



# ACIA

## Happenings

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### ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

#### COME JOIN IN

The annual ACIA Easter egg hunt will take place in the Shores Park on  
**March 30, 2013 at 9:00 AM.**

All Children up to age 12 living in the ACIA Neighborhood are invited. It  
will be fun for the whole family.

### Harris County Precinct 4 Constable's Office

#### Crime Statistics A.C.I.A.

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	NOV 2012	DEC 2012	JAN 2013	YTD 2012	YTD 2013
BURGLARY OF A HABITATION	7	2	2	15	2
BURGLARY OF A MOTOR VEHICLE	0	2	1	22	1
THEFT FROM A HABITATION	0	0	0	4	0
THEFT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE	2	0	1	5	1
THEFT - OTHER	2	1	3	27	3
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0
ASSAULT	0	0	0	5	0
SEXUAL ASSAULT	0	0	0	2	0
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	5	2	2	29	2
DISTURBANCE - FAMILY	3	5	3	31	3
DISTURBANCE - JUVENILE	0	1	3	14	3
DISTURBANCE - OTHER	5	17	22	129	22
ALARMS	31	27	27	360	27
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES	6	15	19	135	19
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS	5	10	7	116	7
RUNAWAYS	0	1	0	6	0
TELEPHONE HARASSMENT	1	0	0	6	0
OTHER CALLS	64	62	44	702	44

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Harris County Animal Control ..... 281-999-3191  
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Telephone, Centurylink..... 877-290-5458  
Trash, Waste Management..... 888-964-9734  
Humble Post Office..... 281-540-1775  
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Harris County MUD #151 ..... www.hcmud151.org

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    *Website* ..... www.humble.k12.tx.us  
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Maplebrook Elementary..... 281-641-2900  
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## Job Fair Coming Up

Cypress Creek High School and the Business and Finance Academy will host a Job Fair on Thursday, March 21, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This event will be held on the Cypress Creek High School campus, 9815 Grant Road, Houston, TX, in the large commons.

The Job Fair is being held to provide the opportunity for people in the local community to find employment. The Job Fair will also afford the businesses in our local communities the benefit of finding desired employees. Businesses who would like to secure a booth set-up can register online at: [http://schools.cfsd.net/cycreek/academy\\_BF.html](http://schools.cfsd.net/cycreek/academy_BF.html) A 10 ft. x 10 ft. booth with two chairs will cost \$20.00. Booths with two chairs and electricity are \$40.00. Proceeds from the Job Fair will provide qualified Cypress Creek High School seniors with college scholarships.

For further information about exhibiting at the Fair please contact Vallorie Mason, Business and Finance Academy principal, at [vallorie.mason@cfsd.net](mailto:vallorie.mason@cfsd.net) or Julie Larson, Business and Finance Academy secretary, at [julie.larson@cfsd.net](mailto:julie.larson@cfsd.net)

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## Beautification around ACIA

by Laura Lammers

With the unseasonably warm weather, many trees and shrubs are blooming and leafing out very early. Driving around I observed many azaleas bushes and other spring flowering shrubs blooming during what we usually consider winter months. The ACIA landscaping contractor, Lake Houston Lawn Care, is already hard at work preparing for spring. Trees are being pruned and flower beds prepared for plantings. I'm very excited to be involved with Beautification and share my ideas.

Plans include developing a multi-year redesign for replanting of heavily traveled medians and corner locations adding more color using drought/heat tolerant perennials.

Residents can share their ideas and volunteer their time by emailing L.Lammers@yahoo.com

## New Home Owners Association (HOA) Laws Adopted by the ACIA for 2011



### Track Club Registration



April 20th Track Club Registration for Middle and High School Athletes The Northwest Flyers Track Club will host an orientation/registration session for all middle and high school athletes and their parents interested in joining for the 2013 season.

The event will be held on Friday, April 12, from 7:00 AM to 8:30 PM at Cypress Creek High School, 9815 Grant Rd., Houston. The Northwest Flyers is a youth (ages 6 -18) track organization, affiliated with USA Track & Field.

The club provides a full program of track events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and field events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, discus, shot put and javelin. It is an excellent off season program for young athletes who currently compete on their middle school or high school track teams.

The club was founded 26 years ago by Olympic gold medalist Fred Newhouse to foster the development of youth track & field in the northwest Houston area. Last year, the Northwest Flyers sent 106 young athletes to compete at U.S. Junior Olympics National Championships in Baltimore, Maryland and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Visit the team website at <http://www.northwestflyers.org> for registration forms and information prior to the session, or contact Linette Roach at (281) 587-8442, or [linette.roach@sbcglobal.net](mailto:linette.roach@sbcglobal.net).

The Texas legislature enacted several new laws governing HOAs for 2011. Pursuant to the enactment of these laws, the Atascocita Community Improvement Association adopted and published with Harris County, amendments to the ACIA's Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R). Normally, property owners receive copies of the original CC&Rs in their closing documents; these original CC&Rs as well as amendments can also be found on the Atascocita Community Improvement Association's website [aciahomeowners.org](http://aciahomeowners.org). These documents are also available (at property owner's expense) from our management company's office Sterling Association Services, Inc. 562 Kingwood Drive Suite 13 Kingwood, TX 77339 telephone 281.359.4247. The new laws cover many areas from HOA management and record retention to property owner's rights. Some of the most important of these new laws are listed below:

- Rain Harvesting Systems
- Solar Energy Devices
- Storm & Energy Efficient Shingles
- Flags & Flagpoles
- Religious Items

During the coming months, property owners may receive courtesy letters from our management company requesting information regarding some of the items listed above. Under Texas HOA law, these items require ACIA approval; the Texas legislature has provided exhaustive guidelines for approval. Please supply the information requested in the courtesy letter, otherwise, the management company may issue a citation for deed violations.

If you receive a courtesy letter, if you have any questions regarding the new HOA laws or any HOA rules, please go to the Atascocita Community Improvement Association's website; contact our management company or any ACIA Board member.

Ron Jones  
ACIA Trustee



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## CY-CREEK



**FILL YOUR STAFF NEEDS  
CONNECT WITH LOCAL  
BUSINESSES**

**MARCH 21, 2013**

4:00 – 8:00 pm

Cypress Creek High School

Commons Area

9815 Grant Road

Houston, TX 77070

### EXHIBITORS RECEIVE:

- One 10x10 exhibit booth space
- Table, 2 chairs
- Booth number sign

### BOOK YOUR SPACE TODAY!

Register Online:

[http://schools.cfsd.net/cycreek/academy\\_BF.html](http://schools.cfsd.net/cycreek/academy_BF.html)

\$20 fee for 10x10 booth space & table

\$20 additional fee for electricity (limited availability)

### EMAIL:

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## Cypress-Tomball Democrats



The Cypress-Tomball Democrats' monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, March 19th, 2013. It will be held at Rudy's Grill & Cantina, 11760 Grant Rd., Cypress, TX 77429, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

March's guest speaker will be Lisa Falkenberg, metro columnist at the Houston Chronicle, where she writes on Tuesdays and Thursdays about topics ranging from politics to education to the death penalty.

All are welcome to attend and to join this growing club, which meets on the third Tuesday of every month. For more information, contact Olga Moya at [cytomdems@yahoo.com](mailto:cytomdems@yahoo.com).

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## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

High School Students from 60 countries are arriving to our area this coming august and I am looking for volunteers to host them. You need to provide a bed and meals for the student. They have their own spending money and are fully insured. If you are interested in volunteering and making a dream of a teen come true please email or call. Jennifer Tausworthe , Email Address: [jennifer4cci@aol.com](mailto:jennifer4cci@aol.com) Phone Number: 713-203-6556

## Lake Houston *Ladies Club*

### MARCH MEETING

Lake Houston Ladies Club will have their monthly meeting and luncheon on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Walden Country Club, 18100 Walden Forest, Humble TX 77346. Award winning singer/songwriter DEDE (Deborah Wedeking) know for her original, inspiring and award winning song, Psalm on Danny Boy, will be this month's entertainment. She will also be singing her own arrangements of other popular songs such as, I Dreamed a Dream, for which she won a spot as one of Singer Universe's Top 5 Vocalists in the US in 2012. Houston Ladies Club is a social organization that welcomes new members from all surrounding areas. Several Interest groups are available which include: Readers Choice, Bridge, Bunco, Lunch and Look, Movie Group and Supper Club. Please join us. Call Carol at 832-671-4475 for reservations by March 15, 2013 before 5:00 p.m. Call Hestor at 281-852-1442 for more information about the club.

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## YARD OF THE MONTH

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## ACIA Account Access

Sterling A.S.I. and Atascocita C.I.A. are pleased to announce internet access to your Atascocita C.I.A. information such as account balances, assessment amounts, payment information, your account contact data, forms, governing documents, etc., just to name a few. When you received your 2013 assessment bill, documentation was provided on how to access your account at: <http://www.Sterlingasi.net>

The website has two tool bars which provide beneficial information for homeowners. One tool bar is related to your community association information and the other to your individual information. Below are some of the more commonly used features:

- By clicking on the "Home" tab, located on the top tool bar, you will find your most commonly used resources such as your pool forms, bylaws and restrictions, helpful links, community event calendar, and other useful resources.
- To see if your assessment payment has been posted or for a history of past payments look under the "Account Detail" tab which can be found on the second toolbar.
- The "Account Link" tab allows you to link multiple properties that you may own under the same log in.
- The "Architectural" and "Compliance" tabs provide you with a history of past letters and applications and allow you to respond directly to the support personnel associated with that function.
- The "E-Payment" tab informs you how to pay your assessments on-line.
- The "User Profile" tab allows you to update your contact information and subscribe to receive information online.

We hope you will find accessing your account online a more efficient use of your time and that the information provided meets the needs of the community. If you have any suggestions once you have had time to peruse the site, please let us know.

## 2013 Relay for Life Cy-Fair

Friday, April 26, 2013 | 7 p.m.  
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For more information, contact [erin.kasperek@cancer.org](mailto:erin.kasperek@cancer.org)  
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