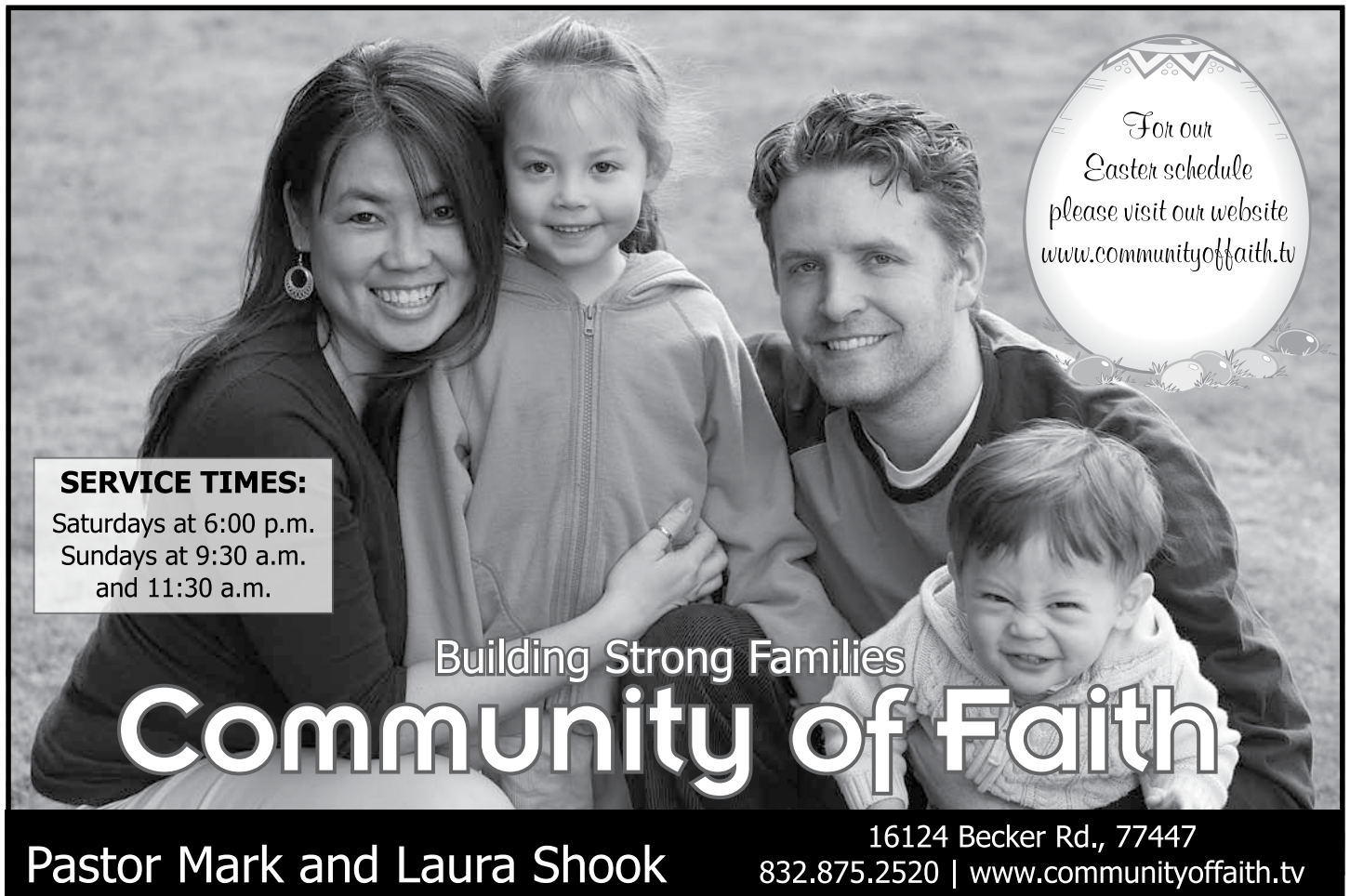
Jupiter is slowly climbing out of the sun's glare as it heads towards center stage later in the summer. Look for the gas giant in the early morning hours towards the east southeast about 20 or so degrees above the horizon. Ruddy Mars can be found with binoculars to Jupiter's lower left just above the treetops.

This month there is also an event you cannot observe directly but it is fun to think about. On March 20th at 7:44 am (EDT) the earth will

move in its orbit from north of the sun's equator to the south. From the point of view on our home world the sun will be directly overhead as seen from anywhere on the equator. This called the **Vernal Equinox**. From this point on until the summer solstice the sun will appear to move north in our sky heralding in our hot, sticky summer! You can see a vivid example of this motion as you sit in traffic on 290 each morning. For the next few months use a landmark to note the sun's position as it rises. As the weeks progress you will see that it rises slightly left, or north, of its previous position.

When showing people objects through my telescope Saturn reigns supreme as the planet most likely to cause shortness of breath. It really looks like the picture! You can locate Saturn in the early evening sky by looking nearly due east at about 9pm. Saturn will be the first bright "star" you see about 30 degrees above the horizon. Take your telescope and have a look. Don't see the rings? Make sure you did not accidentally center on nearby, but slightly fainter Regulus the brightest star in Leo. Saturn is slightly below and left of Regulus. At first glance the rings will seem like a thin line cutting across the disc of Saturn. Why is this? Approximately every 15 years the earth passes through the plane of the rings, think of a DVD as viewed edge on, and since the rings are very thin, only a few hundred feet thick, they

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are much less prominent. We cross the ring plane in September and will be opening back up to their full glory in a few years.

As Saturn elicits exclamations in the eyepiece **Orion** can have the same affect once it is pointed out and you actually see the hunter as described many millennia ago. It is easier to find Orion by first locating one of his faithful dogs, **Canis Major**. The brilliant blue-white star Sirius, a.k.a. the Dog Star, marks the position of the dogs neck as seen in the historical drawings. In the sky Sirius will be the brightest star as seen looking slightly west of south and up about 40 degrees on any mid March night around 9:00pm. From Sirius look to the right (west) and you easily spot Rigel. Rigel marks the left foot of the kneeling hunter. Just above Rigel you will then recognize the three stars marking Orion's famous belt. You can confirm this by glancing above the belt stars and finding the bright ruddy orange star Betelgeuse that marks the armpit of Orion's upraised right arm. Picture Orion as kneeling on his right knee, left knee raised with foot flat on the ground. Right arm is raised holding a club, left arm extended straight out holding a shield, head turned towards the right (west). It helps to have one of your kids or spouse assume this position for visual reference :o). Ok...got it so far? Now, the aforementioned Rigel marks the left heel and Betelgeuse the right armpit. Fainter Saiph, found between Rigel and Sirius, marks the right knee. Bellatrix, to the lower right of Betelgeuse, marks the left shoulder. These four stars create the outline of our mythical huntsman. Within these four

stars we will find, of course, our famous **belt stars** that make Orion's waist. Equal distance apart and nearly equal brightness makes this trio a beautiful sight to behold. But are they physically connected? Nope! From left to right Alnitak, Alnilam and Mintaka are located at a distance of 817 light years, 1342ly and 916ly distance respectively. If you could fly a few hundred light years (one light year is 6 trillion miles) away from earth the belt stars would no longer line up!

The stars of Orion are located in the direction of one of the outer arms of the Milky Way galaxy. Within this arm are many deepsky objects that can be viewed through a quality telescope under darker skies. From our moderately light polluted backyards a few objects do stand out. Most notably is the great **Orion Nebula**. Looking straight down from the leftmost belt star you will see a small faint group of stars that are aligned south to north. These stars mark Orion's sword hanging from the belt. On a clear, moonless night find these stars in your telescope or binoculars and focus your attention on the middle star. Look for a faint glow around the stars. This faint glow is a gigantic cloud of molecular hydrogen 1500 light years away! Inside this great cloud are thousands of newly minted stars whose combined radiation is causing the cloud to glow thus making it visible for us to gawk over.

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The Lamkin PTO is very excited about our upcoming events! Take a look!

March Events:

- 2nd Magazine Sales Begin
- 3rd 3rd and 5th grade readings TAKS test
- 5th CiCi's Pizza Night
- 8th Daylight savings time begins
- 9th PTO Meeting 9:30 a.m.
Report Cards
- 9-12 Staff appreciation week
- 10th VIPS Junior achievement training 9:30-12 @
Berry Center
- 13th Spirit Shop
- 16-20 Spring Break
- 18th Chick Fil A Night
- 24th Report Cards
- 26th Progress Reports
VIPS General meeting 9:30-12 @ Berry Center
- 27th Credit Union Day during all lunches Spring Pictures

April Events

- 1st Kindergarten Registration - Cici's Pizza night
- 6th PTO meeting 9:30
- 7th 5th grade Math TAKS
- 10th Holiday
- 13th 1st grade program
- 15th Chick Fil A Night
- 16th 1st grade gulf mysteries
- 17th VIPS Spring workshop @ Berry Center
- 17th Credit Union Day during all lunches
- 17th D.A.R.E. graduation
- 28th 3rd and 4th grade math TAKS test
- 29th 4th grade reading TAKS test
- 30th 5th grade science TAKS test
VIPS general meeting 9:30-12 @ Berry Center

Family Fun Night:

Family Fun Night is May 8th from 5-8 p.m.

This year we will be adding a silent auction and vendors to our activities that night. If you are interested in volunteering please email Yvette Zitterkopf at zitterkopf@yahoo.com. We are also looking for donations to help support this event. If anyone is interested please contact Christine Vergara at christinev18@hotmail.com or Yvette Zitterkopf at yzitterkopf@yahoo.com

Attention 5th grade parents:

We are looking for pictures of your 5th grader to be included in the 5th grade memory book. Please e-mail any pictures to Christine Vergara at christinev18@hotmail.com

Thank you so much to all our PTO volunteers..they are the best!!



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Sustainable Living Houston Kicks off National Bike Month!

On Friday, May 1, 2009, residents of Cypress, Texas, will bicycle from the Coles Crossing subdivision to the nearby METRO Park & Ride and transit oriented development. By riding bikes to the Park & Ride, and then taking the #217 METRO bus to their work locations, the residents will complete a long-haul, suburb-to-city multi-modal commute without the use of private automobiles.

METRO has recently installed bike racks at the Cypress Park & Ride, and these will be used to secure the bicycles. There is also limited space for taking a few bikes in the sub-floor storage compartments of the # 217 buses.

Residents will assemble at 6:50 am on Friday, May 1, 2009 at the Coles Crossing Community Center parking lot and depart at 7:00 am sharp. Use of helmets, front &

rear lights, red rear reflectors and articles of reflective clothing will be mandatory. Residents will ride on the sidewalk south on Barker-Cypress Rd. to Jarvis Rd., whereupon the group will transition to riding on Jarvis Rd. in a vehicular cycling mode. The total ride distance will be about a mile each way, and the time to the Park & Ride from the neighborhood will be about 6 minutes.

The rain date for this ride is May 15, 2009.

There will be a highly recommended pre-ride safety briefing at the Coles Crossing Community Center parking lot on April 25th at 8:00 a.m. where helmets, lighting, bike commuter clothing, and vehicular cycling will be discussed, as well as a test ride of the route. This briefing will be led by a League of American Bicyclist certified cycling instructor.

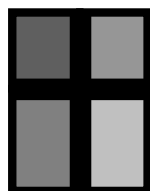
Networking And Business Expo

The American Business Women's Association Cy-Fair Express Network invites you to their March Business Expo.

- Browse area businesses!
- Bring a friend!
- Enjoy a buffet lunch!
- Win door prizes!

Reservations: Contact Anya Lucas 713-459-2331 or anya@lucascare.com or go to www.cyfen.org for more information. Please try and RSVP by Friday, March 20, 2009.

CYFEN is an ABWA Express Networking organization providing opportunities to network with other professionals in the Northwest Houston area, and offers professional development and educational advantages through ABWA. CYFEN meets the fourth Thursday of each month (except November and December), and visitors are always welcome. Contact Anya Lucas for more information.



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April 9th Maundy Thursday Worship Service at 7:00pm.
April 10th Good Friday Worship Services:
7:00am "Stations of the Cross" / Noon "Seven Last Words" / 7:00pm Evening Worship.
April 11th Holy Saturday Sunny Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt at 9:00am.
April 12th Easter Worship Services at 8:00am and 10:30am.

Regular Worship Schedule

Sundays at Saint Aidan's

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9:15am Sunday School for All Ages
10:30am Worship

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The New Year is here and what a better time to start something new! You can attend two events before joining. Our membership fee is only \$20 a year. The Moms club is a great opportunity for you and you kids to make new friends in our area. Come visit our next all-member meeting and see for yourself! There is a lot of fun and support just waiting for you! We meet 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 or Amy Wilkes, President at 281-455-2807, amywilkes2003@yahoo.com.

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Cy Fair High School Project Prom

Do you want your child on the street after Prom? Neither do we! We are hosting an all night lock-in parent-chaperoned party for the seniors of Cy Fair High School with food, games, entertainment, prizes and more! Project Prom is looking for all the parents of Cy-Fair seniors and their friends! We need your help for this lock-in party to be a success as this is not put on by the school but by the parents after the Prom at Sam Houston Race Park on Friday, May 1st starting at 11pm and ends at 6 am, Saturday morning. We have a few fundraisers left to make the money needed to host this wonderful party that the kids will want to attend. Your favorite senior can earn Project Prom Buck\$ when your time and money is spent towards this party. Our fundraisers will help us... won't you get involved? Here is the list of our upcoming fundraising efforts.

Mulch Sales: 2 cu. ft bags of black mulch are \$5. We are taking pre-orders for the March 7th deliveries at the Wortham Subdivision club house and the StoneGate subdivision park by the guard shack. Please call Lisa

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Carrabba's Night out: Want to enjoy a night off from cooking? Cy Fair Project Prom has the perfect solution! Just pre-order your Carrabba's dinner (Chicken Marsala, Penne Pasta, Bread and Salad) by March 9th and you can drive up to the front doors of the school on Thursday, March 12, between 4:30 and 6:30 pm to pick up your meals. It's that easy. Go online to our website for your order form and return these to the front desk receptionist or call Brenda Addington at 281-550-3276 for more information.

Powder Puff Game: Wednesday, April 1st, 6-8 pm This is always fun to watch the girls play football!

Golf Tournament: Our golf tournament is Friday, April 3rd at Houston National Golf Course. Entry fee is \$110 per golfer. We are in the need of sponsorships for holes, closest to the pin, etc. Lunch is included and also raffle prizes. You can find an entry form on our website. Call Brett Bidinger, 281-304-8888 or Thomas Dukes, 832-213-9088.

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Schwan's is replacing our Market Day. Look for details on our website: www.CyFairProjectProm.org

Don't forget to sign up to use your Randall's and Kroger cards to earn grocery store rebates. Visit our vendors online for savings and to earn PP\$, too.

Our next Project Prom meeting for all senior parents is Monday, March 9th in the high school cafeteria at 7pm. We are collecting the drinks for Project Prom. Coke products and Dasani water cases only. Sign up to work the event there is so much to do! See you there!

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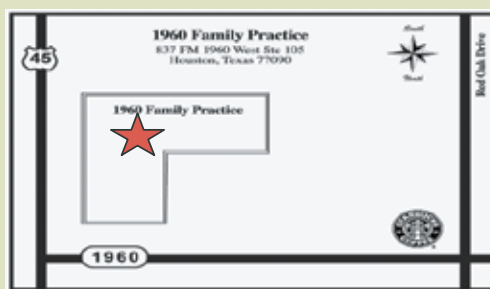
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Lone Star College - CyFair "Perspective"

Teen Driver's Education Available March and April

Spring driver's education courses for teens ages 15 to 17 are available starting March 23 and again April 13. The in-classroom driver's education course covers road rules, road signs, and laws to prepare the teens for the Department of Public Safety's written exam. Other topics are car maintenance, effects of drugs and alcohol, laws and penalties for drinking and driving, emergency situations, basic driving procedures, road rage, and insurance. Parents are responsible for the in-car instruction. Students are required to purchase the Texas Traffic Safety Education Student Manual, which is available at the campus bookstore. Call 832-482-1043 for information.

Free Tax Preparation Assistance Available

Free tax assistance is available at the Lone Star College-CyFair Library, located at 9191 Barker Cypress Road, with AARP Tax-Aide volunteers from noon to 4 p.m. every Wednesday and Thursday through April 15 in the library, room 131. Taxes may be filed electronically. For information on what documentation to bring, go to cyfair.lonestar.edu/library and click on free tax assistance under the news section.

Check out Women's Month Activities

Come to Lone Star College-CyFair throughout March for activities that celebrate, teach and empower women. The theme is "Breaking Boundaries: Contributions of Women - Past, Present and Future." Among the activities are a women's health fair, international women's discussions, vocal performances, films, library displays and more. For information, go online to CyFair.LoneStar.edu/womensmonth.

What's in the Gallery and on Stage?

Check out an ancient method of painting through March 27 at the Bosque Gallery Encaustic Exhibition showcasing the work of a continuing education class. Go to CyFair.LoneStar.edu/bosquegallery for gallery hours and information. Enjoy Oscar Wilde's popular comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest" on stage through March 8 and a Symphonic Band performance March 27. For information, call 281-290-5201 or go to CyFair.LoneStar.edu/boxoffice.

L.I.F.E. Lessons in March

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programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library (Room 131.) Programs in March include: learning techniques for a good night's rest March 4, creating a produce garden March 11, knitting from stress relief to a business March 18 and talking with Commissioner Steve Radack March 25. Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or go online to CyFair.LoneStar.edu/library.

Prom Dress Give-Away for Teens in Need

The Fifth Annual Prom Dress Give-Away benefiting teens without the financial means to purchase a dress for prom is set at Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library, 9191 Barker Cypress from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays March 21, March 28 (room change to Kids Korner), April 4, April 11, April 18 and April 25 in the library, room 131 as well as by appointment. Teens in need of a dress should contact the Youth Service Specialist at their high school or Prom Closet organizers Nancy Flanakin at meaford8510@yahoo.com or LSC-CyFair Teen Librarian Elise Sheppard at elise.j.sheppard@lonestar.edu or 281-290-5248.

Cypress Christian School Students Provide "Socks for Little Souls"

Fifth graders at Cypress Christian School collected socks in February to donate to children at the Baptist Missions Center. In addition, the students made valentines for the children at the center. The "Socks for Little Souls" project began when the fifth grade classes were asked to find a way to share God's love with those less fortunate for Valentine's Day.



The mission of Cypress Christian School is "to equip students to engage and impact their world for Jesus Christ." Community service projects like "Socks for Little Souls" help to encourage students to make a difference in the lives of others both now and throughout their lifetimes.

Cypress Christian School is located at 11123 Cypress N. Houston Rd. at Jones Road and serves families of K-12 students in northwest Houston. For more information, call 281-469-7745 or visit the website at www.CypressChristian.org

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CY-FAIR KIWANIS CLUB

It's Golf Tournament Time!

Open to everyone. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club's annual Charity Golf Tournament will be held Monday, March 30th, at the Hearthstone Country Club. Registration is at 7 a.m. with Shotgun start at 8: a.m. Play or sponsor a player for \$100; sponsor a hole for \$125; a team for \$400; or be a Gold sponsor (hole plus four players) for \$500. Fees cover golf, greens fees, cart fee, refreshments, and lunch after play. What a bargain! There will be special prizes, door prizes, and a silent auction. Donations of items for silent auction gladly accepted. For more information, call Steve Caton at 281-589-4529. All profits from the tournament are given to support youth in the community through Key Clubs, Boy and Girls Scouts and other worthy causes. Get your own team together or we will place you in a team.

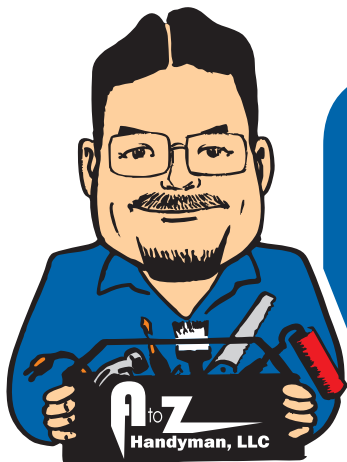
Come have a complimentary lunch with no obligation with the Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club. We meet three times a month at the Hearthstone Country Club in Hearthstone from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. for lunch, and programs including guest speakers on subjects of concern to the community and individuals. Enjoy fellowship with our members, an informative program, and an opportunity to learn more about our organization. Reservations are not required. The Club will meet on March 3, 10, and 17th.

Membership in Kiwanis is open to persons of good character who adhere to the standards of good conduct in their community and believe in and subscribe to the objects of Kiwanis International. If you would like to know more about Kiwanis and the service programs it promotes, call John Carroll at 281-463-0373



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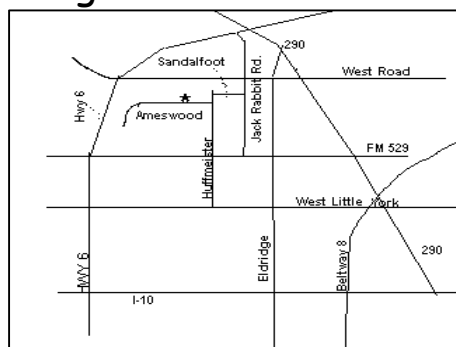
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 Second Place Olivia Einarsson
 Third Place Dawson Conder
 Honorable Mention Hannah Bosco
 Lindsey Duong
 Jacob Walton

Second Grade

First Place..... Ainsley Bakken
 Second Place Nicolas Einarsson
 Third Place Tie Grace Maynard
 Natalie Morel
 Honorable Mention John Nimri
 Kaitlynn Sims

Third Grade

First Place..... Ally Longoria
 Second Place Allison Giles
 Third Place Lauren Menard
 Honorable Mention Alexia Hahn
 Jonathan Loeb
 Olivia Markham

Fourth Grade

First Place..... Sophie Palmer
 Second Place Tie Allison Brock
 David Scott
 Timothy Xenakis
 Honorable Mention Blake Scott
 Gus Waters

Fifth Grade

First Place..... Matthew Elliott
 Second Place Annie Messina
 Third Place Mary-Kate Scurlock
 Honorable Mention Peyton Conder
 Morgan Morel
 Ty Wise

Middle School Rhyming Poetry:

First Place..... Yvonne Espinoza
 Second Place Amanda Brock
 Third Place Ashton Binkley

Honorable Mention Marya Gray
 Andrew Harding
 Hannah Vonnannon

Free Verse:

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 Second Place Jared Pereira
 Third Place Brandon Argueta
 Honorable Mention Karissa Garcia
 Phoebe Toups
 Mackenzie Wilson

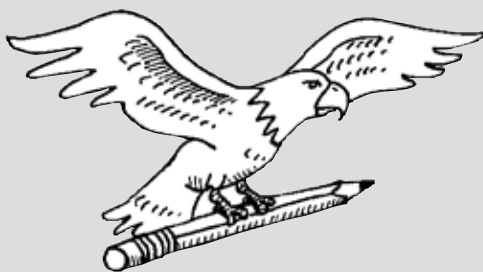
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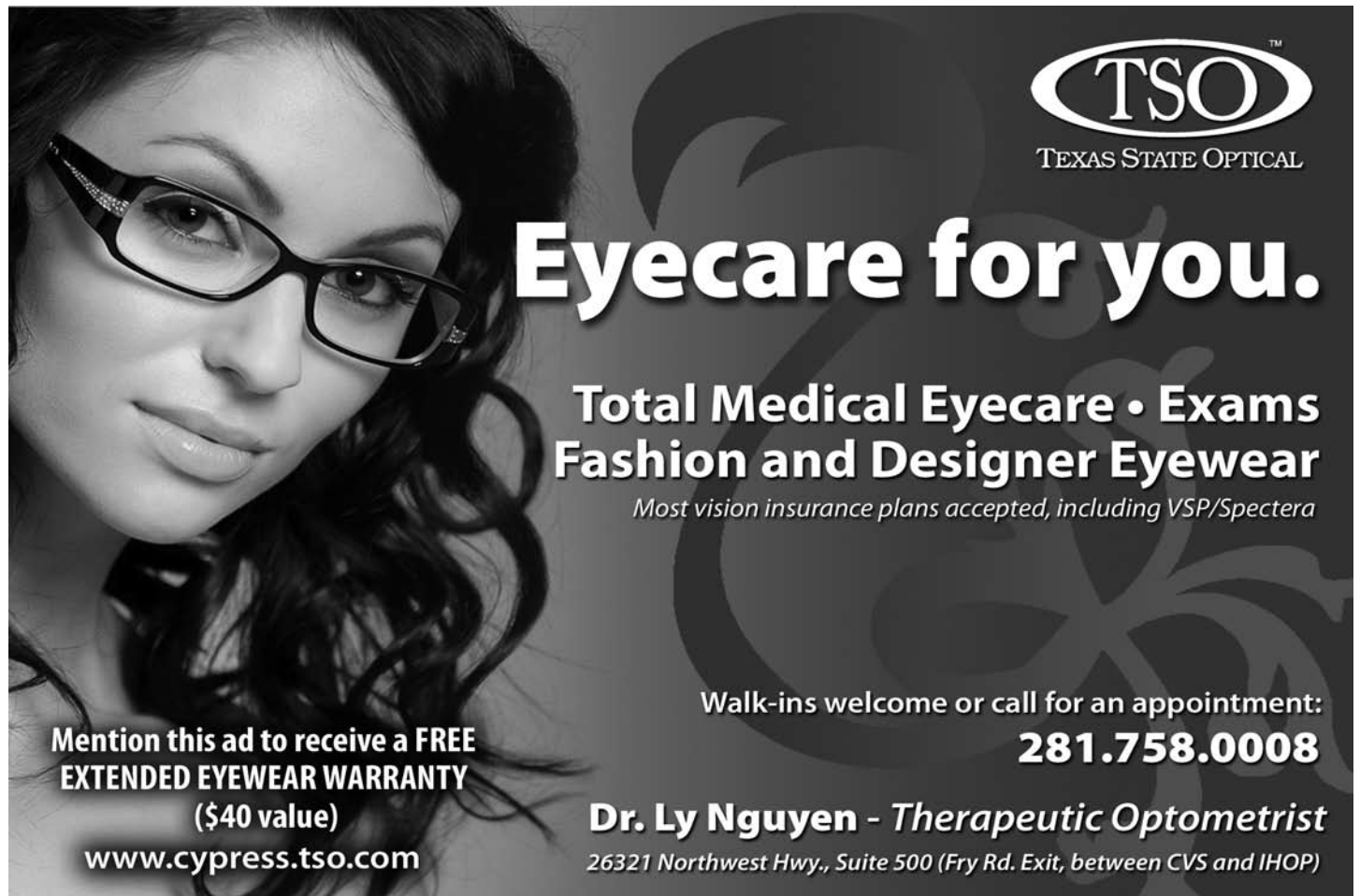
Texas Terrapins Swim Team is a fast growing, year-round competitive swim team in Northwest Houston offering instruction and competition to swimmers of all ages and abilities. Our swimmers come to us from subdivisions in the surrounding areas including, but not limited to: Black Horse Ranch, Subdivisions near the new Cy-Ranch High School, Lakes of Rose Hill, Cypress Mill, Jersey Village, Coles Crossing, Cypress Point, and Fairfield. Recently, we had the distinct privilege of attending a Mardi Gras Swim Meet in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at the LSU Natatorium. While some of our swimmers were attacked by the flu, the rest of them picked up the slack, improved their times and brought home many ribbons!

The Texas Terrapins had three swimmers earn High Point awards including Byron Keller (second place for high point 6 year old boys), Sydney Begnaud (4th place for high point 6 year old girls) and Sydney Stanford (second place for high point 7 year old girls).



Other swimmers in attendance were Delaney Crowder, Madison Ellison, Allison French, Savannah Stanford, Kenzie Golladay, Makenna Meyers, Michelle Scott, Makaylynn Seeley, Sarah Whetstine, Aaron Thompson and Coaches Jason Harold and Megan Scott. Both Beth McNeese and Tyler Bennett were there in spirit as they were at home fighting off the flu.

A great time was had by all who attended as we were able not only compete, but hang out with our team mates in a non-swim setting. Our team activities included visiting Mike the Tiger and the LSU bookstore and each evening we all gathered for Team dinners, where we had a chance to see our coaches in rare form. We are very serious about our swimming, but keep in mind that it is all about having fun! For more information about the Texas Terrapins, our year round swimming, jump start to summer league and swim lessons, log on to our website at www.texasterrapins.com.



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