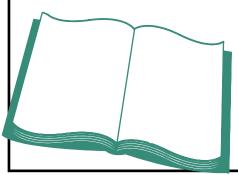


February 2010

Volume 10, Issue 2

Your Unwanted Books

If you throw out your paperbacks, please give me a call and let me pick them up, if they are in good condition. We spread them around to people who can't buy for themselves (homeless shelters, prison ministry, etc.). Hardbacks and kid's books are welcomed, as well.Thank you! Please call Deanna at (281)-373-4477.



Inside This Issue

4th Annual Cy-Woods' Athletic Booster Club Golf Tournament4
Cypress Ranch Mustang Band Garage Sale5
Cy=Fair ISD
Texas Flag Flown Over Afghanistan Donated to Cypress School13
Kids Stuff17-18
and much more!!

PERSONAL FINANCE Debt Stacking - Get Out of Debt!

Modern financial planning has to address consumer debt to be realistic. Debt is the biggest blocker to financial success that I know of. And getting out of debt seems to be something most Americans want to do these days. This discussion will focus only on what is known as "bad debt" which includes credit cards and revolving charge accounts. If you would truly like to get out of debt, the first



thing you need to do is stop incurring more debt on your credit cards. Pay cash for a month and track your "latte factor." There are several strategies to use from this point. You can transfer your balance to a lower rate card, but beware of the fees associated with transferring the balance. As I am fond of saying, the large print giveth and the fine print taketh away. You can also ask your lender or credit card company to lower your interest rate, but it has become tougher to achieve this.

Many clients benefit from doing a debt consolidation loan which can free up hundreds of dollars a month in cash flow. A powerful method which I recommend is called "Debt Stacking". Debt stacking allows you to use less money to pay off the same amount of debt more quickly. The method of Debt Stacking states that you pay off the highest interest rate debt first, while making just the minimum payments on all the other credit cards. When you pay off that high interest rate credit card, you then transfer the amount that you were paying monthly on that card to the next highest interest rate credit card. Let's look at an example. First, arrange your credit cards in order of highest to lowest interest rate:

- Revolving Charge Card A: \$4,000 at 24% APR, minimum payment \$100
- Credit Card B: \$5,000 at 18% APR, minimum payment \$100
- Credit Card C: \$3,000 at 12% APR, minimum payment \$100

Assuming that you are able to pay \$400 per month towards all credit cards, use the Debt Stacking method to pay \$200 towards Revolving Charge Card A until it is paid off. Then you would add that \$200 to the \$100 equaling \$300 that you would pay on Credit card B until it was paid off. Finally you would add the \$300 you were paying on Credit Card B to Credit Card C for a total of \$400 dollars until the last one is paid off. In a comparatively short time you are out of debt. You will have paid less interest and gotten out of debt more quickly than if you had you paid the same amount of money spread equally over the three credit cards.

In conclusion, your steps to get out of debt are to stop incurring more debt, pay less interest on the debt you do have, spend smarter, and use the Debt Stacking Method. You'll be debt free much faster, and you will save a lot of money! - **By Rich Keith**

Important Numbers

-						
Cy-Fair High School						
Cy-Woods High School						
Cypress Lakes Golf Club						
Cypress Mill M.U.D. #1, (24 Hour Emergency) 281-374-8989						
Constable Ron Hickman, (24 Hour Emergency) 281-376-3472						
DPS Sex Offenders website http://records.txdps.state.tx.us/						
Centerpoint Energy Gas713-659-2111						
Centerpoint Energy Gas-Emergency Gas Leaks. 713-659-3552						
CenterPoint Energy713-207-2222						
Irrigation Leaks/Common Area Repairs - Principal						
Management						
Poison Control Center						
Principal Management713-329-7100						
Robison Elementary						
AT&T Repair Center						
Spillane Middle School						
Street Light Outages713-207-2222						
Comcast Cable						
Waste Corporation of America (WCA) Recycling						
281-368-8397						

Pipeline Company – Exxon Mobil.....

281-925-3816 Mowing of Pipeline easement; Standing water; Smells or leaks

Street Lights – Center Point Energy

713-207-2222 Damaged or Burned Out Street Lights **They will need 6-digit pole number when calling**

Constable Ron Hickman (24 Hour Emergency)

281-376-3472

Harris County Road and Bridge

281-463-6300 To request street signs and to report street damage, curb damage, street flooding, or missing/damaged street signs.

Newsletter Publisher

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the newsletters is the 10th of each month. Please email articles to: *cypressmill@peelinc.com*

Remember: The Speed Limit throughout Cypress Mill is 30 MPH!

MUD Board of Directors

The District is governed by the Board of Directors, consisting of five directors, who have control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. All of the Directors reside in the District.

Mr. Ronald S. ("Ronnie") Koehn, President

Mr. Bob Henry, Vice President

Mr. Tim Halloran, Secretary

Ms. Angell Swedlund , Treasurer

Mr. Jerry Bryant, Assistant Secretary

http://www.cypresshillmud1.com/contact/index.html

Personal Classifieds

FOR SALE: TWO 2" LEVELOR WHITE WOODEN BLINDS; W 35 7/8"x L 70 1/2" (\$35) W 34 7/8 X 46 5/8 (\$20); new still in box. 16" boys bicycle; good cond. \$20. 30 TV plug in video games w/seat; boys age 5-8; \$15. 281-373-0656.

Peel, Inc.

Printing & Publishing

Publishing community newsletters since 1991

Support Your Neighborhood Newsletter.

Kari Harrison Sales Representative 713-855-1731 kari@peelinc.com



Advertise your business to your neighbors. 1-888-687-6444 www.PEELinc.com

free teeth whitening for life!

There's a new way of caring for you and your teeth.

Come in for your initial exam, cleaning and x-rays (services covered by most insurance companies) and you'll get **FREE custom take-home whitening trays and gel* (\$399 value).** As long as you keep up with your recommended cleaning visits, you'll get 2 FREE tubes of whitening gel, twice per year, for the rest of your life.

We're also proud to provide:

- The latest dental techniques and state-of-the-art technology, including our fast, painless, affordable oral cancer screening
- Open acceptance of most insurance plans
- Flexible financing options
- Convenient early morning and evening hours
- Exceptional patient care and service in a friendly setting *Subject to exam results and doctor approval.





dentures | partials | crowns | bridges | restorative | cosmetic | preventive | braces

281.256.6190 dentalworks.com

Fairfield Dental Care and Orthodontics Keith T. Grimm, DMD | Paula Herber, DDS 15040 Fairfield Village Drive Suite 240

15040 Fairfield Village Drive, Suite 240 Cypress, TX 77433 Located at 290 West at Mason Road

& ORTHODONTICS

DENTIST

BAK-PAK CRITTERS READING PROGRAM WAGS INTO KEITH ELEMENTARY

BAK-PAK: Books and Kids, Power and Knowledge

Keith Elementary is participating in a very exciting reading program called BAK-PAK Critters Reading Program. This program is dedicated to helping children improve their reading skills by using specially trained therapy dogs. Teams consist of a handle and their therapy animal. Two teams work with 20 students during the school day on a one-on-one basis to help at-risk students improve their reading skills. Research shows that children who are below their peers in reading skills are often intimidated by reading aloud. The use of therapy pets reduces stress and students are more willing to interact with an animal than with another person.

Keith Elementary gives a special thanks to Lori King and Becky Talash for volunteering countless hours training their own pets to be certified therapy does. Their dogs kicked off the program in January and it has been a huge success.

More dogs are needed. You and your pet can become involved in this specialized animal assisted reading program which is sponsored by Oaks Presbyterian Church and partially funded by a grant for Williams. For more information please contact Mary Kegarise at 832-326-4112 or mary_kegarise@hotmail.com

4th Annual Cy-Woods' Athletic Booster Club Classic Golf Tournament

4 Person Scramble April 9, 2010 Longwood Golf Club Cypress, Texas **\$25,000 Hole in One Prize** Meal, Awards, Silent Auction, & Door Prizes

For more information, go to: www.wildcatclassicgolf.com

or info@wildcatclassicgolf.com

Emergency Room Open 24 Hours

READY OR NOT ... WE ARE."

Texas Emergency Care Center is open **24 hours a day.** We're committed to delivering comprehensive medical services in a comfortable environment with little to no wait time – day or night.

You'll experience:

- A full-service facility equipped with a complete laboratory, radiology, CT scanning and cardiac monitoring.
- Prompt, friendly and caring service.
- Quality face time with a physician who is Board Certified in Emergency Medicine.

After all, emergencies just can't wait.

281-304-9113

All private insurance accepted.

Spring Cypress at Skinner Road 17255 Spring Cypress Road, Suite A

www.txercare.com

T E X A S EMERGENCY CARE C E N T E R™ AT CYPRESS

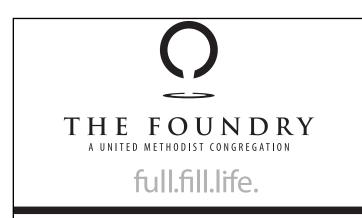
Cypress Ranch Mustang Band Garage Sale

Love to shop at garage sales? Made a New Year's resolution to save money or get organized? Cleaning out your garage or closets and wondering what to do with all that great "stuff"? The Cypress Ranch Mustang Band is sponsoring a garage sale on February 27, 2010 and could use your help whether you have things to donate or like to shop for bargains!

The garage sale will be held at St. Timothy Lutheran Church located at 14223 Hargrave Road, Houston from 8 AM to 3 PM on Saturday, February 27, 2010. St. Timothy Lutheran Church is located in the Willowbrook area, just north of Methodist hospital off of Highway 249.

Donations of toys, clothing, baby items, furniture, household items, working appliances, and electronics are all welcome. Pick up dates for items are: Saturday afternoon, February 7, 14, and 21 from 1 PM to 5 PM. Please call 281-373-5889 to arrange for a pickup.

Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Mustang Band . The Cypress Ranch Mustang Band is now in its second year and is rapidly growing in both size and skill including receiving a 5A first division rating in the UIL Marching Competition this fall. The band is under the direction of Russell Holcombe, with assistance from Kyle Stahl.



Find out how becoming a part of a church family can help fulfill your life.

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY!

Fry Road Campus

Movie Theatre on Hwy 290 & Spring Cypress Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service: 10:20 a.m.

Jones Road Campus

8350 Jones Road, ¼ mile off Hwy 290 on Jones Traditional Services: 8:15 a.m., 9:20 a.m., 10:40 a.m. Contemporary Services: 9:20 a.m., 10:40 a.m.

www.foundrychurch.org | 713.937.9388

Not Available Online



CYPRESS MILL CY-FAIR HIGH SCHOOL - PROJECT PROM 2010

Denim & Diamonds

Dinner and Dance, Live Auction, Silent Auction, and Entertainment Friday, February 26, 2010 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm VFW Hall, 21902 Hempstead Hwy. Cypress, TX 77429 25.00 per person / admission 21 or older All proceeds benefit Cy-Fair High School Project Prom 2010 For more information: www. cyfairprojectprom.org.

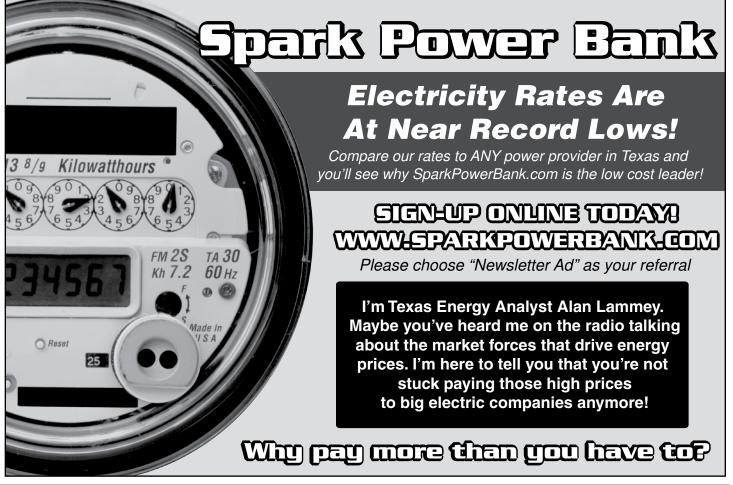
Upcoming Fundraisers include:

Tickets on sale now for CFPP annual Denim and Diamonds Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction to be held at VFW Hall on Telge @ Hwy 290 on Friday, Feb 26 from 7-11 pm. Dinner will be served by La Hacienda Mexican Restaurant at 7:30pm and tickets are \$25.00 each. Get yours today!! Sponsor a table for \$250.00 and receive 2 free tickets!! We NEED silent auction items. Please consider donating an item to our 501c3 organization. Please contact Terry Ortiz at terry.ortiz@cfisd.net or 281-389-4522 to donate items or purchase tickets.

Mulch Sales, pre order with form online at www.cyfairprojectprom.org by Feb. Two cubic feet of black mulch is bagged and sells for \$5.00 a bag. Our two drop off points will be at the Wortham Villages Club or StoneGate park near the guardhouse. T-Shirt Sales: Bobcat T-Shirts are for sale for \$10! Students will be able to purchase on Fridays at the lollipop stand during lunches in the cafeteria or parent can purchase at each general meeting. Wear t-shirts to a meeting and earn 1,000 PP\$! These make a great gifts for your senior!! The shirts are in. Be sure to get yours today!!

Golf Tournament: Friday, April 3, 2010 Four-man Scramble tournament, shot gun start at noon, includes golf, range balls, buffet lunch and after golf snacks. We are looking for donations for Hole sponsorships, appetizer or lunch sponsorship, "Raffle

donations and Silent Auction donations. Register on line at GolfQ or fill in an Entry Form and send to our mailing address.



TAG TEAM VOLUNTEER TRAINING SCHEDULED

Cypress-Fairbanks ISD needs caring members of the community to join the VIPS TAG Team (Targeting Achievement Globally). This team of volunteers works with the district's helping teachers to tutor students in science on selected elementary school campuses. You do not need to be a parent or family member of a student to become a team member. You can become a global volunteer – a generous, concerned resident of the community who wants to help children reach their full academic potential. No specialized knowledge or training is necessary. We do ask that team members be willing to work on a consistent, weekly schedule so that the students receive the utmost benefit from their work.

An informal orientation meeting will be held on February 11, 2010, from 9:30-11:30, at the Richard E. Berry Educational Support Center, 8877 Barker Cypress Road. This meeting is a great opportunity to gather with district administrators, current TAG Team members and your fellow volunteers to learn more about the program. In order to keep up with increasing demand for tutors, we need your help!For more information, please contact Kim Nash (krnash1@sbcglobal.net or 281-550-2685) or the CFISD Partners in Education Office (Pamela.scott@cfisd.net or 281-894-3950). To rsvp for this informational meeting, please send an email with your name and meeting date to vipsrsvp@cfisd.net.

"What Happens in Vegas ..."

The 2010 S.N.A.P. (Senior Night After Prom) Committee of Cypress Creek High School will host a Las Vegas-style Parent Night Out on **Sunday, February 21st, 2010 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.** This fun evening, featuring dinner, casino games, silent and live auctions will be held at Parkway Chevrolet, 25500 Hwy. 249. Tickets are \$25 per person, and include dinner, \$3,000 casino money and 2 drink tickets. The event is open to everyone – being a Cy Creek parent is not required. For casino night tickets and/or contributions, please contact Jeannette Harris at 713-560-6666 or jharrissix@comcast. net.

A 2010 Cougar Blue Camaro will also be raffled off during the casino night in support of S.N.A.P. Raffle tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100. You do not have to be present to win. Contact Mike Wilson at 832-496-2748 or mew0954@ sbcglobal.net for raffle tickets. Details about the 2010 S.N.A.P. are at www.cycreeksnap.org.



CY-FAIR ISD & VOLUNTEERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

(VIPS): "Volunteers Rock!"

VIPS is an acronym for Volunteers in Public Schools. VIPS in Cy-Fair ISD center the attention of their service on supporting students and staff and making a significant contribution to the education of children. These dedicated individuals, who give freely of their time and resources, impact the academic and personal development of Cy-Fair ISD students. Cypress-Fairbanks ISD is fortunate to be able to draw from a diversity of skills and knowledge in its community.

The district VIPS Executive Board spearheads the business of the VIPS. This board is comprised of volunteers elected to take on specific responsibilities offering support, guidance, and training to all volunteers in the district. The VIPS Executive Board meets monthly to evaluate and address the needs of the district and distribute information relating to volunteer and community activities and strengthen parental involvement in education.

If you are interested in being involved at Cy-Fair schools as a volunteer who "Rocks" and making a difference, or would like more information, please contact Pam Scott, Partners in Education Director at 281-894-3950.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR TRAINING

Register for training by emailing the PIE office at vipsrsvp@cfisd.net. Provide your name and the name and date of the training you wish to attend. Registration is required to guarantee a seat and training materials.

February 2010 Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2 - VIPS MULTICULTURAL MEETING – 9:30 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M., BERRY CENTER

Open to all CFISD school staff, volunteers, parents and community members. The purpose of the CFISD Multicultural Committee is to raise the level of cultural understanding and respect by sharing information with the CFISD community to encourage cultural sensitivity and parental involvement to strengthen student success.

FEBRUARY 9 - GALVESTON BAY TRAINING – 9:30 A.M. TO 12 P.M., BERRY CENTER

Open to all CFISD school staff, volunteers, and parents. Learn how to present a TEKS based science lesson to 4th grade students at your school. Students will learn about the importance of our bay and waterways and what measures can be taken to protect this life-giving estuary.

FEBRUARY 11 - VIPS TAG TEAM MEETING – 9:30 A.M. TO 12 P.M., BERRY CENTER

Training for individuals who are interested in working directly with students to help them reach their full academic potential.

FEBRUARY 18 - VIPS GENERAL MEETING – 9:30 A.M. TO 12 P.M., BERRY CENTER

Open to all CFISD volunteers, parents, staff and community members. Get the latest information on CFISD volunteering and learn through networking!

FEBRUARY 23 - GALVESTON BAY TRAINING – 9:30 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M., BERRY CENTER

Open to all CFISD school staff, volunteers, and parents. Learn how to present a TEKS based science lesson to 4th grade students at your school. Students will learn about the importance of our bay and waterways and what measures can be taken to protect this life-giving estuary.



Adults only please.

Imagine...

a new year that actually exceeds expectations.



MAKE A NEW START WITH KUMON MATH AND READING.

It's a time for fresh ideas and new beginnings. That's why it's a perfect time to start unlocking your child's full potential.

With Kumon your child achieves more because she succeeds on her own. She gains the skills and confidence to dream bigger and do more.

Let Kumon help her make it a truly amazing year.

 KUMON MATH & READING CENTER OF
 FAIRFIELD

 BAIRFIELD
 281-304-6284

 15202 Mason Rd., Suite 500
 Cypress, TX 77433

 www.KumonOfFairfieldTX.com
 Placement test

 KUMON MATH & READING. SUCCESS.
 877-586-6671

 WWW.kumon.com
 %2010 Kumon North America, Inc.

THE MOMS CLUB® Of Cypress Moms Offering Moms Support

MOMS Club® is an international organization with a neighborhood feel! We are teachers, business women, counselors, chefs, CPA's and artists who have put those careers on hold and have made the choice to stay home with our kids.

MOMS Club® is a place to find friendship, support, playmates and sisterhood!

ALL events include our children and we believe there is something for every mom out there! Are you looking for park days, coffee breaks, lunch outings, (free) babysitting co-op, craft projects, time to sit and chat, cooking club, book club or someone to share dinner with when your husband is traveling or working late? We even find the time to meet once a month for a mom's night out for a great time to unwind. Or are you interested is helping within the community with service projects? We have that! (And a whole lot more!)

For more information, please contact Keri Whitt, Membership VP, at 713-724-4147, keriwhitt@yahoo.com or

Amy Wilkes, President, at 281-455-2807, amywilkes2003@yahoo.com.

"Adventures in Mothering" at The MET



Join the Adventure! Get Connected...with MOPS!

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, a program led by mothers themselves and designed for mothers with children ages birth to 5. These mothers all have a shared desire...to be the best mothers they can be!

For more information on meetings in Fairfield, please contact Renate Wheeler at renateqw@yahoo.com. They will meet on the second and fourth Fridays during the school year.

tyle!

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS

- BUSINESS CARDS / BUSINESS CARD MAGNETS / MAGNETS
- POST-IT[®] NOTES / CUBES & MEMO PADS / DECALS
- BUMPER STICKERS / MEMBERSHIP CARDS & ID BADGES
- PERSONALIZED WRITING INSTRUMENTS / CALENDARS
- HEALTHCARE PROMOTIONS / DRINKWARE & KOOZIES[®]
- NEWSLETTERS / BOOKLETS / FLYERS
- ENVELOPES / LETTERHEADS / RUBBER STAMPS
- BUSINESS FORMS / AND MUCH MORE....

NEED AN ADVERTISING SPECIALITY ITEM? 1-888-687-6444 ext. 24

Experience Matters Doing business for 30+ years.

NTING COMPANY

Lone Star College-CyFair Perspective

LOOK WHAT'S ON STAGE AND IN THE GALLERY

On stage enjoy a Percussion One Drumline performance Feb. 6 and an autobiographical comedy drama in "The Good Times are Killing Me" Feb. 25 – March 7. In the Bosque Gallery, visit "Mothers and Daughters" a visually and emotionally moving collaborative exhibition Feb. 9 - Feb. 25. A reception with artist Mari Omori is Feb. 11 and an artist's talk is Feb. 25. For event information, go to LoneStar.edu.

L.I.F.E. LESSONS IN FEBRUARY

The Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library (Room 131.) Programs in February include: recyclable cards in "BE My Valentine" Feb. 3; FBI agent stories in "A Day in the Life of an FBI Agent" Feb. 10; a Vietnamese cooking lesson in "Fold your own Spring Rolls" Feb. 17 and differences between two great military men in "Lee and Grant" Feb. 24. Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or go online to LoneStar.edu.

NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE? GET ASSISTANCE FEB. 21 Don't miss College Goal Sunday, a YMCA-sponsored national financial aid program, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Technology Building at Lone Star College-CyFair. Attendees will get free, on-site professional assistance filling out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid); can talk to financial aid professionals about financial aid resources and how to apply; and will get information regarding state-wide student services, admission requirements and more. Watch for additional FAFSA workshops this spring. Visit LoneStar.edu/financial-aid for information.

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT A CAREER IN TEACHING?

Lone Star College-CyFair will host an Alternative Teacher Certification Program (ATCP) information session at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16. The teacher certification program is designed for individuals who have a bachelor's degree and want to enter the teaching profession. A question and answer period will follow the presentation. This information session will also provide information on a new Clinical Teaching option which provides students training and field-based experience at the appropriate grade level or content area. For information, call 281.290.3957, e-mail cy-fair.tcp@lonestar. edu or go to LoneStar.edu/cyfair-atcp.



Property

Marketing

Expert

\$229,000

ASK AN EXPERT: MAINTAIN YOUR VEHICLES REGULARLY To Save Jas And High Repair Costs

Written by Chris Yarger

There are more benefits to maintaining a regular schedule of preventative maintenance than just a longer car life. A well serviced vehicle will not only perform as it should but will run more efficiently, saving its owner money and avoid unplanned or potentially unsafe situations. Following these simple steps provide cost-saving benefits to protect your vehicle life-span:

- <u>CHANGE ENGINE OIL AT REGULAR INTERVALS</u> Engine oil will clean, lubricate and cool your engine properly. When oil levels are inadequate or not changed with its filter as recommended, your vehicle consumes more gas to compensate for increased heat and friction among the engines moving parts.
- <u>CHECK FLUIDS MONTHLY</u> Your engines vital fluids including antifreeze, transmission and brake fluids must be kept at their proper levels to prevent rust and dirt build-up which can ultimately clog or restrict the flow of fluids and damage internal parts. An engine deprived of clean fluids will struggle to operate efficiently and ultimately burn more fuel.
- <u>CHECK TIRE PRESSURE WEEKLY FOR MAXIMUM FUEL</u> <u>EFFICIENCY AND SAFETY</u> -- Properly inflated tire pressure is key for fuel efficiency. An under inflated tire causes increased road resistance which makes the vehicles computer to allocate more fuel to the engine. Tires should also be rotated every 5,000 miles to prevent uneven wear and prevent a potential blowout and hazardous situation on the road.
- <u>SERVICE YOUR VEHICLE REGULARLY BY A TRUSTED</u> <u>AUTOMOTIVE EXPERT</u> – Regular preventative maintenance rather than costly repairs keeps you driving efficiently and safely while protecting resale values and warranties. Follow the maintenance schedule per your owner's manual and d o

not neglect even a small problem, as they can lead to dangerous situations and costly repairs.





Texas Flag Flown over Afghanistan Donated to Cypress Christian School

In honor of our many veterans and prayer warriors, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Miller, Cypress Christian School parents, donated a special and unique "Texas" flag to the school located at 11123 Cypress N. Houston at Jones Rd. The flag was flown on June 19, 2009, in Afghanistan, by a United States Army Special forces team during a mission. The Miller's son, Jonathan gave the flag to his parents to present to Cypress Christian in honor of all the prayer warriors who have prayed for him during tours to Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Miller family asks everyone to pray Psalm 91, The Soldier's Psalm, for all soldiers who are in harm's way. It is said that, during WWI, the soldiers of the 91st Brigade recited the 91st Psalm daily. This brigade engaged in three of that war's bloodiest battles. Other units suffered up to 90% casualties, but the 91st Brigade did not sustain a single combat-related death. Cypress Christian School is honored to support our troops through prayer and donations. For more information on this story, please contact Sharon Miller at the school at 281.469.8829. Articles on how students support our troops are published in the school newsletter, CONNECTION, which is available via the school website at www. CypressChristian.org. (both C's should be capitalized for clarity).

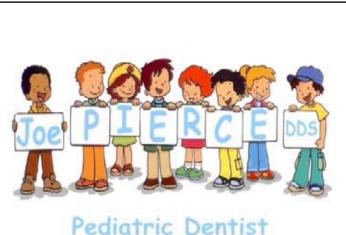


AUTUMN GROVE COTTAGE Needs Volunteers

ф

Do you enjoying spending time with seniors? Would you like to make a positive difference in their lives? Autumn Grove Cottage is an assisted living facility for individuals with Alzheimer's or dementia related illnesses. We are interested in volunteers socializing with our residents. Autumn Grove Cottage has just 16 residents and it is close to your neighborhood. If you would like to volunteer in a cozy, home-like atmosphere then call Laura at (281) 398-6845 or visit our website www.autumngrovecottage.com. Come be a part of our philosophy – "To honor our residents and those who love and care for them." Volunteers will need to complete a volunteer application and attend a brief training session.

"No act of kindness, no matter, how small, is ever wasted" – Aesop



infants children teens

13611 Skinner Road, Suite 135 Cypress, Texas 77429 (Skinner at Spring Cypress) www.cypresskidsdentist.com

p 281.758.2790 f 281.758.2791

Real Estate Market Report

Cypress Mill Specialist

DAVID "SUPER DAVE" FLORY



#1 Realtor in Cypress Mill*
#2 Realtor in Houston & Texas**
#9 Realtor in United States**
Selling Over 500 Homes A Year

	ACTIVE PENDING		SOLD Last 6 Mos		
# of Listings	30	4	42		
Price Range:	\$104,500 \$224,900	\$125,000 \$156,900	\$95,500 \$245,000		
Average Price	\$151,214	\$135,475	\$144,617		
Avg Price/sq.ft.	\$66.67	\$60.48	\$65.65		
Avg DOM	80	26	58		
High Price/sq.ft.			\$82.24		
Low Price/sq.ft.			\$44.81		



*According to information taken from the HAR MLS Computer **Realtor Teams per Remax 9/2008, 3/2009

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE PROGRAM

Girl Scout cookies are a familiar part of American culture. For more than 80 years, Girl Scouts, with the enthusiastic support of their families, have participated in the country's premier entrepreneurial and economic literacy program. Cookies will be sold January 9 through March 28, 2010. In February, troops will begin selling cookies at "Cookie Booths" outside neighborhood grocery stores.

WHY BUY GIRL SCOUT COOKIES? BECAUSE YOUR SUPPORT:

- Helps girls develop courage, confidence and character
- Teaches girls about teamwork, goal-setting and fiscal responsibility
- Helps troops raise funds for community service projects, troop activities and more

Next time you hear, "Would you like to buy some Girl Scout cookies?" know that your support is developing future leaders who will make the world a better place!

PURCHASING GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

Enjoy delicious Girl Scout Cookies and support a worthy cause! If you've been unable to purchase cookies from a Girl Scout in your area, call 1-888-GS-COOKIE to find a troop near you. Also, visit Cookie Finder to locate a "Cookie Booth" in your neighborhood.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

All of the revenue earned through the Girl Scout cookie program benefits our community and Girl Scouts in San Jacinto Council. The volunteer board of directors determines how the Council's share of the proceeds is spent. Among other things, at the Council level, proceeds are used to:

- maintain campsites
- provide financial assistance to girls
- offer training for adult volunteers
- keep camp and program fees at a minimum

• support special initiatives, such as offering Girl Scout programs in underprivileged communities like public housing facilities and detention centers

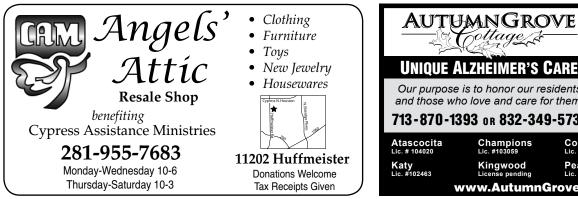


Michelle Xu, Rachal Pastrano, Layla Jones, Tabatha Calvit Brooklyn House, Isabel Mujica, Grace Schlafer, Ali Morgan, Nichole Riso

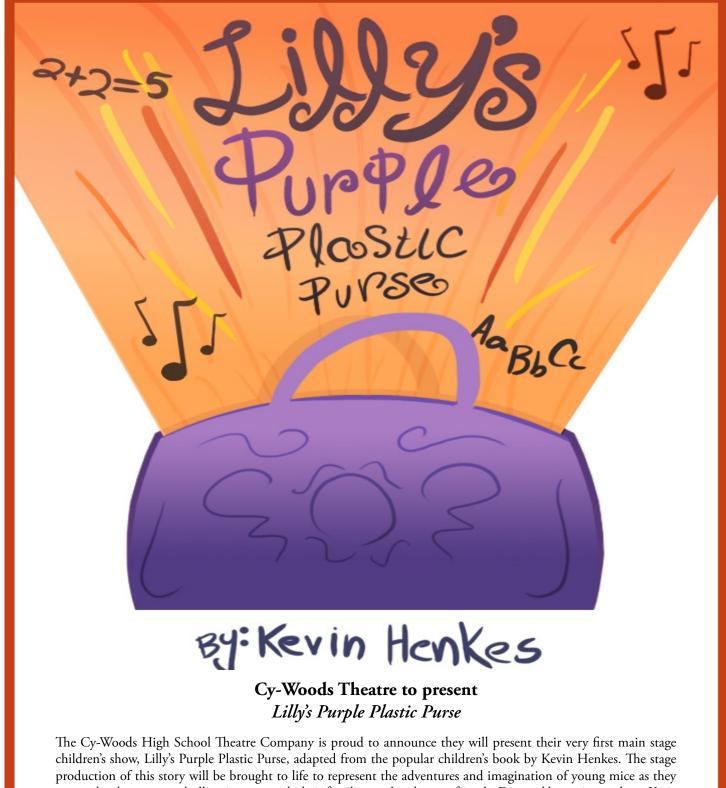
Less than a third of the selling price of a package of Girl Scout cookies goes toward the actual cost of the cookies. This means that more than two thirds of every Girl Scout cookie purchase goes toward programs and services to benefit girls. A portion of that goes directly to the troop/group selling the cookies.

Each Girl Scout council's volunteer board of directors determines the baker, the price per package of cookies, how revenue will be used to provide vital services in the community and how much money will be returned to troops/groups selling cookies for their projects and activities.

Within our Council, approximately half of the operating budget is funded by the Cookie Sale. The price for a package of cookies is \$3.50. Troops receive 56 to 63 cents of every cookie package they sell. Service units receive 3 cents per package. Troops/Groups and Service Units decide how they want to spend their bonus money. The national organization receives no funding from the cookie sale.



Our purpose is to honor our residents and those who love and care for them. 713-870-1393 OR 832-349-5735 Copperfield Heights Atascocita Champions The Woodlands Kingwood Pearland www.AutumnGroveCottage.com



go to school, encounter bullies, interact with their families, and make new friends. Directed by senior students Katie Bennett and Allison Houser, "Lilly's" will perform from February 4th - 6th at 6:00 PM, with a Saturday matinee at 2:00 PM. Performances will be in the Cypress Woods High School Auditorium, 16825 Spring Cypress Rd. Ticket prices are \$7 for Adults and \$5 for Students. Reduced ticket prices of \$1 will be available for children ages 10 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

- Kids Stuff-

Section for Kids with news. puzzles, games and more!

When It's Just You in an Emergency



NOT AVAILABLE ONLINE

Copyright © 2010 Peel, Inc.

Cypress Mill Chronicle - February 2010 17



DISCLAIMER: Articles and ads in this newsletter express the opinions of their authors and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Peel, Inc. or its employees. Peel, Inc. is not responsible for the accuracy of any facts stated in articles submitted by others. The publisher also assumes no responsibility for the advertising content with this publication. All warranties and representations made in the advertising content are solely that of the advertiser and any such claims regarding its content should be taken up with the advertiser.

* The publisher assumes no liability with regard to its advertisers for misprints or failure to place advertising in this publication except for the actual cost of such advertising.

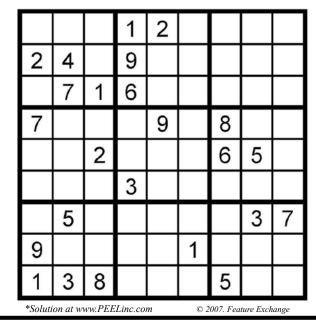
* Although every effort is taken to avoid mistakes and/or misprints, the publisher assumes no responsibility for any errors of information or typographical mistakes, except as limited to the cost of advertising as stated above or in the case of misinformation, a printed retraction/correction.

* Under no circumstances shall the publisher be held liable for incidental or consequential damages, inconvenience, loss of business or services, or any other liabilities from failure to publish, or from failure to publish in a timely manner, except as limited to liabilities stated above.

The Cypress Mill Chronicle is a private publication published by Peel, Inc. It is not sanctioned by any homeowners association or organization, nor is it subject to the approval of any homeowners association or organization, nor is it intended, nor implied to replace any publication that may be published by or on behalf of any homeowners association or organization. At no time will any source be allowed to use The Cypress Mill Chronicle contents, or loan said contents, to others in anyway, shape or form, nor in any media, website, print, film, e-mail, electrostatic copy, fax, or etc. for the purpose of solicitation, commercial use, or any use for profit, political campaigns, or other self amplification, under penalty of law without written or expressed permission from Peel, Inc. The information in the newsletter is exclusively for the private use of Peel, Inc.

Sudoku

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



Advertise YOUR business to YOUR neighbors for less than 6¢ per home.

Effective Advertising, Done Right.

Call today to Reserve your space.







Dawn Fore Broker/Owner

281-304-9500 281-731-7399





Listing Your Home for Sale in Cypress Mill?

Our RE/MAX Office located right down the street near the intersection of Cypress Rosehill and Huffmeister! Find Out How to Sell Your Home 24 Hours a Day - Online and Offline

www.DawnFore.com Shop Online! Virtual Tours, Photos And Floorplans



20535 Daisy Bloom Ct, 4/2.5/2, 2516, \$165,000



15411 Evergreen Knoll Lane, 4/2.5/2, 2534 SqFt, \$179,900



18203 Rexine Lane, 3/2/2, 2055 SqFt, \$134,900



20310 Fairfield Park Way, 3/2/2, 1280 SqFt, \$124,900



16438 Redbud Berry, 4/2.5/2, 2163 SqFt, \$154,900



17919 Rose Hill Park, 4/2.5/2, 2214 SqFt, \$142,000

Dawn Fore's Cypress Mill Market Report

<i>5</i> I					-
Neighborhood	3 rd Quarter 2009			Current	
Cypress Mill	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM	Avail	Pending
Up to \$125,000	2	\$64.73	60	0	1
\$125,001 - \$140,000	6	\$71.72	64	2	3
\$140,001 - \$155,000	7	\$64.16	58	5	4
\$155,001 - \$170,000	3	\$67.17	46	5	0
\$170,001 - \$200,000	0	-	-	0	0
Cypress Mill Estates	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM	Avail	Pending
All Price Ranges	3	\$66.48	120	6	1

These numbers for resale homes were obtained from the Houston Mulitiple Listing Service. While we have no reason to doubt the accuracy of this information, we cannot guarantee it. This is not a solicitation of currently listed properties.