



Steeplechase

NEWSLETTER



The Official Newsletter of The Steeplechase Community Improvement Association, Inc. and Steeplechase

SAVE THE DATE

*Mark your calendars for
the following Steeplechase
events in 2011!*

04/28/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour At ON THE BOX
05/03/11:	Open Residents Meeting
05/26/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
06/23/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
07/28/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
08/02/11:	Open Residents Meeting
08/25/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
09/22/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
10/27/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
11/01/11:	Open Residents Meeting
11/22/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour
12/22/11:	Steeplechase Resident's Happy Hour



SAFETY CORNER TIP OF THE MONTH

HOME ALONE!

WHAT KIDS SHOULD KNOW...

What steps you want them to follow when they get home; such as phoning you at work or a neighbor or grandparent who is at home.

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- Not to tell telephone callers that they're alone.
- That door and window locks must always be used. Be sure your children know how to work them.
- Not to go into the home if a door is ajar or a window is broken, but to go to a safe house you have designated and call the police.
- Your rules about acceptable activities when you are not at home. Be very clear.

Lynn Cirillo

Steeplechase Security Coordinator

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

MAY 7th

Please come out and join us on May 7th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., for Steeplechase "CLEAN UP DAY". Meet some of your neighbors and enjoy a couple of hotdogs/hamburgers after we're through. We need folks who can help pick up bagged trash, do some minor fence repair, and just help with general stuff to "spruce up" the neighborhood. Meet up at the Clubhouse at 8 a.m. - bring a pair of gloves. Please contact Mike Young with any questions; hd53cruiser@sbcglobal.net.

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Cypress Ridge High School FFA to Hold Barbeque Cook-Off

Cypress Ridge High School FFA will hold its annual Barbeque Cook-Off on Friday and Saturday, April 15-16 in the north west parking lot of the Cypress Ridge High school, across from Trader's Village.

High School FFA teams from throughout the area will be competing for scholarships and awards for their school in various meat cooking categories.

The public is invited to come by from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday, Cypress Ridge chapter members will have games for children, and sandwiches and desserts will be sold. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Cypress Ridge FFA Student Scholarship Fund.

St. Maximilian Kolbe MDO and Preschool Fall Registration

Kolbe Kids' is now registering for the 2011/2012 school year. If you would like information, please contact Eileen Mace at 281-970-0979, or at eileenm@stmaximilian.org, or see website www.stmaximilian.org



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NO ONE is "drown proof" – no matter their level of swimming ability.

Falls, entrapments, and injuries lead to drowning regardless of swimming level.

A majority of people overestimate their own and their child's ability to swim, especially in a panic event.

DROWNING IS QUICK AND SILENT



Drowning occurs in as little as 2 minutes.



Irreversible brain damage occurs in as little as 4 minutes.



Most children are out of sight or missing for less than 5 minutes and usually in the presence of 1 or both parents.



Most children die who are submerged for as little as 6-10 minutes.

Children who drown do not **scream, splash, or struggle**. They silently slip beneath the water, even with adults & lifeguards present.

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Online Service Option for Citizens Reporting Crimes

The Sheriff's Office has implemented an on-line service called "CopLogic" for Harris County citizens to report crimes. **This is for reporting lost property, theft or vandalism ONLY and when the complaint has NO suspect information.** This service is provided as an option to the citizen in lieu of waiting for a unit to respond to their location.

Examples of incidents that can be reported via CopLogic:

1. LOST PROPERTY: When property is missing or lost, i.e. leaving items in a restaurant or missing from home.
2. THEFT: Property is taken without the owner's permission.
3. VANDALISM: The act of changing, modifying or defacing public or private property, i.e. graffiti, knocking over a mailbox, throwing a rock through a window, etc.

To access this service, please visit the Sheriff's Office web site: www.hcso.hctx.net

- Click on "Report Crime" link at top of screen
- Click on "Report an Incident"
- Follow instructions on the screen for filing an offense report

CopLogic is an alternative method for the citizen to report the crime quickly, get a case number and print a copy of the report. It does not replace entering a call for service for a unit to respond if the citizen prefers to see a unit or does not have access to the Internet.

ARE YOU RECEIVING Neighborhood Security Alerts?

Interested in receiving neighborhood security alerts? If so, please send an email request to steeplechasesecurity@gmail.com. Remember, for your safety, emails are sent using 'blind copy' (BCC) so you will need to add steeplechasesecurity@gmail.com to your safe senders list.

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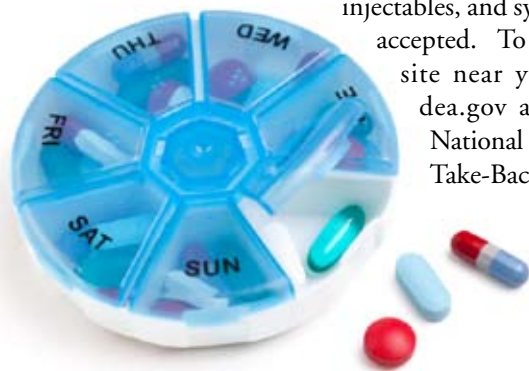
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Prescription Drug Take-Back

On April 30, 2011 from 10am to 4pm DEA and its community partners will take part in a nationwide prescription drug take-back, operating collection sites around the nation where Americans can turn in their unused, unneeded, and/or expired prescription medications. Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse. This service is free and anonymous. Tablets, capsules, and all other solid dosage forms will be collected. Intravenous solutions,

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Look What's New on Stage and in the Gallery

On stage, enjoy "Gloria" a choral show April 8 and "JazzJam2" April 27. For event information, go to LoneStar.edu/boxoffice. Other Main Stage Theatre events include the annual talent show "A Night in Paris" April 13, the Spring Poetry Slam April 14 and "An Evening with Richard White: History Matters" April 18. Go to LoneStar.edu for information. In the Bosque Gallery, the "Visual Communication Program Exhibition" continues through April 7 followed April 19 through May 5 with the "Spring Student Art Exhibition." For gallery information, go to LoneStar.edu/bosquegallery.

To Jump Start College Career – Attend Dual Credit Information Session

High school juniors and seniors can earn high school and college credit in classes such as English, math, history, psychology, economics and more. The classes are transferable to most public universities and colleges. Tuition is free, though some fees do apply. Fee and textbook scholarships are available. LSC-CyFair and the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District are co-hosting this information session for 10th- through 12th-graders and their parents April 12 at LSC-CyFair. For information, call 281.290.3947, e-mail cfcinfo@lonestar.edu or go to LoneStar.edu/jumpstart-cyfair.

Free Spring Business Success Seminars Series Continue

The Business Success Seminars continue this month with "LinkedIn – The Ultimate Business Place in Social Media" April 6, "Wow, I wish I knew that BEFORE I started my business!" April 13, "The Hidden Power of the Elevator Pitch" April 20 and "Beyond the Bullet Point" April 27. Seminars are held Wednesdays from 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. in library room 131, on the campus at 9191 Barker Cypress. No sign up is required and there will be door prizes. Sponsoring this series are the Small Business Development Center and the Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library. For information, go to LoneStar.edu/library/business-seminars or call 281.290.3214 or 832.482.1057.

It's Time to Register for Discovery College

Early-bird registration for Lone Star College-CyFair's popular Discovery College summer camp for ages 6 to 14 is April 16 and April 30, 8 a.m. to noon. Regular registration begins May 16. The theme for the weeklong sessions that begin June 6 is "Learning for Fun." The summer camp sessions are fun and educational providing children an opportunity to develop skills and learn new ones in a

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Get Licensed to Drive – Teen Driver's Education Available

A class for teens, ages 15 to 17, is available starting April 19. The 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. Register in person in the Continuing Education office in MOD1. For information, call 281.290.3460.

Prom Dress Donations and Give-Away for Teens in Need

The Seventh Annual Prom Dress Give-Away benefiting teens without the financial means to purchase a dress for prom is set at Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library, 9191 Barker Cypress from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays April 10, April 17 and April 24 in the library, room 131 as well as by appointment. Drop off donations of prom dresses, jewelry (broken pieces to be refurbished accepted as well), unused make up samples, shoes, purses and accessories at the library's Customer Service Desk located on the LSC-CyFair campus at 9191 Barker Cypress. Teens in need of a dress should contact the Youth Service Specialist at their high school or Prom Closet organizers Nancy Flanakin at meaford8510@yahoo.com or LSC-CyFair Teen Librarian Elise Sheppard at elise.j.sheppard@lonestar.edu or 281.290.5248.

L.I.F.E. Lessons in April

The Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship and Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) programs are free and held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Lone Star College-CyFair Branch Library (Room 131.) Programs include "Acquainted with the Night" April 6, "Ayurvedic Self Massage" April 13, "Trash into Treasure" April 20 and "Le Jazz Hot" April 27 (Recital Hall, ART 102.) Call the library at 281.290.3214 for L.I.F.E. program information or go online to LoneStar.edu.

Cypress Fellowship offers Coupon Class

Learn to save money on groceries, at restaurants, and even at clothing stores! The Women's Ministry of Cypress Fellowship will offer a class on "couponing" to the community on Sunday, April 10, from 2-4 pm. The cost is only \$5 and includes refreshments and class materials! Contact Erica Ryan at eriry3@sbcglobal.net.

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Houston Repertoire Ballet (Hrb) Brings Collection Of Diverse Repertoire To The Berry Center In “A Celebration Of Dance”

The Houston Repertoire Ballet is excited to announce their Spring Performance A Celebration of Dance, to be performed April 9-10 at the Berry Center in Cypress, TX. Featuring three original works and Act III of *La Bayadere*, A Celebration of Dance takes the audience through the evolution of dance beginning with classical ballet to contemporary ballet and modern dance. Along with exceptional dancing and beautiful costumes, audiences of all ages will enjoy the musical score to accompany the ballets, which consists of Gershwin, Ravel, Minkus and Phillip Glass. Houston Repertoire Ballet will give 2 full-length performances of A Celebration of Dance. There will be an educational session for children offered as part of our Arts & Education program that will take place 30 minutes prior to the show on April 10. To purchase tickets to HRB's Spring Ballet or for more information on our Arts & Education program call 281-861-0199 or visit www.hrbdance.org. Ticket prices range from \$15-\$18.

A CELEBRATION OF DANCE

La Bayadere “*Kingdom of the Shades*”: This beautiful and classical ballet was originally choreographed by Marius Petipa in 1877 and was set in the legendary India. The Kingdom of the Shades scene from Act III relates hallucinatory dreams of a noble warrior being reunited with his lost love. The scene begins with 24 dancers in white costumes slowly making their way on to the stage creating a somber tone. In addition, audiences will enjoy guest artists Jared

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Matthews and Yuriko Kajiya performing the lead roles in one of the most celebrated excerpts in classical ballet.

Rhapsody in Blue: Set to the popular Gershwin score, this contemporary ballet is a lighthearted and fun piece that features many different characters whose personalities are conveyed through the unique movement vocabulary. This new ballet was choreographed by Kristy Nilsson, a former member of HRB, who is now a dance instructor and choreographer in Atlanta, Georgia.

Il Duomo: Inspired by the beautiful stained-glass windows of the Il Duomo Cathedral in Milan, Italy, this modern ballet piece uses color and the music of Phillip Glass to create a peaceful tone and transports its viewers to the cathedrals of Italy. This piece was choreographed in 2005 by Houston Repertoire Ballet's artistic director Victoria Vittum and will be recreated this year and performed by HRB's Junior Company.

Romeo and Juliet: Guest artists Jared Matthews and Yuriko Kajiya from the American Ballet Theatre will perform a romantic pas de deux from Romeo and Juliet. Matthews and Kajiya are soloists with the American Ballet Theatre and are rising stars in the world-renowned company. HRB is thrilled to bring back Matthews, a former member of the Houston Repertoire Ballet and Kajiya as guest artists to perform the pas de deux from two classical ballets.

Bolero: This exciting new ballet by Victoria Vittum was inspired by Maurice Ravel's climactic score Bolero. Featuring bright costumes, this Spanish-style piece begins with 18 dancers on stage who perform one-by-one in succession. This contemporary ballet builds up anticipation throughout, creating a provocative tone that culminates in an exciting finish.

HRB SPRING CONCERT SHOWCASES CY-FAIR'S RISING YOUNG TALENT

This season's Spring Concert will showcase 41 members of the HRB Company. These company members are all students of the Ballet Center of Houston and are residents of the Cy-Fair community. Among the 41 company dancers are four senior members who will perform lead roles in their last performance with HRB. Various ballet companies and universities have already shown interest in these talented seniors who will surely be added to HRB's impressive group of alumni. In addition, the members of HRB have the wonderful opportunity to perform with American Ballet Theater professionals Jared Matthews and Yuriko Kajiya.

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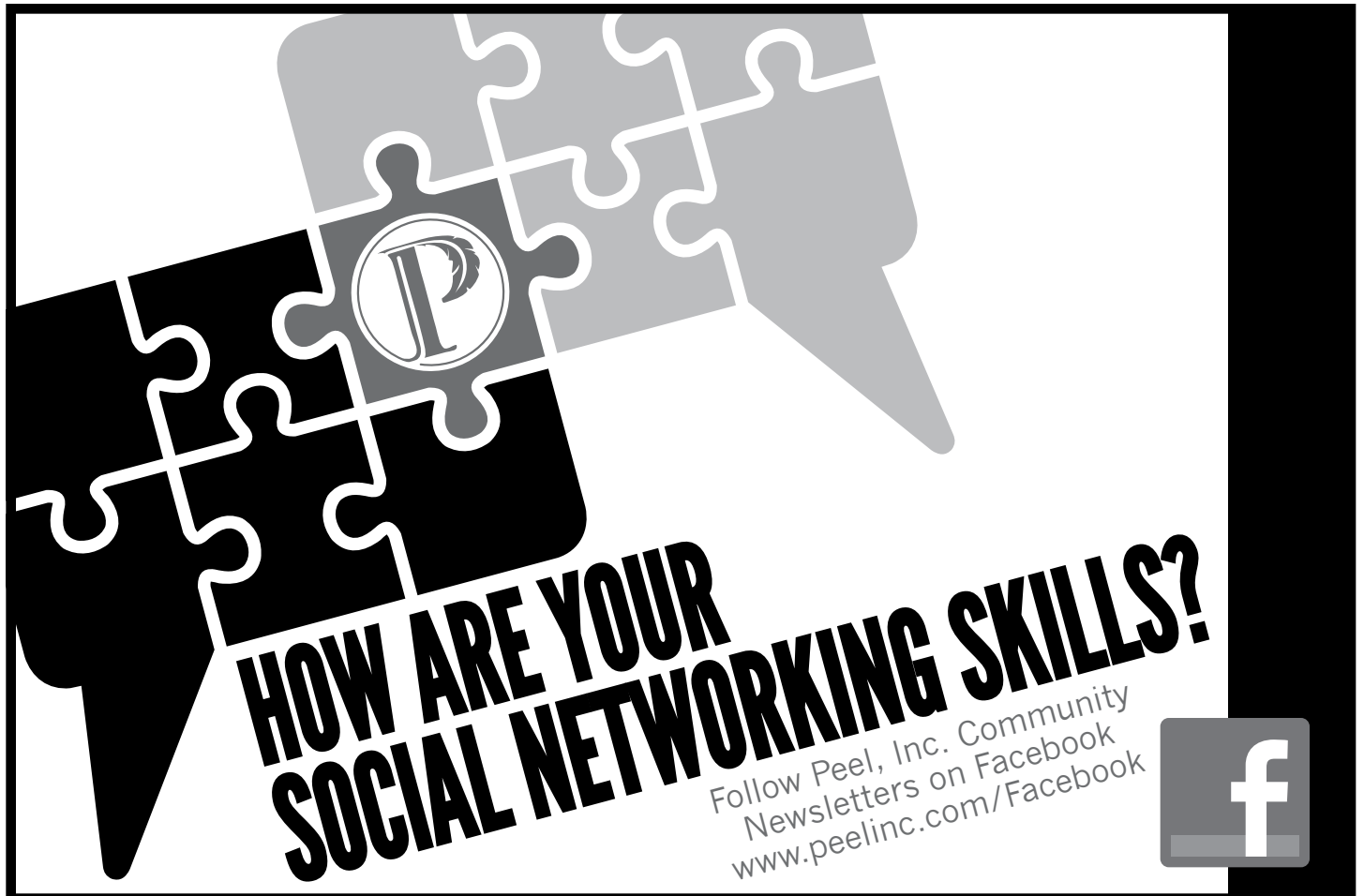
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Tickets for A Celebration of Dance may be purchased on-line at www.hrbdance.org or by calling HRB at 281-861-0199. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for seniors/students. Major funding for HRB is provided by the Houston Endowment inc. ConocoPhillips Company and Statoil. The HRB Spring Concert is funded in part by grants from Harris County and the Texas Commission on the Arts through the Houston Arts Alliance. Arts in Education School Outreach Programs are generously sponsored by Target.

HRB is a non-profit civic organization dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in the art of classical ballet. HRB dancers have gone on to dance professionally with the New York City Ballet, Miami City Ballet, Atlanta Ballet, Walt Disney World, Texas Ballet Theater, American Ballet Theater (ABT), and Dayton Ballet. Artistic director is Victoria Vittum, a nationally recognized teacher and choreographer. She has been a faculty member of the Houston Ballet Academy and served as Resident Choreographer for the Gwinnett Ballet Theater, in Atlanta. She is the recipient of a Choreography Fellowship awarded by the Cultural Arts Council of Houston and the Texas Commission for the Arts.



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Every day across Texas, thousands of children like 11 year old Treyvon wonder where today will lead them. Having been removed from their families due to abuse and or neglect, these children are looking for stable, loving family relationships that will allow them to feel safe and secure. Often these children are moved from one foster home to another as they experience difficulty adjusting to new rules, roles and expectations they have never experienced before and are ill prepared to meet. They face a never ending stream of changes in care givers, schools, caseworkers and foster siblings that often results in a sense of hopelessness and a lack of investment in relationships because they have found that caring leads to loss.



Despite these challenges, these children can be resilient. They bring strengths to their situation that can help to overcome the obvious challenges they face. Take Treyvon, for example. He is anything but an average child! In fact, he is an extremely bright child, who excels in all subjects at school. His future is hopeful as he desires to become an architect, engineer or author. Treyvon is a well rounded child who enjoys outdoor activities like football, swimming and riding horses. Like most boys his age, he loves to eat, with his favorite foods being pepperoni pizza and spaghetti with meatballs.

Treyvon needs a structured family that will provide him the love, encouragement and discipline that he needs while understanding the challenges he faces in adapting to a world much different from his early life experiences. He has a great mind that needs stimulation and direction to help him accomplish his goals. Adopting a child like Treyvon from the foster care system is not difficult or expensive. Perhaps you and your family would be a good place for Treyvon to learn and grow.

For more information, please contact Stephanie Berka, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, Adoption Coalition of Texas at 512-450-8750 or email at stephanieberka@adopttexas.org To learn more about the Adoption Coalition of Texas, please call Bruce Thompson at 512-301-2825 or visit our website at <http://www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org>

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