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CURB APPEAL

Nobody lives forever. That means that sooner or later, we will all eventually move for one reason or another. When that time comes, the house that has been our home will go on the resale market for a stranger to buy. At that point, one thing will become very important – curb appeal.

Surveys show that consumers buy in deed restricted communities in order to protect their property values. They buy into a community that they hope will always have curb appeal.

Curb appeal is:

- A neatly trimmed yard,
- A yard that bursts with color in the spring and fall,
- Fresh paint on the front door, and
- A driveway without stains.

Curb appeal is not:

- Trash cans in public view,
- A landscaping bed with weeds,
- A garden hose left in the front yard,
- A line of mildew on the bricks by the front door,
- A broken fence slat, sagging gutter, or the kids toys in the front yard.

Don't wait until you have to. Do yourself a favor! Take a quick look at your home and resolve to add a little curb appeal! You'll feel like a million and your house will look like it too.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS OCTOBER 2

Look for Details in Next Month's Issue

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Holecek Named Principal at Mueller Elementary

Klein ISD administrator brings 25 years of experience to campus

With the beginning of the 2012-13 school year, Pattie Holecek will serve as the new principal at Mueller Elementary. Holecek is the second principal at Mueller, which opened in the Klein ISD during the 2009-10 school year.

"Working at Mueller is an exciting opportunity," Holecek expressed. "It's a great school and one with a lot of neighborhood support. I am excited for the new challenge in my life and we are going to keep moving forward with the great things already happening on campus."

In the fall of 1987, Holecek took her first position as a classroom teacher at Liberty Elementary in Liberty, Texas. In 1989, she arrived in the Klein ISD as a teacher at Haude Elementary, and in 1991 taught kindergarten at Lemm Elementary. In 2007, she entered her first administrative role as an assistant principal at McDougle Elementary, and in 2011 became an assistant principal at Kaiser Elementary. After serving 25 years as an educator, Holecek said working in the district and becoming an administrator was only natural.

"The family atmosphere that you get at Klein ISD is something that you can't match anywhere else," Holecek said. "I taught two years in another district, and you can't match the culture of Klein."

Holecek received a Bachelor of Science in elementary education from Southwestern University, a master's degree from Stephen F. Austin a year later, and in 2006, she attained her principal certification from Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC).

Mueller has received the No Place for Hate designation by the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) every year the school has been open. As principal, Holecek has set goals for herself, her staff, and the students at Mueller to continue this in 2012-13.

"One of my goals is for our students to continue to develop good character," Holecek said. "It's very important to have students not just learning academics, but how to be good citizens."

Beyond the campus, Holecek enjoys running and during the summers spends time taking in the sun and reading. She is also very family oriented and loves to spend time with her husband, Joe, and their four children, Sarah, Josh, Julie, Kellie. All four of their children graduated from the Klein ISD.

Getting to know Principal Holecek:

Q: If you could be any storybook character, who would you choose?

A: Mary Poppins.

Q: What is your all-time favorite movie?

A: Sweet Home Alabama. I'm a big Reese Witherspoon fan.

Q: What is your favorite vacation spot?

A: Key West, Fla. is my go-to-spot. It takes me to the beach and I'm a sun person. And then you can ride the boats and snorkel too!

Q: What is your favorite desert?

A: Angel food cake with fruit on top.

Q: What is your favorite sport to watch?

A: Pittsburgh Steelers football!

Raising Funds For Metastatic Cancer Research

2nd Annual Walk/Run for Research

"CELEBRATING SYDNEY"

Sydney is in remission from Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

5k Family Walk / Run

November 3, 2012

Check In - 8:00 am

Run - 8:30 am

Walk - 8:45 am

Burroughs Park, 9528 Huffsmith Road, Tomball, TX 77375

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www.causesforcure.org

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About Causes for a Cure:

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Kids' Bike Ride for Leukemia

Please join Team in Training for a ride in the fight against blood cancers on Sunday, September 16, 2012 at 10 a.m. in Mandolin Gardens Park (Mandolin Village Subdivision – 10000 block Summit Bridge Ln. near Cypresswood and Highway 249).

An estimated 245,225 people in the U.S. are living with, or are in remission from, leukemia. Kids ages 2-13 will ride their bikes at Mandolin Gardens Park to join the fight for a cure. Other activities include a moonwalk, face painting, balloon animals, snow cones, popcorn, and more! There will also be a Silent Auction for parents to browse & bid on items such as sports memorabilia, art, gift certificates to movies, restaurants, etc. All proceeds from the event & silent auction benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

So, bring your bikes & helmets & come ride with us! (Must have a helmet to ride. Parents are welcome to walk/ride along.)

For more information, visit www.kidsbikeride.net or call 281-704-2143. Pre-registration is \$12 per child & ends 9/2/12. After 9/2/12, price increases & t-shirts/goody bags are not guaranteed.

Fairfield Women's Club's 3rd Annual Triathlon *"The Heart of Fairfield"*

Fairfield is hosting their 3rd Annual Triathlon on October 21, 2012. The race will begin at 8:10am, refreshments at 9:00am with Awards and Prize Drawings at 10:45am. Cy-Fair Emergency & Imaging Center will host a Community Health Fair beginning at 8am. FREE Screenings include: Skin Cancer Screenings, Blood Pressure Check, Weight & BMI Evaluation, Nutritional & Fitness Counseling and Risk Assessments for Stroke and Diabetes.

We need sponsors to cover our costs. In return we would like to offer you an advertising opportunity. Banner, coupon insert, full page ad, t-shirt ad space and vendor booth are all available to help advertise your business.

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Fairfield Women's Club is a 501c(4). Our triathlon is for all ages starting 14 & Under -Men, Women, Youth, Senior and Relay Teams. It will be a wonderful event to help our community keep fit and enjoy fellowship afterwards. Deadline for commitment is 5/31/2012. Your participation & prompt response is so important in order to make our efforts a success! Commit early and help us from having to hit the streets in the heat of the summer! Once you have made a commitment of sponsorship, please contact me for arranging your advertising. I can be reached by email: mbyrne9961@aol.com or call me at (832)594-7656.

Respectfully,

Charlotte Byrne, Race Director

President, Fairfield Women's Club

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Questionnaire for Prospective Board Members

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NAME: _____

Phone: _____ (H)

ADDRESS: _____

Phone: _____ (O)

Email: _____

Phone: _____ (Cell)

How long have you been a Normandy Forest resident? _____

Occupation: _____

1). Have you ever served on a Homeowners Association Board?
☐ YES ☐ NO

Where? _____

In what capacity? _____

2). What areas of the association are you interested?



- ☐ Community Awareness Committee-Security
- ☐ Architectural Control Committee
- ☐ Landscape, Beautification
- ☐ Newsletter/Communications/Website
- ☐ Social

3). The Board of Directors will meet every other month and meetings will be approximately 2 hours. Are you willing to volunteer several hours per month to serve?

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