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SUBMITTED BY TOMMY KNIPPERS



Tommy Knippers is a 4th grader at Keith Elementary and a resident of Fairfield. This past fall he won 2nd place in the State Regional cross country meet in Dallas running 3000m in 12 mins and 04 sec. He was invited to run in the JR Olympics in Reno Nevada. This was Tommy's first time to run on a cross country team and never had any formal training until just a couple months before race to it was a real accomplishment to make it to the Olympics. Unbelievably he ran 3000m in knee deep snow up hills and around steep turns. He was 113 out of 242 runners. Which makes him 113 fastest cross country runner for his age group in America.



Around Fairfield

HOUSTON BALLET STARS DANCE IN THE SUBURBS

HRB presents Sleeping Beauty and Other Tales at the Berry Center



Houston Ballet principal dancers Sara Webb and Connor Walsh will perform as Princess Aurora and Prince Florimond in the timeless tale of Sleeping Beauty's Aurora's Wedding staged by award-winning HRB Artistic Director Victoria Vittum and Barbara LeGault to Tchaikovsky's musical score. Sara Webb, from Dallas, Texas, joined the Houston Ballet in 1997 and was promoted to Principal in 2003. "A ballerina who dances from the soul, bleeding musicality, technical virtuosity, speed, fearlessness and spunk through her gracefully arched feet and liquid

arms," writes Molly Glentzer of the Houston Chronicle. Her partner in this famous pas de deux is the talented Connor Walsh. Connor, born in Fairfax, Virginia, began dancing at the age of seven. He joined the Houston Ballet in 2004 and was promoted to Principal in 2007. "We are thrilled at the opportunity to have our community see Sara and Connor close up and personal at the Berry Center," states Victoria Vittum, founder of the Houston Repertoire Ballet (HRB). HRB is the premier junior ballet company in Northwest Houston which provides quality performances in the community – including its annual Nutcracker performances in Tomball.

Sleeping Beauty and Other Tales includes a collection of pieces designed to delight children and introduce them to classical and contemporary ballet and modern dance: Storybook Fantasy and Tangled Web choreographed by Victoria Vittum and the premier of I'm in Charge of Painting My Soul (based on the children's book Bear's Picture by Daniel Pinkwater) choreographed by Jane Weiner, founder of Hope Stone, Inc. Performances will be held at the Berry Center Saturday, April 10 at 2 and 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 11 at 3pm. Tickets, \$18, are on sale now and can be purchased by calling 281-861-0199; or going to www.hrbdance.org. Girl Scout and other group

discounts are available. Sara and Connor will be showcased in the Saturday 7pm and Sunday performances. Houston Ballet II dancers will fill the role at the Saturday matinee performance, specifically Liao Xiang and Aaron Sharratt, both having excellent placement in the recent Prix de Lausanne competition in Switzerland.

HRB is a non-profit civic organization dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in the art of classical ballet. It provides young aspiring dancers the opportunity to discover within themselves a source of enrichment, beauty, and the means of aesthetic expression that will last a lifetime. HRB dancers have gone on to dance professionally with the New York City Ballet, Miami City Ballet, Atlanta Ballet, Walt Disney World, Texas Ballet Theater, American Ballet Theater (ABT), and Dayton Ballet. HRB is directed by Victoria Vittum, a nationally recognized teacher and choreographer who has been a faculty member of the Houston Ballet Academy and has served as Resident Choreographer for the Gwinnett Ballet Theater in Atlanta, GA. She is the recipient of a Choreography Fellowship awarded by the Cultural Arts Council of Houston and the Texas Commission for the Arts for outstanding Choreographic merit and contribution to the City of Houston.

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The Northwest Flyers is a youth (ages 6 -18) track organization, affiliated with USA Track & Field. The club provides a full program of “track” events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and “field” events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, discus, shot put and javelin. It is an excellent “off-season” program for young athletes who currently compete on their middle school or high school varsity track teams.

The club was founded 23 years ago by Olympic gold medalist Fred Newhouse to foster the development of youth track & field in the Northwest Houston area. Last year, the Northwest Flyers qualified 42 young athletes to compete at the U.S. Junior Olympics National Championships in Greensboro, NC.

Visit the team website at <http://www.northwestflyers.org> for registration forms and information prior to the session, or contact Linette Roach at (281) 587-8442 or linette.roach@sbcglobal.net.

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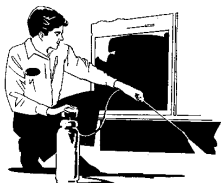


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With Summer League SWIM season just around the corner Lone Star Swim Team is offering their HEAD START PROGRAM designed to give swimmers ages 5 and up an edge on conditioning and stroke technique heading into their neighborhood swim teams and summer league meets. The four week program runs from March 22-April 16th at selected Cy-Fair ISD indoor pools. For information and Registration please go to: www.lonestarswimteam.org For specific questions call our hot-line at 281-858-SWIM (7946) or send an email to: JoinUs@LoneStarSwimTeam.org. See You at the pool!

Summer Swim Team Registration

The time for Summer Swim Team Registration is F.A.S.T. approaching!!! We are excited to welcome new dolphins to our swim family and welcome back our returning dolphins!! Fairfield's swim team has an awesome reputation as an NWAL neighborhood swim team. Our families are absolutely the best! And, we have our terrific 8 lane neighborhood pool, right here in Fairfield!!!

We'll have our clinics for brand new swimmers March 29-April 1, April 5-April 8, and April 12-April 15. Our Shark/fly turn clinics will be April 11 and April 18.

Mark your calendars for our two registration dates ~ ~ Wednesday March 24 Central Park Pool, and Saturday March 27 at Central Park Pool, both in the Clubhouse. Swim Shops of the Southwest will be set up on Saturday, too, if you'd like to buy a team suit that day,

or pick up another set of goggles. In addition to registration, you'll have the opportunity to purchase a personalized swim cap for your child and a decal for your car.

Our season practices begin the week of April 20th! Our Blue and White Time Trial meet will be May 2nd and the Swim Shop will be there selling swim gear then, too. Our first dual meet is May 15. Our season ends by the end of June, so JOIN US for some early summer fun!!

If you'd like to get on board and help in any way, we would love to hear from you. We will find a place for you to feel at home and get involved. Start by emailing Suzanne Jones, our Team President at Suzanne@thejones4.com. So plan on registering March 24 or March 27, and come join in on the fun!! See you at the pool!!! -TRACEY

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Come be a part of our fun-loving group. We're sure you will enjoy it.

OUR MARCH BUSTRIIP PLANS ARE FOR:

Friday, March 19, Bayou Bend Gardens, Houston, Texas.

This will be a self-guided tour of the gardens at Miss Ima Hogg and her brothers' home. While the gardens are extensive, you have a choice of about how much you want to walk. There are benches along the way.

We will be stopping for lunch prior to the tour.

The cost for this trip is \$12.00, for adults, and \$10.50 if over 65, plus the cost of your lunch. You can get your name on the list for this trip by calling Barnie or Mary Ann Sexton @ 281-758-2006. Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus. The departure will be 10:45 a.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 10:30 a.m.

OUR APRIL BUS TRIP PLANS ARE FOR:

Wednesday, April 14, Wimberley, Texas.

Our first stop will be at the Wimberley Glassworks. We will be able to observe glassblowers crafting molten glass into fine art. They use a variety of materials, even gold and silver to achieve brilliantly colored designs that are displayed in the gallery.

After the tour we will have lunch at the Wimberley Café.

Following lunch we'll visit the Bella Vista Ranch. This is a traditional Italian family farm that is home to over a thousand producing olive trees, seasonal fruit and vegetables, an olive press, and a winery, with a tasting room and gift shop.

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olive press), the winery, then the orchards and gardens. After the tour we will participate in a tasting of their fresh-made products. We should have plenty of time to visit the gift shop also.

The cost for this trip will be \$14.00, plus the cost of your lunch. You can get your name on the list for this trip, by calling Mary Ann Tully @ 281-256-2342 or Hazel Willis @ 281-256-7979. Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus. The departure time will be 07:45 a.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 07:30 a.m.

OUR MARCH ACTIVITIES PLANS:

Thursday, March 11: The Monthly Planning Committee meeting is at 1:00 p.m. at the Lakeside Trails Club House.

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Fairfield Fifty Plus - (Continued from Page 14)

Everyone is invited to attend these meetings and participate in our upcoming trip plans.

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, March 16: Game Night at the Cooks' House. It starts around 6:30 p.m. Just bring a little snack and a healthy appetite. This is always a fun evening with great fellowship. The directions are posted in the Activity details page on our website and will also be in our March 14th email.

Thursday, March 25: 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 of course dominoes.

For additional information on activities other than trips:

Call Mary Lou Cook @ 281-304-8359

We recommend that you check our website regularly. Things do change occasionally from the time this article was submitted, and it is possible that some of the information in this article has changed. www.fairfieldseniorsgroup.com

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 and any changes from what appears here in the Gazette. We also include member birthdays and prayer requests, along with other news and items of interest. If you would like to receive our weekly emails, send your email address... to: Fairfield-Seniors@comcast.net



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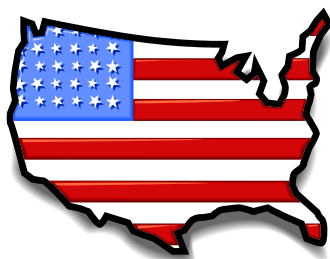
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Come by have a cup of coffee and get the latest events and happenings in the Industry. If you have any questions please feel free to email me at Kevin.Kays@sbcglobal.net

The Daughters of the American Revolution

Elisha Roberts Chapter, NSDAR meets every third Thursday at Meson 1910 Mexican Restaurant on Mason Rd. The Daughters of the American Revolution is open to any woman 18 years or older who can prove direct lineage to an ancestor who fought in the American Revolution or provided patriot service. Our new chapter is looking for members. If you are interested in joining, please stop by and say hello...meetings start at 7 pm. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me: Laura Neal at lizardsareicky@sbcglobal.net or 281-256-3545.

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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 in helping within the community with service

projects? We have that! (And a whole lot more!)

March and already here and spring is just around the corner! Yay! I'm sure your kids are looking forward to Spring Break. The MOMS Club has some fun and exciting activities planned for the spring including a family picnic. Do you have young children and looking for some fun things to do? Come join other moms and kids in many great outdoor and indoor activities. Are you new to the area or a new mom and need a friend or support; we are here for you. Don't let yourself feel isolated being a stay at home mom. 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 your 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! Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 9th at 10AM at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church located on Cypresswood Drive in Fairfield. We often have a guest speaker at our meetings discussing topics like finance, health, organization and other popular topics. As always, children welcomed!

For more information, please contact

Keri Whitt, Membership VP,
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Boots 'N Whoops

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Sunday, March 28

NW Harris County Aggie Moms

Invite All Aggies & Their Friends

Come have a boot scootin' good time with the Northwest Harris County Aggie Moms Association at their big fundraiser this year entitled "Boots 'N Whoops" on Sunday, March 28. The fundraiser will benefit Aggie student scholarships and will feature the Texas Aggie recording artist, Granger Smith and his band. The fundraising event will be held at Mulligans & More at 14440 Stuebner Airline Road from 1 to 6 pm. The fun and entertainment includes western dancing, barbecue, games, golf, auctions, prizes, and more. Adult tickets are on sale in advance for \$28 (\$33 at the door) and student tickets are \$18 in advance (\$23 at the door). For ticket information, please contact Stacy Durham (713-899-1755) or Lisa Shive (832-515-1249).

Please come and join us in the fun and festivities for a great cause!

NW Harris County Aggie Moms Club Meeting

Tuesday, March 9th, 2010

Please join us in welcoming our guest speaker, Dr. Robert C. Webb Sr., Interim Dean for the office of graduate studies at Texas A&M University. Our guest speaker, Dr. Webb, received his undergraduate degree in Physics from the University of Pennsylvania and MS and PhD in Physics from Princeton University. After serving on the faculty of University of California and Princeton University, Dr. Webb has served many years in several administrative positions at Texas A&M University in the Department of Physics as professor, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies, and Interim Head for the Department of Physics. Dr. Webb will be speaking about the wonderful research opportunities available for the undergraduate students at Texas A&M University.

The Aggie Moms will gather on Tuesday, March 9th at 7 pm at the Houston Distribution Center conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the corner of Cutten Road and 7100 High Life Drive. All current, future, and former Aggie moms are welcome to attend! Our monthly meetings include refreshments, fellowship, guest speakers, the Aggie gift boutique, door prizes, and more! Also learn about upcoming events, fundraisers, and Aggieland trips.

Aggie Moms will be hosting a baseball tailgate party and an upcoming "Boots 'N Whoops" western dance fundraiser in March. Please come and learn more about the great opportunities available through the Aggie Moms Club. For more information, see our website at www.nwhcaggie moms.com.

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Fairfield Women's Club

March Activities

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LADIES NIGHT OUT:

Thursday, March 11th
d'Vine Wine Bar
25222 Northwest Freeway - Cypress, TX 77429
7:30 pm

FAMILY DAY AT THE ZOO

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Tuesday March 16th
Meet at Bradford Creek Clubhouse @ 9:30am
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BROOKWOOD COMMUNITY TOUR AND LUNCH

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Harris County MUD 322 meets at 12:00 pm every fourth Wednesday
Harris County MUD 354 meets at 11:30 am every third Monday
Harris County MUD 396 meets at 10:30 am every second Wednesday

Harris County MUD 397 meets at 11:30 am every third Tuesday
Harris County WCID 155 meets at 12:00 pm as needed on the second Tuesday

All of these meetings normally occur at the offices of Fulbright and Jaworski, LLP, 47th Floor, South Conference Room. The address is Fulbright Tower, 1301 McKinney, Suite 5100, Houston, Texas 77010-3095.

If you need any further information, please contact Yvette Deitrick, Sr. Paralegal for Fulbright and Jaworski at ydeitrick@fulbright.com or 713-651-3601.

CURBSIDE TREES

The appearance of your trees at the sidewalk at your home is vital to the overall appearance of your community. The trees are part of the overall plan of development and it is each homeowner's responsibility to ensure the trees are trimmed on a regular basis. Many trees have branches hanging over the street, brushing the tops of vehicles and some are even blocking stop signs. For the benefit of all the Fairfield residents, and the overall appearance of your neighborhood, please check your trees and if necessary, raise the canopy (should be 12-14 ft. from the street), remove dead branches, and shape the tree.

Regrettably, should you chose not to do this, the County has the authority to trim them back and will not take the time to groom them properly.

Thank you for your understanding.

Pending Resolution

Your Boards of Directors are reviewing a resolution for adoption regarding new reporting requirements for tax exempt associations. The resolution is titled "Confidentiality, Disclosure of Interest and Acceptance of Nonstandard Gifts". The complete document can be viewed on your website at www.fairfieldvillage.org. As always, please feel free to contact AMI at 713-932-1122 if you have any questions.



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If you see anyone suspicious, by all means contact the Sheriff on the non-emergency number (713-221-6000) and report the incident. Thank you.

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Business Section

Cy-Fair Express Network March Luncheon and Hosting Cy-Fair Women's Expo

Event: Cy-Fair Express Network Luncheon
When: March 25, 2010
Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Where: Houston National Golf Club
16500 Houston National Blvd
Houston, TX. 77095 - (281)304-1400

Networking and Business Luncheon

The American Business Women's Association Cy-Fair Express Network invites you to their monthly networking meeting and luncheon. Lots of fun, networking, and giveaways. Bring plenty of business cards. Contact Anya Lucas at (713)459-2331 or anya@lucascare.com, or go to www.cyfen.org for more information. Please RSVP by Friday, March 19.

CYFEN is an ABWA Express Network 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.

Event: Cy-Fair Women's Expo
When: April 22, 2010
Time: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
Where: Houston National Golf Club
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Cy-Fair Women's Expo Vendor Booths Available

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290 Cypress Business Networking Group

The 290 Cypress Business Networking Group meets every Thursday morning at 7:30 am at Cypress Station Grill located at 26010 Hempstead Road. Behind the Target shopping center at 290 and Spring Cypress. The group is open to all business owners and professionals who want to increase their exposure to the residents of Cypress and the surrounding areas. Job seekers are welcome. There is no cost to attend the meeting. If you would like more information, please call Ken Parker at 281-384-1562 or visit our website at 290Cypress.com

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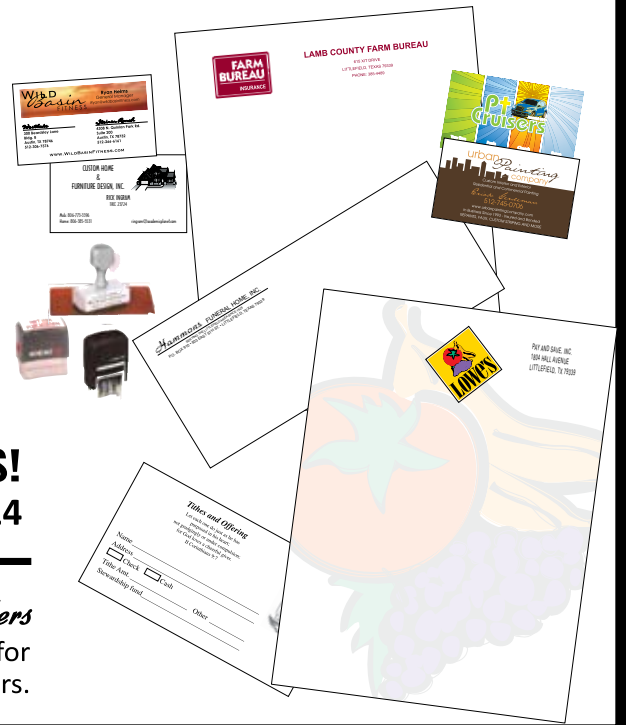
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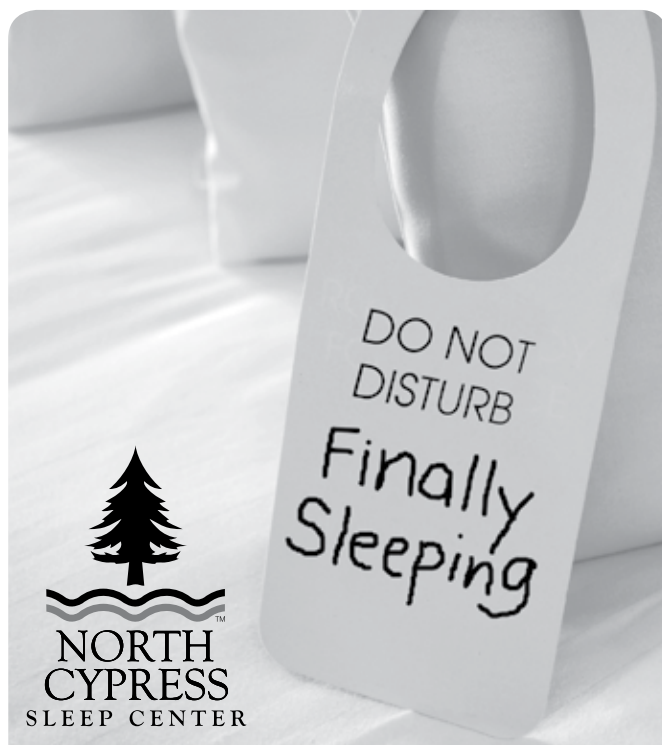
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School News

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Order forms are available in the Band Hall or online at www.cypressranchband.org. Drop off the order form and payment in the Band Hall at Cypress Ranch or mail to Cypress Ranch Band, PO Box 1551 Cypress TX, 77410-1551 by March 23, 2010. Make checks payable to CRHSBBC. Questions? Contact Jeana Kech at 832-275-3395. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Cypress Ranch Mustang Band.

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If you are interested in being 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. Include your name, name of training/event and date you wish to attend. Registration is required to guarantee a seat & training materials. *Adults only please.*

March - April 2010 Upcoming Events

March 9 - Junior Achievement Volunteer Training

9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Berry Center

The purpose of Junior Achievement is to educate and inspire young people to value free enterprise, understand business and economics, and be workforce ready.

March 25 - 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!

April 23 - VIPS Spring Workshop

7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Berry Center

A day of informative workshops is offered to volunteer leaders and chairpersons designed to help coordinate and enhance a successful volunteer program in the 2010-11 school year.

April 29 - VIPS General Meeting 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Berry Center

The last VIPS General Meeting of the 2009-10 school year! Open to all CFISD volunteers, parents, staff and community members. Get the latest school district information and have the privilege of meeting our district and state volunteer award winners. April is National Volunteer Appreciation Month. Please join us for a celebration of our volunteers.

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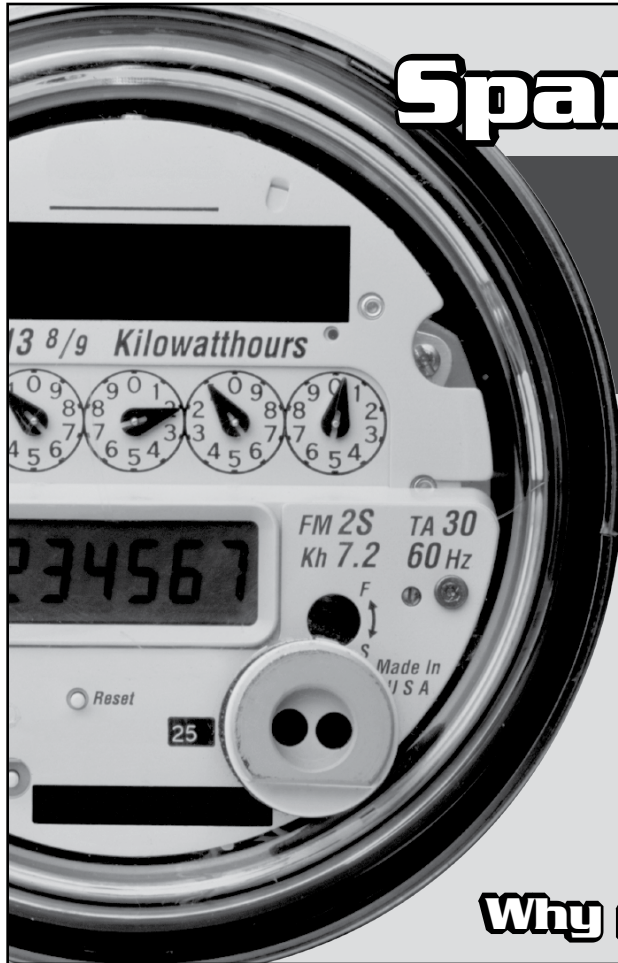
BAK-PAK Critters Reading Program Wags into Keith Elementary

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 dogs. 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 Kegaris at 832-326-4112 or mary_kegarise@hotmail.com



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Stay Informed by providing us with your email address to receive the latest news about WRAP. The only way WRAP knows to include you in the email list is by your request. Please send a complete Parent Information form (located on the Forms page) to www.cywoodswrap@yahoo.com.

MAKE YOUR MARK (Seniors only). WRAP 2010 is sponsoring a fundraiser to leave a legacy for the future classes of Cy-Woods High School. A life size bronze wildcat will be mounted on a base that will include all class of 2010 senior student donor's names. The cost of participating is \$50. Final deadline is March 20th. Please pick up your order form at the VIPS window or go to www.cywoodswrap.org.

WRAP FROM CLOTHES RESALE BOUTIQUE – Does your daughter have a dance coming up and need a dress? Do we have a deal for you! Come in and browse through our selection of gently worn long and short dresses. Sale begins Saturday March 6th and runs through Sunday March 7th at the Coles Crossing Country Club. Hours are from 12-5 each day. Please go to www.cywoodswrap.org for more information.

WRAP is a Cy-Woods High School's parent-driven Project Prom organization. The purpose of WRAP is to provide a drug- and alcohol-free overnight lock-in party for the graduating seniors and their guests after their prom. Held at the CFISD Berry Center on May 28, 2010, from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., it is a fun-filled evening of shows, games, activities, food, gifts and prizes!



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Important Dates

Aug. 12-13	New Staff Orientation
Aug. 16-20	Professional Days
Aug. 23	.....	1st Day of School
Sept. 6	.....	Student Holiday
Oct. 11	.....	Professional Day / Elem. Parent Conferences
Nov. 24-26	.....	Student Holidays
Dec. 20, 21	.....	Inclement Weather Days/ Student/Staff Holidays
Dec. 22-31	.....	Student Holidays
Jan. 3-4	.....	Professional Days
Jan. 17	.....	Student/Staff Holiday
Feb. 21	.....	Professional Day / Inclement Weather Day
March 14-18	.....	Student/Staff Holidays
April 22	.....	Student/Staff Holiday
May 30	.....	Student/Staff Holiday
June 1	.....	Last Day of School
June 2	.....	Professional Day / Inclement Weather Day

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

1st 9 Weeks: Aug. 23-Oct. 22
2nd 9 Weeks: Oct. 25-Jan. 14
3rd 9 Weeks: Jan. 18-March 25
4th 9 Weeks: March 28-June 1

SECONDARY SCHOOLS






1st Semester

1st 6 Weeks: Aug. 23-Sept. 29
2nd 6 Weeks: Sept. 30-Nov. 5
3rd 6 Weeks: Nov. 8-Dec. 17

2nd Semester

4th 6 Weeks: Jan. 5-Feb. 18
5th 6 Weeks: Feb. 22-April 15
6th 6 Weeks: April 18-June 1

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-  STUDENT/STAFF HOLIDAY
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Church News

Good Shepherd UMC

2010 COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT - Sat., April 3rd, 10:00 am – Noon
WHO: Crawlers through 5th Grade
WHERE: Good Shepherd UMC
COST: FREE!!!

Check our website for additional info: www.goodchurch.us. Arrive by 10:00 a.m. for age-appropriate Egg Hunts. Don't forget your Easter basket and camera!

GS KIDS EVENTS - We hope you will join us in the Children's Ministry for this Easter season. On March 28, Palm Sunday, we will be laying palms on the altar. What a great way to start Holy Week by watching the children praising the Lord with palms. On April 4, Easter Sunday, all of the children will have the opportunity to place a flower on the cross. Throughout the morning the plain wooden cross transforms into a beautiful brightly colored reminder of the victory we have in Christ.

April 11 is Sleepover Sunday! Everyone is invited bring a friend and wear jammies to

church that morning. We will have donuts, board games, stories, and lots more.

Look for registration dates coming soon for the High Seas Expedition VBS June 14-18!

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS - First Annual GospelFEST... The Music Ministry will feature the Chancel Choir, soloists, and other groups in an exciting, inspirational and worshipful evening of great gospel music. Please join us for some great up-beat renditions of "Victory in Jesus," "When We All Get to Heaven," "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," and other wonderful arrangements of familiar gospel songs. Join us April 30 at 7:00 pm in the Worship Area followed by an old-fashioned pie and ice cream social. Call Wayne Miller at 281-373-2273 or email music@goodchurch.us for more information.

A new HANDBELL CHOIR is in the works! This group will meet on a weekday (TBA) and will focus on beginner to intermediate ringers. There is room for you even if you do not read music. You do not have to be a member

of Good Shepherd to participate and there are no age limitations, just be available one day a week plus occasional Sunday worship performances. To put your name on the list or for more information, please contact Wayne F. Miller, Director of Music and Worship Arts at GSUMC.

G! GROUPS ARE FORMING NOW! G! Groups, special interest groups for women that focus on activities like walking, scrapbooking, movies, cooking, etc., offer women the chance to develop friendships and share their hobbies with others in a small group setting. Plus, they often commit to giving back through projects within our community. It's fun with a purpose! Groups are forming now so if you are interested in movies, reading, cooking, scrapbooking, photography, walking, prayer groups, breastfeeding support, mommy and me playgroup or missions please contact Missy Owles at missyowles@gmail.com. More information and meeting dates and times can be found on the website at www.goodchurch.us.

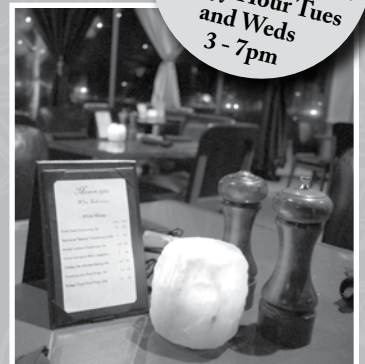


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Fountain of Life Fellowship

COME JOIN US FOR EASTER - Sunday, April 4, 2010, at 10:45 a.m. come, join us as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with special Easter music and a drama. Following our service we will be gathering on our lawn for an Easter picnic and egg hunt for the kids. Let's fellowship and have fun in the Lord. You will have the opportunity to learn first hand what we are all about as a church and what we have to offer as a church family.

GOD IS TRUE TO HIS WORD - At Fountain of Life Fellowship, we believe that the Bible is the Word of God and it is His message to His church. When it is studied and applied to a life, it will change and transform that person forever. As you read the Bible, pray for the Holy Spirit to give you understanding. Then apply this knowledge to your own life as He speaks to you and you will be forever changed. That's what we are all about at Fountain of Life Fellowship - Transforming Lives, Transforming Families!

GET PLUGGED IN - 2010 brings a new and invigorating opportunity to learn more of God's character and the things of God. Come, Get Plugged In to our services and programs as follows: Our Sunday morning schedule begins at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School separated by age groups; followed by a morning service consisting of Praise and Worship and a message for such a time as this. During this service we offer Kid's church for K through 5th graders, fun for Toddler's ages 2-4 and Nursery for wee ones under 2 years of age.

Wednesday evening starting at 7:00 p.m. we offer: (Firehouse Kidz for K through 5th grade children), (BRING IT for Youth 6th through 12th graders), College age and adults of all ages will gather together for a praise time, Bible Study, and then break up into Prayer and Care groups for an hour. During this service we offer fun for Toddler's ages 2-4 and Nursery for wee ones under 2 years of age. Call the church office Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. for more details.

FIREHOUSE KIDS - All children grades K through 5th come and join our "Firehouse Kidz Klub." Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. we have fun as we learn Bible verses, answer Bible trivia questions, scavenger hunt or do the Limbo or race while Hula Hooping...WOW!!!

BRING IT - Calling all 6TH - 12h graders, to come, join us and learn how to face the challenges of how to handle those "heavy" questions that come-up about bullies at school, dating do's and don'ts and how to honor your parents while learning how to think independently. Acquire the Fire for the Lord with other youth on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. as we "BRING IT" to Him. Jesus has an answer to these and every question, in His Word. Our Youth leaders, John and Stephanie Schmidt, are much attuned to the world and the Word. They lead, guide, and direct Youth in the way they should go and as we raise youth in the way they should go, the Word of God assures us "they shall not depart from it."

Fairfield Baptist Church

EASTER SUNDAY—Join us for the greatest day in history...the celebration of Jesus resurrection!

Services are April 4 at 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 am. KidZone activities for K-6 and preschool at 9:45 am. Family church with nursery for 2 years and under at 8:30 and 11:00 am services.

48 DAYS TO THE JOB YOU LOVE Can you imagine going to bed Sunday night, eager for Monday morning to come and your workday to begin? Prepare to have your world rocked when we uncover and lay out what is wrong with "work" in today's world. Join us for 48 Days To The Work You Love Workshop. Orientation is Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 7 pm. For a one-week fast-track class, April 21-28. Prepare to get excited about your passions and work week!

SONSHINE MDO FALL REGISTRATION—Fall registration is now open. Sonshine MDO is a Tuesday/Thursday program, meeting from 9 am to 2 pm and following the Cy-Fair ISD calendar. Sunshine MDO offers classes for ages 18 months, as of Sept 1, to pre-K and a special bridge class for those turning 5 by October 1. For more information contact mdo@fairfieldbaptist.com.

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Harvest Bible Church

DID YOU KNOW? *“Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, 2 when they see your respectful and pure conduct (1 Peter 3:1-2).*

The Greek biographer Plutarch (AD 46-120) lived during Peter’s day and wrote the following about marriage in the Greco-Roman culture: “A wife should not acquire her own friends, but should make her husband’s friends her own. The gods are the first and most significant friends. For this reason, it is proper for a wife to recognize only those gods whom her husband worships and to shut the door to superstitious cults and strange superstitions.” With this as the backdrop of Peter’s culture, it makes sense as to why he would address Christian wives married to unbelieving husbands. They, like slaves (2:18), found themselves in difficult circumstances and needed some word from God as to how they might live with a pagan man.

Peter’s address is not to women in general but to wives specifically. And these wives were to “be subject” to their “own husbands.” To “be subject” (i.e., submit) is to put oneself under the authority of another. In the Greek text “be subject” is a participle that functions as a command. Piggy-backing on the command for all Christians to be subject to government (2:13) and Christian slaves submitting to

evil despots (2:18), Peter literally writes, “Likewise, wives submitting...” Now in a world where slaves were plentiful and often mistreated by cruel masters, Christian wives lived in a world where even if their husbands were Christians, these women had very few rights, often being viewed as only slightly above the animal kingdom.

Now being addressed to wives, the passage shows that it is not the husband’s duty to force his wife to submit to him; rather, it is the wife’s prerogative to submit. In the context of marriage in general, the wife’s submission to her husband is simply the way God ordained the institution of marriage. Now Peter was addressing a situation where a believing wife was married to an unbelieving man. The words “even if some (husbands) do not obey the word” may indicate that the majority of the husbands in Peter’s audience were indeed believers, but in the case where they might not be, Peter was teaching the wife to be an evangelist to her lost husband.

The words Peter uses for the lost husband are those who “do not obey the word.” Peter is all about equating obedience to Christ with salvation in Christ, so he uses “do not obey the word” synonymously with those who are not Christians (cf. 1:2, 14; 2:8; 3:20; 4:17). In other words, Peter believed that obedience to the gospel of Christ was the fruit of true salvation, so those who did not

obey the word, though they may have called themselves Christians, were not.

The “word” Peter speaks of is the gospel of Christ (cf. 2:8). God’s word was ignored by many, and for those husbands who were guilty of this, their wives were to submit to them so as to win them to Christ “without a word.” So, in the same way that subjection to governing authorities closes the mouths of foolish people (2:13-15), and servants submitting to masters is a gracious thing in God’s eyes (2:18-19), so too is there great value in wives submitting to unbelieving husbands. Peter was not interested in a women’s liberation movement; he was interested in the conversion of the unsaved. Hence, the submission of the wives to their husbands is ordained as part of the Great Commission to save the lost (Matt. 28:19-20).

If you are in a bad marriage, stay put and minister to your spouse. You have the opportunity to imitate Christ by suffering (cf. 2:20-25). When he was reviled and treated wrongly, he endured it without a word. You do the same, and see if God doesn’t use your behavior to bring glory to Himself by bringing your spouse to salvation. If you are a wife, submission is your first offensive tool to seeing this happen. It is the avenue through which God will work in your spouse’s life.

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Choices We Make

One night, Luke (my husband) and I prayed about hearing God's voice/leading more clearly. We were also praying about Luke receiving his new job. What we could do to "speed up the process." When we would get emotional about something, it became hard to discern what God wanted us to do. Sunday morning when I woke up the Lord spoke to me: "It's in the music." I jumped out of bed and grabbed a notebook and pen. When God moves like this in my life, I know I need to be ready! The Lord continued, "When you worship me the floodgates of heaven open. There is more emphasis on praise in the New Testament than the Old Testament. Giving me money doesn't open up the floodgates of heaven, worshiping me does!" And then the words of Jesus rose up in my spirit: But the time is coming—indeed it's here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth. John 4:23-24NLT

Another night I watched channel 13 news and they had a segment about Dodie Osteen's new drive-thru healing service for those too sick to attend regular service at Lakewood Church. As they were interviewing Dodie, I could visibly see God's love in her. At the moment, I was in a major pity party because my husband

still hadn't heard if he got the job he has been interviewing for and Luke's ex employer still hadn't paid him for work he had done! When I saw God's love on Dodie, I went to my bedroom and opened my bible to the love scriptures:

Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. Matt 22:36-40

I prayed. "God, no matter what I'm going through, your word says that I'm to love you with all of my heart, mind and soul, and I'm to love my neighbor as myself. And even if I haven't known much love in my life, your word tells me what love is. Love is patient and kind, never boastful, arrogant or proud. Never keeps account of wrong doing. Believes the best about people. You said I should walk in love, and therefore I am choosing to do so. You wouldn't tell me to do something I couldn't do. From this moment on, I'm walking in love. And Holy Spirit, I'm asking for your power and grace to help me do this!" All of the sudden, a physical healing that I had been believing God for, for about 12 years now, dropped in my spirit and the Lord

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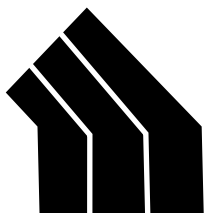
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said. "Now that you are walking in love, I can heal you of (private physical healing I've been needing). If you make the law of love the highest law in your household your finances will automatically fall in order." I called Luke into the bedroom and told him what the Lord said. We held hands and declared by faith that the law of love was now the highest law in our household and that we were choosing to walk in love as a household. We went to bed and when we woke up, Luke received an email from his ex employer. A check was ready! He was paying an invoice!

Love endures long and is patient and kind; love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy, is not boastful or vainglorious, does not display itself haughtily. It is not conceited (arrogant and inflated with pride); it is not rude (unmannerly) and does not act unbecomingly. Love (God's love in us) does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong]. It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and truth prevail. Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening]. Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]. As for prophecy ([d]the gift of interpreting the divine will and purpose), it will be fulfilled and pass away; as for tongues, they will be destroyed and cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away [it will lose its value and be superseded by truth]. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 AMP

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- ½ cup chopped celery
- ½ cup chopped onion
- 1 small jar Cheese Whiz
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup

Directions

Place rice in greased casserole dish.

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Millions of Window Shades and Blinds Recalled

WHAT HAPPENED

All Roman shades and pull-up blinds were recalled voluntarily in the United States by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and Window Covering Safety Council (WCSC) due to the risk of strangulation to young kids.

Health Canada also issued an advisory alerting parents to the potential strangulation hazard of Roman shades and pull-up blinds. According to the CPSC, in a single year consumers purchase about 5 million Roman shades and 3 million pull-up blinds.

WHAT THIS MEANS

The CPSC is aware of five deaths and 16 near strangulations in Roman shades since 2006 as well as three deaths in roll-up blinds since 2001. Strangulations in Roman shades are possible when a child pulls the cord out of the shade and wraps it around the neck or when a child places his or her neck between the exposed inner cord and the fabric on the

backside of the blind.

In roll-up blinds, strangulations can occur if a child's neck becomes entangled in a lifting loop that has slid off the side of the blind or if a child places his or her neck between the roll-up blind fabric and the lifting loop.

WHERE THIS PRODUCT WAS SOLD

Major retailers in the United States and Canada, including Walmart (500,000 Roman shades and 600,000 roll-up blinds), J.C. Penney (more than 2.2 million Roman shades and about 340 roll-up blinds), and Pottery Barn (along with Pottery Barn Kids and PBTeen; about 305,000 Roman shades and 45,000 roller shades; an additional 85,000 Roman shades were recalled in August 2009), and online.

WHAT TO DO NEXT

For a free retrofit kit for Roman-style shades and roll-up blinds, visit www.windowcoverings.org or call the WCSC toll-free anytime at 800-506-4636.

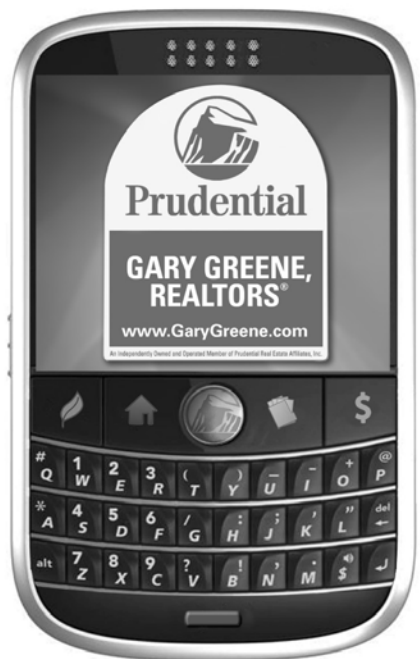
Additionally, the CPSC and the WCSC suggest taking these measures:

Examine all shades and blinds at home to ensure there aren't any accessible cords on the front, side, or back of the product — and if there are any, make them inaccessible to young children.

If possible, install cordless window coverings in homes where kids live or visit. Place cribs, beds, and furniture away from the windows to prevent kids from climbing on them to reach the cords on the window coverings.

Install tension devices in shades that have looped bead chains or nylon cords to keep the cords tight.

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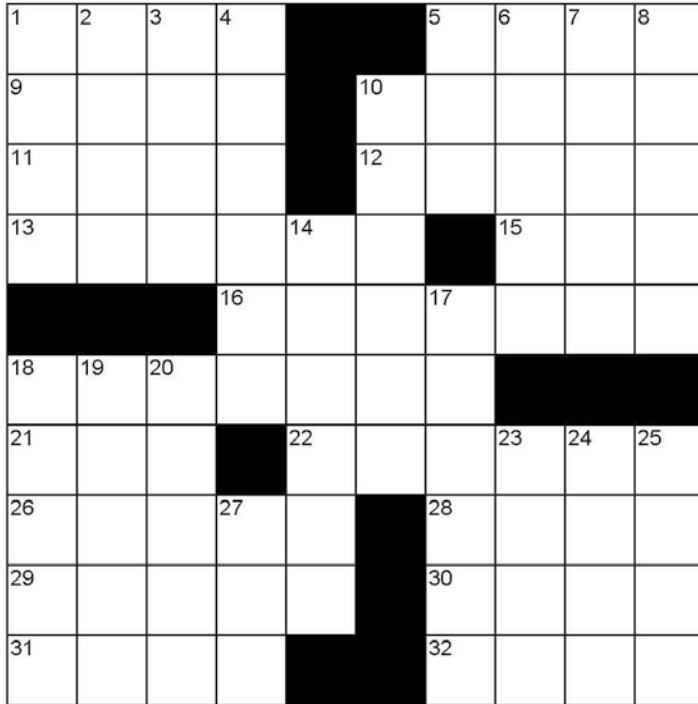


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5. Lovers
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10. Special case only (2 wds.)
11. Lemony
12. Passes at the bull
13. Of this
15. Feign
16. Long scoldings
18. Tutee
21. To be
22. Band instrument
26. ___ cotta (clay)
28. Too
29. Append (2 wds.)
30. Worker
31. Honker
32. University (abbr.)

DOWN

1. Fit together
2. Healing plant
3. Speak indistinctly
4. To this document
5. Food and drug administration (abbr.)
6. Leading
7. Time being
8. Beats it!
10. Wrangle
14. What the Tin Man needed
17. Naval fleet
18. Devil
19. Doctrine
20. Tends sheep
23. Group of nations
24. Afloat
25. Noble
27. Fish eggs

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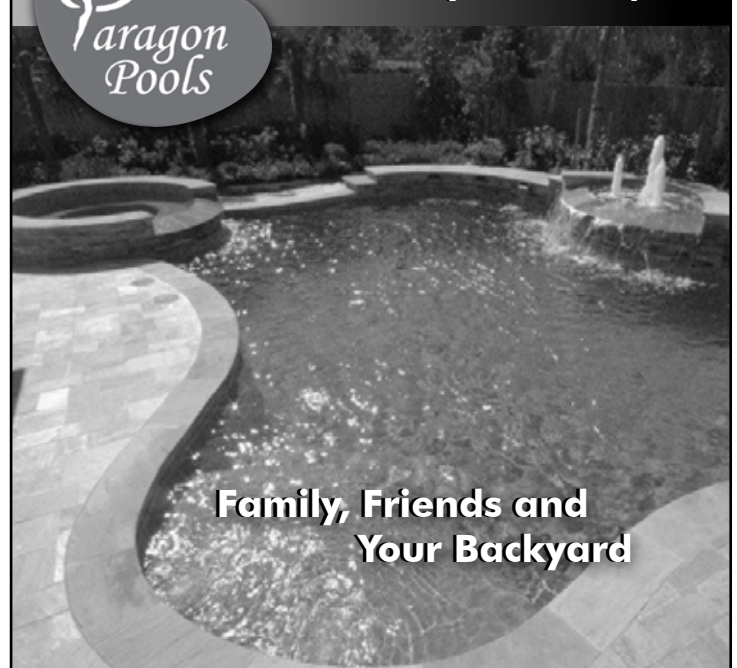
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1-21—HOUSTON: Transmutations: Material Reborn Showcases 28 international jewelry artists who transform materials, such as resin and thermoplastics, into outrageous jewelry and wearable art. Houston Center for Contemporary Craft. www.crafthouston.org 713/529-4848

1-21—PORT ARTHUR: Boot Scootin' Legends: Images of Classic Country This is a traveling exhibition from the Honky Tonk Hall of Fame. Museum of the . www.museumofthegulfcoast.org 409/982-7000

1-28—BEAUMONT: Protege High School Art Competition & Exhibition Protege is a 23-year-old program organized annually to promote and inspire 12th-grade artists in the region. Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

1-Apr. 11—BEAUMONT: African-American Art: Highlights from the Dr. Hervy Hiner Collection Include works in a variety of mediums by some of the great African-American artists of the 19th and 20th centuries. Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

1-Apr. 11—BEAUMONT: Hans Molzberger: Return/Ruckkehr Features several of German artist Molzberger's large-scale, ceramic sculpture installations inspired by the environment, political and social themes. Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

1-May 2—BEAUMONT: Artwork by Anne Nelson Sweat Cafe Arts, Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

1-May 16—HOUSTON: Iron: Forged, Tempered, Quenched Celebrates the rich history of American blacksmithing by bridging historical and contemporary works and illustrating the wide variety of blacksmithing techniques and processes currently practiced in the United States. Houston Center for Contemporary Craft. www.crafthouston.org 713/529-4848

1-Aug. 15—HOUSTON: Maurizio Cattelan The exhibition will focus on recent large-scale work that premiered in Europe in 2007 and will feature sculptures that range in tone from the melancholic and politically contentious to the decidedly irreverent. The Menil Collection. 713/525-9400

2-21—HOUSTON: 2010 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Kicks off with the rodeo parade, after trail riders enter town and set up a

camp in Memorial Park. All 20 championship rodeo competitions are concluded with entertainment by music superstars. Reliant Park. www.rodeohouston.com 832/667-1000

3-6, 10-13, 17-20, 24-27, 31—ROCKPORT: Bird Walk Spend the morning with birding experts on a walk through the park identifying the birds of the al Bend. Hours are 8 to 11 a.m. Goose Island State Park. 361/729-2858

5-28—HOUSTON: Harvey Elwood P. Dowd's companion, a six-foot invisible rabbit, is an embarrassment to his social-climbing sister and her daughter, who decide to have Dowd committed. Alley Theatre. www.alleytheatre.org 713/228-9341

13-Jun. 12—ORANGE: Blooms: Floral Art in the Stark Collections Explores flowering beauty as expressed in works from early botanical books to exuberant still-life paintings. Stark Museum of Art, 712 Green Ave. www.starkmuseum.org 409/886-2787

26—HOUSTON: Gilberto Gil Gil brings his unique sound, incorporating an eclectic range of influences — reggae, samba, forro, rock and African music. Begins at 8 p.m. Jones Hall. www.spahouston.org 713/227-4SPA

26-28—HOUSTON: Bayou City Art Festival More than 300 national artists working in 19 artistic media are juried and invited to show and sell their original art. Memorial Park. www.bayoucityartfestival.com 713/863-8403

26-28—TOMBALL: German Heritage Festival Celebrate with four stages of live music, folk dancers, arts & crafts, food, carnival and fireworks. Includes street vendors. Old Downtown Streets of Tomball near 201 S. Elm St. www.tomballsistercity.org 281/379-6844

27—HOUSTON: Airport Festival Includes aircraft displays, airport rangers, children's area and entertainment. Bush IAH Airport. www.houstonnwchamber.org 281/440-4160

27—HOUSTON: From Broadway to Hollywood: Marvin Hamlisch & Joel Grey in Concert The composer and the actor appear together for a unique concert experience. Begins at 8 p.m. Jones Hall. www.spahouston.org 713/227-4SPA

27—HOUSTON: Ninth Annual Spring Fairfield Garage Sale Fairfield started their own garage sale because private garage sales were not allowed in their community. Hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Traders Village. www.tradersvillage.com 281/890-5500

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27—LAKE JACKSON: Brazosport Symphony Orchestra Concert Begins at 7:30 p.m. The Clarion. www.clarion.brazosport.edu 979/230-3658

27—ORANGE: Eighth Annual Art in the Park Area artists display, show and sell artworks. Crafters have items for sale. Enjoy live music on stage, Kids Alley with hands-on arts & crafts for children, and food. Stark Park. www.orangetexas.org 409/883-1011

27—ROCKPORT: 18th Annual Coastal Classic Auto Show Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rockport Beach Park. 361/777-0277

27—VICTORIA: Polo Match McFaddin Ranch. www.victoriaregionalmuseum.com 361/575-8227

27-28—PEARLAND: Paws in the Park Includes HEB Plus! Pet & Owner Fun Run, National Dock Diving Competition, U.S. National Disc Dog Tournament, flyball demonstrations and more from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Independence Park. www.pearlandparks.com 281/652-1673

27-28—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Annual Texas State Surfing Championship Isla Blanca Park (Jetties). www.sopadre.com

28—ORANGE: The Man Who Planted Trees A French shepherd sets out with his faithful dog to transform a bleak landscape by the simple act of planting trees. Lutchter Theater. www.lutchter.org 409/745-5535 or 800/828-5535

29-Apr. 4—HOUSTON: Shell Houston Open Golf Tournament Played at Redstone Golf Club's Tournament Course, 150 of the world's best golfers compete. 5860 Wilson Road. www.shellhoustonopen.com 281/454-7000

30—SAN BENITO: San Benito High School Conjunto Band Concerts at the Amphitheater Enjoy the traditional sounds of Conjunto music by San Benito's young musicians. Begins at 6:30 p.m. W.H. Heavin Amphitheater. 956/361-3804 ext. 302

30—VICTORIA: Lyceum Series Featuring James Galbraith, Economics Victoria College Auditorium. E-mail: robert.hodde@victoriacollege.edu 361/572-6448

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Phishing (sounds just like fishing) is what thieves on the internet do to get your personal information. In fact, it is just like fishing – they use bait (and you are the fish.)

What does phishing look like? It can look like an email from your bank. They tell you that there has been suspicious activity with your bank account, and in order to avoid having the account frozen you need to click a link and verify your information on their web site. If you click the link, it will take you to a web page that looks just like your bank's login page. You enter your username and password, you may then see a page saying thank you for validating your information, or you may see an error page that says please try again later. The problem is you didn't actually go to your bank's web site; instead you just gave your login information to the bad guys.

Another scheme frequently seen at this time of year is an email from the IRS and SURPRISE, it's good news! You are eligible for a tax refund, and all you have to do is click on the link and submit your tax refund request. And oh, if you don't respond within 48 hours they will assume the refund is invalid and it will be suspended. You'll be in for another surprise when you later find out that it wasn't really the IRS, and you gave your personal information, including your social security number to the bad guys.

Who are these bad guys? How come they don't get caught? Well, you'll find them in China, eastern European countries and Russia. That's why you'll often find these emails filled with poor or awkward grammar. They buy lists of email addresses and send them out by the millions. There are lots of "phish" in the ocean, but you only have to catch a few to make a lot of money.

How do you protect yourself from phishing attacks? First and most important, NEVER click on links in email. Even if you get an email from a friend, are you sure they intentionally sent it? Many viruses will scan through an address book and then send an email to everyone with a generic message like "this is so funny, check it out" or "did you see this video of you online?" If you're not expecting the email, DON'T CLICK. The same goes for attachments. Don't fall for fake messages from UPS, FedEx, etc. Ask yourself "did I give them my email address?" You probably didn't, so you can be sure they didn't send it.

The Internet is a big world filled with gleaming cities and dark alleys. As long as you're aware that there are bad guys who are trying to steal from you, simple precautions and common sense will keep you safe.

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Time to Make Post-Recession Investment Moves?



Like a tiresome dinner guest, the recession has long outstayed its welcome. But there are some clear signs that the economy has begun to turn around. If that is indeed the case, how should you, as an individual investor, respond?

Before we get to that question, let's quickly review some of the key factors that suggest the recession may be ending. First, we've seen four straight months of gains by the Conference Board's Index of Leading Economic Indicators. Also, the job market is improving somewhat and bank lending is increasing. The Federal Reserve's efforts to stabilize the financial system have improved conditions in the corporate credit markets, as indicated by a dramatic increase in the amount of new bonds issued by companies thus far in 2009. We've also seen improvements in the housing market and in industrial production.

Even if all this evidence indicates the recession is ending, does that necessarily mean that boom times for investors will follow? A look back in time shows reasons for optimism. In 10 recessions, extending from 1949 through 2001, the S & P 500 rose, on average, 9.5 percent six months following the recession's end date, and 15.5 percent after 12 months, according to Ned Davis Research. Of course, as you have no doubt heard, past performance is no guarantee of future results, but in years gone by, staying in the market rewarded long-term investors —those who could look beyond the recession at hand.

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In any case, if the recession is ending, let's return to our original question: What investment moves should you make? As we've already seen, the most important step you can take is to remain invested — and if you're out of the market, consider getting back in. As exhibited by the strong market rally this summer, large gains can come quickly, but they only come to those who aren't on the investment sidelines.

In addition to staying invested, consider these other post-recession moves — which are actually pretty good moves before and during a recession, as well:

- Look for quality. In any economic environment, you'll be making a smart move by focusing on quality investments that fit your unique situation. You may look for the stocks of those companies with strong management teams and competitive products. And stick with investment-grade bonds, if fixed income is appropriate.

- Diversify. Build a portfolio containing a variety of investments, including stocks, bonds, government securities and certificates of deposit. While diversification, by itself, can't guarantee a profit or protect against a loss, it can help you reduce the long-term effects of volatility on your holdings.

- Keep a long-term perspective. It's not easy to overlook market fluctuations, especially severe ones, but if you can keep your eyes

on what you hope to achieve in the future, you might be less likely to over-react to short-term events. While you may need to periodically adjust your investment mix in response to changes in the economy and in your own life, you'll be better off, in the long run, by establishing a strategy that's appropriate for your individual risk tolerance and goals — and sticking to it.

As individuals, we're all subject to the ebbs and flows of the economy. But by focusing on those things you can control — such as buying quality investments, diversifying and thinking long-term — you can become an investor for all seasons.

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Most investors pay a great deal of attention to the price of their investments — yesterday's price, today's price, tomorrow's price, next year's price and so on. And that's understandable, because we always want the prices of our investments to rise. Yet, if you focus too much on prices, you could end up making some costly mistakes.

Why? Because price-driven behavior is emotional behavior — and as an investor, you're much better off making decisions with your head, not your heart. Suppose, for example, that you've seen a steep decline in the price of one of your investments. After a while, you may feel that you just can't take it anymore and you decide to "cut your losses" by selling the investment. Conversely, you may have an investment that has gone up and up — and to grab even bigger gains, you buy more shares.

Both these decisions could backfire on you. When you sold the investment whose price had fallen, you might find yourself on the investment "sidelines" if that same investment starts to turn around. And when you throw more money at an investment whose price has skyrocketed, you're betting against history — because no investment goes up forever. Furthermore, in both cases, your emotions will have led you to violate one of the guidelines of investing: buy low and sell high.

But apart from the tactical errors you may make when you over-concentrate on price movements, you're also ignoring another key

characteristic of investments — their value.

Traditionally, an investment's "value" has been largely defined as whether or not it's considered "expensive" or "cheap." That's why many investors take a close look at a stock's price-to-earnings ratio (P/E). Generally speaking, a high P/E means a stock is more expensive, relative to its earnings, than a stock with a low P/E. Investors may be willing to pay more for the high P/E stocks because they feel these companies will be worth more in the future.

But P/E doesn't tell the whole story of investment value. Any individual investment may have value to you because it can help you diversify your holdings. And while diversification, by itself, can't guarantee a profit or protect against a loss, it can help you reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio. For instance, if your portfolio is heavy with stocks, the presence of some bonds — even those whose market price has fallen because interest rates have risen — can help reduce the impact of a downturn that primarily affects stocks.

Clearly, the value of any investment has several dimensions — any or all of which may be valuable to you as you pursue your goals. So, as you build, maintain and adjust your portfolio over time, keep an eye on the changing prices of your investments — but don't overlook their true value.



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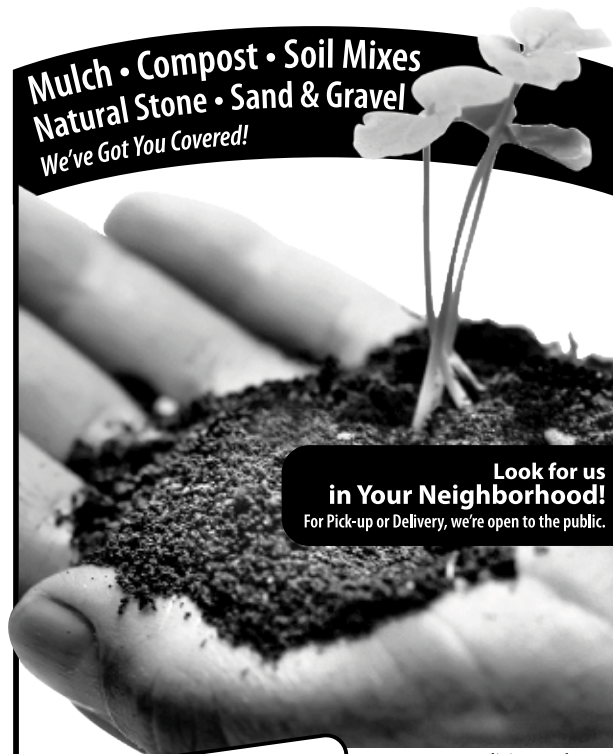
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Girl Scout cookies are a familiar part of American culture. For more than 80 years, Girl Scouts, with the enthusiastic support of their families, have participated in the country's premier entrepreneurial and economic literacy program. Cookies will 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:

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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

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News You Can Use

Meet Devion (7/02)

Devion is only little in physical size. He is convinced he is the biggest kid around and that he can do anything anyone else can do. This little man lights up any room he enters with his smile and personality. Devion loves attending church and enjoys singing in the children's choir. Devion loves playing with other people of any age but he plays in the manner of a child age 4 to 6. He is showing progress in being able to play independently. Devion loves to do almost anything outside. He loves to swim, ride bikes & scooters, play baseball, basketball & football and has even recently tried to water ski! Devion has played 4 seasons of t-ball and one season of basketball since living in our home and loves telling everyone about it. While Devion has wonderful gross motor skills he struggles with his fine motor skills. While Devion has made much progress emotionally he continues to receive weekly therapy to work on social skills and impulsivity.

Devion is very loving and affectionate. He enjoys being with others and would do well in a loving, structured, active home of any ethnic make-up as an only or youngest child.

For more information on Devion or on adoption contact Grace Lindgren at the Adoption Coalition of Texas 512-810-0813 or gracelindgren@adopttexas.org



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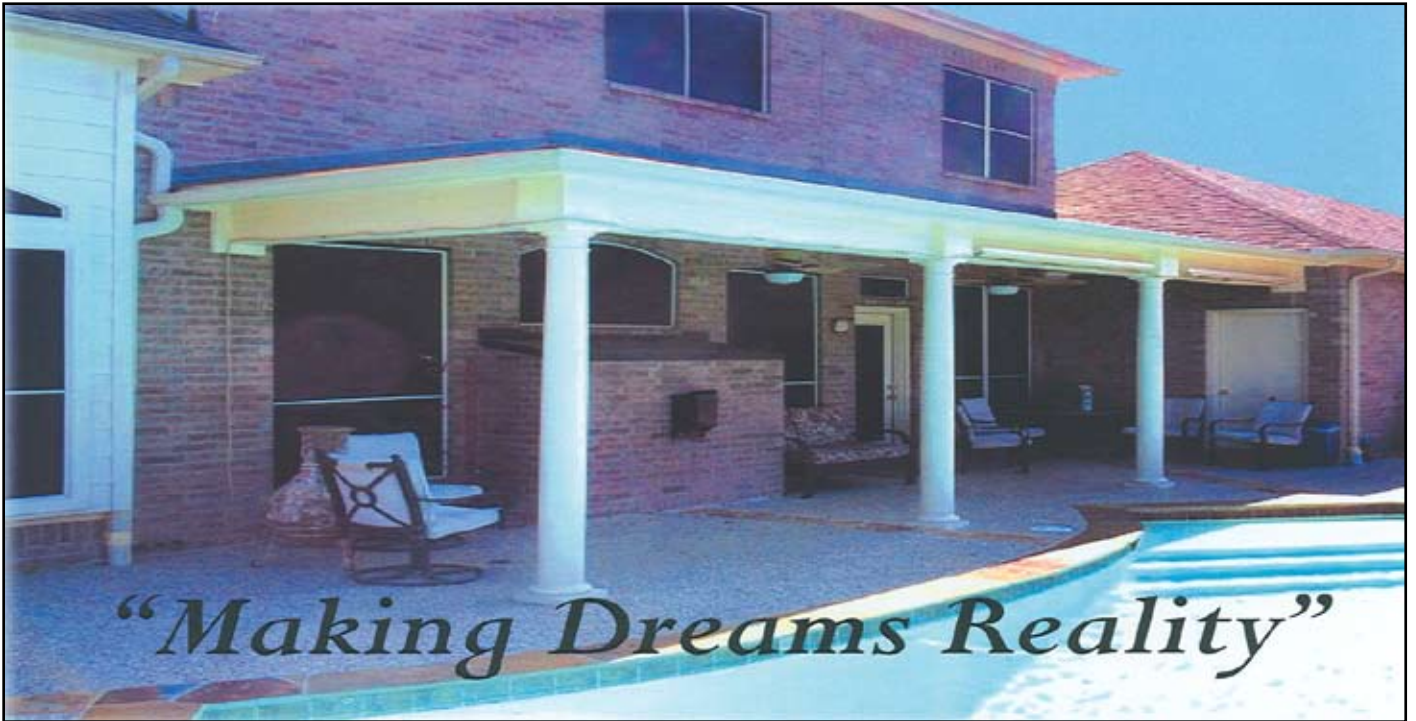
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Dawn Fore's Fairfield Market Report

Neighborhood	3 rd Quarter Results		
	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM
Bluebonnet Glen	1	\$95.42	41
Baker's Ridge	1	\$75.11	144
Chappell Ridge	3	\$68.41	66
Cottage Glen	1	\$73.89	4
The Estates	1	\$85.29	24
Garden Grove	11	\$69.53	32
Glen	1	\$70.43	52
Inwood Glen	7	\$66.06	39
Inwood Meadows	5	\$75.50	61
Inwood Park	6	\$72.08	34
Lakes/Lake Ridge 2	7	\$78.48	44
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	5	\$78.08	44
Meadows/Park/Retreat	6	\$ 77.77	34
Oaks/Trails	6	\$71.81	43
Pines	0	-	-
Summer Crossing	4	\$73.00	77
Summer Ridge	5	\$69.34	49

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