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## **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA IS BACK!!!!**

**December 20th, 9-11am at the Clubhouse**

I am so excited about Santa coming to Northpointe this year! It took a LOT of coercing and persistence to get through those elves to even speak to Santa, but she did it! Tracy McCoy a new resident of the Villages of Northpointe actually got the 'real' Santa Clause to come and have breakfast with all of our families! Santa said he would be delighted and excited to take time out of his busy schedule to visit and take pictures with all of our precious children this year! Seriously, you guys don't want to miss this!! Please contact Tracy McCoy for further information at [tmccoy99@gmail.com](mailto:tmccoy99@gmail.com)

## **Christmas Light Contest Donations**

The Villages of Northpointe Christmas Light Contest will be judged the nights of Saturday the 13th and Sunday the 14th this year! The categories will be "Best Traditional" and "Best Over the Top" for each section so put on your BEST SHOW!!

If you or anyone you know owns a business, a discount coupon would be a great prize! In fact any discount coupon for a service would be appreciated and its GREAT advertising!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS YA'LL

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 ..... 281-376-8802  
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### SCHOOLS

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Parents are Lacey & Chris Hughes and big brother is Carter

## *Neighbors in Need Campaign*

The women of Northwest Houston Business & Professional Women (BPW) are sponsoring a "Neighbors in Need" campaign in December to collect toys for infants through age 12. BPW is partnering with a renowned Houston non-profit organization, Northwest Assistance Ministries (NAM), to spread some Christmas cheer to children in need. The monthly luncheon will feature speaker, Carole Little, a dedicated leader with more than 30 years' experience in health and human services. Since 2001, she has served as President & CEO of Northwest Assistance Ministries. Members and guests are invited to the luncheon on Dec 18 at Northgate Country Club and to bring an unwrapped toy for infants through age 12. RSVP online by Dec 16 at <http://nwhoustonbpw.com/>.



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As autumn brings cooler temperatures, it also signals the arrival of another seasonal display – falling leaves!

While Take Care of Texas encourages you to plant shade trees to help lower your utility bills in the summer, these deciduous trees lose their leaves in the fall. Instead of raking and bagging them, where they will head to a landfill, put them back into your lawns and gardens as a valuable source of mulch and fertilizer.

Leaves contain 50 to 80 percent of the nutrients a plant extracts from the soil and air during the season. Grass clippings, leaves, and other yard debris make up 20 percent of the trash sent to landfills each year. It costs Texans over \$250 million a year to collect and dispose of this waste.

There are four basic ways to manage leaves and use them in landscaping:

**Mowing:** a light covering of leaves can be mowed, simply leaving the shredded leaves in place on the lawn. This technique is most effective when a mulching mower is used.

**Mulching:** a lawn mower with a bagging attachment provides a fast and easy way to shred and collect the leaves. Apply a three to four inch layer of shredded leaves around the base of trees and shrubs. A two to three inch mulch of shredded leaves is ideal for flowerbeds. For vegetable gardens, a thick layer of leaves placed between the rows functions as a mulch and an all-weather walkway that will allow you to work in your garden during wet periods.

**Composting:** in addition to leaves, other yard wastes such as grass clippings, pine needles, weeds, and small prunings can be composted. Compost can serve as a soil conditioner that nourishes your yard and reduces the need for outdoor watering up to 60 percent.

**Soil improvement:** leaves may be collected and worked directly into garden and flowerbed soils. A six to eight inch layer of leaves tilled into a heavy, clay soil will improve aeration and drainage. The same amount tilled into a light, sandy soil, will improve water and nutrient holding capacity.

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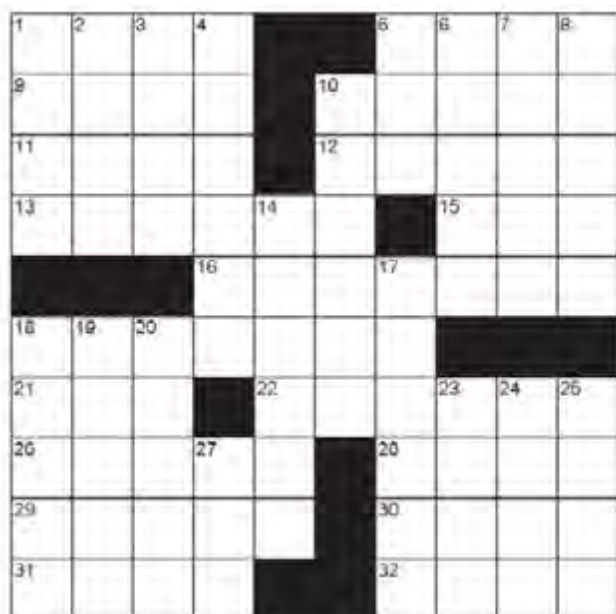
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5. Syrian bishop
9. Against
10. Landing
11. Leaves
12. Boom box
13. Allure
15. African antelope
16. Polite
18. Leafy green
21. Marry
22. Esophagus
26. Woken
28. Goad
29. Type of tooth
30. Refer
31. Posttraumatic stress disorder
32. Sieve

### DOWN

1. Nativity scene piece
2. Competition at the Greek games
3. Capital of the Ukraine
4. Symbol
5. Expression of surprise
6. Emblem
7. Pickle juice
8. A ball out of bounds (2 wds.)
10. Twist violently
14. Ripper
17. Strums
18. Slough
19. Ross \_\_\_\_, philanthropist
20. Gods
23. Brand of sandwich cookie
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