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Fair Ladies of Christ the Redeemer

Fair Ladies of Christ the Redeemer, or FLOC, is a faith and fellowship group for the women who live in Fairfield and Lakes of Fairhaven that attend Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church.

We generally meet once a month, usually at a member's home, or a local restaurant, and occasionally at Christ the Redeemer. Our meetings consist of food and drinks, prayer and fellowship! We occasionally have a speaker on topics that pertain to our faith, have fun craft nights, attend Christ the Redeemer events, try out new restaurants, and we also "give back" to the community and the church with some sort of charity or donation activity several times a year.

Our main goals are:

- To bring the CtR women of these two neighborhoods together to make social connections with each other,
- To support one another,
- To surround ourselves with women who share a common faith, and
- To bring those that are hesitant to attend CtR each weekend for Mass (due to the large size of the parish) back to Mass because there will be a friendly face in the crowd.

For more information, please contact Amy Wilkes at apw1974@juno.com, or search for our group on Facebook - Fair Ladies of Christ the Redeemer (FLOC) - and request to join our closed group.

We look forward to meeting you at our next event!



Early Registration Open for Spring-Klein Athletics Youth Track & Field

Registration is now open for the spring and summer youth outdoor track and field seasons! Spring-Klein Athletics Foundation, Inc (SKAF) offers two competitive options for the outdoor season—Full Outdoor Track & Field and Summer Track & Field.

The full Outdoor Track and Field Season is for boys and girls in K – 6th grade as well as Home School Athletes who desire to compete in track and field. It provides a solid base for beginners and is designed to provide basic training in track and field and quality instruction in running mechanics.

The summer Outdoor Track season is ideal for middle and high school athletes who desire to continue their track & field season after school track is over and younger athletes looking to cross-train or stay active and engaged in positive activities during the summer.

Teams are coached by volunteer coaches. For full details and registration information, please visit us online www.SpringKleinAthletics.org. If you have questions email at teamska@skathletics.com or call (832) 415-0568.

About the Spring-Klein Athletics Track & Field

Spring-Klein Athletics Track & Field is a non-profit organization managed by the Spring-Klein Athletics Foundation, Inc and is sanctioned by the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (T.A.A.F.) and Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) youth track programs for boys and girls from ages 6 to 18 years old. Our track team is focused on quality and precision instruction in a fun learning environment, while providing a platform for kids to reach their dreams. Questions? Contact the Spring-Klein Athletics Track & Field at (832) 415-0568 or email: teamska@skathletics.com on the web at <http://www.springkleinathletics.org>.

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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. Houston, TX 77084

When – January 27, 2018 at 6:30 pm

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

*For interest in table sponsorships or donating prizes contact
 Tom DeScioli at 918-633-3806; email tdescioli@aol.com*



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THE NORTHWEST FLYERS YOUTH TRACK CLUB

The Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club will celebrate its 35th Anniversary Season by hosting its annual free Registration/Orientation breakfast on Saturday, February 3rd, 2018, for all boys and girls who are interested in joining for the 2018 track season. The breakfast starts promptly at 8:30 AM at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center Forum located at 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX, 77379.

The event is an opportunity for youth athletes to register for the 2018 spring/summer track season, and to meet the Northwest Flyers coaches, staff, and other new and returning athletes. The event will be highlighted by a special presentation from a member of the USA Track & Field Olympic organization (USATF). All athletes and parents who wish to join the Northwest Flyers must attend the orientation.

The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a youth (ages 6 -18) track club, affiliated with USA Track & Field (USATF), that provides a full program of sanctioned "track" events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and sanctioned "field" events such as long jump, triple jump, high

jump, pole vault, shot put, discus and javelin.

For additional information on the Northwest Flyers Track Club, please visit the team website at <http://www.northwestflyers.org>; contact Linette Roach at linette.roach@sbcglobal.net; or "Like" the club on Facebook.



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Grief and The Holiday Season

The holiday season is usually filled with festive family gatherings, but this can highlight the absence of those we've lost. There is no one right way to grieve during the holiday season. When facing the first holiday season without a loved one, Executive Director Roy Wooten of local nonprofit Shield Bearer, shares this advice:

1) Remember you are normal in what you are feeling. You are not alone. What you are feeling is felt by others with losses this year. You are not "bad" for feeling what you feel.

2) The fear of what the holiday will be like without your loved one can be much worse than the actual day. Don't stay away from the holidays because of what you fear.

3) This year might be different, but just because you change a tradition this year does not mean the holiday traditions cannot make a reappearance next year.

4) Take care of your physical needs: get rest, eat within a healthy range, and hydrate. Leave out alcohol and other drugs.

5) Share stories about your loved one. Talking about memories and reminiscing will be helpful to you and likely the others gathered for the festivities.

6) Consider doing something symbolic in memory of your loved one (perhaps a special ornament or a lit candle during the meal).

7) Give yourself grace. Understand that the unrealistic expectations of joy, intimacy, and peace are felt by everyone during the holidays.

8) Cry when you need to. Your tears will be welcomed by your loved ones. If you feel you need to excuse yourself, then have a good cry and return. Give yourself permission to also feel the joy that may follow.

9) Ask for what you want or need from others during the holidays. Do not try to knuckle your way through all by yourself.

10) Consider doing something for someone else. Focus on volunteering, sending a gift, or doing something for a neighbor, friend, loved one, or charity.

Wooten adds, "My hope is that anyone that has experienced the loss of a loved one this year will find the courage to move through this holiday season with self-acceptance and grace. It's okay to reach out for help, you are not alone."

For more information about grief counseling and other counseling services and programs at Shield Bearer, visit shieldbearer.org or call (281)894-7222.

Flood Damage Relief

Houston-based O'Connor is looking to help their neighbors with flood damage by implementing a Harvey Tax Reduction Program designed to help those home and business owners obtain property and federal tax reduction.

During this very busy time, most appraisal districts will not have the staffing to determine which houses and businesses have flooded. This means the responsibility to report damage will fall on the property owner. O'Connor is offering to coordinate the appraisal process, allowing property owners to upload documents and complete forms which the firm will forward to the appropriate appraisal district. Then, a member of the O'Connor team will follow up with the property owner shortly after Jan. 1 to discuss their status and whether additional communications with the appraisal districts are advisable.

The program will also offer owners of flooded property a free consultation regarding the casualty loss deduction they could claim. For those wondering to what extent property flooding affects their home's worth, the firm will have free copies of its study which examines the impact disclosure of house flooding has on market value.

A typical homeowner with a home worth \$200,000 to \$300,000 that flooded and did not have flood insurance is eligible for approximately \$30,000 to \$50,000 in federal income tax refunds, and they can get the money in less than a month. A homeowner living in a house worth \$200,000 to \$300,000 that flooded and did have insurance is likely eligible for a \$10,000 to \$20,000 federal income tax refund. It is the quickest way for affected property owners to get money to rebuild.

O'Connor is looking to raise awareness about this program with a series of public service announcements and would appreciate your assistance in sharing this important message with your audience.

Thanks in advance for your consideration. We know that your support will make it possible for O'Connor to reach a significant number of Texans who were affected by flooding.

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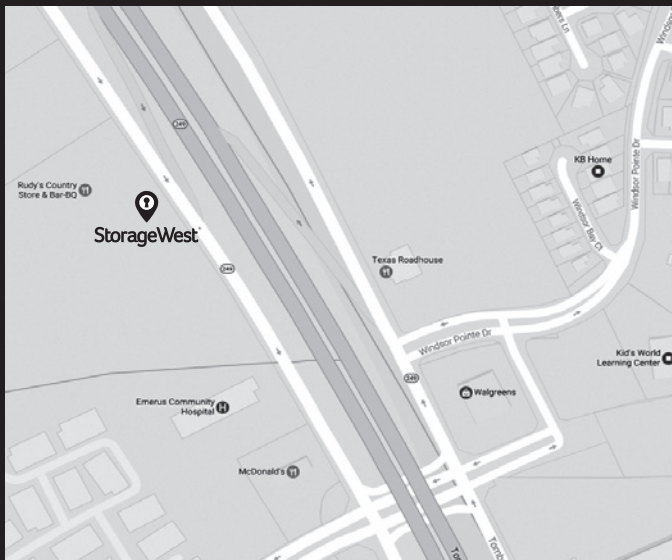
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by the IRS. In a world where dishonest nonprofits have made headlines, the Certified Transparent designation distinguishes a new breed of nonprofits committed to a higher standard of open and accountable relationships with donors.

Shield Bearer also received the 2017 Top-Rated Award from Great Nonprofits. This award is the one and only people's choice award where volunteers, donors, and people served by nonprofits are asked to share stories of inspiration and express their appreciation. Shield Bearer achieved Top-Rated status for their service to the community and volunteer involvement in the mission.

Shield Bearer has five counseling offices in Houston and serves individuals, couples, and families including those recovering from the trauma of human trafficking, abuse, crime, war, and natural disasters. Additional volunteers are needed to continue the mission of hope and healing in Houston. Find out more at a free community breakfast. Call (281) 894-7222 or visit shieldbearer.org for details.



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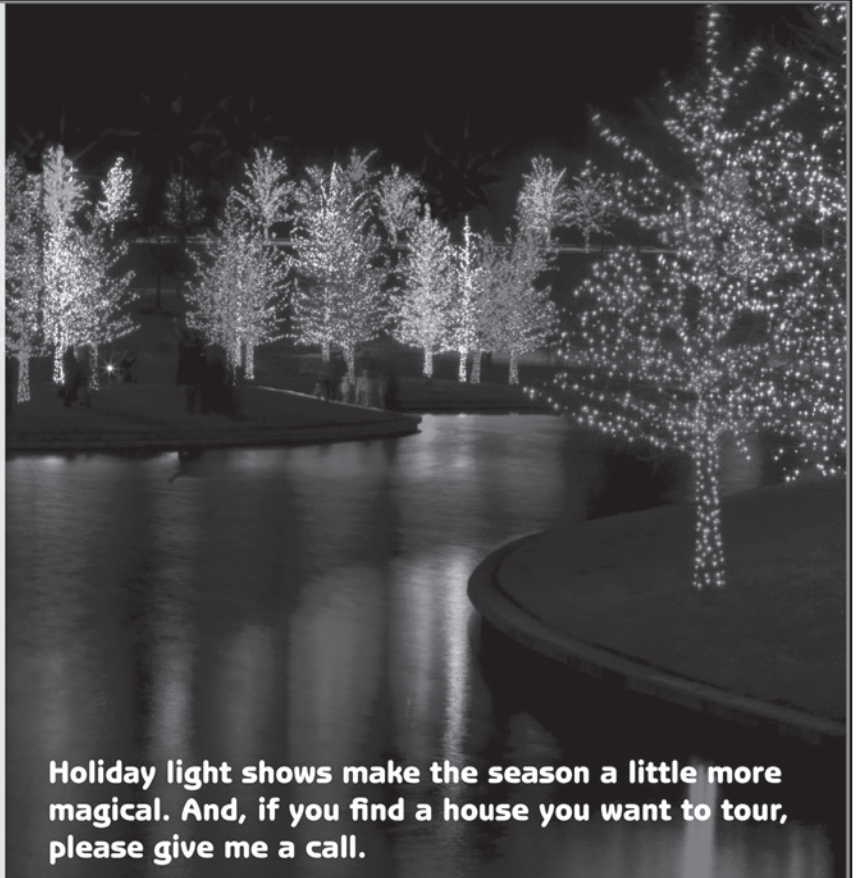
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