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## Around Fairfield

# **Editor's Comments**



November is here, and we are leading into the holiday season. It's easy to go about our busy lives without taking a step back to appreciate how lucky we are. This is a perfect time to pause, reflect and give thanks for what we have in our lives and what it took for us achieve and acquire the riches that abound in our homes, schools, and neighborhoods.

As we kick off the holiday season with high expectations of a festive and joyful time, let's

also remember to be thankful. And as we sit around the dinner table on Thanksgiving why not consider giving each person the opportunity to say what they are grateful for. You just might be starting a time-honored tradition that will shine a light on your life and everyone around you. Everything that was once stressful and frantic before that moment just might begin to slow down and come to a sudden halt. The simple act of taking a glance at the people around the table may even give you a broader appreciation of the great things life has to offer.

If you are lucky, your gratitude may shift your thoughts from what is lacking in your life to recognition of what is already present.

And speaking of gratitude, we are indebted to those folks who went before us ensuring our freedom and giving us the opportunity to vote for the leaders of our choice. Please exercise that freedom on election day. Bill Wilson has provided voting information for our readers. Also in this issue check out what the seniors have been up to at Fairfield Creek Estates, read about Fairfield's National Night Out activities, look over the article written by Shannon Corely about the joys of being a foreign exchange student parent, and browse the various activities taking place through the Fairfield Women's Club, around our schools, and in our churches.

As some of you may know, I was going to run a Holiday Vendor Column in the November issue to give our friends and neighbors a chance to take advantage of the Christmas-related products and services available in our neighborhoods. Unfortunately, I only received about eight respondents--not enough to make a column. If I get a few more in the coming weeks, I will highlight the Holiday Vendor List in December.

For now, please keep a sharp eye out for people showing generosity, helping others, and in general making a contribution to our community. I like to report "Good News." Please contact me at jackiedevine@peelinc.com or 832.316.6006 with questions, concerns or to submit a story. In the meantime, happy Thanksgiving!

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### Around Fairfield

# National Night Out Was a Big Success Submitted by Melanie Vitovsky



Fairfield had its 3rd annual National Night Out event to support our first responders and to help increase awareness of police programs; like drug prevention, neighborhood watch, and other anti-crime efforts in our communities. Music by DJ Freestylz, face painting (Krista Bryan), temp tattoos, the splash pad, and nail painting were just a few activities offered for the kids. Even the family pets were welcome!

How often do kids get to sit in the driver's seat of a police car and man all of the sirens? They got to do that! Families also met local police, paramedics, fire fighters, and checked out the inside of a fire truck. There were lots of smiles!

Yogurtland and Truck on the Bayou, to name just a couple of local businesses in attendance, furnished food and dessert. They were delish! The Greenheart exchange program provided International volunteers.

The event was sponsored by Fairfield's own Wanda Abel with Better Homes & Gardens and Sarah Schuerg with Supreme Lending. Wanda says, "We just want to give neighbors in the community a free enjoyable evening and a chance to get to know each other better.

My father was a Captain for the City of Houston Fire Department. I have a soft spot for those guys and wanted to provide a forum for neighbors to come out and meet the police, firefighters, and rescue workers who work so hard to protect us every day." Thanks Wanda and Sarah! We had a blast and hope you do it again next year! \*Photos provided by Sweet & Sauer Studio and Melanie Vitovsky with Greenheart Exchange.











# Life is Better When It Is Shared Submitted by Shannan Corely



My husband and I always knew we would want to host an exchange student. When we started looking into hosting in 2015, we had a talk with our 4 children about what it would mean to have a high school teen in our home. They were very excited! We started looking at various exchange organizations and decided to go with Greenheart. We are so glad we did. Our local coordinators, Melanie and Justin, provide so much support. They are so involved with the students and always there if we need help. The activities they plan for the students are excellent.

I remember 2 very defining moments when Vivian, our first student, was with us. The first was really difficult for us all. We found out she had been talking to her family back in Taiwan while we were asleep. This meant she wasn't sleeping, and it's a big no in the exchange program. It was explained really well to us. The rule is in place because the point of coming here is to embrace the culture, your host family, and to make friends. When you talk to those in your home country every day, you are speaking your native language and still seeing your family and friends. Why would you make yourself do those things here in your host country when it's less comfortable? It was so hard breaking it to her that we had to start enforcing the rule. She broke down, we broke down. In the end, what bloomed was nothing short

of miraculous. We witnessed our timid, shy Vivian turn into this outgoing, mature young lady.

Our second moment with Vivian was actually when she came back to visit a year later. We had gone to a bakery and they had not given her something she'd paid for. I told her I would go back with her. When I explained that my daughter was missing an item, I saw her look at me differently. After she returned to Taiwan, she messaged me to thank me for everything, but most of all what it meant to her that I spoke



of her as my daughter just as I do my biological children. My heart swelled a little more that day.

Of course, hosting isn't perfect 100% of the time. As with everything in our lives though, we find perfection in the imperfect moments. When we help them with a hard subject in school or when they get a little homesick and we take extra time to cheer them up with a trip to the mall or for ice-cream. These are the moments that you know you are making a difference in their lives. You are showing they aren't just another person. That although they are a perfect stranger, you welcomed them and embraced them as one of your own. Be it language, cultural or demographic, that kindness transcends all barriers.

This year, we decided to host our second student, Michal from Czech Republic. Michal has only been with us a month but he already feels like he has been with us all year. Some students assimilate faster than others and Michal just dove right in. He's so helpful around the house, gets along great with everyone, and plays with our crazy 4 year old. We can't wait to celebrate his birthday this month and are so excited for track season to start so we can cheer for him from the bleachers.

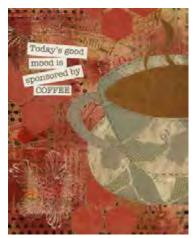
We are thankful for every moment we get to spend hosting a student. It's not just the students' lives that are changed at the end of the school year. Your family is left richer from the experience. Not only do you learn from their culture but you are a better parent and your children have learned that there is a world greater than themselves and the small piece of the world in which they have been raised.

The Corley Family



## Around Fairfield

# Fairfield Creek Estates Paints to Perfection by Jackie Devine



"Fairfield Creek Estates may be a retirement community, but the seniors that live there are active, quite creative, and eager to produce masterpieces" stressed Lisa White as she made the rounds giving residents instructions on how to create mixed media artwork on canvas recently.

Following Lisa around the room, as she gave instructions, offered tips on color combinations and demonstrated special

techniques, I saw what she was talking about.

Within a little over an hour, Lisa made a believer of me as she lined her artists up for a group shot so they could proudly display their handiwork.

Lisa is the owner and operator of Artistic Experiences located in Cypress Village Station off Skinner Road. In her art studio, she offers classes and art parties featuring canvas painting, mixed media, art journaling, glass painting and keepsake art with step-by-step instruction in a fun atmosphere.

As she was packing up, Lisa told me she offers a variety of creative options to address the unique needs of her clientele such as Girls Night Out, open studio time, homeschool classes, stamping lessons, couple's painting, birthday parties, individual project instruction and project supplies including selling Debi's Design Diary DIY Paint. She can even give tips to those who are interested in recycling, refreshing or refurbishing old furniture.



"But," she said, "an area I really enjoy is working with senior citizens. Research shows that adults 65 or older engaging in creative activities have better overall health, see the doctor less often, use less medication, and have fewer health problems than comparable populations that do not engage in creative activities. So, when I'm working with seniors, we all benefit. Providing an excellent mood booster and de-stressor, I'm making a positive contribution to the community, and at that same time, my seniors are having fun creating beautiful works of art that can be shared with pride."

If you are interested in checking out your creative genius, NO ART EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY! Lisa will help you every step of the way.

All you have to do is bring your own beverages and snacks, and she provides the rest.

You can find out more about Artistic Experiences on their website at https://www.artisticexperiences.com or on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Google +, Pinterest and our blog!



# Calendar Girls by Christine Lewis



I've heard from several readers interested in the Pink 'Warrior Calendar Girls' project—an article the Gazette ran in October. Below is an update on her progress.

"Like ringing a bell, thoughts of my own personal photo shoot helped me endure my treatment. The toughest part for me, personally, my radiation, occurred Monday through Friday during a majority of October 2015. I tried to escape the pain by thinking

of other things, but almost everywhere I turned I was reminded of what I was enduring. The pain was horrendous for me personally. I had my own photo shoot in May, celebrating my survival of stage III breast cancer. I found a new woman in myself, who was bolder than ever before. I reunited with the little girl I once was before everyone told me who I should be. I saw visions of at least 12 women, each year, looking forward to a photo shoot where they could also psychologically heal and share their own cancer journey.

I've located an incredibly talented Corpus Christi photographer Swat Kasham, and her husband, Sam, who records all of the video for their business. Reviewing her work I recognized an immense talent that could evoke a wide range of emotions, was able to capture images of women that are incredibly real and believable.

Our October Calender Girls' first photo shoot was for a 2020 calendar. If things are rushed they are not as spectacular as they should be. That would not be fair to these women, or to Swat, or to the volunteers who made this happen. Melissa Krause took her own Sunday off to help style hair. Jennifer Carberry just recently became a licensed hair stylist and would love to find a job or her own clients. I found Dolce on Facebook, and she has her own page, Dolceglam, where she features makeup artistry she has done in the past. These three are helping to lift the spirits of breast cancer patients and survivors just as much as the great photographers.

It is my hope to provide current breast cancer patients with something to help them go to one more chemo infusion, or one more radiation treatment. I'm also hoping cancer patients, in general, remind others of the urgency in cherishing the precious and fleeting things that truly matter in our lives.

To find out about the other ladies in this calendar, people will have to stay tuned and follow the website at www.pinkwarriorcalendargirls. com. We also have a Facebook page at Pink Warrior Calendar Girls. Though I don't use Twitter and Instagram as much, Pink Warrior Calendar Girls can also be found there. Pictured above Shegalla Behind The Scenes

# CHS Annual Meeting

Memories of Your Military Service by Jackie Devine

Cypress Historical Society held its annual meeting on Saturday, October 6, 2018, in Juergen Hall located at Cypress Top Historic Park in Cypress, Texas.

Jim Sigmund, the President of CHS, welcomed the guests and Mary Bianche led the Pledge of Allegiance. An entertaining slideshow entitled "Whenever You Remember" played in the background.

Following a short business meeting, members who were in the military were asked to share their experiences, warrelated or in peacetime. Spouses and family members were also encouraged to give their viewpoints of what was going on at the home front.

Jim ended the discussions and remembrances by recounting a short story about his father's experiences during WWII.

Then, he reminded the group about the importance of documenting our personal family history and that of the Cypress area.

A light lunch of sandwiches, desserts, and drinks was served as guests, and members sat around and shared additional stories.

Before I left, Mary reminded me that the DAR meets on the third Thursday of each month (except in December). She told me, "We want to recognize all people who had patriots in the American Revolution. If in doubt on how to go about becoming a member, we have a registrar who can help.







# September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance By Jackie Devine

Fairfield participated in the culmination of efforts, initially launched in 2002 that promotes community service on 9/11 as an annual and forward-looking tribute to the 9/11 victims, survivors, and those who rose up in service in response to the

Flags were positioned and flowers placed at Bretagne's statue at the corner of Cypresswood and Mason Road because Bretagne (pronounced "Brittany") was the last surviving FEMA Search & Rescue Canine who worked at Ground Zero in New York City after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Bretagne was also deployed in response to Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, Hurricane Ivan, and many other disasters. Bretagne died on June 6, 2016, just shy of her 17th birthday.

If you would like to know more about Bretagne and her life, please visit https://texastaskforce1.org/Pages/memorial.aspx





# Fairfield's Fifty Plus Fun-Loving Group

### The Fairfield Seniors

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 NOVEMBER:

Tuesday, November 6th, Tour of Texas City.

### THE TRIP PLANS FOR DECEMBER:

Tuesday, December 4th, Moody Gardens Iceland Trip.

**NOTICE:** These trips are completely booked.

For more details about these trips go to:

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then click on: "For Trip Information" 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.

### **DEBBIE'S THEATER TRIPS:**

The trip for November is to Theatre Suburbia we will see Santa's magical time piece. Cost for this trip is \$17, plus the cost of your lunch. THIS TRIP IS ALMOST FULL HAVE 2 SEATS LEFT. Call me at 832-220-6155 for a seat. For more information, click on Debbie's link in our weekly email newsletter.

### NOVEMBER FAIRFIELD 50 PLUS ACTIVITY SCHEDULE:

Thursday, November 8th, 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 many stay after for games and more desserts.

# TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, OUR MONTHLY GAME NIGHT AT THE COOKS' HOUSE.

It starts around 6:30 pm. 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 September 16th weekly e-newsletter.

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16th, 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, November 9th, and the fourth Friday, November 23rd, 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.

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# Keeping Active, Involved, and Informed by William Wilson

Early voting begins Monday 10-22-18. Last day for early voting is Friday 11-2-18. The closest, and I think best early voting location is behind the Lowe's Home Improvement Center on Hwy 290 at: Juergen's Hall Community Center, 26026 Hempstead Rd, Cypress, TX 77429

Election day is Tuesday, November 6th if you have not early voted. On Election Day, you must vote in the Precinct in which you are registered. If you don't know where you are supposed to vote, you can go to the County website of Stan Stanart and find your location. Website is: harrisvotes.org

As an aside, this is the best and the only website you can be assured is accurate. This website is maintained by Harris County. It is updated and reliable.

Saturday, November 3rd is the next every 3 weeks meeting for the Cypress Texas Tea Party. The meeting is from 12 noon till 2:00 PM. Meeting location is: Spring Creek BBQ, 25831 Northwest Fwy, Cypress, TX 77429 [phone] 281-758-1450

Wednesday, November 14th. Municipal Utility District (MUD) #396. The MUD #396 meetings are usually the second Wednesday of every month. Sometimes, this is changed. If you are planning on going or live in a different MUD in Fairfield, you can call 713-651-5345 to confirm dates. The meetings begin at 12 Noon and usually last about an hour or less. The location is downtown, fairly close to the George R. Brown Convention Center at our attorney's office. The address is: Norton Rose, Fulbright US LLP, 1301 McKinney, Suite 5100, Houston, T 77010-3095

Saturday, November 24th. The every 3 week meeting of the Cypress Texas Tea Party. Meeting location is: Spring Creek BBQ, 25831 Northwest Fwy, Cypress, TX 77429 [phone] 281-758-1450.

I am not sure about the Fairfield Village Community Association (Master HOA) and the Village Neighborhood Association meetings in November. That is really easy for someone to find out though. Just drop by the First Service Residential office attached to the Fairfield Athletic Club or call 713-332-4763. Ask to be put on the email list for notification.

### PLease Remember To



# A message from the VFW AUX President by Donna Morse



Donna, President



Eppy Lackey

First of all, I want to thank all of our wonderful Fairfield residents who came out on Steak Night, Friday, October 5th to support the VFW Post 8905. It was a grand family affair. We sold 150 steak orders and enjoyed exceptional country music.

On Saturday, I went to Clear Lake to participate in the State Commanders and the Department Auxiliary President's Homecoming Festivities. About 200 participants including all Texas state and regular commanders, the district presidents, and members were in attendance.

On October 12th and 13th we hosted the VFW Post 8905 Warrior Reunion. At 12:00, the crowd enjoyed a flyover. And in the afternoon and evening, members participated in a pool tournament, Texas Hold'em, Cornhole, and all the children enjoyed a bounce house.

Things to remember for the month of November include Steak Night on Friday the 2nd and voting on November 6th. Then, the Auxiliary will be visiting local schools the week of November 11 (Veterans Day) to provide a program and distribute flags and buddy poppies. Sunday, November 11th is the Veterans' Day Parade in downtown Houston. For more information, go online.



Inge Conley



Steve Benavides with Glenda Hunt

Pictured is Glenda Hunt, District IV President and Donna Morse, Aux President 8905, Inger Connelly, Texas VFW State Commander, Eppy, Department of Texas President.

# Christmas Tree Recycling

Submitted by Scot M. Millior

Let these Boys Have a Blast, Taming Tinsel-Time Trash! We'll pick up and recycle the trees Placed Curbside and Ornament Free ...

The Cub Scout Packs and Boy Scout Troops of Fairfield will be working together to collect and recycle Christmas trees (lights & ornaments free, Please)

after the holiday season. Please have your tree on the curb by 7 a.m. on Saturday, January 5th, 2019 to be picked up for recycling!

Remember...Don't let those trash guys waste your Tree's potential!!

Let the Scouts give it back to the Earth!

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### Around Fairfield

# October Yard of the Month

Sponsored by the Fairfield Women's Club, Submitted by Deborah Worley, Yard of the Month Chairperson

The weather and temperatures are changing as we enter into our fall months. We saw so many yards that were well maintained. Thank you all for your hard work in keeping Fairfield the gem it is.

This month we visited the second Half of Fairfield Central. The areas included: The Meadows, the Crossing, Lake Ridge, Tuscan Estates, the Retreat, the Landing, Lakeside, the Glen and Summer Ridge.

For the month of November, we are featuring the home of Tom and Kristee Maleski located at 16126 Bradford Shores Drive in the Tuscan Estates. Their yard is beautifully landscaped and well maintained.

Tom and Kristee landscaped their property with various shrubberies including the Green Mountain Boxwood and several ornamental kinds of grass. One is the Luriope Spicate more commonly known as "Monkey Grass." It's a perennial that has arching glossy, dark green leaves with its lovely purple flowers perfectly blooming this fall. In between their shrubs and grasses, you'll see spots of assorted flowers and

rose bushes. Something that really caught my eye to the right of the main walkway was a stunning Dropmore Scarlet Honeysuckle Vine. It was full, healthy and very vibrant.

They had several trees; their front yard is quite expansive. Two of them were large decretive Crepe Myrtles. Rocks were used to define the planting beds along with their sidewalks and around their trees. I loved how their use of the Foxtail Asparagus Ferns greeted you as you begin your walk up to their front door.

Congratulations to Tom and Kristee Maleski on our November Yard of the Month honoree. Looking at your property, it's a job well done. November Honorable Yards: The Meadows

16e Meadows 15306 Pine Valley Trail Tuscan Estates

16107 Bradford Shores Dr. 15427 Pine Valley Trail 16106 Bradford Shores Dr. 15514 Pine Valley Tra1 6227 Branford Shores Dr.

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## Around Fairfield

# Fairfield Womens Club

Movie Night: Despicable Me 3

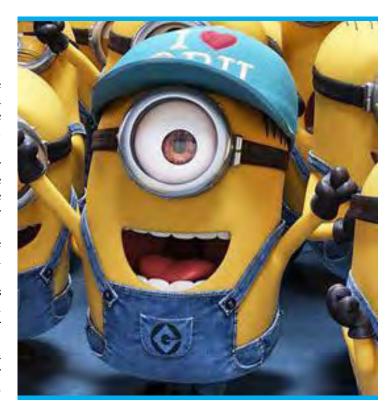
Our November meeting will be held on **November 27th**, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. It will be a great meeting where our President, Lisa Cannon, will direct us in making a beautiful holiday craft. We welcome our new members and would love for more ladies to join this fun group. We will meet at **7:00 at Bradford Creek Clubhouse.** 

It has been a busy fall for the Fairfield Women's Club with September meeting at the VFD, awarding our Charities, the Fall Garage Sale, the Priester's pecan Sale, and our upcoming Nov. 3rd Movie night. We appreciate the community supporting our efforts to raise money for our local charities.

Thanks to all of the neighbors who participated in the Fall Garage Sale. From the amount of traffic that day, hopefully everyone did well with their sales

Please contact any Fairfield Women's Club member to order Priester's Pecans for fall and holiday baking. The one pound bags make wonderful holiday hostess gifts. Feel free to contact dthompson8@comcast.net for these delicious pecans.

Nov. 3rd, 6 PM, will be a great Movie Night at Keith Elementary's west field, featuring Despicable ME 3. Bring your blankets and we will provide free movie, popcorn, and games. Pizza, water, soda for sale.





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### Election News by Roy Eriksen

My name is Roy Eriksen and I am running on the Libertarian ticket for Texas House District 130 in the upcoming election. I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself and briefly share with you some issues that are close to my heart, this coming legislative session in Austin. My top legislative priorities include making healthcare more affordable for our educators, boosting public education funding, and eliminating the STAAR and other standardized testing. I will also work to insure our community has the resources it needs to prevent future flooding, before another natural catastrophe or something similar strikes again. Other top priorities include maintaining our low tax rates, human trafficking, and illegal immigration. Please go to my website - www.royeriksen.com to follow my campaign and read about these and other issues. You can also read about my candidacy in local candidate guides published by Community Impact Newspaper, The League of Women Voters, Referee PAC, and Leadership ISD. Thank you for your time and I hope to earn your vote.

Disclaimer: This candidate profile is not a campaign endorsement by The Fairfield Gazette or Peel, Inc. and should not be construed as such.



# Birth Announcement

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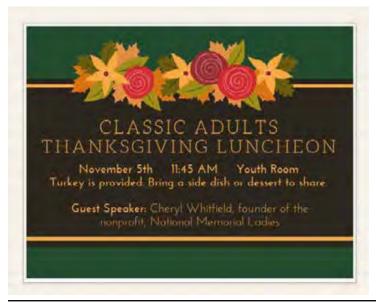
# Good Shepherd Classic Adults Celebrate Thanksgiving Submitted by Joan Hagan



Join Good Shepherd United Methodist Church "Classic Adults" on Monday Nov 5th for our annual Thanksgiving Potluck luncheon. Classic Adults will provide the turkeys, and members and guests are asked to bring their favorite side dishes or desserts to share! This

luncheon is always a treat! As a salute to our veterans, our guest speaker is Cheryl Whitfield, founder of the National Memorial Ladies, a nonprofit organization created to ensure that soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice were not forgotten. Come learn how she came up with a way to commemorate Texas veterans who died overseas.

Good Shepherd UMC Classic Adults welcomes any person 50+ to gather with us for Christian fellowship, entertainment, adventure, and light-hearted and inspirational programs! We meet the first Monday of the month in the Youth Room of the church, located at 20155 Cypresswood Drive. You do not have to be a member of Good Shepherd to attend Classic Adults. For more information and to register for the luncheon go to the Good Shepherd website www.goodchurch.us and click on registrations. Still have questions? Call the church at 281-373-2273. Seating is limited, so register soon.





# CYPRESS CAMPUS

# Missions at Second

Submitted by Jonathan Spencer, Adult Ministries Pastor Second Baptist Church

Missions are the heartbeat of Second Baptist Church! With the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) guiding the church as its mission statement, the Second family focuses heavily on missions efforts all year round.

Every month they partner with 40+ local missions organizations by providing regular volunteers and financial support for those agencies. They also regularly send short-term and long-term missionaries out locally, across the country, and around the world. However, during the month of October, Second places an additional emphasis on missions as they label that month their "Missions Month." In October, the church spotlights some of their missions opportunities, and they offer special projects for their congregation to get involved in the work.

Last month, the Cypress Campus partnered with Rebuilding Together Houston to rebuild two homes in the city for families who were in dire need. Over 150 volunteers gave up their Saturdays that month to be a part of this effort and bless two families in need. Additionally, on October 13th, over 300 Second Baptist members came together at the Cypress Campus to pack and ship 20,000 meals to children in need. These meals were distributed to targeted neighborhoods in Houston where children struggle to eat three good meals a day.

While Missions Month has now concluded, there is still plenty of work to be done! In fact later this month, Second will kick off the Christmas season by hosting its Angels of Light program on Friday November 30th. Over 800 children and parents from communities in need will be picked up and transported to the Cypress Campus as the church's special guests. Every family will be welcomed that night for a free dinner in their honor with entertainment. After the program, every child will take home a wrapped Christmas present and parents will receive groceries and clothing certificates. The church will be accepting toy donations during the month of November to support this cause. If you'd like to make a donation or serve that evening, sign up in the lobby or online at www.second.org/cypress.



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# Fairfield Athletic Club

Please visit our website at www.fairfieldathleticclub.com

If you just moved to the neighborhood be sure to come by the Fairfield Athletic Club anytime we are open to get your membership cards. Our hours are Mon -Thurs 5am-10pm, Fri 5am-8pm, Sat 7am-8pm and Sun 11am-8pm. Be sure to bring proof of residency (HUD Statement from closing or your current driver's license with your Fairfield address). Membership cards are needed to get into the weight room, basketball gym, tennis courts, pools and splash pads.

### **FAC Tennis News**

We offer tennis instruction for kids of all ages and all abilities. Come try out a class with our new Tennis Pro, Jordan Boecker. For more information, call us at 281.373.0834.



### **GYM CLUB**

Get your friends and come join us on starting your healthy journey! Classes are 2 days a week for juniors ages 11-14. For more information, please call the FAC at 281.373.0834.

### 6th Grade After School Program

If your child attends Salyards Middle School we have the perfect spot for you. The program includes 2 days of GYM CLUB, one day of tennis instruction, an tutor to help with homework plus much more.

**For more information contact:** Darlene Sedelmyer, Director of Childcare at 281.373.0834

It's not too late to come and join in on the FUN at the FAC! We still have a few openings for Before & After School. It's like summer camp year-round!

And don't worry Mom and Dad, homework time is on the schedule with our on-staff tutor. For more information:

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# "Antigone" Coming to Salyards Submitted by Jonathan Hubbard

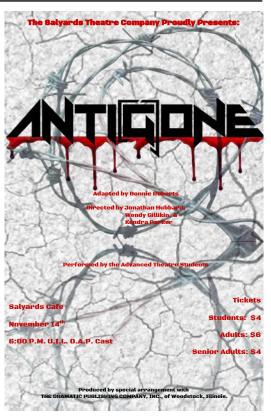
The Salyards Theatre Company proudly presents "Antigone" adapted by Bonnie Roberts. The company will be performing this show on two different dates in November.

Our U.I.L. One Act Play cast which consists of 15 actors, 5 crew members, and 4 alternates will be performing in their official U.I.L. O.A.P. contest on Friday, November 9th, at 1:00 P.M. at the Berry Center. Tickets are \$5 and will allow you to watch all 5 zone 2 shows.

We are the first school to perform in zone 2 and we will be competing against Bleyl MS, Goodson MS, Aragon MS, and Truitt MS. Our cast and crew consists of the following students: Macee Richardson, Teagan Bradley, Mitchell Richardson, Joshua

Wagner, McCartney Bisgard, Megan Matthieu, Joshua Cremer, Hannah Tomaszewski, Natalie Brown, Jackson Nichols, John Parker, Jaycee Osina, Robert Burns, Haylie Stum, Sophie Postell, Berkley Lukish, Molly Swisher, Matteo Caruso, Brandon Blackshear, Jordan Spencer, Alyssa Croce, Zoe Slot, Aubrey Grinslade, Alexis Schelski, and Ellie Kennedy. Come support our amazing students as we compete.

However, if you can't make it on Friday, November 9th, then on Wednesday, November 14th, the UIL OAP Cast, the 2nd Period Cast, and the 8th Period Cast will all be performing their production of "Antigone" at the school at 6:00 P.M. Tickets will be \$4 for students and \$6 for adults. Please support the Theatre Department and come see what talent we have here at Salyards.





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## Swenke is on the GO...

by Shelley Cooper



Our mascot Blizzard is back and will be at more events this year! If you want to be Blizzard, sign up in the Volunteer Opportunities section of swenkepto.org.

Here is a snapshot of our Swenke Elementary upcoming events:

\*Please see the PTO calendar for all events and date changes

- 10/29-11/2 Red Ribbon Week
- 10/29-11-2 Book Fair
- 11/5 3rd, 4th, & 5th P.E. class skating program begins
- 11/5 Mix It Up Lunch (no lunch visitors)
- 11/6 50th Day of School (50's attire)
- 11/7 Nature Trails Field Trip Training (off-site), volunteers welcome!
  - 11/7 Swenke Garden Days (5th) volunteers welcome!
  - 11/8 Teacher/Staff Hospitality
  - 11/9 Veterans' Day Program
  - 11/13 Picture Retakes
  - 11/14 PTO Board Meeting
  - 11/19 23 Student/Staff Holiday Thanksgiving
  - 11/28 Swenke Garden Days (2nd) volunteers welcome! Additional notes of interest:

Keep on the lookout for PTO Fun Facts on Swenkepto.org and our social media outlets!

Visit Swenkepto.org and our social media outlets for volunteer needs and recent announcements.

Yearbooks are on sale, don't miss the deadline even if it is January 1st, Continue submitting those photos to swenkeelementary.yearbook@gmail.com

Watch for information coming soon on the February Dances and the deadline, so you don't miss out!

Fridays are Swenke Spirit Days. Show that Swenke Pride with your gear, available on Swenkepto.org!

See you soon, Swenke Elementary PTO



# 2019 Candy Cane Fun Run & Walk for Education

Please join Ault PTO, Keith PTO, Swenke PTO, and Salyards Middle School for the 7th Annual Candy Cane Fun Run & Walk for Education.

When: Saturday, January 12, 2019. Race starts at 9AM. Where: The race begins & ends in Salyards Middle School Parking Lot

- 3.1 mile timed race through the Fairfield Subdivision
- Participants must be able to finish the course by 10:30am.
- For the safety of all participants pets, bikes, scooters, skates and skateboards are prohibited at this event.
- This is a family-friendly event strollers and wagons are welcome.

NO PROCESSING FEE IF REGISTERED ONLINE BEFORE November 16, 2018

- Online registration takes place until Nov. 30th (Registering during this time frame guarantees a race t-shirt and race bib with a timing chip and no on-line processing fee).
- Late registration takes place 12/8-12/14. (Registering during this time frame does not guarantee a race t-shirt and race bib with a timing chip).

NO ONLINE REGISTRATION AFTER Dec 14th. RACEDAY/WALK-UP REGISTRATION IS STILL AVAILABLE ON Jan 12th .

• Walk-up Registration will take place on race day, Saturday, January 12th beginning at 7:30AM (Registering during this time frame does NOT guarantee a race t-shirt or a race bib with a timing chip).

### RACE DAY SCHEDULE

Walk-up Registration: 7:30AM
Fun Run Opening Ceremony: 8:30AM
Fun Run Begins: 9:00AM
Award Ceremony: 10:00AM

To register for the race or for more information: www. candycanefunrun.com

To sign up for volunteer opportunities: www.candycanefunrun. com/volunteers

If you are interested in being a sponsor: www.candycanefunrun. com

\*All proceeds from the Candy Cane Fun Run will be used to support programs that benefit the students from Ault Elementary, Keith Elementary, Swenke Elementary, and Salyards Middle School.

# Cypress Ranch Theatre The Cypress R Presents: The Little Mermaid School Choirs

Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories and the classic animated film, Disney's The Little Mermaid is a hauntingly beautiful love story for the ages. With music by eight-time Academy Award winner, Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater and a compelling book by Doug Wright, this fishy fable will capture your heart with its irresistible songs, including "Under the Sea," "Kiss the Girl" and "Part of Your World."

Ariel, King Triton's youngest daughter, wishes to pursue the human Prince Eric in the world above, bargaining with the evil sea witch, Ursula, to trade her tail for legs. But the bargain is not what it seems, and Ariel needs the help of her colorful friends, Flounder the fish, Scuttle the seagull and Sebastian the crab to restore order under the sea.

Disney's The Little Mermaid offers a fantastic creative opportunity for rich costumes and sets, as well as the chance to perform some of the best-known songs from the past 30 years.

# The Cypress Ranch High School Choirs Present "Candles & Carols"

The Cypress Ranch Choirs will perform their Winter Concert, "Candles & Carols",

Tuesday, December 11th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cypress Ranch High School Auditorium. Join us for hot chocolate, cookies and holiday cheer!

For more information, please check the Cypress Ranch Choir website http://www.ranchchoir.com



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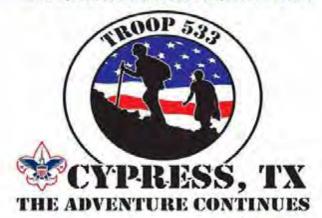
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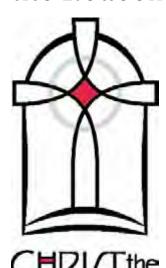


# Tim Thackeray

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### News You Can Use

# 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.

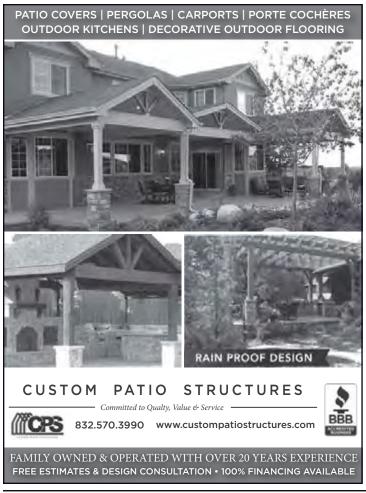
### Our main goals are:

- 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
- 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!







# Cy-Fair Republican Women Second Baptist Church **November Meeting**

CFRW will meet on Tuesday, November 13th, at 10:30 AM. Hearthstone Country Club, 7615 Ameswood, Houston, TX 77095

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

Melissa Rothholz, Director of Shield Bearer Mission, will be our speaker for November and can address the sex trafficking.

Shield Bearer promotes individual growth and development, preserves and enriches marriages and strengthens and unites families. Through a variety of mission focused programs and services, including professional counseling, seminars, retreats and workshops, Shield Bearer is an active partner with community based organizations, hospitals, universities, schools and churches.

See the website for details and RSVP to www.cfrw.net by November 6th.

We look forward to seeing you there. Nancy Roberts, Publicity Chair 713-466-4199, nancyroberts004@att.net Cy-Fair Republican Women info@cfrw.net

# Cypress Christian School

### Senior to Compete in Essay Contest

Lauren Storey was selected to represent Cypress Christian School in the Daughters of the American Revolution annual essay contest. Lauren's essay will be sent to the local chapter where one student will be moved on to the state competition. The scholarship is awarded to students showing dedication to the pursuit of degrees in diverse disciplines including history, law, nursing and education.

### National Merit Hispanic Scholar

Each year students of Hispanic background are recognized for their outstanding scores on the PSAT-NMSQT. Congratulations to Sophia Slabic on this accomplishment!

### Senior Receives State-wide Football Award

Congratulations to Senior Christian Fleischhauer for being honored as the Texas Private School Built Ford Tough Player of the Week. This award is presented to one player, selected from all private schools across the state of Texas.

### **Admissions Information**

Call to schedule a tour, 281.469.7745

**Upcoming Admissions Events:** 

- K-12 Preview November 6
- Student Visitor Day November 13

# Celebrates 2nd Anniversary

It is hard to believe, but Second Baptist Church has already celebrated their second anniversary of their new Cypress Campus! They opened their doors October 30, 2016 and have been very busy since that day. Every Sunday, they offer outstanding Bible Study classes to the community for all ages and stages and dynamic worship featuring live preaching from Pastor Stephen Bailiff. But if you've been around Second, you know that Sunday mornings are just the beginning of their mission. Since Grand Opening two years ago, the Cypress Campus has already experienced these incredible milestones:

- The church offered state of the art VBS programs the past two summers with over 5000 in attendance from the local Cypress area.
- Second adopted 3 local CFISD schools. Every month, Second comes alongside them by mentoring students, supporting teachers, and sponsoring school events.
- They have developed CFISD partnerships including hosting district wide training meetings and seminars. They've also recognized the superintendent and Cypress' two state championship teams on Sunday mornings (Cy-Fair HS and Cypress Christian).
- Christmas events and services have impacted thousands in the area. From their annual Kids Crazy Christmas Shows, to their amazing train displays for the kids, to last year's memorable Christmas Spectacular event, Second has provided an incredible Christmas calendar filled with programs for the entire community.
- They've made the Easter season memorable with a free "Passion Week Experience" exhibit, a 20,000 Easter egg hunt, and incredible celebration services on Sunday mornings.
- Their All American Sunday event on 4th of July weekend was a community favorite, as it featured a carnival and a professional fireworks show for the entire community.
- Second hosted a Dave Ramsey conference, a marriage conference, and special sports camps for kids.
- Following Hurricane Harvey, the Cypress Campus played a pivotal role in ministering to impacted families in NW Houston. Over 1000 volunteers from their church remediated over 240 flooded homes. The church also served as a donation and distribution center and was able to get nearly 300 pallets of goods to families in need.
- They weekly host 500+ ladies from the local Community Bible Study organization.
- Most importantly, they have baptized over 700 people and joined over 1400 new members since opening their doors!

It has been an amazing two years of ministry for the Second Family, but the staff and leadership truly believe the best is yet to come! They'd like to invite you to come worship with them this Fall as they celebrate all that God has done, and look forward with great anticipation to all that is yet to come. For more information you can visit their website at www.second.org/cypress or their facebook page at www.facebook.com/secondcypress

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### **Dawn Fore's Fairfield Market Report**

Neighborhood	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Results		
-	Sold	\$per SqFt	ром
Autumn Park	3	\$99.30	26
Baker's Ridge	11	\$98.19	47
Bluebonnet	3	\$106.38	62
Blue Meadow	4	\$107.11	37
Chappell Ridge	2	\$103.87	12
Cottage Glen	1	\$101.04	26
Estates	3	\$96.23	50
Garden Grove	8	\$100.61	25
Glen	1	\$108.79	18
Inwood Glen	7	\$107.04	31
Inwood Park	5	\$103.78	32
Lake Crest (Patio Homes)	2	\$117.07	17
Lakes	4	\$106.55	46
Lake Point	6	\$104.37	75
Crossing/Landing/Reserve	6	\$109.89	23
Meadows/Park/Retreat	4	\$98.83	92
Oaks/Trails	4	\$105.51	19
Silver Crest	6	\$125.53	48
Sterling Lake Estates	3	\$131.43	55
Summer Crossing/Ridge	7	\$100.62	27
Travis Point	3	\$103.52	22