

THE TIMES



The Texas Terrapins 12 & Under Finish Strong at the Spring Champs Meet

The Texas Terrapins Cypress's own year round swimming club finished off the season with a big splash. 27 of the 30 swimmers from area neighborhoods that participated achieve best times, and 18 swimmers moved up to new levels. Outstanding swims were achieved by swimmers of all ages in all the Terrapin training groups.

The following are the Terrapin Team highlights:

8 & Under - The girls' medley relay grabbed first place comprised of Komie Nguyen, Delaney Crowder, Beth McNeese, and Danica Gubic. Beth McNeese took first place honors in 100 back, 200 free, and 50 fly; Delaney Crowder took second in the 50 back and 3rd in the 50 fly; Danica Gubic to 3rd in the 100 IM, Byron Keller sped to first place in the 50 fly, and grabbed second in the 100 free and IM; Jackson Dement was 4rd in the 50 free; Komie Nguyen was 2nd in the 100 IM; and Collin Stewart took 1st in the 100 IM, 2nd in the 50 breast, and 3rd in the 100 free.

9-10 - Luke Bowman sped to a 1st place finish in the 50 fly, and 2nd in the 50 breast. Luke

was cheered on by his grandfather – Coach Eddie Reese of the University of Texas. Matt Braswell was 1st in the 50 back. Jacob Eubanks cruised to 2nd place in the 50 back. Makenna Meyer was 3rd in the 50 breast. The girls and boys medley relay both took 4th place.

11-12 - Abbie Jones achieve her 4th TAGs time in the 50 back and took 2nd place in both the 200 and 50 free; Lexi Bruno has now moved to the elite level with 3 A standards in the 50, 100 and 200 breaststroke events; Paige Fery placed 6th in the 100 fly, 100 and 200 back; Becca Taylor achieved her first A time in the 100 back placing 2nd, as well as 3rd in the 200 back. Aaron Thomson sped to 2nd in the 50 fly, and 4th in the 100 fly; Emi Strautman was 5th in the 100 free, and 100 % best times.

This was a tremendous team effort in the final meet of the Short Course season for the Terrapins. When you ask your swimmers and families who you want to train with not only to reach your full potential, but to do it in a nurturing atmosphere we hope you think one thing....TTST!!!



GARAGE SALE

Saturday, April 10
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
St. John Lutheran Church
15235 Spring Cypress

The youth of St. John are hosting a garage sale to raise funds for the National Youth Gathering. Everyone welcome! If you wish to purchase a spot to hold your own sale or for more info call 281.373.0503.

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Kirk Elementary to Host Book Fair Event, April 12 to 16, 2010

WHAT: Kirk Elementary will host a Scholastic Book Fair on April 12, 2010 to April 16, 2010. The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including new releases, award-winning titles, children's classics, interactive software, adult books, and current bestsellers from more than 100 publishers. Families, teachers, and the community are invited to attend the Book Fair, featuring a fun theme: Book Fair Diner: All You Can Read!

On April 12, 2010 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, the Book Fair will be having Family night. Please help support our school and join us for a sweet treat.

WHEN: The Book Fair will be open daily from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, April 12, 2010 to April 16, 2010.

WHERE: Kirk Elementary is located at 12421 Tanner Road, Houston, TX 77041.

MORE: Book Fair customers may help the school build classroom libraries and improve children's reading skills by purchasing books through the Classroom Wish List and One for Books® programs.

Cypress Ranch Classics Selected for All District Drill Team!

On December 12, 2009, the Cypress Fairbanks Independent School District held its annual All District Drill Team Try-Outs for all junior and senior girls who are drill team members at the various 10 high schools in the Cy-Fair school district. Over 70 girls participated, but only 40 were chosen to represent CFISD. We are so proud of all of the girls, way to go CLASSICS!



Pictured right: (center) Kelsi Lionberger, (left to right) Heather Hammond, Victoria Wright, and Kelsey Cannon.



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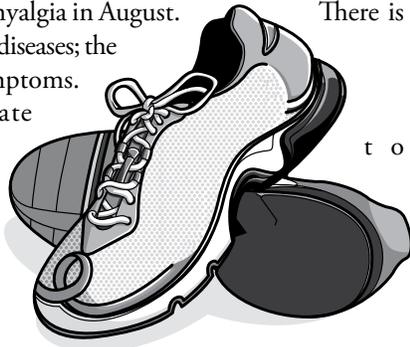
When: Saturday, April 10th
10:00 - 12:00

Where: Cypress Ranch High School
Football Field Track

Who: Cypress Ranch PALS class
(Peer Assistance & Leadership Service)

Why: To Help Raise Money for the
Lupus Foundation in Honor of Kelsey Cannon

*Thank you for your continued prayers & support. For those of you who might not know, Kelsey was diagnosed with Lupus, Sjogren's Syndrome & Fibromyalgia in August. There is no cure for these auto immune diseases; the doctors can only treat the symptoms. We feel extremely fortunate for the opportunity help raise money and find a cure, thank you PALS! For additional information please call Lisa Cannon at 281.373.1969.



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Calling All Runners/Walkers

USA Fit Cypress is a running club located here in Bridgeland. The club will begin meeting every Saturday morning at the Bridgeland Lakeland Activity Center at 6:30 am. We are a group of dedicated runners and walkers that have just completed several marathons or half marathons over the last few months. During our "off" season, now through July, we will be running various distances in an effort to maintain the base that we built up while training for the Houston Marathon.

If you are already a runner or walker, regardless of the distance, or if you are brand new to the sport, please join us. Between now and July, we will meet informally, to pound the trails with fellow runners. Everyone is welcome to come out and join us, regardless of your ability. Fast or slow, there is a place for you.

For those that watched the Houston Marathon or Half-Marathon, or know someone that did, you can utilize these runs to build up a base that will help you once our "official" training program begins in July as we prepare for Houston 2011.

Come and join us on Saturday mornings for a run or a walk. I, and several other runners, will be meeting every Saturday morning at the parking lot next to the Bridgeland Lakeland Activity Center, the lot closest to the outdoor play area. We will begin at 6:30.

Hope to see you on Saturday mornings.

Robynne Parry - Organizer of USAFit Cypress

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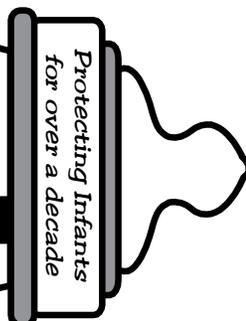
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Bridgeland Empty Nesters

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The group is about getting together for no other reason than to make new friends, enjoy old friends, and most of all have fun. We meet the third Thursday of each month at the Lakeland Activity Center at 7:00 pm.

Contact Rita Schoonover at rschoonover@etechsw.com.

Bridgeland Book Club

The Bridgeland Book Club is a group for anyone who enjoys reading and discussing books. The group reads all genres from mysteries to nonfiction, from the latest published to classics that have stood the test of time. The book club meets on the second Thursday of every month at the Lakeland Activity Center from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

This group is open to both men and women. New faces are always welcome.

For more information on this group please write to the bridgelandbookclub@gmail.com.



AGGIE MOMS CLUB NW HARRIS COUNTY APRIL MEETING

Calling all Aggie Moms to the April 13th meeting to be held at 7 pm at the Houston Distribution Center conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the corner of Cutten Road and 7100 High Life Drive. All current, future, and former Aggie Moms are encouraged to attend! One of the main goals for the Aggie Mom's Club is to fundraise in order to provide scholarships for our Aggie students, therefore the April meeting is all about scholarships! Join us as we listen to former Aggie scholarship winners and learn how these scholarships contributed to their Aggie experience. Find out which Aggie students will be recipients of the new 2010 Scholarship awards. Attend the meeting to vote for your favorite TAMU organization to receive club funds! Join us as we elect the new officers for the 2010-2011 Aggie Moms Club.

Other upcoming events include a "Boots N Whoops" western dance fundraiser to be held March 28th and a baseball tailgate party in April. For more information, please see our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.com.



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*April 16, 2010 • Noon Start
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The Cy Fair Project prom Golf Tournament will be held on April 16, 2010 at Houston National Golf Course in the Stone Gate Subdivision, off Barker Cypress. The cost is \$110 per golfer. If you are a member of Houston National Golf Course, the green fees will be waived and your total cost will be \$65.00. There are many other sponsorship opportunities and volunteer positions available.

This will be a fun tournament with lots of challenges for the golfers. The golf package includes lunch, golf, raffles and a silent auction. The Shotgun start is noon.

If you are interested in golfing, volunteering, sponsoring or donating some items for the raffle or auction, please contact Jimmy Kuzniarek at 281.387.7922 or email at jimmy.kuzniarek@nov.com.

GENERAL MEETING

*Monday, April 22, 2009
7-9 pm in the Cy-Fair HS Cafeteria.*

Doors open at 6:30 for shopping . More information can be found at www.cyfairprojectprom.org

The Cy-Fair Prom will be held on April 30, 2010 at the Westin Galleria Hotel 8:00 pm -midnight. Project Prom will be at the Berry Center April 30th 11:00 pm – 6:00 am May 1.

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Pickers and listener are welcome. No charges. Just fun Jammin or listening.

Kleb Woods Nature Center and Reserve (Draper Rd.) is located about 15 to 20 minutes away and is located on Draper Rd., off Mueschke Rd. in Tomball area. The Reserve is a Harris County Park and a bird watchers paradise and museum. From the parking lot you will walk about 200ft to the center. No selling, soliciting, alcohol, or drugs permitted. Check out Kleb Woods web-site at: www.pct3.hctx.net/parks/klebwoodsnaturepres.aspx.

The Cypress/Tomball Area Bluegrass Jam (Northwest Harris County) 4th Saturday Jam is sponsored by The Fairfield Bluegrass Jammers and is being held at the nearby Kleb Woods Nature Center and Reserve outside Tomball, 12 Noon to 4 PM.

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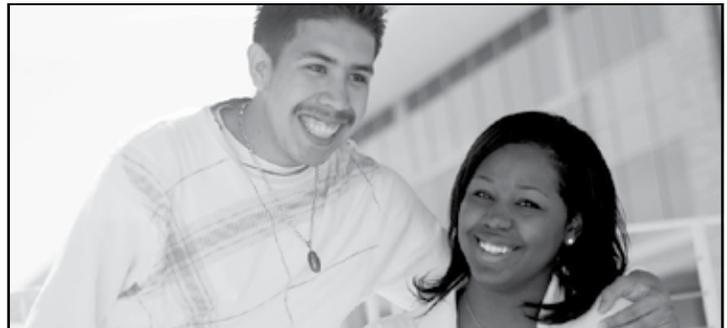
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School age children are one of the most deprived groups of Russian orphans. They have few chances for a bright future in Russia. The festival gives them a unique opportunity to see a different world outside of their orphanages.

These annual events have found much attention from the media, including coverage on ABC's Good Morning America and New York Times and many more. See details at www.happyfamilies.org.

What are the requirements to bring a child? Happy Families needs to raise about \$2,000 to bring each participant. This covers airfare, transportation in Russia, passports, visas, medical insurance, translation and coordination. We are asking for your support and participation in this project. Please contact us for additional information on how you can help.

Sincerely,

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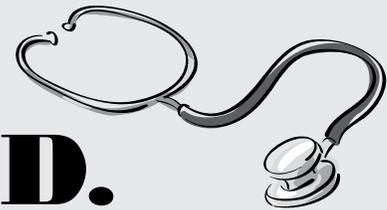
Cy-Fair Republican Women

Cy-Fair Republican Women is a fun, informative and friendly club that would love to see YOU at our next meeting. We meet at 10:30 a.m. , the second Tuesday of every month at Carraba's Italian Grill on Hwy. 6 near Longenbaugh. Texas State Representative Patricia Harless will be speaking on the 2010 Census and redistricting at our April 13th meeting. Don't miss this opportunity to meet this dynamic woman and hear about these important issues. At our May 11th meeting, Republican activist and Comedian Eric Golub will be speaking to the group. Come hear his unique perspective our world today – you are sure to be entertained and educated at the same time. For more information, please see our website at CFRW.net or call Mary Moss at 281-550-9415 to RSVP.

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It's Tax Refund Season again. This year, if you're going to get a check from your Uncle Sam, why not put it to work to help you meet your financial goals?

Last year, the average tax refund was more than \$2,700, according to the IRS. The size of your refund, or whether you will get one at all, depends on your individual circumstances. But if you are going to get a refund, plan ahead for what you'll do with it. Here are a few possibilities:

- **PAY DOWN SOME DEBTS.** In these difficult economic times, you may be carrying a higher debt load than usual. If so, you may want to use some of your refund to pay down some of these debts. The lower your debt payments, the better your cash flow and the more money you'll have to invest for the future.
- **BUILD AN EMERGENCY FUND.** If you don't already have an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, you could use your tax refund to start one. Without such a fund, you may find yourself constantly dipping into your long-term investments to pay for unexpected costs, such as a new furnace or an expensive car repair. Keep your emergency fund in

a liquid account — one that you don't draw on for your day-to-day expenses.

- **HELP FUND YOUR IRA.** In 2010, you can put in up to \$5,000 to your IRA. Consequently, if you received a \$2,700 refund, you'd have more than half of what you need to fully fund your IRA for the year. (If you're 50 or older, however, you can contribute up to \$6,000 per year.)

You might not think that your \$2,700 would make much of a difference in the long run. But by investing your refund and giving it many years of growth potential, you could end up with a sizable amount. Consider the following:

- If you put \$2,700 in your IRA, and you earned, on average, seven percent a year for 30 years, you'd end up with about \$20,000, even if you never invested another dime.
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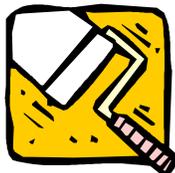
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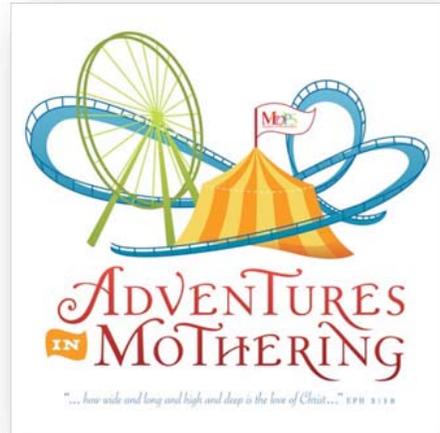
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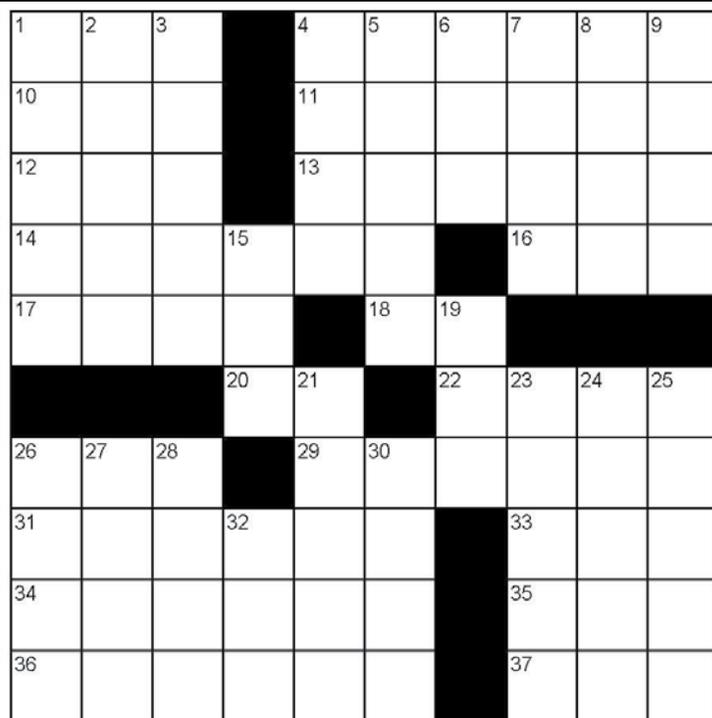
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- 4. At sea
- 10. Maturity
- 11. Apt
- 12. Winter mo.
- 13. Cactus drug
- 14. Choose (2 wds.)
- 16. Long time
- 17. Tush
- 18. You
- 20. Hey!
- 22. Baby's "ball"
- 26. Fortify
- 29. Groove
- 31. Relating to the laity
- 33. Loose gown worn at mass
- 34. Accounts
- 35. Central Intelligence Agency
- 36. Stacking card game
- 37. Critical

DOWN

- 1. College field of study
- 2. Open mouthed
- 3. Rumormonger
- 4. Dog food brand
- 5. Zealous
- 6. Repose
- 7. Double-reed instrument
- 8. Singing voice
- 9. Adolescent
- 15. Saute
- 19. Move away
- 21. Toothbrush brand
- 23. Taken __ (shocked)
- 24. Negate
- 25. Treed (2 wds.)
- 26. Alack's partner
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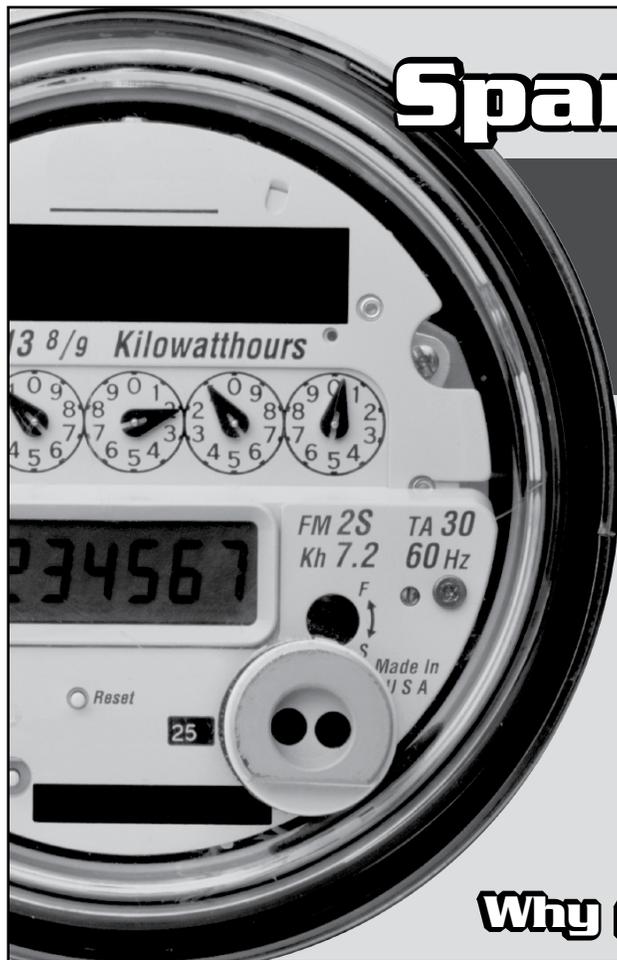
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\$451,000--\$499,999	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$351,000--\$450,000	2	1	2	1	5	1	0	4	0	0
\$276,000--\$350,000	3	2	3	5	1	1	3	7	2	2
\$231,000--\$275,000	0	2	3	0	2	2	1	0	0	0
\$201,000--\$230,000	1	2	1	1	3	0	0	5	1	1
\$200,000 and below	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Total	7	8	12	12	12	7	4	17	4	4
Highest \$/sq ft	\$100.68	\$112.90	\$133.96	\$127.56	\$118.25	\$115.21	\$105.82	\$130.21	\$132.45	\$132.45

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