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# **Financial Focus** Know Your Investment Risks — and How to Respond

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

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# Congrats High School & College Graduates!

We would like to recognize all the seniors in Lakes on Eldridge North for 2011! Proud parents and students can share a photo and bio to be published in the Lakes on Eldridge North newsletter by submitting them to loen@peelinc. com by the 8th. Tell us about your accomplishments and future plans so your neighbors can celebrate this important milestone!



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Deadline for submitting articles for the Lakes On Eldridge North Newsletter is the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Submissions are subject to space limitations and editorial approval. Email Articles to <u>loen@PEELinc.com</u>.

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### Financial Focus - (Continued from Cover Page)

Apart from these individual techniques to reduce investmentrelated 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.

### CY-RANCH HIGH SCHOOL

If your son/daughter will be attending CyRanch High School next school year and you are not currently on our email list, please email us at cypressranchvips@gmail.com and let us know that you'd like to be on our list and tell us what grade(s) your child(ren) will be in.

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# **Meet Nathan**

nama Nathan and 10 years

### Personality

- an active child who wishes he could spend all of his time outside! loves to play basketball
  - and football; is a huge Longhorns Fan
  - can be shy when you first meet him but is learning how to open up to new people • needs a loving, patient
    - family that will provide a structured and nurturing home

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!!

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### Meet Nathan - (Continued from Page 4)

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

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.





# Foundation for Foreign Study

Families from all over the Houston area are opening up their homes and lives to foreign exchange students through the EF Foundation for Foreign Study.

EF Foundation is a leader in high school foreign exchange, bringing more students to the United States than any other exchange program. A nonprofit committed to promoting global awareness for over 30 years; EF Foundation leverages a committed network of local coordinators to connect thousands of students with caring American families each year.

EF exchange students come from more than 30 countries around the world and are between the ages of 15 and 18. The majority of students stay for a full high school year. In the past, exchange students have come to live in Texas from as far away as Germany, Hong Kong, Australia and Norway, to name a few.

I am an International Exchange Coordinator for EF Foundation. I will be working with the community to secure host families for a number of students this year.

In order to raise awareness of this life-changing opportunity, we need the community to see local narratives of the wonderful families and students who have had unforgettable experiences through the program.

### **CHECK OUT OUR INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS!**

- http://vimeo.com/1154826
- http://vimeo.com/10247951
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLldRF-4x04&feature=player\_embedded
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Please do not hesitate to contact us with any inquiries, as we would be happy to work with you.

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- 11-12—HOUSTON: Classy Chassis Concours d'Elegance Features unique and rare automotive icons, exotic hand-built sports cars, hot rods and racing machines from some of the finest private collections and museums in the United States. Reliant Stadium. www.classychassis.org
- 11-12—WHARTON: Citywide Garage Sale www.whartontexas.com 979/532-1862
- 12—ALVIN: Tour de Braz Bike Ride Features 5 noncompetitive rides through beautiful, historic Brazoria County. www. tourdebraz.com 281/388-4299
- 14—CORPUS CHRISTI: Sensational Sustainable Seafood Each month, a local chef offers wonderful seafood recipes along with wine to make people more aware of seafood that is being overfished and urge them to choose seafood that is sustainable. Guest chef is Lawrence Vera from Harrison's Landing. Texas State Aquarium, 2710 N. Shoreline Blvd. www. texasstateaquarium.org 361/881-1200
- 16—CORPUS CHRISTI: Live! On the Lawn Free monthly outdoor music and entertainment series presents local music and performance groups from 6–9 p.m. On the lawn at La Palmera Mall, between the food court entrance and main entrance. www.lapalmera.com 361/991-3755
- 16—GALVESTON: Underground Railroad Program Students ages 8 to 12 years old, accompanied by an adult, are invited

to attend this educational program in conjunction with the celebration of Juneteenth. Register by e-mail to education@galvestonhistory.org. Garten Verein, 2704 Avenue O. www.galveston. com 888/939-8680

- 17—PORT ARANSAS: Texas Game Warden Association Fishing Tournament Robert's Point Park, 301 J. C. Barr Blvd. http://tgwa. justgofishin.com 361/815-5752
- 17-18—PORT ARANSAS: Powderpuff Tournament Fishing event is open to women only. Registration is Friday and fishing day is Saturday. Woody's Sport Center, 136 W. Cotter Ave. www. gulfcoastfishing.com 361/749-5252
- 18—EDNA: Klint Shaw Memorial Roping Brackenridge Recreation Complex Main Event Center, 284 Brackenridge Parkway. E-mail: mec@lnra.org 361/782-7272
- 18—GALVESTON: Neighborhood Walking Tour: UTMB's Historic Buildings The Galveston Historical Association leads walking tours highlighting historic neighborhoods. See how Galveston's neighborhoods were shaped and view structures built from the 1850s to the 1950s. Hours are 9–10:30 a.m. Old Red, 301 University Blvd. www.galvestonhistory. org 888/939-8680
- **18—HOUSTON:** Buffalo Bayou Kayak Trips Join the Buffalo Bayou Partnership for a kayak adventure through Houston's

stunning urban wilderness. Starts at boat launch at Woodway Drive at Post Oak Lane. www.buffalobayou.org 713/752-0314 ext. 3

- **18—LAKE JACKSON:** Bird Banding The public is invited to join workers collecting data on bird populations at the Gulf Coast Bird Observatory. Hours are 8 a.m. to noon. www.gcbo.org 979/480-0999
- 18—PORT ARTHUR: Cayman Night in Port Arthur Island-style party complete with reggae music, limbo dancing and more. Carl Parker Multipurpose Center at Lamar State College. www.caymannight. com 409/963-1107
- 18—ROSENBERG: Czech Heritage Day Features polka dancing and live entertainment from Cary Oswald and the Lazy Farmers Band, plus a kolache baking contest, sausage samples, Czech goods for sale, art displays and more. Historic Downtown District, 800 Third St. www. rosenbergevents.com
- **18—VICTORIA:** Market Day DeLeon Plaza, 100 W. Constitution. www. victoriatx.org 361/485-3200
- **18—WEST COLUMBIA:** Juncteenth Celebration Includes a ceremony at 10 a.m. and guided tours from noon to 3 p.m. focusing on the lives of slaves living on the Patton Plantation. Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site. 979/345-4656

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### Texas Events - (Continued from Page 8)

- 18—WHARTON: Juneteenth Celebration Includes live entertainment, a parade, carnival and festival on Monterey Square in downtown Wharton. Performers include the Superior Band, Lenny Williams, Clarence Cater, Lee Williams, Rue Davis, the Missouri City Temptations and J Paul Zydeco. E-mail: finance@ whartonchamber.com 979/532-1862
- 19—PASADENA: Nature Sunday Series The Armand Bayou Nature Center presents this program designed to help people understand the natural world around them through speakers and activities for children and adults. Hours are 1–3 p.m. 8500 Bay Area Blvd. www.abnc.org 281/474-2551
- **19—PORT ARANSAS:** Father and Son U.S. Open Golf Tournament Newport Dunes Golf Club, 265 Palm Island Drive. www.newportdunesgolf.com 361/749-4653
- **19—PORT ARTHUR:** Juneteenth Celebration Downtown. 409/985-5513
- 19—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Surfrider Children's Surf Clinic Learn to surf in honor of International Surfing Day. Isla Blanca Park. www.surfrider.org/southtexas
- 24-25—FULTON: Salty Dog Fishing Tournament Paws & Taws Fulton Convention Center, 402 N. Fulton Beach Road. 361/729-2388

- 24-25—WHARTON: Wharton County Freedom Fest Features live music, a barbecue cook-off, farmers' market, car and motorcycle show, antique tractors, helicopter rides, a salute to veterans, booths and fireworks. Riverfront Park. E-mail: finance@whartonchamber. com 979/532-1862
- **25—SANTA FE:** Buffet Magic The Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce hosts a buffet dinner with gourmet food tasting, auctions and entertainment. Dinner tickets include chefs' recipes and featured dishes. Santa Fe High School, 16000 Texas 6. www. santafetexaschamber.com 409/925-8558
- **29-July 3—FREEPORT:** Fishing Fiesta This 63rd annual event includes prizes for both inshore and offshore categories, live entertainment, carnival and food. Freeport Municipal Park. www. fishinfiesta.com 979/233-5137 or 979/236-8189
- **30-Aug. 28—BEAUMONT:** Artwork by Michael Lee Art Museum of Southeast Texas, 500 Main St. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

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### LONE STAR COLLEGE CYFAIR PERSPECTIVE

#### Summer Shows in the Center for the Arts

On stage, enjoy the summer children's show "Cinderella" 10 a.m. daily except Saturday at noon June 13 through June 18. For event information, go to LoneStar. edu/boxoffice. In the Bosque Gallery, see "New Forms in Printmaking: Anna Mavromatis and Clarke Curtis" June 7 through July 7 with a reception June 15. For gallery information, go to LoneStar. edu/bosquegallery.

### 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.

### Get Licensed to Drive -Summer Teen Driver's Education Available

A class for teens, ages 15 to 17, is available June 27 and again July 6. The driver's education course covers road rules, road signs and laws to prepare the teens for the Department of Public Safety's written exam. Other topics are car maintenance, effects of drugs and alcohol, laws and penalties for drinking and driving, emergency situations, basic driving procedures, road rage, and insurance. Parents are responsible for the in-car instruction. Students are required to purchase the Texas Traffic Safety Education Student Manual, which is available at the campus bookstore. For information, call 281.290.3460.



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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	
	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	
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March 14-18	Student/Staff Holidays
April 22	Student/Staff Holiday
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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

 Ist 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



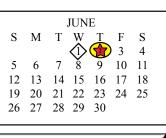
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# **TOP 50 REASONS** To Use My Real Estate Expertise in LOE & LOEN!

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## Summer Mixers for New Aggie Moms - 2011

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club will be hosting "Summer Mixers" for new Aggie Moms throughout the northwest Harris County region. The NWHC Aggie Mom's organization provides an opportunity to meet other Aggie Moms, provides valuable information about Texas A&M University, and funds scholarships for Aggie students 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!

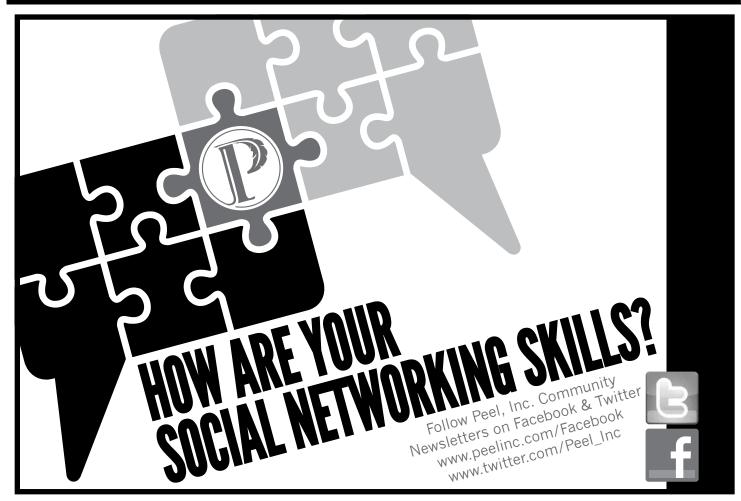
Monday, June 21, 2011 – 7 pm (Lakewood Oaks Estate Area) Alicia Collins, Hostess 13510 Cahill Lane, Cypress 77429

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) Denise Jungels, Hostess 8529 Wyndham Village Drive, Houston 77040





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### INGREDIENTS

- 2 lbs. Velveeta cheese, cubed
- 1 13 oz. can evaporated milk
- 1/4 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

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-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".

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### 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

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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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