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- 2. Meadow Trails East The Flores Family
- 3. Trinity Shores The Parks Family



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Standard Notice

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The District generally meets every first Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027. Agendas for each meeting are posted at the Emerald Village Recreation Center, 11814 N. Clear Lake Loop, Pearland, Texas 77584, and at the Brazoria County Courthouse at least 72 hours before every meeting, and the Board of Directors invites all members of the public to attend its meetings. Please contact (713) 860-6439 if you need confirmation of a Board meeting.



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Mark Your Calendars for the Plant Thyme Fall Luncheon and Plant Sale October 8th

Keep Pearland Beautiful (KPB) invites all to the 7th Annual 'Plant Thyme Fall Luncheon' in conjunction with the 6th Annual Herb and Plant Sale – at the Pearland Community Center, 3523 Liberty Dr., on Friday, October 8. Luncheon tickets are \$30, with proceeds benefiting KPB projects and our new Environmental Education Center Building Fund.

This year's speaker will be Brenda Beust Smith, the Houston Chronicle's "Lazy Gardener". Ms. Smith started her Houston Chronicle gardening column over 30 years ago, thinking that it would appeal to harried homeowners. Those time-saving "lazy" gardener techniques are today a banner for those concerned about the environment and indiscriminate use of pesticides.

She is a nationally published freelance writer, a nationally published professional photographer and has served on the boards of many area gardens. She is a longtime Harris County Cooperative Extension supporter, both as a Master Gardener and former committee chairman.

The doors to the Center will be open at 10:30am, where a silent auction will also take place in conjunction with the luncheon. Laura Austin, our auction chair, has done a great job collecting exciting gifts

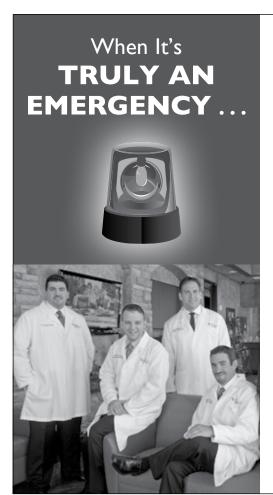
for this year's auction. This year's luncheon is being organized by our fund Development Chair, JoAnne Knodel. JoAnne has generously donated to the luncheon as a Rosemary Sponsor, in memory of her late husband Joe Miller. Joe was an avid environmentalist and faithful supporter of Keep Pearland Beautiful.

Please make your plans now to be on hand for the Plant Thyme Fall Luncheon and Plant Sale on October 8, 2010. Plants from the sale will also be available for purchase on October 9, 2010 at the Pearland Farmers Market, located at Zychlinski Park, 2243 Grand Blvd. Call 281-652-1659 for ticket or plant sale information.

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They are all receiving a lot of calls right now so you may need to leave a voice mail. To speed things up, they will need your subdivision as well as your name, address, and phone number.

HOA Payments

Please note that HOA payments may be conveniently made at the office at 12234 Shadow Creek Parkway Bldg 3, Ste 114.

CITY OF PEARLAND

Fall Clean-Up

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2010 8:00AM - NOON STELLA ROBERTS RECYCLING CENTER, 5800 MAGNOLIA, PEARLAND

Our fall community wide clean-up is one of 2 cleanups that Keep Pearland Beautiful has each year. We start out the morning at the Stella Roberts Recycling center at 8:00AM with breakfast and coffee. Volunteers will then be given the materials that they need to pick up litter and trash at their Adopt-a-Spot or at other sites in Pearland. Groups and Individuals are welcome to attend. Please help us to make Pearland the cleanest and most beautiful city in Texas. If you have any questions about the clean-up, please call our office at 281-652-1659.

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BIKE SAFETY

Bike riding is a great way to get exercise and fresh air and share time as a family. But before you and the kids rush out and start pedaling, there's an important factor that you need to consider — safety.

Helmet Basics

Bicycle helmet use should not be optional for anyone in your family, no matter where you are or how short the ride. In many states it's the law.

Here's why: Most bike accidents involve a head injury, so a crash could mean permanent brain damage or death for someone who doesn't wear one while riding. In fact, each year in the United States, about half a million kids are seriously injured in bicycle-related accidents, and most of those injuries could have been avoided if a helmet was worn.

HERE ARE SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND WHEN BUYING A HELMET:

- Pick bright colors that are visible to drivers and other cyclists.
- Look for a helmet that's well ventilated.
- Make sure that the helmet has a CPSC or Snell sticker inside. These
 indicate that the helmet meets standards set by the Consumer
 Product Safety Commission (CPSC) or the Snell Memorial
 Foundation, a nonprofit group that tests helmet safety.

• Make sure your child's helmet fits correctly and can be adjusted.

You should be able to get help finding a well-fitting helmet and adjusting it properly at any bicycle store.

When kids wear a helmet, make sure that the straps are fastened. Also make sure they don't wear any other hat underneath it.

Be sure to replace any helmet made before 1999. If your child hits any surface hard while wearing a helmet, replace it — helmets lose their capacity to absorb shock after taking serious hits.

A few bike helmets can be used as protection for other activities, but in general, they're best suited to biking. Most helmets are made for one specific type of activity — for example, special helmets also are made for inline skating, baseball, and snowmobiling.

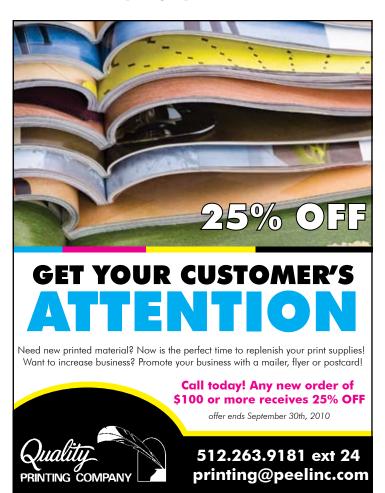
Kids should not wear any helmet when they're on a playground or climbing a tree — there is a risk of strangulation from the chin strap during these types of activities.

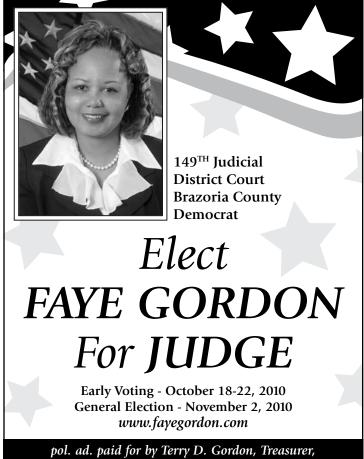
SAFE CLOTHING

What kids wear when riding a bike is also very important for safety:

 Fluorescent or bright-colored clothes will help kids be visible on the road. (Avoid dark clothes, especially during early dusk and twilight hours.)

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- Lightweight clothes will help them avoid becoming overheated.
- Pant legs shouldn't be too loose-fitting or flared. These can get caught up in the chain while riding.
- If your child wears a backpack while riding, make sure the straps are tied up and can't get tangled in the spokes of the wheels.
- Choose shoes that grip the bike's pedals.
 Cleats, shoes with heels, or flip-flops can all create problems while riding. Kids should never ride barefoot!

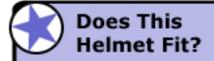
RULES OF THE ROAD FOR BIKE RIDING

Here are some must-know safety tips to teach kids:

- Stop at all stop signs and obey traffic lights just as cars do. Yield to pedestrians, stop at red lights, and be especially careful at intersections.
- Always ride in the same direction as cars do. Never ride against traffic.

- Try to use bike lanes or designated bike routes whenever you can — not the sidewalk!
- Never ride at dusk or in the dark.
- Always stop and check for traffic in both directions when leaving a driveway, an alley, or a curb.
- Watch traffic closely for turning cars or cars leaving driveways.
- Don't ride too close to parked cars doors can open suddenly.
- Always walk a bike across busy intersections using the crosswalk and following traffic signals.
- When riding in a group, always ride single file on the street.
- When passing other bikers or people on the street, always pass to their left and call out "On your left!" so they'll watch for you.
- Never share the seat with a friend or ride on the handlebars — only one person should

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A bike helmet fits well if it:

- sits level on the head
- isn't tilted forward or backward
- has strong, wide straps that fasten snugly under the chin
- is tight enough so that after fastening, no sudden pulling or twisting could move it around

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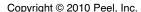
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be on a bike at a time. It's easy to lose balance or suddenly swerve into traffic when riding with a passenger.

- Never wear headphones while biking it's essential to hear everyone else on the road at all times.
- Never stand up while riding a bike.
- Never hitch a ride on a moving vehicle.
- Never change directions or lanes without first looking behind you, and always use the correct hand signals. Use your left arm for all hand signals:
 - o Left turn: After checking behind you, hold your arm straight out to the left and ride forward slowly.





STOP

- o Stop: After checking behind you, bend your elbow, pointing your arm downward in an upside down "L" shape and come to a stop.
- o Right turn: After checking behind you, bend your elbow, holding your arm up in an "L" shape, and ride forward slowly. Or, hold your right arm straight out from your side.





RIGHT TURN

RIGHT TURN ALTERNATIVE

BIKE MAINTENANCE

Check your child's bike at least once each season to keep it safe and well-maintained. (Continued on Page 10)



Stork Report Shadow Creek Ranch

RYAN WILLIAM BASKINGER

Born June 17th, 6lbs 17.75 inches

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MATTHEW JOSEPH BASKINGER

Born June 17th, 5lbs 13oz 19.5 inches

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RYDER KERR

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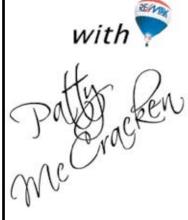


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Recipe of the Month

Apple Cake

3 medium apples, peeled & thinly sliced

- 1/4 Cup plus 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 3 cups flour
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 4 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 1 tablespoon vanilla



Combine first 3 ingredients, tossing well. Set aside.

Combine flour, 2 cups sugar, baking powder, and salt in a large mixing bowl. Combine next 4 ingredients; add to flour mixture, mixing well. Pour 1/3 of batter into a greased and floured 10 inch tube pan. Top with half of the thinly sliced apples, leaving a 1/2" margin around center and sides. Repeat layering, ending with batter on top. Bake at 350° for 1 hour or until a wooden pick comes out clean. Cool in pan 10-15 minutes; then remove from pan. Let cool completely. Sprinkle with powdered sugar, if desired.



We want to hear from you! Email shadowcreekranch@ peelinc.com to let the community know!

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Be sure to check:

- tires inflate to the pressure that's recommended on the sidewall of the tire
- chain oil it regularly and remove dirt
- handlebars adjust for height as your child grows and tighten all bolts
- brakes check for frayed cables and replace worn-out brake pads
- seat keep the seat level and adjust for height as needed

MAKING SAFETY A FAMILY AFFAIR

One of the best ways to help kids learn safe bike riding is to set a good example by following the rules of the road yourself. Go for bike rides with your kids so you can show them what safe riding looks like. It's also a great way to stay active as a family and get valuable together time that you'll all enjoy!

Reviewed by: Kate Cronan, MD Date reviewed: May 2007

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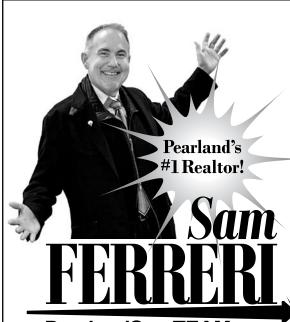
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