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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors and Members of Lakes of Fairhaven HOA, Inc.,

First, I'd like to sincerely thank Kelly Peel with Peel, Inc. for extending the invitation to submit a monthly "shout out" to the community. This is a great means of consistently connecting with the community on a monthly basis.

Second, I'd like to thank each and every one of you on both Stacie Keneker's (Treasurer) and my behalf for the overwhelming support we've received from you - the community - since we were elected to office in March, 2013. As most of you are aware, we have been keenly focused on effecting an efficient transition to a homeowner-controlled Board of Directors. While the challenges have been many, we have made significant progress. We are now beginning to turn our sights to more "community-centric" issues rather than just the drudgery of house cleaning and orientation. We both look forward to further engagements with our neighbors as we work to make our community an attractive, thriving and desirable environment.

Stay informed by checking out the official community website (LakesOffFairhavenHOA.org) and registering on the community chat forum nextdoor.com (direct link through lakesoffairhaven.com). In addition, ensure you have your email and other pertinent contact information registered with our property management service FirstService Residential - <http://www.fsresidential.com/> (previously known as AMI). You can contact our assigned property manager, Sharon Davis, directly via email at sharon.davis@fsresidential.com.

Make it a point to be engaged in our community. We typically see very limited participation in the informative Town Hall meetings that the Board hosts in order to discuss upcoming matters that will be brought before the community for a vote. Notices for these are sent out via email blasts and on nextdoor.com. Our last Town Hall on 08/05/13 was lightly attended. Stacie and I outlined the governing document revisions that she and I have assessed are beneficial for efficiently moving the community forward. While many of them are clerical in nature,

there are some that are material. You can find a summary of those proposed revision on the community website. Please feel free to email either me at president@lakesoffairhavenhoa.org or Stacie at treasurer@lakesoffairhavenhoa.org to ask questions or offer input. These will be put formally before the members within the next few weeks for a vote to adopt. Stay tuned for a confirmation on the date, time and venue, but pencil in September 5, 2013 as we shooting for then between 7-9 pm.

PLEASE give due attention to the matters that were communicated to each of you in a letter from the Board regarding Deed Restriction enforcement. It is important that we each take pride in our community and protect our investments. The Board purposely made a plea to each homeowner in order to remind the community of some of the more frequently observed violations. Since that letter, the Board has instructed our property management to issue notices to homeowners in violation of the restrictions. This is by far the least fun part of being a community representative on the Board. We sincerely thank you in advance for resolving issues before they become violations that must be addressed and pursued by the Board.

In closing, I trust that by the time you are reading this, you will be in the midst of the chaos of "back-to-school." Whether you have kids in the mix or not, no one can seemingly escape the mayhem. School zones are in full effect, traffic is again grid-locked on the freeways and at intersections and school activities have zapped any free time from both parents and grand parents alike. Alas, all is not lost - FOOTBALL SEASON is once again upon us! In the midst of all the madness, let's keep our eyes open and attention focused on our most treasured national assets - the kids. Be sure you hug yours today...if you don't have any, ask a close friend or family member if you can hug theirs. It's magic!

Sincerely,

Your President,
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New Website

Lakes of Fairhaven has a new community website. Please visit it at www.lakesoffairhavenHOA.org and register to get emails on HOA info and upcoming LOF announcements.

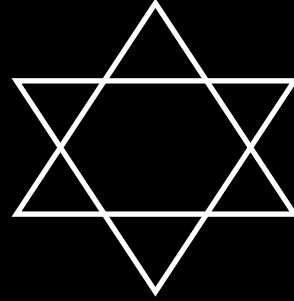


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October 19: Sharkfest Austin Swim benefiting Colin's Hope. Volunteers needed.
November: Underwater Holiday Photos (multiple days and locations).
February 16: Austin Marathon. Runners, walkers, and water stop volunteers needed.

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Rally Location: **Good Shepherd UMC 20155 Cypresswood Dr., Cypress, 77433**

Rally Contacts: **Jackie Morris - JF4Morris@gmail.com**

Susan Lawyer - hotcommunityscouter@gmail.com

San Jacinto Council Website: **www.gssjc.org**

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WOW! It's already September and the kids are back in school. Where did the summer go? Do you have a little one at home that is missing his older brother or sister? Or do you just have young children and are looking for some fun things to do? Come join other Moms and their kids in a variety of fun outdoor and indoor play dates. Are you looking for park days, craft projects, cooking group, scrapbooking events, lunch outings, age based playgroups, or someone to share dinner with when your husband is traveling or working late? We also find the time to meet once a month for a Mom's Night Out for a great time to unwind. Or are you interested in helping within the community with service

projects? Our club has all that and a whole lot more to offer for every Mom and her kids to enjoy!

Are you new to the area or a new mom and need a friend or support; we are here for you. Don't let yourself feel isolated being a stay at home mom! We invite you to attend two public events to decide if this is the right club for you and your children. Our membership fee is \$20 a year. This MOMS Club is a great opportunity for you and your kids to make new friends in your area. There is a lot of fun and support just waiting for you! Come visit us at our next Meet N' Greet and see for yourself! We meet on the second Tuesday of every month. As always, children welcomed!

For membership inquiries, please contact Stacey M., Membership VP at 281-725-2405, sjmetts22@gmail.com or Erica M., President at 281-755-7610, ericamill@gmail.com, so we can send you our club information and some upcoming public events for you to attend. You can also visit us on the web at www.meetup.com/MOMS-Club-Cypress-NW-Fairfield We look forward to hearing from you!



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Businesses of the community are encouraged to support a representative for membership in Kiwanis. If you work for a business that is oriented toward involvement in community improvement and leadership, suggest to them that you would like to represent that business through membership and involvement in work with Kiwanis. We welcome business and organization as well as individual memberships.

CHILDREN PRIORITY ONE is the motto of Kiwanis Clubs worldwide. The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club sponsors nine Key Clubs and one Builders' Club in the Cy-Fair School District; sponsors the Kids Triathlon; Girl Scout, Boy Scout, and Sea Scout troops and activities; awards scholarships to outstanding Key Club members in our district; provides assistance to Cypress Assistance Ministries and Bear Creek Ministries; the Houston Food Bank; and many other nonprofit organizations.

We look forward to welcoming you to our meetings.

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Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo awarded \$866,000 in scholarships to 49 deserving high school seniors in the Cypress Fairbanks Independent School district in May. Community Liaison, Jeanne Mason, is shown here at Cy-Springs High School.

Jeanne says, "Thank You! to our community for their continued support with our fundraising efforts. It's such a wonderful feeling to present scholarships to deserving students knowing full well that it will change their lives forever."



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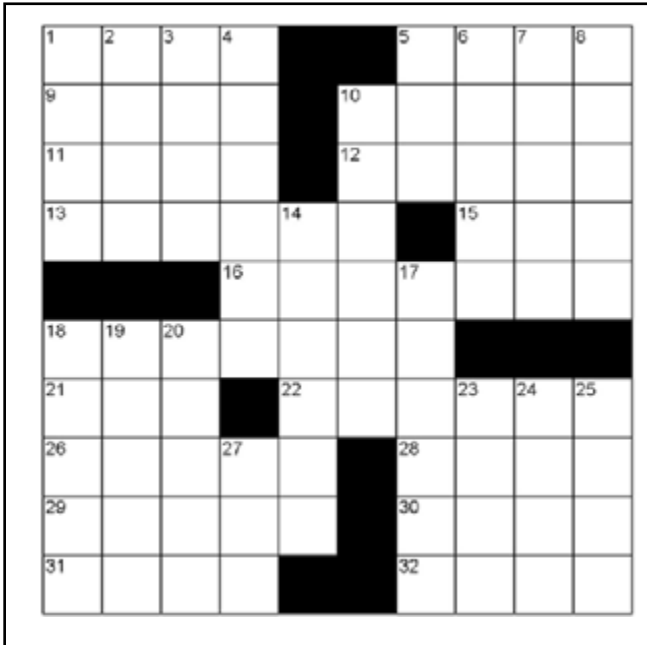


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5. Green Gables dweller
9. Not there
10. Ask for legally
11. Smooth
12. Island nation
13. Fertilized cell
15. Ex-serviceman
16. Rovers
18. Covered in coarse hair
21. Single
22. Sacred songs
26. Scrimmage
28. Prophet who built the arc
29. Remove
30. Canal
31. Eye infection
32. Tear

DOWN

1. Virtuoso
2. Airy
3. "Ribbit" animal
4. Singing voices
5. Wing
6. Innocent
7. Meat curing ingredient
8. Gives off
10. Sharks
14. Man's wig
17. Less nice
18. Houses
19. Sluggish
20. Electrical device
23. Tenet
24. Water pipe
25. Cote
27. East southeast

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If you are interested in being involved in Cy-Fair schools as a volunteer, please contact Pam Scott, Partners in Education Director at 281-894-3950.

Cy-Fair ISD & Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS) September 2013 Events

September 5

VIPS General Meeting

9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Berry Center

Open to all CFISD school staff, volunteers, parents and

community members.

Get the latest information on what is happening in CFISD.

September 10

Vision Certification Training

9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Berry Center

Become a state certified trained volunteer to assist a CFISD school nurse in vision testing for the students. Please RSVP to the school nurse by September 3.

September 11

Hearing Certification Training

9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Berry Center

Become a state certified trained volunteer to assist a CFISD school nurse in hearing testing for the students. Please RSVP to the school nurse by September 4.

September 17

PIE Mentor Training

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Berry Center

Training for individuals committed to serve as a role model and friend to a CFISD student.

September 19

PIE Mentor Training

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Berry Center

Training for individuals committed to serve as a role model and friend to a CFISD student.

September 24

VIPS Math Training

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Berry Center

Participants will learn the approach to the process and actions used in elementary math. This class will be presented by the CFISD math coordinator.

September 25

Junior Achievement Coordinator Training

8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Berry Center

Specifically for those who will take responsibility for implementing the JA program for their campus.

September 25

Junior Achievement Volunteer Training

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How To Execute The Two-Handed High Backhand Volley Approach Shot

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to hit a forehand groundstroke, a two-handed backhand, one-handed backhand, forehand volley, the two handed backhand volley, the serve, the forehand half-volley, the one-handed backhand volley, the overhead “smash”, the forehand service return, the backhand service return, and the forehand high volley approach shot.

In this issue, I will offer you instructions on how to execute the two-handed backhand high approach shot. This shot is used when a player is caught in “no-person’s land” (around the service line area) and receives a high ball to volley. The important part of this shot is to be able to hit a deep volley to the feet of the opponents and/or to hit a deep volley close to the baseline, so the opponent is put in a defensive mode and hits a softer ball so the player can now move closer to the net for the “killer or placement volley”. In the illustrations, Linda Henson, a player at the Grey Rock Tennis Club, shows the proper technique to execute this stroke.

Step 1: The Ready Position and Split Step: When Linda realizes that she is caught in “no-person’s land”, she takes the split step by bending the knees and staying on her toes. Her racket is in the volley position and her feet are angled toward the path of the incoming ball.

Step 2: The Back Swing: Once Linda realizes that the ball has been directed to her backhand, she will turn her upper body and will take the racket slightly back. Notice that the left hand next to the right

hand to allow her to keep her center of gravity in the center. She has loaded her weight on her left foot and will be ready to step forward to meet the ball. She will make a slight change toward the continental grip on both hands.

Step 3: The Point of Contact: Linda now is ready to step into the ball. She has kept her eye on the ball and her center of gravity now is shifted toward the point of contact. Notice the right toe pointing to the ball meeting the racket. The face of the racket is open to allow her to hit behind the ball and allow maximum net height and allow her to hit the ball deep. The control of the ball will be made with the left hand, which is holding the racket tighter. The right hand is more relaxed and helps keep the face of the racket in a 45 degree angle at the point of contact.

Step 4: The Follow Through: Once Linda has made contact with the ball, she finishes the follow through with her wrist laid back. Her right arm is next to her body and her eyes have shifted toward her target.

Step 5: The Move for the Kill Volley: As the ball is headed toward her opponent and Linda realizes that her shot is deep, now she moves close to the net for the put away volley. If her shot was not deep, Linda will decide to stay close to the service line to protect the lob over her head. By the look in her eyes and her smile, she is ready to go for the “kill volley”.

Look in the next Newsletter for: The One-Handed Backhand Volley Approach Shot

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\$500,000 and above	0	1	3	0	1	1	0	0	5	4
\$451,000--\$499,999	2	2	1	0	2	2	0	2	3	3
\$351,000--\$450,999	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
\$276,000--\$350,999	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$231,000--\$275,999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$201,000--\$230,999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Total	3	5	5	0	3	4	0	2	8	7
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