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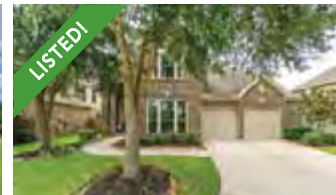
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If you think it is beginning to feel a lot like Christmas, that is because it is. So, hang onto the holiday spirit, crank up your ho, ho, ho and give a little Joy To The World!

We have a full line-up of entrepreneurial stories this month. Don't miss Sarphonn's account of her escape from Cambodia to Thailand in her youth and the fascinating entrepreneurial journey that brings her to Fairfield.

For the second year in a row, Fairfield will be highlighting a Leukemia/Lymphoma Society (LLS) Student of the Year candidate. Bridgeland sophomore, Boy Scout, and businessman Andrew

Nichols gives you more than enough reason to join him in a Toys for Teens Toy Drive this December. Logan Stallone, also a Boy Scout and Bridgeland student is our third entrepreneur. His specialty is hand-turned pens; he will be donating a portion of his proceeds to The Recon Sniper SARC Veteran Pig Hunt organization, B.I.G. Love that helps children in their cancer journey, and P.E.P People Empowering People. Our last human interest story is about Elle Graper, a nine-year-old Fairfield resident, who has been chosen as a Houston finalist for a PBS television show, called the Celebration of Music. Unfortunately, we didn't have enough holiday vendor listings to make a column. Maybe we will try again next year. I needed that space for articles that were left out.

As you peruse the Gazette, please check out what our schools, churches and community organizations will be doing over the holiday.

As I conclude my last editor's message of the year, I ask that for this special season, you step back from the frenzy and get off the hamster wheel. Take time to reflect, meditate and relish the life you have worked so hard to achieve. Most of all, please remember to celebrate the season by helping those less fortunate. Gifts from the heart may be small, but for some, they make all the difference.

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Around Fairfield

Cover Story shared by Sarphonn Paul, transcribed by Jackie Devine

LIFE IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT

My first childhood memories are of my sister and me running through the rice paddies of Cambodia as my mother worked in the fields.

We lived in a small remote village. Looking back, I can still see her barefoot and wrapped in a sarong moving in unison with other women as they were forced into slave labor tending the rice fields to offset the shortages of manpower, draft animals, and farm implements.

It was the 1970's, the Lon Nol government had been abolished. The new regime was executing hundreds of thousands and others dying of disease and starvation were being evacuated to brutal labor camps. Buddhist monks and educated citizens—teachers, doctors, musicians, artists and intellectuals—were being interrogated, tortured and killed.

My father, a teacher, fled during that time. He later sent for us. There was no time to grab even the barest essentials or say goodbye to loved ones. Unprepared for the journey and with no guarantees for our safety we escaped to the Thai border. We slept during the day. At night, we walked and crawled through the underbrush of the jungle laced with landmines, staying hidden and out of sight. In the distance we could hear gunshots and people crying and screaming. Even as children we knew there were people out in the darkness that we couldn't see being hurt.

We arrived at the refugee camp in May 1981, where we found Dad and my maternal family members who I had never met. As bad as the camp might seem by today's standards, it was much better than the life we left back in the village. It felt like paradise.



In August 1981 we learned we had been chosen to migrate to the US. We were assigned to Houston, Texas. I remember seeing the great big plane on the tarmac and thought I was going to heaven.

Flying into Houston created another mind shift. Seeing the buildings, cars, and people speaking languages I didn't understand was mind boggling. We were housed with other refugee families on Caroline Street in Houston. Curtains, giving us privacy, separated our living quarters.

Within a few days, we were sent to live in Conroe where my dad found a job as a custodian for Conroe school district. Four to six weeks later, Mom also got a job. At first, he walked. Then, he bicycled to work. Rain or shine. Proudly, he would boast later, "I never missed a day of work."

Mom and Dad always put education first. They told us, "We can't give you much, but we can make sure that you get a good education."



Growing up, we were expected to help them when they picked up extra jobs. There was very little free time. Weekends, holidays, evenings, they would clean offices, churches and residential homes.

My sister and I were sheltered. There was no dating, school parties, or sleepovers.

As I contemplated college, my only options were Sam Houston or the University of Houston. Either one I would have to commute. I chose Sam Houston. This is where I met my husband. He was Hindu; I was Buddhist. Because both families believed in arranged marriages, we broke all the traditional rules.

After graduation, I held several corporate positions. One day out of the blue, my husband came home and told me he had bought me a liquor store. I'd no idea he had planned to make such a substantial investment, nor why he chose a liquor store.

I guess it was because of my parents. After they retired, they cashed in their entire retirement and bought a liquor store in Jefferson, Texas. Frankly, it's incredible that they made it. They knew absolutely nothing about selling liquor. But, they survived and have been very successful.

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It has been a real journey, I traded a life of stability with recurring paychecks to that of the entrepreneurial path—with no guarantees: a life of competition, employee relations and razor-thin profit margins. However, it has changed my life, in a good way. Now I own two locations, my original shop at 290 and West 34th Street, and Civic Liquor & Wine here in Fairfield. I enjoy the challenge.

In closing I asked Sarphonn after all is said and done, what had she learned from life. Her answer, “Opportunity is out there. Hard work will take you places. Look at my parents starting with \$50. Look how far we have come. Hard work and dedication will take you anywhere you want to go!”

Sarphonn and her husband have two boys. Shawn just turned 20 and is a student at A&M, and Andy is a junior in high school. Although they are American through and through, Sarphonn insists that she is trying to instill in her children the love of education and the



importance of the strong work ethic that her parents passed along to her and her sister.



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Around Fairfield

A Teen That Makes Every Minute Count *by Jackie Devine*



The call came in on October 12, Andrew Nichols left a message telling me that Bradley Hooten told him to reach out to me about helping him promote his upcoming Eagle Scout toy drive in the Gazette. Bradley was the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society (LLS) Student of the Year for 2018 that we featured in January. In just 6 weeks, Bradley's Team Triumph raised a grand total of \$65,757!

Just pondering the possibility of covering another LLS Student candidate who was also an Eagle Scout put me in high gear. Catching up with Andrew was easy; syncing our calendars was not. It turned out that the Bridgeland High School sophomore is deeply ensconced in school activities, scouts, and runs two very successful companies—Andrew's Artisan Cakes and Andrew's Artisan Pens.

Three weeks out, the day finally arrived. Susan (Andrew's mother), Andrew, and their two beautifully groomed poodles, Autumn and Winter, met me at the door. Stepping across the threshold and into their warm, inviting home, I knew at once I was going to enjoy the interview. Little did I suspect, I would be gifted two stories, each worth investing time and the necessary resources to produce major award-winning IMAX quality documentaries.

Jumping right in, I asked Andrew why he was chosen to become an LLS Student of the Year nominee.

"As a matter of fact," he said, as if it was commonplace for a 16-year-old to get high-end coverage from one of Houston's leading media outlets, "Channel 13 ran a story on Andrew's Artisan Cakes, and part of my interview was focused on Cakes for Cancer. It seems someone working at LLS picked up on my interest in creating cakes for cancer patients and nominated me as a contender."

In September, he received an e-mail from LLS saying that he had been nominated and wanted to know if he was interested in participating.

"After they contacted me, I had a lot to consider before accepting the offer. Not only was I concerned about my school activities and running my businesses, but I also wanted to become an Eagle Scout by May. All I had left to do was my project and one merit badge. I wanted to make sure I had the time to dedicate to my Eagle Scout project.

"So, the first thing we did was ask for a meeting to find out whether it was even a possibility. We met at Starbucks and talked about the Eagle Scouts and bounced around a few ideas. Then, I spoke to my Boy Scout Leader. We discussed running a toy drive for my Eagle Scout project for kids with Leukemia or cancer.

"After researching the idea, we found that teens were the most forgotten age along with personal experiences and activities. They needed books, movies, and games for their age. It seems they get a lot of donations for younger kids age four through 12, but the older ones seem to fall between the cracks.

"It only took us a short while to come up with a plan. After we

called a family caucus and agreed on the plan, we expanded that to friends and potential multi-generational team members. In the end, we decided that we could mobilize a team to help me with my Eagle Scout merit badge project, Toys for Teens Fighting Cancer Toy Drive and on the heels of that, launch the 7-week LLS campaign to raise money and awareness to fight blood cancers."

Next came the approval process. Andrew's idea had to be sanctioned at the troop level, committee level, and Sam Houston Council. The Andrew Nichols Eagle Scout Project (Troop 533) was approved in October.

Susan explained, "On August 20, 2014, I was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Thanks to God and my support team, I am now in remission.

"When this came along our family's first thought was, we already had the platform and an extensive support system to hopefully do some real good with this campaign. Although Andrew is the highlight and the student, we can't neglect the fact that everybody he has on his team is not just people he knows but people who have cared for us. For example, I had groups of people who had to come around the clock to give me drugs that would take two and three hours to administer. They had to get trained and would come three times a day for 3-hour stints to administer medication. Those are the type of people that are on the team.

"So, together we made the decision to be part of an initiative that can potentially find a cure and contribute to creating a world without blood cancer---and we threw our hat in the ring."

November 11th and 12th posters and collection boxes were delivered. The collection began November 26th and will run through December 21st.

You can help Andrew in his Eagle Scout Project benefiting Teen cancer patients at Texas Children's Hospital by dropping off your new and unwrapped toys to a designated location: Drop Off Sit Locations

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- Cy-Ranch FFA
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- Texas Children's Urgent Care (Fairfield)
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Susan Nichols, Andrew's mother, is the reason Andrew is eager to join the campaign. He says LLS does more to advance science and support patients than any other cancer organization. The fact that she is a participant in one of their research efforts is the reason she is in remission today. You will learn more about Susan and her journey to recovery in the Gazette's January issue.



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Meet Elle *Submitted by Traci Graper*



Elle Graper, a nine year old Fairfield resident, has been chosen as a Houston finalist for a PBS television show, hosted by Ethan Bortnick, called the Celebration of Music. Elle was chosen out of hundreds of contestants to compete in the Houston finals along with twenty-one other child musicians.

Elle is an avid dancer, singer and actress and has performed in several local shows. She has trained at Theatre Under the Stars: Humphreys School of Musical

Theatre since she was four years old, where she enjoys performing at local community events as well as volunteering with The River Program for inclusive arts. She has had the opportunity to train with the Joffrey School and A Class Act New York. Some of Elle's favorite roles have been "Zuzu Bailey" in Houston Grand Opera's World Premiere of It's a Wonderful Life and "Little Nanny Tickle" in TUTS Sleeping Beauty and Her Winter Knight. Elle loves lending her talent to bring awareness and raise money for causes she believes in.

As a child, music has always been something that has given Elle hope and an outlet to cope with the struggles of having Cystic Fibrosis. When Elle isn't at dance class, singing a song, or performing on stage, she is working hard to fight the progression of her disease. Elle spends three to five hours each day doing breathing treatments and wearing a vest in order to try and fight the build up of mucus in her lungs. Music and performing not only help strengthen Elle's lungs, but allow her to escape the world of doctors and pills and just be a kid. Elle often comments that "I am just really lucky that I happen to love the things that work to keep me healthy". Elle's childhood dream is to move to New York City and perform in a Broadway show.

The Houston concert for The Celebration of Music will be held at Match Theatre on December 14th. One finalist will be chosen based on popular vote, and will proceed to the Los Angeles final show. You can read more about Elle, watch her video, and vote at <https://celebrationofmusic.com/elle-graper>.





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COLLECTION & PICK-UP DATES

Collection begins: Monday, November 26, 2018
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Collection ends: Friday, December 21, 2018
Delivery to Texas Children's Hospital: February 24



Growing Strong Through Adversity

Submitted by Logan's Mom, Donna Stallone



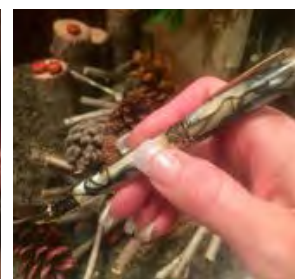
As a sophomore and honor roll student at Bridgeland High School, Logan found his passion for making pens in Mr. Josh Simmons' tech class in 2017. He continued honing his skills and began making specialty pens in the summer of 2018 as a small hobby that has grown into an exciting business. His work has been featured on Facebook, trade shows, gift markets, and the VFW. He will also exhibit at The Farmers Market at Bridgeland on December 17th.

Logan's attention to detail produces some of the most beautiful and unique pens made of exotic woods and acrylics. They are all hand turned on a lathe with no two pens looking alike. The possibilities range from ballpoint, roller ball, fountain pens, and mechanical pencils. They feature all branches of military service. Plus, there are pens for businessman, first responders, college and sports fans, fisherman, hunters, bikers, Mardi Gras revelers, and cancer survivors.

While engraving is available on all pens, his service pens have gained popularity across the nation because he has partnered with a veteran-owned business licensed to engrave military logos. Logan's strength behind his work ethic, interest in building a business, and managing finances at his age are impressive. But, I'm convinced, they come from a place of appreciation and gratitude produced by life's hardships at an early age with his father's longtime battle with head and neck cancer.

Pen making has given Logan and his father a much-needed outlet and a great way to spend quality time together pursuing something they both genuinely love.

While cancer cannot destroy hope, it undoubtedly challenges those touched by it in unimaginable ways. It forces us to seize the moment and do more with less. L.E.S. Enterprises was formed using Logan's



initials. Some may call that coincidence or intelligent design, others would argue that coincidence is when God remains anonymous.

Logan has devised a way to use his creativity, talent and business skill to honor his father's battle with cancer, grandfather's military career, and the tragic loss of a beloved aunt to suicide. He will be donating pens to three non-profits: (1) The Recon Sniper SARC Veteran Pig Hunt organization which supports Marine Corps veterans in troubling times especially those with PTSD (2) B.I.G. Love who help children in their cancer journey, and (3) P.E.P People Empowering People to unify and rally together through hard times for which Logan's father was an honoree in 2017.

We look forward to helping you select a pen for your holiday gift giving. To inquire about corporate gifts, special orders or for more information on how to "Do more with LES Enterprises," call us at (281) 814-2171. You can also send messages on Facebook and view a gallery of pens by using the following:

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Around Fairfield

December Yard of the Month

Sponsored by the Fairfield Women's Club

Submitted by Deborah Worley, Yard of the Month Chairperson

We are in late fall and still are seeing many yards that are well maintained. Thanks to all of you, Fairfield is standing up well.

This month we visited part of the Lakeside Trails Village. The areas included: The Lakes, The Pines and The Estates.

For the month of December we are featuring the home of Matthew & Georgina Glendon located at 20319 Timberline Trail in The Estates. Their yard was ablaze with gorgeous color, beautifully landscaped and well maintained. Matthew & Georgina share their home with their two son's Gideon & Elliott and Georgina's parents, Buster & Lois Hunt.

Let me begin by telling you, this was the most enthusiastic notification for The Yard of the Month that I have experienced. Upon introducing myself and announcing that their home was selected for the December issue of the YOM, Lois was jumping up and down with excitement, laughing and saying "Finally! I have been working on this yard everyday hoping to make The Yard of the Month!" You did it Lois, job well done! Lois is a good Southern woman who takes great pride and joy in her flowers.

Their yard is anchored by large mature trees that have been well pruned. Depending on the time of year, their White Crepe Myrtles will give them some nice blossoms. Near the stately pillars on the main entrance are huge healthy Sago Palms accented with adjacent large white pots filled with Mums. Lois walked me through every plant. We hit on nearly 2 dozen of them and still didn't cover all of the gorgeous perennials. Let me try and rattle off a few for you; Veronica, Red and Yellow purple peppers, Pentas, Zimbia, Marigolds, Knockout Roses, Coleus, Impatiens, Spider plants, petunias, Verbena, Dusty Miller, Calla Lilies, Gerber Daises, Hostas, Amaryllis, Caladium and a host of others. Lois's husband, Buster helps her by keeping the yard mowed and the trees and shrubs trimmed. You can often see the two of them sitting in the rocking chairs on the front porch relaxing and enjoying the fruits of their loving labor.

Congratulations Matthew & Georgina Glendon and to your parents, Buster and Lois Hunt on our December Yard of the Month honoree. Your property is showing beautifully a labor of love.



Fairfield Womens Club

to our website, fairfieldwomensclub.org, and we will personally deliver your order. All proceeds go to our Volunteer Fire Department, Constables, and all of the schools that our Fairfield students attend.

The Women's Club also held Movie Night on Nov. 3rd. The weather was wonderful which brought out many families to watch Despicable Me 3. Toni Scott and Joan Gondenese did a wonderful job of organizing the event. We had FWC volunteers to run the concessions but the outstanding helpers were the Cy-Ranch Key Club students. They were all self-starters and worked to set up the venue as well as clean up and return tents, ice chest, etc. to storage. Thank you Key Club members! At the November General meeting, Lisa Cannon led the club in making a holiday craft.

There will not be a general meeting for the month of December. We feel December is time for families and the needed to prepare for the holidays. However, we will have Lunch Bunch on Dec. 13th, 11:30, at Dario's Bistro, next to Alecia's Mexican Restaurant.

All women of Fairfield are encouraged to join Women's Club. We meet the third Tues. evening at 7:00 at Bradford Creek Clubhouse. We also designate the 2nd Thursday at 11:30 to Lunch Bunch. Please join us.

The Women's Club has been busy selling Priester's Pecans. If you have not had a chance to purchase any, please go

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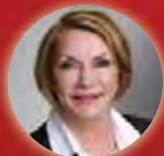
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Around Fairfield

Notice For Inwood Park Homeowners Only

Dear Inwood Park Homeowners,

Effective December 1st, First Service Residential (FSR) will no longer be the Managing Agent for Inwood Park. Our new Managing Agent will be Crest Management who is well known and respected in the community management industry.

We certainly hope there will be no inconvenience for anyone, but please bear with us during this transition from one management company to another.

If you've not yet submitted your assessment, please forward it to: Crest Management

P.O. Box 219320, Houston, TX 77218

If you've already sent your assessment, please don't be alarmed, all funds will be forwarded to Crest and will be credited to your account.

If you have any questions regarding your assessment, please contact Jon Clark at Crest

Management 281-945-4626 Jon.Clark@Crest-Management.com. If you have any questions regarding a deed violation or just have a general question, please contact Jennifer Thomas at Crest-Management at 281-945-4679 Jennifer.Thomas@Crest-Management.com

Your new Community Manager will be Linda Hermon, Linda.Hermon@Crest-Management.com 281-945-4659

As usual, if you have any questions or concerns for your Board, please email us or you're welcome to attend our next meeting. The date has not yet been confirmed, but prior notice will be given.

Board of Directors

Inwood Park

Christmas Tree Recycling

Submitted by Scott M. Millior

Let these Boys Have a Blast,

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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!

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Love, Mom & Dad

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Happy 10th birthday, Mitchell! We love you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Leah, Jenna & Norah
December 28th

Christmas at Second Baptist

Christmas at Second is a wonderful tradition for thousands in the Greater-Houston area. Every Christmas season, Second Baptist Church offers dozens of opportunities for families to make memories, have fun together, and most importantly, celebrate our Savior's coming. This year at the Cypress Campus, Second Baptist Church will offer a full calendar of activities for the entire family to enjoy during the month of December. From their free state-of-the-art Christmas production, The Kids Crazy Christmas Show, to their incredible train displays in their lobby, there will be many opportunities for you to bring your family and friends to share in the Christmas excitement with the Second family.



The Christmas season will be capped off by two amazing events that you will not want to miss. On December 16th, Second will host its "Christmas Spectacular" event free of charge at the Cypress Campus. The event will kick off at 4pm with an outdoor Christmas festival featuring live country music, inflatables and train rides for the kids, food trucks, fire pits and s'mores, special characters, and more. At 6pm, the crowd will transition inside the worship center for a family-friendly Christmas concert led by the nationally acclaimed vocal group, Veritas. Then the following week, the Cypress Campus will offer three identical candlelight services for the entire community. Come experience the wonder of Christmas at 6pm on Sunday December 23rd, or 4pm and 6pm on Monday December 24th. These worship services will feature familiar carols, a children's nativity scene, and a special time of candle lighting following the message. The Cypress Campus invites you to check out their full schedule below and join them for an amazing month with the Second family!

Sunday Mornings (December 2nd , 9th , 16th, 23rd)

- 9:30am Bible Study and 11am Worship
- Each weekend will feature different attractions including train displays in the Lobby, a human-sized snow globe for pictures, live ice sculpting demonstrations, hot chocolate and wassail, and train rides for the kids.

Special Events

- The Kids Crazy Christmas Show – December 6th- 8th - FREE
Showtimes: Thursday – 6:30PM and 7:30PM, Friday – 6:30PM and 7:30PM, Saturday – 10AM and 11AM
- Second Kids Story time at the Trains – December 3rd, 12th, 20th FREE
10AM at the train displays in the Lobby
Cookie decorating, a train scavenger hunt, hot chocolate, and a story time for the kids
- Second's Christmas Spectacular – December 16th – FREE
4PM – Outdoor Christmas Festival
6PM – Family friendly Christmas concert featuring Veritas
- Candlelight Worship Services – December 23rd and 24th
Sunday December 23rd: 6PM
Monday December 24th: 4PM and 6PM

Sports Section

Fairfield Athletic Club News

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.

Toys For Tots

Thank you for your support in helping local families in need! We are accepting unused and unwrapped toys at the FAC through December 12th.

Summer Camp Registration begins January 2nd!

Don't miss out on all the fun! Spots fill up quickly so don't delay! Packets will be available on-line or at the front desk.

Summer Camp begins June 3rd through August 23rd. Available for children entering Kindergarten through students entering 6th grade.

For more information Contact: Darlene Sedelmyer, Director of Child Care at 281.373.0834 "The FAC is the FUN place to be!"

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

Congratulations on a Fantastic 2018 FSA Volleyball Season!

Junior Division:



1st place - Coach Les McMullen Team Name: 'Hot Tamales'



2nd place - Coach Jeff Owles - Team Name: 'Blue Lightening'

Sophomore Division:



1st place - Coaches Cheryl McPhail & Amy Gruber
Team Name: 'Royals'

*2nd place - Coach Bree Griffin
Team Name: 'Firecrackers'*



Tournament Standings:

Junior Division:

1st place - Coach Jeff Owles
Team Name: 'Blue Lightening'

2nd place - Coach Les McMullen
Team Name: 'Hot Tamales'

Sophomore Division:

1st place - Coach Rob Walker
Team Name: 'Orange Crush'

2nd place - Coach Bree Griffin
Team Name: 'Firecrackers'

Freshmen Division:

1st place - Coach Sherry Keys & Kay Jukes
Team Name: 'The Swarm'

2nd place - Coaches Stacie Howell & Tee-Jay Bradford
Team Name: 'The Goats'

Team SWARM won the Fairfield Freshman Volleyball Championship and also went undefeated for the season!



Keith Sock Hop a Success

Submitted by Patricia Zepeda

The Keith Elementary annual Sock Hop was a great success! Current Cougar families, alumni, community partners and area residents all enjoyed a spectacular evening of games, food, and fun. We were also treated to a special musical program presented by our 4th grade students, under the direction of Mrs. Pfeffer, Music Teacher.

Principal, Dawn Tryon said, "This event is something our staff looks forward to all year long. It gives our teachers and students an opportunity to connect outside of the classroom and build on our commitment to fostering relationships with each and every student and their family.

"We'd like to give a special thanks to our event sponsors and community partners: The Oaks Dog Ranch, The Law Firm of Salazar & Velazquez, Cypress Pediatric Dentistry, Boutwell Properties, Marberry Machine, Inc., HEB, Texas Boys Balloons, & Zaxby's.

"Of course, we cannot say enough about the support and care extended by our Cougar families. A huge thanks to all of the parents who donated items for our auction baskets, our candy and cake walk, and the countless hours spent helping us to prepare and decorate. We are grateful for your generosity and thank you for all you do!"



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Assault	3
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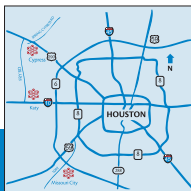
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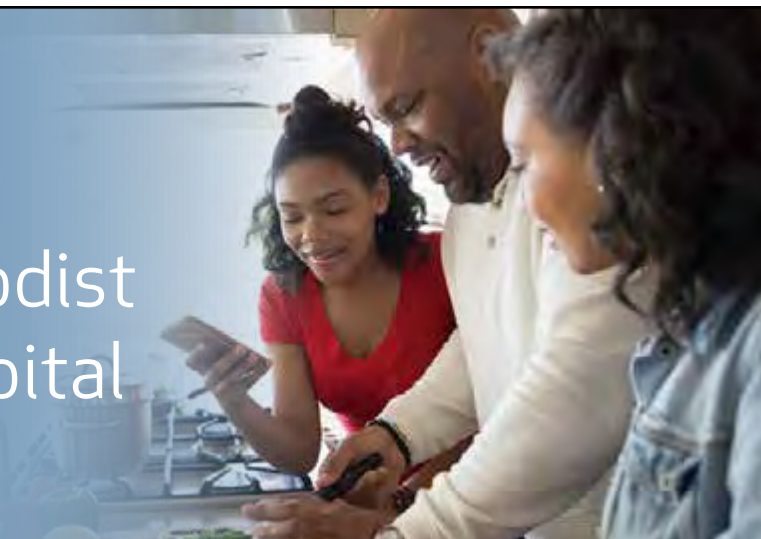
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School News

Big Fish Performance at Bridgeland

By Cory Kelly, Director of Theater Arts



Of course I attended the performance of Big Fish at Bridgeland High School. My granddaughter is a student there and I wanted to support everything her school does.

But, I was blown away not only with the performance and stage production but also the introduction of Cory Kelly, Director of Theater Arts. He asked our student body and parent community to pay heed to the story line as he advised us all to:

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be – A MUSICAL - tonight without the help of our Orchestra Director – Christina LeBlanc – serving as Music Director, and the help of Mr. John Krystyniak (Christian-ak) serving as our vocal coach. Nowhere in their job description is School Musical part of their requirement, but we see musicals as the ultimate collaboration of our art forms, and so valuable for the students. Also, the work of our Student Choreographers – Abigail Cate, Kailey Hatter, Alyssa Martinez, and Macennah Crawford who put forth the work over the summer to design the dance for this show. Then, as you know, kids who love musical theatre – LOVE musicals. With over 133 Hours of Rehearsal Time – you don't commit to this unless you love it! Lastly, I can't forget our parents – the work that our parents have put in to polish looks, organize pieces, and generally help me maintain my sanity in the swirling sea of things that need to be done leading up to a show – I could not do without them.”

And we must Live Bigger: “Edward (our lead character) uses stories to make sense of life's obstacles and create a world of magic for his child in the face of periods of absence in Will's life. Putting on a production is full of obstacles, but the process is the potion that makes the magic of a production. The story teaches us all how to pursue our best life in the face of all of its challenges.”

Who wouldn't want their child to be guided and directed by a teacher like Cory Kelly? Luckily they are the recipients of a gifted individual who is dedicated to promoting talented performers and crew, which includes exciting and unsurpassed stage production.



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School News

Salyards Middle School Builder's Club is Here to Serve

The Salyards Middle School Builder's Club kicked off the 2018-19 school year by introducing our students to the various ways of becoming involved in our community and how to become better leaders who help shape our world in positive ways. Part of the Kiwanis Club family, the Builder's Club is an international service organization promoting the vision to develop competent, capable, caring leaders through the vehicle of service. Also connected to the high school Key Club, we participate in local service projects and volunteering opportunities.

At our first meeting, students made homemade dog toys for local animal shelters; and this week we are kicking off our campaign to assist Books Between Kids which is a non-profit organization founded in 2012 to serve Houston's at-risk children by providing them with books to build their own home libraries. Many elementary-aged children live at or below the poverty line. Priorities for these children and their families are food, clothing and shelter – all other items fall into the category of “want”. Research has shown that children growing up in homes without books, where books are considered a luxury, are less likely to complete a basic education than their peers who do have books available at home (University of Nevada, 2010). Books Between Kids strives to change this scenario by collecting gently used books and distributing them to children in need. To help this cause, the Salyards Builder's Club is collecting new or gently used children's books for Books Between Kids. We are going

to have boxes located on every floor and in the front office and on the stage for drop-offs.

The Salyards Builder's Club meets every second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 2:40 – 3:30 p.m., and our club sponsors are Carol Siwald (Carol.Siwald@cfisd.net) and Tracey Selmon (Tracey.Selmon@cfisd.net).



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Salyards Middle School BAKE 2 BLESS

by Julie Gibbs

The Salyards Middle School "BAKE 2 BLESS" cooking club has been spreading kindness throughout the school this fall. Each week the students meet after school and bake something delicious to show appreciation to staff members at SALYARDS. Pictured are some of the club members with the banana bread they baked for the cafeteria staff.



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News You Can Use

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December 8 at 2:00 pm
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bridgelandhstheatre.org

Students and Senior Citizens \$8 online/\$10 at the door
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A Christmas Carol

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Fairfield Seniors are an active, 50+, group of couples and singles who enjoy fellowship and various other activities together.

DECEMBER SCHEDULE: December 13th: Pot Luck at the Lakeside Club House has been cancelled. We will have our Annual Gift Exchange (around \$15.00) at our January pot luck. Ham & Turkey provided, just bring the side dishes & desserts.

December 18th, Game Night at the Cooks' House, has been cancelled.

December 7th, and December 21st, breakfast at Denny's restaurant, near Home Depot. We start ordering around 9 am. December 14th, and December 28th, we have game afternoons at the Lakeside clubhouse from 1pm to 4pm. We play dominoes and the card game hand and foot. Bring your own snacks and drinks. OUR FAIRFIELD FIFTY PLUS WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER 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

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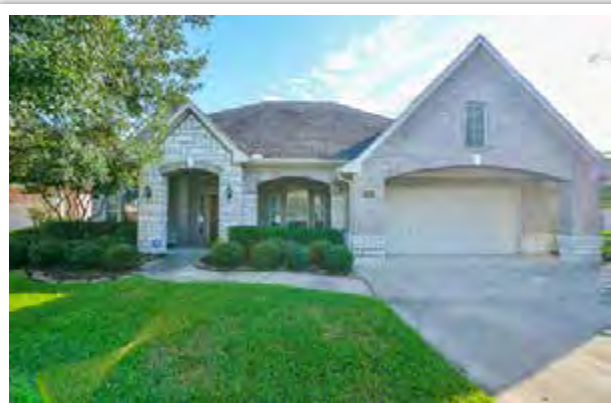


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Good Shepherd Classic Adults December 3rd Christmas Luncheon

By Joan Hagan

Kick off your holiday season with good friends, good food, and a good time! Classic Adults' Christmas luncheon is set for Monday, December 3, at 11:45AM in the youth room of Good Shepherd Church. We will enjoy holiday entertainment with a performance by the Cy-Woods High School Choir, and dancing by our very own Silver Liners dance team! A Mexican food buffet will warm your tummy! To warm our hearts, we are putting together a collection of gift cards for the young residents of Boys & Girls Country in Hockley, TX. If you'd like to participate, please bring a gift card to our DEC. 3rd luncheon from any of the following

stores/restaurants: Wal-Mart, Sonic, McDonalds, Chick-Fil-A, Subway, Whataburger, Academy, or any store in the Outlet Mall. Any amount is appreciated. (No need to gift wrap.)

Please be sure to register for the luncheon on the church website www.goodchurch.us under "Registrations". The lunch buffet will cost \$8 per person.

Good Shepherd Classic Adults welcomes any person 50+ to gather with us for Christian Fellowship, entertainment, adventure, and light hearted and inspirational programs! You do not have to be a member of Good Shepherd to attend Classic Adults. For more information on Classic Adults go to the Good Shepherd website www.goodchurch.us and click on Adult Ministries or call the church at (281) 373-2273.

When you get your new 2019 planner, mark Jan 7th to kick off the new year with Classic Adults!!! We meet the first Monday of the month...unless it falls on a holiday, then it's the second Monday! If you'd like to be on our e-mail list, contact the church with your info!

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

The Advent and Christmas seasons will again be times of fun and inspiration at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church. All the Fairfield community is invited to join in the festivities.

Sunday, December 9th at 4 pm Good Shepherd will present "Christmas at Good Shepherd" featuring the Chancel Choir and Orchestra and Good Shepherd praise band in a full-scale musical celebration. Selections will range from traditional Christmas favorites to contemporary songs of the season. The event will include a beautiful candlelight sing along time.

Then, an annual Fairfield favorite returns. The Good Shepherd

Hayride and Hot Dog Roast will take place Friday, December 14 at 6 pm. Bring your whole family for hot dogs and s'mores over open fires. Christmas movies, games, hayrides on beautifully decorated wagons through the surrounding neighborhoods, and the chance to visit with Santa are some of the exciting events planned for the evening.

On Christmas Eve, December 24, Good Shepherd will offer three worship services. Our family service begins at 2 pm and will feature the "Throw Down Christmas Pageant." Children are invited to help act out the Biblical Christmas story on stage in provided costumes. It is always a lively and moving portrayal of the arrival of the baby Jesus. Two traditional candlelight services will follow at 4 and 6 pm.

Admission is free for all events. We hope you will make these Christmas celebrations with Good Shepherd Church a part of your holiday traditions.

LDS Church

We wanted to announce a very exciting worldwide event this Christmas season called Light the World!

During the four weeks leading up to Christmas, there will be four different themes: light the world, light your community, light your family and light your faith.

Go to lighttheworld.org to learn more! Each week there will be ideas listed on how you can light others and yourself. It is an amazing way to bring the light of the holidays and the light of Christ into your holiday celebrations.

To top of the event there will be a Christmas Sunday Service on December 23rd at The Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints. located at 21521 Fairfield Place Dr. at 1 pm.

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News You Can Use

Cypress Area Eats Gives Nutritional Presentation

Metta Archilla, founder of Cypress Area Eats gave an informative presentation on Health and Nutritional needs of those entering the senior living lifestyle to residents of Fairfield Creek Estates, a senior living community in Fairfield in November.

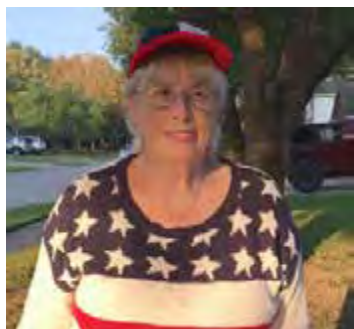
In addition to highlighting the challenges faced by seniors regarding health-related issues, she also offered tips and tricks dealing with healthy food choices, how to make smart purchases, and how to combine foods for the most health benefits.

Most beneficial of all, after offering samples of healthy food choices, she provided nutrition facts and useful recipes.

For more information or how to have Metta speak at your event, please visit Metta Marie Archilla at Cypress Area Eats.



What is Happening at the VFW? *Submitted by Donna Morse*



December 1st is Wrestling Night. Doors open at 6:30 and the festivities start at 7:30. The snack bar will be open. You can choose from Frito Pie, Nachos, hot dogs, hamburgers and fries. The VFW Auxiliary will provide desserts. Drinks can be purchased at the canteen window.

Steak Night is December 7th, Pearl Harbor Day! Come out and enjoy a ribeye steak, baked potato, salad, and dessert for \$12.00. Orders are taken at 6:30.

VFW Post 8905 is sponsoring their annual Christmas Dinner Party on December 8th at 5:30. Families are invited. Bring your kids and grandkids because Santa will be there. At 8:30 the band will start to play and the dancing will begin.

December 15th, celebrates Wreaths Across America. Wreaths will be placed at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Get there early. You can find information on the VFW website or local TV stations.

December 31st is our annual New Years Eve Dance at the Post. Sorry, no kids. At 11:00 we will serve black-eyed peas and cornbread.

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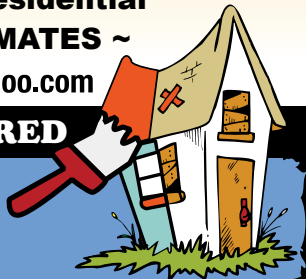
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