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RANCH RECORD

News for the Residents of Blackhorse Ranch



Blackhorse Ranch resident, Ariana Chaidez will be performing in the Houston Repertoire Ballet's *The Nutcracker*.

Houston's premier pre-professional ballet company celebrates its 20th anniversary season, beginning with its 14th annual performance series of *The Nutcracker*, featuring professional guest artists Elizabeth Keller and Jared Matthews, both HRB alumni, as the Sugar Plum Fairy and Cavalier, with the Cypress Philharmonic directed by Glynnes Lanthier. Performances will be held on Friday, December 4 at 7 pm – one hour Arts & Education performance perfect for young children; Saturday, December 5 at 2 pm & 7 pm; and Sunday, December 6 at 1 pm & 4:30 pm at the Tomball High School Theatre, 30330 Quinn Road, Tomball, Texas 77375. For ticket information, call 281-940-HRB1 (4721) or visit www.hrbdance.org. Tickets are \$18 for students/seniors and \$22 for adults.

The Nutcracker's brilliant blend of beautiful costumes, lavish sets, and fresh choreography creates a magical storybook world enjoyed by children and adults alike. With a cast of more than 100 HRB



dancers and area children, and live music played by Cypress Philharmonic, HRB's masterful production is the highlight of the holidays!

HRB dancers are committed to sharing the arts with the community. Community engagement events include costumed appearances at various nursing homes, group events, and at Arts & Education performances. HRB brings two matinee performances to Tomball ISD third grade students, fulfilling the arts component of their curriculum. To schedule an outreach event for your organization, call 281-940-HRB1 (4721).

The Houston Repertoire Ballet (HRB) is a non-profit 501(c)(3), founded by Victoria Vittum and Gilbert Rome, both nationally acclaimed teachers and choreographers who served as its co-artistic directors. Today, Ms. Vittum oversees training and programming with an equal eye to serving the needs of the community.

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2nd annual Zambia Orphan Run/Walk Fundraiser

Submitted by Andrew and Graceann DeVlieger

Please join us for the 2nd annual Zambia Orphan Run/Walk Fundraiser Saturday, November 14th at Harris County Deputy Darren Goforth Park (formerly Horsepen Creek Park) in Houston. The goal of the race is to help raise \$110,000 to build a house in Zambia, Africa for 12 young orphan children my wife and I met two summers ago, currently living in extreme poverty and in the slums. We have already raised \$77k and are hoping this event finalizes our 14 month fundraising journey. Prizes/medals awarded to age division winners. Event features chip timing and Jimmy John's sandwiches and quality custom t-shirts will be distributed. Event also includes silent auction and opportunity to purchase gift cards at 80% of face value. 100% of the proceeds benefit these orphan kids, via the non-profit, Christian Organization we are associated with called Family Legacy Missions International. Address to the event is 9118 Wheat Cross Dr. Houston, TX 77095. This four mile race starts at 9:00 a.m. and registration will be available from 7:30 - 8:45 a.m on race day. To pre-register, please visit www.zambiaorphanrun.com. Walkers and furry friends are more than welcome :)

My wife Graceann and I traveled to Lusaka, Zambia (Africa) in July of 2014 with Family Legacy to love on orphan children and our lives and hearts were forever changed. The Tree of Life Children's Village, located just outside the capital city of Lusaka, Zambia is a 130-acre

community of homes for orphaned children, designed to be a haven of hope and healing. My wife and I's vision is to build an additional house in this village that will serve as a refuge and a loving Christian home for 12 additional orphan children, who currently live in the slums.

The children that move into this village come from the most severe backgrounds of extreme poverty, abuse and neglect. Some are HIV positive, while others come from child-headed households. 17% of all children in Zambia die before their 5th birthday and 65% of the population lives on less the \$1.25 a day. None of these kids chose their state in life, but now each of them must somehow try to exist in it.

Children at the Tree of Life receive both the educational and spiritual development that will dramatically transform their future. Kids here are provided first class education through highly qualified teachers and exceptional curriculum, equipping these children to become the future leaders of their country. Full-time pastors build on this by teaching the Word of God and encouraging the children in their faith.

Our desire is to cast visions into the lives of these kids so they can become all that God intended them to be. Top-notch education, discipleship and counseling are daily fixtures in their lives. In this village, children have the chance to do what most kids in Zambia have never done before: just be kids. Please help us in making our vision a reality! www.zambiaorphanrun.com

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Everyone's favorite flying car comes to life in the musical adaptation of the beloved family film. Take a fantastic musical adventure with an out-of-this-world car that flies through the air and sails the seas. Based on the beloved 1968 film version of Ian Fleming's children's book, and featuring an unforgettable score by the Sherman Brothers (*Mary Poppins*), *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* is one family-friendly blockbuster that audiences will find "Truly Scrumptious".

NOV 11 -AT 7PM IS FAMILY NIGHT - ALL TICKETS \$10

NOV 12, 13, 14, 15 TICKETS \$20 ADULTS & \$15 STUDENTS/SENIORS

Tickets can be purchased online at www.cyranththeatre.org

Mark your calendars for this family friendly toe stomping good time.

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The Cypress Ranch High School Choirs Present "Candles & Carols"

The Cypress Ranch Choirs will perform their Winter concert, "Candles & Carols", Monday, December 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cypress Ranch High School Auditorium.

Join us for hot chocolate, cookies and holiday cheer!

Save the Date!

The Cypress Ranch Choirs' annual "Encore" performances will be on Friday, January 29th, and Saturday, January 30th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cypress Ranch High School Auditorium.

For more information, please check the Cypress Ranch Choir website www.ranchchoir.com

CYPRESS 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 at 15010 Mueschke Road 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. Donations of non-perishable food items are also greatly appreciated.



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Key Club T-O District Fall Rally

By Cypress Ranch Key Club Publicity Chairmen



Key Club has been one of the most influential organizations for volunteering and has reached out to a multitude of countries by unifying students to help their community. They have continued to show their compassion through numerous volunteering events. Also, their club has grown and spread worldwide.

This year, the Fall Rally was held for the Texas-Oklahoma District of Key Club in Arlington, Texas. The event took place on October 3rd at

Six Flags during their 6th annual Fright Fest! Key Clubbers from all over Texas and Oklahoma came to this event to learn more about Key Club and about the Governor's and District Project! This was a very valuable opportunity to connect with other Key Club members and truly see the bigger picture of Key Club. They got updated on

information about their upcoming district convention while creating bonding friendships.

We interviewed our Key Club president, Reena Gannon, about her experience at Fall Rally:

"What activities did Key Club do at Fall Rally?"

Reena: "We met new people in the TO District and learned about the DCON theme for next year. We also played ice breakers in order to connect with other members such as Key Club related Kahoot! and jellyfish. We also rode rollercoasters and socialized with other Key Clubbers."

"What were the benefits of Fall Rally?"

Reena: "Leaders at the Fall Rally reinforced important information such as dues for key club, sending monthly reports on time, and communicating with the district board."

"What could students learn at Fall Rally?"

Reena: "They can learn how big Key Club actually is and the goals we are all working towards."

"What is important about connecting with other key clubbers?"

Reena: "It gives you better perspective that you are not the only club that is working together, that everyone is learning and making mistakes, and that our club does A LOT of service. It's a very humbling experience."



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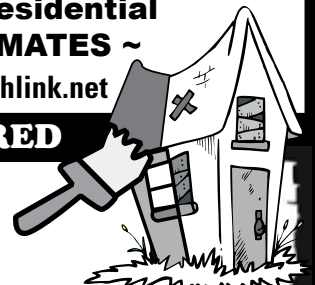
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