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## Thanks from the POA & the Social Committee!

Thank you to those who came out to enjoy our 1st Crawfish Festival on April 30 and for your patience after the date needed to be changed. Also, thanks to everyone who held or bought from the Semi-annual Garage Sale on April 9. The next one will be in the Fall.

Coming up will be our July 4th Annual Event; stay tuned for details. Information on volunteering & attending Social Committee meetings (first Sunday of Month, unless otherwise noted; next planned for May 1). Contact: [LRsocialcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:LRsocialcommittee@gmail.com).

### Happy Mother's Day & Have a Safe Memorial Day Weekend

See the Pool Schedule in this issue: Open on Mother's Day weekend & Memorial Day Weekend

#### Summer is Coming

When you're not enjoying the Swimming Pool, checkout local websites for Summer Camps, Swimming Lessons and Events. Don't forget to read up on Swim Safety; follow all pool rules. Remember that children not ready to swim independently (can swim both lengths of both pools from one side and back on their own) need to be an arm's distance from their guardian, with the lifeguards serving as backups to children's guardians keeping watch. Lifeguards are trained for watching for emergencies and preventing accidents and drownings; not pool babysitters and it can get loud when lots of people are enjoying the pools recreationally to not hear a parent calling help my child from a distance from a lawn chair. Thanks for practicing safety by following all rules and respecting the young lifeguards.

Though it is not a POA resource, some residents share on social media options for these at [www.facebook.com/groups/LegendsRanch/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/LegendsRanch/)

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Note: last week's Suduko's answers at: [www.peelinc.com/residentsPuzzleSolutions.php](http://www.peelinc.com/residentsPuzzleSolutions.php)

## Legends Ranch Summer Pool Schedule & Hours 2016

### Clubhouse Pool:

Weekends Only: May 7 – June 3, Saturday & Sunday 12-8pm

Holiday: Memorial Day: Monday, May 30, 12-8pm

Holiday: Independence Day: Monday, July 4, 12-8pm

Summer Season: Open June 4 – August 21, Tuesday – Sunday, 12-8pm

Weekends Only: August 27 – September 25, Saturday & Sunday 12-8pm

Holiday: Labor Day: Monday, September 5, 12-8pm

CLOSED: on Mondays - Closed on July 5 - Closed 1st Week of School: Aug 22-26.

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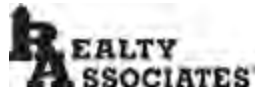


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## From Last Month/Last Week: POA OF LEGENDS RANCH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Date: Tuesday, April 26, 2016 Time: 6:00 pm (Open Session)*

*Location: Legends Ranch Clubhouse 2801 Legends Ranch Dr.  
Spring, TX 77386*

AGENDA OPEN SESSION (6:00 PM – 7:30 PM). All Board meetings are open to members with some exceptions during developer control and for matters discussed in executive session.

1. Establish of Quorum and Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda for Open Session
3. Consideration of Minutes of the Previous Open Meeting – March 29, 2016
4. Financial Report
- 4a. February 2016 – Managing Agent
5. Proposals (Managing Agent)
- 5a. Brickman
- I. Mowing Easement along Birnham Woods and Elan
- 5b. Drill Site
- I. Clearing and Sodding Lot
- II. Irrigating Lot
- III. Fencing Lot

IV. Dog Park Area

6. Contracts

6a. Cypress Creek Pest Control (Mosquito)

7. Additional Business

7a. Notice about new fining policies

7b. Expression swing for swing sets

7c. Repairs to Fitness Center Equipment

7d. WaterLogic – S. Moulin

8. Committee Updates

8a. Ad Hoc Committee Reassignment – E. Garrington

8b. Drill Site

8c. Social

I. Crawfish Boil – April 30th from 4 – 7 pm

8d. Traffic Safety

9. Scheduling of Next Board Meeting

10. Adjournment

11. Homeowner Forum (due to time restraints, limited to (3) minutes per person)



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## Gardening Tips for May

Well, this has been an interesting year. We had almost no winter, with summer annuals that bloomed all winter; tropicals that did not die back all winter, then we had hot weather in early March and a light frost in the latter part of the month. However, we still have some gardening chores to accomplish this month.

Early May is the time to apply your second application of pre-emergent, such as Nitro-Phos "Barricade" or Scott's "Halts".

Late May or very early June is the time to apply your lawn Fertilizer. I recommend a lower nitrogen fertilizer, such as a 19-4-10. I do not recommend that you apply a "Weed and Feed" this late in the season as temperatures may already be too hot and these products may damage your lawn.

I normally recommend that you start watching for grub damage in May. However, this year I saw "June bugs" hatching in late March and you may have seen grub damage in April. Go ahead and apply grub control to kill this second generation of the little white monsters.

There are many good controls on the market, some contact killers and some systemic. If you have pets that tend to eat grass I do not recommend the systemic ones.

May is the time to fertilize your Crepe Myrtles, Azaleas and Hibiscus. Remember that Azaleas like a fertilizer with additional Iron and Sulfur. Hibiscus require a high Nitrogen Low Phosphorus fertilizer.

Now a side note on an interesting plant: the plant is Firmiana simplex or Chinese Parasol Tree. This 40 foot tall tree has green bark from top to bottom. It also has leaves that may reach 12 inches across. This tree provides a dense shade and small fragrant flowers. I do not recommend that you plant one of these trees as it is listed as a noxious weed In Texas, however if you do come across a mature tree it is worth a second look.

If you have any questions, please stop by and see me at Lone Star Ace Hardware or contact me at [troy@lonestarace.com](mailto:troy@lonestarace.com).

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If your sweet tooth craves chocolate, there are plenty of reasons to surrender to your cravings and indulge. Dark chocolate is loaded with nutrients that can positively affect your health. Made from the seed of the cocoa tree, it is one of the best sources of antioxidants on the planet. Cacao offers a number of health benefits from helping to control blood sugar to lowering the risk of cardiovascular disease because it contains flavonols, which are a type of antioxidant that has been shown to improve blood flow and can protect against sun-induced damage, improve blood flow to the skin and increase skin density and hydration.

Bottom Line: Quality dark chocolate has various nutritional perks so enjoying a delicious treat that has at least 65% cacao can be guilt-free if you don't overdo it.

### NUTRITIONAL PERKS

#### HEART-HEALTHY

Dark chocolate has been shown to improve blood flow and possibly prevent blood clots. It also helps lower blood pressure and may help keep arteries from hardening.

#### BRAIN FOOD

Because chocolate increases blood flow to the brain, it can be a boost to your cognitive health.

#### MOOD CHANGER

Chocolate also contains phenylethylamine (PEA), which encourages your brain to release endorphins that make you feel good.

#### CANCER FIGHTER

Antioxidants in chocolate help rid your system of free radicals, which have been linked to multiple age-related health risks and diseases.

#### SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT

Theobromine, found in dark chocolate, helps harden tooth enamel, which helps prevent cavities.

#### SUN BLOCKER

Some studies show that people with diets high in flavonols take longer to burn in the sun than people with low flavonol diets.

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# Whiteflies

Whiteflies are small, soft bodied insects with piercing-sucking mouthparts. They are creamy white and adults have a mealy wax coating their body and wings. Immatures, also called nymphs, are small, oval, flattened and wingless.

Whitefly populations can increase quickly when temperatures are warmer. The insects like to be on the underside of leaves, often in clusters. Common species of whiteflies have a wide host range and can switch host plants.

Whiteflies suck plant juices and large populations can cause foliage to turn yellow, appear to be dry or even fall off the plant. Some whiteflies cause plant distortion or foliage to turn silver in color. Whiteflies produce honeydew, a sticky substance secreted by some insects. Honey dew causes foliage to become shiny in appearance and can attract a fungus called sooty mold. Some whiteflies are capable of transmitting plant viruses.

Try to encourage natural enemies to help manage whitefly populations in your garden. To do this, make wise pesticide choices. Try to choose pesticides to target specific pests and/ or specific areas. Also, you may need to manage ants that tend the whiteflies to obtain honeydew. The ants protect whiteflies from natural enemies that may

normally keep the pest population at manageable levels.

In vegetable gardens, you may want to try reflective mulches to make the underside of the leaves where whiteflies hide less habitable.

As for chemical treatment, you can use high pressure water sprays, insecticidal soap, azadirachtin, d-limonene, botanicals or a synthetic product. Target your treatment to the underside of the leaves to get to where the whiteflies like to hide.

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](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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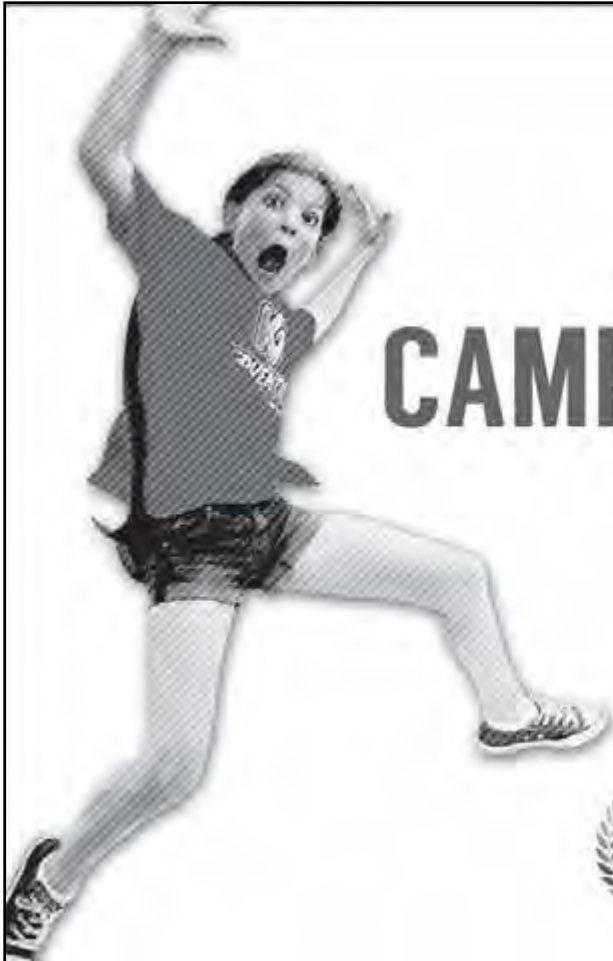
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If there's an accident on your carpet or a rug, start by scooping up any solids and soaking up any unabsorbed liquids. Then, blot the stain with a white cloth or paper towel. You should work from the outside in so you don't spread the spill, and dab at it instead of rubbing or pressing hard.

You also can try spot cleaning with a soapy water mix. Dilute a ¼ teaspoon of clear hand-dishwashing soap with 1 cup of lukewarm water. Spray the solution on the stain, and mist the area with clean water or blot with a wet towel. Then blot the area with a dry towel. Repeat this process until you get as much residue out as possible.

Follow these specific instructions for cleaning up the more stubborn stains and sticky spots on your floors:

- Red wine: Begin with the same three steps—blot, apply soapy water and rinse. Then, dribble very hot water from a sponge onto

the spill. Continue to blot with a clean towel, and repeat until the carpet no longer shows any red.

- Soft drinks and coffee: Begin with the same three steps—blot, apply soapy water and rinse. Then dab on hydrogen peroxide. Wait one hour before repeating the process. Hydrogen peroxide bleaches a stain without breaking down carpet dyes. Use a 3 percent solution, which can be found at a drugstore, and apply at full strength.

- Candle wax and chewing gum: These are easiest to remove when hot or cold. For the cold method, harden the spot by rubbing it with an ice cube inside a plastic bag. Then, carefully scrape off the residue with a dull knife or a plastic card, such as an expired credit card. For the hot method, apply paper towels over the waxy area, and then use a clothes iron on low heat to soak up the wax. Replace the paper towels until all the wax is removed. Use a hair dryer to heat gum. Then with a plastic bag over your fingers, pull the goo off.

So the next time your carpeting endures a nasty spill, rest assured that it doesn't have to become a permanent stain. With these simple tips, you can keep your carpets and rugs looking great for years to come.

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### ACROSS

1. Father
5. Water carrier
9. Radar target
10. English architecture style
11. Corporation (abbr.)
12. White poplar
13. Hastily write
15. Official canine registry (abbr.)
16. Peers (2 wds.)
18. Mother-of-Pearl mollusk
21. Wipe
22. Asian nation
26. Unripened
28. One of Columbus' ships
29. Great ape
30. Swirl
31. Very large book
32. Fewer

### DOWN

1. The alphabet
2. Group of nations
3. Vigor
4. Sickened
5. English bar
6. Thoughts
7. Folk dance
8. Build
10. Claws
14. Dating
17. Marrow
18. Jargon
19. Donkey
20. Right angle to a ship's length
23. Military officer
24. Ceases
25. "You can't eat just one" brand

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