

# Wortham Villages

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## BEYOND THE LANE LINES:

### *What a Ride!*

The Wortham Whitesharks wrapped up another great season this June, as 250 swimmers learned, worked hard, raced hard, and swam fast together as a team. The Whitesharks once again finished another winning season (our 16th) in dramatic fashion, as we narrowly won our 12th Divisionals against some of the best teams in the league. The Whitesharks have a 90% win record in dual meets in our history (95% since our first year), and have won more Divisionals meets than most teams in the league, many of which have been around over twice as long as we have. Do you want to know why we have been so successful over the years? It's because we measure our success in smiles and we have never lost focus on what we are here to do: "to provide healthful recreation, teach responsibility, teamwork, and fair play, build self-confidence in an atmosphere of competitive sports, and above all to have FUN." From day one, our swimmers hear the goals of our team: first and foremost, to have fun, and second, to swim as fast and legal as possible according to each swimmer's ability. These goals cannot be accomplished unless we pursue them as a team. Our team is special, our kids are special, and this season has once again been quite a ride.

Can you believe the Whitesharks have been having fun in Wortham for 17 years now? Over those 17 years we have had over a thousand swimmers experience the fun, excitement, sportsmanship and great teamwork of the Wortham Whitesharks Swim Team, the best team in the country. A thousand swimmers. That is just an awesome number, but you know, it's still too small. Everyone should have a chance to see what it's like to swim for the Whitesharks. Although we just finished the season, it's not too early to start thinking about joining (or rejoining) the greatest team you will ever be a part of. Just leave May and June open next year. I promise you will not regret it.

Thank you Wortham for helping to make our team such a wonderful experience for our kids. Thank you to our hard working Board, especially our

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## SAVE THE DATE!



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*National Night Out  
is on Tuesday October 4.*

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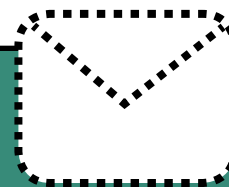
*the baseball or soccer field  
in the detention pond?*

Need the pavilion for a party? Make a reservation so you can be sure it's available! The calendar is online at <http://my.calendars.net/worthamvillages>

Once you check to see if the date is available, send me an email at [park@mayne.us](mailto:park@mayne.us) and I'll get you on the calendar too!

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## *Beyond the Lane Lines- (Continued from Cover Page)*

outgoing President Darrell Heafner and Treasurer Randy White, our dedicated committee heads, our multitude of volunteers, our parents who send us their children, our neighbors who support us, and of course our swimmers, whose love for this team makes it what it is. If it wasn't for everyone involved, including those that came before us, we couldn't pull off the greatest community activity in the area.

Finally, I want to say thank you and God Bless to our 18 year old swimmers who aged off this summer: Mercedes Boucher, Ricky Carnicle, Kingston Ma, Caitlin Phillips, Zac Sebren, Sarah Scott, Alex Sikkema, Gregory Slatton, and Lindsey Williams. These young men and women truly exemplify Whiteshark Spirit with their many years of loyalty, leadership, hard work and positive attitude. Every year we graduate off our wonderful 18 year olds, and while we will miss them, they will always be a part of our Whiteshark family. I hope that I will be able to honor many more of these fine swimmers in the years to come.

**BY JONATHAN ARMSTRONG**

## PROJECT PROM NEEDS YOU!!

Come see what it's all about and how you can help. Mark your calendars for the following general Meetings held on the 4th Monday of each month:

August 29th

September 26th

October 24th

Meetings begin at 7pm and are held in the Cy-Fair High School Cafeteria!

Come see how you can earn points for your son/daughter while learning about all the opportunities to help make Project Prom 2012 a huge success

Also, be on the lookout for Details on the Project Prom Shrimp Boil, Casino Night and Homecoming Mum Sales!

Make sure you check for updates on the Cy-Fair Project Prom 2012 Facebook page and [www.cyfairprojectprom.org](http://www.cyfairprojectprom.org)



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**Monday, September 12th, 2011**  
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To register visit: [www.teamtiara.net](http://www.teamtiara.net) or contact Sherrie Webb by emailing [teamtiaragolf@gmail.com](mailto:teamtiaragolf@gmail.com)

## INCIDENT REPORT *June 2011*

Incident	Offense Total
911 Hang Up	4
Accident/FSGI	1
Alarm Local	11
Assault	1
Check Business	32
Check Park	154
Contract Check	23
Criminal Mischief	3
Disturbance/Loud Noise	1
Forgery	1
Fraudulent Use/ID	1
Meet the Citizen	13
MUD Building Check	35
Neighborhood Check	1
Robbery/Agg	1
Stranded Motor Vehicle	1
Suspicious Person	5
Theft/Other	3
Traffic Hazard	1
Traffic Stop	17
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Sundays	12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### Exceptions:

Saturday, May 7th (Opening Day)	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Saturday, May 14th (Swim Meet)*	2:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Saturday, May 28th (Swim Meet)*	2:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Monday, May 30th (Memorial Day)	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

### June 2nd through August 21st

Mondays	4:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Tuesdays	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Wednesdays	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Thursdays	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Fridays	10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Saturdays	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Sundays	12:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Exceptions:

Saturday, June 11th (Swim Meet)*	2:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Saturday, June 18th (Swim Meet)*	2:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Monday, July 4th	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Tuesday, July 5th	4:00 PM - 9:00 PM

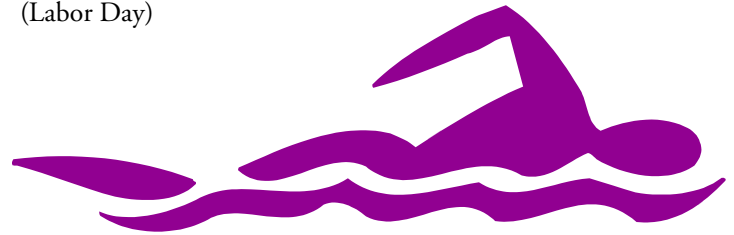
### August 22nd through

### September 5th

Mondays through Fridays	Closed
Saturdays	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Sundays	12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### Exceptions:

Monday, September 5th (Labor Day)	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
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Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's Pool Safety Campaign [www.poolssafely.gov](http://www.poolssafely.gov)

For more information,  
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NO ONE is "drown proof" – no matter their level of swimming ability.

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## DROWNING IS QUICK AND SILENT



Drowning can occur in less than 2 minutes.



Irreversible brain damage can occur in 4 minutes or less.



Most children are out of sight or missing for less than 5 minutes and usually in the presence of 1 or both parents.



Most children die who are submerged for as little as 6-10 minutes.

**Children who drown may not scream, splash, or struggle. They can silently slip beneath the water, even with adults & lifeguards present.**





## Project Prom 2012



### GENERAL MEETINGS

Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>  
Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>  
Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>

Cy-Fair Cafeteria – 7pm

Come see what it's all about  
& how **YOU** can keep your  
Senior safe on Prom Night!

PROJECT PROM  
April 27<sup>th</sup> 2012  
Dave 'n Busters

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Casino Night

>Oct 30<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Wreaths

>Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> – Oct 25<sup>th</sup>

Homecoming Mums

>Sept. 14th

Texan Football

Concessions

>TBD

Denim & Diamonds

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Golf Tournament

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Brook Mill	Young, Deanna	281-890-0598
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Carriage Lake	Meinecke, Betty-J.	281-890-4329
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Dogwood Blossom	Sanchez, Brice	281-894-0890
Dogwood Blossom	Johnson, Jean & Lonnie	281-300-8282
Dogwood Blossom	Lacagnina, Shawn & Kim	281-970-7604
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Harvest Dale	Franklin, Vernetta	281-807-3834
Hickory Tree	Pickens, Cindy	281-894-0444
Hillside Glen	Smet, Guido & Shelia	281-970-4766
Hillside Glen (North)	Bell, Tom & Sharon	281-890-7606
Lark Brook	Thomas, Barbara	281-897-1191
Lark Brook	Lara, Peggy	281-970-4052
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Reedwood Ridge	McGlamory, Kay	281-955-2107
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Tulip Garden	Jones, David & Jill	281-955-8972
Tulip Garden	Chisari, Paul	281-894-7053
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Wortham Blvd.	Culp, Susan	281-300-2411

## Neighborhood Watch

Please welcome Jeremy and Amy Lawrence as our newest Wortham block captains for Fern Vale Ct.

We have not had any reports of serious incidents for mid June to mid July.

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Girl Scouts is for every girl, everywhere. It's also for adults – caring individuals willing to share their time and talents to help girls explore their interests and achieve their potential. If you can think it, you can share it!

For more information on how you can make a difference, call 713-292-0300 or 1-800-392-4340, or visit [www.gssjc.org/volunteer.cfm](http://www.gssjc.org/volunteer.cfm).

Girl Scouts of the USA is the world's preeminent organization for girls, with a membership of more than 3.7 million girls and adults. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Chartered by GSUSA to provide Girl Scouting locally, Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council is one of the largest Girl Scout councils in the country serving more than 76,000 girls served and nearly 18,000 adult members in 26 southeast Texas counties. Girl Scouts motivates and teaches girls that if they can think it, they can do it. No challenge is too big! While membership

dues are only \$12 a year, the rewards girls, their families and their communities reap are invaluable.

Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council Copper Corners Service Unit is forming now. If you or your troop is interested in coordinating Father Daughter, Daisy Day or Brownie Day or annual recruitment events at your school events, please call or email [melinda.riso@yahoo.com](mailto:melinda.riso@yahoo.com). Copper Corners serves all girls in the residence areas for Lowery, Birkes, Fiest Elementary Schools, Aragon and Labay Middle Schools and corresponding high schools. For more information about joining, becoming a Troop Leader, assisting a troop or inspiring elementary, middle or high school aged girls, call 800-392-4340 or visit [www.gssjc.org](http://www.gssjc.org)



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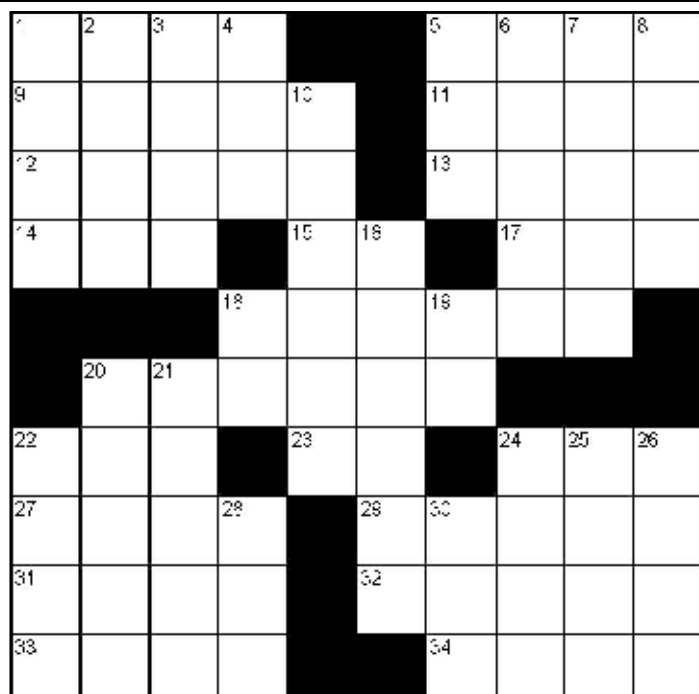
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### ACROSS

1. Tack
5. Giant
9. Philippine dish with marinated chicken or pork
11. Journalist's question
12. Tiny insects
13. Cut of beef
14. School group
15. South
17. United States
18. Bottle need
20. Upset
22. Cow's chow
23. Year (abbr.)
24. Computer makers
27. Brews
29. Sleep disorder
31. Parent teacher groups
32. Strong rope fiber
33. Bend
34. Decorative needle case

### DOWN

1. Incline
2. Change
3. Small particle
4. Compass point
5. Night bird
6. Body snatcher
7. Cultivate
8. Volcano
10. Change into bone
16. Musical productions
18. Canadian prov.
19. Palladium (abbr.)
20. Many
21. Perfect
22. Captain (abbr.)
24. Institution (abbr.)
25. Swain
26. African country
28. Fast plane
30. Pastry

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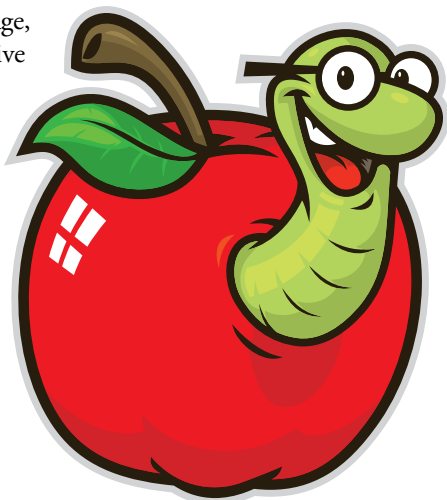
*Submitted by: Brandi Muse*

More and more parents are recognizing the importance of enrolling their children in preschool to help them develop the right foundation for success in elementary school and beyond. However, the best programs go beyond helping children master basic academic skills to supporting their development as happy, confident, well-rounded individuals.

Research shows that from birth to age five, development in all areas is rapid. Children form strong neural connections during this time as a result of experiences they have with everyone and everything they encounter. The quality of those early interactions determines how children continue to learn and form relationships, strongly influencing their future success and happiness.

"Parents should look for preschool, pre-K, kindergarten and first grade programs that take a balanced approach to developing motor, social-emotional, creative and academic skills," said Brandi Muse, of Primrose School at Summerwood. "It takes quality instruction, a well-rounded curriculum and a positive teacher relationship to prepare a child to succeed."

- **Academics:** Let's go beyond concentrating only on basic math and reading skills. Academic success is not just about memorization – it requires learning how to think critically, use mathematical concepts, express curiosity and develop competence in language skills like listening, speaking and writing.
- **Technology:** In today's technology-rich world, children need to have a grasp of technology as a tool for creative expression and problem solving. Computers equipped with developmentally-appropriate educational software and online resources should be integrated into the classroom.
- **Physical Development:** Children who participate in daily physical activity develop basic motor skills like throwing, jumping and balance that help them become healthy adults. Physical activity also creates neural connections that support academic achievement.
- **Music and Art:** Young children naturally engage in "art," or spontaneous, creative play, but when educators involve children in music and art activities regularly from an early age, they encourage cognitive and emotional development.
- **Social-Emotional Development:** Preschool programs should focus on social and life skills to help your child establish positive relationships and transition easily to elementary school.



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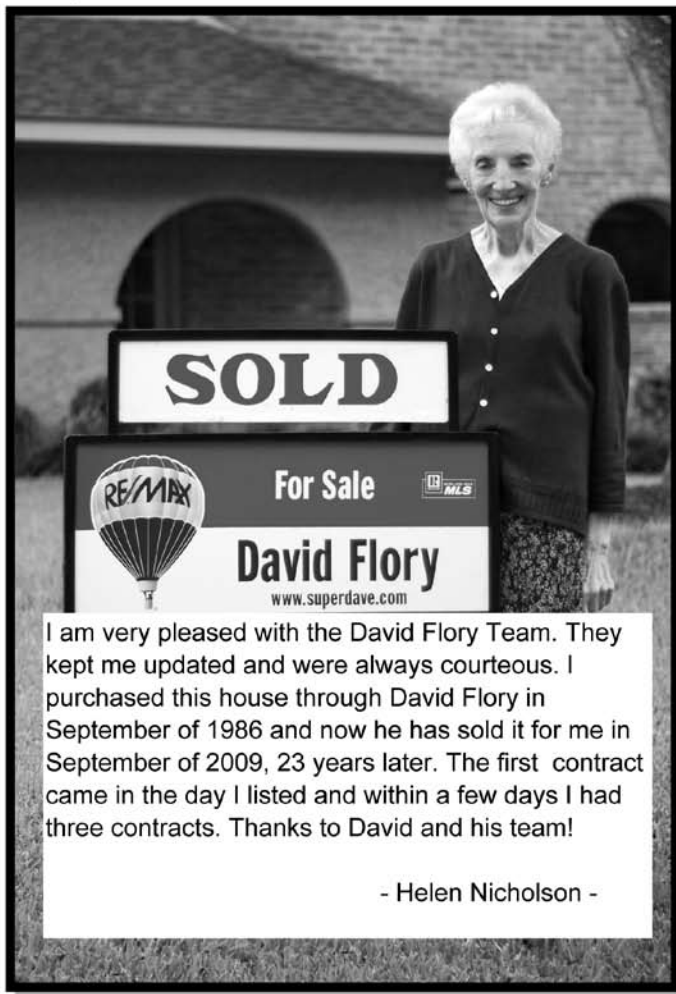
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