



A NEWSLETTER FOR TOWNE LAKE RESIDENTS

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Two Families Receive Keys to New Habitat for Humanity Home

Thrivent Financial and area churches support affordable home construction

Habitat for Humanity Northwest Harris County (Habitat NWHC) celebrates the construction of two more Habitat NWHC homes at a dedication ceremony on July 20, 2013 at 8:30am at Hamill Crossing, a completely designed and built Habitat NWHC neighborhood. The new homeowners, Katherine Garrett and Martha Turcios will thank all those who worked so hard to help them reach this goal and there will be an open house of the newly completed homes directly following.

Each Habitat for Humanity homeowner puts in what we call 'Sweat Equity' by working on the construction site to build their home alongside local volunteers. Ms. Garrett and Ms. Turcios were no exception and both put in well over the minimum of 350 Sweat Equity hours required by the program. They will both be closing on their homes the week following the dedication ceremony.

Ms. Garrett's home is unique because it was sponsored and built by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and area Lutheran churches. Sponsorship is the process by which a church, company or organization gives a financial donation that Habitat then uses to purchase the materials to build the house. This generosity helps increase Habitat's ability to build more homes in its ongoing effort to eliminate substandard housing here in Northwest Harris County.

Ms. Turcios is unique because upon closing on her home, she will be the oldest homeowner that Habitat NWHC has ever had. At 74 years of age Ms. Turcios has never owned her own home or even had her own bedroom. Ms. Turcios' home was also sponsored and built by area churches.

Ms. Turcios and Ms. Garrett worked hard and formed a warm relationship with the volunteers that helped build their homes and the end result is two beautiful homes that their families can enjoy for many years to come.

Through donations of money, materials and volunteer labor, Habitat NWHC was able to build the homes and sell them at an affordable price. Ms. Garrett and Ms. Turcios will purchase their homes with a no-profit loan, and their monthly mortgage payments will be used to build more Habitat houses.

"It has been exciting to get to know these two neighbors during the construction of their homes and the completion of the Habitat program. I was talking to Katherine [Garrett] just the other day about how amazing it is that all these people that didn't even know her before came out and worked so hard so that she and her family could have a decent place to live. It truly is an amazing and awe inspiring process." – Karly Grilliot, Habitat NWHC Development Manager

If your company, church or organization is interested in partnering with Habitat NWHC please contact Karly Grilliot at kgrilliot@habitatnwhc.org or at 281-477-0460

For more information please visit www.habitatnwhc.org



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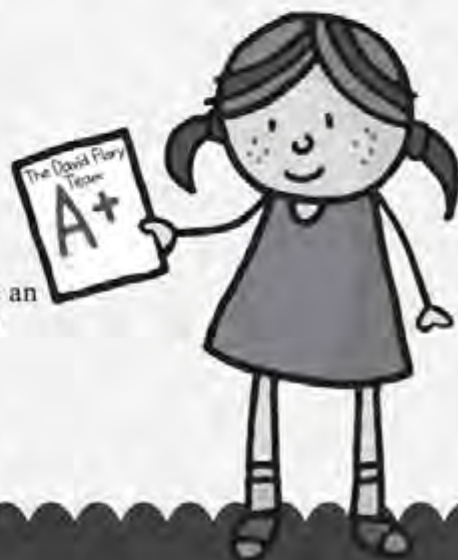
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Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo awarded \$866,000 in scholarships to 49 deserving high school seniors in the Cypress Fairbanks Independent School district in May. Community Liaison, Jeanne Mason, is shown here at Cy-Springs High School.

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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 a mandatory orientation for parents and athletes on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. Registration will be held at Cypress Creek High School, 9815 Grant Rd., Houston, TX. 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 at dcarter.nwflyers@yahoo.com, 281-467-4727, for more information. Email Coach Carter to get on the email list and you will receive a free running training video. Visit www.northwestflyers.org to get updates and learn more about the team.

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

8:00 AM August 5th - Freshman Football Camp

10:00 AM August 5th - 7th and 8th grade Football Camp

7:00 PM August 5th - Football Pre-Season Parent Meeting (all grades - meeting held in the Commons)

Times TBD August 12th - Football practices begin for all grades

Various Time August 12th - Mustang Corral

8:00 AM August 24th - Meet the Mustangs

7:00 PM August 29th - FIRST VARSITY GAME VS CINCO RANCH AT THE BERRY CENTER

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School starts in August, so now is the time for drivers to pay closer attention to the school zones in the neighborhood. We want to remind you that the speed limit in a school zone is 20mph and traffic fines double!

Other changes to be aware of include;

- Children behaving unpredictably
- School Bus Stops
- Crossing Guards – please obey the guards! Remember, they are there for the safety of you and your children
- New areas of traffic congestion
- Be prepared for delays
- Use of cell phones in schools zones is prohibited!

Please give yourself extra time in the mornings and mid-afternoons and remember if you are traveling in a school zone to slow down.

Time To Slow Down!



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Important Dates

Aug. 14-15.....New Staff Orientation
 Aug. 16, 19-23.....Professional Days
 Aug. 261st Day of School
 Sept. 2.....Student/Staff Holiday
 Oct. 14.....Professional Day /
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 Nov. 25-29.....Student/Staff Holidays
 Dec. 23-27, 30-31.....Student/Staff Holidays
 Jan. 1-3.....Student/Staff Holidays
 Jan. 6.....Professional Day
 Jan. 20.....Student/Staff Holiday
 Feb. 17.....Professional Day /
 Inclement Weather Day
 March 17-21.....Student/Staff Holidays
 April 18.....Student/Staff Holiday
 May 26.....Student/Staff Holiday
 June 5.....Last Day of School
 June 6.....Professional Day /
 Inclement Weather Day

Grading Periods

Elementary Schools

1st: Aug. 26 - Oct. 25
 2nd: Oct. 28 - Jan. 17
 3rd: Jan. 21 - March 28
 4th: March 31 - June 5

Secondary Schools






1st Semester

1st: Aug. 26 - Oct. 4
 2nd: Oct. 7 - Nov. 8
 3rd: Nov. 11 - Dec. 20

2nd Semester

4th: Jan. 7 - Feb. 21
 5th: Feb. 24 - April 11
 6th: April 14 - June 5

Legend

-  Student/staff holiday
-  Professional day (student holiday)
-  First and last day of school
-  Parent conferences
 Holiday for all students
 Professional day
-  Inclement weather day

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CY-FAIR KIWANIS CLUB

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 Cowl 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.

The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club is actively seeking new members who are interested in giving service to improve our community and our world. Visit the Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club and learn about 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 with them in service to the Cy-Fair area. Internationally, both Kiwanis and Key Club are participating in the ELIMINATE



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