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AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Cy-Fair Express Network (CYFEN)

EVENT

Monthly Networking Luncheon

WHEN

June 23, 2011

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. Bring plenty of business cards for networking. Please make reservations online by June 17 @ www.cyfen.org or call Darlene Hajduk @ 713-939-9730.

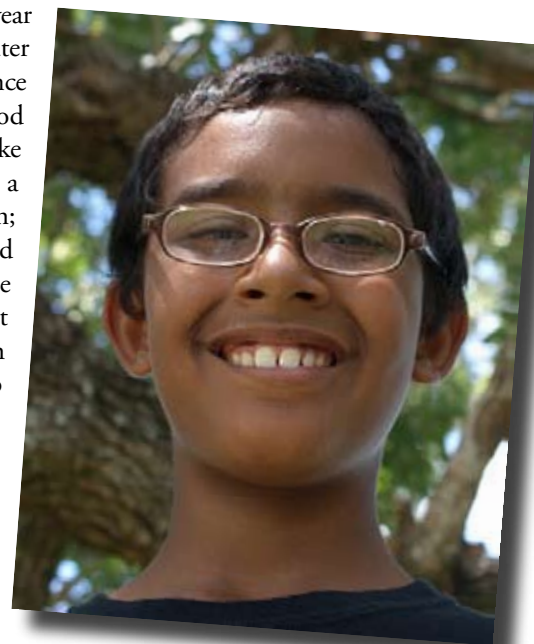
Our mission is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.

MEET NATHAN

What is life like today for a typical ten year old boy? Skateboards, bicycles, computer games, school with kids he has known since he started kinder garden, neighborhood friends to hang out with, parents that make him clean his room and take a bath on a regular basis, but are always there for him; grandparents that spoil him? For a child in the foster care system, many of these things are missing. And those are the most important, namely the relationships with family and long term friends that tend to build trust and security that help the child develop a strong sense of self and build on self-esteem.

Meet Nathan, an active 10 year old child in foster care. He loves the Texas Longhorns and is a talented football and basketball player. He enjoys school, has lots of friends and is always respectful to his teacher. Nathan has so much potential for the future and in finding his forever home, he is destined to reach all of it!!

Stability of loving relationships and predictability in a safe environment are essential elements to help each child reach their potential. Finding a "Forever Family" for a child like Nathan is critical to his continued growth and development. As long as kids like Nathan remain in the foster care system, they always have the mindset that tomorrow may mean another foster home, another school, another set of parents to adjust to. Could you help Nathan or other children like him to gain the trust and security that comes with having a permanent family?



Adopting a child from the foster care system requires little or no cost to the adoptive family and funding may be available to help the adoptive family support the child or sibling group.

For more information, please contact Stephanie Berka, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, Adoption Coalition of Texas at 512-450-8750 or email at stephanieberka@adopttexas.org

To learn more about the adoption process and the Adoption Coalition of Texas, please call Bruce Thompson at 512-301-2825 or visit our website at <http://www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org>

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Crimson Cadette **Drill Team Dance Clinic**

Cypress Woods High School
16925 Spring Cypress Rd.
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The Cy-woods Crimson Cadettes Drill Team will host their 6th annual dance clinic for K-12 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on August 10-12. This is a major fund-raiser for the team and enables them to participate in activities throughout the 2011-2012 school year. The fee is \$55 and includes dance technique, specially choreographed routines for each age group, a t-shirt, drinks and snacks each day and a picture for each participant. Showoffs will be held the last day at 11:30 a.m. For more information email goodsonms@comcast.net or check out our website at www.crimsoncadettes.com. On the website, you will find a sign-up form and a link to PayPal for easy payment.

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and on campus student organizations at Texas A&M. If you are a new or current Aggie Mom, we welcome you to join us at one of the following locations in your area. Please RSVP to Judy Thompson at 281.798.4312 or Tish Otten at 832.722.5983 so our hostesses know how many people to expect. We look forward to meeting you!

Monday, June 21, 2011 – 7 pm (Lakewood Oaks Estate Area)
Alicia Collins, Hostess
 13510 Cahill Lane, Cypress 77429

Saturday, June 25, 2011 – 2 pm (Lakewood Forest Area)
Tish Otten, Hostess
 13114 Chriswood, Cypress 77429

Sunday, June 26th, 2011 – 2 pm (Spring Area)
Mary Holub, Hostess
 18419 Falling Oak Way, Spring 77379

Thursday, July 7th, 2011 – 7 pm (Tomball Area)
Jo Miller King, Hostess
 11918 Mariposa Canyon Drive, Tomball 77377

Sunday, July 10th, 2011 – 2 pm (Copperfield Area)
Judy Thompson, Hostess
 7519 Wisteria Ridge Ct., Houston 77095

Thursday, July 14th, 2011 – 7 pm (Jersey Village Area)
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When you invest, you take some risks. While you can't totally avoid these risks, you can take steps to help reduce their impact and increase your comfort level. And the more comfortable you are with your investments, the easier it will be to follow a long-term strategy that can help you meet your goals.

Let's look at the most common types of risk related to investing, along with some suggestions on helping to reduce these risks:

Losing principal — This type of risk is most closely associated with investing. For example, when you purchase a stock, you know that its value could go up or down. If it drops below your purchase price, and you then sell your shares, you will lose some of your principal.

Your response — You can't eliminate the risk of losing principal, but by owning a mix of stocks, bonds, government securities and other types of investments, you can help reduce the impact of volatility on your portfolio. Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, can't guarantee a profit or protect against loss.

Losing value when interest rates change — This type of risk primarily affects fixed-income investments, such as bonds. If you purchase a bond that pays, say, a 4% interest rate, and the market rate goes up to 5%, then the value of your bond will drop because

no one will be willing to pay you the full price for it when newer, higher-yielding bonds are available.

Your response — You can combat, or even ignore, interest rate risk by holding your bonds until they mature. By doing so, you'll get your full principal back, provided the issuer doesn't default, and you'll continue to receive regular interest payments unless the bonds are "called," or repurchased by the issuer. (You can help protect against this by purchasing bonds that have some degree of "call protection" and by owning bonds with different maturities.)

Losing purchasing power — This risk largely applies to fixed-rate investments such as certificates of deposit (CDs). To illustrate: If you purchase a CD that pays 2%, and the inflation rate is 3%, you are actually losing purchasing power.

Your response — Despite their vulnerability to inflation, CDs can offer you some valuable benefits, such as preservation of principal. Yet if you are concerned about fighting inflation, you may want to look for investments that have the potential to offer rising income, such as dividend-paying stocks. In fact, you can find stocks that have increased their dividends for many consecutive years. (Be aware,

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though, that companies can reduce or eliminate dividends at any time. Also, an investment in stocks fluctuates, and you could lose your principal.)

Apart from these individual techniques to reduce investment-related risk, you should also save early and save often — because the more money you accumulate, the greater your ability to follow a long-term strategy that reflects your personal risk tolerance. That's why it's a good idea to contribute as much as possible over the years to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.

By understanding the different types of investment risk, and by acting to help lessen them, you can reduce much of the stress sometimes associated with investing — while you increase your prospects for achieving your objectives.



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Summer Shows in the Center for the Arts

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Registration Under Way for Summer and Fall

Lone Star College-CyFair offers options and flexibility, so register now for Weekend College, CORE Friday courses, online courses, Dual Credit courses and more. Sign up for Summer Session II classes that start July 14. And it's never too early to register for fall classes which start Aug. 29. For information, go to LoneStar.edu/registration.

L.I.F.E. Lessons in June

The Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library (Room 131.) Programs in June include "Great New Summer Reads" June 1; "The Miracle of Omega 3s" June 8; "Eat it Raw!" June 15; "Royal Wedding Madness" June 22 and "What's a Wobble?" June 29. Call the library at 281.290.3214 for L.I.F.E. program information.

Library Offers Summer Fun for Everyone

The Harris County Public Library Lone Star College-CyFair Branch offers a Summer Reading Program for children and adults. A variety of monthly book clubs for all ages are available as well as plenty of programs and activities. Registration for the Summer Reading Program begins June 6. Go online to LoneStar.edu/library for information.

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CY-RANCH CLASSICS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Longwood Golf Club

(13300 Longwood Trace Cypress, Texas 77429)

Please join the Cy-Ranch High School Classics Parent Club as they host the Cy-Ranch Classics Golf Tournament on Wednesday, June 15, 2011. The tournament will be a **four-man scramble** which will begin at **9:00 a.m. with a shotgun start**. All proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Cy-Ranch High School Classics Drill Team. **All entry forms MUST be turned in to Amy and Warren Janak by June 3, 2011!**

Tournament Registration & Check-In will begin at 8:00 a.m.

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Contact Amy or Warren Janak at 281-550-2576 for details and/or questions.

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Recipe of the Month CHILI CON QUESO

INGREDIENTS

- 2 lbs. Velveeta cheese, cubed
- 1 - 13 oz. can evaporated milk
- ¼ lb. margarine
- 2 onions, chopped fine
- 2 or 3 garlic buds, minced
- 12 or 14 whole green chilies, seeded & mashed
- 1 large jar pimentos, chopped
- 1 large can taco sauce

-Melt cheese in double boiler with milk. Saute onions, garlic in margarine until soft but not brown.
-Add green chilies, pimentos and taco sauce.
-Cook about 10 minutes covered.
-Add cheese mixture.
-Blend well, but do not boil. Serve hot or cold. -
Keeps well in a glass jar in refrigerator.
-Reheat in double boiler or microwave.
-Can be used as a dip, or a sauce on broccoli, cauliflower, or green beans; or a spread for toast or stuffing for celery. All 1 T to scrambled egg for "eggs Espanole".



As the school year is coming to an end, the Cypress Woods High School Key Club is wrapping up a great year of service. Over the past school year the Cy-Woods Key Club has served at the Houston Food Bank several times and has volunteered in the community by helping at elementary school activities and other events throughout Cypress. The Cy-Woods Key Club has also helped raised money for Alex's Lemonade Stand, an organization that raises money for pediatric cancer research. Cy-Woods has over 200 members and is ranked in the top 25 Key Clubs in all of Texas and Oklahoma. If you are interested in learning more about the Cy-Woods Key Club, or are in need of student volunteers for an event, contact us at

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June 26th Open Water Swim benefits Colin's Hope

Splash into Lake Travis for the Red Licorice Events Open Water Swim at the Mansfield Dam on June 26. The swim benefits Colin's Hope and you can choose from 800m, 1.2 mile or 2.4 mile options. Visit www.redlicoriceevents.com for more information.

August 27th & 28th 3rd Annual Colin's Hope Kids Triathlon

Athletes ages 5-15, mark your calendars for August 27th & 28th. Our Kids Triathlon will once again take place in the Lake Pointe neighborhood. Registration opens in early June and will fill up very quickly! Visit www.colinshope.org

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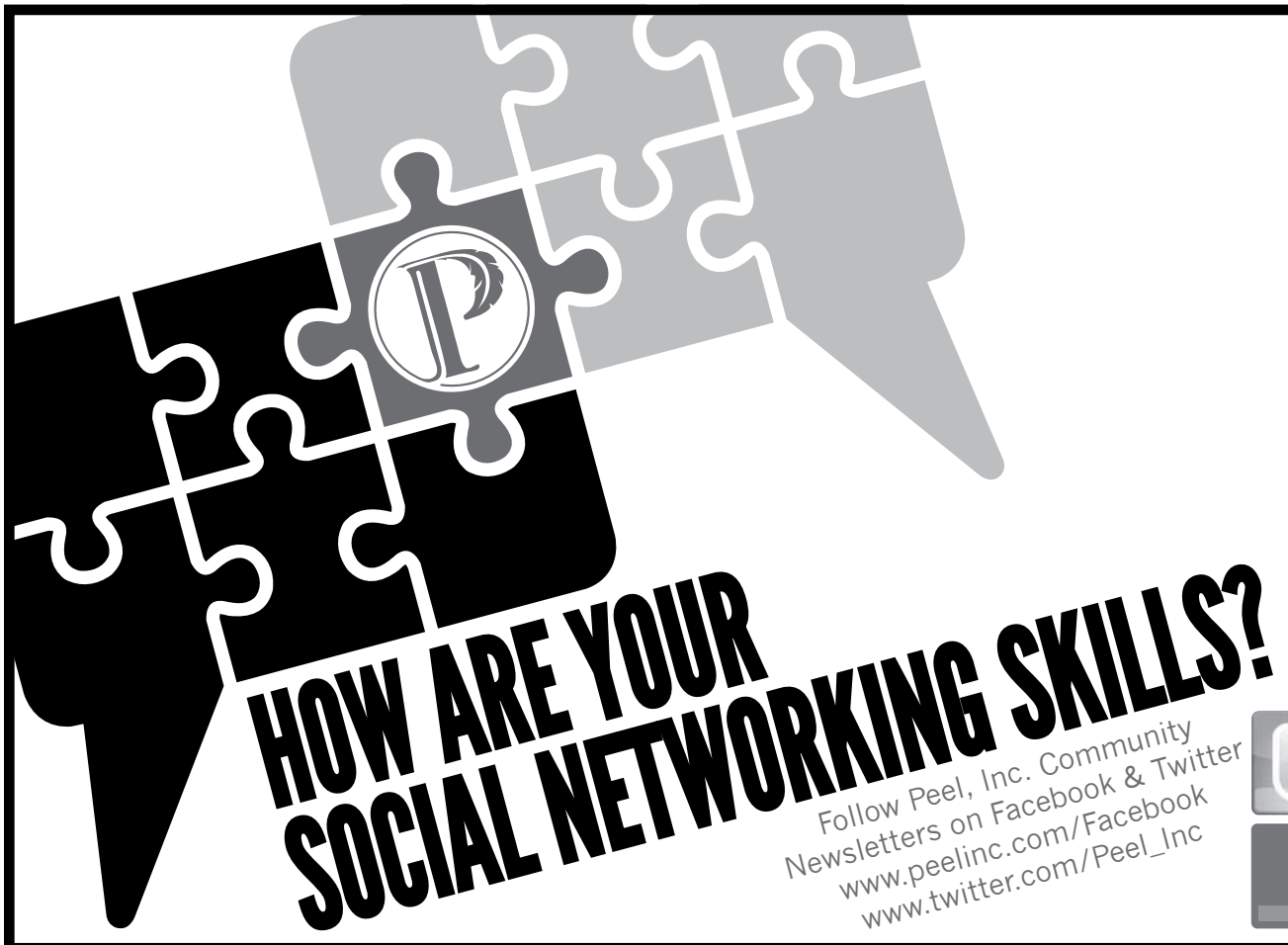
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- Kids Stuff -

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



What a Fire Ant Is

There are many different types of fire ants, and they are found all throughout the southeastern and southwestern United States. The most common and aggressive kind is the red imported fire ant, which is reddish-brown and measures about 1/8-inch long (about half the size of a pencil eraser).

Red imported fire ants live in colonies that first nest in the ground, and then create a mound of dirt over the nest. These mounds can grow up to 18 inches high and over 2 feet wide! Red imported fire ants' nests can be found on lawns, in parks, on playgrounds, in fields, and in pastures. Some red imported fire ants create nests in walls of buildings.

What a Fire Ant Sting Looks and Feels Like

A person who gets stung by a fire ant will feel a sharp pain and burning. A person who steps on a fire ant mound will get a lot of stings at once because the ants have been disturbed where they all live together. Each sting will turn into an itchy white blister over the next day.

What You Should Do

If you ever think that you have been stung by a fire ant, tell an adult immediately. That's because the venom (poison) in the fire ants' stings can cause the area of the sting to swell up quite a bit, and a doctor may want to have a look to make sure you

are not having an allergic reaction. The symptoms of an allergic reaction include hives (red patches on the skin that sting and itch), nausea, dizziness, a tight feeling in the throat, or difficulty breathing. If these symptoms occur, the person needs to get medical attention right away.

But more often, you can follow these steps after a fire ant sting:

Wash the area with soap and water.

Apply some ice to the area.

Check with the doctor if you have redness, swelling, or itching.

What a Doctor Will Do

A doctor may suggest giving a medicine called an antihistamine to control swelling and itching. If you are having a more severe allergic reaction to a fire ant sting, he or she may give you a shot fights the reaction. People who know that they are allergic to fire ant stings also sometimes carry emergency medicine that they can give to themselves to prevent a severe reaction from happening.

How to Avoid Getting Bitten

The best way to avoid getting bitten by fire ants is to keep your shoes on when playing near fire ant mounds. If you come across one, don't ever poke at it or try to play with it.

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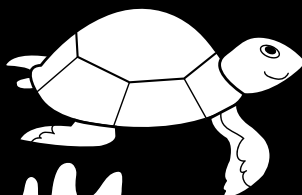
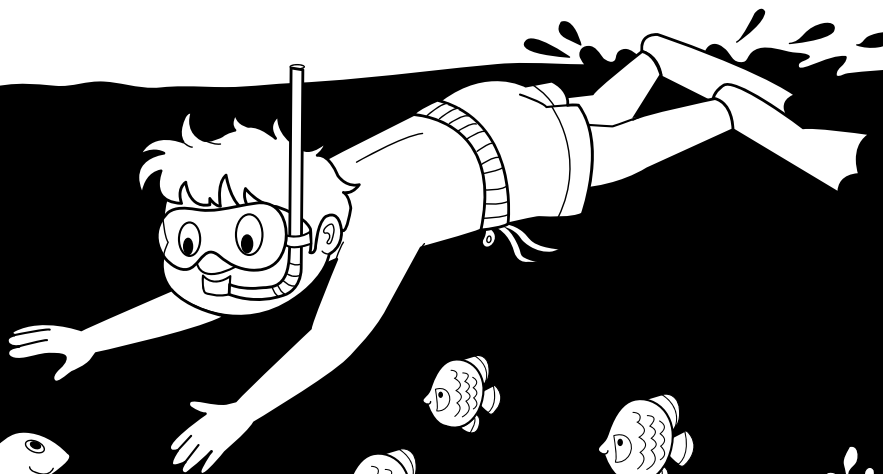
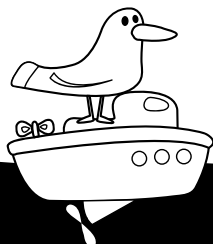
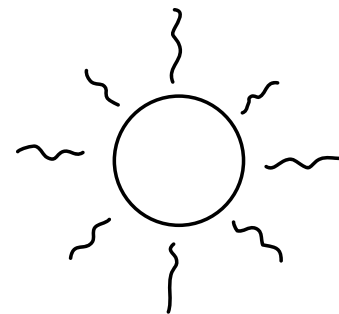
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\$500,000 and above	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
\$176,000--\$200,999	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$151,000--\$175,999	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
\$141,000--\$150,999	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	1
\$121,000--\$140,999	1	1	2	3	3	4	0	1	2	0
\$101,000--\$120,999	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1
\$100,999 and below	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	4	5	2	4	3	4	3	3	4	6
Highest \$/sq ft	\$73.16	\$68.41	\$70.66	\$74.85	\$70.77	\$69.66	\$66.00	\$53.97	\$51.00	\$75.36

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