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YARD OF THE MONTH



Yard of the Month for May 2007
Cindy and Scott Fiddler
9302 Skipping Stone Lane

Cindy and Scott Fiddler have lived at 9302 Skipping Stone Lane since 1998 (the house at the end of Stone Castle). Scott is a trial attorney specializing in employment law. His law practice is located on Jones Road. Cindy works as an interior designer out of her home office. When they are not working, they are on the golf course at Champions Golf Club. They have two Persian cats named Godfrey and Bitzy Boo.

The Fiddler's front yard was landscaped by 1B Landscape. The front bed features daylilies, plumbago, loropetalum, viburnum, foxtail ferns, agapanthus, Knockout roses and the Fiddler's two favorite plants: Valentine antique roses and the large, yellow daisy looking flowers called rudbeckias near the front door. The urns are filled with butterfly iris and various annuals.

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Trash Pick-Up

Submitted by Corbin Redd

For those property owners who haven't realized, trash days have changed to Monday and Thursday, beginning 1-1-07. Please put trash out by curb, at the earliest, on the eve of pickup. It is so unsightly to drive through our beautiful Willowbridge subdivision, Thursday (after trash pickup)-Sunday to see trash bags everywhere. If everyone followed the correct procedure, our neighborhood would be a pleasant sight during the weekends.

THANK YOU...

To the person or group that decided to put in new landscaping at the entrance to the Willowbridge Subdivision at West and Willowbridge Parkway.

The new design shows others that the neighborhood is well maintained and tasteful.

Plus it is very pleasing to those who live here and drive by the entrance each day.

Sincerely,
A Neighbor



Willowbridge - Stonebridge

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Parked Cars

Submitted by a Willowbridge Resident

When I moved to Willowbridge I thought it was so nice, with big open streets and groomed yards. The classic style of the homes and wide space between properties gave me an impression of distinction, similar to many of the more expensive neighborhoods in the city. It made you feel like taking a walk and being part of the place you called home.

Unfortunately, as of late I'm not seeing the tasteful place I moved in to. I'm not feeling safe driving my streets.

I am asking those in the subdivision to stop parking on the street. There are many reasons that this is needed:

1. Safety - you can not see others coming toward you on a curve, and we have a lot of curved streets. We're having to drive down the middle of the street while others are coming at us.
2. Safety - children can run out from behind these cars and we will not see them until we are upon them
3. Safety - it's become an obstacle course. Some believe they are race car drivers - swerving and slashing to within inches of the parked cars and people. While those who live near the cars must maneuver around the cars to get out of their own drives and miss those coming toward them.
4. Neighborhood appeal - it makes the neighborhood look tacky to those who visit and those who might want to buy a home here. Our streets are starting to look like a used car lot.

Most homes have long driveways which have open spaces, but there are still cars parked in front of the house on the curb. Yes, it might involve the occasional "car switch". But isn't the safety and pride of our surroundings worth it.

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Lyn Edler

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Home after 6:00: 832-237-9445

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July:

Thursday, July 26, 2007 • 7:00 pm

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Neighborhood Teenage Baby-Sitters Available!

Are you in need of baby-sitting? Contact one of the following and help our neighborhood youth earn a little extra money.

Name	Birthday	Phone Number	Parents
Carmen Colmenero	3/9/89	281-890-3223	Jaime & Juanita Colmenero
Catherine Tran	12/21/88	832-452-2439 281-897-9031	Hiep & Yen Tran
Jade Smith	4/16/92	281-469-5601	Don & Mary Smith
Morgan Hurst	3/9/95	281-235-5641 281-897-8910	Freddy & Kim Hurst

Thank You!

The senior parents of Jersey Village High School would like to thank all of the businesses that donated gifts to Project Prom 2007.

Welcoming Committee Updates:

The Welcoming Committee for the Willowbridge and Stone Bridge Communities has decided to put together a vendor list of the residents to include in the welcome packet that new homeowners receive when they move in. They are also looking for gift certificates to give those new to our community offering discounts or free services, please remember that business cards and or brochures will not be accepted. If you would like to donate a gift certificate or to be on the vendor list please email your business name, contact information and a brief summary of the services or products you provide to Lynette@lrink.com. This is great opportunity to network within your own community and receive free advertising we hope that you take advantage!

Lynette Rink is the new committee chairman for the neighborhood welcoming committee. She has lived in Willowbridge since 1999 and has agreed to volunteer her time to help those who are new to the community. If you have any suggestions for her please email Lynette@lrink.com.

Sunday, July 1st "Freedom Celebration"

5:30-9:30pm

Everyone's Invited!

Live Music

Rock | Country | Oldies | Contemporary Christian

Food

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Summer Camps at Cypress Christian School

Cypress Christian School will once again host summer camps for children and adults in the community.

Camp Invention - June 4 - 8: This is a week-long summer enrichment program in the fields of science, mathematics, history, and the arts for children entering grades 1 - 6.

Computer Explorers Summer Camp - June 11 - 15: During this week-long summer camp, elementary students will discover how to become Master Builders with hands-on exploration of engineering, construction, and programming.

High Touch - High Tech Science Camp - June 18- 22: This is a one-week session that brings a child's imagination to life as he/she enjoys a variety of interactive, science-related activities. It will be an inspiring week of fun and learning!

St. Thomas University Summer Reading Enrichment Program - June-August: CCS will host this program again this summer. It is scheduled to run from June to early August and is available to children and adults.

Sports Camps - June-July

• **Volleyball Camps** - Most Mondays and Fridays from June 4 through July 30

Students of all grade levels are encouraged to attend to improve skill levels and knowledge of the game.

All grade levels through grade 8 (2007-2008) - 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (Students in grades 6-8 can qualify for the Advanced session upon recommendation by the Coach)

Grades 9-12 (2007-2008) - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

• **Basketball Camps** - The main purpose of the camps is to teach the fundamentals of dribbling, shooting, passing, and defense, while also developing self-confidence and a positive mental attitude.

• **CCS Basketball Camp 1**, June 18 - 21, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Camp 1 is for students entering 2nd- 6th)

• **CCS Basketball Camp 2**, June 25 - 28, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Camp 2 is for students entering 7th-12th)

• **Sports Quest Soccer Camp** - June 25 - 29, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Pearl Days Bus Trip to the Museum of Fine Arts Houston

The Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts-Cypress Creek is offering northwest residents a bus excursion to the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston on Friday, June 29, 2007.

The MFAH is currently showcasing several exhibits including: The Great Wall of China: Photographs by Chen Changfen, Arms and Armor from the Ancient World and Fit for a King: English Silver from the Collection of George S. Heyer, Jr.

Participants will have the opportunity to attend a private docent-conducted tour of the exhibition at 10:30 a.m. as well as the noon Lunchtime Tour of Highlights of the European Galleries.

The bus leaves the parking lot behind the Cypress Creek Christian Church/Barbara Bush Library at 6815 Cypresswood Drive promptly at 9:00 a.m. Participants must be 50 years of age or older to ride the bus. If you are under the age of 50, we encourage you to carpool and meet the bus at MFAH. The Pearl Days Bus Trip is sponsored by the Volunteer organization for The Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts-Cypress Creek. A \$5.00 non-refundable donation to The Pearl Fincher MFA will reserve your seat.

It's your museum! The renovation process of turning what once was the Harris County Library into a world class museum of fine arts is underway. Don't miss your chance to become a part of this exciting time. Participating in Pearl Days is one way you can show your support of our new museum. Don't miss the bus! Reserve your seat today by calling Laura Barousse at 281-370-5474 or Judi Redilla at 281-469-3434.

Visit online at www.pearlmfa.org to find out more ways you can support The Pearl and about upcoming events.

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Cancer Counseling, Inc Support Group Comes to Cypress

A support group for cancer patients and caregivers is beginning on Thursday, June 14 at 7 PM at Messiah Lutheran Church in Cypress, 11522 Telge Road, one-half mile north of Highway 290. The group will be led by licensed therapists from Cancer Counseling, Inc, a non-profit organization located near the Medical Center, 713-520-9873. Messiah Lutheran is hosting a satellite group of Cancer Counseling for folks in the Cypress area who need some support and who don't need another drive to the Medical Center. The group will be ongoing, meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings of the month. The meetings are FREE, and all people in the community who are dealing with cancer are invited. Questions? Call 281-890-3013, and ask for Lynette.

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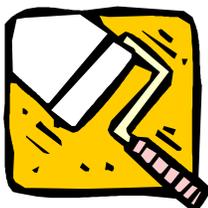
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Garage Doors Certainly are "Beasts of Burden"

Submitted by Bill Cook

One of the most ignored and overlooked maintenance components of your home is your garage door and opener. These "beasts of burden" are frequently ignored, neglected and taken for granted...that is until they stop working.

An average two-car garage door has nearly forty moving parts and weighs approximately 300 pounds. When in the up position, the door is usually 8 feet above the floor with your second most expensive investment parked directly underneath. Last year approximately 20,000 garage door related injuries were treated in America's emergency rooms.

Given these facts, proper maintenance and repair should be a higher priority on our never-ending "to do lists".

Basic routine maintenance should be performed every six months to maximize performance and extend the life of the moving parts of your garage door(s). While repairs should be left to the professionals, the following activities should be completed every six months:

Door:

1. Lubricate hinge joints with a silicone-based lubricant. Be careful in selecting a product as many common spray lubricants are alcohol-based and can actually dry out moving parts.
2. Do not lubricate track and rollers. This common misconception only serves to attract dust particles and cause further wear. While it does appear to be a short-term fix, over that short time, problems will become worse.
3. Release the door from the opener by disengaging the trolley (pull the red string down). * Raise the door to the halfway point. A properly balanced door should remain in that position. If the door falls or rises on its own this is a symptom of spring failure. Improperly balanced garage doors can cause opener and/or door damage. * Raise and lower the door manually. The door should require no more than ten pounds of force to raise. This is the maximum weight residential openers are designed to raise. Clacking, screeching or popping sounds also indicate moving parts failure. *Please Do Not attempt any repairs as certain garage door components can cause serious injury!

Opener:

1. Chain and belt drive openers should have a light coating of silicone-based lubricant sprayed on the boom (bar from the motor unit to the door) twice per year.
2. If the system has safety eye sensors (located at the bottom of the door tracks), make sure these are properly aligned and free of dust and debris. An obstruction could stop the opener from closing the door.

POWER SURGES to your home can severely damage the electronics of electric door openers. Should your opener operate erratically, DO NOT attempt to continue using it as it may damage your garage door.

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Two Children's Summer Shows Set

Mark your calendars for two children's summer shows – "If You Take a Mouse to School" set June 25 – July 7 and 'Tite Rouge set Aug. 6 – Aug. 18. For tickets and information on these performances, call 281-290-5201 or go online to www.cy-faircollege.com/goto/cfcbxoffice.

Self-Portrait Submissions Wanted

Get ready to submit your self-portrait for the Bosque Gallery's first ever open call self-portrait exhibition for all ages, all experience levels, all mediums. Submissions will be accepted from noon to 7 p.m. June 7, June 12 and June 13 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 14. Exhibition dates will be June 19 – July 12 in the Center for the Arts Bosque Gallery. All information and guidelines are posted at www.cyfaircollege.com/bosquegallery or contact the gallery committee chair, Suzanne Shield-Polk at 281-290-3252.

Teens driver's education available this summer

Summer driver's education courses for teens ages 15 to 17 are available at 4 p.m. and again at 6 p.m. Monday through Thursdays July 30 through Aug. 23. The in-classroom driver's education course covers road rules, road signs, and laws to prepare the teens for the Department of Public Safety's written exam. Other topics are car maintenance, effects of drugs and alcohol, laws and penalties for drinking and driving, emergency situations, basic driving procedures, road rage, and insurance. Parents are responsible for the in-car

instruction. Students are required to purchase the Texas Traffic Safety Education Student Manual, which is available at the campus bookstore. Call 832-482-1043 for information.

What's L.I.F.E. Like in June?

The Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Cy-Fair College Branch Library (Room 131.) June programs include fitness success, Qigong, Dance Salad performance and online buying and selling tips. Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or check the library web page online at <http://cfclibrary.nhmccd.edu>.

Library Offers Summer Reading Program, Free Computer Classes and Book Clubs

The Harris County Public Library Cy-Fair College Branch's 2007 Summer Reading Program includes storytime, movies, crafts, a computer kids program, a picnic, performers and more. The library also offers free computer workshops, including a family-friendly class. Topics range from basic computer functions to introductions to the Internet and various software programs. A variety of monthly book clubs are available including mystery, women of the world, democracy, and sports page. There are plenty of youth programs with activities and book clubs for teens and storytime for younger children. Go online to <http://cfclibrary.nhmccd.edu> for information.

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\$150000-169,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
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