

News For The Residents of Longwood

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## NEW HOA MEETING FORMAT

The monthly HOA Board meetings were recently changed to the fourth Thursday of each month. In an attempt to become more streamlined and efficient, the monthly HOA Board meetings are evolving to a new format. The "Executive Session" will take place from 6:00 pm (or earlier if necessary) to 6:30 pm. The formal meeting will begin at 6:30 pm - there will be no "Open Session". In the "Agenda" email blast that is sent out around three days prior to the scheduled HOA Board meeting, it will be explained that if a resident would like to address the HOA Board regarding a particular item, they should plan to arrive at 6:30 pm, sign in, and provide the Board with the subject of what they want to discuss - it will then be discussed during the appropriate Agenda section that matches their subject.

> Thank you, Longwood HOA Board

Q: I have taken some beginner lessons and I am ready to start practicing. What is the best way? A: Starting to play tennis, is like learning to swim or riding a bike. You need to start slowly and gain confidence over time. I suggest acquiring some used tennis balls from a club (we have plenty at our club), and start hitting them back and forth from the service line to service line. New balls are much too lively and if you only use three balls, you will end up spending more time chasing them than hitting them.

Q: What about playing with my children? A: If your child is between ages 4-11 and has taken some tennis lessons in an organized program, more than likely they were accustomed to playing with softer "QuickStart" balls and transitional rackets. Children need to learn to execute the stroke properly without thinking about the court and the net. I usually begin with of children of these ages, stroking a ball against a fence or windscreen. Later on once they learn to make contact with the ball, I bring them close to the net onto the actual tennis court, and I have them hit the balls being fed.

**Q:** If I am the feeder of the balls, where should I stand? A: Most tennis coaches now, spend a great deal of teaching standing next to the players feeding them balls from both behind and from the side, next to the player. This way, the player hitting the ball, learns to adjust to the ball without having to do a great deal of running. When I see a player becoming more confident with making contact with the ball and clearing the net, I will begin feeding the balls to them from the other side of the net. The player should

### **TENNIS TIPS**

start hitting the balls from the service line, and move further towards the baseline as he succeeds hitting the balls with more control.

**Q:** When is time to rally back and forth? A: Once the player is adept to hit both forehands and backhands with consistency, when the ball is being fed from the opposite side near the service line, I then will move back to the baseline and start to rally back and forth. I normally let the student start the rally, making sure that he is executing the stroke properly. Also, safety calls for the basket or extra balls to be clear his path on his side of the court.

**Q:** How should I practice the serve? A: One of the most difficult shots of tennis to master is the serve. Also, it is the easiest one to practice, because a player can practice it alone. I suggest using many tennis balls and begin by first serving from the service line and proceed to move back toward the base line until success is achieved with getting the ball in the proper service box. If practicing with a partner, one can be serving, while the other practices returning serve.

**Q: How about playing points?** A: If players are familiar with the traditional scoring system, I suggest playing regular games. For practice purpose, I encourage my students to play using the table tennis scoring system. Serve five balls, and then allow the opponent to serve five. Change sides every 10 points. This way, a player learns to play the point, rather than the game. First to achieve 21 points wins.

Make sure you wear light clothes, drink lots of fluid and have a great time learning and practicing the "game of a lifetime!"

## **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

#### **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

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Ambulance	
Constable	
Sheriff - Non-emergency	713-221-6000
- Burglary & Theft	
- Auto Theft	
- Homicide/Assault	713-967-5810
- Child Abuse	713-529-4216
- Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence	713-967-5743
- Runaway Unit	713-755-7427
Poison Control	
Traffic Light Issues	713-881-3210

#### SCHOOLS

Cypress Fairbanks ISD Administration	281-897-4000
Cypress Fairbanks ISD Transportation	281-897-4380
Cypress Fairbanks Senior High	281-897-4600
Goodson Middle School	281-373-2350
Hamilton Elementary	281-370-0990

#### **OTHER NUMBERS**

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Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center281-890-4285
Harris County Health Department713-439-6260
Post Office Box Assignment – Cypress 1-800-275-8777
Street Lights - CenterPoint Energy713-207-2222
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## Cypress Village Station Proves to be Perfect Venue for First Annual Wine Fair Cy-Fair

CHAMBER PLANS FOR LARGER NUMBERS FOR NEXTYEARS' EVENT



A sold out crowd of over 1,400 guests enjoyed a casual sip and stroll at the first annual Wine Fair Cy-Fair on Saturday, April 28. The event was hosted by the Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce in partnership with Food & Vine Time Productions and was held at Cypress Village Station, a mixed-use development off Hwy. 290 and Skinner Road, which proved to be the perfect venue for this upscale event.

For the general admission cost of \$25 guests sampled a variety of wines and food from some of Cy-Fair's finest restaurants. They were also invited to partake in several craft beer samplings at The Backyard Grill's Beer Garden; VIP Premium ticket holders started 30 minutes earlier and received a higher caliber of wines and tasty treats from restaurant newcomer, Claudia's Fresh Mex, as well as, access to all of the general admission wines and foods.

#### PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS INCLUDED

The Backyard Grill—Carino's Italian—Claudia's Fresh Mex—Don Julios Mexican Restaurant—d'Vine Wine Bar & Bistro —El Rey Cuban and Mexican Cuisine —HEB Cypress Market—Merche —Northwest Forest Hotel & Conference Center—Texas Road House—Zaxby's—1252 Tapas Bar

Greeted with goody bags, bottled waters and a baguette from H-E-B Cypress Market visitors enjoyed the cooler evening breezes as they made their way through the outside courtyard at Cypress Village Station. Sippers were serenaded by the 'fresh' sounds of the Robert Hartye Band from the Aruba Tourism stage and they also got a sneak peek at several new Volkswagen cars courtesy of Momentum Volkswagen of Jersey Village. Greystar Cypress Village showcased their apartment property to prospective tenants who are seeking the amenities of a mixed use living property located at the development.

Several of the wines that were sampled at the event were available for bid at the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation's silent auction tent. In typical Cy-Fair fashion, generous guests bid on the elaborate wine filled baskets to benefit the foundation's scholarship program.

#### SPONSORS INCLUDED

Aruba Tourism—Backyard Grill—Bridgeland—Caldwell Companies—Community Impact Newspaper—Cypress Preventive Imaging—Greystar Cypress Village Apartments—HEB Cypress Market—Republic National Distributing Company—Texas Emergency Care Center of Cypress—To the 9's Boutique—

Plans are in the works to return to the same location next year and the Chamber is already planning for a larger crowd; adding more restaurants and more wine stations. They are encouraging restaurants and sponsors to sign up early for next year to benefit from the marketing exposure all year long. Call Casey Cargle with the Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce for more details 281-373-1390 or email casey@cyfairchamber.com .

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# LONGWOOD LETTER 2012 Open Regattas at Seabrook Sailing Club

The Seabrook Sailing Club is hosting two major regattas this summer on Galveston Bay, open to all interested sailors. Whether it's challenging one design racing or family fun, Seabrook Sailing Club's summer regatta schedule has it all. We are looking forward to having local and out-of-town sailors join us for competition and fun on the bay.

Summer Solstice Regatta: Seabrook Sailing Club's annual Summer Solstice Regatta will be held on June



Optimists on the downwind run at the Endless Summer Regatta

23 and 24, 2012. This year we will be kicking off the regatta on Friday night with fireworks and a keg! We encourage everybody to leave work early and bring a picnic. This regatta is open to all small sailboats and beginner racers are welcome. Lasers, 470's, Sunfish, Endless Summer Regatta Each year, youth sailors from all over Texas and surrounding states participate in the Endless Summer Regatta at the Seabrook Sailing Club. The Endless Summer Regatta is the best attended event on

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windsurfers, Vangaurd 15's,

and catamarans are regular

classes at this fun event. This

regatta is on the Texas Laser

District 15 Circuit schedule, drawing Lasers from around

the state. There will be one

design starts for all classes

with at least three boats. A

Portsmouth handicap fleet

will be formed for boats that

do not make up a one design

fleet. Official Notice of Race

and Sailing Instructions will

be posted on the SSC website

nearer the time of the event.



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## **Register NOW for FSA Soccer!**

It is time once again to register your soccer superstar for FSA Soccer. The Fairfield Sports Association offers a fantastic environment for your budding soccer player to develop their skills and grow their passion for the beautiful game. We offer soccer divisions for boys and girls ages 4 - 12. Our younger divisions (U5 and U6) play 3 v 3 soccer on small fields with no goal players. We gradually increase the size of the field and the number of players as the kids get older. Starting at age 7, players participate in an evaluation and are selected by their respective teams. This soccer season, FSA soccer players will wear the XARA MLS City Series 2 uniform. The uniforms look GREAT, and the kids will really love them! Registration costs cover a complete uniform kit including game jersey, shorts, and socks. Registration for the U5 and U6 divisions is \$115. Registration for the U7 and older division is \$130. There are no additional FSA fees, fundraisers, or sponsorships players or teams are responsible for during the season.

All practices and games are played in Fairfield. Players in the U5, U6, and U7 divisions are all awarded participation trophies at the end of the season. In the older divisions, trophies are awarded for the divisional champions and runners-up. Additionally, the older divisions participate in a season ending tournament. Tournament time is very exciting with many games played "under the lights" at night on the grounds of the Fairfield Athletic Center. FSA Soccer is also thrilled to announce we are conducting our first ever Kick-off Summer Soccer Camp! This camp is for boys and girls ages 6-10. The camp is scheduled for June 11th thru 14th from 9:00am until 11:00am. Professional trainers from the Challenge Soccer Club and the Texans Soccer Club will be working with FSA Soccer providing the training for the camp. The cost of the camp is only \$50. The camp will be held in Fairfield at our Robert's Fields facility near our Central Park Splash Pad.

To register for either the camp or an exciting season of FSA soccer, visit the Fairfield Sports website at www.fairfieldsports.net. From the menu button, click the SOCCER link. Once at the Soccer page, click the MORE menu button and then click the REGISTRATION link.

#### **IMPORTANT FSA SOCCER DATES**

FSA Kick-off Summer Soccer Camp registration	Open Now – June 9th
FSA Kick-off Summer Soccer Camp	June 11th – June 14th
FSA Soccer registration	May 28th – July 20th
Player evaluations (ages 7 and older)	July 23rd – July 25th
Practices begin	Week of July 30th
Games begin	Weekend of August 25th

Please direct any questions about the FSA Soccer program to Scott Baehren, Commissioner – FSA Soccer at soccer@fairfield-sports.net

#### **2012 Open Regattas...** (Continued from Page 5)

the Texas Youth Circuit after Texas Race Week, with approximately 200 sailors, coaches, parents, and organizers coming to Seabrook and Galveston Bay. The youth sailors participate in 6 different fleets; the beginner sailors in the Optimist Green fleet, the experienced Optimist sailors in the Red/White/Blue fleet, Laser 4.7, and Laser Radial. Parents enjoy the view of the sailing course and Kemah from the clubhouse deck, while their kids put their skills to the test. Sailing is a great sport for kids that fosters self-confidence, independence, and responsibility. As skippers, they are in control of their own destiny; they make their own decisions, which have a direct result on their finish position, well-being, and boat condition. But most importantly, it's fun! The 2012 regatta will take place September 22-23, 2012. Official Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be posted on the SSC website nearer the time of the event.

The Seabrook Sailing Club has been providing safe, organized, and challenging sailing for local sailors and guests since 1934. If you've been thinking about learning to sail, getting back on the water, or competing in our organized club races, check out what the Seabrook Sailing Club has to offer. For more information about SSC, contact James McTurk at SSCmembership@yahoo.com, or visit www.seabrooksailingclub.org.





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# DROWNING IS PREVENTABLE

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#### **DID YOU KNOW?** The **MOST** near-drowning and drowing incidents occur during June and July in Texas!

Please take these simple steps to keep your family safe in and around the water and have the **Best Summer Ever!** 

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#### **Congratulations!** You've Been Accepted to Texas A&M University

Tish Otten, President, Northwest Harris County Aggie Mothers' Club

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If your son or daughter has morphed into an Aggie and you need to ask SOMEBODY, what's next, the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mothers' Club is SOMEBODY with answers. Aggieland, including Galveston and College Station, has over 850 organizations to help students and families get going from day one, but only one is just for MOMS and it's Aggie Moms' Club.

Texas A&M has over 119 Aggie Moms' clubs with over 7,000 members. We're here to answer the questions your kid doesn't yet know how to ask; how to see a doctor between classes; how to get home at 11:30 when the car won't start; how to get tutoring; how to reach graduation. We're inviting you to an Aggie Moms' Club social mixer in your neighborhood. Get your answers from Moms who have been where you are now. RSVP by emailing me the date you can attend. I will send you the address and time. You can reach me at clubpres2012@gmail.com or go to our website page at www. nwhcaggiemoms.org.

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6/20	Wed	Tina Mundt
6/24	Sun	Sharin Scott
6/26	Tue	Linda Saxby
6/30	Sat	Lisa Ostrander
7/9	Mon	Terry Miller
7/11	Wed	Melissa Ross
7/19	Thu	Mary Miller
7/21	Sat	Mary Jaksik
7/22	Sun	Gilda Bartz
7/26	Thu	Maureen Baker
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## **Comedy Magician Harry Maurer**

#### HERE IS SOMETHING FUN TO DO AS A FAMILY THIS FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND!

Houston Family Arts Center (www.houstonfac.com) is a lovely family-focused theater here in our area that puts out great theater and has a phenomenal children,Äôs academy, as well. It is hosting a series of shows on Father's Day Weekend. The website (http://goo.gl/4fK03) gives you complimentary magic tricks as part of the show promotion. Fun for the family!

Las Vegas and Atlantic City Comedy Magician Harry Maurer will be performing at the Houston Family Arts Center presenting clean and fun shows filled with comedy, drama, danger, spectacle, surprise, puzzlement and wonder to benefit the HFAC Actor's Academy!

#### SHOWTIMES ARE

Friday, June 15th......8:00pm Saturday, June 16th ......6:00pm & 8:30pm Sunday, June 17th ......2:00pm & 7:00pm

Tickets for the kids are \$15 & adults are \$25.

It would make a cool Father's Day outing/gift!

Register: http://goo.gl/4fK03

\* actors academy

## CYPRESS-TOMBALL DEMOCRATS June 20th Meeting

The Cypress-Tomball Democrats will hold their next monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 20th, at a new location: Rudy's Grill & Cantina, 11760 Grant Rd., Cypress, TX 77429. A meet and greet will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the general meeting at 7:00 p.m.

June's guest speaker will be Lydia D. Avila, with the Texas Sierra Club. Ms. Avila will discuss the Sierra Club,Äôs efforts to inform communities of the EPA's recently announced carbon (or greenhouse gas) protections.

All are welcome to join this growing club. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month. For more information, contact Olga Moya at cytomdems@yahoo.com.



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# BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP RECONSTRUCTION OF A SURVIVOR at Methodist Willowbrook

We help women at any stage of diagnosis and treatment understand that breast cancer affects them both emotionally and spiritually, not just physically. Our mission is to ensure, through information, empowerment and peer support, that no one faces breast cancer alone.

# Don't face breast cancer alone!

## Please join Survivors Offering Support at

Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Cancer Center Lobby

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

13802 Centerfield Boulevard • Suite 185

Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup> Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Thursday December 20<sup>th</sup>

For more information and to register, call 281-737-2500

### Survivors Offering Support at Methodist Willowbrook Hospital

Many women with breast cancer have found caring support and information from sharing experiences with fellow survivors. Breast cancer patients need to find others who have had a similar experience, and our support group helps to fill this unique need to meet and talk with other survivors. The group is led by a trained facilitator who uses the curriculum "Navigating Life's Road Map After Breast Cancer" from the organization, *Reconstruction of a Survivor*.

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- · It's okay to cry
- · Joy is around the corner
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- I will forgive
- . How can I function when I feel overwhelmed?

Metholist Cancer Center Willowbrook



# October 1, 2012

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