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Yard of the Month

Congratulations to *William & Shelia Schiller*

*who reside at 9218 Stone Post Circle
for being co-winner of October's
Yard of the Month*



Congratulations to *Long B & Kham Su Duong*

*who reside at 8606 Giddings for being
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HOA MEETINGS

Willowbridge/Stonebridge Homeowner's Association meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month at the community clubhouse at 7:00 pm.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The Welcoming Committee meetings are the last Monday of each month.

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*For more information or a registration form,
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Box Tops for Gleason

Hi! Our names are Haley and Nick. Haley is in third grade and Nick is in fifth at Gleason Elementary.

Did you know that last year Gleason Elementary raised approximately \$2,500 in Box Tops? That money goes toward new equipment, school supplies, and other things that are useful in school.

Students can win prizes for turning in Box Tops, but you don't have to be a student to turn them in. Turn them in on sheets of 10 or put 50 in a Ziploc bag. We have a cool pink collection box at school!

Some of the products that have Box Tops are Boise Paper, Hefty Bags, Pillsbury, Nestles, Betty Crocker, Totinos Party Pizza, Yoplait, Green Giant, Ziploc, and Avery Office Supplies.

As you can tell, Box Tops are very important and they raise a lot of money for our school. Please collect Box Tops and bring them to Gleason. We hope you enjoyed this article!

Jersey Village High School Project Prom 2013

The class of 2013 invites you to be part of Project Prom. Project Prom is entirely funded by contributions, fundraisers and parent support.

October events:

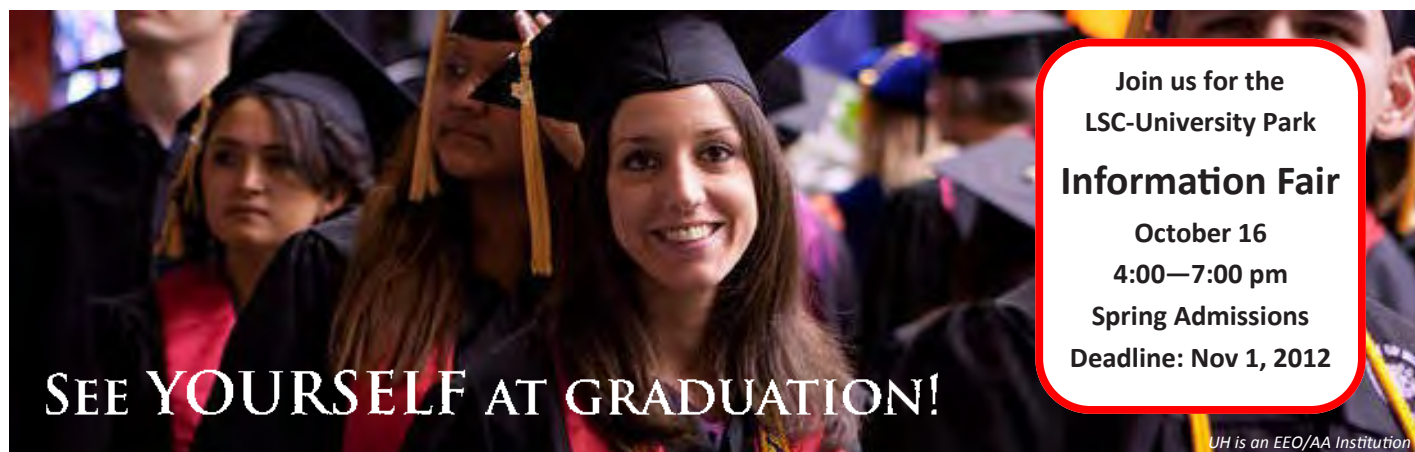
October 3: Eat at Willie's (Jones Rd) – Donate 15% of dinner bill to PP / say JV PP Spirit / email 5cees@live.com

October 12: Golf Tournament @ Jersey Golf Course / email ancels@hal-pc.org

October 26: Bunco – Mauna Loa Mud Building on Gessner / email susanmjensen@sbcglobal.net

For more information email contacts are provided. Please support Project Prom 2013.

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NOTICE—NO TRESPASSING

By: Barbara Lallinger



Are you guilty of trespassing? I think I am! Recently, while walking my dog on the “bayou” (near the Parmer Ct. easement) I noticed this sign on the “bayou”. It has some interesting content.

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After reading the sign, my first thought was why is the content spaced so strangely and couldn't they make some of the important items more noticeable by correcting this spacing issue. My second thought was why pick up dog poop (biodegradable) in this natural area (it's not like

everyone takes their dog there to do their business all of the time). However, most of my questions centered on the property owners that back up to this space and dump odds and ends over their fences. What really bothered me is you can tell who the culprits are by the trash found there: tree & bush trimmings, dead bushes (the same as can be seen over their fences); old fence boards, posts, contractor trash, etc. (right by their new fence); rocks, gravel, etc.; ETC., ETC., ETC. (Also, similar items spotted in the pipeline right-of-way). Do people really feel like this area is their own private dumping ground? Yes, some of these things are biodegradable (eventually) but they take much, much longer than my dog's poop! If it was me, I think I would put the stuff at least a few houses down so that it wasn't so obvious that it belonged to me (just kidding, I would not dump in this area, I enjoy walking there too much ...when the grass isn't waist high!). And, to be honest, I rarely see dog poop on these walks (probably because the dogs prefer to go into the grass & bushes to do their business as opposed to depositing it in the middle of the dirt path, unlike what some owners are allowing their pets to do in the middle of our sidewalks, but that's another article to come).

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Halloween Pet Tips

In the weeks before Halloween, some people steal animals, particularly black cats, so they can use them in rituals in which the animals are sacrificed or tortured. Take special precautions to safeguard your pet from thieves during this time.

Beware of Mischievous Humans

Bad people pose the most frightening threat of all. Watch Out For Polyurethane Glue, Used in Decorating

Often used when making homemade decorations, dogs in particular have been known to eat it. Once in the stomach, it absorbs moisture and expands into a huge rock-like mass that may need to be removed surgically.

Monitor Your Pet's Costume

It's fun to dress up your pet in his very own costume, but don't let him wear it unsupervised. Chances are he's not thrilled with your fashion statement, and he can knock things over trying to rub it off, or he could get tangled in it or eat it, in some cases choking. Be sure no rubber bands are left on him when the outfit comes off. Birds should not be part of your pirate costume, either. It's too easy for them to get frightened and injured.

Avoid Chocolate

Chocolate, especially dark and Baker's chocolate, contains theobromine. Theobromine has a small stimulant effect on humans, but a HUGE one on dogs, causing shaking, seizures, increased heart rate, and death.

Milk chocolate has approximately 44 mg of theobromine per ounce, semisweet chocolate about 150 mg per ounce, and Baker's chocolate about 390 mg per ounce.

A lethal dose for dogs is considered about 50 to 100 mg per pound; cats and birds are even more sensitive.

Beware of Raisins and Grapes

Some dogs appear to be able to eat raisins and grapes with no ill effects, but in other dogs, they can cause kidney failure and death. The reason isn't understood, but as little as 0.3 ounces of grapes per pound and 0.05 ounces of raisins per pound have caused kidney failure.

In other words, a 50-pound dog could be poisoned by eating two ounces of raisins. A few cases have been reported in cats, probably because cats aren't big grape and raisin eaters. Birds appear to be unaffected.

Don't Serve Up Macadamia Nuts

You probably won't get too many of these in the treat bag. But if you do, you don't want your pet eating them. They've been known to cause vomiting, diarrhea, hind-leg weakness, and temporary paralysis.

No reports of macadamia poisoning with cats exist. Birds can eat the nuts without problem.

Protect Your Pup From Pennies

You spend enough on your pet without feeding him money, but pennies can be the most expensive money he eats. Some people give out coins instead of candy, and some dogs will eat anything.

The problem with eating pennies is that they are made of 99% zinc, and when the penny sits in the dog's stomach, the zinc is dissolved and enters the bloodstream, where it causes severe anemia and kidney problems.

Beware of Halloween Candy Foil Wraps

Those shiny wraps around some Halloween candies can cause

intestinal problems, and are particularly dangerous to birds, which may be attracted to them.

Beware of Diet Treats This Halloween

It may seem like a nice health-conscious idea to offer sugar-free candy, gum and cookies flavored with Xylitol, but don't, or at least don't around your pet. Xylitol can cause a radical drop in blood pressure, liver damage and death. A 22-pound dog that eats just one gram of Xylitol needs veterinary treatment.

Beware of "Scary" Visitors

Nobody told your pet that those costumes are all in good fun. He could be frightened and try to flee, or if he's the protective canine type, he could bite trick-or-treaters. It's best to keep him in a secure room away from the door during peak trick-or-treating hours!

Look Out For Jack O'Lanterns and Candles

Flames can burn your curious pet or containers could be knocked over, starting a fire. Birds are especially endangered by Jack O'Lanterns that they can fly into, and perhaps get stuck inside.

Watch Out For Electrical Cords

Those cords snaking all over the place to power all those special effects can be tempting to chew. And then zap! Keep them out of pets' reach!

Beware of Artificial Spider Webs

What sense does it make to clean your house and then hang spider webs all over the place? If you have birds they can become entangled in them or even eat them, causing intestinal problems. Just leave the real ones up.



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