

Volume 9, Issue 10

October 2010

Kirk Elementary Pumpkin Patch

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2010 4:30-7:30 P.M.

FEATURING:

Pumpkins, Concessions, Face Painting, Moonwalks, Giant Slide & Kirk's Playground

Come and enjoy a fun filled evening with neighbors & friends!

Cy-Ranch High School FFA Booster Club

1st Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2010

Cypress Ranch High School Parking Lot Cooking Begins at 9:00 AM and Judging Begins at 2:05 PM

The Cypress Ranch FFA Booster Club would like to invite the surrounding Cypress communities to come out and enjoy a fun-filled day of GREAT CHILI TASTING, GOOD OLE FASHIONED GAMES and of course, CHILI COOK-OFF JUDGING!

GAMES BEGIN AT 9:00 AM

Chili Tasting Begins After All Chili Has Been Turned Into The Judges - 2:05 Pm

ENTRANCE FEE

(Includes Chili Tasting) \$5.00 per Person; Children under 10 are Free (All proceeds benefit the Cypress Ranch FFA Booster Club)

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

ATTENTION CFISD Students, Parents, Staff: If you are a CFISD FFA and/or 4-H Member or Parent; a CRHS Student; Parents of a CRHS Student or CRHS Staff Member, you may enter the Chili Cook-off! Please go to the FFA Booster Club website at: Cyranchffa.com for an Entry Form and view the Rules, Requirements & Guidelines.

Please feel free to contact Donna Wilson at pointeofgrace7@aol.com with any questions.

SEE YOU AT THE RANCH!

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WRAP 2011 Planning Is Underway!

WRAP is Cy-Woods High School's parent-driven Project Prom organization. The purpose of WRAP is to provide a drug- and alcohol-free all-night party for the graduating seniors and their guests after their prom. This year WRAP will be held at ITZ on May 27, 2011, as an overnight lock-in party, it is a fun-filled evening of shows, games, activities, food, gifts and prizes!

WRAP is totally dependent on donations to raise the funds necessary to host an event of this size.

REMEMBER:

Our next WRAP meeting is Wednesday, October 6th, at 7pm in the CyWoods Commons.

HERE ARE THE UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Homecoming Mums* are being sold through October 8. Students can order them at the VIPS window. Thanks to our outstanding volunteers, 100% of the proceeds will go to WRAP!
- *Runnin Wild Fun Run* will be held October 30. This is a 1K, 5K, or 10K run/walk. You can register online at the WRAP website, or at the next WRAP Meeting.
- *Game Night Sponsors* EJs Pizza and Cypress Station Grill will donate 15% of their proceeds (alcohol excluded) for anyone who eats their restaurants on Friday after the Varsity football games. Just write CyWoods WRAP on the back of your receipt.
- **WRAP has openings for event chairs and co-chairs!** Earn mega bucks by serving as a chair or co-chair!

Visit www.cywoodswrap.org and be an active parent!

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CY-FAIR HOUSTON CHAMBER

Hosts Education Town Hall Meeting Scheduled for Oct. 27

The Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce will host a Town Hall meeting featuring local government, education and business leaders on Wednesday, Oct. 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Berry Center (8877 Barker Cypress Road). Admission is free but seating will limited. Individual registration is required to receive eTicket for admission. Register at MYCOMMUNITYTICKETS.COM to print your eTicket . A light box lunch will be provided to attendees.

The Cy-Fair community is invited to hear several featured speakers discuss relevant topics including the financial conditions of Cypress-Fairbanks ISD and Lone Star College – Cy-Fair and the current business and economic climate in anticipation of the 82nd Legislative Session. "In order for the Cy-Fair community to thrive, healthy partnerships among the public school system, the higher education system, local businesses and the government are essential," CFISD Superintendent, Dr. David Anthony said. "With the legislative session beginning in January, it is imperative that community members begin collaborating with state and local leaders."

The featured speakers are:

District 7 State Sen. Dan Patrick, who will provide a perspective from the Texas Senate;

District 126 State Rep. Patricia Harless, who will provide a perspective from the Texas House of Representatives;

LSC - Cy-Fair President Dr. Audre Levy, who will present a brief report on the college;

CFISD Superintendent Dr. David Anthony, who will present the State of the District.

Mary Evans, President of the Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce said, "We are proud to host a public event like the Education Town Hall Meeting." "We feel it will give the community an opportunity to hear different perspectives on the challenges facing our local schools and legislators."

CyFair Federal Credit Union is the Event Underwriter for this event. There are limited sponsorships with reserved seating and business name exposure available. For more sponsorship information contact Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce at 281-373-1390 or visit www.cyfairchamber.com.





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Some have asked, "When the stock market is in a downturn, would it not be a good practice to increase contributions to your investment accounts, thus buying more shares at a lower price? And when the market has provided a high return, would it not make sense to scale back contributions, buying fewer shares at the higher price?"

Yes, and of course this is the essence of what investors wish to do, namely buy low and sell high. But what is an actual practice which will force you to do it? After all, putting money into the market when the market is down can give a person a queasy feeling. Yet it is that very behavior which investors need to cultivate if they are ever to sell high. Enter value averaging (also known as dollar value averaging). VA refines the practice of dollar-cost averaging, which is more widely known. Either technique helps you reduce risk because you are buy shares at a variety of prices throughout the year instead of buying all the shares at a single price. When prices are dear, you buy fewer and when they go on sale you buy more.

VA is good because you start with a goal in mind of how much you can invest and an expected rate of return. Example: You wish to accumulate \$450,000 over the next 20 years. If you figure you can earn an annualized 8 percent, then you would need to put away about \$820 per month. You can then chart your progress month by month towards that goal. Now let's look at the "value" part of value averaging. Assume at the end of the first year, instead of having the \$9,840 you should have to be on track toward your goal, a downturn in the markets leaves you with just \$9,500.

That would mean that the next month, instead of investing your usual \$820, you would invest an additional \$340 to bring your portfolio's value to where it should have been to remain on track toward your goal. In fact, you would go through this process each month. In months where you fall behind, you would add to the amount you invest each month. And in months where your returns are higher than expected and your portfolio's value gets beyond where it needs to be, you would scale back your monthly investment, or even possibly end up selling some shares and removing money. The VA discipline forces you to buy when low and buy less (or sell) when high. While it's not perfect the approach makes sense for many families. The biggest benefit to VA is that it provides a reason and a discipline for saving. Most families are not saving enough to cover their future needs. Source: Michael Edleson, Harvard Business School; CNN; The Intelligent Asset Allocator by William Bernstein. - Submitted by Rich Keith





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EVENT: Cy-Fair Express Network Monthly Networking Luncheon
WHEN: October 28, 2010
TIME: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
WHERE: Houston National Golf Club 16500 Houston National Blvd Houston, TX 77095

NETWORKING AND BUSINESS LUNCHEON

Cy-Fair Express Network invites you to their monthly meeting and luncheon. Lots of fun, networking, and giveaways. Bring plenty of business cards. Please make reservations by October 22 to Darlene Hajduk @ president-elect@cyfen.org

or 713-939-9730. More information @ www.cyfen.org.

Our mission is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.



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"BOOTS AND BLING" CASINO NIGHT

The "Boots and Bling" Casino Night will be October 16th starting at 7:00 p.m. This event is for adults 21 years old and up.

There will a BBQ dinner, wine and beer, soft drinks and water, gambling tables, a silent auction and I possibly a live auction as well.

This year we will also have a DJ and dancing for those of you that do not gamble but would like to support the student athletes of Cypress Ranch. SOOOOO...Throw on some 'boots and bling" and come on out to eat, drink, gamble,

and come on out to eat, drink, gam bid on some cool stuff, and "Scoot a Boot" with the Mustang Family. The tickets are \$40.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing tickets to the event you can purchase them on line or feel free to let any of the Board Members know and we would be happy to help you. Go to cypressranchathletics.com for more information.





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School is underway and so is the planning for Project Prom 2011! In April 2010, the newly elected Executive Committee was chosen and they quickly began planning what is expected to be one of the best Project Proms ever. Here's the inside skinny for what is about to unfold. Be sure to mark your calendars!

MONTHLY MEETINGS THIS FALL

Join us on September 27th, October 25th and November 29th. All general meetings are held at Cy-Fair HS Cafeteria and begin at 7pm. You'll have a chance to learn about Project Prom Points. Earn Project Prom Points just for attending!

FUNDRAISERS

Project Prom relies solely on the efforts of Senior Parents and the surrounding community for funding and resources. The Executive Committee has decided to continue to use the same methods and events that have proven to be successful in the past. We hope that you will consider joining us in our efforts to raise money for this event. There are a number of

opportunities for parents, seniors, and folks from the community to join in on!

- We will be working an Aramark concessions booth at all the Texans Football games. For more information, contact Brett Bidinger at brett@bidingerdesign.com.
- Homecoming is October 2nd. We will be selling Homecoming Mums & Garters. A limited number will be sold so be sure to submit your order! Order forms can be found at www. cyfairprojectprom.org.
- Casino Night is a fun filled night of fellowship, dancing, and best of all gambling! Mark your calendars and save the date for Nov. 14th – You definitely won't want to miss out! This is a major



fundraiser and we are in great need of volunteers to help make this night a success. For more information, contact Karen Geisler at cfprojectprom@yahoo.com.

• The holidays will soon be upon us. We would appreciate your support in our annual Christmas Wreath Fundraiser. For more information, contact Michelle Leech at cfprojectprom@yahoo. com.

S.I.T = STAY IN TOUCH

The best ways to keep up with the fast moving train of CF Project Prom 2011 are to subscribe to our newsletter and by visiting our website. Please complete a Parent Information Form (located on the Forms page) on our website at www.cyfairprojectprom.org or simply send an email with your name, your student's name and your telephone no. to cfprojectprom@yahoo.com.

Project Prom is not financially supported by CFISD. It is a private non-profit event run by concerned parents supported in effort by the staff of Cy-Fair HS. The purpose of Project Prom is to provide a drug and alchohol-free overnight lock-party for the graduating seniors and their guests after their prom. private nonprofit event run by concerned parents and supported in effort by the staff of Cy-Fair HS.



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Quarter 3	14	10	71.4%	20	9	45.0%	
Quarter 4	20	6	30.0%	13	6	46.0%	
Total	96	54	Avg: 56.9%	83	35	42.1%	

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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/
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Dec. 22-31	Student Holidays
Jan. 3-4	Professional Days
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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: April 18-June 1

LEGEND

PROFESSIONAL DAY (Student Holiday)

PARENT CONFERENCES/ HOLIDAY FOR ALL STUDENTS/ PROFESSIONAL DAY

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Attention NW Harris County Tri Delta Alumnae

Mark your calendars to join your Tri Delta sisters for our social gathering "Spice it Up--Cooking with Spices" Tuesday, October 12th at 7:00 pm. Our group meets on the second Tuesday of every month September - April. We have a diverse group of women of all ages from a variety of colleges. For more information, please contact Christina at 281-855-6893 or Karen at trideltanews@yahoo.com



SOUNDS OF CYPRESS BAND Wanted! A Few Good Musicians!

The Sounds of Cypress Band, formerly known as the Cy-Fair Community Band, is producing beautiful sounds, having fun as a group, and seeking new members who just love to play music. So dust off your musical instrument and come out for practice on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. at the Lone Star College College-CyFair campus in the Fine Arts Building.

The Cy-Fair Community Band was initiated about three years ago, with approximately five or six musicians coming together to explore their common interest in music and their enjoyment of playing together. They have grown to 33 members who just love to play music and share their talents for the enjoyment they get from playing. They have evolved into an accomplished group of band members and have recently changed their name to Sounds of Cypress. DeeDee Flores is director of group. By day she is a band director at Plummer Middle School. Her ability has led the group to develop polished performances which they are anxious to share.

This accomplished group is ready to perform for group events. They have a great programme of musical selections. Also, they can tailor their selections to the interests age of your group. Children, teens, and adults will enjoy the music of the Sounds of Cypress Band. For more information, email the director, DeeDee Flores at ddftex@aol.com or call her at 713-410-8051.

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	ACTIVE	PENDING	SOLD Last 6 Mos
# of Listings	37	3	43
Price Range:	\$299,000 \$1,295,000	\$480,000 \$569,900	\$291,000 \$562,500
Average Price	\$524,049	\$515,633	\$409,611
Avg Price/sq.ft.	\$130.30	\$123.02	\$114.87
Avg DOM	67	16	49
High Price/sq.ft.			\$140.34
Low Price/sq.ft.			\$95.67



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*Realtor Teams per RE/MAX 12/2009

Sudoku

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



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- Kids Stuff-

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

HALLOWEEN

Boo! What are you going to be for Halloween? Sometimes, it can be fun to dress up as a group. Maybe your brothers, sisters, friends - or even parents - will want to join in the fun. Here are some costume ideas for groups of two or more.

- sun and moon
- winter, spring, summer, and fall
- salt and pepper shakers
- a toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste
- cop and robber
- doctor and patient
- veterinarian and animal (dog, cat, or bunny)
- fireman and fire dog (dalmatian)
- fisherman and fish
- squirrel and nut
- teacher and student
- pilgrim and Indian (or turkey!)
- prince and princess (or king and queen)
- cowboy and horse (or cowboy and cowgirl)
- dog and bone (Arf! Arf!)
- Santa and elf (or Mrs. Claus)
- macaroni and cheese
- Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cottontail (from Peter Rabbit)

• Dorothy, the Tin Man, the Scarecrow, the Lion, and Toto (from the Wizard of Oz)

• Sonny and Cher (ask your parents!)

And no matter what you dress up as, please be safe while you're haunting the neighborhood!

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- vampire and bat
- burger and fries
- peanut butter and jelly
- three blind mice
- three little bears
- three little pigs

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We will se	Color the drawing below and mail the finished artwork to us at: Peel, Inc Kids Club 311 Ranch Road 620 S, Suite 200 Lakeway, TX 78734 elect the top few and post their artwork online at www.PEELinc.com. DUE: October 31 Be sure to include the following so we can let you know!	st
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