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MUD 222 CORNER

As everyone knows, the entire South Texas region is under severe drought conditions. It is dry and there is not much relief in sight (at the time of this writing). While our water well is running fine, PLEASE conserve water and be very careful not to waste.

If our drought contingency plan is needed, signs will be placed at the entrances to the neighborhood. The regional water authority has asked the entire region to start voluntary conservation. At this time mandatory rationing is not necessary in our district and hopefully everyone is being careful about their water use.

One of the biggest uses of water is usually your lawn sprinkler. We all love lush green lawns, but please consider ways to reduce usage by not watering too much or letting water run over the curb and down the drains.

Park and Retention Pond area: Did you know that the fields and area around the retention pond are all irrigated with water from our pond across the bayou? Also all the new trees around the lake are watered directly from the lake. This means 1) you shouldn't drink the water coming out of those sprinklers and 2) we are conserving fresh drinking water.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

There will be a block captain meeting at the clubhouse on Wednesday, 14 September from 7-8 pm.

National Night Out celebrations are on Tuesday, Oct 4 (see announcement in newsletter).

Like July, August has been a quiet month for reported incidents. Unfortunately there has been at least one house fire.

VACATION

If you go on vacation and would like to have the sheriff check on your house, call 281 290 2100. Be prepared to give the sheriff your name and address, contact phone numbers and dates when you are gone.

SAVE THE DATE!



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*National Night Out
is on Tuesday October 4.*

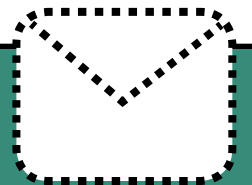
NEED TO USE

*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 and I'll get you on the calendar too!

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 FBI713-693-5000
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Carina Patrick	14	✓			281-894-4880
Sabrina Sommer	13		✓		832-237-4684

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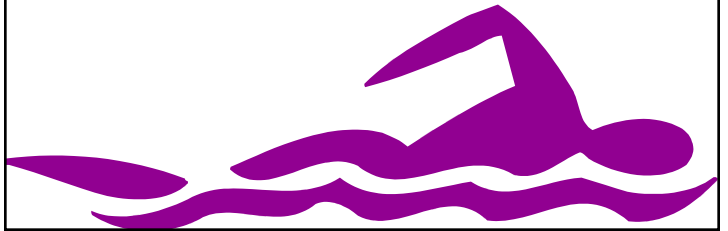
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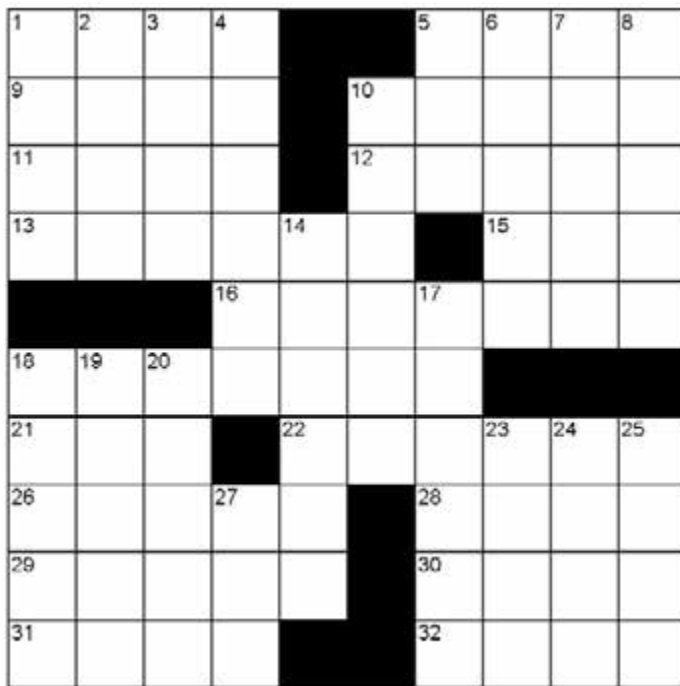
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28. Basic's opposite
29. Buddy
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32. Food

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7. Point
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17. Put a fold in
18. Catch a ride
19. Sporty car brand
20. Synthetic fiber
23. Ca. University
24. Abstain from certain foods
25. Chances of winning
27. Writing liquid

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INCIDENT REPORT

July 2011

Incident	Offense Total
911 Hang Up	9
Alarm Local	15
Alarm/Siul/Pan/HU	2
Burglary/Habitat	2
Burglary/Motor Vehicle	3
Check Business	34
Check Park	172
Contract Check	33
Credit Card Abuse	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Disturbance/Family	1
Disturbance/Loud Noise	4
Disturbance/Other	1
Domestic/Prevent	1
In Progress	1
Meet the Citizen	9
Meet the Officer	1
MUD Building Check	34
Neighborhood Check	2
Open Door/Window	1
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- 17—LAKE JACKSON:** Youth Fishing Event Bring sunscreen, a hat, lawn chair and fishing gear for catch-and-release fishing open to guests up to 16 years old. Bring gear and bait with barbless hooks. Volunteers and staff are on hand to help first-time anglers. Hours are 10 a.m. to noon. Sea Center Texas. 979/292-0100
- 17—ROSENBERG:** Hispanic Heritage Day Enjoy mariachi bands, dance performances, cultural exhibits, children's activities, food contests, art displays and more. Downtown historic district. www.rosenbergevents.com
- 17—VICTORIA:** Market Day Riverside Park. www.victoriatx.org 361/485-3200
- 23-25—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Celebration of Flight Festival Birding festival is held during the peak of raptor migration. Volunteers will be on hand to show and identify the migrating hawks. Hazel Bazemore County Park. www.visitcorpuschristitx.org 361/881-1888
- 23-25—CORPUS CHRISTI:** North American Wholesale Jewelry and Gift Show American Bank Center. www.americanbankcenter.com 361/826-4700
- 23-25—GALVESTON:** Galveston Island Wild Texas Shrimp Festival Saengerfest Park and other locations. www.galveston.com/shrimpfestival
- 23-25—LEAGUE CITY:** Film and Video Festival Features independent films from local, regional and international artists. South Shore Harbour Resort and Conference Center. www.gulfcoastfilmfest.com 281/333-5804
- 23-Oct. 2—ROSENBERG:** Fort Bend County Fair Includes a parade, headliner entertainment, midway ride, exhibits, dancing and pro rodeo. Fort Bend County Fairgrounds. www.fbcfa.org 281/342-6171
- 24—BAYSIDE:** Fennessey Ranch Hawk Watch Site on the Mission River offers the opportunity to see more than a dozen species of hawks and watch kettles form. Reservations required. Fennessey Ranch. 361/529-6600
- 24—BEAUMONT:** Symphony of Southeast Texas Performances Julie Rogers Theatre. www.sost.org 409/892-2257
- 24—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Conquer the Coast Cyclists race along Corpus Christi Bay. Whataburger Field. www.conquerthecoast.org 361/881-1800
- 24—CORPUS CHRISTI:** Third Coast Exhibit K Space Contemporary Gallery, 415 Starr St. www.kspacecontemporary.org 361/887-6834
- 24—KATY:** Rice Harvest Festival Rice Cooking Contest Kenzo Sushi Bistro, 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. www.katychamber.com 281/391-5289
- 24—KEMAH:** Kemah Boardwalk Wine Festival Sample food and wine while learning about varietals, food pairings and more. Kemah Boardwalk, Kipp Avenue. www.kemahboardwalk.com 281/334-9880
- 24—ORANGE:** Orchidelirium: Past and Present A panel discusses the best-seller *The Orchid Thief* by Susan Orlean, in conjunction with the Orchid Festival. Begins at 6:30 p.m. Stark Museum of Art. www.starkmuseum.org 409/886-2787
- 24—PORT ARANSAS:** Conquer the Coast Bicycle Ride Ride 18-, 25- and 65-mile routes around Corpus Christi Bay. www.conquerthecoast.org 361/881-1800 ext. 224
- 24-25—ORANGE:** Showdown on the Sabine Enjoy two days of speed-boat racing on the Sabine River. 700 Simmons Drive. www.orangetexas.org 409/883-1011

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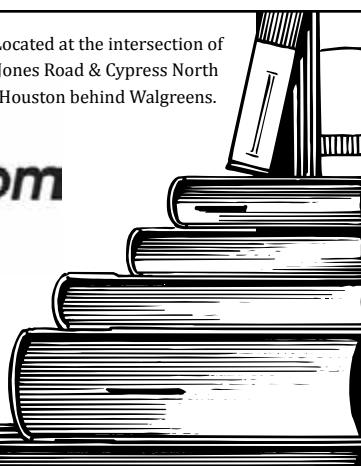
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Sept 17 - 18 • 14th Annual Jazz Festivalkemahboardwalk.com
Sept 23 - Oct 2 • Fort Bend County Fair & Livestock Show.....fbcfa.org
Oct 1 • 21st Annual Race For The Cure - 713.783.9188komen-houston.org
Oct 6-9 • 45th Original Greek Festival - 713.526.5377greekfestival.org
Oct 8 - Nov 27 • Sat & Sun - Texas Renaissance Festivaltexrenfest.com
Oct 14 - 16 • Conroe Cajun Catfish Festivalconroecajuncatfishfestival.com
Oct 14 - 16 • 33rd Annual Festa Italianahoustonitalianfestival.com
Oct 15 & 16 • 14th Annual Galveston ARToberFEST, Galvestonartoberfest.com
Oct 15 & 16 • Wings Over Houston Airshowwingsoverhouston.com
Oct 22 • National Walk To End Alzheimers-Choose a walk near you.....alztex.org/walk
Oct 22 • Kemah Boardwalk Halloween Costume Contestkemahboardwalk.com
Oct 22 • 28th Texian Market Daysgeorgeranch.org
Oct 22 • 10th Texas Mushroom Festival, Madisonville texasmushroomfestival.com
Oct 29 • 2011 Great Pumpkin Fun Run, The Woodlands.....thewoodlands.net
Nov 3 - 6 • International Quilt Festivalquilts.com
Nov 10 - 13 • 31st Annual Nutcracker Marketnutcrackermarket.com
Nov 11 -13 • Annual Bead & Jewelry Showhoustonbeadsociety.org
Nov 12 • 16th Annual Children's Festivalwoodlandscenter.org
Nov 19 & 20 • 2011 ViaColoriHoustoncenterhearingandspeech.org
Nov 24 • 62nd HEB Thanksgiving Day Paradehebp parade.com
Nov 24 • Uptown Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremonyuptown-houston.com

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Birch Falls	Carter, Linda	281-894-5821
Brook Mill	Young, Deanna	281-890-0598
Carriage Lake	Boushley, Connie	281-890-3499
Carriage Lake	Meinecke, Betty-J.	281-890-4329
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Chestnut Woods	Claiborne, Ed & Pam	281-469-7646
Dawn Point & Elm Bough	Ramos, Angelina	281-970-8545
Dogwood Blossom	Sanchez, Brice	281-894-0890
Dogwood Blossom	Johnson, Jean & Lonnie	281-300-8282
Dogwood Blossom	Lacagnina, Shawn & Kim	281-970-7604
Elm Bridge Court	Henkhaus, Kim	281-469-7105
Fern Vale	Lawrence, Jermy & Amy	713-859-2785
Harvest Dale	Welch, Terri	281-890-4061
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
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Lark Brook	Lara, Peggy	281-970-4052
Magnolia Leaf	MacDonald, Lori	281-469-0874
Magnolia Leaf	Canterbury, Eloise	281-894-8424
Orchard Hollow & Town Elm	Dineen, Mike	281-894-6256
Orchard Hollow	Tolbert, Toney & Shirley	281-894-0085
Plum Vale	Kelley, Dale	281-469-1371
Reedwood Ridge	Crawford, Tracy	281-650-3266
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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To find out more about Omar, please contact Grace Lindgren, LMSW, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, at the Adoption Coalition of Texas (512) 810-0813 or gracelindgren@adopttexas.org. 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. To learn more about the foster care adoption process, please call the Adoption Coalition of Texas at (512) 301-2825, email info@adopttexas.org and visit our website at <http://www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org>

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HEALTH BRIEFS - SEPTEMBER

EASE YOUR CHILD BACK INTO SCHOOL

Establishing a normal school routine can be hard for children of any age after the long lazy days of summer. Dr. James H. Bray, a family psychologist and associate professor of family and community medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, offers the following tips to help make going back to school a less stressful experience for children and parents.

- Get kids into the school mode early. Many children have a summer schedule that includes staying up late and sleeping in. Kids need at least a week before school starts to get back into the school schedule.
- Develop a plan. Doing things like buying supplies and clothes, and finding out about schedules and teachers in advance, rather than waiting to the last minute, helps reduce stress for parents and kids.
- Talk with children about their fears and concerns and do some advance problem

solving and planning.-Get involved with your child's school by getting to know the teacher and discussing their expectations.

- Talk to your children about what they want to accomplish and get out of their school year. Discuss their academic and social goals, but emphasize balance.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST SHOULD INCLUDE EYE EXAM

Preparing for the start of a new school year? Remember to get a new backpack, paper and pencils, and get your children's vision screened as part of their back-to-school checklist.

"Poor vision can interfere with learning, school performance, participation in sports and other activities, as well as self esteem," said Dr. Kimberly Yen, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and an ophthalmologist at Texas

Children's Hospital.

Yen said if parents know that eye problems run in their family or if they suspect problems, it is especially important that their child receive eye exams regularly. All children should have their eyes examined, as part of their well-child check ups and children who exhibit no signs of visual problems should have their vision screened by age 3.

Good eye care should also include wearing protective eyewear during sports activities. Children who play basketball, baseball and racquet sports are more susceptible to eye injuries. Sports goggles can significantly reduce the likelihood of potentially sight damaging injuries. Good vision not only helps children develop in the classroom, but it teaches them the life-long value of regular vision screenings.

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September 2011 The Hospital at Westlake Medical Center Flamingo Sale to Benefit Colin's Hope!

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September 2011 - Sign up for Ourgift and Colin's Hope will receive donations during September!

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

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Health Briefs - (Continued from Page 9)

STUDENT ATHLETES' HEALTH STARTS OFF THE FIELD

Even though it is students who will be taking the field as extracurricular school activities begin, doctors at Baylor College of Medicine say parents play an important role in keeping their kids safe. Family health history, especially heart illnesses, is important information for doctors to know during an exam, said Dr. John Rogers, professor of family and community medicine at BCM.

A certain type of heart murmur and rapid heart beats can be detected during a physical, but the exam can't determine if past family members have heart problems or if anyone has died suddenly due to a cardiac problem. Being armed with that information helps doctors know whether the student-athlete should undergo an echocardiogram or ultrasound for a more in-depth examination.

Parents' knowledge of their child's previous injuries can also be helpful. Teens may downplay an injury, because they don't want it to prevent them from taking part in their favorite sport. However, a parent might remember lasting effects that will help doctors determine the severity of the injury.

Rogers said other issues that cannot be detected during a physical are light-headedness or shortness of breath that is not proportionate to the exertion level of the activity. Parents should keep an eye out for these issues and let their doctor know at the time of the physical exam.

TEENS BENEFIT BY MAKING TIME FOR BREAKFAST

Teens who start their day without breakfast are twice as likely to have diets low in iron - a shortfall that could be hurting their grades. "Breakfast supplies more than just the energy kids need to get through the morning," said Dr. Theresa Nicklas, a professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Teens who eat breakfast are also two to five times more likely to consume at least two-thirds the recommended amounts of most vitamins and minerals, including iron."

Iron-deficiency anemia has long been known to have a negative affect on behavior and learning. Eating breakfast has been linked to improved memory, grades, school attendance and punctuality in children. In addition, intakes of other vitamins and minerals, including zinc, calcium, and folic acid, are higher among breakfast-eaters, while fat consumption is lower.

"It's important for parents to realize that the nutrients teens miss when they're allowed to skip breakfast are rarely recouped during other meals," said Nicklas, also a researcher at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center.

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