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# Community Beautification Project

Interested in working together with your neighbors to maintain the attractiveness of our community? We'll be meeting these following dates to help pick up trash and mow in vacant lots:

> Saturday, July 11 Saturday, July 25 Saturday, August 8 Saturday, August 22

You'll be working directly with your section leader, who will have a list of lots that the group will be addressing.

Don't know your section leader? Contact jclark@canyongate.com and she will get you in touch with the organizer for your section.

### Summer Is Here And So Are The "Critters"

When the temperature increases, so do sightings of snakes and mosquitos. To keep pesky mosquitos at bay, DEETbased products are widely available and extremely effective. Please be cautious when approaching lakes and high grass areas within the community. Don't cut through or play in vacant lots, there are potential hazards that you might not be able to see.

Enjoy a Safe and Happy Summer!

# Introducing New Director of Community Events Jennifer Clark

Jennifer Clark has been the Community Director for the Westheimer Lakes Canyon Gate Community since June 2006. She has just joined our team as Director of Community Events for the POA of Legends Ranch. She has a background in event management, marketing and onsite POA property management. Jennifer is looking forward to working with residents on committees and planning community events. She will also be creating the newsletter and managing the community intranet.

Former Director of Community events, Anna Schmidt, will be assisting with the transition over the next couple months. We wish her the best in her new endeavors!



### 4th of July Parade and Celebration at SplashPad Saturday June 27th 10AM to Noon

Enjoy the 4th of July festivities with us at SplashPad Texas on Saturday, June 27th! This year we'll also have our first parade! Decorate your bike, wagon, stroller, or any other non-motorized vehicle for our short parade around the SplashPad area!

Legends Ranch Community PROHIBITS fireworks. Please respect your community and neighbors.

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### **Important Phone Numbers**

### **Property Tax**

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#### Your Community Homeowners Association

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Legends Ranch Info Center	
Legends Ranch SplashPad	
Gate Attendant Office	
Light Pole Outages	
Houston National Golf Club	

#### Police & Fire

Emergency	
Montgomery Sheriff	
Pct. 3 Constable Office	281-363-1161
S. Montgomery Co. Fire Dept. Non-Emergency .	281-363-3473
Montgomery County EMS Non-Emergency	936-441-6243
Crime Stoppers	713-222-TIPS
Poison Control	800-222-1222
Texas DPS	713-681-1761

#### Utilities

Electricity (TXU)	
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Electricity (Centerpoint)	
Gas (Centerpoint)	
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Canyon Gate Connect	
Waste Management	
Street Light Outages	

### **Public Services**

Local US Post Office	281-419-7948
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Montgomery County Animal Control	
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#### Area Hospitals

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Conroe ISD	
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Hauser Elementary	
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### Management Co.:

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### Have you logged in yet?

www.canyongate.com/residents/lr

- Features of the Legends Ranch Community intranet include:
  - Documents and Forms
- Resident Directory Amenity Web Cams
- Event Photos and MORE!
- Current Events & Activities



# Legends Ranch Summer Pool Schedules

### CLUBHOUSE POOL

SUMMER POOL HOURS June 5th through August 23rd Tuesday - Sundays 10AM until 8PM (Closed Mondays)

OPEN WEEKENDS IN SEPTEMBER Saturday & Sunday 12PM until 8PM

### <u>SPLASHPAD</u>

SUMMER POOL HOURS June 5th through August 23rd Tuesday through Fridays 11AM – 8PM Saturday and Sunday 10AM – 8PM (Closed Mondays)

OPEN WEEKENDS IN SEPTEMBER Saturday & Sunday 12PM until 8PM

SUMMER POOL SEASON CLOSES Monday, September 28th

### PAD at SplashPAD

The "Pad" at SplashPad is open Tuesday through Sunday during the summer pool season (above). Pad hours are the same as the above summer pool hours, when lifeguards on duty.

\*\*\*Schedule subject to change, weather and other factors could cause changes to this schedule without notice. Please call PCMI or the onsite office for further information.





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### National Night Out and Photo Contest

### Tuesday, August 4th, 2009 Around 6PM

### Rain Date: Tuesday, October 6th

Drag out those lawn chairs, gather your neighbors, and join in National Night Out again this year! National Night Out takes place on your own individual streets or sections. This is a great opportunity for you to meet more of your fellow residents and make new friends!

Make sure to take some pictures, as we'll have our photo contest again this year. There will be three categories, most creative, most comical and best representation of community. The first place winners of each category will have an ice cream social scheduled at a later date.

The deadline to submit your group photo is Tuesday, August 25th. E-mail your entries to jclark@canyongate.com. If you have any questions, please contact Director of Community Events, Jennifer Clark at jclark@canyongate.com Good Luck!

# **Living Legends** New Legends Ranch Seniors Group

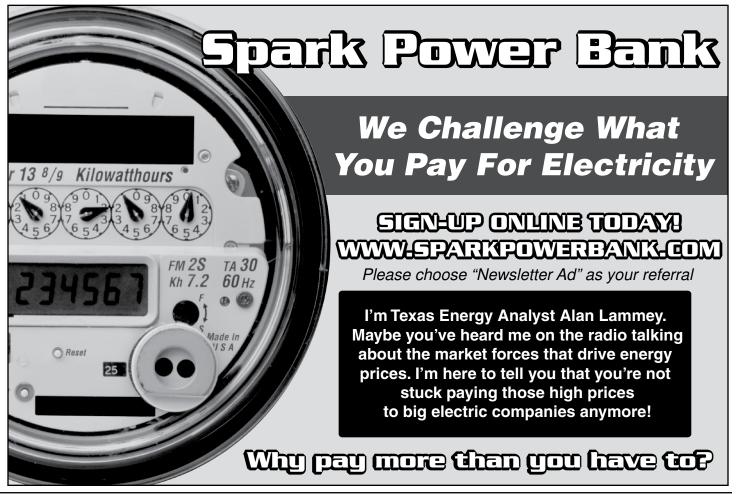
### First Social -- Friday, July 24th at 1:00PM

The Living Legends are young at heart, 50 and older, retired or still working, male or female, and residents of Legends Ranch. We meet monthly at the Clubhouse for card games, fellowship and more!

Interested in more information or joining this new group? Contact Jennifer, Director of Community Events at 713-783-6702.

### **Please Control Your Pets!**

Please respect your neighbors' yards....remember that pets must be confined to a fenced backyard or within your home. They must not be allowed to bark all night or cause a nuisance to your neighbors. They must also be on a leash at all times when not in a contained environment. It is also the pet owner's responsibility to keep ALL areas of the community **FREE** from pet debris when walking your pets. *Please remember that cats must also be confined.* 



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# Legends Ranch Walking Group

Interested in walking, but need to be motivated? The Walking Group is just what you've been waiting for! Based on group input, we'll create several "standing" walk dates, starting at the front clubhouse.

The first meeting will be July 2, 2009, at 6:30PM. We'll meet at the playground located at the front clubhouse.

After the meeting, there will be a group of us walking too!

Contact Michelle at mitchell04@sbcglobal.net to join the group and for additional information!

### Ducks and other Wildlife in Legends Ranch

The P.O.A. of Legends Ranch is not responsible for the wildlife within our community lakes. It is important that residents understand that housing wildlife (i.e. ducks/poultry) is in violation of the restrictions and the Association will pursue all matters accordingly.

### 2009 Legend Ranch Community Events

National Night Out - Tuesday, August 5 Safety Day - Saturday, September 5 Night at the Astros - Saturday, September 12 Fall Community Garage Sale - Saturday, September 12 Fall Festival - Saturday, October 24 Holiday Breakfast with Santa - Saturday, December 5 Holiday Yard Contest - December 6 – 12

Please contact Jennifer Clark, Director of Community Events at jclark@canyongate.com if you would like to help with any of our 2009 events! Events subject to change.

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# **Hurricane Safety**

Hurricane season is here! In the event another hurricane heads our way this year, please see the following hurricane safety information provided by State Farm Insurance (www.statefarm.com). The Legends Ranch Traffic & Safety Committee encourages everyone to prepare a plan and take proper precautions before, during, and after the storm.

#### Before the hurricane:

- Decide whether you will go to a shelter, safer place inland, or stay home (if local authorities permit you to stay) and make sure your relatives know where you will be.
- Stock plywood and materials you may need to board up windows before you leave.
- Move garbage cans and other large objects inside the house or garage.
- Make a family emergency/disaster kit include water (plan on three gallons per person, per day for all uses), non-perishable food, non-electric can opener, medications, and copies of important personal documents.
- Fill your car with gas.
- Organize an evacuation plan and establish a safe meeting place and/or contact person should your family get separated.

- Learn which weather conditions could prompt disasters, and when these conditions occur, listen to radio or TV broadcasts for emergency information.
- Evacuate immediately if told to do so.

### During the hurricane:

- If you go to a shelter or inland, go directly there.
- If you live in a sound structure outside the evacuation area and do not live in a mobile home, stay home and take these precautions:
- Stay indoors and away from windows and glass doors. Get on the opposite side of the house from the wind. Find a safe area in your home (an interior room, a closet or bathroom on the lower level).
- If flooding threatens your home, turn off electricity at the main breaker.
- If you lose power, turn off major appliances such as the air conditioner and water heater to reduce damage.
- Do not use electrical appliances, including your computer.
- Do not go outside. If the eye of the storm passes over your area, there will be a short period of calm, but at the other side of the

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eye, the wind speed rapidly increases to hurricane force and will come from the opposite direction. Also, it is easy to be hit and seriously injured by flying debris.

• Beware of lightning. Stay away from electrical equipment. Do not use the phone or take a bath/shower during the storm.

#### After the storm:

Typically, more deaths occur after a hurricane than during. These deaths come from people being too anxious to get outside and survey the damage where they come into contact with downed power lines or unstable trees, etc. Follow these suggestions for staying safe after the hurricane:

- Remain indoors until an official "all clear" is given.
- Do not touch fallen or low-hanging wires of any kind under any circumstances. Stay away from puddles with wires in/near them. Do not touch trees or other objects in contact with power lines.
- Use phones only for emergencies. Call 911 only for life-threatening situations.
- Call police or utility companies immediately to report hazards such as downed power lines, broken gas or water mains, overturned gas tanks, etc.
- Watch for weakened roads, bridges, tree limbs or porches which could collapse unexpectedly.

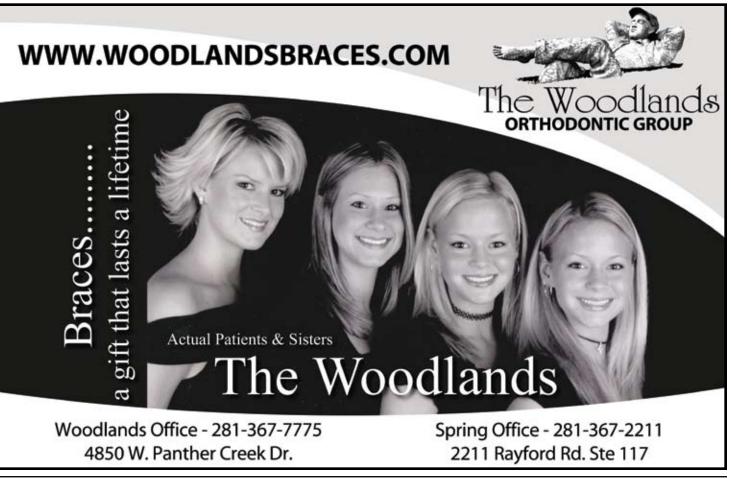
- After power is restored, check refrigerated food for spoilage. Spoiled food is the cause of much sickness two days to a week after the storm.
- When reinstalling a CB, TV or satellite antenna, check in all directions to be sure no power lines are nearby. The same goes for climbing trees to clear debris.
- Do not operate charcoal grills, propane camping stoves or generators indoors.

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### TRASH REMINDERS

Regular Trash Pick Up: Wednesdays & Saturdays Heavy Trash Pick Up: Saturdays on curb by 7AM Definition of "Heavy Trash": 2 bulky items, like furniture or appliances

What will NOT BE ACCEPTED: remodeling or construction debris, fencing, carpet or vehicle parts



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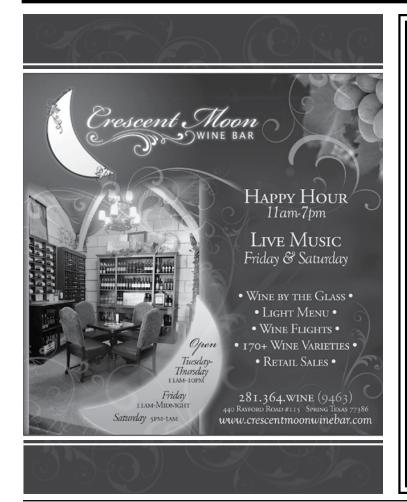
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We had over 15 residents participate in our recent CPR class! Special thanks to our great instructor Raul with HeartFLO CPR!







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### Seeking Section Leaders and Block Captains

To increase community awareness, the Communications Committee is actively recruiting section leaders and block captains. For more information on becoming a block captain or section leader, please contact Jennifer Clark, Director of Community Events. To reach your section leader, also contact jclark@canyongate.com.

### Your 2009 Section Leaders Include:

CANYON LAKES Section 1: Kris Kallaway Section 2: Desireah Riley (desriley@sbcglobal.net) Section 3: Carol Durkin (caroldurk@yahoo.com) Section 4: Johnie Cravey

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If you remove weights from the community weight room, the POA of Legends Ranch will have to replace the weights at an additional expense to the Association.

They are only for us INSIDE the fitness center.

# Association's Management Company Contact Information

Planned Community Management (PCMI) has been contracted by the Board of Directors to manage the day-to-day activities of the community. In order to contact the community's Board of Directors, or if residents have concerns, questions about their account, or deed restriction violations to report, please put the information in writing and send via e-mail to Brandi Leal at bleal@ stes.com or call PCMI at 281-870-0585.

For all Canyon Gate communities on-site managers are available to assist residents. For Legends Ranch, Denise is at the Clubhouse at **281-681-9750**, and Debbi is at the SplashPad at **281-419-2130**. The office hours are 10AM – 6PM Tuesday through Saturday. Please feel free to visit and they will be pleased to assist you with ARC forms, enrollment for electronic entry and to provide you with a copy of the calendar of events.

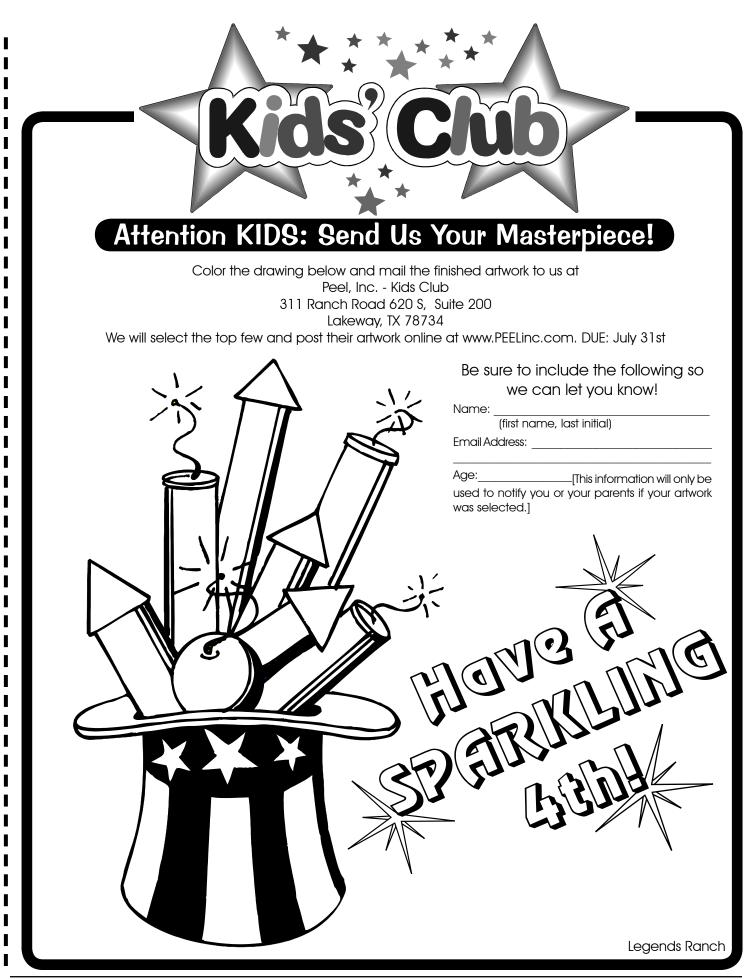
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#### Compare Apples to Apples In these hard economic times, everyone is looking to keep costs down. And while no one wants to sacrifice their child's education, child care is a major expense. When comparing schools, it is essential for you to compare apples to apples. While many schools offer enrichment programs to their academic curriculum, they come with additional costs. Here is an average weekly cost breakdown of the extra-curricular courses included in your Kids R Kids weekly tuition at no additional cost. Per Week Course Sign Language \$15 Spanish \$24 \$58 Science Music \$18 Tumbling \$20 Cooking\* \$12 Total \$147 Add to your weekly costs, the price of knowing that all Kids R Kids staff members pass FBI background checks, CPR and First Aid training, and ongoing annual early education classes. Our schools exceed state licensing requirements, and are checked regularly. When your child attends Kids R Kids, you can check on us too. And so can Grandma and Grandpa, even if they are many states away. The real-time internet-accessible video cameras located in every classroom ensure you don't miss a thing. So as you look for child care options that stretch your dollar as far as possible, make sure to bring this ad with you. And when you come back to enroll at Kids R Kids, remember, we honor competitive enrollment fees. The Woodlands 320 Valleywood 281.362.9222



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