

The Official Newsletter of The Steeplechase Community Improvement Association, Inc. and Steeplechase



Girl Scout Troop 15320

Girl Scout Troop 15320, of Steeplechase Subdivision, selected SPCA as their community service project. They collected donations for the SPCA during the months of December - January. The Troop took a tour of the Houston SPCA and delivered their donations in person on February 9th.

Way to go to Troop 15320 for your continued community service for our community!

Steeplechase Jones Road
Entrance Monument to be
Replaced and Additional
Signage to be Installed at
Eldridge Parkway Entrances

The Steeplechase Community Improvement Association has announced the construction of a new monument at the Jones Road entrance. The existing monument will be demolished towards the end of February. New monument construction is estimated to take 6-8 weeks. Any traffic disruption should be minimal.

The SCIA is also installing entrance signage at Fetlock & Eldridge Parkway and at Paddock Way & Eldridge Parkway. Each of these signs will be mounted for visibility to traffic northbound on Eldridge.

All entrance signs will be lighted.

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Contact the Management Company

cmc@chaparralmanagement.com or by phone 281-586-1700

FUN FAIR POSITIVE SOCCER

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For boys & girls, age 4-18. Spring season is April 12 to May 31, 2014. FFPS provides a positive youth sports experience. FFPS offers fun fair experience, weekly practices, full uniform & trophy, equal play time & play every position, balanced teams, positive coaches & more.

Go to www.FFPS.org to sign up. Registration fee includes full uniform (shirt, shorts and socks), trophy, trained positive coaches, nice fields & background checks on all volunteers. Coaches will call players to schedule practice by April 9th. Practice times & location determined by the coach & team. The schedule includes eight games all played locally on Saturdays from April 12th – May 31st. Cy-Fair N league plays at Matzke Elementary (13102 Jones Rd, Houston, TX). Cy-Fair S league plays at Cook Middle School (9111 Wheatland Dr, Houston, TX). Cy-Fair W league plays at Horne Elementary (14950 W Little York, Houston, TX).

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WANT YOUR SKIN TO GLOW?

"All Natural" Might Not Be The Way To Go

If you want your skin to glow, experts at Baylor College of Medicine say all natural products might not be the answer.

"Some people think that by going all natural with their skin care, that it will automatically be safer for their skin. That's not necessarily the case," said Dr. Rajani Katta, professor of dermatology at Baylor.

Whether it is cleansers or moisturizers, you can still have allergic reactions to the ingredients even if they are all natural or organic. Many natural ingredients, such as lavender extract or sandalwood oil, are actually types of fragrance additives. Even though these are natural fragrances, they can still cause the same type of allergic reactions. Other natural ingredients, such as tea tree oil, can also trigger allergic reactions.

Since it may be hard to pinpoint exactly what is causing irritation or allergic reactions just by reading labels, Katta suggests consulting a dermatologist.





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Prevent Colon Cancer In Less Than An Hour

Regular screenings for colon cancer can catch the deadly disease before it even begins, according to doctors at Baylor College of Medicine.

"Colon cancer is known as the silent killer because symptoms are not present until it's too late," said Dr. Waqar Qureshi, professor of medicine and chief of endoscopy at Baylor.

Symptoms include rectal bleeding, abdominal pain, weight loss or anemia. But if symptoms are apparent, then it¹s more than likely the cancer has already spread. Screening can catch precancerous growths at a time when life-saving treatments are still effective.

A colonoscopy is the most accurate way to find precancerous growths. A colonoscopy takes up to 20 minutes, and patients are sedated so most don't even remember the procedure.

"Usually screenings start at age 50 and continue every 10 years after that," said Qureshi. "However, if colon cancer runs in your family, screenings should be more frequent and begin sooner."



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TENNIS TIPS

By USPTA/PTR Master Professional Fernando Velasco











How To Execute The Forehand Drop Shot

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to hit the forehand groundstroke, the two-handed backhand, the one-handed backhand, the forehand volley, the two handed backhand volley, the serve, the forehand half-volley, the one-handed backhand volley, the overhead "smash", the forehand service return, the backhand service return, the forehand high volley approach shot, the two handed high volley approach shot, the forehand lob, the two-handed backhand lob and the one-handed backhand lob.

In this issue, I will offer instructions on how to execute the Forehand Drop Shot. This shot is used when a player is deep on the baseline and returns a short soft ball. The player hitting the drop shop is forcing the opponent to run toward the net. This ball should be hit high enough to clear the net and almost bounce back toward the net. If the player running for the shot can get it on the first bounce, it will likely be off balance and will be forced to make an error or return for an easy put away volley. In the illustrations, Fernando Velasco, Manager and Director of Tennis at the Grey Rock Tennis Club, shows the proper technique to execute this stroke. This shot can also be executed from the base line when the opponent is expecting a deep return of a serve.

Step 1: The Back Swing: When Fernando detects the ball landing short and high, he starts his back swing high and compacted. He is using the continental grip and keeping his eyes focused on the flight of the ball. His left hand is up front to keep the proper body balance.

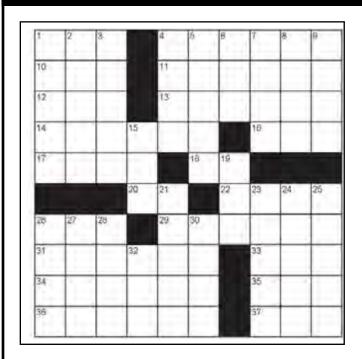
Step 2: The Point of Contact: Fernando is now ready to perform the drop shot. His eyes are now focused on the point of contact and the face of the racket is angled up to create the underspin on the ball. His goal is to keep his head still. His left hand is still in front and his weight is shifting toward his left foot.

Step 3: The Follow Through: The success of a drop shot is to keep the ball on the strings as long as possible. Fernando is almost "cupping" the ball during the follow through. Fernando's grip is relaxed and the head of the racket is pointing toward the sky. His left shoulder is almost opening to the net and his eyes are following the path of the ball.

Step 4: The Ready Position: Once Fernando finishes the stroke, his goal is to follow the path of the drop shot. If he created a good drop shot and sees his opponent running with the head of the racket down, Fernando will move closer to the net or anticipate the angle shot. More likely it will be an easy sitter for a put away volley.

Look in the next Newsletter for: How to execute "The Backhand Drop Shot"

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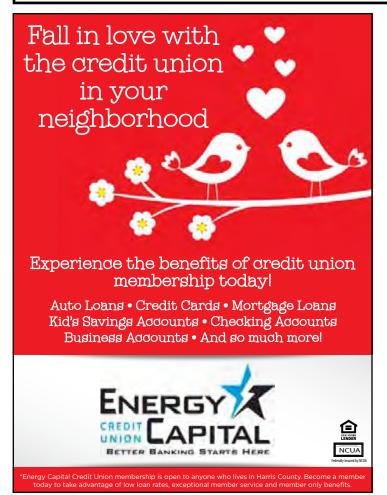
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- 10. Self-esteem
- 11. Excuses
- 12. Shade tree
- 13. Napkins
- 14. Filament
- 16. Shekel
- 17. Hula
- 18. Iowa (abbr.)
- 20. Man's title
- 22. Type of dressing
- 26. Short-term memory
- 29. Exodus
- 31. Hype
- 33. Airport abbr.
- 34. Glistening
- 35. Cask
- 36. Star system
- 37. South southeast

DOWN

- 1. Wood
- 2. Ice house
- 3. Fast food meal
- 4. Ashen
- 5. Excuse
- 6. Cocktail drink
- 7. Follow
- 8. Eaten
- 9. Association (abbr.)
- 15. Words per minute
- 19. Abridged (abbr.)
- 21. Become less tight
- 23. Onion like vegetables
- 24. Painter Richard
- 25. Utilization
- 26. Thick carpet
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