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## Miss Cy-Fair Houston & Princess Pageant

Miss Cy-Fair Houston is ready for its 5th anniversary in February 2014 with new leadership. The Cy-Fair Chamber of Commerce began the pageant in 2010 as a family-friendly event aimed at raising scholarships and empowering young women and girls to achieve their goals. Over the last few years, the pageant has continued to grow and gain support. The Cy-Fair Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that the Miss Cy-Fair Houston Pageant will continue to be a great community event under the direction of the newly formed Miss Cy-Fair Houston Organization with the leadership of Blaire Pancake and Tiffanie Vaughan.

"The chamber has great confidence that with Blaire and Tiffanie's guidance and past involvement with the Miss Cy-Fair Houston Pageant that the pageant will continue to grow and flourish with the same level of excellence," says Leslie Martone, president of the Cy-Fair Chamber of Commerce. "We are so pleased they will continue



to produce the pageant for our community."

Blaire Pancake has been involved with the Miss Cy-Fair Houston Pageant since its inception in 2010 and was the pageant chair and co-director this past year. She is also a former Miss Tennessee and brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and expertise to the pageant.

Tiffanie Vaughan will be leading the princess pageant. She

has served as a judge and been actively involved in the local community and pageantry for several years. Tiffanie and her husband live in the Cypress area with their 4 children.

"We are honored to be asked by the chamber to continue their legacy with the Miss Cy-Fair Houston and Princess Pageant. This is such a fun event and a great way to raise scholarships for some

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We are glad to hear all of the positive feedback and we intend to continue to improving the look and feel of the newsletter according to what you tell us. So get as involved as you like! We look forward to hearing from you.

### CY Houston Pageant (Continued from Cover)

outstanding young women and show the rest of Texas just how talented and outstanding the young women in our area truly are," says Blaire Pancake.

This year's pageant will take place on February 15-16, 2014 at the Cypress Academy of the Performing Arts. The Miss division will continue to be a preliminary for the Miss America Organization, with Miss Cy-Fair representing the area at the Miss Texas Pageant in July 2014. The Miss (18-24yrs) and Teen (15-17yrs) will compete on Saturday the 15th, and the Miss Houston Princesses will compete on Sunday the 16th.

Last year was our first year as a prelim, and Elizabeth Medina, Miss Cy-Fair Houston 2013, represented Cy-Fair at the Miss Texas Pageant, winning non-finalist talent and the instrumental talent award for her piano rendition of the theme song from the Magnificent Seven. "I was so proud of her hard work and dedication. She has represented us well on and off the stage, and now is studying pre-med at the University of Texas. She has really set a high standard for future titleholders," says Pancake.

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## CY Houston Pageant (*Continued from Page 2*)

While the Princesses do not compete at the state level, they certainly do several appearances around the community and have a lot of fun! "This is not toddlers and tiaras. The whole purpose of this event is for it to be a great event for the girls and their families. It is about having fun and encouraging self-confidence in our youth. We want every little girl, whether she wins the title or not, to feel like a princess," says Tiffanie Vaughan, director of the Miss Cy-Fair Houston Princess Pageant.

### Miss Cy-Fair Houston Miss Division Requirements

- No entry fee: Just need to raise \$100 for the Children's Miracle Network through the Miss America website prior to the pageant
- Age Requirements - Between the ages of 17 & 24 years of age.
- Must be 17 of age and a High School Senior by the time of their first appearance in the preliminary round of the local or state competition.
- Must be no older than twenty-four (24) years of age on December 31, 2013.

· Must attend school and be in good academic standing

#### Phases of Competition

- o Private interview with a personal platform – 10 minutes in Length
- o Physical fitness in swimsuit
- o Talent – up to 90 seconds in length
- o Evening wear in gown of choice
- o On stage question

### Miss Cy-Fair Houston Teen Division Requirements

(*Note: Not a Prelim to Miss Texas*)

- Cost \$250
- Age Requirements - Between the ages of 15 & 17.
- Interview, Evening gown, and On Stage Questions
- Winner, 1, 2, 3, Most Photogenic and Miss Congeniality
- Winner receives \$1,000 Scholarship, crown, sash
- Deadline for applications: March 11, 2013

### Pre-Teen Princess Division Requirements

(*Note: Not a Prelim to Miss Texas*)

- Cost \$150
- Party dress, no glitz
- Age requirements: 13-14
- Contestants will pose and state name and what they would like to be at microphone on stage.
- Winner receives: crown, sash and VIP goody bag

### Junior Princess Division Requirements

(*Note: Not a Prelim to Miss Texas*)

- Cost \$150
- Party dress, no glitz
- Age requirements: 10-12

· Contestants will pose and state name and what they would like to be at microphone on stage.

- Winner receives: crown, sash and VIP goody bag

### Little Princess Division Requirements

(*Note: Not a Prelim to Miss Texas*)

- Cost \$150
- Party dress, no glitz
- Age requirements: 7-9
- Contestants will pose and state name and what they would like to be at microphone on stage.
- Winner receives: crown, sash and VIP goody bag

### Tiny Princess Division Requirements

(*Note: Not a Prelim to Miss Texas*)

- Cost \$150
- Party dress, no glitz
- Age requirements: 4-6
- Contestants will pose and state name and what they would like to be at microphone on stage.
- Winner receives: crown, sash and VIP goody bag

### Sponsorships available for 2014 Pageant

We have sponsorships available. Currently, the Miss Cy-Fair Houston Pageant is proud to have Cypress Academy of Performing Arts as the venue sponsor as well as Kids R Kids Barker Cypress, Autumn Leaves Florist and Gifts, Mary Kay Cosmetics, and Monarch Civil Constructors, LLC as pageant sponsors. Tangible donations for contestant goody bags and contestant sponsors are also needed for the pageant. Advertising space is available in the pageant programs.

### Pageant Specifics:

- 2014 Cy-Fair Houston Pageant Miss/Miss Teen Divisions, Saturday February 15 at 6pm
- 2014 Cy-Fair Houston Princess Divisions, Sunday February 16th at 2pm.

Both Pageants will be held at the Cypress Academy of Performing Arts, 11707 Huffmeister Rd Houston, TX 77065  
Pageant website:

**[www.MissCyFairHouston.com](http://www.MissCyFairHouston.com)**

\*\*\*Note: Only Miss Division is a Prelim to Miss Texas.

For more information on the Miss Cy-Fair Houston Organization, please visit [www.misscyfairhouston.com](http://www.misscyfairhouston.com) or its facebook page [www.facebook.com/misscyfairhouston](http://www.facebook.com/misscyfairhouston)



## NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY AGGIE MOMS CLUB

### HOSTS ANNUAL AGGIE ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

Bring an Aggie-themed ornament and join us for the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club Annual Aggie Ornament Exchange on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive, conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the intersection of High Life Drive and Cutten Road.

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club raises money throughout the year to fund scholarships to students from our area. Last year, we awarded 15 scholarships to Aggie students from our local community and donated over \$34,000 to a variety of Texas A&M student organizations. Eligible students should download the scholarship application form at [www.nwhcaggiemoms.org](http://www.nwhcaggiemoms.org).

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Deadline to apply is February 4, 2014.

### SAVE THE DATE

Don't miss the Annual China Luncheon and Style Show on Saturday, February 8, 2014 from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at Shirley Acres located at 217 Woerner Rd., Spring, Texas. We are looking for talented ladies to decorate

one of our themed tables. Individual tickets are \$30. Get your ticket at one of our monthly meetings or visit our website.

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club meets August thru May on the second Tuesday of every month at

7:00 pm at 7100 High Life Drive. For more information on monthly speakers or upcoming events visit our website at [www.nwhcaggiemoms.org](http://www.nwhcaggiemoms.org) or contact Shannon Eberle, Club President at [clubpres2012@gmail.com](mailto:clubpres2012@gmail.com).



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## CY-FAIR KIWANIS CLUB

Kiwanis wants YOU! 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 PROJECT aimed at the eradication of maternal/neonatal tetanus.

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 representatives as well as individual memberships.

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.

CHILDREN PRIORITY ONE is the motto of Kiwanis Clubs worldwide. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club sponsors nine Key Clubs and two Builders' Club in the Cy-Fair School District. If you would like to work with teens and preteens, join us and work with the outstanding youth in these organizations. We sponsor the Kids Triathlon; Girl Scout, Boy Scout, and Sea Scout troops and activities; award scholarships to outstanding Key Club members in our district; provide assistance to Cypress Assistance Ministries and Bear Creek Ministries; the Houston Food Bank; and many other nonprofit organizations.

We welcome your visit at our Club meeting and your consideration of membership in our service organization. Join Now.

### "Cypress Serenades" Cypress Symphony Presents Second Concert of their Inaugural Season

The Cypress Symphony invites you to celebrate our historical inaugural season at our second concert in January! Join us as we explore some of the earliest orchestral writing by the lighthearted CPE Bach and journey through history to the romantic and passionate Mendelssohn and Tchaikovsky. We are pleased to welcome our talented guest conductor Mark Dupere, as he leads the Cypress Symphony through a musical odyssey! We look forward to seeing you on this magical evening!

**Saturday January 18th, 2014**  
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#### PROGRAM:

C.P.E Bach Symphony for Strings in B-flat  
Mendelssohn String Symphony No. 7 in D minor  
Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings Op. 48  
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Games at the Berry Center will include half time entertainment.

The final game will include Superintendent Dr. Mark Henry playing a game of H.O.R.S.E. with a community member who won this opportunity at one of our auctions. This year's fun will also include the opportunity to win a Dodge Dart at the final game! Our goal is to create a successful high school basketball tournament that engages the entire community. Profits from the tournament will provide college scholarships for district students as well as staff development grants to CFISD. For more information please go to [www.thecfef.org](http://www.thecfef.org) or call 281-807-3591. Sponsorships available.

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