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To submit an article for consideration please email it to [fairfieldgazette@peelinc.com](mailto:fairfieldgazette@peelinc.com). The deadline is the 10th of the month prior to the issue.



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Boys and Girls Country is not a United Way member agency; they receive their support from friends in the community through grants, mailings, e-mail, and special events. Because Boys and Girls Country does not rely on state or federal grants, they are able to continue to care for their kids past high school graduation. In 1997, Boys and Girls Country developed their College and Career Program to support their high school graduates as young adults. Whether they choose college, trade school, the military, or the workforce, Boys and Girls Country provides support as it is needed. Like any other family, they're still there, helping their kids reach their full potential and break the cycles of poverty and dysfunction that they have known.

On May 1st, Boys and Girls Country will host their annual Spring Festival. It takes place from 10:00 – 5:00, and it is a fun event for adults and children of all ages.

Boys and Girls Country turns their 250-acre ranch into a midway jam-packed with booths, food, and fun. There will be a petting zoo with 25 animals, including a llama and a pot-bellied pig. Younger kids can go on a pony ride, or the whole family can take a hay ride around the ranch. There's a Bug's Life Obstacle Course, Volcano Rock Wall, and a Virtual Zone with Wii games and Dance Dance Revolution. Stay for the day and enjoy great food like barbeque, chicken sandwiches, and nachos. Adults will find plenty to enjoy with two stages of entertainment and live, big board, and silent auctions. Bid on items like a 4-night's stay at a resort in Galveston, signed sports memorabilia, or a hunting trip. While at Spring Festival, people will also have the opportunity to tour a cottage and see where the children live.

Spring Festival is a great, affordable outing for families. Admission is free. All-day activities passes are just \$15 per child, and lunch tickets are only \$6. All of the proceeds from Spring Festival will help provide for the day-to-day needs of the children who live at Boys and Girls Country.

Don't miss out on this fun-filled day and the opportunity to support a Home that provides vital services to Houston-area children in need of a safe place to grow up.





## Fairfield's Fifty Plus Fun-Loving Group

### The Fairfield Seniors

*The Seniors of Fairfield are an active, fifty plus, fun-loving group of couples and singles who enjoy fellowship, monthly trips, and various activities together. If you or your spouse is fifty or older, a newcomer to Fairfield Village or have lived here in Fairfield for some time but have never attended one of our functions, you are cordially invited.*

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

#### 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.

We are going to tour the frantoio (the

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 MAY BUS TRIP PLANS ARE FOR:

**Friday, May 14, Bastrop, Texas.**

Our first stop will be at the Bastrop County Historical Society Museum, which offers a look at the history of Bastrop

County through a variety of displays that include clothing, furniture, historical documents, artifacts and photographs. This visit will be followed by a guided bus tour of historic homes. The homes in this 176 year-old town offer a wide variety of architectural styles, but what truly makes these homes unique are their own, individual stories.

After lunch at Baxter's on Main Street, we will travel to the Central Texas Museum of Automotive History in Rosanky. It has one of the largest collections of classic and antique autos, motorized "buggies" and vintage motorcycles in Texas.

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# Around Fairfield



## Fairfield Pet's Lost & Found

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### *Fairfield Fifty Plus (Continued from Page 8)*

checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus. The departure time will be 08:00 a.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 07:45 a.m.

#### **OUR APRIL ACTIVITIES PLANS:**

**Sunday, April 4th: Enjoy A Happy Easter.**

**Thursday, April 8:** The Monthly Planning Committee meeting is at 1:00 p.m. at the Lakeside Trails Club House. 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, April 20:** 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, April 29:** 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.fairfieldseniorgroup.com](http://www.fairfieldseniorgroup.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](mailto:Fairfield-Seniors@comcast.net)

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The Fairfield Bluegrass Jammers are sponsoring Bluegrass music jamming at Kleb Woods Nature Center and Preserve where the fun begins on the 4th Saturday of each month at 12 noon and where everyone is invited to pick, sing, listen, fellowship, or walk the trails and watch the beautiful birds. You will find folks with their guitars, banjos, fiddles, mandolins, bases and dobros warming up to do a little picking and singing. When the music and singing begins so does the foot tapping and fun.

The musicians from beginner to pro are having a great ole time playing this old-time music of Bill Monroe and Ralph Stanley. There are 3 types of music played – Bluegrass, Gospel, and old-time country. The listeners are so captivated by the joyful energetic music and musicians they are hearing that they also cannot help but do a little toe tapping and clapping themselves. When 4 PM arrives you find the musicians just as enthusiastic and reluctant to leave as at the beginning. The energy comes from the deep love that everyone has for the music.

Pickers and listener are welcome. No charges. Just fun Jammin or listening.

Kleb Woods Nature Center and Reserve (Draper Rd.) is located about 15 to 20 minutes away and is located on Draper Rd., off Mueschke Rd. in Tomball area. The Reserve is a Harris County Park and a bird watchers paradise and museum. From the parking lot you will walk about 200ft to the center. No selling, soliciting, alcohol, or drugs permitted. Check out Kleb Woods web-site at: [www.pct3.hctx.net/parks/klebwoodsnaturepres.aspx](http://www.pct3.hctx.net/parks/klebwoodsnaturepres.aspx).

The Cypress/Tomball Area Bluegrass Jam (Northwest Harris County) 4th Saturday Jam is sponsored by The Fairfield Bluegrass Jammers and is being held at the nearby Kleb Woods Nature Center and Reserve outside Tomball, 12 Noon to 4 PM. For more Information regarding the Bluegrass Jam contact - Nema Redding at: 281-373-1777 or 281-910-4395. E-Mail: [tn.blugrass@earthlink.net](mailto:tn.blugrass@earthlink.net)



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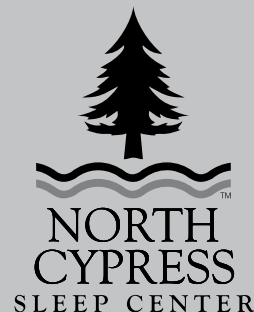
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## The MOMS Club® of Cypress / NW-Fairfield Moms Offering Moms Support

*Welcomes all Stay-At-Home Moms in Fairfield and Lakes of Fairhaven*

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!)

Spring is finally here! My family has really been enjoying the warmer weather with lots of playtime outside. The MOMS Club has some fun and exciting activities planned for the spring. We just had our family picnic that was a huge success. We also have park days and a trip to the zoo planned for April. 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, April 13th 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

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If your child is entering Kindergarten at Keith this coming school year (Fall 2010) you are invited to join our playgroup. This playgroup will give the kids to meet more friends so when school starts they will know lots of other kids and won't feel alone. To join please email Angela Sanford at [ang.sanford@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ang.sanford@sbcglobal.net).

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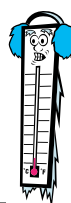
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## The Texas Terrapins 12 & Under Finish Strong at the Spring Champs Meet

The Texas Terrapins Cypress's own year round swimming club finished off the season with a big splash. 27 of the 30 swimmers from area neighborhoods that participated achieve best times, and 18 swimmers moved up to new levels. Outstanding swims were achieved by swimmers of all ages in all the Terrapin training groups.

The following are the Terrapin Team highlights:

### 8 & Under

The girls' medley relay grabbed first place comprised of Komie Nguyen, Delaney Crowder, Beth McNeese, and Danica Gubic. Beth McNeese took first place honors in 100 back, 200 free, and 50 fly; Delaney Crowder took second in the 50 back and 3rd in the 50 fly; Danica Gubic to 3rd in the 100 IM, Byron Keller sped to first place in the 50 fly, and grabbed second in the 100 free and



IM; Jackson Dement was 4rd in the 50 free; Komie Nguyen was 2nd in the 100 IM; and Collin Stewart took 1st in the 100 IM, 2nd in the 50 breast, and 3rd in the 100 free.

### 9-10

Luke Bowman sped to a 1st place finish in the 50 fly, and 2nd in the 50 breast. Luke was cheered on by his grandfather – Coach Eddie Reese of the University of Texas. Matt Braswell was 1st in the 50 back. Jacob Eubanks cruised to 2nd place in the 50 back. Makenna Meyer was 3rd in the 50 breast. The girls and boys medley relay both took 4th place.

### 11-12

Abbie Jones achieve her 4th TAGs time in the 50 back and took 2nd place in both the 200 and 50 free; Lexi Bruno has now moved to the elite level with 3 A standards in the 50, 100 and 200 breaststroke events; Paige Fery placed 6th in the 100 fly, 100 and 200 back; Becca Taylor achieved her first A time in the 100 back placing 2nd, as well as 3rd in the 200 back. Aaron Thomson sped to 2nd in the 50 fly, and 4th in the 100 fly; Emi Strautman was 5th in the 100 free, and 100 % best times.

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## 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](mailto:lizardsareicky@sbcglobal.net) or 281-256-3545.

## AGGIE MOMS CLUB NW HARRIS COUNTY APRIL MEETING

Calling all Aggie Moms to the April 13th meeting to be held 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 encouraged to attend! One of the main goals for the Aggie Mom's Club is to fundraise in order to provide scholarships for our Aggie students, therefore the April meeting is all about scholarships! Join us as we listen to former Aggie scholarship winners and learn how these scholarships contributed to their Aggie experience. Find out which Aggie students will be recipients of the new 2010 Scholarship awards. Attend the meeting to vote for your favorite TAMU organization to receive club funds! Join us as we elect the new officers for the 2010-2011 Aggie Moms Club.

Other upcoming events include a "Boots N Whoops" western dance fundraiser to be held March 28th and a baseball tailgate party in April. For more information, please see our website at [www.nwhcaggie moms.com](http://www.nwhcaggie moms.com).



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Come join us at the CY-FAIR KIWANIS CLUB and be a part of sponsoring children's activities, such as the Triathlon. CHILDREN PRIORITY ONE is the motto of Kiwanis Clubs worldwide. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club sponsors nine Key Clubs in the Cy-Fair Schools; supports the Cerebral Palsy SIRE group, Girl Scout, Boy Scout, and Sea Scout troops and activities; provides scholarships to outstanding Key Club members in our district; provides assistance to Cypress Assistance Ministries and Bear Creek Ministries; the Houston Food Bank; and many other nonprofit organizations.

Membership is open to persons of good character who adhere to the standards of good conduct in their community and believe in and subscribe to the objects of Kiwanis International. If you would like to know more about Kiwanis and the programs it promotes, we invite you to be our guest at one of our monthly meetings. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis meet at Hearthstone Country Club on the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 12:15 for lunch and informative programs. For more information, call John Carroll at 281-463-0373 or George Crowl at 832-467-1998.

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## Cy-Fair Republican Women

Cy-Fair Republican Women is a fun, informative and friendly club that would love to see YOU at our next meeting. We meet at 10:30 a.m. , the second Tuesday of every month at Carraba's Italian Grill on Hwy. 6 near Longenbaugh. Texas State Representative Patricia Harless will be speaking on the 2010 Census and redistricting at our April 13th meeting. Don't miss this opportunity to meet this dynamic woman and hear about these important issues. At our May 11th meeting, Republican activist and Comedian Eric Golub will be speaking to the group. Come hear his unique perspective our world today – you are sure to be entertained and educated at the same time. For more information, please see our website at CFRW.net or call Mary Moss at 281-550-9415 to RSVP.

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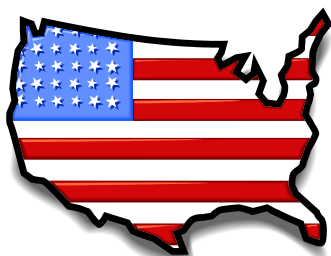
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**FOR SALE:** King Size Frame, box springs and bronze metal scroll king size headboard and footboard. Box springs are 6 months old. Recently purchased platform bed that does not require box springs. Excellent condition. Email for pictures or more info: Vickie.botkin@sbcglobal.net or call 281-304-0809. \$75 for box springs, \$20 for frame, \$100 for Headboard & footboard or \$150 for all.

**FOR SALE:** Rainbow set for sale: Space saver with two levels. Spiral slide & straight slide. \$1600 professionally installed. 281-304-0271.

**FOR SALE:** AB Lounger Plus-\$75, Schwinn 2 Wheel Scooter, Battery (NEW) powered-\$50, 25" Boys Bike-Blue-Like new \$50.00, Toddler Vanity w/stool-pink/black-\$20, Rain Soft System for home-works great-must be disconnected-cost \$5000 will sell for \$2500 obo (i have all paperwork), 2 sets in metal cases of Poker Chips, \$50 each. Please call Georgia @281-415-7891.

**FOR SALE:** \$200 Solid Oak Desk, 3 drawers with black handles and a pull out keyboard drawer. Great condition. For pictures, e-mail me at [jenannmann@yahoo.com](mailto:jenannmann@yahoo.com) or call me at 281-961-8034.

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**FOR SALE:** 2002 KX 85 Kawasaki low hours. Used for trail riding only. Never raced. Garage kept Exc condition. Original owner. Asking \$1,000. Call David 832-452-1580.

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**FOR SALE:** Harvard 7 Ft Pool Table and Ping Pong Tabletop With Accessories. \$300. Great Starter Set. Call Dale @ 281-373-4781.

**FOR SALE:** Wesley Allen iron bed – Q-Size Maywood Style with open-toe return posts. Grey textured finish. Like new. \$300.00 Call 281.304.0697

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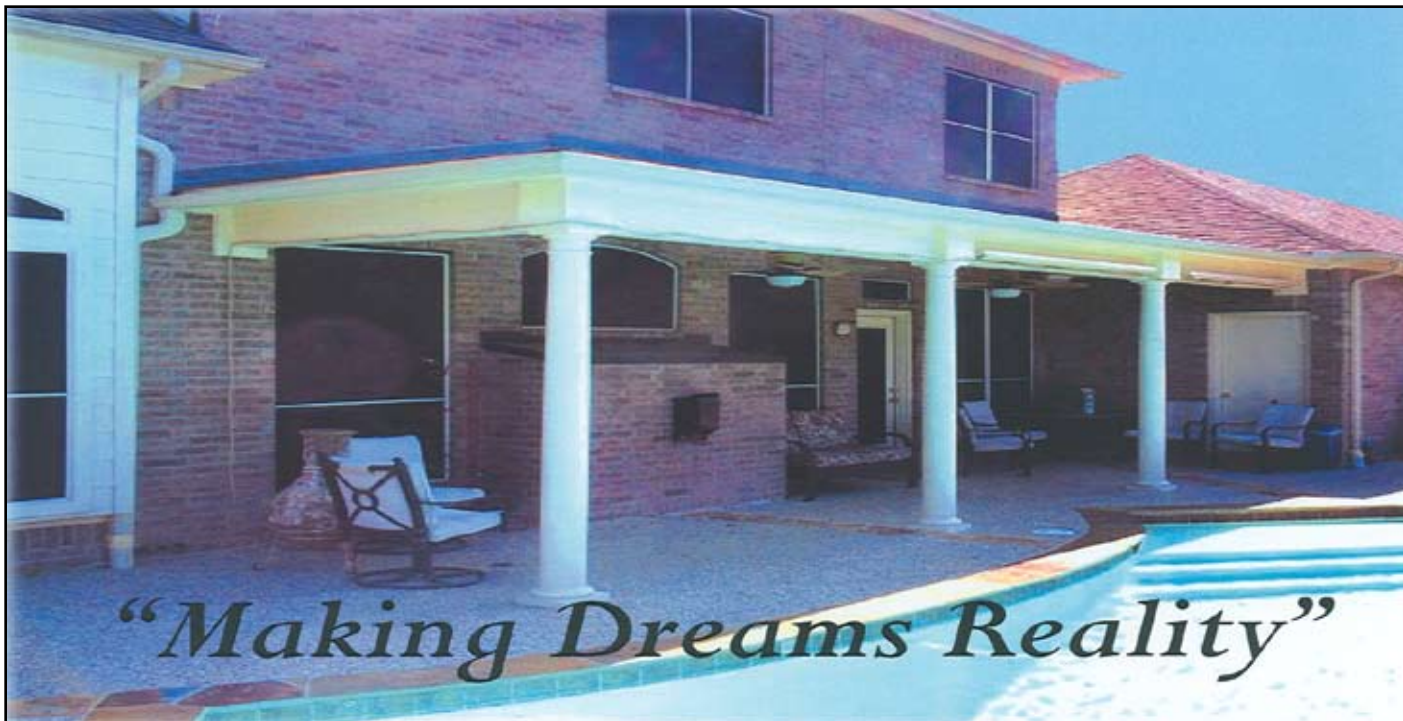
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Harris County MUD 322 meets at 12:00 pm every fourth Wednesday  
Harris County MUD 354 meets at 11:30 am every third Monday  
Harris County MUD 396 meets at 10:30 am every second Wednesday

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](mailto: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](http://www.fairfieldvillage.org). As always, please feel free to contact AMI at 713-932-1122 if you have any questions.

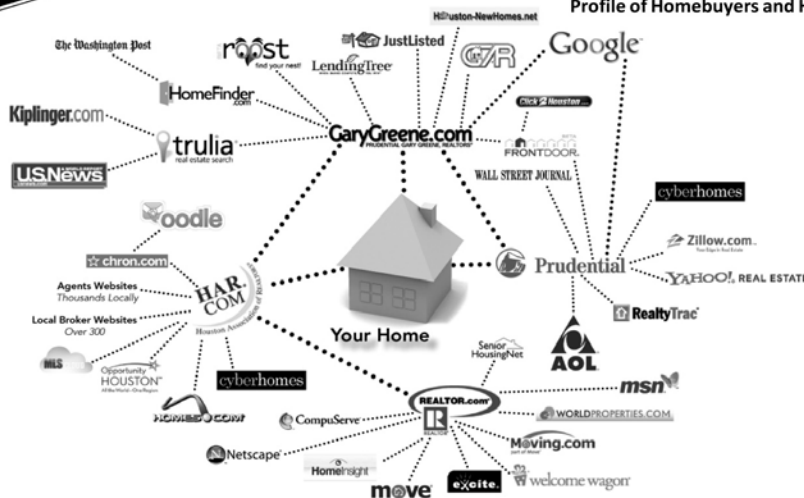


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## What Can You Do About Soliciting In The Neighborhood?

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The reason that we cannot prevent soliciting is that the streets and roadways within the community are public access ways owned and maintained by the county. This means that no person or persons may be prevented from entering the community. Of course, if an individual or individuals are in the process of breaking the law, the Sheriff or other law enforcement officer can take immediate action.

Your Association recommends the following actions that every owner can take to discourage unwelcome soliciting in the community:

- Report all suspicious persons to the Sheriff's Department and request the deputies on duty be made aware of your concerns.
- Promptly remove all flyers left on your front or garage door.
- Promptly report to the Post Office all flyers left on the mailboxes.
- Refuse to make use of solicitors' offers and refuse to patronize any company being marketed in this manner.
- Notify the managing agent of any companies presently soliciting so that letters can be sent advising them of this policy of not permitting door to door soliciting (they will be reminded of the community newsletter and/or the Green Sheet as marketing options).
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Burglary of Habitations.....	1
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Business Check.....	162
Park Check.....	23
School Check.....	13
Contract Check.....	310
Criminal Mischief.....	2
Family Disturbances.....	2
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In February at the Texas Gulf Coast DI tournament in Katy, team members, team managers, and fans cheered for the teams who worked for months on their presentations. They learned to unleash their imaginations, work as a cohesive team, and take unique approaches to problem solving. The students not only created a solution to a Challenge, but also designed and created the set, costumes, and dialogue used in their presentation on their own.

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Thank you to the Fairfield community for helping to make our first annual Swenke Elementary Winter Wonderland a HUGE success!!! A special thanks to our corporate sponsors: Lone Star Chevrolet, Corey Roofing and Construction, M & M Maintenance, Scholastic Books, The Pool Man, Mike's Landscaping, Houston Oaks Golf Course, Highland Homes, and Friendswood Development. Thanks to Wendy's, 5 Burgers and Fries, Chick Fil A, Gambinos Pizza, Tuscan Sun Coffee, and On the Border for all of their food donations!! Thank you to all of the Swenke families that donated and helped make this event a success!! We are looking forward to next year when it "Snow's at Swenke"!!!!

The Swenke Elementary Winter Wonderland Committee

## Congratulations to Destination Team From Spillane Middle School



Spillane MS Students Placed 2nd in the recent regional tournament. This is their 5th year to compete and their 3rd year to place. Great Job Girls we are all so proud of you! The girls attend Spillane Middle School and are all residents of Fairfield.

*Pictured from left to right: Audrey Kohler, Leah Minton, Kelli Mosher, Kaylie Maguire and Samantha Routh*

# Jennifer Kwak, M.D.

## Welcomes

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## Kirk Elementary to Host Book Fair Event, April 12 to 16, 2010

### WHAT:

Kirk Elementary will host a Scholastic Book Fair on April 12, 2010 to April 16, 2010. The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including new releases, award-winning titles, children's classics, interactive software, adult books, and current bestsellers from more than 100 publishers. Families, teachers, and the community are invited to attend the Book Fair, featuring a fun theme: Book Fair Diner: All You Can Read!

On April 12, 2010 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, the Book Fair will be having Family night. Please help support our school and join us for a sweet treat.

### WHEN:

The Book Fair will be open daily from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, April 12, 2010 to April 16, 2010.

### WHERE:

Kirk Elementary is located at 12421 Tanner Road, Houston, TX 77041.

### MORE:

Book Fair customers may help the school build classroom libraries and improve children's reading skills by purchasing books through the Classroom Wish List and One for Books® programs.



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# School News

## Project Prom 2010 - Cy-Fair High School

### POWDER PUFF GAME

*April 7, 2010 at Cy-Fair High School*

The Senior ladies play Powder Puff Football, guys are the coaches! To be held at Cy-Fair High School. Senior men play volleyball. Opportunity to Earn Project Prom bucks working in the concession stand and baking goods for event. You won't want to miss this one!! Stephanie Harrison

### DRESS RESALE BOUTIQUE

*April 10, 2010 at the Wortham Club House, pool area*

Gently Used formal dresses. Nothing priced over \$25.00, Many Sizes Available.

More details and pictures can be found at [www.cyfairprojectprom.org](http://www.cyfairprojectprom.org) or contact Micheline Hutson [mhutson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mhutson@sbcglobal.net).

### CY FAIR PROJECT PROM GOLF TOURNAMENT

*April 16, 2010 • Noon Start  
Houston National Golf Course*

The Cy Fair Project prom Golf Tournament will be held on April 16, 2010 at Houston National Golf Course in the Stone Gate Subdivision, off Barker Cypress. The cost is \$110 per golfer. If you are a member of Houston National Golf Course, the green fees will be waived and your total cost will be \$65.00. There are many other sponsorship opportunities and volunteer positions available.

This will be a fun tournament with lots of challenges for the golfers. The golf package includes lunch, golf, raffles and a silent auction. The Shotgun start is noon.

If you are interested in golfing, volunteering, sponsoring or donating some items for the raffle or auction, please contact Jimmy Kuzniarek at 281.387.7922 or email at [jimmy.kuzniarek@nov.com](mailto:jimmy.kuzniarek@nov.com).

### GENERAL MEETING

*Monday, April 22, 2009  
7-9 pm in the Cy-Fair HS Cafeteria.*

Doors open at 6:30 for shopping . More information can be found at [www.cyfairprojectprom.org](http://www.cyfairprojectprom.org)

The Cy-Fair Prom will be held on April 30, 2010 at the Westin Galleria Hotel 8:00 pm -midnight. Project Prom will be at the Berry Center April 30th 11:00 pm - 6:00 am May 1.



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## 2010 Cypress Fairbanks Project Prom Golf Tournament Fundraiser

Cy Fair High school is raising money to secure a safe party night for after the 2010 prom, this is called Project Prom. Project Prom is a drug and alcohol-free lock-in after prom. This year it will be held April 30th from 11 pm to 6 am at the Berry Center. This is a free, fun-filled evening for all seniors. The senior parents provide for this all-night party with entertainment, games, activities, shows, food and prizes! It requires vast amounts of organization, planning, time, money and parental participation ALL YEAR LONG in order for it to be a success. We are a non-profit organization so all donations will be distributed to the event.

**DATE AND TIME:** April 2nd 2010 - 12:00 NOON Start

**LOCATION:** Houston National Golf Club

We are looking for donations for the golf tournament so it can be a huge success, and this dream can be a reality. We are asking for individuals and companies to look into their hearts and make a donation, so we

the parents have peace of mind our kids are safe.

But hmm, I am way too busy to play golf. What can I do? We will gladly accept any and all donations. We need help with other sponsorships which are listed below. Please look over and see what you can do to help.

### WE ARE LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING AS A DONATION:

- Golf Teams – cost is \$110 per golfer. This will be a fun tournament with lots of different challenges.
- Hole Sponsorship – Cost is \$250 per hole – We will be providing signage that will be placed at each hole letting all the golfers know that you made the contribution.
- Appetizers Sponsorship - Cost will be \$250, this covers the after the round snacks for the golfers.
- Lunch Sponsorship - Cost is to be determined but capped at \$500
- Closest to the Pin and Long Drive Sponsorships - each contest will be \$250. We are planning on doing two (2) contests for each.

• Raffle donations – Any and all donations are welcome. Individual donations of prizes, money or gift certificates are fantastic. If you or your company can donate prizes, we will gladly accept. We are looking for little things we can put in for a goody bag for all the golfers.

• Silent Auction donations – Bottom line this is what makes a golf tournament fundraiser a success. We need items that can be auctioned off to all the attending golfers. This is a great time to get some awesome products/prizes and still get a write off.

If you feel you can help out with this fundraiser, please contact Jimmy Kuzniarek at 281-387-7922 or email: Jimmy.kuzniarek@nov.com. You can also go to our web site, [www.cyfairprojectprom.org](http://www.cyfairprojectprom.org) for more information.

*Thanks from all the parents of the graduating class 2010.*

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## 2010 Cypress Fairbanks Project Prom Golf Tournament Sponsorship Info

### Round of Golf

Cost is \$110.00 per golfer includes golf, range balls, box lunch and appetizers at the conclusion of the event

Player 1 _____	Handicap _____
Player 2 _____	Handicap _____
Player 3 _____	Handicap _____
Player 4 _____	Handicap _____

### Additional Sponsorships

All sponsorship will have a banner made thanking for your sponsorship

#### Appetizers Sponsorship

Cost will be \$250, this covers the after the round snacks for the golfers.

#### Lunch Sponsorship

Cost is \$500 which will be a box lunch for the golfers.

#### Hole Sponsorship

Cost is \$200. A nice banner will be created and displayed on the hole you sponsored so all golfers can see that you or your company are major contributors to the success of the event.

#### Closest to the Pin or Long Drive Sponsorship

Cost is \$250. We will put a banner on the hole plus the prize that goes with the winner of the contest. You are welcome to supply the prize.

### Sponsorship Donations

Check all sponsorships you wish to contribute

<input type="checkbox"/> Appetizers	<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch
<input type="checkbox"/> Hole Sponsor	<input type="checkbox"/> Closest to Pin or Long Drive

Total Donation: \_\_\_\_\_

All monies, checks, money orders, etc need to make out to Cy Fair Project Prom. Please mail all donations to Project Prom; Cy Fair HS; 22602 Hempstead Hwy; Cypress, TX 77429. Our Non-for-Profit tax ID documents are available on request.

Thanks for everything!

Jimmy Kuzniarek  
Cy Fair Project Prom  
Committee Chair - Golf

## Cypress Ranch High School MUSTANGS Athletic Booster Club

The Cypress Ranch Athletic Booster Club members believe that academics and athletics go hand in hand for the success of our children. The Booster Club is dedicated to the continued support of our student athletes, coaching staff, trainers, and athletic department programs. The CRABC encourages athletic and academic excellence in all students and promotes active and involved parent and community leadership.

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## Cypress Ranch Classics Selected for All District Drill Team!

On December 12, 2009, the Cypress Fairbanks Independent School District held its annual All District Drill Team Try-Outs for all junior and senior girls who are drill team members at the various 10 high schools in the Cy-Fair school district. Over 70 girls participated, but only 40 were chosen to represent CFISD. We are so proud of all of the girls, way to go CLASSICS!



*Pictured right:  
(center) Kelsi  
Lionberger, (left  
to right) Heather  
Hammond,  
Victoria Wright,  
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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

#### LEGEND

-  STUDENT/STAFF HOLIDAY
-  PROFESSIONAL DAY  
(Student Holiday)
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As I drove at a snail's pace in rush-hour-traffic toward the Fox affiliate station in Houston, Texas, I began running through some possible responses to questions I anticipated from the station's news anchor. I had been asked to appear on the morning news program for an interview about my recent book, *Hugs Bible Reflections for Women*.

When scheduling the interview, my publicist told me she hoped to send a copy of the interview to Fox's national news coordinator with the goal of securing an appearance on Fox's national morning news program. She ended the call by enthusiastically saying, "I'll be watching you!"

I felt tremendous pressure to make the message in my book appeal to the diverse audience that would be viewing a mainstream news program. I'd done enough media interviews to understand that the station would expect me to use terms like "my faith" instead of "Christianity". I knew full well that it was politically correct to avoid using the name of Jesus. I tried to convince myself that toning down my message would enable the book to get into the hands of more women who wouldn't normally study the Bible.

However, as I thought through ways to avoid offending the non-believing viewers, I had a sick feeling come over me. I realized that

the only motivation for rehearsing politically correct responses would be to secure more interviews with secular media outlets.

I thought of Paul's words in Philippians 2:3, "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit..." A spirit of conviction came over me as I my life verse began playing in my head, "My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power" (1 Corinthians 2:4-5).

Tears welled up in my eyes and I cried out to God, "All I want to do is glorify You! This interview is Yours. Please give me the words, Lord God, and forgive me for allowing selfish ambition to enter my heart."

I pulled into the parking lot of the station with a heavy heart. But as I entered the double glass doors, a sense of peace engulfed me. The pressure was gone and I didn't step into the studio with canned responses ready to roll eloquently off my tongue. Instead, I entered as a humbled servant on a mission, dependent upon the Spirit of my Jesus to guide me through that interview.

The tape of that interview will probably never make its way to the station's national news coordinator. I wasn't disrespectful of

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**Pressure Free Interview-**  
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the station's format during the interview, but I was honest and transparent about my faith. I am at peace that the only name that was advanced that day was the name of Jesus. And with that, I am at peace. I am happy to say it was truly a pressure free interview. – Mindy Ferguson, copyright © 2010, Fruitful Word Ministries, Inc.

**BY MINDY FERGUSON**

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*Make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you... (1 Peter 3:15).*

With the plethora of world religions that exist today, and knowing that all can't be true, where should one begin their search for truth? Here's four reasons to start with Christianity.

First, the uniqueness of biblical Christianity is that it actually invites scrutiny while encouraging people to investigate its claims—about God, man, and the universe itself. And because Christianity hinges on investigative truth, it is both testable and scientific. Essentially, Christianity hangs on one vital point: the physical resurrection from the dead by Jesus of Nazareth three days after being crucified by the Romans. The Apostle Paul wrote: "If Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith" (1 Cor. 15:12ff.). Contrary to the Christian faith, religions like Hinduism, Buddhism, and Mormonism espouse the so-called truth of their faith in feelings—from Nirvana to the "burning in the bosom." Not so with Christianity, for it is scientific in that it can be investigated historically and taught with logic and reason. Better still, it can be shown to be true whether one experiences a feeling related to it or not.

Second, the seeker of truth should begin with Christianity in order to note that salvation is presented as a free gift from God for those who will trust in Him alone. Nothing is required except faith.

In other religions, however, if God is even a part of them (and in Buddhism, Atheism, and Agnosticism He is not), the Deity himself must be appeased through great efforts on the seeker's part (e.g., terrorism and suicide!). Adherents to other religions must strive valiantly to change their cognitive ideas, feelings, and behaviors all in an effort to please their Deity. One of the problems of these kinds of religions is that there is no way to gauge one's progress in order to know whether or not the Deity is actually appeased. In most, people have to wait until they die and face the Deity to see if they can live in Paradise.

Third, the beliefs of biblical Christianity are fully consistent with the laws of the universe—laws of logic, science, and reason. Contrary to how Christianity is often presented, one does not have to have blind faith to be a Christian. On the contrary, Christianity paints a picture of the world that is in perfect keeping with the way the world really is. Take the problem of evil in the world today. First, to even label something as evil (and all do) is to make a judgment call based on what seems to be right. And in the Christian worldview, right and wrong are clearly spelled out not only in the Bible but in the hearts of all men (Rom. 2:14-15). Hinduism and Buddhism for

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instance, have no written moral code, so not only is evil undefined, it is actually relegated to a state of mind, specifically illusion. That's right! So, the Holocaust was not evil; rather, its atrocities were only an illusion, for without a moral code, there can be no right and wrong. In these religions, suffering must be understood properly so that it can be overcome. You just relegate it to illusion and ignore it as the Buddha did. In Christianity, however, evil and suffering are part of the fallen world where sin is running its course through man's rebellion against God. Once sin is understood, evil and suffering are simple to explain.

Fourth, the seeker of truth should note that in Christianity Jesus is the epicenter of the faith. Oddly enough, he is respected by most other faiths as a great prophet, and he is often merged into them as a model for goodness. Even in Islam Jesus is exalted, at times even higher than Mohammed. But as the epicenter of Christianity, the religion stands or falls solely on his existence as God incarnate, risen from the dead, and coming again. Thus, if all of these religions utilize Jesus and his teachings and life, ought not the seeker of truth start with Jesus of Nazareth?



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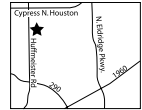
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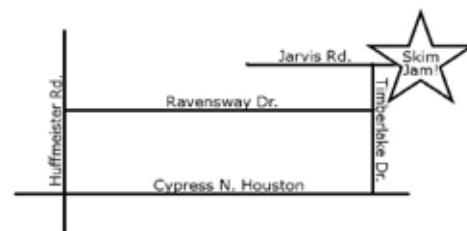
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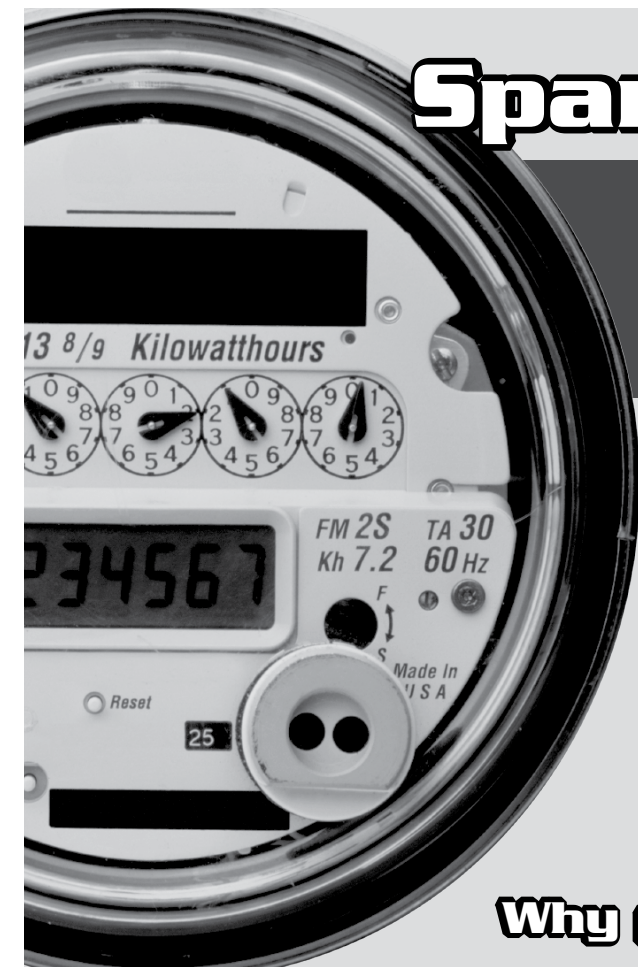
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Be skeptical and be safe. One of the best places to go for free software is <http://sourceforge.net/>. You're not going to find Microsoft Office for free, but you might find a program that does something close. Want Photoshop but don't have \$400 to spend, then check out Gimp. There are a lot of genuinely nice people developing programs because they enjoy doing it. Some will ask for but not require a donation, that's only fair. If you like a program, throw a few dollars their way to encourage them to keep improving their program. If you can say "I wish I had a program that .....", then you'll probably find something at SourceForge.net that meets your needs.

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Team Tiara has been featured on Chanel 2 News and will be featured in many other publications throughout the year recruiting new members, participating in many fundraisers that will range from car washes, Southern Living Parties, Cookbook and Calendar Sales to their big event in October – Team Tiara Gala: A Whole New Way Too Live!

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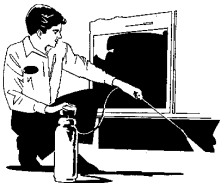


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rules of water safety. Repetition is key with small children. Make sure your swim instructor incorporates a "Safety Lesson of the Week" into its lesson curriculum. This includes questions about water safety and how to avoid dangerous situations.

3. Designate a "Water Watcher." This is a responsible adult who sticks to alcohol-free beverages during swim time and who is in charge of keeping both eyes on the pool while it is in use. Or, better yet: consider renting a Lifeguard for your party or group event.

4. Remove all pool toys, floaters, ring buoys and other child-enticing items from the pool area when it is not in use. One wrong reach for that floating rubber ducky could be disaster.
5. Clear homes of common household items that can be dangerous to a curious toddler. It takes just 2 inches of water for a child to drown in a bucket. Put all mop buckets, dog dishes and coolers out of children's reach.
6. Never leave a young child in the pool or bathtub--even "just to get the phone."
7. Enroll your child in swim classes. Start lessons early. The longer a child has lessons the more they understand water safety. A great time to do this is in the spring! This way your kids are already prepped and ready to roll for the summer swim season. You'll want to find an inside heated pool and lesson times geared towards working families.
8. Supervise, Supervise, Supervise! Try to have your eyes on your children in and around the pool at all times. Adults should always be present when any child is in the pool area.

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## Playgrounds



### What's a Sprayground?

More and more cities are opening spraygrounds, which are water playgrounds. At a sprayground, kids can shoot each other with water cannons and get sprayed by dozens of water jets that squirt from different colored nozzles and hoses.



Do you have a favorite playground? Maybe it's a new wooden one that has lots of tall towers and passageways. Or maybe your favorite is an old-fashioned playground with swings and a seesaw. Playgrounds are fun places for kids because there's so much to do and other kids to have fun with. But sometimes kids get hurt at playgrounds. That's no fun, so here are 10 ways to keep safe:

**1. Take a grown-up.** As kids get bigger, they like doing things on their own. Going to the playground shouldn't be one of them, though. Grown-ups come in handy because they might spot problems at the playground, they can help you down if you get in a tight spot, and they can help if you happen to get hurt.

**2. Take a good look around.** If the playground has lots of trash, such as broken glass, or the equipment looks broken, don't play there.

**3. Keep your size in mind.** Many playgrounds have some equipment that's for little kids (like 2- to 5-year-olds) and other equipment that's meant for older kids. Use the equipment that's right for your age. If you squeeze yourself onto a swing for toddlers, you might get stuck. Likewise, if your little brother or sister starts climbing something meant for older kids, guide him or her to the little kid stuff.

**4. Don't go too high.** Many playgrounds have tall stuff to play on, such as towers or open passageways between equipment. Don't climb higher than you feel comfortable, and feel free to ask your grown-up if you need help getting down. Never climb up the outside of equipment, or hoist yourself up on the roof. The view might be cool, but it's a long way down.

**5. Look out below.** The best playgrounds put down special surfacing material, such as mulch, wood chips, sand, gravel, or rubber matting. These surfaces can help soften a fall, but that doesn't mean you won't get hurt, especially if you tumble from a high spot.

**6. Swing safely.** Kids often get hurt at the playground because they get hit by someone on a swing. If you're

swinging, watch out for people who might be getting too close. And if you're walking around the playground, don't get too close to the swingers.

**7. Use your head.** Sometimes you'll see kids going headfirst down the slide or maybe two or three kids will get on a piece of equipment that's only meant for one. Or some kids might start goofing around and trying to push each other off a swing or off of a high spot. If your grown-up sees you doing this, he or she will probably say, "Knock it off. Someone's going to get hurt." It's true, so try to use the playground equipment properly. And if you get stuck, or don't know how to get down from something, call your grown-up over so he or she can help you down.

**8. Report problems.** If you see graffiti (when people write or paint on stuff), a broken swing, or find any other problems while you're playing, tell your grown-up. He or she can report the problem so it can be fixed.

**9. Clean up.** If you bring a drink or snack to the playground, clean up your trash before you leave. When you do, the park will look nice when the next kid comes along to play and you will have shown that you're a good playground citizen.

**10. Have a great time!** How can you make a good time at the playground even better? Bring a friend and only complain a little when it's time to leave.

Reviewed by: Steven Dowshen, MD

Date reviewed: May 2008

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Neighborhood	3 <sup>rd</sup> 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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