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Fairfield Women's Club Light up the Night Contest Winners

(Winners pictures are posted on our Facebook Page!)



1ST PLACE WINNER!

*Kerry & Janneth Campbell
14907 Chestnut Falls Drive*

The Campbell's used over 10,000 lights to light up the night! They also had a snow blower machine, the lights dancing to Christmas music and another machine that blew out a vanilla scent as you walked through their wonderland!

2ND PLACE!

*The Nunez Family
16214 Morning Pine Trail*

This house had it all! From Santa in a Sleigh to a Nativity to Nutcrackers to their favorite football team!

3RD PLACE!

*Joseph & Sandra Hedges
16330 Rolling View Trail*

This display was so large the Hedges had to send in a video! They also had music playing to accompany their festive scene! Link to the Hedges' YouTube video: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gK_9X2bK9Mc&feature=youtu_gdata_player

4TH PLACE!

*Scott, Britney, and Mark Jeffrey
21915 Sheffield Gray Trail*

This colorful display set to music was very creative! We especially liked the flying Santa Claus who was swooping into their yard on his sleigh!

5TH PLACE!

*The Jerding's
21807 W Citrus Rose Ct.*

What a beautiful display! The Jerding's home was not only full of lights, but we really enjoyed the snowflake light show on the front of their house

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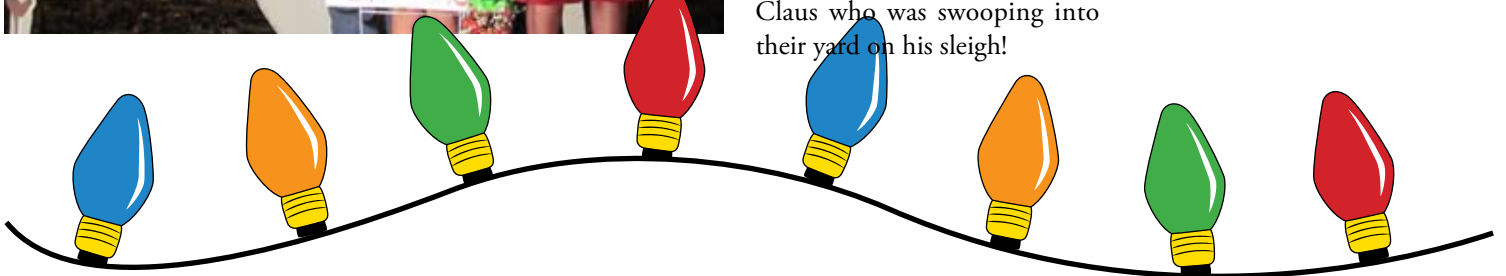
The Wilkerson's decorated their home military style in a patriotic red, white and blue with our American flag proudly flying! The Wilkerson's wanted to salute all of our soldiers including their son Tyler who is serving in the U.S. Army! Thank you for your service Tyler!

*Judy Durham
21018 Golden Sycamore Trail*
Absolutely beautiful hand painted nativity scene!

*The Griffin Family
20815 Katie Marie Ct.*
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*James & Katherine Fabre
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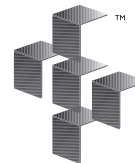


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Come be a part of our fun-loving group. We're sure you will enjoy it.

OUR FEBRUARY BUSTRIP PLANS ARE FOR:

Saturday, February 26, 2011, a Radio Music Theater trip.

Our trip for this month will be to the Radio Music Theater, the home of a very popular, long running "trio" which will be closing this April. These very talented entertainers have decided to retire after many years. This will be their final production.

"A Fertle Farewell"

The Fertles, and all of the citizens of Dumpster, come together for a final time. It is a brand new Fertle Family show, and it's sure to please Fertle fans everywhere. Say goodbye to Ned and all his kin and they'll thank you for kindly dropping' in.

The cost for this trip is \$27.00, plus the cost of your dinner. For dinner we're thinking of Pappadeaux's prior to the shows performance, which is at 8:00 p.m.

You can get your name on the list for the trip list by calling:
Kay or Skip Wheeler at 281-890-1934.

We are hoping to see you all there for a "laughing" good time!

Make checks out to: Fairfield 50 Plus. The departure time will be 05:30 p.m. from the Fairfield Village parking lot. Please be there by 05:15 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 9, for a tour of the Heights.

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area well. We will be visiting sites such as Buchanan's native Plants, the Art Car Museum, the World War II memorial, noble Manor, the spice shop and other unique shops in the area. There will be plenty of time to shop at these stops.

We will enjoy lunch at the Shade, a Mediterranean and American restaurant. The cost for lunch will be between \$10 and \$20. We will be putting more information in our weekly newsletter.

The cost for this trip is \$3.00, plus the cost of your lunch.

You can get your name on the trip list by calling:

Peggy Presnell at 281-304-7127

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OUR UPCOMING CRUISE SCHEDULE:

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OUR FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES PLANS:

Thursday, February 10: 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. We really need to see more participation, especially from those that are taking these trips. In fact, without more participation we will be forced to cut back on the trips, possibly one every other month.

Then later, around 6:30 p.m. that evening, we have our Monthly Pot Luck. It is also at the Lakeside Trails Club House. However, plan on being there early. Doors open around 6:00 p.m. for socializing and fellowship. Then stay and join many of our members that stay to play games after the meal and to finish up the deserts.

Tuesday, February 15: 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 in the Activity details page on our website and will also be in our February 13 weekly newsletter.

Thursday, February 24: 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

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on having lots of fun. There are some card games, some games that the members bring and of course dominoes.

For additional information on activities other than trips:

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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.

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OUR FUN-LOVERS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: An event reminder. It is emailed each week to our members and others who have requested it. It provides updated information on 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 newsletter, send your email address... to: wmcook@comcast.net

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Baseball.....	950	Soccer	640
Basketball (summer)	270	Volleyball (Girls)	160
Basketball (fall)	600		

Youth ages 4 to 13 play Baseball and Soccer. Youth 6 to 14 play Basketball. The ages for Volleyball are 6 to 13. A new Softball field, named HOPE FIELD, has been built with the support of Team Tiara, a breast cancer awareness group. This field is located to the west of the existing baseball fields. The coaches for our youth sports are now required to go through background checks to ensure we have the very best individuals guiding our youth. Fairfield Sports Association meetings are at 6:30 PM on the first Sunday of each month at the Lakeside Trails meeting room. These meetings are open to the public.

CHAPPELL RIDGE SUBDIVISION – Have you noticed the improvements in many of the Chappell Ridge cul-de-sacs? The older mail boxes have been cleaned up and painted. . Please refrain from

taping signs to the mail boxes as this was the major reason the paint was missing or peeling from these boxes. Some of the pine trees in the cul-de-sacs have been removed. If the existing pine trees or live oaks in the area near the mail box were being overcrowded, we felt it best to open the area for better primary tree growth. Additional ground cover has been added in the cul-de-sacs to cover any bare spots.

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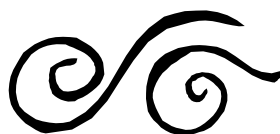
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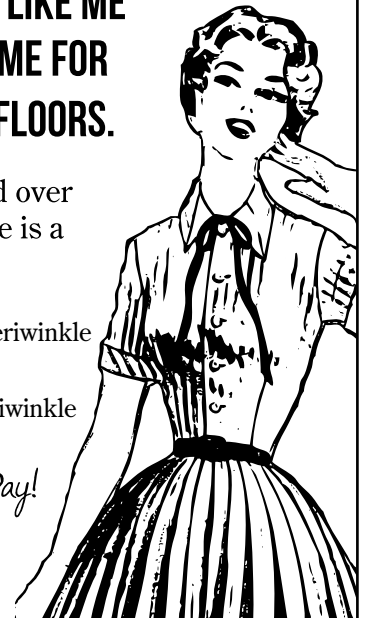


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new friends in our area. Come visit our next all-member meeting and see for yourself! There is a lot of fun and support just waiting for you! Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 11th at 10AM at Fairfield Baptist Church, Room 208, located at 27240 Highway 290 in the front of Fairfield. We provide snacks and toys, and often have a guest speaker at our meetings discussing topics like finance, health, organization and other popular topics. As always, children welcomed!

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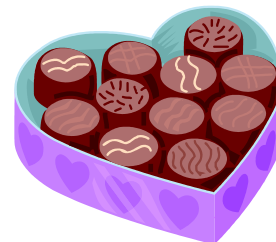
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U.S. Track Olympian to Speak

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The Northwest Flyers Track Club will host its annual free information / registration breakfast on Saturday, February 5, 2011, for all boys, girls and their parents who are interested in joining for the 2011 track season. The breakfast starts promptly at 8:30 AM at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center Forum located at 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX, 77379.

The breakfast is the annual opportunity for youth athletes to register for the 2011 spring/summer track season, and to meet the Northwest Flyers coaches, staff, and other new and returning athletes. The event will be highlighted by a special presentation from a member of the USA Track & Field Olympic team.

The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a youth (ages 6 -18) track organization, affiliated with USA Track & Field (USATF), that provides a full program of sanctioned "track" events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance

and relays, and sanctioned "field" events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, discus, shot put and javelin. The Northwest Flyers has approximately 275 members, boys and girls. The club was founded 24 years ago by Olympic gold medalist Fred Newhouse to foster the development of youth track & field in the Northwest Houston area.

The Northwest Flyers is a member of the "Win with Integrity" program, a partnership between USATF and the American College of Sports Medicine. "Win with Integrity" brings elite track & field athletes and school-aged kids together to promote healthy lifestyles, keeping active, and living with integrity through the sport of track & field.

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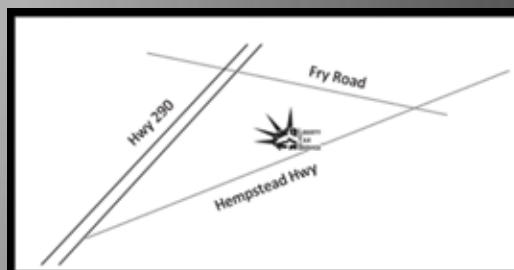
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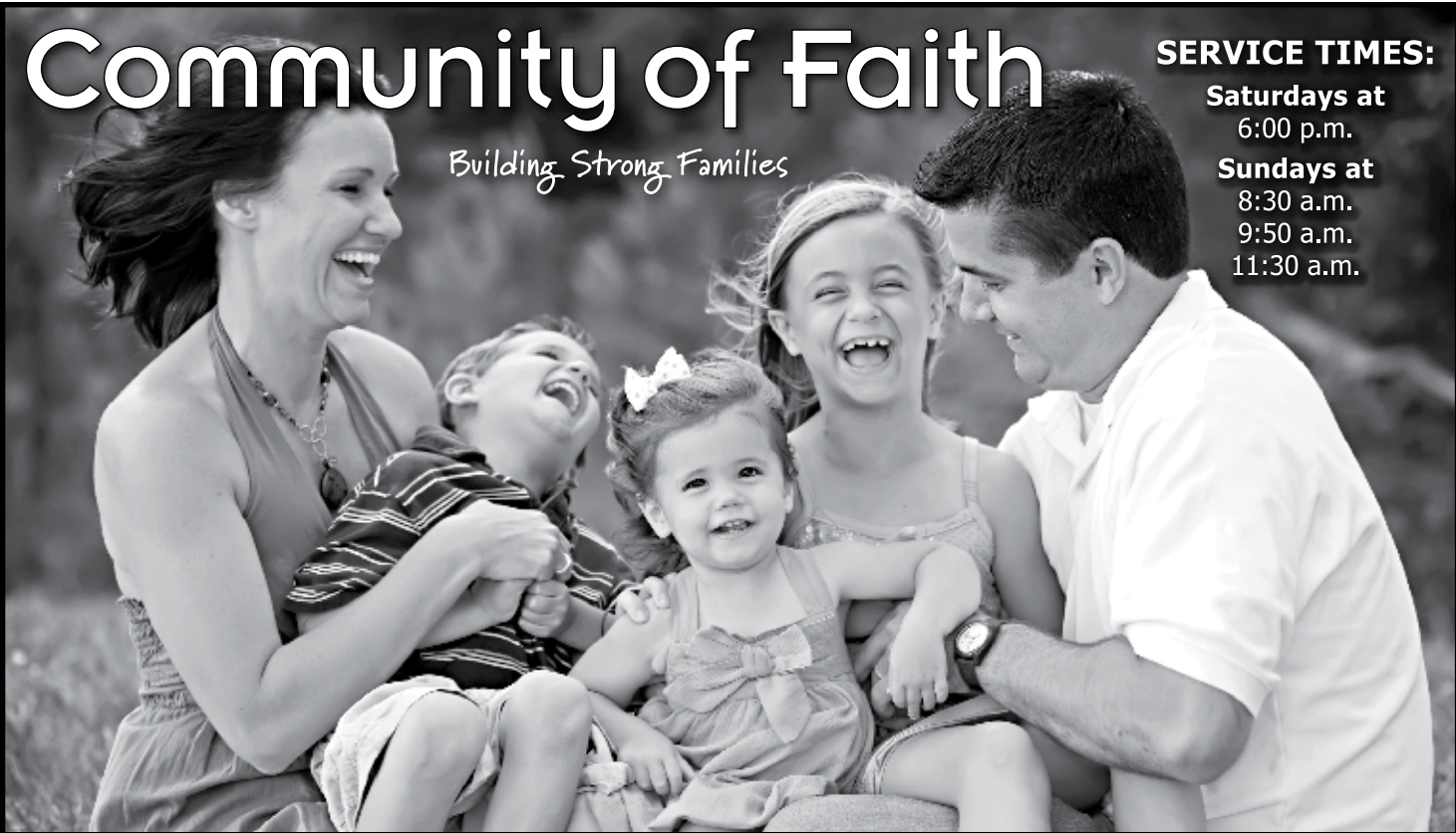
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Harris County Animal Control advises, "All dogs and cats must be kept under restraint while in the unincorporated areas of Harris County, Texas. The custodian of a dog or cat is not authorized to have, harbor or keep any unlicensed dog or cat, nor to allow any dog or cat to become a stray."

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While it may be nice to have your animal out on the front yard while you work or play, it is against the law, unless the animal is properly restrained.

Lets all help keep our community a safe and comfortable place for all our residents by being responsible pet owners. This will not only protect anyone who may be walking or bicycling in the area, but also the pet owner who could be held legally responsible or possibly sued for failing to properly restrain their pet.

To make a complaint or report an animal that is not properly restrained please contact:

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

- Report all suspicious persons to the Sheriff's Department and request the deputies on duty be made aware of your concerns.
- Promptly remove all flyers left on your front or garage door.
- Promptly report to the Post Office all flyers left on the mailboxes.
- Refuse to make use of solicitors' offers and refuse to patronize any company being marketed in this manner.
- Notify the managing agent of any companies presently soliciting so that letters can be sent advising them of this policy of not permitting door to door soliciting (they will be reminded of the community newsletter and/or the Green Sheet as marketing options).
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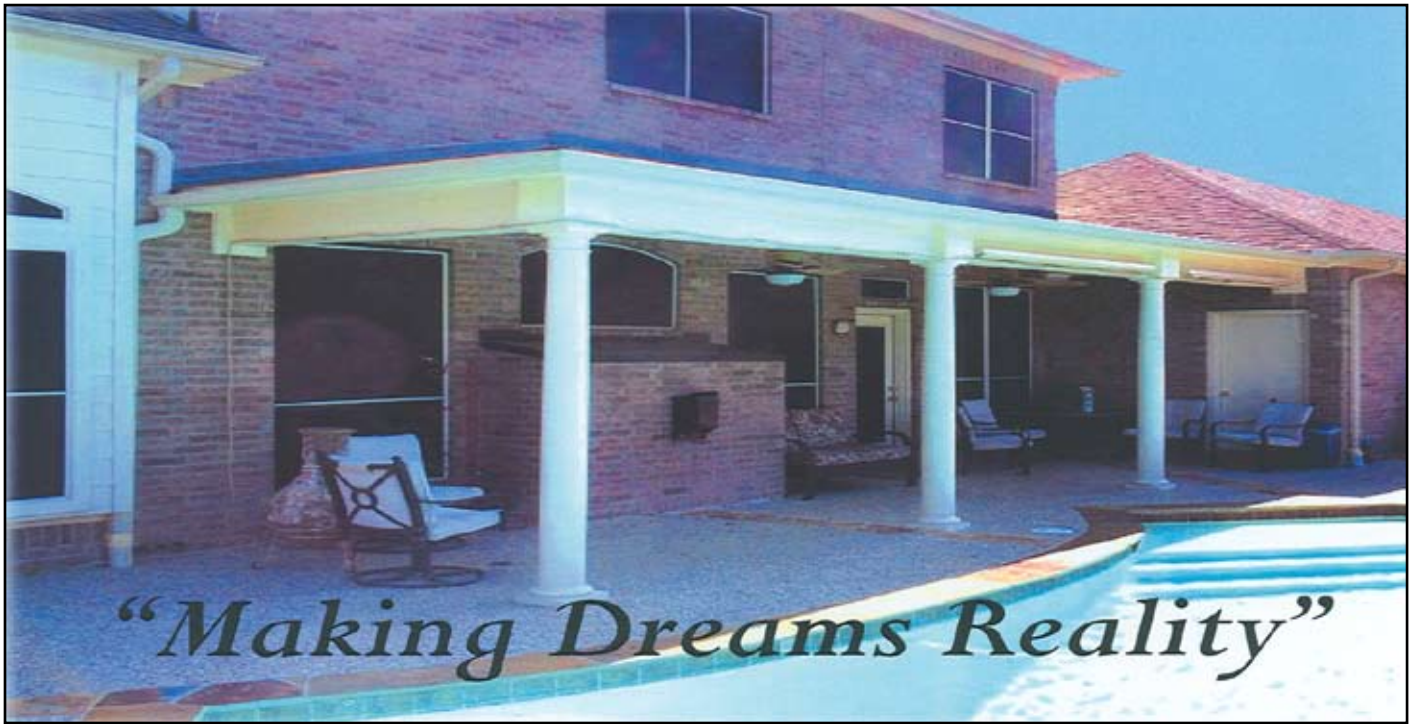
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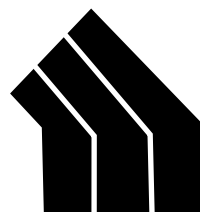


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Our mission is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.

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EVENT: Cy-Fair Women's Expo

WHEN: April 28, 2011

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WHERE: Sterling Country Club
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The Cy-Fair Express Network will host the 2nd Annual Cy-Fair Women's Expo on Thursday, April 28, 2011, from 11am-2pm, at Houston National Golf Club. This event is free to the public. Vendor registration and additional information is available @ www.cyfen.org or by emailing expo@cyfen.org. Hurry, space is limited.

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If you are interested in being involved at Cy-Fair schools as a volunteer and making a difference, or would like more information, please contact Pam Scott, Partners in Education Director at 281-894-3950.

February 2010 Events

- **February 4 - Multicultural Meeting – 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Berry Center.** Open to all CFISD school staff, volunteers, parents and community members. The purpose of the CFISD Multicultural Committee is to raise the level of cultural understanding and respect by sharing information with the CFISD community to encourage cultural sensitivity and parental involvement to strengthen student success.

- **February 8 - Galveston Bay Training – 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Berry Center.** Open to all CFISD school staff, volunteers, and parents. Learn how to present a TEKS based science lesson to 4th grade students at your school. Students will learn about the importance of our bay and waterways and what measures can be taken to protect this life-giving estuary.
- **February 8 - PIE Student Mentor Training – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Berry Center.** Training for individuals committed to serve as a role model and friend to CFISD students. District approved mentors meet with students weekly during school hours on school campuses. Along with this two hour training, an application and criminal background check are required.
- **February 10 - VIPS General Meeting – 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Berry Center.** Open to all CFISD volunteers, parents, staff and community members. Get the latest information on CFISD volunteering and learn through networking!
- **February 17 - VIPS TAG Team Meeting – 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Berry Center.** Training for individuals who are interested in working directly with students to help them reach their full academic potential.
- **February 22 - Galveston Bay Training – 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Berry Center.**

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You do not need to be a parent or family member of a student to become a volunteer team member. You can become a global volunteer – a caring resident of the community who wants to help children reach their full academic potential. No previous specialized knowledge or training is necessary; all training and materials will be provided by the campus helping teachers. We do ask that team members be willing to volunteer on a consistent, weekly schedule so that the students receive the utmost benefit.

An informal orientation meeting will be held on February 17, 2011, from 9:30-11:30, at the Richard E. Berry Educational Support Center, 8877 Barker Cypress Road. This meeting is a great opportunity to gather with district administrators, current TAG Team members and fellow volunteers to learn more about the program. In order to keep up with increasing demand for tutors, we need your help! *For more information, please contact Yvonne Bukowski (ybukowski@yahoo.com or 281-304-0185) or the CFISD Partners in Education Office (Pamela.scott@cfisd.net or 281-894-3950).*

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WRAP still has openings for event chairs and co-chairs! Earn mega bucks by serving as a chair or co-chair!

Have you filled out your Parent Information Form yet? We need this to get you on our e-mail list!

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

MEETINGS: FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CY-WOODS COMMONS.

Mr. Cy-Woods International Man of Mystery February 10 – 7:00 p.m.

SENIOR MEN -- Do you have what it takes?

Talent...charm...ability to wear a tuxedo???

Then you need to sign up for Mr. Cy-Woods, a fun senior event to be held February 10th at 7:00 p.m. Contestants will be judged in the following categories: talent, swimwear, and formal wear. The winner will receive a free tux rental for prom and other great prizes. All participants will receive WRAP bucks and a Mr. Cy-Woods T-shirt.

Senior Women: you can participate too – sign up to be an escort!

Volunteers are also needed! For more information, contact:

Heidi Wheeler (heidicw@sbcglobal.net)

Shawna Dukes (shawna.dukes@sbcglobal.net)

bolgaltex@yahoo.com All donations and purchases for this event are tax deductible 501(c)(3) organization'"/>

Attention All Senior Parents! Class of 2011

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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
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SECONDARY SCHOOLS






1st Semester

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

2nd Semester

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

LEGEND

-  STUDENT/STAFF HOLIDAY
-  PROFESSIONAL DAY
(Student Holiday)
-  FIRST & LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
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Church News

Good Shephard United Methodist Church

GS Kids & YOUTH News

February 13 is Jesus Loves Me Sunday! We will be celebrating and sharing the love of Jesus with our friends and neighbors today. Bring a friend and join us for a great morning of fellowship, crafts, snacks, and an official Jesus Loves Me Sunday balloon release. Visit the youth website for all upcoming youth activities, www.gsmyouth.net.

DIVORCECARE

DivorceCare for Adults will be offered in conjunction with DivorceCare for Kids. DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. This study meets on Sundays from 4:30-6:30pm. Email ed.thomas536@yahoo.com to register. There is a \$14 charge for workbooks.

GRIEFSHARE

Griefshare is a seminar to support those who have lost a loved one. Meetings will be held on Monday nights from 6:15-8pm

(through February 21) at Good Shepherd UMC. \$14 includes a resource book. Childcare available if preregistered within 48 hours. Register online at www.goodchurch.us. Email Robyn at robynb@goodchurch.us for more information.

PYRO - AN HOUR OF PRAYER

(2nd MONDAY MONTHLY) All are welcome to join us on the 2nd Monday of every month in our sanctuary. We will have a short time to worship and then offer a time of quiet meditation and prayer on your own. (Psalm 46:10)

ADULT MINISTRY

Women~ Mark your Calendar for the weekend of February 25-27 for some relaxation, and rejuvenation with your girlfriends at the Heartland Retreat Center in Brenham, TX for our Annual Girlfriends' Retreat. Visit www.goodchurch.us for more information and to register. Men~ Join us on the first Saturday of each month at 8am for

our Monthly Breakfast. Join us as we share a hearty breakfast, and start your morning with a time of fellowship and a short devotional. Want to know more about what's going on in the Men's and Women's Ministries? Email Cynthia Blackshear at cynthiab@goodchurch.us to be added to the monthly newsletter mailing list.

COUPLE'S NIGHT OUT (FEB 5TH)

Marriage Enrichment : Need a night out to focus on just you and your spouse? Join us on Feb. 5th for our next CNO event.

Drop off your kids for free childcare at 6:30, and then join us for a quick rally time where you will receive discussion topics to take on your date to kick-start conversation. You will then have a chance to go out with your spouse and return by 9pm to pick up your children. Please register online at www.goodchurch.us as childcare for this event is limited and will close registration once full.

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT

7:30pm BIBLE CLASSES (all ages from Infants to Adults)

YOUTH MINISTRY

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Harvest Bible Church

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life (John 3:16)... The “for” in v. 16 explains vv. 14-15 which say that “all who believe” in the Son of God, whom God lifted up, will have eternal life. Those who gain eternal life are “all who believe,” and the word “believe” is a present participle showing continuous action—literally, “those who are believing.” Belief isn’t just a one time event but an ongoing reality that, if genuine, never ceases.

The explanation has to do with what God did and why. What He did was “love” (Greek agape) the world—a word that points to volitional and unconditional love as an action as opposed to a feeling of sentimentality. The Greek word agape is a past tense verb in this context, and the Greek form (aorist) is one of “snapshot” action, like a photo. Thus, God’s love to the world is seen in a snapshot photo, as it were, when Christ died on the cross.

What did God love? The world—which includes both God’s created order and His created peoples (1:10). Jews would have struggled greatly over this truth. They believed that God was loving but that He only loved them! Yet since God is love, it makes no sense that His love be confined to any one people, although His wrath is

on those who fail to love Him. His entire essence is love, so all that He does for mankind—the pinnacle of His creation—is loving.

The English text says that God “so” loved the world. But the Greek text is literally, in such a manner, expressing means not emotion. It isn’t that God was “so” in love with the world, but that He loved the world “in such a manner” so as to send His Son. Sentimentalism is absent.

How did God love the world? By giving His “only begotten Son”—Jesus Christ. “Only begotten” simply means “unique” and does not imply that God has only one son, for He gives life to all. He has only one unique Son, Jesus Christ. This is similar to Abraham, who had a plurality of sons but only one unique son, Isaac, through whom God’s promises are fulfilled. And as Abraham was willing to sacrifice his unique son in obedience to God, Christians will do well to recognize the incalculable cost God paid to show His love for the world by sending His one and only Son. Yes, God loved the world in the loftiest way conceivable, by sending His Son.

The theology of John 3:16 is not simply that God loved the world by giving His Son. He did it for a purpose... that all who believe in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. True belief, however,

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isn't a simple recognition of Christ's death, for the devil knows all about that; rather, true believe concerns a lifestyle of trusting in Christ. Those who do will die physically of course, but then they will live eternally with their loving God. All others will "be destroyed" eternally (cf. 2 Thess. 1:9). Why? Man is born sinful and rebellious, and everyone who evaluates his life knows this. God wills no one to hell, but man's freewill chooses it every time. Thus, it is God's love that overcomes man's depraved will—like a drowned man washed up on a beach—and brings him to life spiritually by causing him to be born anew (1 Pet 1:3). Instead of God just overlooking the saved man's sin, in His love He paid the penalty for that sin by dying on the cross. Thus, the love of God is manifested in His actions through His Son Jesus who has offered eternal life to all who believe—to all who trust in Him and submit to Him alone as God.

Rejecting God does not mean spitting in His face; it simply entails rejecting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Certainly God's love is a major theme throughout Scripture, but so too is judgment and wrath upon all those who refuse to trust in God through His Son Jesus Christ.

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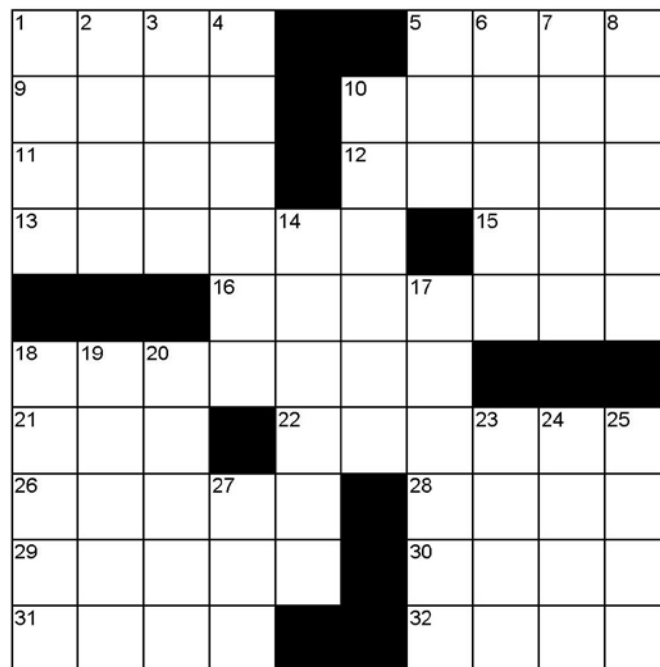
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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Cleaning agent
5. Welt
9. Factual
10. Raise one's shoulders
11. Gain
12. Making a knot
13. Opposite of cubic
15. Pride
16. Passes
18. Dress up
21. Dined
22. Wagerer
26. __ Gras
28. Possess
29. Rock and Roll "King"
30. Spread
31. Flow out slowly
32. Goody two shoes

DOWN

1. Stair
2. Spoken
3. Nimbus
4. Enclosed
5. Reporter's question
6. Sign of the zodiac
7. Surge
8. Kellogg's waffles
10. Shoot from a plane
14. Excuses
17. Type of snake
18. Ladies
19. Dickens' " __ of Two Cities" (2 wds.)
20. Sensitive point
23. Record
24. Above
25. Rip
27. Sink

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When It's Just You in an Emergency



"Mom!" you yell down the stairs. "Where's my math book? I can't find it and the bus is coming! Please help me ... it's an emergency!"

It is kind of an emergency with the bus coming and all, but what about a medical emergency? That kind of emergency is usually more serious. If you don't have your math book or miss the bus, that would be bad. But a medical emergency means someone needs care from a doctor right away. Let's find out the right thing to do.

QUICK THINKING: WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Liz and her little brother Jamie are out for a walk. Jamie decides to race ahead down a very steep hill. He's running pretty fast when he suddenly trips. Over and over he falls, rolling down the hill at high speed until he's sprawled out on the sidewalk at the bottom.

Liz rushes to her brother's side, hoping that he's OK. Then she sees some blood on the pavement. And Jamie isn't moving at all. What should she do? First things first: Liz should call for help right away.

Calling for help is the most important thing a kid can do in an emergency. If you are going to be the one making the emergency phone call, here's what to do:

- Take a deep breath to calm down a little.
- Tell the operator there's an emergency.

- Say your name and where you are (the exact address if you know it).
- Explain what happened and how many people are hurt. (The operator will need all the information you can provide, so give as many details as you can.)
- Stay on the line until the operator says it's OK to hang up.

After calling for help, your first thought might be to rush over to the person who's injured. But stop and look before you do. Make sure the scene is safe. If it's not, wait in a safe spot until a grown-up or an emergency team arrives.

If the scene is safe, and as soon as Liz is sure someone is calling 911 – or she has called it herself – she could return to her brother and wait until help arrives. (She shouldn't move her brother at all because he could have a neck or other bone injury. Moving someone who has that sort of injury can make it much worse.) She can help him feel calm by being calm herself.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

The best way to handle an emergency is to be prepared for one. Knowing what to do ahead of time can help you stay in control so that you can help. Here are some suggestions on how to be ready to help in an emergency:

When you are outdoors, make sure you are in an area where you can call out for help even if you don't have a phone with you.

- Know how to dial 911 or your local emergency number. In most areas in the United States, it's 911.
- If you have one, carry a cell phone or know how to use your parent's cell phone.
- Learn first aid. Look for basic first-aid classes with your local Red Cross, the YMCA or YWCA, the Boy or Girl Scouts, 4-H clubs, your local hospital, and other organizations. Or ask your school nurse to have a first-aid class just for students in your school.

It's scary to think about someone getting hurt. But the truth is that accidents can and do happen. They happen when people are being careless and careful. Sometimes, kids are the ones who get hurt. Sometimes, grown-ups get hurt. Either way, it's good to know what to do if someone needs emergency medical help. Even though you're a kid, you can make a big difference by doing the right thing.

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Be a Hero - the Smart Way

In an emergency, a kid might think about playing the superhero by driving a car or racing into a burning building. Do do it! you could cause another accident or make the situation worse. If you get hurt, too, who will call 911?

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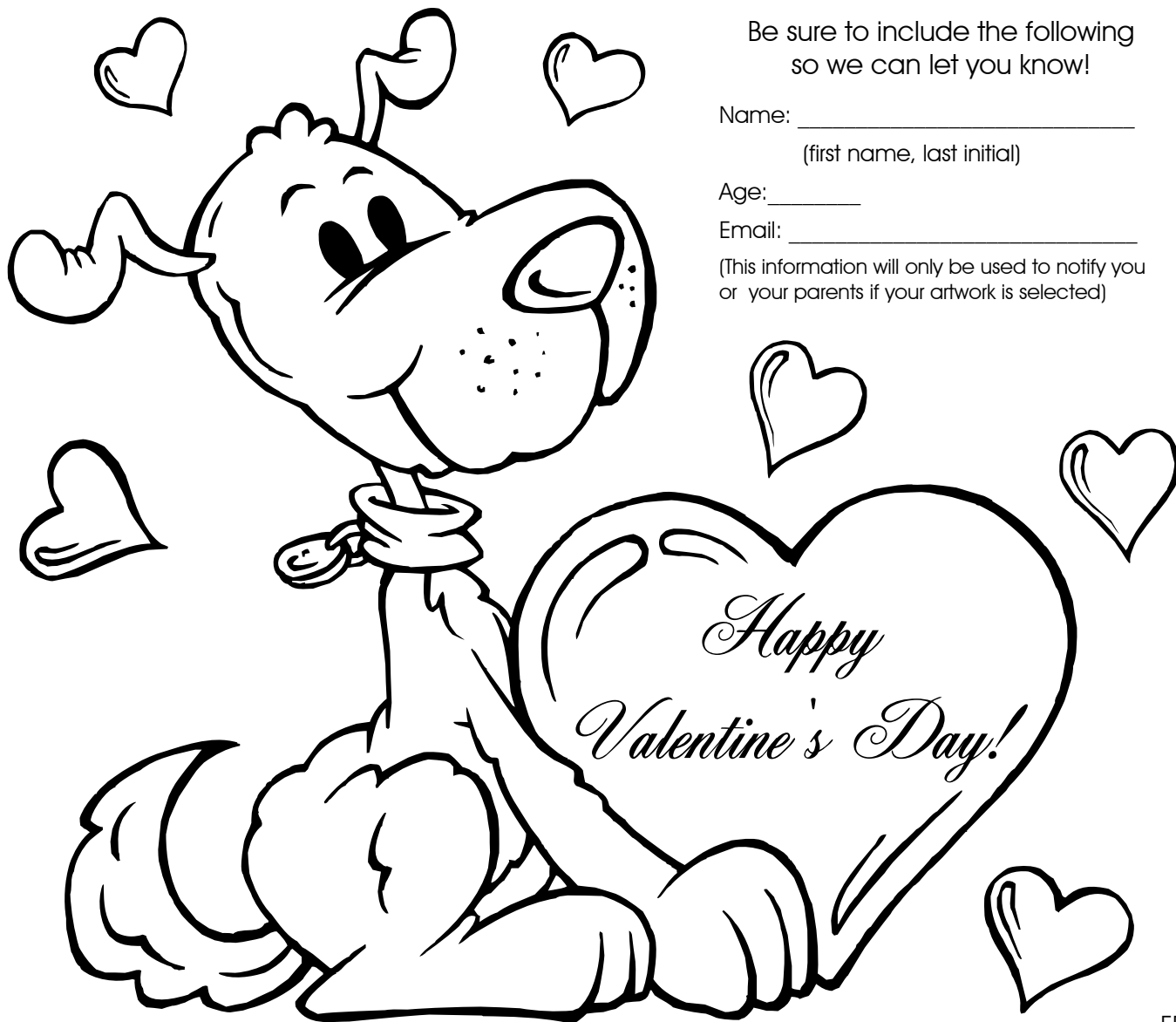


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