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INTRODUCING:



GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

We are all very fortunate to call Cypress Mill home. But, Cypress Mill is more than just a place to live; it is a vibrant community brimming with family-friendly neighborhoods, chock-full of fascinating, talented people. Our variety is what makes us so both unique and extraordinary. However, sometimes, we get so busy, we lose sight of how interesting and diverse we've become.

We believe that getting to know the people who live nearby will help

us create a sense of belonging and shared identity. We have created a column entitled, "Get to Know Your Neighbors" which we hope will strengthen connections, build trust in our wider community, and contribute to a happier neighborhood for everyone.

If you know of a person or a family that you believe is making Cypress Mill a better place to live, please let us know. We would like to introduce them to your neighbors.

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Cy-Fair Republican Women June Meeting

Tuesday, June 13th will be CFRW General Meeting from 10:30 AM - Noon.

Meeting is \$3 -- Meeting w/Lunch at Noon is \$23.

Hearthstone Country Club, 7615 Ameswood, Houston, TX 77095

All are welcome! Come and enjoy like-minded fellowship and relevant speakers.

RSVP to www.cfrw.net by June 6th. We look forward to seeing you there!

Scholarship is available for a female college student. Go to www.cfrw.net for criteria and application. Deadline is June 15th.

SAVE the DATE—November 3rd for High Heels & High Tea at Sterling CC. Watch this space or website for further details.



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Finding Yourself

Wife. Daughter. Sister. Teacher. Friend. These are some of the roles I play in life. They have become what define me. I have discovered the closer I adhere to each role, I lose a bit more of my identity; the "je ne sais quoi" that makes me unique. The mundane sameness of each day has trapped me into playing the roles I wear and forgetting who I really am. Most days I find myself on autopilot just trying to make it to the end of the day.

All too often, the roles we claim begin to take ownership of who we are as a person and we lose our sense of unique individuality. Don't you remember that feeling of knowing exactly who you were? I remember feeling strong, confident and comfortable in my skin. Now I just feel tired most of the time.

It's time for a change. It's time to take a step back to gain some clarity and fresh perspective. I need to know who I am now and what I want for my life. I don't know what that may be, but I am pretty excited to find out. I hope you will join me on this journey. It might be a little scary, but **Finding Yourself** might just be the best thing you ever do.

If you find these things to be true in your own life, and would like to make a change, please visit our website at www.fivehorses.com to learn more about our new women's retreat, Finding Yourself, coming this June

FREE COMMUNITY BREAKFASTS AT SHIELD BEARER THIS SUMMER

Shield Bearer, a local non-profit organization that brings hope and healing to survivors of trauma, including abused children, women rescued from human trafficking, veterans and their families, and survivors of domestic abuse, invites you to breakfast this summer! Tour their central location, hear how they reach over 15,000 struggling hearts each year, and find ways to get involved in the fight for these hearts. Volunteers are needed for the prayer team, ambassadors team, event team, administrative team, and so much more. Bring the family (high school age and up) and find out how serving together can impact the community for generations. For more information, visit shieldbearer.org or call (281) 894-7222.

Shield Bearer Free Community Breakfast Dates June 6, July 11, or August 1 9AM-10AM 12340 Jones Rd Ste 290 Houston, TX 77070 RSVP at events@shieldbearer.org



Girl from Sweden Needs Host Family

Hi neighbors! As many of you know, I am a Local Coordinator for STS Foundation, a non-profit exchange student placement organization. I believe the exchange of cultures among high school students is so important. I am looking for host families for the 2017-18 school year.

Meet Emilie from Sweden....

I'm a kind and happy person who always tries to see things from the positive side. I'm a helpful person with a good ability to work with others. My friends has described me as a social person and I have to agree with them. I really like to talk and meeting new persons. In general, I've always been very motivated and responsible over my school work. When getting an assignment I always want to perform as good as I can. I love to challenge myself and to try new things, that way I always develop as a person. This is one of my many reasons going on an exchange year. To do something totally out of my comfort zone and to try new things is something I'm so excited for.

My hobbies include hanging out with friends and family, listening to

music, dancing, working out, watch series, reading and baking. I love hanging out with my family and friends and do that every opportunity that I get. I start and end everyday by listening to music. Music is something that helps me to express how I'm feeling, while at the same time gives me energy. I also have a big interest for dance, especially tap dance which is the only thing that I dance right now. I love to move and jump around even though I may not be the best dancer in the world. I also read on a daily basis. My favorite kinds of books are teen fiction and fantasy novels. I also watch a lot of series- all different kinds of them. It's something that I love to do and makes me feel relaxed. As said, I also love to bake. When I was younger a used to bake every day after school but now I only bake to special events, like family gatherings.

Emilie and others like her are looking for a host family for the year. If you are interested in hosting her or any other student, please give me a call at 832.455.7881 or email me at vicki.stsfoundation@gmail.com. I can answer any questions you might have. Remember on year of hosting leaves a lifetime of memories!





Registration Now Open!

July 17-21 St. Aidan's Episcopal Church 13131 Fry Rd. Cypress, TX

Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church VBS registration is NOW OPEN! Come join us for an In and Out, Over, Under Adventure July 17-21! This year's theme is Maker Fun Factory. Our VBS is completely Gluten, and nut free. The cost is \$30.00. Registration ends July 2. If you have any questions, please contact Taylor at taylor@aidanschurch.org. Saint Aidan's Episcopal is located at 13131 Fry Road, just south of Hwy 290.

Register at our website: http://aidanschurch.org

CYPRESS MILL Cypress Area Food Pantry

Do you know of someone who has trouble putting food on the table? Maybe their employment was suddenly terminated; maybe it's a choice between medications or food; for whatever reason a family can find themselves in a situation where they need a little help.

Fountain of Life Church of God on Mueschke Road runs a food pantry on Mondays from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm and the only requirement is that the client should live in zip code 77433 and west of Skinner 77429. For more information, contact 281-373-9337. Food donations

and volunteers are also greatly appreciated.

Computerized job search and resume preparation and printing are also available.





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HOUSE FLIES



M o v i n g into summer, we should prepare for the inevitable.... house flies. While many see house flies as a nuisance, they are capable of spreading diseases such as

dysentery or food poisoning. Due to the locations house flies frequent- garbage, manure, and carrion- they can pick up bacteria and other disease organisms which can transfer to other areas where they may land such as dishes, food, or countertops. House flies regurgitate onto food to liquefy it before eating and they can further contaminate items by defecating upon surfaces.

The common house fly has two wings and is dull gray with black

stripes on the thorax (the section where the wings are attached). Adult flies can only eat liquid foods and have sponging mouthparts specialized to help them feed.

Eggs are usually laid on decaying matter such as animal fecal material, grass clippings, or garbage. Around 100-150 eggs are laid by the female. Depending upon temperature (warmer temperatures speed things up); eggs may hatch within 8 hours to 2 days.

Maggots, the immature stage of a fly, are small, white, carrotshaped, and legless. There are 3 larval molts then mature larvae seek



a dry location for pupation. Pupae are reddish brown and somewhat oval in shape.

During the summer, house flies may live up to 2.5 weeks while during cooler times of the year they may live up to 3 months.

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The key to fly management is sanitation, or cleaning. Eliminate breeding sites by picking up animal waste one to two times per week; empty garbage cans regularly; clean garbage cans at least once a month with soapy water. Keep garbage cans located away from doors that lead into the home and make sure they have tight fitting lids.

Other items that can help reduce fly problems include keeping window screens in good repair; making sure doors and windows have a tight seal and weather stripping is in good condition; and using fly swatters or sticky fly paper to get rid of adult flies.

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, June 17, 2017 NOON - 2:00 PM** - Gary Elkins, Texas State Representative, District 135 - Massey Campos, www.TheSelfEvidentTruth.com

The Cypress Texas Tea Party meets every three weeks on Saturday Noon until 2:00 PM at: *Spring Creek BBQ* 25831 Northwest Freeway Cypress, Texas 77429 Map: http://goo.gl/maps/OoNjY

A schedule of our meetings and confirmed speakers can be found at our website, www.cypresstexasteaparty.org



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7 Found a Baby Squirrel, Now What?

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center

If you find a baby squirrel, check for the following:

- Is it bleeding, have an open wound, or a broken bone?
- Is it covered in fly eggs [they look like grains of rice]?
- Is it cold, wet, or crying?

If the answer is YES to any of the above, the squirrel is likely injured. Bring it to us as soon as possible.

If NO, the next step is to determine its approximate age to see if you need to intervene.

Does the squirrel have a fluffed-out tail [like a bottle brush]? Is the body longer than 6" [not including the tail]?

If the answer is YES to these questions, this is likely a juvenile squirrel. You do not need to intervene. Even at the young age of 10 to 12 weeks, the squirrel is already independent and on its own.

If NO, this is an infant squirrel. You will need to help reunite the baby with its mother.

Baby squirrels at this age must be kept warm. Heat a towel in the microwave or place uncooked rice or bird seed in a sock and warm in the microwave for 20-30 seconds. Wrap the sock in a soft towel and place it with the baby in an open container like a small box or plastic container.

Place the box IN A SAFE PLACE OFF THE GROUND near where you found the baby or under the tree with the nest if you know which tree it is. You can also attach the container directly to the tree but MAKE SURE IT IS SECURE.

Keep children, dogs, and cats out of the area.

Observe the baby squirrel for the next six to eight hours of daylight. Reheat the towel or rice/birdseed bag every two hours. Has the mother returned to retrieve her baby?

If YES ... congratulations!

If NO, bring the box with the baby inside.

Continue to keep it warm until you can bring it to us. REMEMBER: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO FEED THE

SQUIRREL OR GIVE IT WATER!

TWRC Wildlife Center is your resource for wildlife-related questions. They also serve as an emergency wildlife care facility should you find animals in need of help. If you have any questions, please call 713-468-TWRC. You can also find useful information at www.twrcwildlifecenter.org.



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Chili Con Queso

Ingredients

2 lbs. Velveeta cheese, cubed 1 - 13 oz. can evaporated milk 1/4 lb. margarine 2 onions, chopped fine 2 or 3 garlic buds, minced 12 or 14 whole green chilies, seeded & mashed 1 large jar pimentos, chopped 1 large can taco sauce

Directions

Melt cheese in double boiler with milk. Saute onions, garlic in margarine until soft but not brown. Add green chilies, pimentos and taco sauce. Cook about 10 minutes covered. Add cheese mixture. Blend well.

but do not boil.

Serve hot or cold.

It keeps well in a glass jar in refrigerator. Reheat in double boiler or microwave. Can be used as a dip, or a sauce on broccoli, cauliflower, or green beans; or a spread for toast or stuffing for celery.



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> E-mail your pictures to cypressmill@peelinc.com by the 8th of the month.



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\$176,000\$200,999	2	2	3	2	0	2	1	1	1	1	
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\$101,000\$120,999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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