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A Newsletter for Riata Ranch Residents

WELCOME TO THE RANCH REVIEW

*A Newsletter
for the Riata Ranch
Community*

The Ranch Review is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Riata 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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COPPER CREEK MEADOWS COMMUNITY GIRL SCOUTS OF SAN JACINTO COUNCIL

Copper Creek Meadows Community held a “Cookie Kickoff” for the Annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale. We celebrated the 10th anniversary of the “Lemonade” cookie, and enjoyed “frosted lemonade”. We also learned fun facts about Girl Scout cookies, played games, and did other activities to help develop skills such as goal planning and financial responsibility. The annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale began on Dec. 19th and continues through March.

Sales of Girl Scout Cookies provide funds for individual troop activities, and help to support our Council camps and a variety of programs. Proceeds from the Cookie sale help to feed and shoe the horses, maintain the sailboats and canoes, and buy archery equipment. We greatly appreciate the support of our friends and neighbors! Thank you!

Information on Council Day and resident camps has been sent to registered girls, but you can also check on the Council website, www.gssjc.org.

Troop 113017 celebrated the birthday of Juliette Gordon Low, our Founder, with a pajama party on Oct 31. The pink hats and a variety of masks added to the fun.

Troop 113035 participated in a painting badge workshop at Rice University. The workshop finished with a birthday celebration and cake for Juliette!

Our Leader/Daughter holiday craft event was a lot of fun for those who attended. Thanks to all who assisted with the event!

Our Spring Leader/Daughter event is coming up in April. This is always a popular event, with camping, shopping, and all kinds of activities. In the past, activities have included riding, rock climbing, talent show, and Dutch Oven Cook-off. Can't wait to find out what is on the schedule this year

Our World Thinking Day event is coming up in

February, when we celebrate our membership in the international Scouting movement and learn about other countries. Last year, we had some very creative booths, decorations and swaps, and we can't wait to see what our troops will be doing this year!

Second year Brownie Troop 16150 volunteered to decorate a float for the Great Pyrenees Rescue Group at the Brenham Christmas parade. The girls also made jingle sticks and walked with the group in the parade.

These busy Brownies also joined with other Copper Creek Meadows troops who made cards, letters, and drawings for soldiers serving in Afghanistan.

Troops from our community also joined in creating ornaments for the Girl Scout Christmas tree at the Museum of Natural Science. This year's theme was “Back to Nature”.

Girl Scouting is open to all girls ages 5 (must be in kindergarten) through 18, who are willing to accept the Girl Scout Promise and Law. Girls may join at any age, and no previous Scouting experience is required. Older girls whose schedules may not allow for participation in a troop may join as “Juliettes” (individually registered girls).

Copper Creek Meadows Community serves girls in the residence areas for the elementary schools listed below, as well as the corresponding middle and high schools. Home schooled and private school students are always welcome!

Our elementary schools are Birkes, Fiest, Hairgrove, Horne, Kirk, Lee, Lieder, Lowery, Metcalf, Owens, Tipps, Wilson, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Texas Christian School, and Christian Life Center.

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We are glad to hear all of the positive feedback and we intend to continue to improving the look and feel of the newsletter according to what you tell us. So get as involved as you like! We look forward to hearing from you.

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For more information, please contact Marlo Folwell (713) 854-9426 (marlo.folwell@c-a-m.com). You can also contact Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council at 713-292-0300 or check the website at www.gssjc.org.

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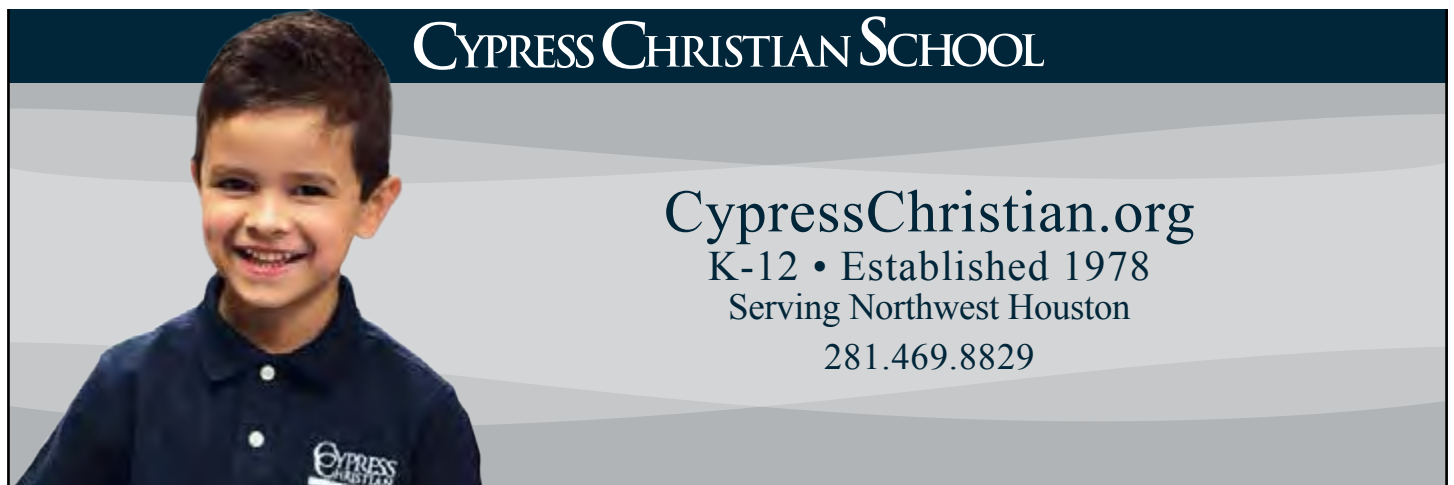
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For more information about hosting a high school foreign exchange student, please contact your local representative Vicki Odom at 832.455.7881 or HYPERLINK "mailto:vodom@ayusa.org" vodom@ayusa.org or Ayusa at 1.888.552.9872 or by visiting the website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

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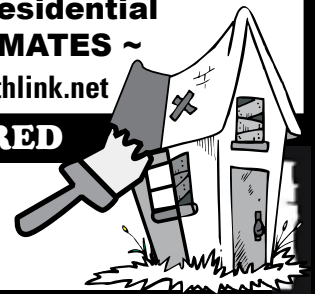
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