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Kids' Cross-Country Team's Season Starts September 10th

The Northwest Flyers Track Club Youth Cross-Country Team kicks off the fall season with registration and an orientation for parents and athletes on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. (location to be announced.) The first practice will be held at the Cypress Creek YMCA on Thursday, September 12. The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a member program of USA Track and Field (USATF), the national governing body for track and cross country. The club is in its 26th year in the northwest Houston area. Ages 6-18 may participate in the team, and both beginners and experienced runners are welcome.

Contact Coach Eric Wentworth at emw1105@ gmail.com 281-961-6603 or Coach Donnell Carter atdcarterpfs@msn.com, 281-467-4727 for more information. Visit www.northwestflyers.org to get updates and learn more about the team.



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A FOCUS ON HEAT EMERGENCIES

Healthy Tips To Stay Cool In Extremely Hot Weather By: Concentra Urgent Care

Heat emergencies fall into three categories of increasing severity: Heat Cramps, Heat Exhaustion, and Heatstroke.

Heat illnesses are easily preventable by taking precautions in hot weather. Children, elderly, and obese people have a higher risk of developing heat illness. People taking certain medications or drinking alcohol also have a higher risk. However, even a top athlete in superb condition can succumb to heat illness if he or she ignores the warning signs. If the problem isn't addressed, heat cramps (caused by loss of salt from heavy sweating) can lead to heat exhaustion (caused by dehydration), which can progress to heatstroke. Heatstroke, the most serious of the three, can cause shock, brain damage, organ failure, and even death.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:

Heat Cramps

Sweating

- Dizziness and lightheadedness
- Pain in arms, legs, and abdomen Headache and confusion
- Heat Exhaustion
- Nausea and vomiting
- Moist, pale skin
- Rapid pulse and breathing
- Fatigue and fainting

Heat Stroke

- No sweating
- Rapid pulse
- Dry, hot, red skin
- Temperature over 103° F

neuroleptics, phenothiazines,

• Confusion/loss of consciousness • Seizures

CAUSES:

The following are common causes of heat emergencies:

- High temperatures or humidity Medications, such as diuretics,
- Dehydration
- Prolonged or excessive exercise
- Excess clothing
- and anticholinergics Cardiovascular disease
- Alcohol use

WHAT TO DO IN HEAT EMERGENCIES...

First Aid

- 1. Have the person lie down in a cool place. Elevate the person's feet about 12 inches.
- 2. Apply cool, wet cloths (or cool water directly) to the person's skin and use a fan to lower body temperature. Place cold compresses on the person's neck, groin, and armpits.
- 3. If the person is alert, give cool water or sports beverages. It's advisable to drink slowly and steadily, particularly if they are experiencing nausea.
- 4. For muscle cramps, give beverages as above, and massage and stretch affected muscles gently, but firmly, until they relax.
- 5. If the person shows signs of shock (bluish lips and fingernails, and decreased alertness), starts having seizures, or loses consciousness, call 911 and continue cooling procedures, as described above.

DO NOT:

• DO NOT underestimate the seriousness of heat illness, especially

if the person is a child, elderly, or injured.

- DO NOT give the person medications that are used to treat fever (such as aspirin or acetaminophen). They will not help, and they may be harmful.
 - DO NOT give the person salt tablets.
- DO NOT give the person liquids that contain alcohol or caffeine. They will interfere with the body's ability to control its internal
 - DO NOT use alcohol rubs on the person's skin.
- DO NOT give the person anything by mouth (not even salted drinks) if the person is vomiting or unconscious.

PREVENTION:

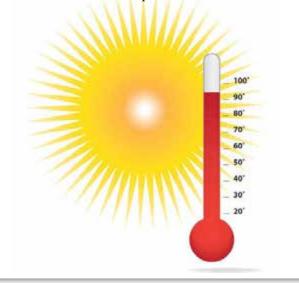
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight clothing in hot weather.
- Rest regularly in a cool area; seek shade when possible.
- Avoid strenuous physical activity in hot or humid conditions.
- Drink plenty of fluids every day. Drink more fluids before, during, and after physical activity.
- Be especially careful to avoid overheating if you are taking drugs that impair heat regulation, or if you are overweight or elderly.
- Be careful of hot cars in the summer. Allow the car to cool off before getting in.
 - Avoid heavy meals and hot foods.

For more information on how to cope with the heat, ask your Concentra health professional, or visit the CDC's Web site at: www. cdc.gov/niosh/topics/heatstress/

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Cypress-Tomball Democrats July Meeting

The next Cypress-Tomball Democrats monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, July 16, 2013. It will be held at Rudy's Grill & Cantina, 11760 Grant Rd., Cypress, TX 77429, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

All are welcome to attend and to join this growing club, which meets on the third Tuesday of every month. The meetings always feature informative guest speakers who address timely topics. For more information, visit the website at www.cytomdems.com or contact Glenn Etienne at cytomdems@yahoo.com.





Elisha Roberts Chapter

The wonderful ladies of the Elisha Roberts Chapter, NSDAR, extend an invitation to any female, 18 years or older, who can prove direct lineal descent from someone who either fought in or provided aid during the American Revolution. We are a family oriented group of ladies who promote patriotism, education and historic preservation. Our motto is God, Home and Country. If this sounds like you, please come and join us for a meeting. We meet the third Thursday of each month, September through May, at the Backyard Grill, located at 9453 Jones Road. Our next meeting will be on September 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please contact the chapter Regent, Cheryl Partney at cpart86@comcast.net or by phone at 832-654-0306. We look forward to meeting you.

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the projects in which its members participate to enrich and improve life for citizens in our community. We sponsor the Key Clubs in the Cy-Fair,

Jersey Village, and Katy communities and work members with them in service to the Cy-Fair area. Internationally, both Kiwanis and Key Club are participating in the ELIMINATE the Houston Food Band PROJECT aimed at the eradication of maternal/neonatal tetanus.

The Cy-Fair Kiwanis

Businesses of the community are encouraged to support a representative for membership in Kiwanis. If you work for a business that is oriented toward involvement in community improvement and leadership, suggest to them that you would like to represent that business through membership and involvement in work with Kiwanis. We welcome business and organization as well as individual

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CHILDREN PRIORITY ONE is the motto of Kiwanis Clubs worldwide. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club sponsors nine Key Clubs and one Builders' Club in the Cy-Fair School District; sponsors the Kids Triathlon; Girl Scout, Boy Scout, and Sea Scout troops and activities; awards scholarships to outstanding Key Club

members in our district; provides assistance to Cypress Assistance Ministries and Bear Creek Ministries; the Houston Food Bank; and many other nonprofit organizations.

The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club meets at Hearthstone Country Club on the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 12:15 for lunch and informative programs. For more information, call John Carroll at 281-463-0373, George Crowl at 832-467-1998 or Peggy Presnell at 281-304-7127. We invite you to be our guest at one of the meetings and enjoy the fellowship of Kiwanians from your community as you learn about our organization.



PROTECT EYES THIS SUMME

Take precautionary measures to protect your eyes during the summer to prevent long-term damage to eyesight, said a Baylor College of Medicine ophthalmologist.

"Ultraviolet light, or UV exposure, has been linked to the development of macular degeneration, cataracts and other visionloss problems," said Dr. Elizabeth Baze, assistant professor of ophthalmology at BCM.

Baze offered tips you can practice to help protect your eyes from sun damage this summer.

- The more the sunglasses wrap around and shield your eyes and the skin around the eyes, the more protection
- Sunglasses need to provide 99 to 100 percent UV protection.
- Sunblock is a must, including the skin around the eyes.
- A broad-brimmed hat can add extra protection.

If you have an existing eye condition like macular degeneration or cataracts, protecting your eyes from the sun should be a top priority during the summer, she said.





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Quality Of Meals Should Not Change During Summer Students shouldn't close the door on healthy eating habits

Students shouldn't close the door on healthy eating habits during the summer, says a Baylor College of Medicine pediatrician.

"Certainly it is just as important to eat healthy over the summer as it is any other time of the year," said Dr. Teresia O'Connor, assistant professor of pediatrics – nutrition at BCM.

She offers the following tips for health summer eating:

- Incorporate fruits and vegetables in all meals.
- A healthy summer lunch should include a fruit, a vegetable, some form of protein and whole grains.
- Don¹t skip breakfast.
- Eat three meals a day with one to two snacks.
- Stay hydrated water is the best and healthiest way to
- stay hydrated.
- Be aware of how much sugar is in beverages. While it's okay
 to drink a small amount of these beverages, primary drinks
 should be water and low-fat or skim milk.

Encourage children and teens to help prepare their own meals so they become responsible for their own healthy eating.

VIRUSES STILL PRESENT DURING SUMMER

Many viruses are still frequent in the summer so good hygiene remains important, said Dr. Gail Demmler Harrison, professor of pediatrics-infectious diseases at BCM. Some viruses present in the summer include:

- Enteroviruses can cause symptoms such as sore throat and diarrhea, and can even lead to viral meningitis and inflammation of the heart and liver.
- Hand, foot and mouth disease, is characterized by ulcers in the back of the throat and a rash on hands and feet. This is common in babies and young children.
- Adenovirus, which can cause respiratory problems.
- Parainfluenza can cause croup, a loud cough; bronchiolitis, swelling and mucus in the small air passages in the lungs; and bronchitis, inflammation of the main air passages to the lungs.

These viruses cannot be treated with antibiotics, but it's important to get enough fluid and rest. Seek treatment immediately for high fever for more than three days, vomiting for over 24 hours, diarrhea, severe headaches or chest pain. Those with weak immune systems should consult their physician if they have any symptoms associated with these viruses.







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