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Editor's Comments



Just like Texas spring weather, The Fairfield Community Gazette boasts its own mix of absorbing and yet unpredictable articles this month. We are proud of the variety of submissions and the interest they will create among readers in the days, weeks, and months ahead.

Our spotlight story focuses on Tutto Bene's owner, Chef Tony, and the challenging journey

he made eventually brought him to our community. Along with his struggles and successes, he shares his passion for food and his genuine desire to become part of our Fairfield family. And, I'm ever so glad that he did.

Last evening, while enjoying an appetizer of calamari, a plate of Capellini Primavera and sipping my favorite, Pinot Grigio, I got a surprise. Compliments of the house, Tony sent over a glass of the most flavorful Limoncello I've ever encountered accompanied by a steaming dish of hot bread pudding chock full of juicy, succulent raisins, smothered with a most delicious special sauce dribbled with exotic chocolate. The next time you visit Tutto Bene's make sure

that you sample both.

Other stories of interest this month include Fairfield's fabulous Dog Park, information about bees submitted by our local beekeeper, and an introduction to Jo Ann Lambert, our Senior Spotlight star, who is causing quite a stir by shaking up the scene for our over 50 bunch.

As always, June kicks off summer Vacation Bible Schools and starts revving the crowd for our fourth of July festivities.

Plus, we have one last announcement. Peel, Inc is finalizing an enhanced social media option that is sure to appeal to both our Gazette readers and advertisers. Shortly, we will be demonstrating how the site can be used to provide timely up-to-the-minute news and expanded information on current articles.

In the meantime, please keep me in mind when you run across an interesting person or a good story. My greatest joy is interviewing people who love what they do or who are making a contribution that improves the lives of others. Please contact me at jackiedevine@peelinc.com with questions, concerns or news of any kind.

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A Little Slice of Italy by Jackie Devine



Seeing me walk through the door at Tutto Bene's last Friday evening, Suzanne Thompson, our Yard Of the Month columnist, motioned me over to her table asking, "Are you doing a story on Chef



Tony?" She and her husband, Donnie, were sitting at the bar enjoying appetizers and Happy Hour music.

Nodding, I started to speak, but she jumped right in, "I'm so glad. This place is Fairfield's hidden jewel. It's an outstanding Italian restaurant. Their lunches are not only wonderful; they are

very affordable. Our Fairfield Women's Club has even met here. Donnie and I love their happy hour of wine and Tapas. Also, the live music and singing are fabulous." After that great review, I wondered if there was any more to be said.

On my way back to the to the banquet room to examine Chef Tony's extensive wine collection, I stopped at the table of two formally dressed students and asked the occasion. Ryan, handsomely attired in a spiffy black tux said, "We are on our way to our prom, but first we

decided to come here for dinner." "Was it worth the trip," I asked. Giving me a big smile, Rachel, absolutely glowing in her beautiful red gown, beamed and said, "Yes, this is a very special place and the food is delicious."



Moving on, I pondered my love of anything Italian, especially their craftsmanship. Italians make fabulous cars, elegant clothing, quality shoes, fine wine and excellent pasta. In my opinion, if you've had the good fortune to visit Italy, you know there's nothing like the experience. Well, maybe that was the case in the past. But, lucky for us, we have Chef Tony and, Chef Tony has given us Tutto Bene—a little slice of Northern Italy right here in Fairfield.

If you are a connoisseur of Italian food, you already have several preconceived expectations: impeccable, friendly service; high-quality food obtained from the finest suppliers; and creative-yet-classic preparation. To top it off, you want your experience to leave you feeling happy knowing that you just ate a world-class meal. That is what you'll get at Tutto Bene's where Chef Tony says, "Everything is good!"

Chef Tony's passion for serving good food isn't all that sets him apart; it is the way he thinks about food that gives him the edge. As early as 16, he knew he wanted a career in the culinary arts. Fortunately, while living in Milan, he located a Tuscan family who recognized his talent and were also willing to invest time and effort to expand his culinary expertise, and teach him the preparation techniques of Northern Italian cuisine including the intricacies of fine



dining. Ultimately, they taught him how to cook everything from A to Z. Primo-the pasta dishes, to secondo-the chicken, beef, and fish dishes.

Armed with that knowledge and ready to tackle the world, he immigrated to New York in 1980 with several non-culinary

strikes against him. First, he didn't speak English; second, he didn't have a support group waiting in the wings to make his acclimatization to America easy.

However, he must have had that certain something, because he landed a job at Fiorella's, a New York institution, on 65th and 3rd Street. There, he was responsible for manning the kitchen, which was anchored in the middle of the restaurant, serving six dining areas and supporting 65 employees. By 1984 Special Food Market

Magazine hailed him the best Pasta Chef in New York.

From there Chef Tony moved on to Quartino's, located at 58th between 2nd and 3rd, an excellent dining restaurant that served quality food freshly prepared on premises. It was there that Chef Tony became even more in touch with the differences in Italian cuisine and the distinctions between the north and the south—each region carrying unique traditions in cooking. But, at heart, Chef Tony dreamed of opening his own



restaurant. His first venture was Dia Laganti and after that Via Torino in Queens.

In the early '90s, he relocated to Houston and opened Butchenella's in the Champions area that he operated for ten years. After his lease expired, he opened Via Torino, a piano bar and restaurant, close to Stubner and 1960, then Tonino's at Jones and Grant.

One day, a customer said, "You need to be running a restaurant in Fairfield." He answered, "Where is Fairfield?"

So his customer took him on a trip to acquaint him with the



Fairfield area. Chef Tony realized his customer was right. The people in Fairfield were probably very interested in quality and convenience. He knew that he could provide that. And the rest is history.

Today, whether you are seeking a place for a quiet business meeting, a casual and impromptu dinner, or a formal gathering; Chef Tony has you covered. He has set the standard for fine Italian dining in northwest

Houston. You can dine at an artistically lighted marble bar, an intimate table or reserve the banquet room for your next private

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event. And, you'll never run out of wine. In reserve, Chef Tony stores over 8,500 wines from 34 countries. For those who prefer liquor, he serves that as well.

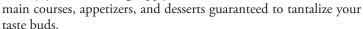
Chef Tony's menu includes scrumptious appetizers, homemade soups, fresh salads, simple handmade pasta (even glutton-free for those with sensitive diets), Tuscan bread and authentic sauces flavored with fresh herbs, garlic, and virgin olive oil. You'll find a tasty variety of salami, cheeses and select meats

including free-range chicken, milk-fed veal, and Angus beef. If you are a seafood lover, you'll be delighted by his grilled snapper, salmon, sea bass, halibut, tuna and lobster, all depending on season and availability.

If it is just pizza you're after, you'll love his hand thrown, wood-fired, brick oven baked, thin-crust margarita pizza, smothered in Mozzarella cheese and prepared with extra-virgin olive oil, fresh herbs, and spices. You can also add vegetables as well as meats and sausages.

Happy hour runs from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. On Friday and Saturday nights enjoy live music from 6:30 to 10:00. Tutto Bene's is the perfect place to catch a meal after church, for a post-theater dinner, or for a light bite and cocktails and dessert.

Just stepping in the door of Tutto Bene's transports you back to old Italy and envelops you in warm Italian hospitality where you will enjoy a never-ending supply of







If you are a senior (over fifty) and want to make friends, go places, and learn new things, the Fairfield 50 Plus Fun-Loving Group is just the organization that you want to explore.

Not only do they sponsor day trips within a 200-mile radius of Houston, they also enjoy going to live theater. They are even planning a reasonably priced, exciting week-long excursion to Branson, Missouri in October.

For more information about fun in Fairfield, contact Jo Ann Lambert by e-mail at Pstlgrl@gmail.com or by phone at 713.480.0747

Dog Parks Are For People Too by Jackie Devine

Have you ever visited Fairfield's, Dog Park? Better yet, did you even know we had one? An even better question might be, "What in the world is a dog park?"

For those who are wondering, a dog park is a place for your dog to exercise and play off-leash in a controlled environment under the supervision of its owners.

The remarkable thing about Fairfield's Dog Park is that it offers as many benefits to humans it does to our canine buddies. The parks allow the dogs to play and frolic



to their heart's content, and at the same time provide dog owners time to socialize with neighbors and enjoy some old-fashioned companionship. It is like the good old days before our lives moved into the high-tech, high-speed lane.

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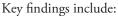
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There are about 12 families that meet regularly at the park. ...

Since some of you didn't even know Fairfield had a dog park, many others of you may not know that the number of off-leash dog parks has risen by 20% in the past five years and they are one of the fastest-grown segments of municipal parks.

In 2014 a study published by Leisure Sciences provided a new perspective on the perks and drawbacks of dog parks.



- At dog parks, pets serve as avatars, allowing owners to meet people and navigate space through their pets. The authors liken the environment to online gaming communities, whose members share a virtual space and participate in conversations and role-playing via their avatars.
- The demographics of park visitors do not seem to matter in forming relationships. Human interactions appear to be based on how each owner's dog behaves toward other dogs and people. Negative perceptions of a dog's breed or behavior often extend toward owners, limiting those owners' opportunities to build relationships with other dog-park visitors.
- Dog parks provide a place for owners to get information about local veterinarians, groomers and pet stores as well as referrals related to housing and employment. Some owners have shared resources such as offering to carpool or tutor a child.
- Some relationships extend outside the park. For example, regulars of one park created a Facebook page to communicate and share photos. Some regulars refer to the park as their "community."
- Dog owners sometimes are asked by the local government to serve on committees to help address issues such as park maintenance and pet overpopulation.



Comments of Fairfield residents include, 'I never knew my neighbors until I went to the dog park.' 'You meet all these delightful people, and the only thing that you have in common is that you have a dog and that you love dogs.' 'You wouldn't meet these people anywhere else.'

Fairfield's Dog Park is located at at the corner of E. Green Ripple Circle and Ochre Park Lane across from the lake.









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When all is said and done, our children will be our most significant contribution and the most profound legacy that we will ever leave the world. In the midst of our busy lives, there are times that we need to hand over some of their care and training to others. Fairfield has a variety of excellent options for parents of very young children. However, many of our programs have reached capacity.



So, in January of 2018, Community of Faith (COF), a church located on Becker Road, began offering a two-day a week Mother's Day Out (MDO) program on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:15 to 2:15. It started with 18 students that filled classes for 2, 3, 4, and 5 year-old children. The structure of the program provides enrichment classes such as Bible Story and Music and Movement Time, along with classrooms equipped with

learning centers designed to enhance learning across various subjects.

For those new to the concept of MDO, COF's goal is to focus on fostering a smooth transition from preschool to kindergarten by helping children bloom cognitively, socially, emotionally, and physically in their licensed early childhood faith-based learning center. They offer a play based curriculum where each child has the chance to enrich their learning experience independently, with their peers, and alongside their teacher, while having fun at the same time.

Kathy Grant, Director of Programming, says, "The children don't realize they are actually in school. Even better, they are excited and happy to come to school and eager to join in with their teachers and friends for a day of action-packed activity."

MDO has historically been considered a babysitting option for mothers needing to run errands and tend to things they can't do with their children in tow. COF's MDO has made it their mission to break this conception by running like a preschool. They are currently undergoing licensing to operate as a full-time preschool and expand their program to five days a week. The school calendar is closely aligned with Waller ISD and the curriculum standards are closely aligned with the state standards.



The enhanced five days a week program will offer enrichment classes in Spanish, Bible Stories, and Music and Movement. The students will have an option to enroll in an afternoon COTO Sports Program (for an additional fee)—which will focus on instilling values, abilities, and a love of sports and wellness. This option gives children the opportunity to learn the ins



and outs of particular sports while having fun in a familiar setting.

Enrollment for the fall is already underway! Classes will begin August 27th, and closely follow the Waller ISD calendar. Enrollment options include: two days a week, Tuesday/Thursday, three days a week, Monday/Wednesday/Friday, and five days a week, Monday through Friday. Classes will be 9:15 to 2:15, and the program will offer extended care before and after school, which is 8:15 to 9:15 and 2:15 to 4:15.

Brittany Estes, mother of an MDO student, tells us, "I moved to Cypress last year and was looking for an MDO program for my four-year-old. When I found an opening at a local school that was highly sought out in the community, I was super thrilled that we met the criteria. We had to have the right child at the right age, and the right gender.

"We went into that school excited, yet not having too many expectations, because we heard that this was the school to go to. My daughter didn't come home saying anything that she had learned. She wasn't excited to go and ready to leave early every Tuesday and Thursday. One of the things that discouraged me was that she wasn't writing her letters correctly, and after she got home, we would have to practice writing her letters. We decided this was not the MDO for her.

"Then we found out about the MDO at Community of Faith. In one week, she came home saying, 'Mom I learned this' as she opened a book and said, 'This is the spine, this is the cover.' She can sing songs

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about authors and illustrators and recite her letters. Every time we come into the building, she runs to find Ms. Kathy, her teacher. She loves being there and enjoys her teachers.

"I have confidence she is being loved and cared for, and her teachers are willing to work with her on her own level. The fact that she is learning so much is a huge win for me. If she were merely having fun and wanted to hang out with other children, I'd still consider that a success.

But she knows so much more than any of my other kids did at four, and I would never have thought to teach her half of this stuff. The difference in the two MDO experiences has been stark. And if you ask her where she would like to go, she'd say here every time.

"Unfortunately, she isn't excited about kindergarten because that means she's not coming back to COF."

Whether you need a few days a week to tend to household chores or are looking for full-time preschool for your 2-5 year-old, you have a new faith-based option aligned with district standards, that focuses on developing your child's mind, heart, and self, all while fostering an easy transition from preschool to kindergarten.





Around Fairfield

Fairfield Has Its Own Bee Keeper Submitted by Cody Albert

I had an interest in bees. So I started researching them online and found there was too much information for the average person to understand this complex insect. Five years ago, while at the rodeo with my family, I walked through the bee exhibit and asked some questions. It was there, I met members of Harris County Bee Keepers, a local bee club. I found out that there are about seven bee organizations in Harris County and surrounding areas.

I went to a meeting and met interesting people who wanted to share their knowledge. That is where I met my mentor, Ed Michalik, an 80-year-old beekeeper who has been beekeeping for more than 20 years.

I spoke with him several times weekly and the information he gave me was what helped me prosper as a beekeeper. More than that, he helped me through my failures, encouraging me repeatedly. As a result, I currently have 13 active hives and extract honey once a year, usually in July. On average it takes about 15 minutes a week per hive to work bees.

Unfortunately, the U.S. is facing a shortage of bees because of disease and pests. Last year beekeepers, on the average, lost more than 40% of their hives in one year. I have lost hives myself because of this very reason.

Bees are interesting. They are some of the hardest working creatures on the planet, and they have their own language called a waggle dance. They communicate the distance and direction of flowers with this dance. Bees are responsible for pollinating about one-sixth of the flowering plant species worldwide and approximately 400 different agricultural types of plants.

During the summer, the worker bees only live approximately 40 days because they work so hard and worker-bees are all female. The queen lives about two to five years, and her only job is to lay eggs. A healthy hive can have 30 to 60 thousand bees or more.

I like sharing my knowledge with children and enjoy giving them the awareness of the importance of bees to our eco-system. I have been able to give talks to organizations such as Boy Scouts, churches, and schools to teach them the fascinating facts about bees.

Bees are less likely to sting when they are collecting nectar or pollen. When you see them around your flowerbed you do not need to be alarmed. They are more likely to sting if you are agitating their hive because they are protecting it. I have touched some of my hives without my suit on and have not been stung.

There are many types of bees; but the ones that I am most familiar with are the European Honey Bees. They are more docile than the African Honey Bees we have seen in the news recently. There is no way of distinguishing the difference in their appearance by the naked eye, only by a microscope.

Although European Bees are more docile they can also be

temperamental; for instance on a cloudy day, high pitched noises like lawn mowers and weed eaters, and even smells can make them more aggressive. They are less aggressive on a sunny day because the worker bees are out foraging for pollen, nectar, and water. When I work my beehives, I use smoke to mask the pheromones and I wear a bee suit.

Reactions to bee stings vary from person to person. I had been stung seven times at one event and did not react other than itching and redness. If one of my children got stung, I would first remove the stinger, then clean the area. Then, I would give a pain reliever to help with itching and swelling; I prefer Benadryl. I would also watch my child for at least 30 minutes for signs of anaphylactic shock. Some symptoms are coughing, wheezing, tightness in chest, trouble breathing, and swelling of the tongue or throat. If I see any of these conditions, I would call my doctor or 911.

Beekeeping is a hobby I have thoroughly enjoyed while reaping the reward of honey and helping the environment. If you have questions or concerns about bees you can reach me at 281-803-9917, or contact www.harriscountybeekeepers.org.





Come on out and join the fun... by Jackie Devine



Have you ever wondered if there is more to retirement than your Social Security benefit and 401(k) plan? After working over 30 years as a postal employee, JoAnn Lambert assures you that, "There certainly is! And, I never looked back," she said, "after I handed in my keys and closed the chapter on

my 8-hour a day, 40 hours a week commitment to the work world."

"I jumped right into enjoying life and relishing my new-found freedom in Clear Lake after working all those years. But, my daughter and son-in-law, already living in Fairfield, had other plans. They convinced me I could find even more fun and contentment living here in this community. So, I sold my home, found a lovely bungalow in Inwood and moved here in 2016."

One of the first things she did to acclimate herself to Northwest Houston was to get to know her neighbors. Then she joined the Fairfield Fifty-Plus Fun-loving Group. Her connections continued to expand. But she didn't stop there.

To round out her interests and expand her friend network, she became a member of the Women's Club, Tri-Country Quilt Guild, Bay Area Quilt Guild, and continued her membership in Mainland Morning Quilt Guild. She also volunteers with the Dachshund Rescue of Houston and the 1894 Opera House in Galveston.

What is surprising is that she still finds time to work retail two days a week at the Memorial Herman Gift Shop.

In March, she stepped up the pace once more and began facilitating the day trips for the Fairfield Fifty Plus Group. Already to her credit, May 1st, Jo Ann rounded up 40 seniors to jump aboard the Yellowstone Paddle wheel boat for a 90-minute cruise on an 1800's style Paddleboat that traversed Brazoria's beautiful San Bernard River. On May 10th, she facilitated a barbecue potluck where she proudly

invited any and every senior living in Fairfield to join in the fun and even take a chance on the beautifully wrapped basket door prize. Ms. Jo single-handedly obtained all the contents for the basket amounting to over \$200.

Currently, Jo Ann is in the throes of coordinating the June day trip to Bush Library that also includes a tour of Messina Hof Winery. She is working with Deb Rails securing busses for a July trip to the Houston Museum of Natural History and the Aquarium for lunch, which Deb is facilitating. Plus, she is beginning to market the senior's August 24th trip to Stages Repertory Theater to enjoy "Ring of Fire," a tribute to Johnny Cash.

But that's not all, bitten by the travel bug; Jo Ann has devised a way to help seniors stretch their travel dollars and see more of the USA, among friends and in a safe environment.





On October the 21st, Jo Ann will set off to take 45 seniors to the "Live Music Show Capital of the World," Branson, Missouri. A spacious, video and restroom equipped Motor coach will transport the group to Branson. The seven day excursion includes ten meals, six breakfasts and four dinners, admission to seven Branson shows, and a ride on the Showboat Branson Bell for a cost of \$649 (please see page 14 for more information).

Jo Ann is a tribute to all that is good in Fairfield. Her engaging smile, charismatic personality, boundless energy, enthusiasm for life, and a heart as big as the state of Texas, makes her someone you will want to meet and will never forget!



Around Fairfield

Fairfield's Fifty Plus Fun-Loving Group

At right, Janet Guthrie, raffle winner at the May barbecue potluck and game night.



The Seniors of Fairfield are an active, fifty plus, fun-loving group of couples and singles who enjoy fellowship and various other activities together. If you or your spouse is fifty or older, a newcomer to Fairfield Village or have lived here in Fairfield for some time but have 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.

THE TRIP PLANS FOR JUNE:

Monday, June 25th, a trip to College Station & Bryan, Texas Area. Thanks to: Jo Ann Lambert and Jackie Devine.

This trip, which costs \$21.00 (excluding the price of lunch), will take us to the George Bush Library, Reveille Mascot Cemetery, and the grave site of Barbara Bush, the Fallen Aggies Remembering Bonfire Memorial. Next, we will head over to the Chicken Oil Company for lunch, and then on to Messina Hof Winery to learn about the history of winemaking in Texas and get a tour of the

winery. P.S. Ladies don't forget to wear your pearls.

THE TRIP PLANS FOR JULY: Monday, July 9th, a trip to Houston Museum of Natural Science. Thanks to: Jo Ann Lambert and Deb Rials.

This trip, which costs \$15.00 (excluding the cost of lunch), will take us to the Houston Museum of Natural Science, where we will be able tour the exhibits of our choice, then enjoy the movie at the IMAX "Pandas." From there we head over to the Downtown Aquarium Restaurant for lunch.

For more details about both these trips go to: http://www.fairfieldfiftyplus.com then click on: "For Trip Infor-mation" at the top of our homepage, then sign up for these exciting trips.

Reminder Notice:

Harris County Precinct 3 Transportation Department requires the following information for every trip. Your name will already be on the form. You will need to add your phone number, address, email address and the name and phone number for your emergency contact for the day of the trip.

THEATER TRIPS: Deb DeJarnette will be resuming the theater trips in September.

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JUNE FAIRFIELD 50 PLUS ACTIVITY SCHEDULE:

Thursday, June 14th, our monthly Pot Luck at the Lakeside Club House. We start the pot luck at 6:30 pm. However, the doors open at 6:00 pm for socializing before the pot luck begins. There is always a nice variety of food and desserts. Then after many stay after for games.

Tuesday, June 19th, our monthly Game Night at the Cooks' House.

It starts around 6:30 p.m. Just bring a little snack. This is always a fun evening of dominoes with great fellowship. The directions are located on the Activity page on our website and will also be in our June 17th weekly e-newsletter.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE IN JUNE:

The first Friday, June 1st, and the third Friday, June 15th, we meet and have breakfast at Denny's restaurant, the one located near Home Depot, for another opportunity to socialize and enjoy a delicious breakfast. We start ordering around 9 am. Again try to get there a little earlier for socializing.

Then on the second Friday, June 8th, and the fourth Friday, June 22nd, we have game afternoons at the Lakeside clubhouse from 1pm to 4pm. We play dominoes and the card game hand and foot. There are not any snacks or drinks at these afternoons game sessions, so if you like to drink or snack on something; you will need to bring your own.

Visit our ACTIVITY page on our web site for more details on our activities and check to see if any changes have been made: http://www.fairfieldfiftyplus.com

OUR FAIRFIELD FIFTY PLUS WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER:

Is an update on what appears here in the Gazette. It is emailed each week to our members and others who have requested it. It provides updated information and any changes from what appears here in the Gazette, plus the complete information on all our activities. If you would like to receive our weekly newsletter, send your email address, to:

wmcook@fairfieldfiftyplus.com or wmcook@comcast.net



Fairfield Participates in Homage by Janet Guthrie

Fairfield residents lined up along 290 at around 2 p.m., on April 21, 2018, to pay their respects and to be part of the historical event honoring the memory of former First Lady Barbara Bush who died at her home in Houston with her husband by her side on Tuesday April 17. She was 92.

Initially the motorcade was to take 290 and roll through Cypress as it headed to College Station. Not knowing, the route was changed until last moment, our Fairfield residents, who were already gathered to publicly pay their respects to Barbara Bush, had to shift gears and move several miles down the road to the west side of 290 and Hwy 99 to participate in the homage.





Around Fairfield

Fairfield Women's Club News submitted by Lynn Olson

With the ice storm that came through in January, we were so sad to cancel our fun meeting that we had planned. BUT, I am so very excited to tell you that Kim, from Cookin' with Kim, has rescheduled her appearance for our June meeting. This will happen on June 19th starting at 7:00pm and will be at the Bradford Creek Clubhouse, located at 16011 Fairfield Green Circle. Kim will be demonstrating how to prepare some of her awesome summer salads. And the best part is we get to sample these yummy recipes.

June is also the first meeting of our new membership year. So, mark your calendar for June 19th and come join and be a part of these wonderful ladies. Dues are \$30 a year. You may join at a meeting or online at fairfieldwomensclub.org. Or contact us at fairfieldwomensclub@gmail.com.

Our June Lunch Bunch will be 11:30am on June 14th at Yokohamaya Japanese Restaurant located at 27200 US 290, Cypress 77433. Come join us for some good food and meet some amazing ladies.

The Fourth @ Fairfield is just a month away!! Come help us

an organization, you can reserve a Community Booth for \$35. You will provide a tent/canopy and table or request to be under the trees for shade. Consider hosting an activity, craft, game, have a give-a-way or more. This will not only be an opportunity to promote your business/organization, but it will also be giving back to our wonderful community. You can sign up for your booth on our website at fairfieldwomensclub.org (on the Fourth @ Fairfield page) or mail us your information and check (address can be found on our website). Have a Talent? We have spaces available for our talented residents, and would love to see them in our Fairfield's Got Talent during the Fourth @ Fairfield. If you or your group can sing, dance, play an instrument, do magic or have another talent, please contact us at fairfieldwomensclub@ gmail.com to get signed up. Find us on Facebook to get the latest news and dates for Fairfield Women's Club. July 4 Parade

make wonderful memories on July 4th starting at 9:00am with

the parade (we will publish the parade route soon, but it starts at Ault and finishes at Salyards). Then the fun continues at

Central Park in Fairfield from 10:00 - 2:00. There will be food and entertainment for the whole family. If you are a business or

Fairfield Women's Club

July 4, 9-10 am @ Ault Elementary

submitted by Toni Scott, President, Fairfield Women's Club

The parade route will be much the same as last year. We will meet and line up at Ault Elementary at 8:30. The Parade will start at 9.

We will head out around Ault going north towards and around Bradford Creek Clubhouse, then onto Salyards Middle School.

If you are going to be in the parade, please line up this way:

Fire Department; Boy Scouts Troop 533, Grand Marshal, motorized floats, golf carts, 4-wheelers; bicycles, scooters and skateboards, walkers.

Our Grand Marshall will be Donna McCarty. She served in the Navy from 1973-1976. She is a resident of Fairfield. We are blessed to have her as our Grand Marshall.

Anyone is welcome to be in the parade.

After the parade, join us at Central Park for fun, food and fellowship as we have:

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June Yard Of The Month

submitted by Suzanne Thompson, Fairfield Women's Club



It is wonderful to see that many yards have trimmed and replaced frozen plants. Thanks to all who take such pride in your yards. This month Yard of the Month is featuring the west side of Fairfield South (west of Fairfield Place and north of Cumberland). That includes the villages of: Lake Point, Villagio Sul Lago, Lake Crest, Winding Trails and Summer Gate.

We would like to congratulate our winner, Sally and Scott Johnson, who live at 21603 Amber Grain Ln., in Villagio Sul Lago. Their yard is very complimentary to the couture of their home. The flowerbeds are separated with river rock that allows drainage from the gutters. Thus, creating numerous flowerbeds, which are outline in limestone rocks and boulders. Inside the beds, you will find well-trimmed Winter Gem Box Wood with shorter Hawthorne shrubs. Color is added with Drift roses that contain beautiful bloom clusters and beautiful Blue Plumbago shrubs. Strategically located next to the house are Wax Leaf Lugustrum and Crepe Myrtal trees. Once the Crepe Myrtal trees bloom, this yard will be even more beautiful.

Congratulations to Sally and Scott for such a stunning yard and taking such pride in your design. By the way, Sally created the design and planted it all; while, Scott does all of the weekly yard work.

JUNE HONORABLE YARDS

Lake Point 166025 Swirling Cloud Ct. 16703 China Blue Ln. 21811 China Green Dr.

Villagio Sul Lago 21606 Amber Grain Ln. 21511 Amber Grain Ln. 21507 Amber Grain Ln. 21514 Amber Grain Ln. Lake Crest 16110 Blue Shine Tr.

Winding Trails 16519 Empire Gold Tr. 22002 Gray Pearl Ct. 16707 Curio Gray Tr. 16610 Curio Gray Tr. 16507 Curio Gray Tr.

Congratulations Madeleine



Madeleine Nolan

Graduate from Cypress Ranch HS University of Mississippi (Ole Miss)-attending in Fall

Congrats Madeleine, we know you will rock it at Ole Miss!

Love, Mom, Dad, Blake,Brett and Grammy

Smoken Joe's Opening

by Greg Woods



I want to thank ALL of you for coming out for Joe's opening; it was overwhelming! Joe did not expect that kind of warm welcome from Fairfield. 100's of people showed up, and he is used to maybe 20 or so.

Before I left, Joe was pretty teary-eyed about how amazing Fairfield people are and the support he received from his new business.

Joe would like to apologize for the wait, as some people had to cancel their order. I hope those of you who missed out will please come back again and give it another shot; it is definitely worth a second chance.

Once again Fairfield, you guys are AMAZING the amount of support you give to local businesses is what makes our community the BEST!





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by Lee Edminston 7th grade TX History, Football/Head Basketball/FCA sponsor

The 2017/2018 school year was a record setting one for the Salyards athletic program. In the last issue, we celebrated Ten Championships or Co-Championships in Volleyball, Football, Girls and Boys Basketball, and Cross Country. And in this one, we honor two more Championships with the 7th grade boys and 8th grade girls track and field teams!!!

Both teams benefited from strong personal performances as well as

dominating efforts by all the relay teams. In particular, one of Salyards 8th grade boys, Garrett Vanencik broke the CFISD middle school high jump record that had previously stood for 14 years. He didn't just break it: he shattered it. In an event often measured by inches, he beat the previous record by 2.5 inches with a jump of $6^{\circ}3^{\circ}$.

Thank you to Coaches Baumbouree, Moore, Loveless, Ross, Parker and Ingvardsen for the amazing job you did coaching all our track athletes. Additional thanks to coaches Gomez, Edmiston, Beck, Caesar, Dunson, George, Kessler and Boudreaux for your part in our 12 championships too. Finally, We want to thank our principal, Mrs. Liz Wood for the support and encouragement she and her A team provide for our Athletic program. Our success would not have been possible without you guys.





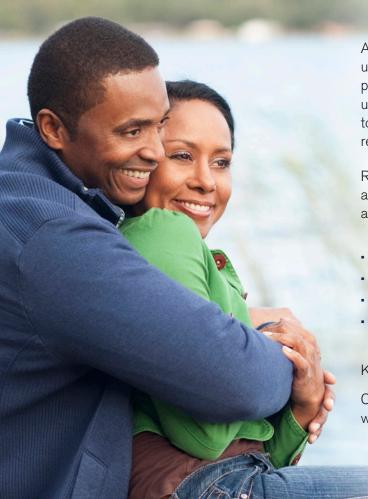
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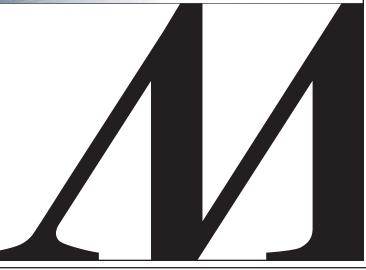
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Actresses and Actors in our Midst by Keith Simper

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Fairfield Baptist Shares Across The Globe

by Claudia Mattox, Assistant to Family Ministries, Fairfield Baptist Church

Fairfield Student Ministry – HS and College: Honduras Fairfield Student Ministry travels to Honduras with 22+ High School seniors during Spring Break, and then 14+ college students in May each year. Our goal is to share the love of Jesus in the schools of La Esperanza Honduras by sharing Bible stories and teaching through drama, testimonies, and music. Sharing prayer throughout the community is so important to us and we walk through neighborhoods asking families how we can pray for them. This helps strengthen the relationship between the community families and our teams year after year. Alongside missionaries Sam and Peggy Feazel of Ignite Missions of Honduras, we have been going since 2011. They train young pastors to come along side a community, starting with Bible studies in homes. Teams from the US then come and build a church near one of the schools we visit every year. God blesses our student ministry to the point that those who visited during their Spring Break as High School seniors are able to come back as College Sophomores and see the fruit in the specific community they visited.

Mission to SERVE: Port Isabel Why? Why does a group of over 150 kids, teens, and adults drive six hours to Port Isabel, Texas and NOT go to the beautiful beaches of South Padre Island? Because, they are going to SERVE others.

Fairfield Baptist Church partners with The Bridge Community Church to show the love of Jesus to the people of Port Isabel for five days each summer. Our teams host a vacation Bible school for local children each morning and a party in a local park each evening. Our goal is to form relationships and share the Gospel while expecting nothing in return. This is not the typical summer trip to the beach. It is about changing lives. For more information, visit www.fairfieldbaptist.com



Vacation Bible School at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

A great summer tradition returns as Good Shepherd United Methodist Church will host Vacation Bible School (VBS), June 18-22. This year's theme is Shipwrecked, Rescued by Jesus and will feature a tropical island theme. Children, ages 4 by September 1st through 5th grade completed are welcome to attend. Registration will continue into June at www.gsumcvbs.com. VBS will include daily rallies in the Good Shepherd Worship Center where children will learn this year's Bible School songs and hand motions, hear the devotional word for the day, and learn about the outreach mission project for the week. VBS will be a high-energy time of Bible stories, crafts, snacks, and fun, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday through Friday.

Good Shepherd Church Pastor Bill Haygood will be bringing a new sermon series entitled Old Time Religion: The Greatest Hits beginning in June and continuing Sundays throughout the summer. Good Shepherd offers two styles of worship, traditional at 9:15 a.m. and contemporary at 10:45 a.m. Sunday mornings in the Worship Center.

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Community Comes Together to Support Trauma Survivors



It was a wet and chilly day, but that didn't dampen the spirits of runners and walkers at the 2018 Running for Hearts 5K Family Fun Run and Walk on Saturday, April 7 at Windwood Presbyterian Church! The community came

together to support local trauma survivors including those affected by human trafficking, abuse, crime, war, and natural disasters like Hurricane Harvey.

"If someone in our community of any age has experienced trauma, Shield Bearer is the place that helps healing take place," stated race sponsor Esther Halford of Halford Busby Construction Consultants. "Shield Bearer helps families heal and find hope again. That's why

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Second Baptist's Summer Schedule



The Second Family is excited that summer is finally here! Every year, the Cypress Campus looks forward to an amazing calendar of summer camps and programs that your children will not want to miss out on. Here are just a few of Second's

upcoming events for children of all ages. To find more information, or to register your child, please visit the church website at www. second.org/cypress.

Beach Retreat (HS June 10th-15th, JH June 17th-22nd)

All 6 Second Baptist campuses will collectively send over 3,000 students to the beach for a life changing week of camp! High School students will be heading to Pensacola, Florida and Junior High students will be going to Biloxi, Mississippi.



Next Level Camp (June 18th-22nd)

Next Level is Second's Pre-Teen Ministry that is specially designed for 4th and 5th grade students. Over 700 students will be heading to Carolina Creek Christian Camp near Huntsville, Texas for an amazing week!

Sports Quest Ministry Soccer Camp (July 9th-13th)

Second is proud to host Sports Quest Ministry for an action-packed week of soccer and fun! This soccer camp will be held at the Cypress Campus for children ages 5-12. All skill levels are wel-come to participate. To register, go to www.sportsquesttraining.com.

Vacation Bible School (July 16th-19th)

Thousands of children (K-5th Grade) will be joining the Cypress Campus for their annual Vacation Bible Study School program. This year, the church will present its brand-new production titled, "The Legend of Longbeard." This exciting, pirate-themed week is FREE of charge and open to the entire community!



Ready To Grow Gardens Announces Their Nature Discovery Summer Camp!



WEEK ONE: Butterflies, Birds, Bugs and Butterfly Gardening

JUNE 11-15

In week ONE of the Ready To Grow Gardens Nature Discovery Summer Camp, campers will explore and discover butterflies, backyard birds, and bugs that are native to our part of Texas. Campers will take what they have learned and create a butterfly garden while heading home with plants and seeds to start their own garden at home!

WEEK TWO: Ponds, Frogs, Turtles and Habitat Gardening June 18-22

In week TWO of the Ready To Grow Gardens Nature Discovery Summer Camp, campers will be exploring the fascinating world of a pond ecosystem and the plants and animals that call it home. Campers discover native Texas frogs, toads, and turtles all while learning how they interact and survive within their watery home. Throughout the week campers will learn about habitat gardening specific to our area and native Texas species, as well as take home their own starter plants to grow in their own backyards!

WEEK THREE: Farm Camp

June 25-29

Week THREE of the Ready To Grow Gardens Nature Discovery Summer Camp is dedicated to life on the farm! Each day, campers will meet a new baby farm animal learning about their distinct roles and how to care for them in their farm environment. Throughout the week campers will be planting and caring for a vegetable and fruit garden paying close attention to canning and preserving. Not only will campers be taking home vegetable seeds and seedlings, but a jar of refrigerator pickles that they prepare and can themselves!

CAMP DETAILS

Campers will be broken up into 5 groups of 15, each "discovery group" lead by a certified teacher + one assistant. Together they will hike near the pond and through the fields, create art inspired by the nature around them, participate in educational treasure hunts, and play interactive and educationally focused games. A nature expert will join the group each week including beekeepers, local farmers, Wildlife experts, and more.

Campers will be outside most of the morning rotating through five fun stations of activities in various shady areas of the Cy-Hope campus. Everyone will break in the air-conditioned log cabin and then picnic together under a shade tree for lunch!

PRICING - \$275 per camper, per week.

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this race is so important and why I wholeheartedly support it."

Runners and walkers of all ages warmed up with the coaches of Iron Tribe Fitness and local DJ KLS Entertainment before a timed, trail style 5K and 1-mile family walk. Kids enjoyed activities like face painting, fire truck tours, egg relays, photos with the Chick-fil-A cow, and a giant inflatable soccer goal from Sport Quest. "We love how Shield Bearer is helping families and had such a great time being part of this event. It was a privilege to be involved," stated Jim Spence, Sports Quest founder and a medal winner in the race.

Over fifty volunteers including teens from local Cy Fair ISD and Klein ISD helped with set up, activities, cheering, and planning the event. "It really is a labor of love for our volunteers. Many of them have been working on this race for months. They do it because they want struggling families right here in Northwest Houston to have access to counseling services and educational programs. They know their support helps change lives for the better," stated Shield Bearer Associate Director Melissa Rotholz.

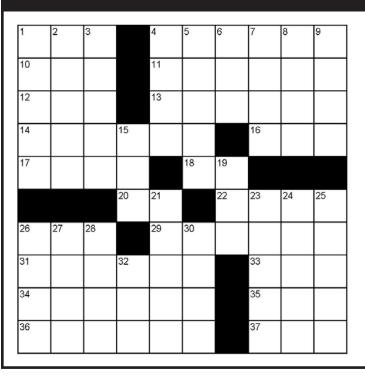
Over three dozen local businesses joined in the fun this year, many offering prizes and discounts for race attendees. Race sponsors included Avanti Senior Living, Halford Busby Construction Consultants, Action Specialties, Tonya and John Frye, Kintegrity Development Services, Lindsay's Light, Kroger, Windwood Presbyterian Church, Misfit Design Group, Amegy Bank, Fox Focus Photography, Iron Tribe Fitness, Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital, Chick-fil-A, Proline Supply Company, Sprouts, HEB, and Sports Quest. Race day vendors included Aire Serv of Houston Northwest, Louetta Foot and Ankle Specialists, Ava Ray-Personally Poetic, The Get Together Northwest, Pure Life Family Wellness, Good Moves Properties, KoolAuf, Kim Howell-Mary Kay, Lesa Young-doTERRA, Reason 2 Race, Ducerus, Texas C.R.E.S., Brookside Funeral Home-Champions, Harris County Precinct 4 Commissioner R. Jack Cagle, and BioLife Plasma Services.

Shield Bearer Executive Director added, "It was wonderful to see the support of businesses, churches, and the race participants. It takes all of us working together to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors and to strengthen our community. We look forward to building this event at Windwood Church for years to come."

For more information about getting involved at Shield Bearer, a Houston based 501c3 nonprofit organization that provides professional counseling services and programs for individuals, couples, and families, visit shieldbearer.org, call (281) 894-7222, or join them for a free community breakfast the first Tuesday of each month at 9AM at 12340 Jones Road Suite 290, Houston, TX, 77070.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1. Abdominal muscles (abbr.)
- 4. Walks
- 10. Bumbling insect
- 11. Hide (2 wds.)
- 12. Rowing tool
- 13. City in the former USSR
- 14. Incomparable
- 16. Supersonic transport
- 17. Meat alternative
- 18. " Mice and Men"
- 20. Cincinnati locale
- 22. Stretched car
- 26. Dined
- 29. Entertained
- 31. Delete
- 33. Type of partnership
- 34. Musical speeds
- 35. Elver
- 36. Seize
- 37. Sample

DOWN

- 1. Regarding
- 2. Lotto
- 3. Character part
- 4. Thousand (abbr.)
- 5. Cowboy show
- 6. Bullfight cheer
- 7. Dining hall
- 8. Domestic cat
- 9. Lovers quarrel
- 15. Status
- 19. Respiratory disease
- 21. Trouble
- 23. Small island
- 24. Measure
- 25. Strangely
- 26. Branch of learning
- 27. Adolescent
- 28. Austin novel
- 30. Net
- 32. Choose

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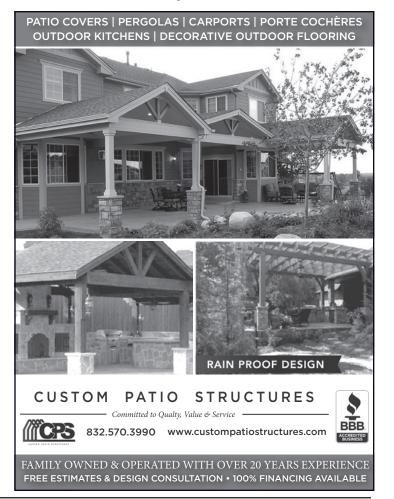
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Baker's Ridge	4	\$97.53	43			
Bluebonnet	1	\$95.89	56			
Blue Meadow	4	\$101.90	54			
Chappell Ridge	3	\$87.08	214			
Cottage Glen	3	\$84.19	8			
Garden Grove	9	\$98.09	60			
Glen	2	\$90.24	79			
Inwood Glen	1	\$101.62	37			
Inwood Park	10	\$98.68	47			
Lake Crest (Patio Homes)	1	\$109.61	31			
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Lake Point	2	\$92.64	181			
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	6	\$113.43	37			
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Oaks/Trails	2	\$110.85	87			
Silver Lake	2	\$115.51	153			
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Travis Point	2	\$121.85	31			