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SUMMER COMMUNITY EVENT

for Legends Ranch - Residents Invited

Residents: Please join us Sat., July 4, as we celebrate Independence Day & enjoy time with neighbors!

Tiny Tots Parade: 9:00 A.M. (front Clubhouse line-up 8:30-8:45 with bikes, trikes, wagons & scooters).

Vehicle Parade: 9:30 A.M. (8:45 AM line-up) from Club House to Splash Pad (those who already RSVP'd with Cathy at the Clubhouse are competing for 3 prizes for the top 3) so come checkout the decorated, cool cars, trucks & golf carts our neighbors are showcasing.

Lunch: 11:00 A.M. or so (when parade has concluded / setup is ready) Hot Dogs & Burgers are compliments of the Property Owner's Association.

Community Fun: There will be Fire Truck Rides for kids accompanied by a parent/guardian & other Festivities will be going on by the Splash Pad area.

Shopping: bring your wallet for some vendor booths set-up during Festivities.

Vendors who helped to sponsor this great event-- Thank you! List at the time of publication: TriSmart Communications - Charlie Heaton; Re/Max Realty - Peyo Rubio; Heavenly Gems And Jewels - Brenda Wozencraft; Not Your Average Baby - Donna Williams; Texas Farm Bureau Insurance – John Thompson.



NEW NEIGHBORHOOD SMART PHONE APP LAUNCHED:

Here's a preview of our new Legends Ranch Smart Phone Application tools; stay tuned as they get complete: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/id1001245270

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.app_ legendsranchpoa.layout



Important: The board of Directors is kindly requesting your help in keeping Legends Ranch beautiful by trimming your trees, especially the ones located between the streets and the sidewalks. This will ensure appropriate clearance for pedestrians and strollers using the sidewalks and cars traveling down the street, it should also help with Safety, and give an overall great appearance to our community. If you are having difficulties trimming your trees, don't want to do it yourself, or are unsure on how to do it, please email the office at legranch@ciramail.com, and we will try to coordinate this service for you. Thank you so much for your help in contributing to the overall appearance our streets!

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Property Tax

Montgomery County Tax	
Conroe ISD	
Montgomery MUD #89	

Your Community Homeowners Association

RealManage	
Legends Ranch Clubhouse	
Legends Ranch SplashPad	
Gate Attendant Ôffice	

Police & Fire

Emergency	
Montgomery Sheriff	
Pct. 3 Constable Office	.281-364-4211
S. Montgomery Co. Fire Dept. Non-Emergency.	281-363-3473
Montgomery County EMS Non-Emergency	936-441-6243
Crime Stoppers	.713-222-TIPS
Poison Control	800-222-1222
Texas DPS	.713-681-1761

Utilities

Electricity (TXU)	800-368-1398
Electricity (TXU New Service)	281-441-3928
Electricity (Centerpoint)	713-207-2222
Gas (Centerpoint)	713-659-2111
Water/Municipal Oper. & Consulting	281-367-5511
Canyon Gate Connect	281-296-9584
Best Trash	281-313-2378
Street Light Outages	713-207-2222
Cable/Internet/Phone_COMCAST	713-341-1000

Public Services

Local US Post Office	281-419-7948
Toll Road EZ Tag	281-875-3279
Voters Registration	936-539-7843
Vehicle Registration	
Drivers License Information	936-442-2810
Montgomery County Animal Control	936-442-7738
Montgomery Chamber	281-367-5777

Area Hospitals

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Memorial Hermann	
St. Luke's	
Conroe Medical Center	
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Birnham Woods Elementary	
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REMINDERS TO HOUSEHOLDS WITH PETS

Loose pets: It is a deed restriction violation if your pets are not in a contained environment, such as within your home or confined to a fenced backyard with latched gates. When a yard service is accessing your backyard, or your children or a pet-sitter is watching your pet, remind them to re-latch your gates to prevent pets from escaping.

When pets are not in a contained environment, they must be on a Leash at all times, such as when walking down the street and in common areas.

Pickup your pet's poop from sidewalk/alongside road areas, playground/park areas, tree areas/drill site and if you catch your escape artist pooping in a neighbor's lawn. It is the pet owner's responsibility to keep all areas of the community free from pet debris when walking your pets.

Escaped pet? If a pet accidentally does escape, or is found loose: Owners may want to keep a photo on hand to help look for their pet. Finders might want to snap a photo to attempt to locate the owners. Using our neighborhood social media page* at www.facebook.com/groups/LegendsRanch might serve as helpful, with animal control as a last resort. Call Animal Control if a pet seems hostile/if uncertain (936) 442-7738. Note: sharing a photo on our neighborhood social media page, even if pet gets picked up, may allow enough time for the owner to pick up their pet from animal control.

* Page not run by the Property Owner's Association, however is run by residents volunteering their time to keep the page a resource for residents.





2015 CLUBHOUSE POOL & SPLASHPAD POOL/ SPLASH PAD SCHEDULE FOR LEGENDS RANCH

Clubhouse Pool Summer Hours

Pool Season runs: June 6 – August 23, Open Tuesdays – Sundays, 12 pm – 8 pm, Mondays – Closed. Holiday Open: Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 12 pm– 8 pm. After-Season: Weekends Only: August 29 – September 27, Saturdays & Sundays, 12 pm – 8 pm.

Splashpad Pool Summer Hours

Pool Season runs: June 6 – August 23, Open Wednesdays – Mondays, 10 am – 8 pm, Tuesdays – Closed. Holiday Open: Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 10 am– 8 pm. After-Season: Weekends Only: August 29 – September 27, Saturdays & Sundays, 12 pm – 8 pm.

NEW LOCAL TROOPS FOR YOUTH (NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS)

Girls ages 5-18 (K-12th): American Heritage Girls Troop 116 will meet the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:00 P.M. at 24724 Aldine Westfield Rd, details: www. americanheritagegirls.org. For more info, please contact AHG Coordinator Yolanda O'Neal at yonealahg@gmail.com.

Boys ages 5-18 (K-12th): Trail Life USA Troop 116 will meet the 1st, 2nd, 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:00 P.M. 24724 Aldine Westfield Rd, details: www.traillifeusa.com. For more info, please contact TL Troop Master David Russell at 281-785-8382 or Troopmaster@TLTX116.org.

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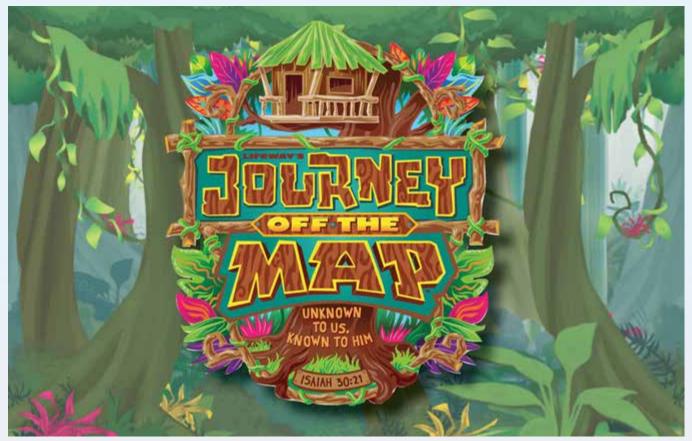


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GARDENING TIPS FOR JULY

July is the time of the year when we all want to stay inside and enjoy our air conditioning! However, there are still a few task in the your yard that need to be done. Now is the time to raise your mower blades up to their highest setting. The longer grass blades will help shade the soil, lowering the soil temperature and lowering the evaporation of moisture. Speaking of moisture, a handy tip to tell if your lawn needs water is to walk across the grass and if you look back and the grass blades have not sprung back and you can see where you walked, then your grass needs water.

Be on the lookout for grub and chinch bug damage to your lawn. Grub damage will typically start as a circular patch of yellowing and dying grass. Many times chinch bug damage will start next to your sidewalk or driveway with dying grass extending out into the yard. Potted plants need to be fertilized every two to three weeks to maintain growth and vigor. As we have to increase watering, we leach out nutrients from the container and it runs out with the water leaving the drain.

Azaleas should be fed this month, also bougainvilleas, crepe myrtles, hibiscus and palms. Use specific fertilizers for all except

for crepe myrtles as they are not picky about what you feed them, as long as you feed them. The plant of the month is "Butterfly Weed", the botanical name for the most common seen in nurseries is Asclepias curassavica. This is the tropical form of a native plant. Butterfly weed is a member of the milk weed family and as such is a host plant for the Monarch Butterfly. The adults will feed on the nectar and the caterpillars feed on the leaves. Don't worry if the caterpillars strip the leaves. As soon as they quit feeding the plant will begin to put out new leaves. Butterfly Weed flowers comes in three colors, orange, red and yellow and is perennial in our climate.

If you have any questions, stop by and see me at Lone Stare Ace Hardware or contact me at troy@lonestarace.com.



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Ever think about hosting an international high school student?

At least one household in Legends Ranch is planning to for this school year in fact! They're excited about this opportunity, as they recognize that hosting a student is an exciting and rewarding experience.

Select from various countries, depending on availability of students participating: Western Europe (Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Spain, Sweden); Eastern Europe (Czech Republic, Slovakia); Asia (China, Hong Kong, Japan, Mongolia, South Korea, Thailand); Latin (Brazil, Mexico, Peru). They are female and male students aged 15-18 years old, who have been learning the English language, and who are interested to immerse in our culture to practice their English.

Why host? When you choose to be a Volunteer Host Family and welcome a foreign exchange student into your home, you will have the chance to establish a wonderful life-long friendship, while making a difference in a student's life.

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Cost involved? Students have their own spending money, cover their own personal expenses, and have full health insurance. Volunteer host families are asked to provide the student with meals and room and board during his or her stay in America.

You will not receive compensation as a volunteer host family; however, the Department of State does appreciate your dedication to international exchange. Host families can claim \$50 per month tax deduction for each month they host, or can claim a flat tax deduction, for the applicable tax year.

To learn more about becoming a Host Family Volunteer for a semester or a full academic year in 2015-2016 or in the future, please email your Local Coordinator to ask questions/ discuss further: StudentExchangeCoordinator@gmail.com. If you're able and willing

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Cicadas are fairly large insects but can vary in size with some growing over 1 ¹/₂ inches. Color may also vary depending upon species, but many are brown or green. All cicadas have bulging eyes and, on adults, wings that are held roof-like over the body. The wings are semi-transparent with thick wing veins. The majority of their life cycle is spent underground.

Cicadas have 2-5 year life cycles and appear in Texas in mid to late summer. Females insert egg clusters into branches of trees using their saw-like ovipositor



(egg laying structure). Eggs hatch after about 6 weeks and small nymphs drop to the ground where they burrow into the soil. Nymphs feed on sap of tree roots with their piercing-sucking mouthparts. After becoming fully developed, nymphs emerge from the ground at night and climb onto nearby objects such as tree trunk, plants, fences, etc. Adult cicadas emerge from the last nymphal stage leaving behind the exuviae (cast skin). Adults can live 5-6 weeks.

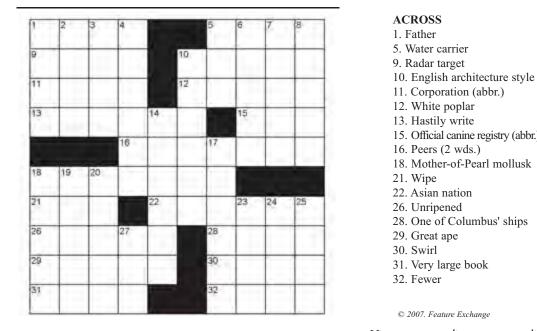
Male cicadas are well known for their "song". They rest on a tree and produce a whining sound to attract females. The sound is produced by two vibrating membranes on the side of the abdomen. Females do not "sing". Adults feed on juices from tender twigs, but usually do not cause lasting harm to the plant from feeding.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com

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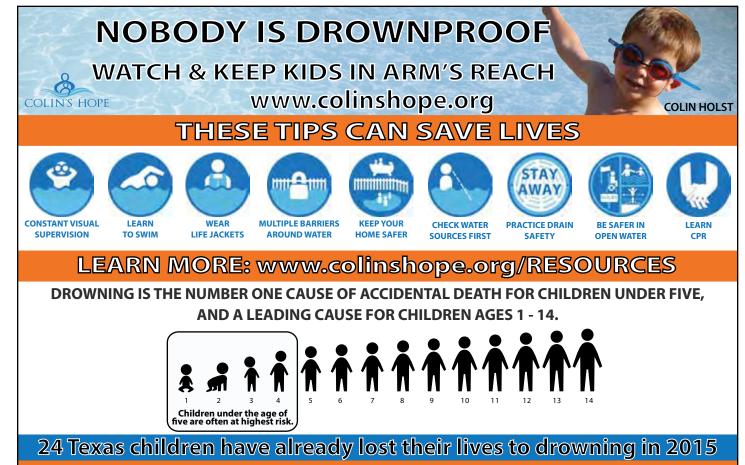
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- 3. Vigor
- 4. Sicken
- 5. English bar
- 6. Thoughts
- 7. Folk dance
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 - 10. Claws
 - 14. Dating
 - 17. Marrow
 - 18. Jargon
 - 19. Donkey
 - 20. Right angle to a ships
 - length
 - 23. Military officer
 - 24. Ceases
 - 25. "You can't eat just one"

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