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Memorial Hermann Cypress Hospital is excited to announce the birth of the hospital's 500th baby! Theodore Dennis McConkie was born at 12:50 pm on Thursday, November 9th. He was 7 lbs 2 oz, and 20 inches long.



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Thursday, December 21, 2017
 Networking 11a.m.; Luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m.
 Sterling Country Club
 16500 Houston National Blvd.
 Houston, TX 77095
 Costs \$25 with advanced reservations; \$30 at the door

At the December 21 Cy-Fair Express Network Luncheon, members and guests will enjoy cheery festivities during the annual Holiday Luncheon and Gift Exchange Event. As always, guests are welcome and encouraged to join in and network. Please join us and be a part of the fun.

About Cy-Fair Express Network (CYFEN)

Now over 60 members strong, Cy-Fair Express Network's

Holiday Luncheon and Gift Exchange Event

vision is to be a community and national leader for the support of professional women by providing a nurturing environment for business development, networking, education and mentoring. Our members have opportunities to pursue excellence and achieve both local and national recognition. CYFEN is part of the national organization of American Business Women's Association (ABWA), for more information go to www.CYFEN.org.

About American Business Women's Association (ABWA)

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TAPPS One Act Play Results



On November 6 and 7, high school drama students (cast and crew) traveled to Kerrville for the TAPPS Division III State One-Act Play contest held at the beautiful Callioux Theater. The state-level competition was extremely stiff, but the RCS team performed a stunning and flawless performance of "Sister, Sister". As a team, RCS placed fifth in the state. Additionally, the following students received individual all-state awards:

Paige Powers: All Star Cast

Allison Strange: All Star Cast Honorable Mention

We give all glory to God and were humbled and blessed to be able to represent Him and RCS for the fifth year in a row at the State Contest. It was an amazing time of teamwork, bonding, and unity and we are truly blessed.

Drama Director Teri Clark says: "This is always such an amazing experience for these kids. We have some fun and very meaningful

group times and devotionals, as well as team building, and play rehearsals. Even the load-in and tech rehearsal ran like a well-oiled machine. It has been so gratifying to see all of my students grow, learn and hone their skills and talents. Some of them I have worked with for four years; others were on cast or crew for the first time. They are all excellent young men and women both on and off the stage. They are avid learners, good listeners, supportive of each other, and respectful of authority. Each individual student is a true blessing to me, and represented the school and our Lord with talent and integrity.

We have learned so much as a cast and crew working on this play. We have looked at issues surrounding children and adults with intellectual disabilities, and their families. We see the compassion, frustrations, hardships, compromise, fun times, and self-doubt. But most of all, we see that love and grace can draw the family together.

The team will be performing "Sister, Sister" at RCS on Monday, November 13 at 6:30 PM on the Building H Stage. The entire RCS family is invited to attend this free performance. We look forward to performing this play for you and welcome you to come hear our story. We will also be honoring our seniors at that time. We hope to see you there!

Go Eagles!

Teri Clark & Shannon Strange

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FINDING HOPE

Sometimes I just feel broken. Broken as in not whole, shattered & not even sure how to begin putting the pieces back together. Are all of the pieces even still there?

I'm not going to lie. Living and dealing with emotional trauma is no cup of tea. You feel lost, beaten, broken, and very much alone. You frequently feel things will never get better. After all, how can they ever be as good as they were (or, at least, as good as you thought they were) when you're this broken shell of a person. Then, you watch and see the rest of the world passing, and think, "Why even try? It's hopeless."

With the passing of spring, I've been thinking about the significance of this particular season at this junction of my life. Spring is the season of rebirth and renewal; the time of fresh starts. So, as I sit & watch the renewal of everything around me, I wonder... What about me? Can I be renewed? Is there enough left of this broken person to put back together, fill the holes, and turn out a new person fresh and whole?

I've found that spending time with friends, both the human and equine variety, is a great healer. They have become my glue that pulls the shattered pieces back together. While spending quiet moments relaxing with my horse I hear God more clearly, telling me that I have purpose in this life. What came before was meant to happen, if

only to prepare me for what is to come and to help me become the person He means me to be. Learning God's plans for me not only helps reassemble the scattered pieces, but leads me to discover new pieces, more vibrant than the old ever were. Suddenly, I find myself renewed and, just like that, there it is--- Hope Resurrected

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The Christmas Cook



Betty Crocker Date-Filled Cookies

This recipe is from Betty Crocker's Picture Cook Book, Second Edition, 1956. My mom used Ethel's Sugar Cookie Recipe as the basic cookie.

MIX THOROUGHLY:

3/4 cup soft shortening (part butter)

1 cup sugar

2 eggs

1/2 tsp. flavoring (vanilla or lemon or a combination of the two)

Sift together and stir in:

2-1/2 cups sifted Gold Medal Flour

1 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. salt

Chill dough. Roll very thin (1/16"). Cut 3" rounds or squares. Place on lightly greased baking sheet. Place a rounded teaspoon full of cooled filling on each. Fold over like a turnover, pressing the edges together with floured fork tines.

Temperature: 400 degrees F

Time: Bake 6 to 10 minutes

Amount: About 4 doz. 3" cookies

DATE, FIG, RAISIN, OR PRUNE FILLING

Cook together slowly, stirring constantly until thickened...

2 cups dates, figs, or raisins, finely cut up, or 2 cups mashed cooked prunes (2-2/3 cups uncooked)

3/4 cup sugar

3/4 cup water

Add, if desired...1/2 cup chopped nuts

Cool.

Filling is sufficient for about 5 dozen cookies.



SAVE THE DATE!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VEGAS NIGHT

JANUARY 27, 2018

The Knights of Columbus Council #8096 will be holding their 32nd annual Vegas Night on Saturday, January 27, 2018! Great fun, food and prizes have been the hallmark of this event for several years.

Where – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Community Life Center

6646 Addicks-Satsuma Rd.

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When – January 27, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Mark your calendars now and more detailed information will be coming soon!

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