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A Newsletter for Riata Ranch Residents

## COPPERFIELD COALITION: A NON-PROFIT INCORPORATED ORGANIZATION

### *Introducing the CC to Riata Ranch*

The Copperfield Coalition is an incorporated non-profit organization filed with Harris County and the State of Texas. We represent over 21 different communities around the Copperfield area, including Riata Ranch. We also represent all businesses within the Coalition boundaries. Our boundaries are basically between 290 and FM529, just west of Barker Cypress to Jack Rabbit Road. You can see our boundary map on our web site (CopperfieldCoalition.COM).

We are a community of Citizens concerned with the Smart Growth of our area. Copperfield Coalition members are comprised of all volunteers. No one receives any compensation for their service. We are not related to any Home Owners Association or the Copperfield Community Association. However, we do work with them. We rely totally on donations and the work of volunteers. Your HOA dues do not fund us whatsoever nor does any governmental agency. We are solely independent from any other entity.

Our Mission: By working with residential, business, and governmental groups, our goal is Smart Growth that continues to preserve the architectural character, the property values and the quality of life in our area, while maintaining the safety and enjoyment of all of our communities. Copperfield Coalition supports "Smart Growth". We encourage residents and businesses to learn about what options they have and how they can become involved in the process.

All individual Homeowner Associations (HOA) differ from the Copperfield Coalition in their ability to address and manage residential and business concerns. The HOAs are chartered to manage the various contracts: security patrol, landscaping, pools, and waste/recycling. They also enforce architectural guidelines, deed restrictions, maintenance, needed repairs and maintain the common area. Every HOA has a management company to guide them in making sure that these contracts and efforts are within the charter.

The Coalition has the ability to address concerns that may require political and adjoining communities' involvement/engagement to address residential and business concerns that are NOT within the charter of the HOAs. The HOAs and the Copperfield Coalition can find some flexibility in working together for the Smart Growth of the communities we represent.

We take on projects that will protect our communities, stop unwanted construction and/or alterations that will affect all of us. We work with politicians and government officials to make improvements in and around our community to enhance our quality of life and protect our property values. We disseminate information via our website, press releases, and

email blasts to local residents and businesses.

Please view our website for the accomplishments we have achieved to date, including the defeat of the overpass bridge and the defeat of the building of a low income housing project. We are also working with TX-DOT on bringing in green medians and dual left-hand turn lanes at all four quadrants of the intersection of FM529 at SH6 to mention a few of the things we have done and/or are doing.

#### **THE TOWN HALL MEETING**

We held a Town Hall Meeting on September 18. The emphasis was on crime and security around our communities. Please view our website (CopperfieldCoalition.COM) for the details and results of that meeting. We would like to thank all the Guest Speakers, Special Guests, Residents, and Businesses for participating in this meeting.

#### **IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING**

"If you see something, say something" is the slogan of Homeland Security. The Harris County has also adopted this motto, if you see something, say something no matter how insignificant you may think it is. If you are the slightest bit suspicious, call the Harris County Sheriff Department non-emergency number and report it. If it is life threatening or an emergency, of course dial 911. The deputies would rather show up to find out it is nothing than show up later after a crime has been committed, and then it is too late. Let's all take a pro-active stance. Let's stop crime before it happens. Make a call! Non-emergency number: 713-221-6000.

#### **MONTHLY MEETINGS OPEN TO ALL**

The Copperfield Coalition meetings are held on the third week (check website for exact date) of every month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Copperfield Community Center, 15409 Willow River Drive. The meeting is in the board room; please come in the main door. Please check the website for any last minute cancelations and/or changes before attending.

Come to one of our meetings and find out what we are all about. If you are interested in protecting the integrity of our communities, our lifestyle and our property values, then please join us at one of our meetings.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

If you are interested in being on an advisory committee, or becoming a member of the Copperfield Coalition, then please come to one of our meetings or contact us at Anthony@CopperfieldCoalition.COM.

*Sincerely,*

*The Board of Directors, CopperfieldCoalition.COM*

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October 11, 2012 at 6:30 pm @ Cindy Formas' home

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*We look forward to seeing you!*



## Kappa Kappa Gamma Alums Of Houston NW

Come join your sisters this month on

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# Women Serving the Community

*Submitted by Rosie Serrano*

We would like to thank our shoppers, volunteers, vendors and everyone who supported us at our very successful "Shop Til You Drop" Marketplace. We sincerely appreciate your efforts. If you missed it, we are truly sorry, but be sure to keep an eye out for us next September. You won't want to miss us again. See you there!

In October, we are looking forward to meeting our guest Jeanie Dunnihoo, as we are all interested in leading healthy lives. Jeanie will teach us about Herb Gardening. In November we will participate in making floral designs for the Holidays courtesy of our friendly HEB. This will prepare us for a fabulous holiday season!

CWC is a service organization that gives back to the community. This means that all funds raised will go right back to the community in the



form of scholarships for graduating high school seniors, at Lone Star College, Cy-Fair and grants to other non-profits in our community, as well.

Membership into the Cy-Fair Women's Club is open to all ladies in Northwest Houston/Cypress neighborhoods. Currently we meet the first Thursday of most months at West Houston Church of Christ. Our meetings begin with social time and refreshments at 7:00p.m. immediately followed by a program at 7:30p.m. The church is located at the corner of Queenston and West Road.

Our monthly meetings are not only educational and enjoyable, but they develop lasting fellowships. We look forward to meeting you there! If you have any questions about our club or need directions to the church, please contact Susan McLeroy, Membership Chair at [sudomac@comcast.net](mailto:sudomac@comcast.net).

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# The Importance of Relationships & Networking for Business Success

*Christine Spray shares great tips at the Oct. 25 CYFEN meeting*

Why is making and maintaining relationships so important to business success? Find out at Christine Spray's presentation titled "Strategically Networking for Success" at the Cy-Fair Express Network (CYFEN) luncheon Oct. 25.

With a passion for helping companies grow and a belief that business success starts with your attitude, Spray, president of Strategic Catalyst, will share valuable networking information. Her presentation will include tips for working any room, connecting one-on-one and beyond words as well as how to use your energy wisely and maximize your networking skills.

All are welcome to attend the monthly meetings of CYFEN, which are held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the third fourth Thursday of the month at the Sterling Country Club, 16500 Houston National Blvd.

Bring business cards for networking. The meeting cost is \$25 with advanced reservations made by the Friday prior to the meeting and \$30 at the door. For information on CYFEN, which is part of the American Business Women's Association, go to [www.CYFEN.org](http://www.CYFEN.org).



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