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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

4 Twin Villas HOA Meeting
7 - 8:30 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouses
5 Annual Eagle Springs HOA Meeting
6 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse
7Eagle Springs Flyer Swim Meet
7 am / Athletic Pool **Onsite Office Closed**
10 Book Club
8 pm / Athletic Clubhouse
13Scrapbook Club
12 – 10 pm / Athletic Clubhouse
16 Sports Field Committee Meeting
7 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse
17 Pool Committee Meeting
7 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse
19Safety Advisory Committee Meeting
7 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse
23 Landscape Committee Meeting
7 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse

Board of Directors Nomination Announcement

Board of Directors Election Announcement

Nominations are currently being accepted for three Resident Director positions to the Eagle Springs Community Association, Inc. Board of Directors. Three residents will be elected to serve a two year term. The election will take place at the Association's Annual Meeting to be held on June 5, 2014 at 6:30 PM in the Valley Springs Clubhouse, 13355 Valley Lodge Pkwy, Humble TX 77346. Registration of the Neighborhood Voting Representatives will begin at 6:00 PM.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the governance of the Association. They conduct the business of the Association and direct the efforts of the management company and other association vendors. The Board of Directors meets every other month. Additionally, the Resident Board Members meet every other month with the Neighborhood Voting Representatives.

If you are interested in being nominated, please submit a brief biography, along with your contact information, to Bill Higgins at Crest Management (bill@crest-management.com) no later than Tuesday June 3, 2014. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the meeting.



COMMUNITY CONTACT INFORMATION

EAGLE SPRINGS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Fire, Medical or Life Threatening Emerg	ency 9-1-1
P-4 Constable Dispatch	
Humble ISD Police (Schools)	281-641-7900
Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept (AVFD)	

Non-Emergency Number	281-852-2181
Harris County Animal Control	
Texas Poison Control Center	

UTILITIES

Electric, (multiple providers)	www.powertochoose.org
Power Outages	
Street Light Outages	
Gas, Centerpoint Energy	
Gas Leaks	
Water, Severn Trent	
24 Hour Emergency Number	
Humble Post Office	
Trash & Recycle, Best Trash	

TELEPHONE/TV/INTERNET PROVIDERS:

Centurylink	
Comcast	
DISHNetwork	
DirecTV	

SCHOOLS

Humble ISD	
Website	www.humble.k12.tx.us
Eagle Springs Elementary	
Atascocita Springs Elementary	
Timberwood Middle School	
Atascocita High School	

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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given to all members of the Eagle Springs Community Association, Inc. for the upcoming annual meeting of the Eagle Springs Community Association Board of Directors. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the business of the association. This meeting will take place on Thursday, June 5, 2014 at the Valley Springs Clubhouse.

> 13355 Valley Springs Parkway Humble Texas 77346

Registration of the Neighborhood Voting Representatives at 6:00pm. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

Please contact Bill Higgins at Crest Management for any questions regarding this notice.

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Happy Father's Day!

Summer has arrived.....and the housing market continues to Sizzle with excitement 2014 in our local market continues to be strong. Table 1 shows activity in Area 1 – Northeast Houston which includes, Humble/Atascocita/Huffman. Table 2 shows specific data for Eagle Springs.

Area 1 – Northeast Houston – Represents inventory of homes available on May 7, 2014 and contracts executed between January 1 – May 7, 2014

Status	Up to	\$100.000-	\$200.000-	\$300,000-	\$400.000-	\$500,000-	\$600,000+	Total
	\$99,999	\$199,999	\$299,999	\$399,999	\$499,999	\$599,999	,	
Active	19	183	155	78	48	16	28	527
Option	6	44	28	12	6	3	2	101
Pending								
Pending	25	170	97	66	18	3	1	380
/ PS								
Sold	75	438	209	85	20	15	13	855
Total:	125	835	489	241	92	37	44	1863

Eagle Springs - Represents inventory of homes available on May 7, 2014 and contracts executed between January 1 – May 7, 2014

	Status	Up to \$99,999	\$100,000- \$199,999	\$200,000- \$299,999	\$300,000- \$399,999	\$400,000- \$499,999	\$500,000- \$599,999	\$600,000+	Total
-	Active	0	2	23	15	8	2	0	50
	Option Pending	0	1	9	2	1	2	0	15
	Pending / PS	0	13	25	16	2	1	0	57
	Sold	0	21	35	15	6	2	0	79
	Total	0	37	92	48	17	7	0	201

NOTE: This representation is based in whole or in part of data supplied by the Houston Board of Realtors Multiple Listing Service. Neither the Board nor its MLS guarantees or is in any way responsible for its accuracy. Any market data maintained by the Board or its MLS necessarily does not include information on listings not published at the request of seller, listings of brokers who are not members of the Board of MLS, unlisted properties, rental properties, etc.

The time to put your home on the market and sell may be right now. For years, Eagle Spring's residents have trusted me in assisting them with selling their homes. My ranking as the #1 Individual Listing Agent in Eagle Springs; in addition to being listed as one of the Top five agents in Area 1 – Northeast Houston for the past several years; confirms my ability to assist you with a proven marketing plan providing full turn-key service to get your home sold.

Buyers need to know prices are already starting to move up as inventory of available homes are down. There are numerous companies relocating to the area that continues to put demand on available homes as well, with some opting to lease until the home that fits their needs comes on the market. That home may be yours. Let me help you evaluate your options if buying or selling is in your future.

The market is hot as displayed by the Sold and Sale Pending's that have occurred in 2014. "Days on Market" is shrinking and I have been getting multiple offers on many properties as well as selling homes in as few as 1 day. I know this neighborhood and I know many of you. Thanks to Eagle Springs for your continued trust in me. I have personally sold over 500 homes totaling over \$100 million in sales and I Can Sell Yours Too!

As we head into the summer months, now is a great time to get your A/C system checked out. Quality Comfort Air, 832-663-5373 is a great resource to contact. I am asked many times for Vendors that I use for repairs, maintenance, or additions to the homes I represent or that I use personally. The following are a few Vendors that I consistently use and get the job done. Contact me if you are in need of any Vendor for your home. I will be happy to get you with the Professional that fits your needs.

- Quality Comfort Air-832-663-5373, All Pro Plumbing-832-477-1902, Roofing-FSR Services-281-852-9555
- Pools-Picasso Pools-281-831-7974, Locksmith-Lake Lock & Key-281-852-1516 Home Alarm-Lakeshore Security-713-870-1964, Landscaper-Hollywood Hills-281-657-5380
- Painting–Orlando 832-453-7961, Pool Maintenance-832-452-5959 (Chris)

In closing, I'd like to wish all the Dads out there a Happy Father's Day!. Safe travels to those of you that will be traveling this Summer.

Respec<u>tfully,</u>

Rebekah Snipp

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Resident of Eagle Springs



4th of July Parade and Party

We kick off the 4th of July with a bang with our annual parade and party! Parade begins at 9 am and prizes will be awarded for best decorated wagon, bike/trike, powered four wheeler and costume. The parade will end at the Splash Pad with water slides, sno cones for sale, crafts and more! Stay tuned to InsideEagleSprings.com for more information on parade route and exciting details.

Save the Date for Casino Night!

Book your sitter now and get your poker face on....our annual Casino Night will be here July 26th at 7 pm at The Overlook, a fabulous venue featuring scenic views, passed canapés and FUN! Watch next month's Talon and InsideEagleSprings.com for registration and details!



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The Eagle Springs Annual Kids Triathlon will be held September 20, 2014. This event is for children aged 5 to 15. Now is the time to get your child ready and prepared. If you are interested in registering or for more information, please visit www.insideeaglesprings.com. The committee is looking for volunteers to help with planning, volunteers for the day of the event, and sponsors to help cover the cost. If you are interested in volunteering or sponsoring please contact the team at kidstri@insideeaglesprings.com.



Daisy Troop 118007 Raises Over \$700 for Montgomery County Animal Shelter

Daisy Troop 118007 participated in the recent neighborhood garage sale as a community service fundraiser in support of Montgomery County Animal Shelter. The girls and their families purged toy rooms and closets for gently loved items to fill their sale tables. They even received donations of goods from several community members to put towards their cause!

With perfect weather for a garage sale, they were blessed with steady traffic all morning long at the central sale site at Eagle Springs Elementary. In addition to having items for sale, the troop also came up with the idea to make cash donation jars and sell bottled water. Thank you to everyone who came out to shop or donated to their fund! A very special thank you goes out to the two anonymous angels who stopped by the tables on sale morning and gave the girls items from their own tables to sell for the cause! Their grand total was \$755.65 and they are looking forward to delivering the money to the shelter soon.

Montgomery County Animal Shelter is located at 8535 State Highway 242 in Conroe. Dog and cat adoptions are available every day of the week!



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5 Ways to Make it Fun this Summer

As the heat index quickly moves up it's all too easy to let the Texas humidity get you down. Here are a few ideas to keep the family cool and inspired this summer.

Take a "stay-cation"

A new job, limited spending money, a large family, and many other factors can make it difficult to skip town. Who says you have to leave town to have a vacation? Load up the kids backpacks with water and treats and pretend you're a tourist in Houston.

Visit the Museum

Museums will not only get you out of the heat but they offer wonderful fun learning opportunities for you and the kids. Check out the Houston Museum of Natural Science, The Museum of Fine Arts, the Children's Museum of Houston, and more.

Host a Potluck BBQ

Summer is a great time to gather your

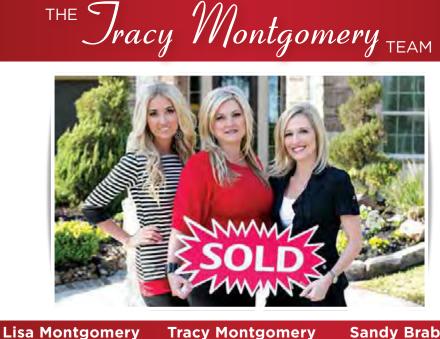
loved ones and meet your neighbors. Relieve some of the stress of preparing a meal for everyone by making it a Potluck gathering. Enjoy the limited time we have to relax poolside with family and friends and don't forget the Blue Bell ice-cream!

Beach Time!

Go to the beach. Galveston is right out our back door. Stop at your local store before heading out to fill the coolers with food and water. Even if you're not a raving fan of saltwater there's something soothing about the ocean. Look at the sun's reflection on the ripples. Water has a soothing effect on the mind and body.

Dinner Under the Stars

We have a number of great local restaurants that have rooftop bar and patios. Make it a date and enjoy the night with your loved one. There's something about the night air and the right person that makes summer nights magical.



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See reverse for credit courses.



Week One: July 7-10

Course Name	Course#	Reg#
Adventures in Art (9-12)	YTHSC 3940102	3593
Beginning Robotics (6-8)	YTHSC 3940109	
Cookie Creations (6-8)		3574
Elementary Watson (9-12)		3600
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Cookie Creations (9-12)	YTHSC 3000011
Elementary Watson (6-8)	
Bubbly Oozy Science (6-8)	YTHSC 3940105
Junior Veterinarian (9-12)	

Week Two: July 14-17

Moraling

Rubber Band Creations (9-12)	YTHSC 3940102	3595
Read Write Speak (6-8)	YTHSC 3940103	
Conquer Multiplication (9-12)	YTHSC 3940103	3602
Computer Animation (6-8)	YTHSC 3940109	3617
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Explorations in Drawing (6-8)	YTHSC 3940102	
Intermediate Robotics (9-12)	YTHSC 3940109	
Cosmic Exploration (6-8)	YTHSC 3940105	3608
Clay Animation (9-12)	YTHSC 3940109	3616

Week Three: July 21-24

Merning

Math Boggle (6-8)	YTHSC 3940106	3605
Junior Veterinarian (9-12)	YTHSC 3000011	3576
Journalism School (9-12)	YTHSC 3940103	3603
Rocks, Minerals, Fossils (6-8)	YTHSC 3940105	3611
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Candy Making (6-1	 75
Exploration Drawin	96
Come Fly With Me	09

Week Four: July 28-31

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Clay and Sculpture (9-12)	YTHSC 3940102	3598
Manuscript & Cursive (6-8)	YTHSC 3940103	3604
Flight and Rocketry (9-12)	and the starting of the starti	3612
Game Design (6-8)	YTHSC 3940109	3621

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Rubber Band Creation (6-8)	YTHSC 3940102 3597
Fractals (6-8)	
Geo Tech (9-12)	
Power, Speed, Drag Rocing (9-12	YTHSC 3940109

Earn college credit close to home!

Summer Credit classes at Lone Star College-Atascocita Center are listed here.

Get started at LoneStar.edu/ registration.

Teen Driver Education Program

June 2-26 M-Th • 3-5p SFTYC 3980002 Class 6665

June 16-July 14 M-Th • 100-12p SFTYC 3980002 Class 6666



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Human Anat & Phys I	BIOL 2401	52.48	TTh	5:30p-9:20p
Summer Session I: Jun	e 2-July 8, 20	014		
Prin of Acct II	ACCT 2402	5244	MTWTh	8:45a-12:10p
Art Appreciation	ARTS 1301	5165	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
Human Anat & Phys I	BIOL 2401	5246	MTWTh	8:00a-12:00p
Macro-economics	ECON 2301	5236	Online	
Comp & Rhetoric I	ENGL 1301 ENGL 1301	5166 5167	MTWTh Online	8:00a-10:00a
Comp & Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	5168	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Federal Government	GOVT 2305	52.57	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
US History to 1877	HIST 1301	5170	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
US History Since 1877	HIST 1302	5171	TTh	5:30p-9:30p
College Success Crs:1st Yr Exp	HUMD 0330	5172	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Fitness and Wellness I	KINE 1111	5250	TBA	TBA
Intro Algebro	MATH 0308 MATH 0308	5240 5241	TTh MTWTh	5:30p-9:30p 8:00a-10:00a
Intermediate Algebra	MATH 0310 MATH 0310	5242 5243	MTWTh TTh	10:10a-12:10p 5:30p-9:30p
College Algebra	MATH 1314 MATH 1314	5238 5239	MTWTh	12:20p-2:20p 10:10g-12:10p
General Psychology	PSYC 2301 PSYC 2301	5234 5237	MTWTh Online	8:00a-10:00a
Intro to Communication	SPCH 1311	5235	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p

Summer Session II: July 10-Aug 17, 2014

Intro Anthropology	ANTH 2346	5973	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Art Appreciation	ARTS 1301	5252	MTWTh	12:20p-2:20p
Human Anat & Phys II	BIOL 2402	5271	MTWTh	8:00o-12:00p
Intro to Computers	COSC 1401	5281	TTh	8:30a-10:00a
Intro Crim Justice	CRIJ 1301	5253	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Theatre Appreciation	DRAM 1310	5254	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
Dev Reading II	ENGL 0305	5279	MTWTh	12:30p-3:00p
Dev Writing II	ENGL 0307	5276	MTWTh	10:10a-12:40p
Adv Dev Reading/Writing	ENGL 0309	5273	MTWTh	8:00a-10:30a
Comp & Rhetoric I	ENGL 1301	5256	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Comp & Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	5255	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
Texas Government	GOVT 2306	5169	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
US History Since 1877	HIST 1302	5258	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
College Success Crs:1st Yr Exp	HUMD 0330	5259	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a
Pre-algebra Math	MATH 0306	5263	TTh	5:30p-9:30p
Intro Algebra	MATH 0308	5264	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Intermediate Algebra	MATH 0310 MATH 0310	5267 5268	MTWTh TTh	10:10a-12:10p 5:30p-9:30p
College Algebra	MATH 1314 MATH 1314	5269 5270	MTWTh	8:00a-10:00a 12:20p-2:20p
General Psychology	PSYC 2301	5260	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p
Intro to Communication	SPCH 1311	5262	Πh	5:30p-9:30p
Interpersonal Comm	SPCH 1318	5261	MTWTh	10:10a-12:10p

See reverse for youth programs.

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Open House is scheduled on Tuesday, May 20 from 5-7pm. This provides an opportunity to learn about all the educational opportunities close to home. Stop by and check us out!

We are hiring part-time faculty in the following disciplines: History, Biology, Speech, English and Government. Visit www. lonestar.edu/jobs and type Atascocita as keyword search. Most positions will begin in August.

Get a jump start on your college career! Summer college classes begin June 2nd for Summer Term 1 and July 10 for Summer Term 2. Discovery College for kids is now expanding to 4 weeks in Atascocita and day camps are available beginning July 7. Register early to get a spot! View the schedule and descriptions at lonestar. edu/Atascocita

Visit Lone Star College – Atascocita Center for its Summer of Learning programs! FREE....Supplies are limited so please register for the sessions you would like to attend by contacting Kaleigh VonDerVor at 832-775-0817 or Kaleigh.VonDerVor@lonestar.edu. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Each 30 minute – 1 hour session will be held every Thursday beginning June 5th at 6pm. Please advance register so we may prepare adequately.

June 5th - Face Painting (even for the Artistically Challenged) June 12th - The Best Disney Trip Ever June 19th - The Slight Edge & Relationship Marketing June 26th - Throwing a Theme Party July 10th - We Can, We Care, We Belong! - Incorporate Volunteerism Into Your Life *presented by Quest Early College High School Student Service-Learning Leaders* July 17th - To Ride or Not To Ride? July 24th - Yard Sale Success July 31st - Survival Skills August 7th - Learn Origami August 14th - Knitting for Beginners

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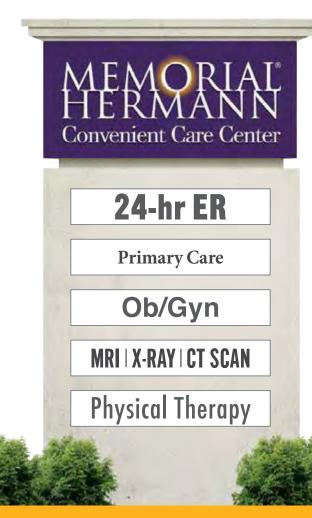
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Deanna Rose Lackey 6:02 PM 8 lbs 12 oz Born: March 27, 2014 Proud Parents: Daniel & Desiree Lackey Big Brother: Dax Lackey Neighborhood: Sterling Creek

> *New Baby:* Reid Walker Baker *Parents:* Casey & Brandi Baker *Born:* April 8, 2014 *Neighborhood:* Barton Ridge

Kirk and Silvia Armstrong of 18119 Cabin Green CT. is proud to announce the birth of their first baby - Amanda Grace - born on Easter April 20, 2014. She weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz, and is 19.5" long.



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FACT:

Bring the World to your Child By Hosting a Foreign Exchange Student

If you've read the newspaper lately, you know that the world can be a scary place: wars, economic crisis, revolutions, climate change, border disputes, refugees, and protests. So, how do we teach our children about the world, and the variety of people in it, when most of the examples we read about in the press are so negative?

One life changing way to broaden your child's world view is to volunteer to host a HYPERLINK "http://www.ayusa.org" high school foreign exchange student. Foreign exchange programs have been around for almost 100 years, and their mission has always been the same – to educate people about different cultures through person-to-person exchange. What better message to pass on to your children?

There are quite a few misconceptions about foreign exchange programs – especially around who can host. The biggest misconception is that you must have high school aged children when you host a high school exchange student. Nothing could be further from the truth.

"We welcome host families of all shapes and sizes – families with young children, families with no children, empty nesters whose children have left home, single parents and non-traditional families," says Heather Wells, Senior Regional Director for HYPERLINK "http://www.ayusa.org" Ayusa, a non-profit promoting global learning and leadership through foreign exchange and study abroad opportunities for high school students. "The key requirements for a host family are to provide a safe and nurturing home environment, genuinely love children, and have a desire to learn more about a different culture."

Families with young children find that hosting an exchange student provides their children with an especially unique educational experience in the form of an international big brother or sister. Without even realizing it, children learn about different types of people and different cultural traditions.

"My daughter Kelsie feels as if Isabelle, our exchange student from Germany, is an older sister to her," said Melissa Hughes, an Ayusa host mom from Ashville, North Carolina. "They have confided in each other, have had movie nights together, and have gone to the mall together - much like natural sisters would do. Kelsie will never forget Isabelle and they have already planned future get-togethers when they are older."

Volunteer host families provide foreign exchange students a nurturing environment, three meals a day and a bedroom (either private or shared with a host sibling of the same gender). Each host family and student is supported by a professionally trained community representative who works with the family and student for the entire program. All interested host families must pass a criminal background check and a home visit by an exchange organization.

"In Tunisia, we always hear about Americans and American life style, in movies, media, songs, everything, and I know it is different, and I wanted to figure out this difference myself," said HYPERLINK "http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h8_pxf7mhY" Asma, a bubbly high school student from Tunisia who spent a school year living with the O'Donnell family in Anchorage, Alaska.

Foreign exchange students come from all over the world. Ayusa matches host families with students from more than 60 different countries including Argentina, China, Ecuador, Egypt, France, Germany, Japan, Lebanon, Norway, Pakistan, Sweden, Thailand, Tunisia and Turkey. All high school foreign exchange students are fully insured, bring their own spending money, and are proficient in English – and all high school exchange programs are regulated by the U.S. Department of State.

Interested host families are required to fill out an application, pass a background check and interview with a local exchange program representative in their homes. Once accepted to a program, host families can view profiles of students to find the right match for their family.

"Hosting an exchange student is a life-changing experience – for the student, the host family, and the host community," says Heather Wells. "There is no better way to teach your children about the world around them than through welcoming an international high school student into your home."

Ayusa is currently accepting applications for families to host an exchange student for the 2014-2015 school year. For more information about hosting a high school foreign exchange student, please contact Ayusa at 1.888.552.9872 or by visiting the website at:



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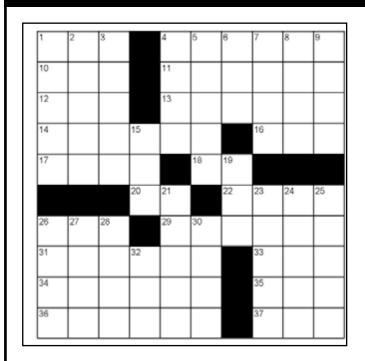
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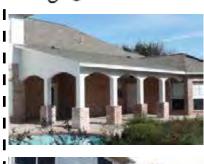
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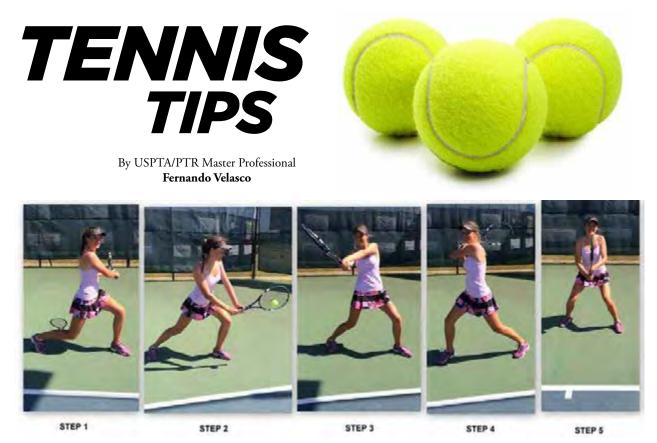
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The Modern Game: The Top Spin Backhand

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to execute the basic strokes for players who are just beginning to play tennis or who want to resume playing.

I am now offering suggestions on how to play the "modern" game mostly geared towards players who are happy with hitting the ball over the net and controlling the point with consistency. These players may be already playing for leagues or tournaments and are looking for more "weapons" on the court.

In this issue, I will offer instructions on how to execute the Top Spin Backhand. This shot is used when a player is presently hitting the ball long and out. The ball will be aimed high over the net and hit with power. The ball will have a "top spin" so that when the ball hits the court, it will take a big hop, forcing the opponent to fall back close to the fence, or to hit the ball on the rise.

In the illustrations, Tyler Duncum, one of the top players of the Grey Rock Tennis Academy, shows the proper technique to execute this stroke. Tyler is coached by the Director of the Tennis Academy, Darin Pleasant. This shot can also be executed from the service line as an "approach shot" to the net.

Step 1: The Back Swing: When Tyler is pulled wide to her backhand, she makes a quick turn of her upper body and takes her racket back. The head of the racket is now at waist height, her shoulders are turned, the left hand holding the racket, and her right hand changing to the "continental grip". She has loaded her left hip to help her drive her weight forward. Her left grip is relaxed and her wrist is "laid back" to allow maximum point of contact.

Step 2: The Point of Contact: The success of a top spin shot is keeping the ball on the strings going from low to high in a 30 degree angle and accelerating the racket head around the outside of the ball. Tyler started the swing high and "looped" it to allow the head of the racket to drop down. She will be brushing around the outside of the ball as she makes contact with it. Her right shoulder is almost opening and her weight has now been shifted toward the front.

Step 3: The Follow Through: In order to get maximum control and power, Tyler is keeping her left arm almost straight as she extends through the shot. She has "snapped" her left wrist and her right hand helps with the stability and power. She has now allows her left side to transfer forward towards the net.

Step 4: The Finish: Tyler's upper body acceleration is creating a high finish over her right shoulder. Her legs are already in position to recover back towards the middle of the court.

Step 5: The Ready Position: Once Tyler returns the ball to her opponent, she goes back home (towards the center of the court), to be ready for the next shot. Her knees are slightly flexed, she is in a good athletic stance and her eyes are focused on the oncoming ball.

Look in the next Newsletter for: "The Modern Game: The Forehand Approach Forehand Volley"



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