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To submit an article for consideration please email it to fairfieldgazette@peelinc.com. The deadline is the 9th of the month prior to the issue.

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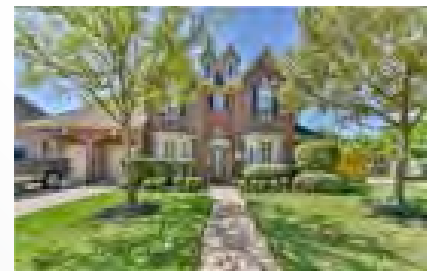
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Contributing Editor Fairfield Community Gazette



Greetings to all of our Fairfield residents.

May is a wonderful month, the weather is perfect, our lawns are beginning to take shape, and the children are enjoying fresh air, playing sports, and dipping in our marvelous pools.

You are going to enjoy reading about your Fairfield Community Gazette stars this

month. They were so kind and gracious to let us interview them. Please stop and say hello if you see them out and about.

We are honored to share the work of so many committed and thoughtful people. Please send us your recommendations for the Senior Spotlight, Get to Know Your Neighbors, or our Entrepreneurs and Inventors columns.

Also, feel free to send us comments or questions on any of the articles. You can reach me at jackiedevine@peelinc.com. We appreciate your support and are so happy to have you as a reader of the Fairfield Community Gazette.

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Camber of Commerce recognition, a three-time recipient of the Houston Chronicle Deputy of the Week, and much more. Deputy Kershaw is the 13th recipient of Sheriff's Office's Medal Of Valor Award for suffering two gunshot wounds while making a felony arrest. There have only been 13 awarded in the 180-year history of the Sheriff's Office. He is a single father of two boys. Kyle attends

Lone Star College. James is a Texas Tech Graduate who is an Associate Architect with PhiloWilke Partnership, the firm that designed the new Herman Hospital in Fairfield.

When asked what his retirement plans were he said, "Well. I enjoy shopping at H.E.B., and I have the store memorized, so my goal is to beat everyone to the rotisserie chickens which always seem to be gone when I get there." So, if you happen to see him at H.E.B. or about the neighborhood thank him for his service.

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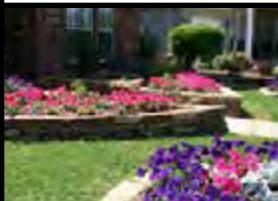


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Women's Club

May Meeting

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July 4th Parade

I know this is months away, but after the July 4th parade last July, there were many facebook comments that the parade needed a band. Since schools are out for the summer, this is an almost impossible task. Also, the Fairfield Women's Club budget for the parade is under \$100, so renting a band is kind of out of the question. However, there were many, many posts from Fairfield residents saying they would love to be part of a band. So here is your chance to become a part of the first ever Fairfield Marching Band. If you want to organize a band, or be part of a band for the parade, please email us at fairfieldwomensclub@gmail.com. Fairfield Women's Club will not be organizing this band, but we will let you know who is interested.

Graduation Tea

The Fairfield Women's Club will honor all senior girls graduating from high school this year at our 27th annual

Mother / Daughter Tea

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Sunday, May 21st from 1:00 – 3:00

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Save the Date

May 21 - Senior Tea for all Fairfield graduating senior girls and their mothers. Contact Lisa Cannon fairfieldwomensclub@gmail.com

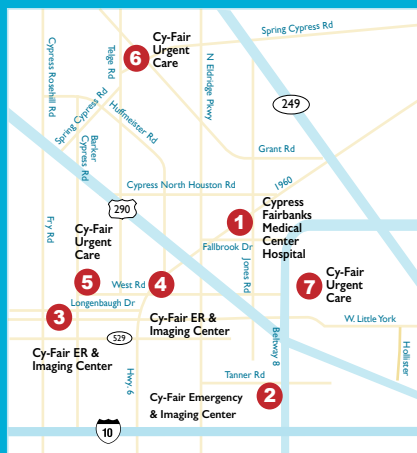
June 20 - Fairfield Womens Club Meeting Nancy Andrews of Andrews Financial will be the speaker 7 pm Bradford Creek Clubhouse

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never attended one of our functions, you are cordially invited. Come and be a part of our fun-loving group. We're sure you will enjoy it.

Special Trip Notice:

We had to remove a few names from our April trip and replace them with names on the waiting list, because their checks were not received by the due date. Please note that payment cash or check is now due when you sign-up.

THE MAY BUS TRIP PLANS FOR:

Wednesday, May 17, a trip to San Antonio.

Thanks to Lori Skadowski.

This trip will include a tour of the San Antonio Shoe Factory (SAS Shoes) in San Antonio. Then we are off to the famous San Antonio Riverwalk for lunch, shopping, and fun.

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THE JUNE BUS TRIP PLANS FOR:

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Plugged In to Fairfield

by Jackie Devine



If you've lived in Fairfield very long, you already know it's our neighbors that set us apart. Their unselfish commitment and personal contributions enhance the quality of life for all in our community.

One family, I would nominate for the "Plugged-In To Our Community" award—if we had one—would be Ronna and Rich Stonely. Parents of four boys Justin, Nathan, Matthew, and Sam, they are grounded in their church, family, the community and our schools. So, if you haven't had the opportunity to meet them, this is your chance.

Ronna and Rich met at an Ultimate Frisbee Game, in Provo Utah. Ronna and Rich collided with each other in a pitch. It was love at first sight, two months later they got engaged, two months after that they were married.

Today, Rich is an oil and gas subsea mechanical engineer for Aker Solutions and manages 80 engineers.

Ronna is involved in a multitude of local projects. She volunteers with CFISD Science Resource Center teaching animal demos to students. Students interact with live animals such as snakes, turtles, rabbits, cockroaches, tarantulas, to birds thus extending their classroom experience.

She serves as the Scout Committee Chair for Troop 1478 of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She enjoys helping coordinate scouting activities, working with Eagle Scout candidates and doing some paperwork.

Rich also works with the scouts as the Team Coach for 14 and 15-year-olds. The Team just completed a unit on shotgun shooting. Next, they will spend an entire quarter doing kayaking and canoeing. In June they'll head to the Buffalo River in Arkansas and will kayak over 50 miles.

Justin, a junior at CyRanch, is an Eagle Scout and plays football. Justin's Eagle project was building new pitching mounds at the baseball fields. Ronna explained, "Eagle projects are meant to make the community better and to teach leadership skills. Scouts have to develop plans, strategize goal achievement, direct people, and assess progress."

Nathan, a sophomore at CyRanch, plays football and is working

on his Eagle Scout project making an orienteering course at Fritsche Park. Nathan also builds Adirondack chairs to sell and is a skilled fisherman.

Matthew, a 7th grader at Salyards Middle School, loves sports. His FSA basketball team won the championship for his age group this past winter. Matthew also loves Scouts and is an avid woodworker; always looking for new ways to build things.

Samuel, a 4th grader at Swenke Elementary, is in Cub Scouts, and loves playing basketball; his basketball team had an undefeated season this year. Sam is a very fast runner, fast enough to outrun his older brothers if he has too.

Playing sports in Fairfield has become a "family affair." The Fairfield Sports Association is their second home.

Rich says, "The FSA is perfect for families. Practices and games are here. You're not driving all over the place. Everybody knows everybody. Even though it's still very competitive, we know that the most important thing is it's about the kids and them having fun."

Rich has been involved in the boys' sports from the beginning—baseball for nine years, basketball for seven years. The memories

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This month the Fairfield Women's Club selected the section of Fairfield South that is north of Cumberland Tr. This includes Travis Point, Summer Gate, Silver Crest, Silver Lake, Sterling Lake Estates, Lake Point, and Villaggio. Lake Crest and Winding Trails are all gated villages, with no access.

Our lovely, May yard, home of James and Tamie Palmia who live at 21010 N. Carmel Apple, is located in one of the newest sections of Fairfield South called the Silver Crest Village.

Although this area was completed in the last year, the Palmia's yard is totally landscaped. The terraced lawn makes their yard unique.

No doubt the steep slope could have presented a challenge, they built various levels of flower beds which are outlined with stacked, flat flagstone, along with large boulders scattered throughout the yard which enhance the look.

Four, stately, tall, thin junipers are placed in strategic locations next to the house. Flower beds are lined with greenery with pops of Knock Out Roses. Lower level beds have boxwood, juniper, and additional boulders finished off with river rock. The same combination is carried out on the other side of the pull-through driveway.

Great job James and Tamie. Thanks for adding such a beautiful yard to Fairfield.

North Caramel Apple is located off of Shield Rd. Turn onto Amaryllis Red, then take a left onto North Caramel Apple. You are in for a treat!



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and lessons the Stonely boys' have made playing FSA sports will last a lifetime.

According to Ronna and Rich, one of the best parts about living in Fairfield is its very "Norman Rockwell," like a small town feeling where everyone looks out for each other. Everything connects. The kids can ride their bikes to the parks and pools. The schools are heavily supported by the community.

Rich praised his neighbors, "Three months ago; we had a fire at 4 A.M. on a Sunday morning. The turnout for help from our neighbors was unbelievable. They took in Sam and Matt to let them go to their house to sleep. They offered to let us shower, and helped us cover the destroyed portion of our roof."

Ronna jumped in, "They brought us food. I had a lady that stopped by and gave me a gift card. Still, today, when I walk to our mailbox neighbors will stop and say, 'how's it going, we're watching.' We also had teenagers come over and help clean up the mess. They didn't complain; they didn't expect anything in return. That is what makes Fairfield so magical.

The Stonelys are do-it-yourselfers. Their sons are expected to participate. Family projects which are many, have included installing hardwood floors, adding intricate molding to the entryway, and building a pergola and outdoor kitchen.

Both Rich and Ronna feel teaching their children how to work with their hands and to learn the importance of self-reliance are critical personal skills they need to master.

When 14-year-old Nathan came to Rich telling him, he wanted to get a job; Rich ask why he didn't create one? He explained that when he was younger, he built and sold Adirondack chairs. Nathan liked the idea, so they went to Home Depot, bought a pamphlet on constructing chairs, chose a design, and made several prototypes. Next, they posted them on the Fairfield Facebook page. The community supported the young entrepreneur, and he made over \$2000. No doubt, you will find more chairs for sale soon.

Ronna chimed in, "We refuse to pay for everything. Our kids must earn their money and learn self-reliance. They all cook, make bread, do their laundry, fold clothes, and iron. In the future, when they go on missions, they can take care of themselves, and when they get married, they can help out around the house."

As they look forward, the next plan is for the boys to raise enough money to go on a two-year missions program for their church. Since Rich and Ronna went when they were young, they want the kids to benefit from that same character building experience.

The Stonelys are very grateful to the Fairfield community for helping to make their lives so wonderful.



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SPOTLIGHT ON SENIORS

by Jackie Devine



Tune into the news, any day of the week, and you'll quickly find scores of people playing the "blame game." Staking their claim on anger and discontent, TV commentators seem hard at work convincing the public to jump on the bandwagon and join their Rage Regime.

That may be happening across the airwaves, but not in Fairfield. Many of our residents feel life is good and "all is right with the world."

Julian Augustin, who lives by his personal mantra: "Be kind, do good, and always help others become better than they are," is one of them.

Those of you that have had the opportunity to meet Julian know he's an uplifting influence that leaves one feeling inspired, transformed, and entirely convinced they can be a positive force for good.

With seven decades under his belt, Julian has made it a practice to live by his privately crafted, solidly proven personal code of ethics that includes strategic thinking, self-direction, accountability and personal responsibility.

I asked him to elaborate, "It's nothing mysterious when you are on the path of self-direction, life is relatively easy. You learn the rules and live by them. You make good choices and move forward. Thoughts gestate in mind; dreams become a reality."

Speaking of dreams, Julian began searching for the American Dream in his mid-20s when he arrived in New York City in 1979. Although he had no job prospects or place to live, he came armed with the determination to obtain a college degree. That alone kept the fire in the belly stoked and blazing.

Preparation and research prevented culture shock as he settled into the immigrant epicenter of the nation. As he acclimated, he found others with whom he had cultural connections. He applied at New York University seeking a degree in education and received 36 credits for his St. Lucia's Teachers College teaching certificate.

He explained, "I took any job I could find, dishwashing, waiting tables, fence painting. People were good to me. They gave me work to do even when they didn't need work done. Friends would walk in the restaurant order a meal then bring it to me saying 'I already ate.' I got help all along the way and appreciated it."

With a bachelor's degree in hand, he landed a job as an assistant teacher with the NY City Board of Education.

Pensively, he said, "I worked as a junior teacher for about a year. Then, we got a new principal by the name of Robert Ryan. Several

weeks later, he called me to his office and said, 'I am going to give you a letter; take it to the Board of Ed. After they approve it, you will become a per diem teacher. I want you to be a real teacher. You have what it takes!'

"I was so happy that he believed in me I told him I would not fail him. From there, petrified about not having a job, I followed all the state guidelines, obtained four licenses, Adult Ed, Common Branch, Home Instruction, Special Ed, and also become tenured."

Julian went on to receive his master's degree and moved from teaching to become the state of New York's Test Coordinator. He gave the state exams, became a data coordinator, created a team of teachers to supervise exams, and held several administrative positions supervising 75 students and a staff of 27.

Julian also attended the College of Staten Island CUNY to complete a Sixth-Year Professional Certificate in Education Supervision and Administration designed to prepare qualified teachers for leadership positions in New York City public schools and other school districts in the metropolitan area. Julian was able to advance as part of the administrative staff within the school community.

While in college, Julian met his wife, Dassil, who was studying nursing. Coming from Guyana, a British country in South America, she and Julian, shared the same values and made the perfect team. They married in 1988. Their goal was to leave New York and buy a home. Dassil's family advised them to check out Houston before committing.

In 1998, they made the trip. Planning ahead, the first thing Julian did was take the Texas Teachers Examination. Next, he shopped property. After analyzing the real-estate market, he chose Fairfield because of its country feeling close to city amenities. He selected the best house constructed by homebuilder Lennar and told the sales agent to choose the lot, which he bought sight unseen.

The family moved to Fairfield in 2000 while Julian continued to work in New York to maximize benefits.

Although retired, Julian is still in demand. He uses SKYPE to teach and tutor students across the nation.

Smiling, Julian said, "Life is good. Dassil and I travel four to five times a year. Recently, we've visited South America, the Caribbean, and New York. While traveling, we immerse ourselves in the culture. We live among the people, ride the community buses, eat with the locals. We are fascinated by meeting simple, authentic people pure at heart."

The Augustins have two sons and two grandchildren. Their oldest is an officer in the Coast Guard in Virginia and their youngest is the director of three pre-schools with The Learning Experience system.

When asked what life has taught him, he said, "Planning creates purpose. Goals move us forward. But we must recognize our opportunities, take advantage of them, and make them work for us."

"Some people feel they need others to contribute to their success."

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I say to them, 'You are the driving force. Your life is about you. Once you take responsibility for your actions, you're liberating others from investing too much in you, and you are giving them time to invest in themselves. Self-direction and appreciation move you along.'

In closing, he said, "The ability for one to self-direct, make the best of an opportunity without complaining, and use one's ability to move forward, is in my mind the secret to happiness."

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Fairfield Entrepreneurs and Inventors

by Jackie Devine



It is impossible to spend five minutes with Greg Wood, owner and operator of GTW Business Coaching, and not realize that you are in the presence of a visionary. Self-confident and self-motivated, he is an enterprising entrepreneur that is always on the lookout to improve a product or service or develop a new idea. Helping others create, build and grow their dreams gives him purpose.

Greg said, "It all started about three years ago when I would visit the Fairfield Facebook site which currently has over 8000 members. Members were continuously asking for the same recommendations

for a variety of local services. And it was crowding the Fairfield page, making it harder to view relevant information."

True marketer that he is, Greg saw a need and filled it. He created an informative and useful local business directory called Ask Fairfield (<http://askfairfield.weebly.com/>) and organized it by positive feedback posted by Fairfield residents.

"Immediately," Greg said, "I got calls from other companies that wanted their business listed on my site. As we talked, I asked how their business was going, what they saw as their challenges, and what they were doing to address those issues.

"I started throwing ideas out, 'what if you tried this or started doing that to improve sales?'" I started giving them a few marketing tips and talked about customer service. They came back telling me that they had done as I said and were seeing improvement."

Reflecting, he said, "Overtime, I thought, 'why don't I start my own business by giving local businesses guidance and direction?'"

I asked, "If a potential client calls and says they need help, what do you do first?"

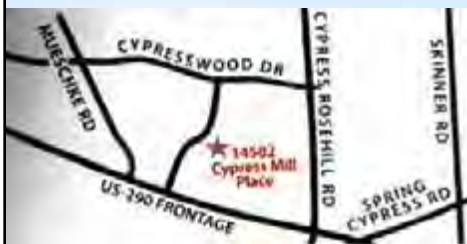
Eager to elaborate Greg said, "The first thing I do is assess where they

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are in their business, how are their marketing strategies, pricing, customer relations, competition. Before we do any work together, I analyze it. Then I come up with ways that we can improve. I organize goals. For example, I tell them, these are the things I want you to accomplish in a month. And, these are the things I want you to achieve in a quarter.

Then every week I give them a weekly plan to get them closer to those goals. So it gives them an organized and detailed list of where they want to go."

As Greg worked with local entrepreneurs, he identified another need: Sharing of ideas and information by local service providers. From that, says Greg, "I started the Fairfield Business Networking

Group because I saw a desire for us to start collaborating as a neighborhood to promote local businesses and to give back to the community. We attracted 108 members in the first two weeks. In this group, we have some talented entrepreneurs that have offered to facilitate workshops to help members advance their business."

When asked, what the added benefit of a networking group was he said, "In business, the best way to gain customers is through word of mouth. It isn't who you know, but who knows you."

According to Brian Tracy: Successful people are always looking for opportunities to help others. Unsuccessful people are always asking, 'What's in it for me?' Brian Tracy.

I believe, Brian would find a friend in Greg!

Greg and his wife Kathleen have four children. He is a football and basketball coach for his nine and seven-year-old boys. He is as passionate about coaching the children as he is about coaching his clients. Greg says, "Helping people of any age identify and grow their strengths and experience success is why I enjoy coaching!"

You can reach Greg at gtwbusinesscoaching.com or call (281) 766-3415

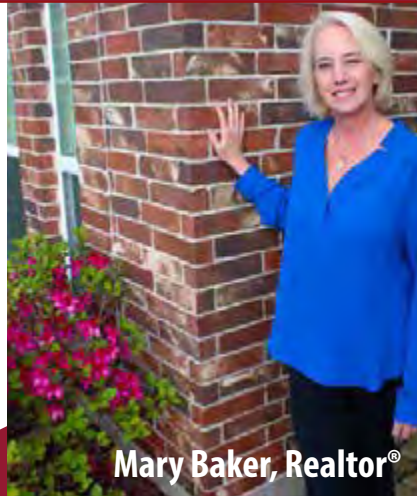
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What I Learned So Far

by Julie Geissenhoener, foreign exchange student



Last month we featured the Vitovskys in "Get to Know Your Neighbors" column that introduced the idea of hosting foreign exchange students. This month we are featuring a story written by the student that the Vitovskys hosted. Julie shares with us her experiences living with an American family, attending a CyFair school, and making friends in Fairfield.

I've changed a lot during my stay in Texas. Everything has influenced me in one way or another. It is only natural that I made some mistakes when I first came here, since I grew up in a totally different environment, but I learned to ask more questions. I also learned to become more confident in my abilities and to laugh at my mistakes. You cannot take everything serious when you come into a totally different and new situation. When I first came here, I was really nervous and afraid of everything! I did not talk to most people, because I was so scared of embarrassing myself, but I've learned that there is no use in always being afraid. Sometimes you just have to risk something, to get the best out of it. Over the months I learned many

things. I learned that I can be more independent than I thought I was. I learned that I can manage many things by myself, just like making plans for a day trip with my friends. I learned that I am stronger, than I thought I was, since my [host] Mom hosted a self-defense class that showed me how to fight for myself. In all this time here in the U.S. I learned that everything happens for a reason. If I would have chosen to come a year later, I never would have met all these wonderful people! Or just imagine my host parents not picking me at all! I could have been sent to Wisconsin or Michigan or wherever!

Being in America taught me a lot about the people around me. It taught me that nothing is exactly how you imagine it and everything has a purpose. My [host] dad taught me a few recipes and I learned how to conveniently and quickly fold laundry, which could both be very important for my life later. My friends taught me a lot about American society and that I am more interesting than I thought I was (although that probably comes from the fact that I am a foreigner).

This whole year made me stronger, wiser and braver. I know that I take more with me than I can now think of and I'm so grateful to my organization, my school, and host family because they made it possible.

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Texas History Traveler

by Chris Brown, Fairfield Resident



Hello to my fellow Texas travelers,

These articles are my attempt to stir the Fairfield community's interest in our state's history. Journey with me on random stories and facts about our great state of Texas. I encourage you to dive in and research more for yourself to help fill in the blanks in these stories.

My travels have offered me the opportunity to meet engaging people,

explore fascinating historical sites and experience the past first hand. Every discovery leaves me thirsting for more: meeting more people and hearing more of our beloved Texas tales. I've begun to realize that it is our history that ties us to our cultures and faith.

My first article touched on the battles of the 1835-1836 Texas Revolution and some local historical markers about the march of Sam Houston's Army through the Cypress area.

Just little over an hour's drive from Fairfield, going west on 290, you'll find Monument Hill in La Grange, Texas. The war with Texas and Mexico ended when Texas won the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836, but the conflict had not ended due to disputed land on both sides. We will fast forward to 6-7 years later (1842 & 1843). Two completely separate incidents brought the remains of members of Fayette County Texas Militia to the site of Monument Hill.

In September of 1842, a large Mexican force of over 1,500 occupied and controlled San Antonio led by the Mexican Commander Adrian Woll. Matthew Caldwell formed a militia of little over 200 men and headed to San Antonio to push the Mexican Army back. Out of that militia, Nicholas Mosby Dawson and 54 Texans advanced to the rear to attack. The Mexican army had the upper hand. The Texans under Dawson raised a white flag of surrender. In the heat of the battle, Dawson was killed. The fight ended with 36 Texans killed, 15 captured and two escaped. Most of the men were from Fayette County where La Grange is located. In 1848, after Texas had become a state, the citizens of La Grange brought the men's remains who were killed in the Dawson Massacre to a common cement vault at the site of Monument Hill.

Have you ever heard the saying "Drawing of the Black Bean," or

I drew the black bean"? In 1842 some members of the Texas Militia joined the Mier Expedition (an offshoot of the Somervell Expedition) which was an unsuccessful military operation into Mexico. Following the Battle of Mier, General Mexia of the Mexican Army captured around 250 Texans. He marched toward Mexico City. February 1, 1843, 181 the Texans escaped. Due to lack of food and water, they were re-captured. This time, Santa Anna, once again in the picture ordered the Texans to be executed. The sympathetic General Mexia refused Santa Anna's order. Under a new Mexican commander, Colonel Domingo Huerta moved the prisoners to a different location. Diplomatic efforts to free the prisoners led to a compromise. The compromise was to execute one in ten prisoners. To determine who would be executed, Huerta's plan was to put 176 white beans and 17 black beans in a pot. In alphabetical order, the blind folded officers and enlisted men drew the beans. The drawing the black beans were executed on March 25, 1843. Some of the survivors went on to claim more fame, such as Bigfoot Wallace and Samuel Walker.

Later in 1847, during the Mexican-American War, a white bean survivor by the name of Captain John Dusenbury exhumed the remains of his fallen comrades (the ones who drew the black beans). They were entombed with the Dawson group on top of Monument Hill.

I was at this site in early April and encourage you to visit this historical place. While I was there, I noticed a name on the tomb. It read Dr. Richard Fox Brenham "Killed in Salado Mexico on Feb. 11, 1843." Doctor Brenham was killed when part of the Dawson and Mier prisoners escaped which was mentioned previously. This is the name from which the town of Brenham gets its name, and the rest is TEXAS HISTORY.



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Deep Cypress Gardens to Host "Wine in the Woods" Fundraiser Featuring Jack Ingram on April 30



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Spring is officially underway, which brings beautiful weather, warmer temperatures, and a busy schedule of events for Deep Cypress Gardens, a property of Deep Cypress Alliance. The Deep Cypress Conservancy team held a groundbreaking on Wednesday, April 19 onsite at the Kathy Lane property. They are also preparing for their highly-anticipated "Wine in the Woods" event, featuring special musical guest ACM Award-Winning Texas Music Artist Jack Ingram, on Sunday, April 30 from 5-9 PM.

"Wine in the Woods" will serve as the kickoff of the capital campaign for the Deep Cypress Gardens. Proceeds will benefit the Deep Cypress Conservancy, a program of Deep Cypress Alliance, a 501(c)(3) non-profit. To that, businesses and organizations that are interested in donation and/or sponsor opportunities are welcome to participate in the celebratory occasion. For more information

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"I am thrilled to announce 'Wine in the Woods' as the kickoff Celebration for the 'Deep Cypress Gardens' Capital Campaign and Groundbreaking," said CEO and President Teri Quance. "Deep Cypress Gardens is a nonprofit Garden Venue dedicated to enjoyment, education and philanthropy surrounding horticulture and green space in the Cypress area."

To celebrate the inception of the property, guests are invited to join their fellow Cypress neighbors and friends while enjoying food and wine tastings, a live and silent auction, wine pull, and a performance by Jack Ingram. General admission tickets to the event will begin at \$65 for individuals/\$120 per couple and VIP tickets which include meet and greet for \$85 for individuals/\$160 per couple, and attendees can purchase them here.

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This year our theme is: The Cure Boat – Cruise For the Cure!

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Alexa Vest is currently a 5th grader at Ault Elementary. She is so excited to be going to Salyards next year. After hearing more than one realtor say, "Once you move to Fairfield, you'll never leave Fairfield."

After seeing all the neighbors out on the trails, and actual bikes in the bike racks at the Fairfield schools, we were convinced Fairfield was the place for us! We moved here last July and have been so happy since. It's a small town feel in the big city. Trying to get the rest of the extended family to move to the neighborhood!

Photographer is Mandy Vest, Alexa's mom



Kinsley and Anniston Crain



Eagle in Ten Acre Park in Fairfield.

Photos by Carol Mata.



Fly with FAST

by Brittany DeCaires



Fairfield Area Swim Team (FAST) is celebrating its 25th anniversary this season. FAST is a neighborhood summer swim league that is part of the W1 Division of Northwest Aquatic League, which currently has over 99 swim teams.

Fairfield's swim team has a formidable reputation in the league.

It has a terrific eight-lane neighborhood pool built specifically for FAST, right here in Fairfield!

Their team philosophy is to "Have Fun with FAST!" Family oriented, they are able to compete each season due to the commitments of each and every swimmer's family. Except for the coaching staff, FAST is entirely run volunteer organization.

Current residents, Estes and Kathy Lawton, raised their family of 7 children in Fairfield. They spent many summers poolside as they cheered for their children who swam for FAST. The Lawton children were part of the formation of the Fairfield Area Swim Team, which included choosing the team name and colors. Mark, Daniel, Holly and Dianna have all returned to the Fairfield community to raise their families. Each one of the siblings now cheers on their children who swim on the team today. Estes and Kathy have eight grandchildren swimming as second generation swimmers for the Fairfield Area Swim Team.

Many current coaches started their swimming career on FAST. Assistant coach, Holli Fitzpatrick, swam on the team for ten years as a child and is now an adored coach. FAST enjoys a solid history that has allowed children through the decades to discover a love for swimming.

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Fairfield spectators and the phenomenal multi-generational team look forward to the future while never forgetting the past. 25 years and still kicking!

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Sports Section

Fairfield Athletic Club News



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If you just moved to the neighborhood be sure to come by the Fairfield Athletic Club anytime we are open to get your membership cards. Our hours are Mon -Thurs 5am-10pm, Fri 5am-8pm, Sat 7am-8pm and Sun 1pm-8pm. Bring proof of residency (HUD Statement from closing or your current driver's license with your Fairfield address). Membership cards are needed to get into the weight room, basketball gym, tennis courts, pools and splash pads.

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WED	PiYo	Kickboxing	
THURS	X-fit & Body Sculpt	PiYo	X-fit & Body Sculpt
FRI	PiYo	X-Fit & Body Sculpt	

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Fairfield Athletic Club

16055 Mason Road

May 1st - May 25th

Monday-Friday: *Closed*

Saturdays: *12pm-6pm*

Sundays: *1pm-6pm*

May 26th, 30th, and 31st: 12pm-9pm

May 27th and 29th: 12pm-6pm

May 28th: 1pm-6pm

Bradford Creek Pool

16011 Fairfield Green Circle

May 1st - May 25th

Monday-Friday: *Closed*

Saturdays: *12pm-6pm*

Sundays: *1pm-6pm*

May 26th, 30th, and 31st: 10am-8pm

May 27th and 29th: 12pm-6pm

May 28th: 1pm-6pm

Lakeside Trails Pool

16125 Country Fair Lane

May 1st - May 31st

Sunday-Wednesday

8am-8pm

Thursdays

Closed

Friday-Saturday

8am-8pm

Garden Grove Pool

15420 Vintage Falls

May 1st - May 31st

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Inwood Park Pool

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May 1st - May 25th

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Sundays: *1pm-6pm*

May 26th and 31st: *11am-8pm*

May 27th and 29th: *12pm-6pm*

May 28th: *1pm-6pm*

May 30th: *Closed*

Central Park Pool

15015 Health Green Circle

May 1st - May 25th

Monday-Friday: *Closed*

Saturdays: *12pm-6pm*

Sundays: *1pm-6pm*

May 13th and 20th: *3:30pm-6pm**

May 26th, 30th, and 31st: *11am-8pm*

May 27th and 29th: *12pm-6pm*

May 28th: *1pm-6pm*

**Swim Meet before 3:30pm*

June Pool Schedules

Fairfield Athletic Club

16055 Mason Road

June 1st - June 30th

Tuesday - Friday: *12pm-9pm*

Saturdays: *11am-8pm*

Sundays: *1pm-8pm*

Mondays: *Closed*

Bradford Creek Pool

16011 Fairfield Green Circle

June 1st - June 30th

Monday-Wednesday: *10am-8pm*

Thursdays: *Closed*

Fridays: *10am-8pm*

Saturdays: *10am-8pm*

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Sports Section

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Lakeside Trails Pool

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June 1st - June 20th

Monday-Wednesday

8am-8pm

Thursdays

Closed

Friday-Sunday

8am-8pm

Garden Grove Pool

15420 Vintage Falls

June 1st - June 30th

Monday-Wednesday: 8am-5pm*

Thursdays: 8am-6pm*

Fridays: Closed

Saturday Jun. 2nd and 16th: 8am-5pm*

Saturday Jun. 9th, 23rd, and 30th: 8am-8pm

Sunday Jun. 3rd and 17th: 8am-5pm*

Sunday Jun. 10th and 24th: 8am-8pm

*Garden Grove Pool closed 5-8pm for Swim Lessons

Inwood Park Pool

15430 Chestnut Falls

June 1st - June 30th

Mondays: 11am-8pm

Tuesdays: Closed

Wednesday-Friday: 11am-8pm

Saturdays: 11am-6pm

Sundays: 1pm-6pm

Central Park Pool

15015 Health Green Circle

June 1st - June 30th


Mondays: Closed

Tuesday-Friday: 11am-8pm

Saturdays: 11am-6pm

Sundays: 1pm-6pm

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When it needs more than a bandaid, Urgent Care vs. ER?

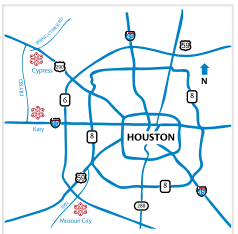
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Lakeside Trails Pool and Garden Grove Pool

April 15th through May 25th these pools are
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Fall Soccer Season **Registration is from May 7nd through June 3rd**

Fairfield Soccer is a recreational soccer league for the residents of Fairfield and surrounding communities. We are a volunteer organization supported by the Fairfield Soccer Committee and we offer soccer for boys and girls ages 4-12.

2016 Statistics; 114 teams; 808 players participating & over 150 volunteer parents to help develop and foster a love for the game.

The fall season runs from August to November. The tentative dates for the 2017 season are:

- Player Assessments - Ages 7-12, June 17th and/or June 24th.
- Practices are starting July 31st (tentative).
- The season starts August 26th, and ends the weekend of November 11th.

Weather permitting all teams will play a minimum of 10 games. Ages 7-12 will play 8 league games followed by a tournament. All coaches must complete a background check.

For more info and registration visit our website: <http://www.fairfieldsports.net>

I hope to see you in the Summer & Fall!

Rene Salas

FSA Soccer Commissioner

soccer@fairfieldsports.net (new email)



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Dear Homeowner,

The Annual Meeting of Members will be held on May 25, 2017 at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church gymnasium, located at 20155 Cypresswood Dr., Cypress, TX 77433 @ 7:00pm. The following neighborhoods will have positions available on the Board:

- * Fairfield Central, NA - One Position Open
- * Fairfield Village South, NA - Three Positions Open
- * Fairfield Inwood Park, NA - Two Positions Open
- * Lakes of Fairfield, NA - One Position Open
- * Trails of Fairfield - Two Positions Open

The Boards are requesting owners that wish to run for the Board of Directors for their neighborhood, to submit a brief resume as to how you would best serve your Neighborhood Association. The resume needs to be received no later than April 14, 2017. Please send the resume to Jennifer Sailer at Jennifer.sailer@fsresidential.com or can be dropped off at the on-site office or the Fairfield Athletic Center. The Annual Meeting notice, resumes of candidates, and a directed proxy will be mailed out to each owner prior to the meeting. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Sincerely,

Fairfield Village Community Association

CONSTABLE'S REPORT

Harris County Precinct 4
Fairfield Village Community Association

Burglary Habitation: 0

Burglary Vehicle: 14

Theft Habitation: 0

Theft Vehicle: 2

Theft Other: 21

Robbery: 0

Assault: 0

Sexual Assault: 1

Criminal Mischief: 9

Disturbance Family: 6

Disturbance Juvenile: 1

Disturbance Other: 10

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Suspicious Vehicles: 49

Suspicious Persons: 71

Runaways: 0

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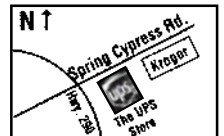
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How Key Club Benefits our Society

In your opinion, which is more important, doing things for the good of the individual or the good of the society?



One of Key Club's sole principles is to help out the community in any way, shape, or form through volunteering. Doing things for the good of the community is a default when it comes to volunteering. Whether it's helping kids with math tutoring at nearby schools or aiding the less fortunate through food drives, Key Club will always strive to help out the community, to better strengthen our society.

While doing things for the good of the individual may seem the right choice, it is evident that everyone isn't as well off as others, and we need to be the first responders in times when they are in need of

help, big or small. Volunteering brings individuals together, forming a stronger community and society.

For example, if there is no one to help out with a certain volunteering event, then there is more work that needs to be done within the individuals organizing the event, that could be easily done amongst volunteers. Helping out with what needs to be done at events allows for a more smooth ride, which benefits all that are both volunteering and participating in the event. Volunteers help out during events to make things easier. Any form of service is considered beneficial to the community, even if those are being impacted indirectly.

Individuals make up our society, and without those who seek doing things for the good of the people, we would be nowhere today. Concerning Key Club, those individuals are our volunteers who strive during each event to do all they can to make a difference when they serve our community. Without them, Key Club wouldn't be what it is, and there would certainly be a void to fill within the world of service.

It is easy to think that you should just worry about yourself and not be entitled to help out others. When you sign up to be a Key Club volunteer, you understand and realize just what it means to put others' needs before yourself. Whether you're assigned to just move and set up equipment or assist the elderly, all events matter and are centered around putting the good of society before yourself as an individual.

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SALYARDS ART ROCKS!!!!

by Elizabeth Wood



Salyards Art Students and their amazing artwork earned numerous medals at this year's Jr. Visual Arts Scholastic Event.

The Fairfield community is so very proud of them!! All the long hours spent

creating and making the artwork ready, as well as preparing for the interview with the judges, made this the best showing of artwork we've ever had!!

A huge thank you goes out to the many students who volunteered to work at the competition. Many compliments were given by parents, students, and the judges about how hardworking and gracious our Salyards Art Students were.

Thank you also to Julie Peterson and Shauna Martin for all you do for the art program!!



Salyards Middle School is the first middle school in the district to have an electronic marquee. They are so excited to be able to highlight upcoming events as well as celebrations in a timely manner. Thank you to all community members who help support our wonderful school!

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Running for Hearts 5K Family Fun Run and Walk benefits Victims of Crime, Abuse, and Human Trafficking in Northwest Houston

Hundreds of runners and walkers participated in the 2nd Annual Running for Hearts 5K Family Fun Run and Walk benefiting Shield Bearer at Northside Christian Church on March 25, 2017. This event, co-chaired by Precinct 4 Harris County Commissioner R. Jack Cagle and Shield Bearer Founder Matthew White, shed light on the growing need for counseling services and prevention programs for victims of crime, abuse, and human trafficking in the community.

“Shield Bearer provides a safe and hopeful place for children and adults to rebuild after tragedy and trauma. We do this with an army of community supporters, volunteers, and professional counselors. We are so thankful for everyone who came out to make a difference for people who have gone through traumatic events right here in Northwest Houston,” states Shield Bearer Executive Director Roy Wooten.

Local businesses, schools, and organizations rallied to support this cause including Platinum Sponsor Avanti Senior Living. “Avanti Senior Living is dedicated to enriching the lives of their residents and the community around them. Their partnership was instrumental

in the success of this event and it will have a lasting impact on the community. The volunteer support from local schools was incredible and organizations like the American Business Women’s Association generated thousands of dollars for the cause. It truly was a community effort,” states Shield Bearer Associate Director Melissa Rotholz.

Additional sponsors included FINS ‘The Art of Swim’, Toney Construction Services, Lindsay’s Light, Brookside Funeral Home-Champions, Tomball Ford and Dodge, Freedom Publishing Unlimited, Health South, Spring Medical Associates, Dayna Wilson State Farm, Biggby Coffee, Houston Methodist Hospital, Nestle Pure Life, ReWarding Images, Misfit Design Group, P31 Fitness, Chick-fil-A, Giannina’s Pizza and Catering, Tacos Ole, HEB Spring Market, and Tikiz Shaved Ice and Ice Cream.

For more information about volunteering and partnering with Shield Bearer, visit shieldbearer.org, call (281) 894-7222, or attend a free Community Breakfast on the first Tuesday of the month at 9AM at 12340 Jones Rd, Ste 290 in Houston.





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The Houston Choral Society Presents

Music Fit for a King

May 6, 2017

The Houston Choral Society (HCS) culminates its 30th season with magnificent and regal works in its Music Fit for a King concert on Saturday, May 6 at 7:30 PM at The Foundry United Methodist Church.

This inspiring concert, directed by HCS Artistic Director Dr. Kevin M. Klotz, features Handel's "Coronation Anthem Zadok the Priest," Mozart's "Coronation Mass," and John Rutter's "This is the Day" that was composed for the wedding of HRH Prince William and Miss Catherine Middleton.

Handel composed his four coronation anthems between September and October 1727, producing some of the most spine-tingling choral music of the Baroque period. Zadok the Priest is by far the most popular of the four. Composed for the coronation of King George II of England in 1727, this anthem has been performed at every coronation since then. Its adrenaline rush of an introduction, with its teasing promise of release only to start again, is only a warm-up for what is to come. As the regal strings build, it's still a surprise when the trumpets and choir burst onto the scene with their triumphant outpouring of joy, gradually climaxing in a full seven-part choir singing 'God save the King!'

Mozart's triumphal Mass in C Major, K. 317, is one of his most popular and enduring works. It is known as the Coronation Mass, a nickname it acquired following a performance conducted by Antonio Salieri in 1791 in Prague at the coronation of Leopold II as King of Bohemia. This festive setting of the mass combines soloists, chorus, and orchestra in a brilliant and virtuosic style. In addition, Mozart uses the same thematic ideas from the first movement in the final movement, bringing a sense unity to this magnificent and rousing composition!

In addition, the 75-member chorus will be singing two numbers specifically composed for the coronations of British Royalty - C. Hubert H. Parry's "I was Glad When They Said Unto Me" composed for the coronation of King Edward VII in 1902 and Ralph Vaughn Williams' "O Taste and See" that was composed for the coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in 1953.

"On this concert, we are featuring works that were performed at royal celebrations," said Dr. Klotz. "Come and experience the dramatic and rousing quality of these compositions as the Houston Choral Society presents some of the most magnificent and regal music ever written!"

Guest soloists for this concert are soprano Cynthia Clayton, mezzo-soprano Sonja Bruzauskas, tenor Nicholas Szoeki, and bass Leon Turner.

Ticket prices are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors/students/veterans,

and \$10 for children ages 5 and younger. Group rates are available. Tickets are available online at www.houstonchoral.org. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. The Foundry United Methodist Church is one of the premiere choral venues in Houston with extraordinary acoustics. It is located in northwest Houston at 8350 Jones Road, Houston, TX 77065 with easy access from Highway 290.



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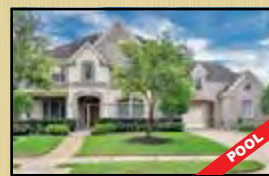
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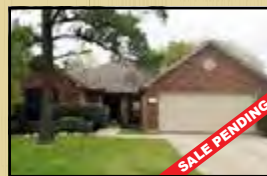
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Dawn Fore's Fairfield Market Report

Neighborhood	4 th Quarter Results		
	Sold	\$ per SqFt	DOM
Autumn Park	1	\$93.82	47
Baker's Ridge	7	\$96.44	50
Bluebonnet Glen	—	—	—
Blue Meadow	1	\$98.87	18
Chappell Ridge	2	\$90.40	125
Cottage Glen	2	\$101.09	21
Estates	4	\$101.43	58
Garden Grove	2	\$87.36	38
Glen	—	—	—
Inwood Glen	2	\$96.55	32
Inwood Park	10	\$90.93	30
Lake Crest (Patio Homes)	2	\$110.33	7
Lakes/Lake Point	6	\$95.32	77
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	4	\$96.31	81
Meadows/Park/Retreat	4	\$90.91	35
Oaks/Trails	4	\$101.41	15
Pines	1	\$91.06	210
Silver Crest	1	\$118.21	135
Summer Crossing/Ridge	11	\$96.90	44
Summer Gate	1	\$110.16	3
Travis Point	3	\$104.94	63
Tuscan/Villa Sul Lago	1	\$114.83	5

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