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BBQ COOK-OFF

MARCH 29, 2014

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3:00 Brisket Turn

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A newsletter for Bridgeland residents.

The Times is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Bridgeland residents. Each newsletter is filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports activity, social group, etc. and would like to submit an article for the newsletter you can do so online at www.PEELinc.com or you can email it bridgeland@peelinc.com. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, special celebrations, birthday announcements and military service are also welcome. *Our goal is to keep you informed!*

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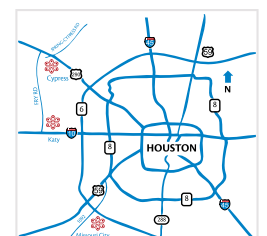


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performance we are happy to welcome back Grifters & Shills, after their great concert at the market last November. Enjoy their high energy roots music, featuring vocal harmonies, guitar, banjo, percussion, harmonica, mandolin, and bass while shopping at the Market.

The Farmers Market at Bridgeland held the 2nd Sunday of each month, 12:30 – 3:30pm at the parking lot adjacent to the Activity Center in Bridgeland.



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**The Chappell Hill
Historical Society**

The Chappell Hill Historical Society celebrates their 50th Anniversary this year. What a year is planned with the State Official Bluebonnet Festival to be held on Saturday, April 12, from 9 a.m. til 6 p.m. and Sunday, April 13, from 9 a.m. til 5 p.m. This is one of Texas best festivals with over 450 arts & crafts booths, children court, great Texas food, and some of the best live entertainment in this part of Texas.

Come visit the great town of Chappell Hill for the Bluebonnet Festival. Admission is free, parking usually is \$5 and experience a great day in the country. Located on U.S. 290 East, between Houston and Austin. Come out and enjoy Chappell Hill Historical Society anniversary and be a part of the CHHS Bluebonnet Festival.

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Successful Business Training

Keynote speaker shares tips at the March 27, 2014 CYFEN meeting

Come to the Cy-Fair Express Network (CYFEN) luncheon March 27 and get tips on being successful in your business.

The keynote speaker is Chuck Douglas with Proaction International. Chuck is a graduate of the Georgia State University in Atlanta (don't hold that against him), and has delivered more than 5,000 presentations and training programs throughout the world, including extensive tours with Tony Robbins, Bob Proctor, Les Brown, Mark Victor Hanson and Brian Tracy.

Chuck will share some ideas designed to "Create Immediate & Lasting Results" for your personal and professional effectiveness.

All are welcome to attend the monthly meetings of CYFEN, which are held the fourth Thursdays at the Sterling Country Club, 16500 Houston National Blvd. This month's meeting begins with networking at 11 a.m. followed with a prompt



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Texas A&M University Traditions Council to speak to

**NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY
AGGIE MOM'S CLUB**



Traditions are alive and well at Texas A&M! Please join us for the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive, conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at

the intersection of High Life Drive and Cutten Road. You will enjoy hearing from some of Texas A&M's most enthusiastic students who are members of the Traditions Council. Traditions Council is a committee on the Executive Branch of the Student Government Association at Texas A&M University. Founded in 1975, their mission is to preserve and promote the traditions of Texas A&M through education and awareness. One of the biggest honors Traditions Council has is participating in the tradition of Silver Taps, a tribute to any undergraduate or graduate student who passes away while enrolled in Texas A&M. Traditions Council hosts Senior Bootline during home conference football games, Run for the Ring, a 5K race and drawing to raise money for an endowment to fund Aggie Ring scholarships, and facilitates Bonfire Remembrance Week.

The Traditions Council is just one of many student organizations that the Northwest Harris County Aggie Moms supports. At every April meeting, members of the club have the privilege of casting votes for any student organization at A&M that they would like to see receive funds from our club.

Parents Weekend- April 11-13, 2014

Parents' Weekend is a cherished Aggie tradition honoring Aggie moms and dads since 1919. Among the many weekend activities is the popular Aggie Moms' Boutique, a gift and craft fair held on April 11 and 12 in the Memorial Student Center at Texas A&M. Check out our booth! We will be selling our Tradition beads!

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club meets August thru May on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at 7100 High Life Drive. For more information on monthly speakers or upcoming events visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org or contact Shannon Eberle, Club President at clubpres2012@gmail.com.

Business Training (Continued from Page 5)

11:30 a.m. start of the program.

Bring business cards for networking. The meeting cost is \$25 with advanced reservations made by the Thursday prior to the meeting and \$30 at the door.

For information on CYFEN, which is part of the American Business Women's Association, go to www.CYFEN.org.

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**About Cy-Fair Express
Network (CYFEN)**

The Cy-Fair Express Network's vision is to be a community and national leader for the support of professional women by providing a nurturing environment for business development, networking, education and mentoring. Our members have opportunities to pursue excellence and achieve both local and national recognition.

**About American Business
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This prestigious award was selected by the Texas Association of Sports Officials (TASO), Houston football chapter, who are the refs covering the high school games in the greater Houston area. The award was based on six criteria: 1) Actions of the team, 2) Action of the coaches, 3) Actions of the support groups at games, such as parents,

band and cheer squad, 4) Respect for the American flag, 5) a score based on the number of personal fouls incurred during the game, 6) a score based on the number of unsportsmanlike conduct fouls.

Coach Ryan Anthony summed up the award by thanking those on the team and all others associated with Rosehill Christian School. "I am particularly thrilled to be the coach of such fine young men who represent the Lord on and off the field. This award epitomizes the Rosehill journey and how it affects every aspect of the school."

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March meetings:

Saturday, March 8, 2014 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Saturday, March 29, 2014 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
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A schedule of other meetings and confirmed speakers can be found at our website, www.cypresstexasteaparty.org



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Hockley Community Center Presents

SPECIAL EVENTS

In addition to Hockley Community Center's regularly scheduled activities such as walking, knitting, quilting, oil painting, yoga, stretch-and-tone exercise, Bridge, Canasta, Spades and domino games, the center will offer the following special events in the near future. Advance registration is typically requested, and an adult must accompany and remain with anyone under the age of 18 visiting the center. The Community Center is part of the Harris County Precinct Three Recreation Complex located at 28515 Old Washington Road in Hockley.

A calendar of events is available at the Harris County Precinct 3 website at www.pct3.hctx.net. For more information, call (936) 931-5030.

Chair Yoga for Beginners

A new opportunity to exercise is now offered at the Hockley Community Center on Tuesday afternoons from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Start learning about Yoga while sitting in a chair. There is no need to get on the floor; just bring a hand towel and a yoga mat. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Book Discussion Group

The Autobiography of Mark Twain is the book that will be discussed on February 6th, 2014 at the Hockley Community Center. The Book Discussion Group meets from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month. New participants are always welcome to join. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Senior Citizen Bus Trip to HMNS

Sign-up is now open for Hockley Community Center's senior citizen bus trip to the Houston Museum of Natural Science on February 20th, 2014. Participants will have lunch on their own at Cleburne Cafeteria before heading to the museum to take advantage of free admission to the permanent exhibits from 2 – 5 p.m. Registration is required to go on the trip. Please stop by the Community Center or call (936) 931-5030 for more details.

Senior Potluck Luncheon and Games

Hockley Community Center is hosting a special Senior Potluck Luncheon and Games Day on Monday, February 17th, 2014 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. After lunching, participants will have the opportunity to play a variety of games like Canasta, Bridge, Dominoes, Spades and Mah Jongg. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Free Health Screening

Harris County Precinct Three, Commissioner Steve Radack, and Christus Health will be hosting a free Health Screening for participants 18 years and up at the Hockley Community Center, 28515 Old Washington Road, Hockley, Texas 77447. The screening will include blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol (Lipid Panel) and is scheduled for Friday, February 21st, 2014 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Open to the public. Call the Hockley Community Center, (936) 931-5030 to register.

CPR/First Aid and AED Class

The Hockley Community Center is hosting an American Red Cross CPR/First Aid and AED (Automated External Defibrillator, the "shock machine") class on February 26th, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. CPR and AED for Adult, Child and Infant will be covered first, then First Aid on All Ages. The class will also include Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) skills modification instruction. Attending to get just the information on possibly lifesaving skills is also an option, if a person cannot complete the skills to receive a certification card. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Senior Citizen Bus Trip to the Houston Livestock Show

Take advantage of free admission to the Reliant Park grounds for seniors 60 and over on Value Wednesday when you go on a bus trip to the Houston Livestock Show on March 12th, 2014. The bus will depart at 9:30 a.m. You will have time to enjoy the exhibitions and show events on the ground until 2:30 p.m. before the bus takes you back to the Hockley Community Center. Reliant Park admission for seniors under 60 will be \$5.00 that day. Registration is required. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Arts and Crafts Show

Harris County Precinct Three, Commissioner Steve Radack, and the staff and patrons of Hockley Community Center invite the community to an Arts and Crafts Show on Saturday, March 15th, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All items on display will showcase what is being created and worked on during classes and activities at the Community Center. The show will include an open-air "Quilts on the Hill" display in the park behind the Community Center to give all quilters adequate space to show their work. Open to the public. Call the Hockley Community

SPECIAL EVENTS continued

Center (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Support Group

The next Support Group meeting at the Hockley Community Center, 28515 Old Washington Road, is scheduled for Monday, March 31st, 2014 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. It is a safe place to go and share experiences, receive strength and understanding and meet people with similar concerns. Newcomers are always welcome. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Discover Precinct 3 On The Road Tour

Hockley Community Center is now taking reservations for a special Senior Citizen Bus Trip on April 16th, 2014 featuring one of the popular Discover Precinct 3 on the Road Tours. An expert guide will be on board, giving a narrative tour of scenic locations in Harris County's Precinct Three. The locations visited on the tour are in Alief, Spring Branch, Houston and Katy. Bus departure time will be 8:00 a.m. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.



Elisha Roberts Chapter

The wonderful ladies of the Elisha Roberts Chapter, NSDAR, extend an invitation to any female, 18 years or older, who can prove direct lineal descent from someone who either fought in or provided aid during the American Revolution. We are a family oriented group of ladies who promote patriotism, education and historic preservation. Our motto is God, Home and Country. If this sounds like you, please come and join us for a meeting. We meet the third Thursday of each month, September through May, at the Backyard Grill, located at 9453 Jones Road. Our next meeting will be on February 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact the chapter Regent, Cheryl Partney at cpart86@comcast.net or by phone at 832-654-0306. We look forward to meeting you.

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March 4—Mary Jane Williams from the Families to Families Network will discuss that organization's work for Children with disabilities.

March 11—Dr. Ronald B. Rea of the Chriss Cole Children's Fund will talk about the operation of the children's rehabilitation center. Their mission is to help children and families with resources not available from other community agencies.

March 18—Ray Wooten, executive director of Shield Bearer will address how this organization helps heal the hearts of children who fall between the cracks of most recognized community agencies. These children are victims of abuse, neglect and child trafficking.

Kiwanis will provide donations and service whenever possible. Children: Priority One is the motto of Kiwanis worldwide. Join us in these endeavors and reap the rewards of satisfaction in the results achieved.



Additionally, we sponsor Key Clubs and Builder's Clubs in the high schools and middle schools in the Cy-Fair District.

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 representatives as well as individual memberships.

The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club meets at Hearthstone Country Club on the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 12:15 for lunch and informative programs. For more information, call John Carroll at 281-463-0373, George Crowl at 832-467-1998 or Peggy Presnell at 281-304-7127. We invite you to be our guest at one of the meetings and enjoy the fellowship of Kiwanians from your community as you learn about our organization.

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How to Execute The Forehand Drop Shot

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to hit the forehand groundstroke, the two-handed backhand, the one-handed backhand, the 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, the forehand high volley approach shot, the two handed high volley approach shot, the one-handed high volley approach shot, the forehand lob, the two-handed backhand lob and the one-handed backhand lob.

In this issue, I will offer instructions on how to execute the Forehand Drop Shot. This shot is used when a player is deep on the baseline and returns a short soft ball. The player hitting the drop shot is forcing the opponent to run toward the net. This ball should be hit high enough to clear the net and almost bounce back toward the net. If the player running for the shot can get it on the first bounce, it will likely be off balance and will be forced to make an error or return for an easy put away volley. In the illustrations, Fernando Velasco, Manager and Director of Tennis at the Grey Rock Tennis Club, shows the proper technique to execute this stroke. This shot can also be executed from the base line when the opponent is expecting a deep return of a serve.

Step 1: The Back Swing: When Fernando detects the ball landing short and high, he starts his back swing high and compacted. He is using the continental grip and keeping his eyes focused on the flight of the ball. His left hand is up front to keep the proper body balance.

Step 2: The Point of Contact: Fernando is now ready to perform the drop shot. His eyes are now focused on the point of contact and the face of the racket is angled up to create the underspin on the ball. His goal is to keep his head still. His left hand is still in front and his weight is shifting toward his left foot.

Step 3: The Follow Through: The success of a drop shot is to keep the ball on the strings as long as possible. Fernando is almost “cupping” the ball during the follow through. Fernando’s grip is relaxed and the head of the racket is pointing toward the sky. His left shoulder is almost opening to the net and his eyes are following the path of the ball.

Step 4: The Ready Position: Once Fernando finishes the stroke, his goal is to follow the path of the drop shot. If he created a good drop shot and sees his opponent running with the head of the racket down, Fernando will move closer to the net or anticipate the angle shot. More likely it will be an easy sitter for a put away volley.

Look in the next Newsletter for: How to execute “The Backhand Drop Shot”



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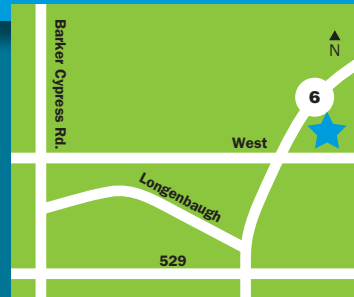
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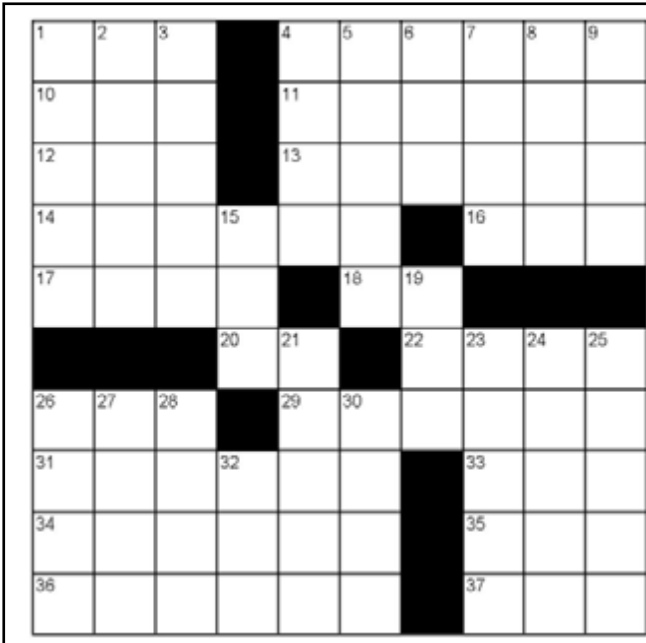
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- 13. Napkins
- 14. Filament
- 16. Shekel
- 17. Hula __
- 18. Iowa (abbr.)
- 20. Man's title
- 22. Type of dressing
- 26. Short-term memory
- 29. Exodus
- 31. Hype
- 33. Airport abbr.
- 34. Glistening
- 35. Cask
- 36. Star system
- 37. South southeast

DOWN

- 1. Wood
- 2. Ice house
- 3. Fast food meal
- 4. Ashen
- 5. Excuse
- 6. Cocktail drink
- 7. Follow
- 8. Eaten
- 9. Association (abbr.)
- 15. Words per minute
- 19. Abridged (abbr.)
- 21. Become less tight
- 23. Onion like vegetables
- 24. Painter Richard
- 25. Utilization
- 26. Thick carpet
- 27. Roman cloaks
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\$451,000--\$499,999	1	3	2	1	2	1	0	2	0	0
\$351,000--\$450,999	6	19	11	5	4	6	4	2	3	3
\$276,000--\$350,999	2	6	6	6	6	3	4	4	7	4
\$231,000--\$275,999	4	3	3	3	2	4	1	4	5	1
\$201,000--\$230,999	1	2	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	0
\$200,999 and below	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	16	34	26	19	17	16	12	15	19	9
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