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WELCOME TO BLACKHORSE RANCH RECORD

A Newsletter for the Blackhorse Ranch Community

The Ranch Record is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Blackhorse Ranch residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information, and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports team, social group, etc., and would like to submit an article for the newsletter, you can do so online at www. PEELinc.com. Personal news (announcements, accolades/ honors/ celebrations, etc.) are also welcome as long as they are from area residents.

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Cy-Fair Educational Foundation 18TH Annual Salute to the Stars Gala

The Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (CFEF) will hold its 18th Annual Salute to the Stars Gala on October 15, 2015. Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital has been underwriting Salute to the Stars since 2013. Sponsors include Cy-Fair Federal Credit Union, IBI Group, Community Impact Newspaper, Satterfield & Pontikes Construction, Inc, Prairie View A&M University, Station & Ayers Insurance Services and Consulting, L.L.C., and Stone Gate Home Owners Association.

Salute to the Stars has raised more than \$2 million for innovative staff development programs for district teachers and instructional leaders, and scholarships for graduating seniors in the Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. (CFISD). The Salute to the Stars gala honors CFISD "Spotlight Teachers" who are chosen by campus principals for their outstanding dedication in providing valuable instruction to students.

CFEF was established in 1970 as a non-profit to raise money to fund a scholarship for high school graduates in the area. Over the past 45 years, the Foundation has grown tremendously through the efforts of the Board of Trustees and the generosity of the Cy-Fair Community. The Foundation has awarded more than \$6 million in scholarships to 1300 graduating seniors. CFEF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, all contributions are tax deductible, as allowed by the law.

Sponsorships are still available for Salute to the Stars, for more information please contact marie@thecfef.org.

Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club Free Registration Breakfast

The Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club will celebrate its 29th Anniversary Season by hosting its annual free Registration/Orientation Breakfast on Saturday, February 6th, 2016. The breakfast starts promptly at 8:30 AM at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center Forum, 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX, 77379.

All boys and girls who wish to join the team for the 2016 spring/summer track season must attend the orientation, which will be highlighted by a special presentation from a member of the USA Track & Field Olympic organization (USATF). The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a youth (ages 6 -18) track club, affiliated with USATF, that provides a full program of sanctioned "track" events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and "field" events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus and javelin.

For additional information on the Northwest Flyers Track Club, please visit the team website at http://www.northwestflyers.org; contact Linette Roach at linette.roach@sbcglobal.net; or "Like" the club on Facebook.

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Let's hang loose and have some fun while staying 7 nights at The Royal Lahaina Resort. We will enjoy our American breakfast daily before island sightseeing at the Haleakala Crater, Iso Valley & Lahaina. We will also take the Road to Hana tour with a picnic lunch. Let's not forget our evening luau with wonderful island cuisine and entertainment. Need more fun? Other activities available.

A deposit of \$480 is needed to reserve your space. Prices are based on a minimum of 12 persons and are subject to change. \$150 non-refundable. Final payment due 1 March 2016. Prices start at \$2525.00 with Partial Ocean View based on double occupancy, include round trip air on American Airlines, transportation between the airport and hotel and Travel Protection

For more information contact: Lori Skadowski lorilynn@pdq.net or 281-782-5517





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2015 Cypress 5K Fun Run & Puppy Parade

While generating funds for the school's award-winning Performing Arts programs is important, event organizers want to use this event to strengthen the school's ties to its community as well as encourage community spirit and fitness.

Saturday, November 21st 9:00 am start (staggered) @ Spillane Middle School. Event includes a 5K run and walk. Strollers & dogs are welcome. 7am registration day of event if not already registered. Cash or check only on the day of registration.

Registration Fees:

Register now until October 31st - \$30.00 (t-shirt included) October 31st - November 14th - \$35.00 (t-shirt not guaranteed) November 14th - Day of event \$40.00 (no t-shirt)

* Family Registration Discount available through November 14th

Thursday, November 19th - packet pick up 4pm - 7:30pm @ Spillane Middle School. Spillane Middle School is located at 13403 Spillane Woods Blvd. Cypress, Texas 77429 (at the corner of Skinner and Jarvis Roads).

To register or donate, visit the Cypress 5K Fun Run & Puppy Parade website at: https://thedriven.net/cypress5k

CONTACT: Julie Rodriguez, 2015 Cypress 5K Fun Run & Puppy Parade Publicity Chair, 832-349-6987



Early Bird Registration \$30 through October 30, 2015 Includes commemorative t shirt

Join us for a Dink ChampagneBrunch!

in Honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Spend a Morning with the Breast Care Experts of Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital

Uzma Iqbal, MD, Hematologist/Oncologist Peter Morgan, MD, Radiation Oncologist Maryanne Tran, MD, Breast Radiologist Ata Ahmad, MD, Surgeon Leonidas Miranda, MD, Surgeon





Saturday, October 17, 2015

10 – 11:30 a.m. 11302 Fallbrook Drive Professional Building Classrooms next to Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital

Learn more about the current options • Prevention and Screening 3D Mammograms • Risk Factors Latest Treatments • Survivorship

> Space is limited. Please call to register I-888-511-PINK (7465).

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RANCH RECORD Why Girl Scouts?

Why Girl Scouts? A better question is why not? In Girl Scouts, your daughter has the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills, and have fun. Girl Scouts was founded by Juliette Gordon Low, who was born on October 31st. She believed that Girl Scouts would help girls learn practical skills and build character. This tradition continues today as our mission to build girls with courage, confidence, and character who will make the world a better place.

Girl Scouts is open to all girls in kindergarten to the 12th grade. In Girl Scouts, your daughter has the opportunity to explore new interests, participate in community service activities, make new friends, and simply have fun. As a Girl Scout leader, an adult has the chance to mentor a group of girls to help them reach their fullest potential. Please consider joining this organization so you can have a direct impact on the girls in your community. Girl Scouts is for girls in grades kindergarten to 12th grade and the cost is \$15.

Did you miss the Girl Scout Recruitment Event at your school? It's not too late to join. Go the Girl Scout of San Jacinto website at www.gssjc.org and click on "Join Today." If you have additional questions, please contact Jo Anna Harris at jharris@sjgs.org.

Cypress Texas Tea Party

The next meetings of the Cypress Texas Tea Party will be on:

Saturday, October 17, 2015 NOON - 2:00 PM

- Lana Shadwick/Bob Price, Reporters for Breitbart Texas - Dr. Natalie Blasingame, Candidate for CFISD Board of Trustees Saturday, November 7, 2015 NOON - 2:00 PM

> The Cypress Texas Tea Party meets every three weeks on Saturday Noon until 2:00 PM at: Spring Creek BBQ 25831 Northwest Freeway Cypress, Texas 77429 Map: http://goo.gl/maps/OoNjY

A schedule of our meetings and confirmed speakers can be found at our website, www.cypresstexasteaparty.org





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Shield Bearer

The Shield Bearer 10th Anniversary Celebration of Hope will be held Thursday, November 5th, 2015 at 6:00PM-8:30PM at Christ the Redeemer Life Center on 11507 Huffmeister Rd in Houston, TX.

Join us as we honor our partners and supporters, celebrate the hope and healing experienced by over 15,000 last year, and unveil our plan to reach more hurting hearts. Sponsorship, auction, and ticket information available at shieldbearer.org/hope. Shield Bearer, a 501c3 nonprofit charity provides counseling services to human traffic survivors, crime victims, military personnel and veterans and their families and is a lead agency in the movement for healthy marriages, families, and communities, provides counseling, education, and prevention programs to thousands in our community each year including human trafficking survivors, homeless women and children, victims of horrific crime and abuse, and veterans and their families. Find out more at shieldbearer.org or (281) 894-7222

Elisha Roberts Chapter

The wonderful ladies of the Elisha Roberts Chapter, NSDAR, would like to extend an invitation to local females (18 and older) to attend our next meeting. We meet the third Thursday of each month, Sept-May at the Richard and Meg Weekley Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd, Cypress, TX 77433. We are friendly, family oriented, and diverse in ages, and promote patriotism, education, and historic preservation. Membership is based on the requirement that you can prove direct lineal descent from someone who fought in the American Revolution or provided any type of aid, but it is not required up front to attend meetings if you're interested, as we will help you research your ancestry!

For more information, please contact the chapter Regent, Melinda Sims at melinda@mazzaroth.net.

We look forward to meeting you!

TEXAS HOLD-EM..Like to play poker?, The 4ACES POKER CLUB, is looking for a few new players for our next Tournament starting in November. CALL JACK 281-744-8636 FOR MORE INFO.



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The Houston Choral Society Announces 2015-2016 Season

Led by founding Artistic Director Dr. Betty Devine, The Houston Choral Society announces its vibrant and engaging 2015-2016 season. After more than fifty years on the platform, 28 years with Houston Choral Society, Dr. Betty Devine has announced her retirement effective at the end of the coming season. The Houston Choral Society encourages you to join them for her last concert season.

"The Houston Choral Society offers a season of variety, with refreshing and invigorating concerts," says Dr. Devine, "including collaborations with performers, choral groups, and the entire community. We are especially excited to end the season with Mozart's Requiem."

Shout for Joy! Saturday, October 3, 2015, 7:30 PM

The Houston Choral Society opens its 28th season with a collaboration with the Prairie View A&M University Concert Chorale. The first half of the concert explores African American Spirituals, highlighted by "Joyful, Joyful" from Sister Act 2 and Adolphus Hailstork's "Shout for Joy." The second half of the concert features softer expressions of joy by some of the world's most well-known composers including Rachmaninoff, Brahms, and Chesnokov.

Celebrate the Season! Saturday, December 5, 2015, 7:30 PM

The Houston Choral Society's Christmas concert has become an annual favorite for hundreds in our community. Our opening piece for this concert will be Johann Sebastian Bach's Magnificat with full orchestra. Other Christmas favorites include "Joy to the World," "O Holy Night," Rutter's "What Sweeter Music" and Handel's "Hallelujah" Chorus.

Believe! Sunday matinee, December 6, 2015, 3:00 PM

A family-oriented celebration of the season features "Believe" from Disney's The Polar Express, "Welcome Christmas" from Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas along with many beloved carols and a favorite audience participation classic, "The 12 Days of Christmas." The Houston Choral Society is also pleased to welcome the Rosehill Christian School Choir. This choir composed of talented middle school and high school students will sing several holiday favorites and will join The Houston Choral Society for several joint numbers. This concert will be fun for the entire family – there will even be an appearance by Santa Claus.

A Celtic Celebration! Saturday, March 12, 2016, 7:30 PM.

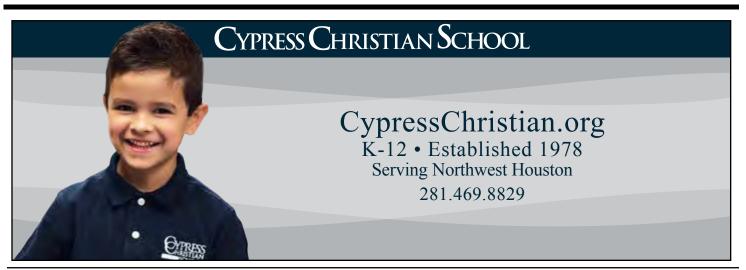
Just in time for St. Patrick's Day, The Houston Choral Society presents Letters from Ireland. Drawing on actual texts of letters written from Ireland to America, and weaving them into a fabric of traditional Celtic melodies, Mark Brymer has created a suite that is a powerful testament to the first generations of Irish immigrants to America. The concert includes many other Celtic favorites: "Loch Lomond," "Tell My Ma," and "Old Irish Blessing."

Mozart's Requiem Saturday, May 7, 2016, 7:30 PM.

The Houston Choral Society closes its season with one of the biggest, most beloved compositions in all of classical music, Mozart's Requiem. The Houston Choral Society will be accompanied by an orchestra and will be joined by an ensemble of celebrated guest vocalists. Perhaps as famous for the mysterious circumstances surrounding its composition as for the striking music itself, Mozart's Requiem Mass in D minor was his final composition and the consuming passion of his last months. The piece was written for an unknown patron, and Mozart reportedly came to believe in the end that he was writing the funeral work for himself. He passed away at the age of 35, leaving the Requiem unfinished but with significant compositional ideas in place and detailed instructions on how to complete the work.

Season subscriptions are now on sale. Season subscriptions are for four concerts; subscribers may choose which December Concert they prefer in their subscriptions. Season tickets are \$85 for adults, \$65 for seniors/students and \$30 for children 5 years old and under. Season tickets are available online at www.houstonchoral.org.

THE HOUSTON CHORAL SOCIETY (HCS) founded in 1987, is a not-for-profit professional-quality civic chorus serving the greater Houston area. The HCS mission is to bring great choral music to enrich the soul and advance the choral arts to Houston audiences. HCS was founded by Dr. Betty Devine, its current Artistic Director. HCS has completed five international tours performing in England/Scotland, Italy, Hungary/Austria/ Czech Republic, Ireland, and Germany. In 2008, HCS commissioned and performed the world premiere of Dr. Adolphus Hailstork's Set Me On a Rock (Songs of Sanctuary) at the Wortham Theatre Center. The Houston Choral Society is a member of Chorus America, an association of professional and volunteer vocal ensembles and the Northwest Houston Visual and Performing Arts Alliance. HCS is funded in part by grants from Harris County and the Texas Commission on the Arts through the Houston Arts Alliance. To purchase tickets or for more information, please visit the HCS website at www.houstonchoral.org.



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<u>Ranch Record</u> **MOPS**

Trinity Lutheran Church in Spring has openings in our amazing MOPS Group. MOPS is a wonderful moms group! We meet together twice a month on Monday mornings to share in a hot meal, encourage friendships, listen to speakers and even complete a craft. While you are doing all that, your children are being very well cared for in our wonderful nursery! You are not alone. Join us... Registration is open. Please contact via

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Submitted by Vicki Odom

Hosting an International Exchange Student is such a great experience for all of those involved. It leads to a better understanding between individuals of other cultures, hopefully branching its way out to a more peaceful global society. But don't just take my word about it, read about Nelva's experience and understanding of the exchange program.

I'm so lucky to have been placed with a great host family in Texas! The best part is when we share each other's cultures and have a lot of quality time together. I'm blessed to have chance to study in American High School.

Being an exchange student is hard. For the first couple days it was hard because I didn't know anybody, the moving class system is new for me and sometimes it's hard to understand what they say. But America is really friendly and handy so I got a lot of help from them. From the exchange program, people can really get to know each other, people start to respect each other and we can start a new chapter to have a better world.

So if you want to enrich your life, host an exchange student! Nelva is from Indonesia and is spending the academic year here in Texas as part of the Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES) program. This program is funded by the US Department of State which provides scholarships for secondary school students from countries with significant Muslim populations. As part of her program year, Nelva is required to perform at least 60 hours of community service (however most YES students hours amount to hundreds of hours) and continue working with the program in her home country.

Our application process for the 2016 Spring Semester and 2016/2017 academic year will soon be opening. School spots in our area tend to fill up rather quickly, so get your application in early to host one of these amazing students!

Ayusa is a non-profit organization founded in 1981 to promote global learning and leadership through foreign exchange, study abroad, and leadership programs for high school students from the U.S. and around the world.

For more information about hosting a high school foreign exchange student, please contact your local representative Vicki Odom at 832.455.7881 or vodom@ayusa.org or Ayusa at 1.888.552.9872 or by visiting the website at www.ayusa.org.

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CYRESS AREA FOOD PANTRY

Do you know of someone who has trouble putting food on the table? Maybe their employment was suddenly terminated; maybe it's a choice between medications or food; for whatever reason a family can find themselves in a situation where they need a little help.

Fountain of Life Church of God on Mueschke runs a food pantry on Mondays from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (excluding holidays) and the only requirement is that the client should live in zip code 77433 and west of Skinner 77429. For more information, contact 281-373-9337.



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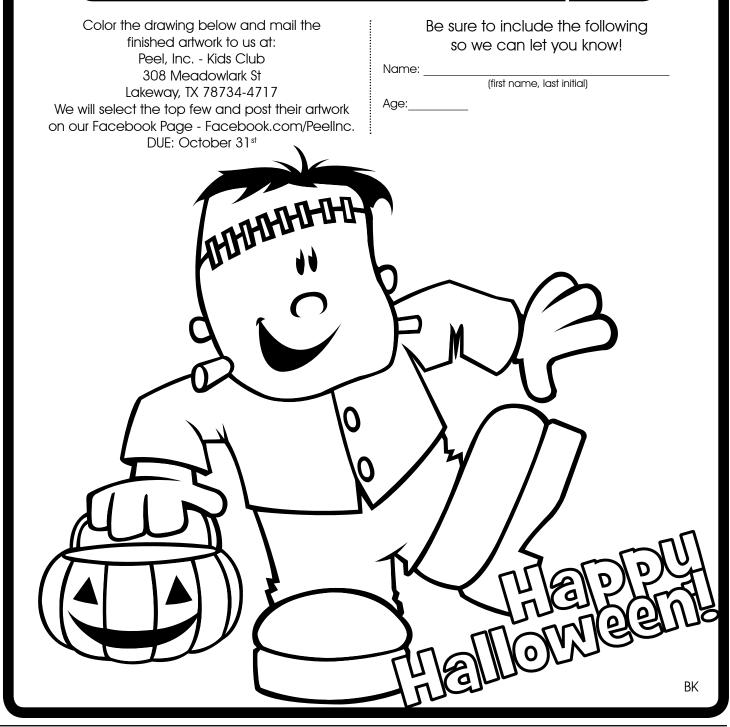
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