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News for the Residents of Blackhorse Ranch



COMMUNITY Fun Run-Walk



Bridgeland Community
FUN RUN / WALK FOR HEROES
5K Run/Walk & 1K Run/Walk
Saturday, May 28th 2016
Bridgeland's Festival Park
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Cost: \$30 for adults, Kids 10 and under \$15-\$20
Fund Raiser for The Bridgeland Community Supports Veterans, Inc.

Who are your military heroes, George Washington, General Patton, Louis Zapperini, the Bengazi defenders, Marcus Luttrell, Chris Kyle, your father, your mother, your best friend, or someone who died in action for our freedom? This Memorial Day weekend on Saturday, May 28, let us run/walk in honor of our heroes, so that we may never forget their sacrifices for our country.

The Bridgeland Community Fun Run/Walk, open to everyone, will be held May 28, 2016 @ 7am at the Bridgeland Festival Park in Cypress, TX. The event will include a 5k walk/run and a children's 1k run/walk in Bridgeland, along with booth vendors, food trucks, entertainment and activities for the children. The children's walk is open to strollers and wagons. Each participant may have sponsors, who pledge a contribution for every mile run or walked on behalf of our service men and women. The first 60 participants who sign up for the race will have their heroes name printed on the back of their T shirt. Special prizes will be awarded to those who meet certain fund levels. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place trophies will be awarded for winners of the 5K. To register to run/walk and for more information go to bridgelandrunforheroes@eventbrite.com

All proceeds will benefit The Bridgeland Community Support Veterans, Inc. by raising funds to 1.) Build a \$1.5 million dollar Veterans Memorial in the Bridgeland Community in Cypress, Texas, 2.) Support Immediate needs for Veterans in the Community and 3.) Continue our Veterans Memorial Day, Veterans Day Festivals, and Christmas Toys for Veterans' Children Programs.

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Cypress Ranch High School Concert Chorale

The Cypress Ranch High School Concert Chorale, directed by Cynthia Douglas and Nick Likos, was invited to perform at the 17th Annual Invitational School Choral Festival "Hear the Future" sponsored by the Houston Chamber Choir. The concert was held on January 30, 2016, at Grace Presbyterian Church in Houston, Texas.

Each year an outstanding high school, middle school and elementary school choir are invited to perform. Cypress Ranch High School, Nolan Ryan Junior High School and Parker Elementary School were featured in the 2016 concert.

Robert Simpson, artistic director for the Houston Chamber Choir, said, "The Houston Chamber Choir and I are keenly aware of the vital role school choirs play in education. For 17 years, 'Hear the Future' has showcased the finest choirs in our area and celebrated the work of their gifted conductors. The Cypress Ranch Chorale, under the direction of Cynthia Douglas, is certainly one of Houston's finest, and it was a great pleasure to have them participate in this year's festival."



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“Upcoming Cy-Fair Women’s Expo to Fund Local Scholarships”

The 8th Annual Cy-Fair Women’s Expo will be April 28, 2015 from 11:00-4:00pm at Sterling Country Club, 16500 Houston National Boulevard, Houston, TX 77095. This year’s event, sponsored by www.facebook.com/Three20Three and www.cyfairhospital.com Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital, invites attendees to connect, learn, and give back to the Cy-Fair community.



*Keynote Presenter,
Patricia Lopez of ABC 13*

Keynote presentation by Patricia Lopez of ABC 13 will be “Balancing Career and Home Life, How to Have It All, (well almost!)”. Patricia focuses on saving you money through her daily “Stretch Your Dollar” segments on ABC13. In the last 5 years she has become one of the lead consumer experts on the Texas Gulf Coast. Her stories can be seen Monday through Friday on Eyewitness News at 4 p.m. as well as Eyewitness News at 5 a.m. The money saving expert researches her own

stories, tests products, checks out services and lets her viewers in on her findings. From start to finish, Patricia sets up, writes and executes each story. You can join Patricia’s presentation at 12:00 Noon.

Besides giving vendors a place to showcase their products and services, the goal for our expo year is to get the community more involved and show the Cy-Fair area what ABWA and CYFEN are all about. One of the ways we are doing this is to have dynamic round table workshop discussions focusing on Health and Wellness,

Communication, Relationships and Personal Finance. Free workshops include: “Thrive and Flourish! - Boost Your Emotional Wellness” by Judith Richey, Wellness Coach, Author and Public Speaker; “Life Style Challenge” by Linda Buford of Living Health Now; “Power Up! -The Endless Power of Building Others Up” by Melissa Rotholz of Shield Bearer; “The Art of Communications” by Pat Durham of Diversity Unlimited; and “What Is Your Dream?” by Rick Skinner of Edward Jones.

This event is hosted by the Cy-Fair Express Network (CYFEN), a local network of the American Business Women’s Association (ABWA) that provides a nurturing environment for business development, networking, education, and mentoring in Northwest Houston. Cy-Fair Express Network funds numerous local scholarships. For more information about the Expo or about CYFEN, please go to www.CYFEN.org or email expochair@cyfen.org.

ABOUT AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION (ABWA)

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Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club

Please join us for the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club monthly meeting on Tuesday,

April 12 beginning with the social at 6:30 PM where light snacks and drinks are served, followed by the meeting at 7:00. Meetings are held at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive, conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the intersection of High Life Drive and Cutten Road. This month we will cast our votes for funds to be distributed to student run, university approved organizations so, don't miss your opportunity to support the groups that are important to you and your students. Members must be present to vote.

SAVE THE DATE!

May 9th: Last meeting of the 2015-2016 year. Induction of new board members.

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club meets August thru May on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm at 7100 High Life Drive. Refreshments are served at 6:30 with meeting beginning at 7:00. For more information on monthly speakers or upcoming events visit our website at www.nwhcaggie moms.org or contact Patty Rabel, Club President at rabelpp@aol.com.

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8TH Annual Salute to Our Heroes Gala



On February 13, 2016, the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (CFEF) held its 8th Annual Salute to Our Heroes Gala at the Omni Hotel Houston Westside raising over \$100,000.00 to benefit graduating seniors from the Cypress Fairbanks ISD.

Cypress Woods High School AFJROTC was chosen to Present the Colors and the Missing Man Table and Honors Ceremony. Tina Clinkenbeard, CFISD Teacher, sang the National Anthem. State Representative Allen Fletcher gave the invocation and Senior Ryan Lancaster, from Cy-Fair High School, played TAPS.

Kevin “Dauber” Lacz, former Navy SEAL sniper and combat medic was our guest speaker for the evening. Lacz spoke from the heart about his experiences as a Navy SEAL and the impact his service in the military had on his life. As a Certified Physician Assistant, Lacz uses his past experiences to facilitate his work in medicine and charity, and actively seeks to support service members and veterans in his community. Lacz inspired us all with his motivational story, winning attitude and continued commitment to service.

Joe Myers Ford Lincoln generously underwrote this year's Salute to Our Heroes Gala and we are grateful that they have agreed to underwrite this event in 2017. Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital and North Cypress Medical Center were Major General Sponsors this year. Salute to Our Heroes has raised more than half a million dollars over the past eight years, funding several endowed scholarships for students graduating from the Cypress Fairbanks ISD.

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 46 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.

For more information please contact marie@thecfef.org or visit our website at www.TheCFEF.org.



Honey Bee Swarms

Honey bees are beneficial by producing honey, wax and pollinating crops. With warmer temperatures, honey bees are becoming more active and may soon begin to swarm.

Honey bee swarms look like a large clump of bees clustered together. The swarm may stay in a location from a few hours to a week. Swarms are produced as a part of the colony's reproductive process. An established colony produces a new queen, causing the old queen and half the worker bees to leave the colony to search for a new nesting location. Swarming honey bees are usually gentle and unlikely to sting. Swarms are not protecting their home, food or offspring. Scout bees are sent out from the swarm to search for a nesting site. Colonies produce comb and honey and are defensive. Bees from a colony are more likely to sting as they are guarding their home, food and offspring.

Sometimes, honey bee colonies can be found in wall voids, chimneys, attics or sheds. If bees are in a wall void, DO NOT block their entrance; this makes them search for another way to exit and could lead bees into the structure. To keep bees from entering a home, seal any holes found in walls where pipes enter the home, cracks in window framing, knotholes, weep holes, or cracks between wood and brick junctures.

While many enjoy having honey bees around, some people are severely allergic to their venom. This, along with other situations, such as bees located near sensitive areas (such as playgrounds) may require removal or even extermination of the bees.

People should NOT try remove or exterminate bees on their own. Beekeepers and pest control companies have equipment to carry out these jobs in a safe manner. The city or county does not provide bee removal services.

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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Cypress Texas Tea Party

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

- Saturday, April 2, 2016 NOON - 2:00 PM
 - Barbara Cargill, State Board of Education
 - Paul Simpson, Harris County Republican Party Chairman
 - William Ely, Convention of the States
- Saturday, April 23, 2016 NOON - 2:00 PM
 - Travis Kelly, Texas Central Partners, LLC (High Speed Rail)
 - David Langenberg, Candidate for ESD #9 Commissioner

The Cypress Texas Tea Party meets every three weeks on Saturday

Noon until 2:00 PM at:

Spring Creek BBQ

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The day's events will benefit Chrysalis, A Grace Place for Children, scholarships and playground improvements. Chrysalis features a Christian preschool, after school, and summer camp programs. Chrysalis Christian Preschool admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin. Bring the whole family to see the butterfly release, eat some great food, and have some fun! Call 281-807-0764 or go to www.messiahlc.org/events for further information.

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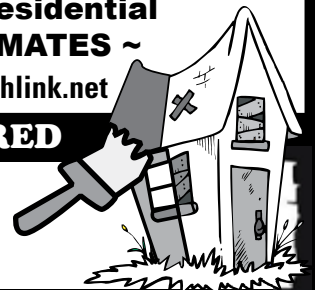
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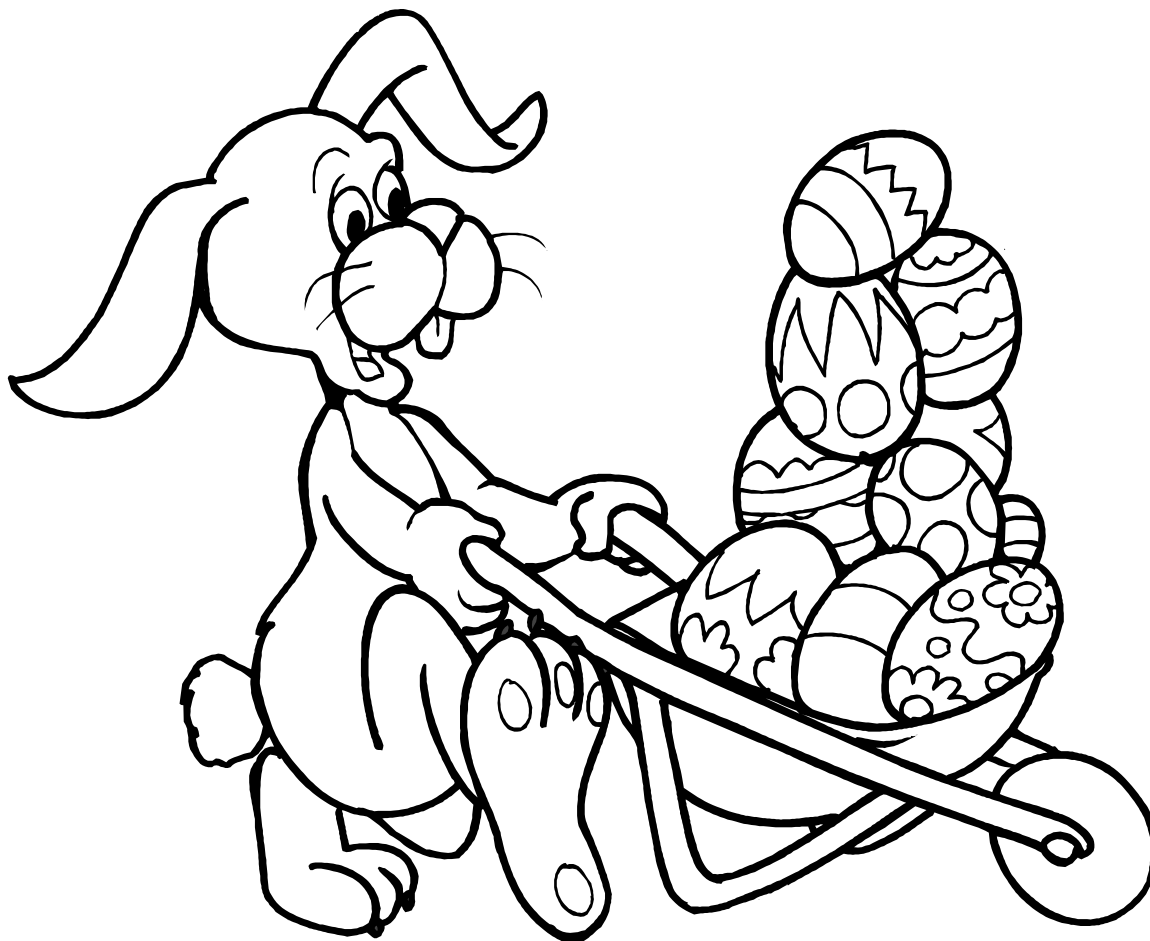
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