



# The HOME FRONT

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For more fascinating facts on this historic event, see the fact file below.

- On the 4th of July, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress.
- Independence Day honors the birthday of the United States of America and the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

4th.....	Independence Day
4th.....	Coffee and donuts at the clubhouse
11th.....	World population Day
14th.....	Round Table Meeting
15th.....	National ice cream Day
19th.....	Board meeting 7pm
29th.....	National Lasagna Day
30th.....	National day of friendship

*\*Board and Round Table Meetings will be held at the clubhouse located at 26818 Wooded Canyon Dr. with the exceptions of the annual meeting.*

## MEETING TIMES

Board Meetings 7pm | Round Table Meeting 9:30am  
Cardiff Ranch Pool Hours: Tuesday-Sunday from 10am-8pm  
Monday closed- Cleaning day

## July Events in Katy

### Katy Freedom Celebration

Katy's annual 4th of July celebration and takes place at the city of Katy complex near the Katy Fire Department and VFW Park. The tradition features an evening program of fireworks and music near Typhoon Texas and Katy Mills mall after dark. Time and location to be determined.

Declaration of Independence Each year, Americans **celebrate July 4th with parades, picnics, barbecues, carnivals, concerts, fireworks and more.** Check your local ads and Katy magazine for more upcoming events in your area.



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*Forms for Troop 209 can be emailed to Cardiff Ranch residents upon request.*

# CARDIFF RANCH

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First Service Residential (24/7) .....	877-378-2388
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Katy ISD .....	281-396-6000
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Obra D. Tompkins High School .....	281-234-1000

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Board and Round Table meeting dates and times  
are posted on the doors at the clubhouse.*



### TOMPKINS HIGH SCHOOL

## BEHIND THE NAME

Obra D. Tompkins Jr., formerly a principal of Mayde Creek High School, is a well-known and prestigious educator that contributed many years to Katy ISD. During his 35-year career, Tompkins served as a teacher, coach, and assistant principal before his role at Mayde Creek. He is known as an inspiring mentor who demonstrates integrity and character.

Tompkins is a 610,000 square feet (57,000 m<sup>2</sup>) facility on a 98-acre (40 ha) plot and has a design almost exactly like Seven Lakes' design. The Tompkins campus may house around 3,000 students. Gilbane Building Co. built the school while PBK Architects designed the school.[2]

Obra D. Tompkins High School (OTHS) is a high school located in unincorporated Fort Bend County, Texas in Greater Houston. It is a part of the Katy Independent School District.

The school's mascot is the falcon and navy blue, crimson, and white are the school colors. Tompkins was created to relieve the overflow of students in the neighboring Seven Lakes High School, which in the 2013-2014 school year had almost 4,000 students. Because of this, Tompkins only had classes for freshmen and sophomores during its inaugural year. The school is named after Obra D. Tompkins, a long-serving educator in the Katy school district.[2] It is located off Falcon Landing Blvd. and Gaston Road at the edge of the Cinco Ranch Line.

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# CARDIFF RANCH

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6 to 8 servings

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### Ingredients

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 4 cups tomato-basil pasta sauce
- 6 uncooked lasagna noodles
- 1 (15-ounce) container ricotta cheese
- 2 1/2 cups (10 ounces) shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 cup hot water

### How to Make It

**Step 1** Cook beef in a large skillet over medium heat, stirring until it crumbles and is no longer pink; drain. Stir in pasta sauce.

**Step 2** Spread one-third of meat sauce in a lightly greased 11- x 7-inch baking dish; layer with 3 noodles and half each of ricotta cheese and mozzarella cheese. (The ricotta cheese layers will be thin.) Repeat procedure; spread remaining one-third of meat sauce over mozzarella cheese. Slowly pour 1/4 cup hot water around inside edge of dish. Tightly cover baking dish with 2 layers of heavy-duty aluminum foil.

**Step 3** Bake at 375° for 45 minutes; uncover and bake 10 more minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

**Step 4** Note: For testing purposes only, we used Classico Tomato & Basil pasta sauce.

### Chef's Notes

This dish pairs well with green beans, mushrooms, broccoli, asparagus, salad, or an assortment of roasted vegetables. One could swap out the beef for chicken or sausage, or one could replace red sauce with white sauce. Additional cheeses could also be added. When entertaining guests, this could be served with the classic bread and salad combination.

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Like a perfect red rose, the Ruby's rich color speaks of love and passion. Called the "Rajnapura" or King of Gems. July's birthstone is among the most highly prized of gems throughout history. The Ruby was considered to have magical powers, and was worn by royalty as a talisman against evil. It was thought to grow darker when peril was imminent, and to return to its original color once danger was past—provided it was in the hands of its rightful owner.

*Cardiff Ranch would like to send our best wishes to the July birthday residents!!*

## DONUTS AND COFFEE WITH NEIGHBORS



July 4, 2018 @ 9am-11am. Hot coffee and fresh donuts will be served at the clubhouse for Adults only. Please come join a relaxing conversation and topics you would like to discuss with your neighbors. Please no children allowed. The adults would appreciate the respect without interruptions.

Cardiff Ranch pool will be available for the kiddos at 10am and lifeguards will be on duty. Clubhouse address 26818 Wooded Canyon Drive Katy, Texas 77494 or email [crclubhouse@entouch.net](mailto:crclubhouse@entouch.net). *Hope to see you there!*

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## CARDIFF TEENS KEEP BUSY THIS SUMMER BY;

- Working
- Summer camp
- Sleep over
- Stay with grandparents
- YMCA
- Family vacation
- Hobbies include music, arts and crafts
- Concerts
- Prepare for back to school
- Spend time with friends

If you are interested in joining the T-PAK? Please contact the clubhouse for more information at [crclubhouse@entouch.net](mailto:crclubhouse@entouch.net).

## KEEP CARDIFF BEAUTIFUL WITH THESE EASY TIPS!!

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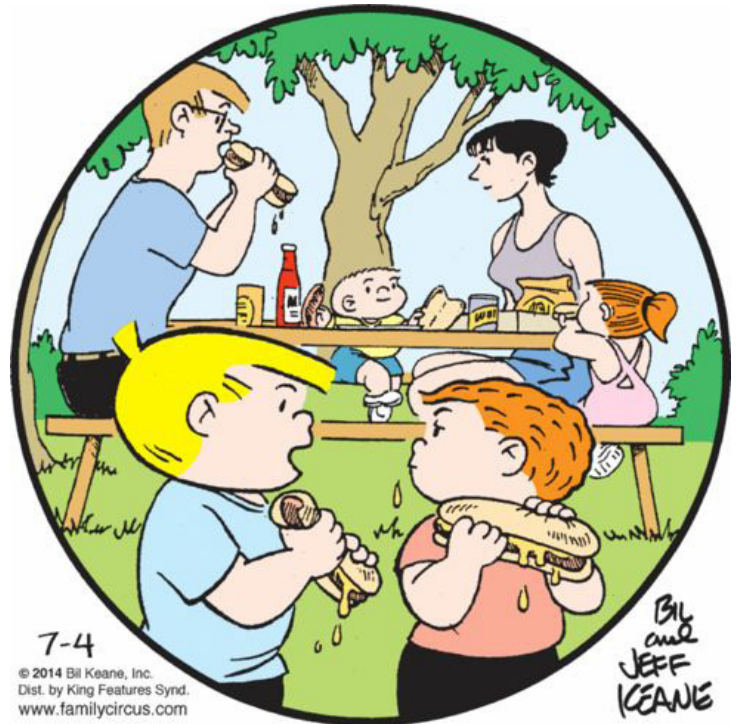
We encourage all homeowner to read Cardiff Ranch by laws regarding brick, stone, and rock borders. Trees, plants and violations are included in the reading material.

If you need a copy of your homeowners By-laws or CCR's please contact [crclubhouse@entouch.net](mailto:crclubhouse@entouch.net) and the onsite community manager will email them upon request.



Cardiff if you are interested in writing an article or sharing good news with your fellow community members. Please contact the clubhouse at [crclubhouse@entouch.net](mailto:crclubhouse@entouch.net) or call us at 281-394-7314.

For more information about submitting an article, contact your onsite community manager. Interviews can be done in the comfort of your home, by phone or the clubhouse.



**"Today's a good day to eat hot dogs,  
'cause that's what our fourth fathers  
always ate."**

### 150 million Hot Dogs

Cardiff Ranch did you know the number of hot dogs eaten on the Fourth of July. According to the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council, that's enough hot dogs to make a line from Washington, D.C., to Los Angeles more than five times



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