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WEST BEND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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May 2018

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Observed as:

- National Bike Month
- National Physical Fitness
- National Mental Health Awareness
- Lupus/Lyme Disease Awareness Month

Birthstone:

Emerald

Flower:

Lily of the Valley & Hawthorn

Astrological Signs:

Taurus (till 20th) & Gemini (21st ⇒)

1st.....	Lailatul Barat
1st.....	May Day
1st.....	World Lyme Day
3rd.....	Lag B'Omer
3rd.....	St James TL/St Philip
3rd.....	National Day of Prayer
3rd.....	World Press Freedom Day
5th.....	Cinco de Mayo
5th.....	Kentucky Derby
6th.....	MTV Movie Awards
8th.....	National Teacher Day
10th.....	Ascension
13th.....	Mother's Day
16th.....	WBCIA - Board Meeting
16th.....	Ramadan (Start)
19th.....	Armed Forces Day
20th.....	Pentecost
20th.....	Shavuot (Start)
22nd.....	International Day for Biological Diversity
24th.....	National Brother Day
27th.....	Trinity Sunday
28th.....	Memorial Day
28th.....	National Burger Day
31st.....	Corpus Christi
31st.....	World No Tobacco Day

Greater Mission Bend Area Council

6th Annual Plant Swap

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH

GEORGE BUSH PARK

**16756 Westheimer Parkway,
Houston, TX 77082**

- ⇒ No Money Changed Hands - Only Plants and Plant Related Items
- ⇒ First 50 Registered Traders will Received a Free Gift
- ⇒ Door Prizes are being Donated by Area Businesses

Join the GMBAC Plant Swap Face Book Group

www.GMBAC.com

REMINDERS...

- ✓ Yard of the Month is in Effect
- ✓ Remove Trashcans from public view on non-trash days.
- ✓ Homeowner Registration
www.crest-management.com
- ✓ Assessments are due every year on January 1st.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

MANAGEMENT COMPANY

CIA Services

3000 Wilcrest, Houston, TX
713 981-9000

EMERGENCY

Emergency Situation	911
Constable Precinct 5	281 463-6666
Sheriff Emergency & Non	713 221-6000
Harris County Sheriff (Store Front)	281 564-5990
Harris County Sheriff (sub-station)	281 463-2648
Poison Control	800 764-7661
Crime Stoppers	713 222-TIPS

UTILITIES

AT&T (Repairs)	800 246-8464
Center Point Energy (Electric)	713-207-2222
Center Point Energy (Gas)	713 659-2111
Mud #120 (Water)	713 405-1750
Street Light Repairs -need Pole#	713 207-2222
Trash (Texas Pride Disposal)	281 342-8178

PUBLIC SERVICES

Local U.S. Post Office	281 920-9337
<i>12655 Whittington Dr, Houston, TX 77077</i>	
Toll Road EZ Tag	281-875-EASY (3279)
Volunteer Fire Dept.	281 498-1310
Steve Radack (<i>County Commissioner</i>)	713 755-6306
Animal Control	281 999-3191
Dead Animal Pick-up (Precinct 5)	713 439-6000
Dead Bird Report	713 440-3036
Graffiti Clean-up	281 463-6300
Mosquito Control (Health Dept.)	713 440-4800
Mow the Bayou	713 684-4000

SCHOOLS

Alief Independent School Dist.	281 498-8110
Alief Transportation (to report Bus)	281 983-8400

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HONEY BEE SWARMS

Honey bees are beneficial by producing honey, wax and pollinating crops. With warmer temperatures, honey bees are becoming more active and may soon begin to swarm.

Honey bee swarms look like a large clump of bees clustered together. The swarm may stay in a location from a few hours to a week. Swarms are produced as a part of the colony's reproductive process. An established colony produces a new queen, causing the old queen and half the worker bees to leave the colony to search for a new nesting location. Swarming honey bees are usually gentle and unlikely to sting. They are not protecting their home, food or offspring. Scout bees are sent out from the swarm to search for a nesting site. Colonies produce comb and honey and are defensive. They are guarding their home, food and offspring.

Sometimes, honey bee colonies can be found in wall voids, chimneys, attics or sheds. If bees are in a wall void, DO NOT block their entrance; this makes them search for another way to exit and could lead bees into the structure. To keep bees from entering a home, seal any holes found in walls where pipes enter the home, cracks in window framing, knotholes, weep holes, or cracks between wood and brick junctures.

While many enjoy having honey bees around, some people are severely allergic to their venom. This, along with other situations, such as bees located near sensitive areas (such as playgrounds) may require removal or even extermination of the bees.

People should NOT try remove or exterminate bees on their own. Beekeepers and pest control companies have equipment to carry out these jobs in a safe manner. The city or county does not provide bee removal services.

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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CY-FAIR REPUBLICAN WOMEN MAY MEETING

CFRW will meet on Tuesday, May 8th at 10:30 AM.

Hearthstone Country Club,

7615 Ameswood, Houston, TX 77095

Meeting is \$3 – Meeting with Lunch at Noon is \$23.

The candidates that will be in the Republican primary runoff have been invited to speak at the May meeting, as well as another interesting speaker.

The primary runoff election date is May 22nd. Early voting starts May 14th. These are very important! Please vote and get out the vote!

We will also have a representative from Cy- Hope speaking about their programs and mission. Cy-Hope serves the Cy-Fair community as a catalyst to bring needs and solutions together and bringing hope to at-risk children so they will grow into educated and productive citizens.

See the website for details and RSVP to www.cfrw.net by May 1st. Several candidates attend our meetings regularly so come and get to know them.

We look forward to seeing you there.

QUARTERLY INSPECTION AREA OF FOCUS

West Bend Community Improvement Association

The following areas will receive a more comprehensive evaluation during the specified quarter. However, bi-weekly deed restriction inspections done by the auditor will continue to inspect the items below, in addition to all other areas throughout the year.

Homeowners are legally obligated to maintain their property in accordance with the West Bend Community Improvement Association governing documents.

March – May

- Gutter cleaning including house & street
- Removal of pine needles & leaves

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