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NEWS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF CYPRESS MILL

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NEIGHBOR SPOTLIGHT

Sharing neighborly pleasantries is one of the perks to coming home after a long day. That's why this month's inaugural family of the month is the Bests, a family of four who relocated this past April from a smaller nearby community into Cypress Mill. Comprised of Brandi and Shawn Best and their two elementary age children Isabella and Levi, the family has been enjoying the offerings of Cypress Mill living.

"We were [drawn to] the community center, the gym, [and] the swim team," said Brandi, referring to Cypress Mill's very own Cypress Mill Mako Sharks. "The swim team was a bonus for us, so we joined."

Shawn also cited the neighboring schools as another addition to help their decision with transplanting to Cypress Mill. But what they've discovered they love doing the most is meeting others.

"Everyone is nice and it's diverse," said Shawn, a robotics engineer.

"[And] getting to know the neighbors and the friendships [that are] forming," added Brandi, a registrar at a private school. Meeting others has been one of their favorite



things to do. So much so, that the couple enjoys walking to visit new friends.

"A lot of people we know are all around the neighborhood," Brandi noted.

These friendships have also given the couple and their family time to settle in but also realize that they'll need to start purchasing decorations for the forthcoming holidays. Cypress Mill is abound with activity for Halloween and viewing Christmas lights, a small treat that wasn't a staple in their old neighborhood.

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When Halloween came around there wasn't any festivity: "People often left to go to Fairfield [to celebrate]," Brandi said. Now they wouldn't have to do that with Cypress Mill's very own Halloween celebrants. "We'll be able to decorate more."

The couple plans on taking advantage of the walking trail and other amenities as they get settled in. Meanwhile Brandi has already immersed herself in the community by volunteering in our very own A. Robison Elementary School's Rocket Fest slated for October 14 at 7.

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While I was repainting my door the other day it dawned on me that this November will mark 10 years I've been living in Cypress Mill. Ten years of coming home to a house I enjoy, friendly neighbors and a thriving community. And while I painted, my children played outside and were later joined by more kids and I was introduced to a new family on my street. More parents came out joining the camaraderie to pass pleasantries. It was this scene that

reminded me of what makes Cypress Mill so special. The ease of a close knit community without all the big city extremities. This month as we enter the fall festival season and the holidays approach, let us remind ourselves of the importance of the warmth of our loved ones

and our neighbors. One of those families I met is featured in this issue as our family of the month. Let's be sure to stop and say hello to a neighbor as they did to my family. As the new contributing editor, featuring one family of the month each month who exemplifies what Cypress Mill is all about: friendliness, sense of community and kindness is an important addition I want to make. Email us a photo and tell us about your family, and you could be in our next issue. Moreover if you're a teacher, entrepreneur, parent of a child doing something exceptional, or you yourself is helping our community in any way, contact us to be featured in our newsletter. I would also be looking for well-maintained yards, upcoming events and any accomplishments circling our neighborhood. Let's continue the tradition of neighborly ties and communication. I look forward to seeing you in the neighborhood.

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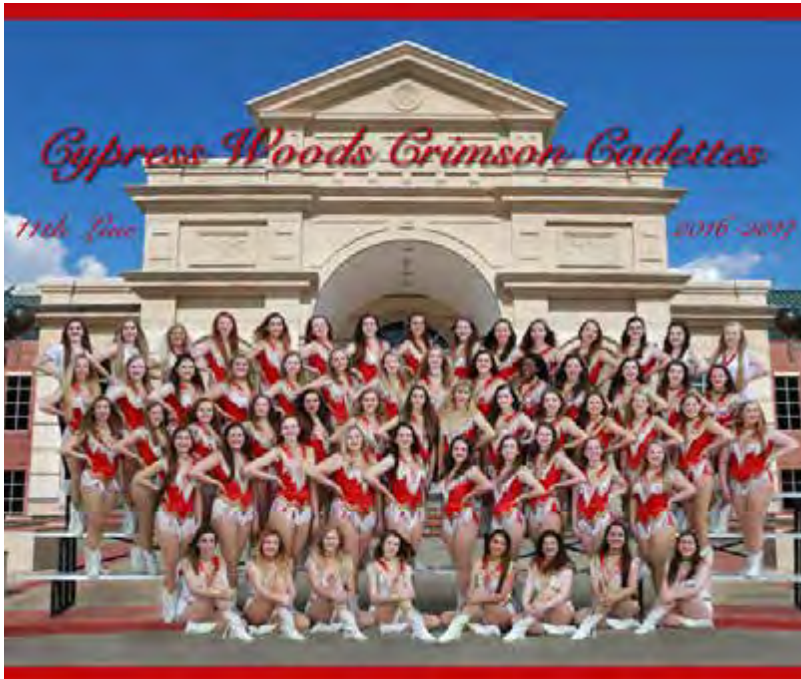
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Please register by October 3rd to get the pre-registration price of \$40. This is a major fund-raiser for the Cadettes and enables them to participate in activities throughout the 2016-2017 school year.


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The Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce invites the community to its 18th annual FORE Cy-Fair Golf Tournament at Blackhorse Golf Club on Monday, October 3.

The tournament benefits the Adam J. Skinner Memorial Scholarship of the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation. A scholarship has been established in his memory and the Chamber has contributed more than \$104,000 to date to the endowment.

Player registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. A putting contest and the opening of the driving range will follow at 10:00 a.m. Shotgun start will be at 11:00 a.m. with the awards, dinner, raffle and silent auction at 4:00 p.m.

"This tournament continues to grow each year and provides a great networking opportunity for businesses in the Cy-Fair community," Leslie Martone, President of the Cy-Fair Chamber of Commerce said. "This event brings those who do business in this community together to raise funds and awareness for a great cause."

The tournament is underwritten for the first year by Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital. Returning for its third year as the CFISD sponsor, which includes the opportunity to play with the CFISD Superintendent, Dr. Mark Henry, is IBI Group.

The True Texan sponsorship is still available and offers the opportunity to play with Commissioner Jack Cagle. This \$5,000 sponsorship will receive two team entries, four hole sponsorships, a tournament trophy, hospitality tent at hole of choice and logo recognition in all promotional material.


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Sponsorship and marketing opportunities range from \$150 to \$5,000. In addition, the public is invited to purchase a \$25 awards dinner and \$10 raffle tickets. You need not be present to win the raffle.

The event is rain or shine. For more information about the tournament, visit cyfairchamber.com. To become a sponsor, purchase raffle tickets or RSVP for a dinner reservation, call Sara Theut at 281-373-1390.





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Event Details

Vintage Park Shopping Village

110 Vintage Park Blvd (Located Hwy 249 at Louetta Rd)

Saturday, October 29, 2016

5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Cost: FREE

Houston, Texas (September 15, 2016) Meet and greet your favorite characters at Vintage Park Shopping Village on Saturday, October 29, from 5:00 pm until 7:30 pm. The Park will once again partner with the fabulous talent of Truly Enchanting Entertainment.

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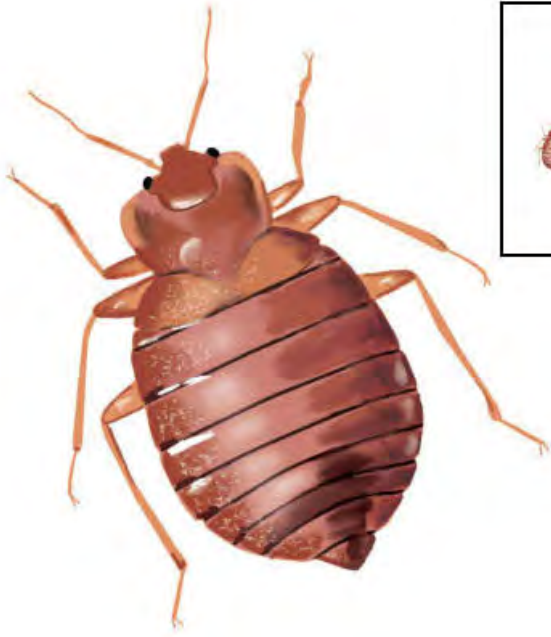
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Inspecting for bed bugs



Before the holiday travel season begins, it is wise to know what to look for when traveling so you do not bring home unwanted guests. Bed bugs are small, dark brown to reddish colored insects with no wings. Their bodies are oval and the color and size often depends on if the insect is engorged with blood. Immatures, or nymphs, resemble the adults but are smaller and lighter in color. Usually adults are about the size of a watermelon seed.

Most feeding occurs at night when bed bugs pierce skin while people sleep. The bugs inject a fluid while feeding that can cause some people (about 50%) to have an allergic response. The allergic response causes the skin to become irritated and itchy at the bite location.

After feeding (it takes about 12-15 minutes for a bed bug to become fully engorged), bed bugs crawl away into hidden areas- mattress seams, headboards, nightstands, behind baseboards as well as other locations. They prefer to hide in locations that are close to where they feed, but they will crawl several feet to get to a meal. Bed bugs hide in their chosen location for about 3 days while they digest

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the blood meal. Over time, congregation areas become marked with blood, fecal material, hatched eggs and cast skins of molted bugs.

When travelling, always inspect rooms thoroughly for bed bugs before moving luggage into the room. Luggage should be placed until the bathtub until the room has been inspected. Make sure to carry a small flashlight with for to help with inspection. When you return home, place clothing in the dryer (before washing) on high heat for about an hour.

Tips on inspection:

- Look in sleeping areas (bed, pull-out couches)
- Inspect linens as they are removed from the bed
- Check mattress and box spring seams, bottom of the box spring and near the mattress tag
- Inspect the dust ruffle
- If possible, lift the boxspring and inspect the bed frame
- If possible, pull out or remove the headboard to inspect behind it
- Check bedside tables and everything on them, including opening

all drawers

If you find bed bugs, go to the front desk to inform them of what you found and request a different room. Do not get a room that is adjacent, above, below or across from the infested room (bed bugs can travel through wall voids to adjacent areas).

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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