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OFFICIAL FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## Girl Scouts are Recycling & Keeping Houston Beautiful!

### *What can you recycle?*

Lots of things can be recycled. Paper, cans, plastics, and glass can all be recycled. These are just some of the things the City of Houston recycles:

- Newspapers and magazines.
- Aluminum and steel cans.
  - A soda pop can is made of aluminum.
  - A soup can is an example of a can made of steel.
  - Empty aerosol cans are ok, too, because they are made of steel.
- Plastic soft drink and detergent bottles labeled with a 1 or 2.
- Glass jars and bottles.

It's especially important to recycle paper. Cans, plastics and glasses are each less than 10% of household waste. We throw away four times that much paper. Remember to store your recyclables in the garage or in some other safe, dry area. Keep collecting them until it's recycling day at your house - when you set them out for curbside pickup or drop them off at a recycling center.

### *How do you prepare items for recycling?*

Sort materials, rinse containers, and store in a safe, dry place. It's easy. With a little practice, it takes less than five minutes a day. Sort your materials and rinse any leftover contents from containers so your items won't begin to smell bad or attract ants and bees. Here is how the City of Houston wants you to sort materials and get them ready to recycle.

- Newspapers: place in paper bags, stack and store.
- Cans: empty, rinse and store.
- Plastic containers: empty, rinse, flatten and store.
- Glass containers: empty and rinse. Separate by color - clear, brown, and green. Store unbroken.
- Motor oil: drain and store in a sealed container.

### *How does Houston recycle?*

The City collects all the recyclable materials we've talked about - and many more. The City of Houston offers several recycling opportunities which include:

- Curbside program
- Wood waste recycling
- Yard waste
- Neighborhood depositories
- Household hazardous waste
- Staffed recycling hotline
- Used oil
- Consumer drive-thru facility
- Christmas tree recycling
- Office paper recycling

The City of Houston has set up several programs to recycle many different types of materials. But it's people, not programs that make recycling work. We have to change the way we've been throwing things out for years. When we persuade everybody to recycle, and we all work together, recycling becomes more effective. It's up to each of us to make the effort.

So if you haven't been recycling, get started. And if you already recycle, keep saving things to reuse. Support anything that helps the environment and cuts down waste. Here is a case where everyday actions can have a direct and immediate impact on the world around us.

The answer to our garbage problem begins in our homes and at our curbside. Recycling starts with you. The City staffs a recycling hotline, call to find out what is recyclable, the proper way to dispose of trash, and where to take recyclables. The number is 713-837-0311.

This earth saving message is brought to you by the City of Houston and Girl Scouts of San Jacinto. Visit [www.houstonbeautiful.org](http://www.houstonbeautiful.org) to download a free Recycling Activity Book.



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## Fairfield Residents Attend AquaPalooza in Austin



*From L to R - Cliff, Honey, Sissy, Bud, Tandy, Pepper, Dew, Tip and Tootsie.*

Sea Ray Boats and its dealer Sail & Ski Center announced that an estimated 7,000 boats and 65,000 to 70,000 people attended Brad Paisley's concert on Saturday, July 10, at the AquaPalooza 2010 Signature Event on Lake Travis near Austin, Texas.

The event, held at The Reserve on Lake Travis, broke all previous Signature Event attendance records. This year's Signature Event attendance numbers are a compilation of on-site estimates by state and local officials, online registrations, and aerial comparisons and calculations. This year's results are nearly double last year's record-setting event.

"We are extremely complimentary of the event organizers. From a public safety perspective, the event was very successful," said Roger Wade, public information officer from the Travis County Sheriff's Office. "We plan for the worst and hope for the best. This event turned out to be the best, with very few on-water incidences, especially for an event of this magnitude."

"Aside from the attendance records, we are most pleased that the boating lifestyle continues to be enjoyed safely in an event as large as AquaPalooza," said Rob Noyes, vice president of marketing for Sea Ray. "This year's event was larger and more complex in

every facet. It included multi-day activities around Lake Travis and in the Austin area. We had a more significant land presence for our vendors and attendees, and we had incredible cooperation with our music talent, especially Brad Paisley and his team.

"Lake Travis is a beautiful location. The weather, while a bit challenging during our setup, turned out fantastic, and the music-loving Austin community really supported us in making this a successful event," Noyes continued. "I'd like to extend a big thank you to everyone who attended, and I would especially like to thank our host dealership, Sail & Ski, and everybody in the communities surrounding Lake Travis, who reconfirmed that 'everything is bigger in Texas.'"

The week of AquaPalooza-related festivities featured the Signature Event on Saturday, which was headlined by Paisley, in conjunction with his current H2O World Tour. The week also included a Battle of the Bands on Friday, July 9, plus an all-day music bill preceding Paisley. The large crowd was entertained by Matt Stillwell, Joanna Smith, Lee Brice and Jerrod Niemann, who not only warmed things up in preparation for Paisley, but also got the chance to perform original

music in front an extremely enthusiastic audience.

As with last year's AquaPalooza, the viral buzz surrounding the event was evident in the thousands of new Facebook fans who posted photos and made comments, such as Sheri Noah, who wrote, "It was awesome! Awesome! Awesome! Brad puts on an amazing show! The event was a success, very cool and so fun!"

In addition to the Signature Event on Lake Travis, this year's AquaPalooza will consist of more than 100 events held around the world during the remaining weekends of July. "Our dealers do an outstanding job of coordinating AquaPalooza events in their local areas," said Noyes. "They have made it their goal to unite all boaters, not just Sea Ray owners, to celebrate the unmatched excitement and fun of life on the water." Sponsors like Mercury MerCruiser®, Cummins MerCruiser Diesel, GMC®, Sony®, National Boat Owners Association, Raymarine®, and Sebago® generously supported the activities.

For additional information on AquaPalooza 2010 and the Signature Event, please visit [www.aquapalooza.com](http://www.aquapalooza.com).



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A triathlon, and the training that goes along with it, can be an incredible experience for the entire family! Finding the time to train becomes a moot point when you have the whole gang in for the ride! Imagine family bike rides, jogs around the neighborhood, and time in the pool together!

Conversely, training can become an amazing time of introspection and inspiration, when you are able to "get away" all alone or with a friend or spouse. There is simply no greater experience than being able to commune with the nature around you, spending time outdoors, teaching your body to reach new heights.

How do you reach out to accomplish such a goal? You will be wonderfully surprised at just how much you will get out of, and actually enjoy training for, such a great and fun event!! Training teaches dedication, forward motion, sacrifice, and discipline that carries into all aspects of living.

The atmosphere on race day is like no other!! Everyone from the racers, families, friends, and onlookers are inspired and fired up! The excitement and energy is incredible, encouraging, and uplifting! Those on the sidelines are almost more excited and jittery than those in the race. And those spectators will most likely be the next ones to throw their hats into the triathlon ring!

So come on! Never has it been so easy, convenient, and fun as doing a triathlon in your very own neighborhood!!!

How do you prepare? Simple. There are several ways to get started. You can call the FAC in the neighborhood, and sign up to work with the personal trainers there. They are available for tips, "tweaking" the routine you are already using, or starting you on a whole new routine, specifically designed to

help you swim, run, and bike faster, longer, and harder than you thought possible!!

There are countless books, articles, and seminars for tips on every aspect of a triathlon, from how to pack your transition bag all the way to how to get those triathlon shorts on easier!!

When you register for the Fairfield Triathlon, you will receive more information on how to get help with your training, if you choose to do so.

Each of these three phases of this competition is a fantastic way to get in shape, stay in shape, and relieve stress in and of itself. Learning a few training methods to improve what you already have or learning the right way the first time, will vastly improve your experience in this endeavor.

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## *The Heart of Fairfield*

### **BORED? LONELY? LOOKING FOR YOUR PERFECT MATCH?**

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I turned to my hopeful husband exclaiming, "I want to live here!" Excited I had (finally!) made a decision, my husband quickly headed for the model homes. After finding the perfect house that matched my list (red brick, cul-de-sac, tile throughout, bay window, study) we moved in.

Shortly after our arrival, we purchased bicycles and began riding through our gorgeous new neighborhood. Impressed by our friendly neighbors, laughing children and multitude of activities, I wondered what I could do to keep it this way. How could I help our neighbors meet each other? How can I bring improvement and more enjoyment to our already blessed community? I knew having healthy relationships with neighbors brings a sense of safety and well being to your home. Almost a year after joining the Fairfield Women's Club, I delightfully accepted the position as President, and with it the responsibility to bring our families closer together during neighborhood events

and monthly meetings.

Would you like to help keep Fairfield a warm, loving and safe environment to live in? Would you like to become part of the Heart of Fairfield? Then please join us during our Annual Membership Drive this August 17th at Highland Homes on 16802 N. Azure Mist Court at 7pm.

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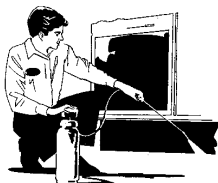
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# Around Fairfield

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## Aggie Moms Gather for the New School Year

*Tuesday, August 10, 2010*

Come join all the Aggie Moms in the Northwest Harris County area for a fun filled night at our "Howdy Party"! The August meeting includes an interactive evening in which you learn more about life at Aggieland, how we support our Aggie students, and also meet lots of great Aggie Moms. A wonderful group of former yell leaders will be there to help us learn more about the Aggie traditions and whoop it up!

The NW Harris County Aggie Moms supports our Aggie students through scholarships and donations to campus organizations that enrich the Texas A&M experience. We also support each other through shared experiences with our students at Texas A&M University and develop wonderful friendships.

The August meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 10th at 7 pm at the Houston Distributing Company conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the corner of 7100 High Life Drive and Cutten Road. Please check our website at [www.nwhcaggie moms.org](http://www.nwhcaggie moms.org) for more information or contact Vickie Hamley at 713-466-4494. We look forward to meeting all our Aggie Moms!

		
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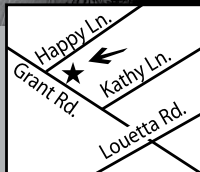


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interested in helping within the community with service projects? We have that! (And a whole lot more!)

Now that we are in the final month of summer vacation and children will be returning to school, it is a great time to make friends for our little ones who will still be at home with us. Our members are a wonderful resource for extracurricular activities and back to school advice. 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, August 10th at 10AM at Fairfield Baptist Church room 208 located at 27240 Highway 290 in the front of 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 Kathy Benevento, Membership VP at 832-220-6138, [kathy.benevento@yahoo.com](mailto:kathy.benevento@yahoo.com) or Lisa Rhody, President at 281-746-7607, [trvlinsider@yahoo.com](mailto:trvlinsider@yahoo.com).

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### 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 AUGUST BUSTRIP PLANS ARE FOR: Thursday, August 5, To the Radio Music Theater.**

The Radio Music Theater is three people doing multiple comic characters and playing multiple musical instruments. It is hard to characterize, but it's always enjoyable.

***This evening the production will be the "Fear of Ducks".***

The "Fear of Ducks" is a hilarious satire about you, your future, and the city in which you live. In the production: Precious Trees is Houston's most planned community. It is also the home of popular televangelist Jiffy Dillard. But this idyllic suburb is about to be changed forever when hip-hop artist A.C. Adaptor comes to town to perform at the Margaret Mueller Mitchell Miller Pavilion. A real holy war then ensues, and this once peaceful community suddenly becomes the focus of the national media.

***You can't describe it. You have to see it.***

We will be having dinner prior to the show. However, the location for dinner has yet to be determined. Please check our web page and the dinner location will be posted there when determined.

The cost for this trip is \$24.00, plus the cost of your dinner. You can get your name on the trip list or get additional information, by calling:

Kay or Skip Wheeler at 281-890-1934

Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus. The departure time will be 05:45 p.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 05:30 p.m.

#### **OUR SEPTEMBER BUSTRIP PLANS ARE FOR: Saturday, September 11, A Mystery Dinner Theater Trip.**

Join us in September for a unique experience as we attend an interactive Mystery Dinner theater. As we indulge in an "all you can eat ribs to seafood buffet" we will try to solve the zany "Murder by Chocolate" mystery caper.

Something terrible happens during dinner and everyone instantly becomes a suspect. All guests who wish to participate are assigned a character. Each guest receives a pamphlet which contains instructions and humorous clues which they read and act out.

The cost for this trip will be \$42.00 per person which includes dinner and the play. The buffet consists of ribs, crab balls,

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# Around Fairfield

## *Fairfield Fifty Plus- (Continued from Page 14)*

coconut shrimp, burgundy beef tips, chicken fajitas, fried Cajun redfish, shrimp etouffe and 16 wonderful salads and more. Desert and drinks are included.

You can get your name on the list for this trip by calling either: Peggy Presnell @ 281-304-7127, Jackie Wurth @ 281-304-0805 or Mary Lou Cook @ 281-304-8359.

Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus. The departure time will be announced shortly and will appear in our weekly emails and next months Gazette.

### **OUR NOVEMBER BUSTRIP PLANS ARE FOR:**

**This is an *early notification* for this wonderful event.**

**Saturday, November 13th or 20th to the Texas Renaissance Festival - Plantersville, Texas,** the date will be determined based on bus availability.

Enjoy the sights, sounds, tastes, and beauty of the 16th century and a fireworks display at the end of the day. Artisans, craftspeople, and merchants will set up shop in New Market Village. The King's cooks, bakers, brew masters, and wine merchants will prepare a bountiful variety of delectable foods and drinks to please every palate. The royal gardeners will create natural wonders to delight the eyes in beautiful gardens. Plus entertainment will be presented throughout the Village.

Escape the ordinary and join us for the 36th year presentation of this festival.

The cost of the trip will be determined when we obtain a participant number. Group pricing is available at \$17.00 per person if we have a minimum of 25 persons. If under 25 persons the price will be \$19 per person.

Food and other purchases inside the Village are at your discretion. Either way this is a real value when you consider that your transportation, entrance fee, and parking worries are covered.

Our plans are to leave Fairfield about mid-day and return after the fireworks display which begins about 6:30 PM at this time of year.

More details will follow but if you are at all interested:

Please call now, either Ed or Darlene Hofer 281 304-9078 to get your reserve seats on the bus. We believe this will be a sellout trip.

### **OUR AUGUST ACTIVITIES PLANS:**

**Thursday, August 12:** 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

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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, August 17: 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 August 15 weekly email.

**Thursday, August 26: 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](http://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: [wmcook@comcast.net](mailto:wmcook@comcast.net)

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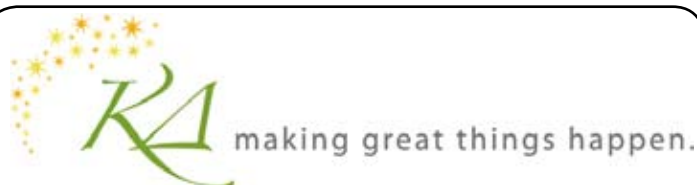
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# Around Fairfield

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### Attention Kappa Delta Sisters ...

The Houston Northwest Kappa Delta Alumnae Association holds meetings the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Visit [www.kdhnwaa.com](http://www.kdhnwaa.com) for all the details.

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

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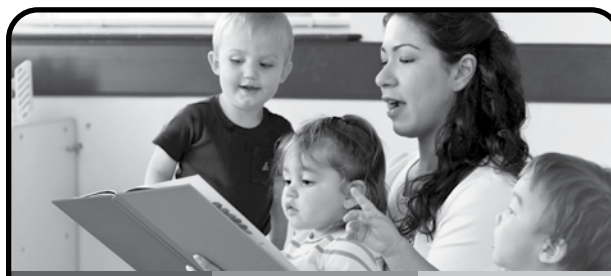


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# AUGUST POOL HOURS

August 1<sup>st</sup> – August 22<sup>nd</sup>



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All pools will be open Saturday, August 28th and Sunday August 29th

## FAIRFIELD

### ATHLETIC CLUB POOL

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Saturday	11:00am – 6:00pm
Sunday	1:00pm – 6:00pm

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### BRADFORD CREEK POOL

Mond. - Wed.	10:00am – 8:00pm
THURSDAY	CLOSED
Friday & Saturday	10:00am – 8:00pm
Sunday	1:00pm – 8:00pm

## GARDEN GROVE POOL

Monday	1:00pm – 8:00pm
TUES. & WED.	CLOSED
Thursday & Friday	1:00pm – 8:00pm
Saturday & Sunday	1:00pm – 6:00pm

## LAKESIDE TRAILS POOL

Mon. – Wed.	1:00pm – 8:00pm
THURS. & FRI.	CLOSED
Saturday	1:00pm – 6:00pm
Sunday	1:00pm – 6:00pm

## CENTRAL PARK POOL

MONDAY	CLOSED
Tuesday - Friday	12:00pm – 8:00pm
Saturday	12:00pm – 6:00pm
Sunday	1:00pm – 6:00pm

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Monday	12:00pm – 8:00pm
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Questions? Email Casey Buckley at [billyandcasey@yahoo.com](mailto:billyandcasey@yahoo.com)

**Our Women's Bible Study will be  
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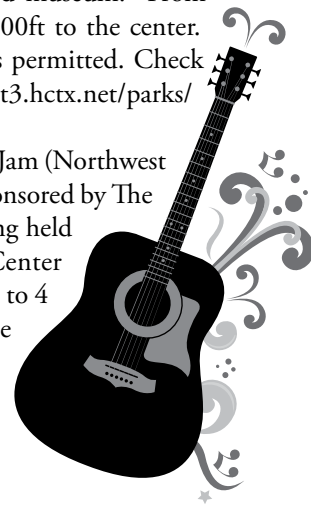
The Fairfield Bluegrass Jammers are sponsoring Bluegrass music jamming at Kleb Woods Nature Center and Preserve where the fun begins on the 4th Saturday of each month at 12 noon and where everyone is invited to pick, sing, listen, fellowship, or walk the trails and watch the beautiful birds. You will 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.  
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The Compass Rose Service Unit, which includes Sampson, Black and Farney Elementary Schools, will begin registering new Girl Scouts on September 7, 2010, at Goodson Middle School, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Parent or Guardian must attend, and girls are welcome but need not be present to be registered. Questions may be addressed to Registrar Mary Chen at Mary.Chen@comcast.net.

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***The Fairfield Village website has gone digital!***

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You can find your Governing Documents, calendars of events, clubhouse rental information, FAC programs, pool schedules and much more. You can also contact AMI via the website and even send a Service Request.

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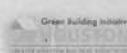
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Membership is open to persons of good character who adhere to the standards of good conduct in their community and believe in and subscribe to the objects of Kiwanis International. If you would like to

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. August meetings will be on the 3rd, 10th, and 17th. For more information, call John Carroll (Copperfield and Hearthstone areas) at 281-463-0373; George Crowl (Jersey Village area) at 832-467-1998; or Peggy Presnell (Fairfield and CyRanch) at 281-304-7127. If you live anywhere in the Cy-Fair Communities, you may call any one of the above for information. COME, BE A PART OF OUR FELLOWSHIP. See [www.kiwanishoustoncyfair.com](http://www.kiwanishoustoncyfair.com) for more information.

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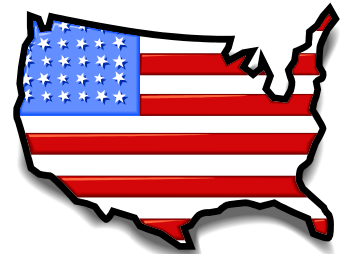
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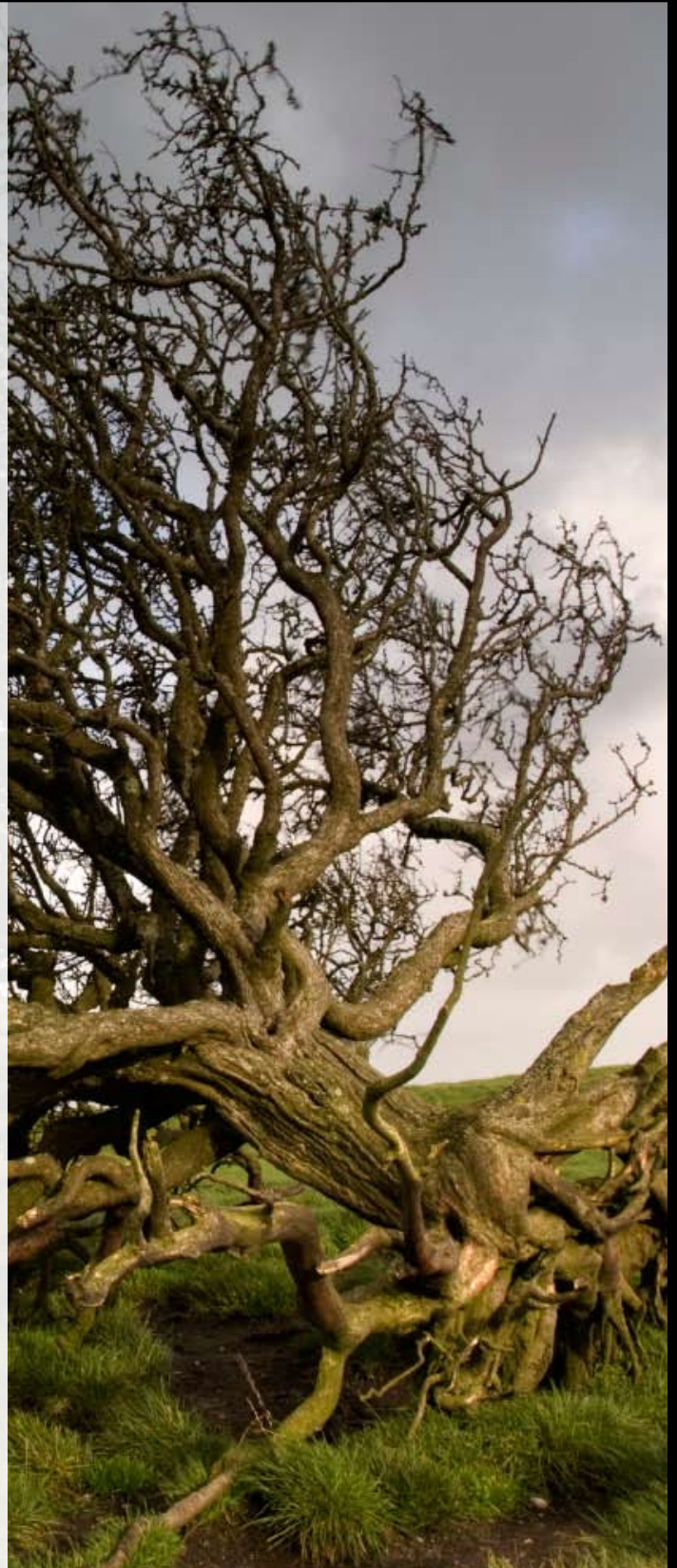
# 2010 Storm Season IS HERE!

The 2010 Hurricane Season began on June 1, 2010, and will end on November 30, 2010. The experts are predicting a busier-than-usual hurricane season for 2010. If the early forecasts prove to be accurate, the 2010 hurricane season will stand in sharp contrast to the relatively mild 2009 season. In 2009, Hurricane Ike caused tremendous damage throughout the greater Houston area. A large portion of the damage inflicted by the Hurricane was caused by uprooted or fallen trees.

In preparation for Hurricane season, we should make our trees more wind resistant by removing diseased and damaged limbs, and strategically remove limbs throughout the canopy. This provides less wind resistance in a storm when the wind can blow through the tree. Keep overhanging branches on homes to a minimum, and check for trees entangled in power lines.

Native trees such as Live Oak, Cypress, and Red Maple do survive hurricanes better than non-natives. In high winds, Palms will bend, but not always break. Since they originated in the tropics and sub-tropics, their trunks have adapted to hurricanes. Although fronds will be damaged in a storm, most Palms including Chinese Fan, Majesty, and Pygmy Dates will recover. Queen Palms are the exception due to very low wind tolerance.

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## Didn't I Just Pay This in January???

Most homeowners have received the 2010 Fairfield Village assessment notices. This is for the master association whereas the assessment in January was for your individual neighborhood. The amount due is \$520.00.

Unfortunately, the amount has increased from last year. This increase is necessary due to a deficit caused by an increase in the Northwest Harris County Regional Water Authority pumpage fees for the 4 wells in Fairfield Village. The community irrigates from the lakes. Fairfield Village doesn't pay for the water itself but does pay to pump the water.

There was also a transfer of costs from the neighborhood associations to the Master association that accounted for \$8.00 of the \$25.00 increase. The neighborhood associations had no increase for 2010, but the Master association is now paying some of the shared pool costs that were paid by the neighborhoods in prior years.

It is now possible to pay your assessment by credit card or E-check. Please visit [www.amitx.com](http://www.amitx.com) and click on 'Payment Options.'

**Please remember that the assessment is due July 1, 2010. Feel free to call AMI at 713-932-1122 if you have any questions.**

## Bandit Signs and Your Governing Documents

Bandit signs are the temporary signs you sometimes see in a neighbors' yard. Usually, they are about 2' x 3' in size and are supported by thin metal stakes.

Your Governing Documents address signage issues and allow for the following types:

- Home Security Signs
- Realtor Signs
- School Organization Signs
- Political Signs

Your Governing Documents are very detailed about allowable specifications. There are precise sizes, time frames and even colors. Please refer to your individual neighborhood Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for a complete list of details.

During recent drive thru's of the community, we have noticed an increase in the number and variety of bandit signs. Please help Fairfield Village maintain its aesthetic integrity and continuity by removing any sign that is not approved by the CCR's.

*Thank you for keeping Fairfield Village beautiful!*

### SEASONAL SALADS

**Asparagus Crab Salad & Preserve Lemon Vinaigrette...9**  
toasted almonds, shaved parmesan, baby greens

**Grilled Blackened Chicken Salad & Balsamic Vinaigrette...7**  
baby greens, cilantro, tomatoes, walnuts, avocado, shaved red onions

**Tuscan Tomato Mozzarella Salad & Balsamic Vinaigrette...7**  
extra virgin olive oil, fresh basil, garlic wheat croutons

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**Grilled Beef Tenderloin 4oz, 6oz, 8oz.....18, 22, 26**

**Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast 4oz, 6oz, 8oz.....8, 12, 15**  
sauteed asparagus & whipped potatoes

### ITALIAN CLASSICS

**Chicken Parmesan...14**

angel hair pasta, fresh mozzarella, tomatoes, extra virgin olive oil, fresh basil, garlic parmesan croutons & angel hair pasta

**Fettuccini Alfredo & Chicken...15**

light creamy alfredo, diced tomatoes, fresh basil, garlic bread

### MEXICAN FAVORITES

**Beef & Chicken Fajitas Platter...14**  
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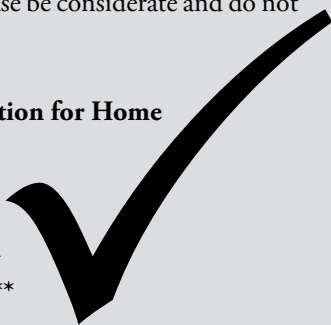
## CHECK LIST

*(Property Reviews are done monthly)*

- ☐ Check for weeds in lawn (including clover)
- ☐ Weed and Feed as necessary
- ☐ Mow lawn as needed
- ☐ Edge lawn
- ☐ Weed tree wells and shrub beds, remove growth from expansion joints if necessary
- ☐ Shrubbery trim as needed
- ☐ Add mulch to tree wells and bed areas
- ☐ Trees: Trim trees as necessary, (especially the street trees) remove any dead material – if you need to replace a tree please apply for replacement type and requirements
- ☐ Remove mildew on the house
- ☐ Paint exterior (Please submit ARC Application\*)
- ☐ Fence (replace broken pickets or secure if necessary)
- ☐ Trash Cans (removed from view at the end of pick-up day)
- ☐ Holidays decorations need to be removed
- ☐ Toys need to be stored out of public view when not in use – except approved basketball goals
- ☐ Parking on the street – Please be considerate and do not park on the street

\*ARC = Architectural Application for Home Improvements

\*\*Please remember these are some of the items that we check for monthly. There may be others that are not listed. \*\*



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

Many communities are ripe targets for solicitors – for a variety of reasons. While the Association has no real control over soliciting activities, we have tried to discourage solicitors from marketing in our community by placing "no soliciting" signs in common areas.

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).
- Individual homeowners have the ability to place a small "No Trespassing/No Soliciting" sign at the entry to their homes. Should a solicitor continue to leave flyers, the homeowner then has the authority to file charges against the Solicitor/Company for trespassing on private property.

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Vandalism includes the operation of a *Golf Cart, ATV, or a Dirt Bike* on common areas (including sidewalks) or greenbelts. The Sheriff will be notified of anyone seen driving these vehicles. ***Should the person(s) be under age, the Association will legally pursue the legal guardian for all damages incurred.***

Your Association has spent thousands of dollars, your dollars, repairing sidewalks, gazebos, entry markers, irrigation, ruts, etc., and now it's time to make this stop.

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.

## Help.....

An AMI representative drives through each neighborhood once per month and sends violation (or gentle reminder) letters based on what is observed on that day. If you are aware of an unkempt property (possibly vacant or a foreclosure) once per month is not sufficient to stay on top of yard issues. Please do not hesitate to call our office so that we can assist in keeping these properties in acceptable shape. You may call Cecelia Panzinetti at 281-256-0065 (on site manager) or the main office at 713-932-1122.

***Your help in keeping Fairfield beautiful is appreciated!***  
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## A Friendly Reminder ...

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# Business Section

## Business Networking International of Northwest Area Hosts First Annual Business Strategies Expo

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THE LOCAL CHAPTERS OF BNI, Business Networking International invites business professionals within the community to attend its "Business Strategies Expo" for innovative networking opportunities on September 9, 2010 at Northwest Forest Conference Center, from 10am -2pm. A light lunch will be available.

Based on the concept of "Givers Gain," or, by giving business to others, you will get business in return, the purpose of this dedicated event is to allow many individuals from diverse businesses to meet and exchange information as well as be able to introduce themselves and their businesses to first time attendees.

The economy is such where members of the northwest BNI chapters really wanted a light hearted, yet impactful way to tap

into our resources to share referrals and opportunities within the community at large. Houston Executive Director, Kathy Mathy says, "We are excited to share the many benefits of BNI membership through such a unique venue. Our group expects this inaugural expo to draw a sizeable crowd of professionals, members and potential members to future meetings, workshops on networking, tradeshow and other events."

The event will also feature many local businesses, door prizes and other giveaways. The prime sponsor for this expo, is Home Comfort Solutions.

The West Houston chapters began in 1993 and includes than 850 members. They are part of BNI worldwide, which boasts 60,000+ members.

For more information contact  
Darlene Hajduk  
713-939-9730  
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### ABOUT BNI

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**WHEN:** August 26, 2010  
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**WHERE:** Houston National Golf Club  
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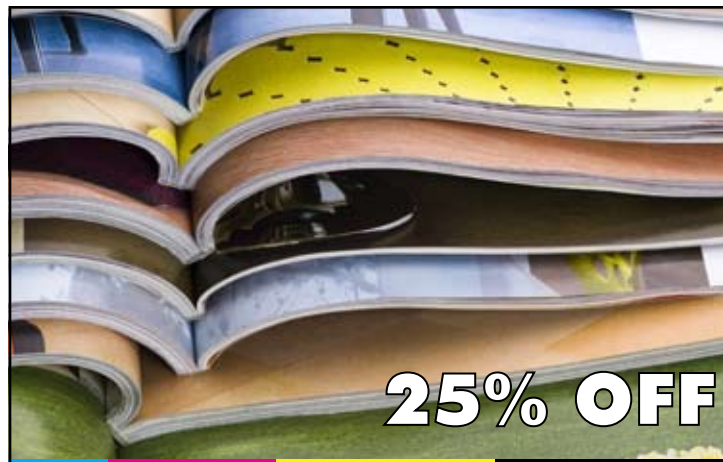
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## BUS BUDDIES VOLUNTEER PROGRAM IN CYPRESS-FAIRBANKS SCHOOLS

*You Can Make a Difference!*

### WHAT IS BUS BUDDIES?

Bus Buddies is a partnership between the Cy-Fair community and Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District to provide assistance to elementary students to help them in getting off the bus at the correct location. The program requires one "Bus Buddy" per elementary bus the first three days of school. The approximate time commitment is from 2:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. on August 23, August 24 and August 25. Duties include assisting the bus driver with getting the children off the bus at their correct stops.

### WHAT IS REQUIRED?

(1) Attend one of the training sessions, if not previously trained.



- (2) Arrive and sign in at your assigned school where campus staff will assist you.  
(3) Enjoy helping the kids and driver!

Training Sessions will be held at The Berry Center, 8877 Barker Cypress Rd., Cypress, TX. on Monday, Aug. 16 (9:30 – 10:30 a.m.), Tuesday, Aug. 17 (7:30 – 8:30 a.m.) and Wednesday, Aug. 18 (6:30 – 7:30 p.m.).

The Partners in Education (PIE) department is looking for Bus Buddy support similar to the 2009-10 school year when approximately 400 volunteers in the Cy-Fair community rode buses to assist the nearly 9000 riders and their drivers.

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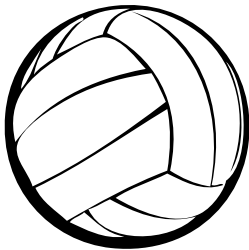
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## CYPRESS WOODS HIGH SCHOOL

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### Cy-Ranch Volleyball Try Outs

VolleyBall Tryouts will be held the first week of August.

Please visit [www.cypressranchathletics.com](http://www.cypressranchathletics.com) for more information

## Cy-Woods Crimson Cadettes Drill Team

The Cy-Woods Crimson Cadettes Drill Team will host their 5th annual dance clinic for K-12 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on August 11-13, 2010. This is a major fund-raiser for the team and enables them to participate in activities throughout the 2010 - 2011 school year. The fee is \$55 and includes dance technique, specially choreographed routines for each age group, t-shirt, drinks and snacks each day and a picture for each participant. Showoffs will held the last day at 11:30am. For more information email [pjbassine@aol.com](mailto:pjbassine@aol.com) or check out our website at [www.crimsoncadettes.com](http://www.crimsoncadettes.com). On the website, you will find a sign-up form and a link to PayPal for payment.



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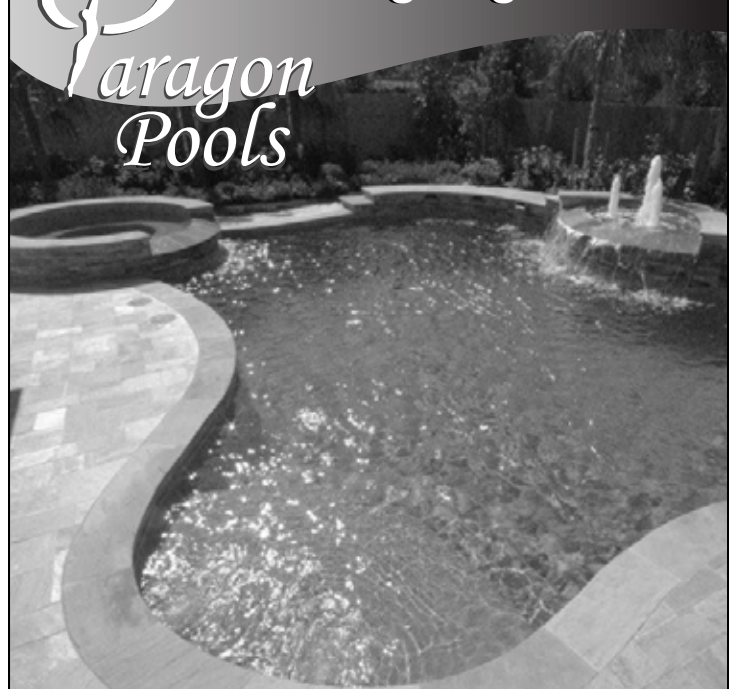
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**9TH GRADE:** Saturday, August 14, 2010, 8:00A-11A  
(9th Grade Meeting at 8:00A in the Auditorium)

**11TH GRADE:** Saturday, August 14, 2010, 12:00P-2:00P

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Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>  
Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>

Cy-Fair Cafeteria – 7pm

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Casino Night  
>Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas Wreaths  
>Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> – Oct 25<sup>th</sup>  
Homecoming Mums  
>Sept. 23rd  
Texan Football  
Concessions  
>TBD  
Denim & Diamonds  
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Golf Tournament  
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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



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# Church News

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Come, and get plugged in to our services and programs: Sunday morning we begin at 10:45 am with Praise and Worship and a message for such a time as this, in our main sanctuary. Our Firehouse Kids (1st through 5th graders) get together for Kids Church in their separate building at the same time. During this service we offer Care and supervision of Toddler's ages 2-5 and wee ones under 2 years of age. Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. we offer “Care and Prayer Service.” Wednesday evening @ 7:00 p.m. we have something for every one of every age group: (Firehouse Kids for elementary aged children), (BRING IT for Teens and Pre-Teens) and Adults Gather Together for a time of praise and study in the Bible together, followed by break-out into small groups for Care and Prayer time.

### BRING IT

Teens and Pre-Teens: Come, acquire the fire for the LORD as you “BRING IT” to Him on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Are you asking yourself if the Bible is outdated and maybe the Bible needs to be modernized? John and Stephanie Schmidt, our Youth leaders, are prepared to lead, guide and direct you in the “Way you should go...” according to God and the Bible.

### FIREHOUSE KIDS

1st through 5th graders: on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. we play games, do skits, and learn about Jesus in our Firehouse Kids Group. Come join in the fun. Vacation Bible School will be an exciting change this year. Instead of having a, one-week long, Vacation Bible School and it's over, we are going to extend our Vacation Bible School over five (5) consecutive Wednesday nights from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. That means that starting Wednesday, July 14th and continuing through Wednesday, August 11th – on Wednesday nights Only, we will “Embark on a High Seas Adventure” of Vacation Bible School. Ships Ahoy, mate!

## Good Shepherd UMC

### GS KIDS EVENTS

It's time for Summer 526! All children graduating from 5th grade are invited to join us each week this summer for great activities. In addition to Sunday morning programming, we will be doing about 1 event each week exclusively for this age group. It's our way of celebrating and saying good bye to them as they head to the youth group in August. The events still to come are Live Out Loud August 6, Lazer X August 11, End of Summer Pool Party August 20. See details on the website at [www.goodchurch.us](http://www.goodchurch.us) under the “Children's Ministry” tab.

**DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY** - Whether you are a new believer or have been a Christian for many, many years, the DISCIPLE Bible Study program is for you! This 34-week study is designed for all who want to grow in their understanding of scripture and of what it means to be a Disciple of Jesus Christ. Classes begin the week of August 23rd, and are forming NOW. Available options are:

Disciple I (Fall-Old Testament, Spring-New Testament): Mondays, 12pm-2pm OR 7-9pm

Disciple II (Fall-Genesis/Exodus, Spring-Luke/Acts): Tuesday Evenings, 7-9pm\*

\*Join us even if you haven't completed Disciple I.

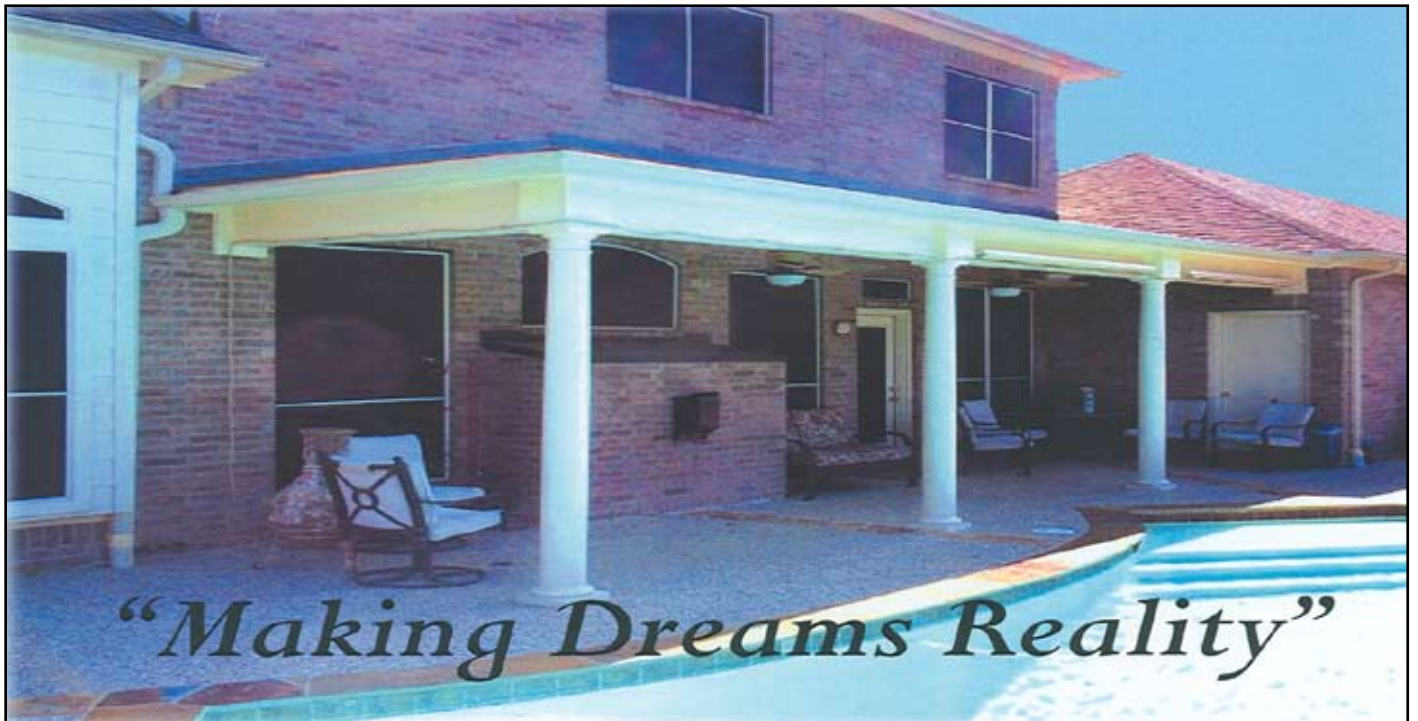
Contact Cynthia Blackshear at [cynthiab@goodchurch.us](mailto:cynthiab@goodchurch.us) for more info, or register online at [www.goodchurch.us](http://www.goodchurch.us)!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Girlfriends Gift Market at Good Shepherd is coming soon! Join us on October 9th from 9am-4pm and shop at over 60 Indoor & Outdoor booths featuring jewelry, yard art, home décor, gourmet foods, clothing, candles, Bake Sale, Silent Auction & much, much more! The Gift Market is sponsored by GSUMC's Girlfriends Ministry, and all proceeds benefit local missions and outreach programs. For more information, contact Yvette Hayes at [yhhayes@att.net](mailto:yhhayes@att.net).

### LIFE GROUP OPEN HOUSE, AUGUST 22ND

Come sample all the Life Groups we have to offer on Sundays and throughout the week just for YOU on Sunday, August 22nd! We offer Bible Studies, Small Groups, Men's Studies, Women's Studies, Sunday School, DISCIPLE, United Methodist Men and Girlfriends Women's Ministry just to name a few. So, stop by upstairs between 8:30am and 12pm and visit one of our groups, or join us at our Life Group Preview Event at 12:15pm in the Gym! Lunch will be served and childcare will be provided, so come and find out which Life Group you'll be calling HOME this Fall! RSVP for the Luncheon and request childcare online at [www.goodchurch.us](http://www.goodchurch.us).



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## COMMUNITY OF FAITH

### WHEN THE WHEELS FALL OFF

Life is full of hang-ups, hassles and hurts. Some hurts go way deeper than others. That's when the pain comes that can derail and debilitate our lives completely. Life's speed bumps slow us down, but the gaping potholes can knock the wheels off their axis and bring things to a screeching halt. These are "Wheels Off" moments. The doctor delivers the bad news from the tests. Someone you love betrays you. A habit that turned into an obsession wrecks what is best in our lives. Sometimes the pain and the struggle are of our own making, other times we are the victims of someone else's choices or uninvited circumstance. In our brokenness, we wish the pain would stop so we act like it's not there or we even make dangerous and destructive decisions to self-medicate what we cannot make go away. We stuff it down deep, which turns into depression, or we spew it all over everyone else in anger, which causes a new set of struggles. There is a better way.

We have to feel it to deal with it. Don't deny it or dismiss it, let it drive us to the God of hope. When we deal with it rightly, then we heal from it. God promises us His presence and says His power will be our strength as we run to Him when our heart is weak. The condition of our heart and the circumstance of our life is so very important to Him. The Scripture says we are His beloved and He is the lifter of our

head and the lover of our soul. If we will let Him love us and lead us through our "Wheels Off" days, instead of being swept away by tidal waves of pain, God gives us anchors of hope. He promises that He will not only help you to deal with what you feel, He gives you hope that you will heal from it, too. Let this truth cover your wounded heart: In your pain, you will find Him there...with you. Hold on to hope! Lamentations 3:21-24 (NLT)

"Yet I still dare to hope when I remember this: The faithful love of the LORD never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning. I say to myself, 'The LORD is my inheritance; therefore, I will hope in him!'"

### COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Summer Stuff: Summer at Community of Faith is in full swing and we are having a blast! High School students just got back from Orange Beach, Jr. High students are headed to camp August 1-5, our Africa team had an unbelievable impact and our Costa Rica teams are on their way!

The Preschool & Elementary kids are having their Annual Back to School Splash, Sunday, August 15th from 3pm to 6pm at the Becker Rd. Campus. You won't want to miss this fun in the sun...crazy water games, inflatable slides, dunking booths and more, not to mention

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All KidZone events, Junior High and High School activities are listed on our website at [communityoffaith.tv](http://communityoffaith.tv) or on their Facebook pages.

Women of Community of Faith are finishing the summer with a Ladies' Night Out Dinner on Thursday, August 19th at 7pm. It will be a night filled with fun, food, grownup conversation, and an exciting message from God's word. Childcare will be provided.

## Fairfield Church Of Christ

### PRAYERS & BLESSINGS FOR CHILDREN

With school starting back up this month, we take special time out every year to pray and offer blessings for children. On SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, at 10:30am, during the worship service, parents, grandparents and others will be offering PRAYERS and issuing BLESSINGS for all CHILDREN. Come and be a part of this dynamic event taking place in our worship center, 20402 CHAPPELL KNOLL DRIVE, (corner of Mason Road @ Chappell Knoll Drive).

### FAMILY TIME

Before school gets fully back in swing, now is a great time to keep your family growing stronger by learning about God. You can do that by bringing your family to church every SUNDAY MORNING at 9:30am for BIBLE CLASSES (babies-adults) and then staying afterwards for a wonderful family time of worshipping God together. What precious memories are created when families go to church together!

### REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT

Every WEDNESDAY NIGHT at 7:30pm, we take time to refresh our spirits and recharge our batteries, by studying the word of God and through fellowship with one another. Come join in on the great spiritual renewal from God, who encourages us and gives us strength to finish out each week.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Do you have Junior or Senior High children? If so, then we have something great for their lives on SUNDAYS at 9:30am. Our Youth Ministers, JONATHAN and MELANIE OWENS, come prepared each week to help young people learn more about themselves and most importantly about Jesus. Kids grow up fast and they need to learn God's way for their lives, especially while in their youth.

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"For Thou didst form my inward parts; Thou didst weave me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks to Thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Thy works, and my soul knows it very well" (Psalm 139:13-14).

What if you were to stumble upon a wristwatch in an open field? Would you conclude that it naturally grew there? Or would you conclude that there was a watchmaker, and someone dropped it there? It is this illustration that drives the question of God's existence by design.

Observational evidence teaches that intricate design points to a designer—from paintings to cars to watches. Like the universe, these effects must have had a cause. As the design becomes more intricate so does the designer. Naturally speaking, one can observe dams built by beavers, but when one considers the Hoover Dam no sane person can conclude that it formed naturally. The same is true for the great works of literature. A million monkeys with laptop computers (another special design in itself!) could not ever produce a piece of literature worth reading, but a human author can compose a great work through careful thought and design in a short time.

Of course there are simple patterns in nature like those found in snowflakes and quartz crystals. Likewise, pebbles in a stream can be seen to have various patterns of erosion. But if one were to find a sentence etched in the side of a mountain or an arrowhead in the stream, these findings would point to something beyond that which is natural, namely a designer.

Thus, when one observes the universe they see careful and intricate design. There are various forces working together that sustain the design and life that exists on earth. Each one benefits the other, and if one were to break down then the whole system would break down.

If one were to take a single DNA molecule, which is the building block of all life, they would find the same amount of information as is found in a single volume of an encyclopedia! Now, no one who

found an encyclopedia in an open field would conclude that it got there by chance. Anyone with a brain would know that some intellect created it. So why is it that when skeptics today find living creatures, which are composed of millions of DNA-based cells, they conclude that there is no Creator and that they evolved by chance? Even the late Carl Sagan is quoted as saying, "The information content of the human brain expressed in bits is probably comparable to the total number of connections among neurons—about a hundred trillion... If written out in English, say, that information would fill some 20 million volumes, as many as in the world's largest libraries. The equivalent of 20 million books is inside the heads of every one of us. The brain is a very big place in a very small space... The neurochemistry of the brain is astonishingly busy, the circuitry of a machine more wonderful than any devised by humans." But to Sagan it wasn't "devised" by God but through chance and evolutionary processes.

Evolutionists like Sagan have great faith, for most of them will object to the design argument and simply conclude that chance is responsible for the design of the universe. Problem is, the argument for God's existence from the observable design has nothing at all to do with chance which is nothing more than a word for odds that reveal man's ignorance. Repeated observation (scientific method) reveals intelligent causes, and this is what science is all about—repeated observation, not chance. Thus, the skeptic who thinks science debunks God and Christianity is actually ignoring science which points directly to a Designer! But for the sake of argument, even if chance was responsible for the created order, the odds are far higher that there is a Designer. One scientist figured the odds for a one-cell animal to emerge by pure chance at 1 in 1040000 (that's a 1 with 40,000 zeros behind it!). And that's just a one-cell animal! The odds become infinitely higher for a human being to emerge by chance which would of course demand a man and a woman to perpetuate the species. It sure takes a lot of faith to believe in evolution!

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## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS ELECTRIC SERVICE

### *Tips and Guidelines*

#### How Should You Prepare For Power Outages?

- In the event of severe weather, such as a hurricane, power outages are likely to occur.
- For widespread power outages, CenterPoint Energy has a restoration process by priorities that will be followed in the event of a major storm.
- When a major storm is forecast, all customers should plan to be without power for an extended amount of time following landfall.
- If someone in your home depends on electricity for life-sustaining equipment, you need to make other arrangements. Evacuation would be a good option.
- Turn off your electricity at the circuit breaker if you evacuate and expect flood water to approach your home.
- Unplug sensitive electrical appliances, such as TV and computers.
- Maintain line clearance from trees and weak limbs.
- What should you do following a major storm or hurricane?
- Limit calls to CenterPoint Energy during the first few days to only true emergencies. CNP's technology indicates locations in the case of widespread power outages.
- The company's first priority in restoring service is to key facilities vital to safety, health and welfare, such as hospitals, water treatment plants and public service facilities. Second priorities are the major lines and circuits that will restore power to the greatest number of customers in the shortest amount of time. Third priority, we repair transformers, which typically serve 10 customers and finally fourth priority, we repair individual electric service drops to homes.
- Restoration times can vary for severe weather event. Under CenterPoint Energy's restoration process, your neighbor's power may be restored before yours if there is a problem with your individual service drop.
- Stay away from low-hanging or downed power lines. Treat all downed power lines as if they are energized. Report low-hanging or downed power lines to (713) 207-2222.
- Avoid standing water – energized power lines could be submerged in the water.
- If you have evacuated and want to check your home for electric service, please do not call CenterPoint Energy in the first few days following the storm. Instead, we suggest: leave your answering machine activated and call your house to check if it picks up, call neighbors, monitor the news, and check website CenterPointEnergy.com for general outage information.
- Do not connect generators directly to wiring in a house or building without having a licensed electrician disconnect the wiring from CenterPoint Energy's service. It can create a safety hazard for CenterPoint Energy's lineman.
- Never run generators indoors or in a garage. Gasoline-powered generators can produce carbon monoxide, and the odorless fumes can be deadly.
- What should you do if your electrical outlets are covered with water or you have damage to weatherhead or other electrical facilities?
- Contact a licensed electrician before turning on the main circuit breaker.
- Check your weatherhead, which connects the overhead power line to your home or business. Any weatherhead problems will need to be repaired by your electrician prior to CNP restoring service. (Your electrician should obtain all permits required prior to you contacting CNP for a work order.)
- Any submerged appliances or equipment will need to dry for at least one week and be checked by a qualified repair person prior to being turned on.
- Once all repairs have been made to your electrical equipment, then contact your provider and they will issue a work order to CenterPoint Energy to begin work and restore your service.

HURRICANE	WIND SPEED	ESTIMATED OUTAGE
CATEGORY 1	Winds 74-95 mph	7 to 10 days
CATEGORY 2	Winds 96-110 mph	2 to 3 weeks
CATEGORY 3	Winds 111-130 mph	3 to 5 weeks
CATEGORY 4	Winds 131-155 mph	4 to 6 weeks
CATEGORY 5	Winds 156 mph and up	6 to 8 weeks

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# - Kids Stuff -

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



Are you ready for a road trip? People in the United States will take millions of trips this year — many of them traveling by car. The most popular treks are trips to the beach, visits to friends and family, and scenic drives. A scenic drive means there's something to see while you're driving, like an ocean, mountains, or a beautiful valley.

But sometimes when you're on the road, there isn't a whole lot to look at. For those times, you'll need to keep yourself busy. Here are some ideas:

- Bring a small map or road atlas. Use stickers to track your family's progress.
- Create a trip box that includes stickers, pipe cleaners, pens, paper, and anything else you want to have on hand.
- Draw. You can draw what's outside your window or make a game out of it by drawing a picture of someone that you know and making everyone guess who it is.
- Start writing in a trip journal and keep track of what you do each day on your vacation. Add photos later.
- Read aloud — a scary story or a mystery are great choices.

- Make up your own story and draw the illustrations to go with it.
- Listen to a book on tape or CD.
- Listen to music.
- Sing silly songs that you might be too old for, like "Old MacDonald," "B-I-N-G-O," and "She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain" — or even Christmas songs if you're in the mood. For added fun, make up your own silly songs with your family's help.
- Snooze.
- Play "I Spy."
- Play the license plate game by trying to spot as many different states as you can.
- Play "20 Questions."
- Play travel games, such as checkers, that have magnetic pieces that won't slip off the board.
- Play the "My Favorite" game by picking your top five songs, books, ice cream flavors, sports heroes, etc.
- Have a spelling bee or trivia contest. Bring index cards to write down words or questions.
- Don't fight with your brother or sister!

Reviewed by: Steven Dowshen, MD

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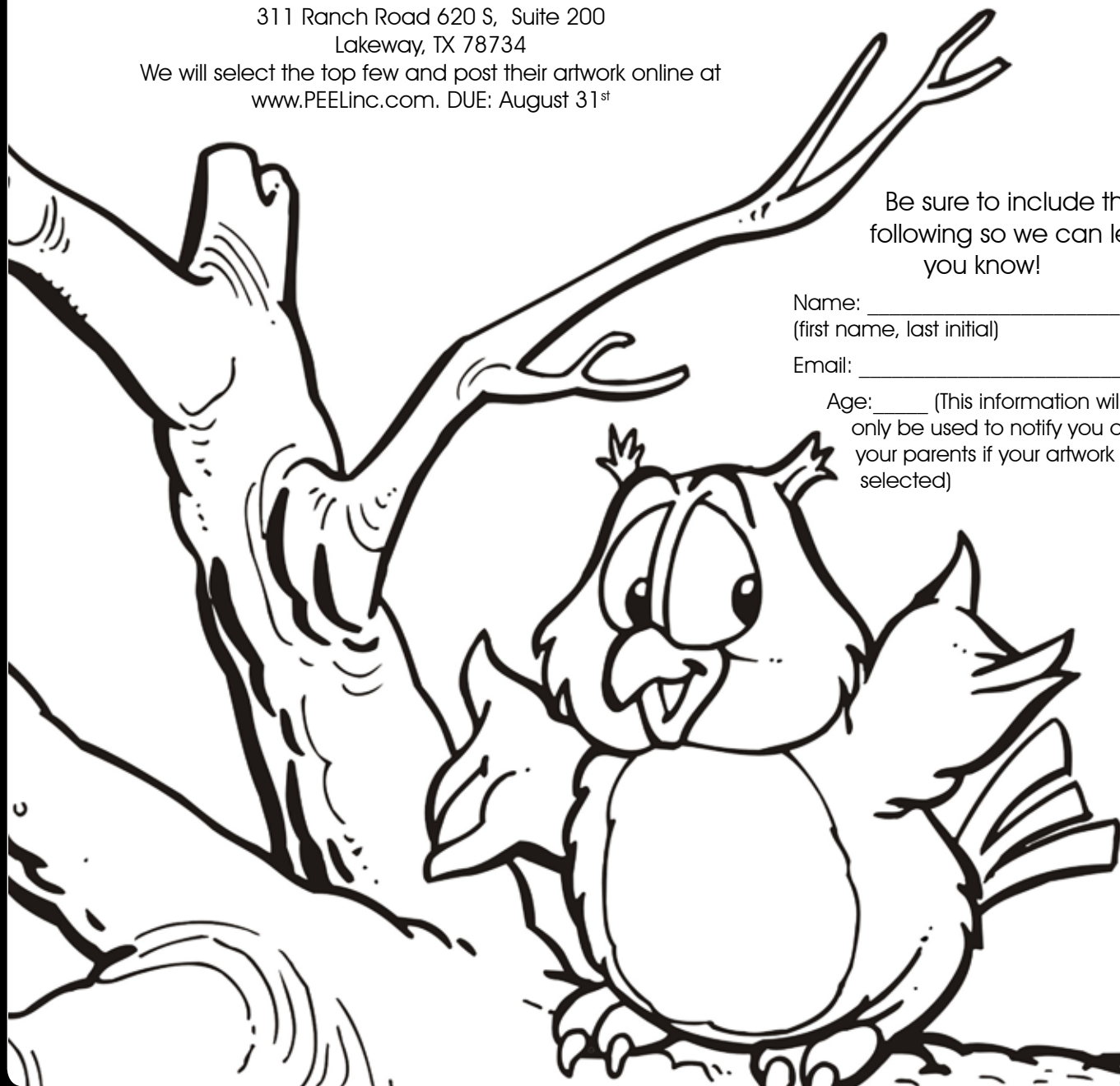
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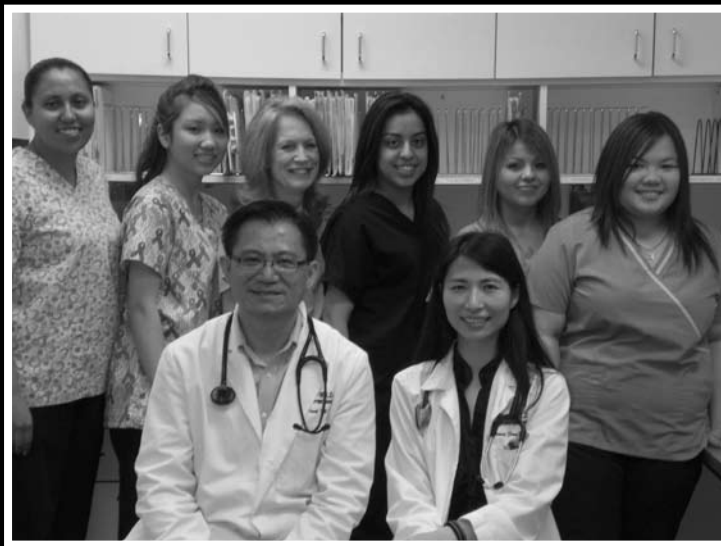
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	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM
Bluebonnet Glen	0	-	-
Baker's Ridge	1	\$76.53	73
Chappell Ridge	0	-	-
Cottage Glen	2	\$78.25	69
The Estates	0	-	-
Garden Grove	1	\$63.52	29
Glen	1	\$78.00	59
Inwood Glen	2	\$76.02	67
Inwood Meadows	1	\$71.30	169
Inwood Park	3	\$67.56	48
Lakes/Lake Ridge 2	6	\$80.47	53
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	5	\$74.31	14
Meadows/Park/Retreat	1	\$63.62	90
Oaks/Trails	1	\$74.91	6
Pines	1	\$83.62	10
Summer Crossing	2	\$79.50	68
Summer Ridge	4	\$69.25	61

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