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Lakes on Eldridge North

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November 2014

Houston Dance Theatre's 32nd Annual Production of

THE NUTCRACKER BALLET

Celebrating our 32nd year, North Houston's Premiere Ballet Company, Houston Dance Theatre, again gives local audiences the opportunity to experience the beauty and elegance of a Christmas tradition ... The Nutcracker.

Two performances are scheduled to take the stage:

Saturday, November 29th at 7:00 p.m.

and

Sunday, November 30th at 2:30 p.m.

The performances are held at the beautiful Westfield's Geiger Performing Arts Center, 16713 Ella Boulevard; 1 mile south of 1960.

Reserved seating tickets are \$22 each and may be purchased online at:

www.houstondancetheatre.org

Featured Russian Professional Guest Artists will join the cast of 75 local dancers, including the Houston Dance Theatre Company.

Included in the cast from Fairfield are

Madison Bradley,

Rachael Dulaney,

Olivia Letney,

Alayna Parlevliet, and

Sydney Parlevliet

Houston Dance Theatre is an Honor Company of Regional Dance America. This exceptional production continues to enhance the arts in our community! This is the one to see! For best available seating purchase your tickets early. Group sales are available. For further information or ticket sales, visit our website at: www.houstondancetheatre.org.

*Box Office location: American Academy of Dance / Home of Houston Dance Theatre
15775 Bammel Village Drive Houston, TX. 77014*

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HDT is a 501(c)(3) organization - proceeds go toward the cost of this and future productions.



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Businesswomen are invited to learn how to use this powerful goal setting tool

LUNCHEON DETAILS

Thursday, November 20

*Networking 10:30 am; Luncheon begins at 11:00 am
Sterling Country Club, 16500 Houston National Blvd.,
Cypress, TX 77433*

Extended session member costs \$25.00 with advanced reservations; guests costs \$40.00 with advanced reservations

With 2015 quickly approaching, it's the perfect time to start thinking about goals for the New Year. Reba Charleston, speaker and lifestyle coach, will lead a fun method of goal setting engaging a number of your senses and with a focus on visualization.

At the Thursday, Nov. 20 Cy-Fair Express Network luncheon, attendees will learn how to create a powerful tool that can serve as an image of the future, representing dreams, goals, and an ideal life. The end result will be both empowering and gratifying.

Among some areas for goal setting are professional, health, family, financial, romantic, spiritual and community. In her interactive presentation, Charleston will share different representational techniques using art and craft materials and social media technology.

To create a personal vision board, bring blank poster boards or construction paper, glue, scissors and magazines or other documents – with pictures, words and phrases that inspire, motivate, and empower- which can be cut up and attached to a vision board.

Aligning herself with individuals to achieve specific goals in growth, productivity, mental and physical wellness, and personal and organizational excellence, this Zumba® fitness instructor and natural practitioner loves to bring fun into everything she does and to inspire healthy, energetic movement.

“Reba’s presence will be an exciting addition to this meeting,” said Jessica Smith, CYFEN president. “Women in attendance will have much to gain by her expertise and shared knowledge.”

This month’s CYFEN meeting is an extended session and begins with networking at 10:30 a.m. followed with a prompt 11:00 a.m. start of the program. Due to the Thanksgiving holiday the luncheon will be held a week earlier than the customary fourth Thursday. Luncheons are held at the Sterling Country Club, 16500 Houston National Blvd.



*Photo courtesy of Cy-Fair Express Network
Pictured: Reba Charleston, Lifestyle Training Coach*

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Swing and Sing Scholarship Golf Tournament

Saturday, November, 8, 2014 | Longwood Golf Club 8:30A.M. Shotgun Start | 13300 Longwood Trace Dr., Cypress, TX 77429

FORMAT:

4-man Scramble | 8:30A.M. Shotgun Start

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Payment couldn't be easier. Just use the Golf Tournament page on the Cy-Fair Choir website: <http://cyfairchoir.com/calendar/golf-tournament/>

The profits from this event fund scholarships that assist our students to excel and do greater things. If you have any questions about anything please contact us at evan.key@cfisd.net.

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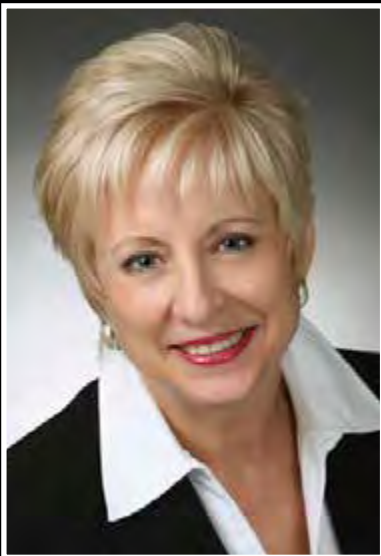
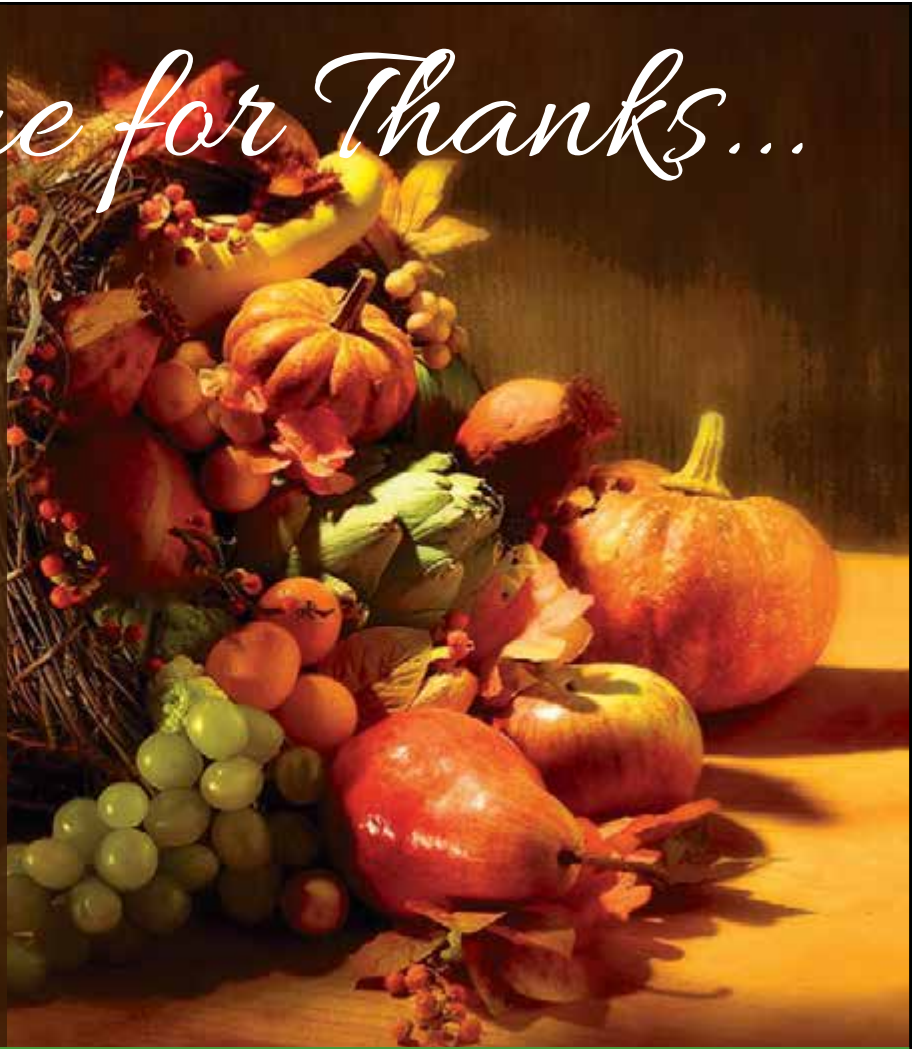
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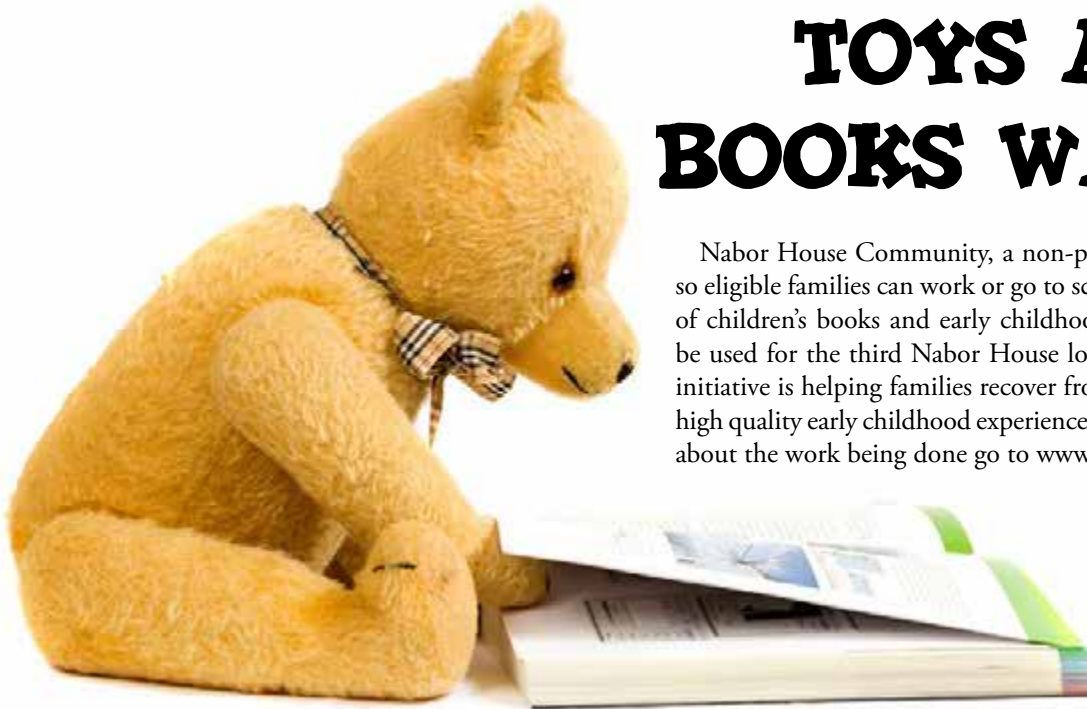
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KIWANIS CLUB OF CY-FAIR HOUSTON

Officers for the 2014-2015 year began their terms on October 1, 2014. They are:

President - Mike Larrivee

President Elect – Dr. Larry Zarker

Vice-President – Steve Gleinser

Immediate Past President – Paula Hoffman

Treasurer – Jim Meadows

Secretary - George Crowl

New Board Members - Gary Hopkins and Phil Johnston

Continuing Board Members – John Carroll, Andy Lawrence and Dr Peggy Presnell

The Cy-Fair Club looks forward to an exciting year under the leadership of these new officers. We invite guests to attend an introductory meeting of this Kiwanis Club at the Hearthstone Country Club on November 4, 11, or 16. Be our guest for lunch at 12:15, followed by an informative program. Adjournment is at 1:15. We welcome new members.

What is Kiwanis? Kiwanis is an international service organization focused on changing the world one child and one community at a time.

Service is at the heart of every Kiwanis club, no matter where in the world it's located. Worldwide, members stage nearly 150,000 service projects and raise nearly US\$100 million every year for communities, families and projects. In addition, Kiwanis members actively participate in many service projects in their home communities.

The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club of Houston seeks to serve this community through sponsoring Key Clubs for high school students, Builders Clubs for middle school students, and Aktion clubs for adults with disabilities. We provide support to boy scout and girl scout troops and to various other organizations in the community that serve children and families. Enjoy the pleasure of being a part of this service.

Kiwanis members don't just do service—they have fun. Members make new friends by being part of a club where they attend meetings and participate in social events. Kiwanis clubs also provide excellent networking opportunities for professionals. Members meet new people from all over their region and the world through service projects, fundraising and attendance at district and international conventions.

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Please join us on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 7 pm. at the Houston Distributing Center, 7100 High Life Drive, Houston, Texas 77066. Our featured speaker will be Mr. Skip Wagner, President of the 12th Man Foundation. This a great way to meet other Aggie Moms, find out about upcoming events, and buy care packages. Enjoy light refreshments while you shop our Boutique for handcrafted one-of-a-kind Aggie treasures. For more information visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org. We are looking forward to meeting all Moms of Aggies.

Skip Wagner is the President and CEO of the 12th Man Foundation, whose main purpose is raising funds for scholarships, programs and facilities for Texas A&M Athletics. The Foundation supports the Athletic Department's efforts of winning championships on the field while developing student athletes who will be successful in the classroom and be great representatives of Texas A&M long after their playing days are over. Having joined the organization on April 15, 2013, he and his team are helping the Foundation reach unprecedented heights as it embarks on the path of financing and rebuilding Kyle Field, the home of the Texas A&M fighting Aggies football team. Over \$250 million has been raised from generous Aggies who have also embarked on supporting major new facilities for softball, outdoor track and football operations and player areas. The Foundation has created a new Premium Services group and is initiating new programs to better engage and service its thousands of donors. From 2005-2013, Skip served as President and CEO of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. In his final year, the Rodeo, with over 28,000 volunteers, had record attendance of over 2.5 million people, record revenue in excess of \$110 million and record donations to Texas youth, education and other charitable causes in excess of \$25 million. From 2000 to 2004, Skip was president and general manager of the Oklahoma State Fair. Skip graduated from Oklahoma State University in 1982 with a degree in chemical engineering and from Harvard Business School in 1986 with a master's degree in business administration. Skip and his wife Cindy have four children, including Allie who graduated from Texas A&M in 2008 and Jack, class of 2017, who is at Texas A&M in Mays Business School.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club raises money throughout the year to fund scholarships to the students from our area. Last year, we awarded 15 scholarships to Aggie students from our local community and donated over \$34,000 to a variety of Texas A&M student organizations. Eligible students should download the scholarship application form for 2014-2015 on November 1st at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org.



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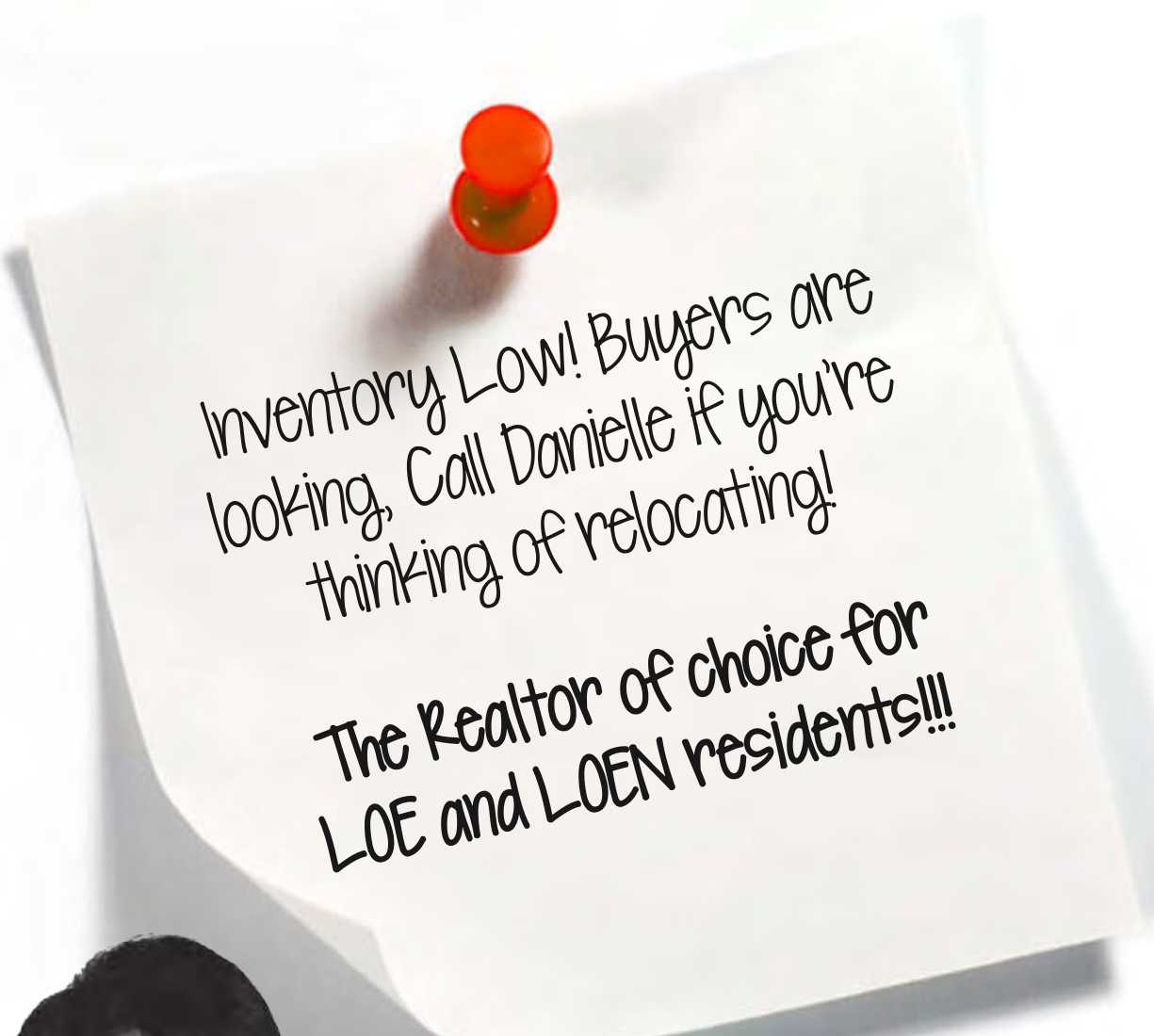
Bethlehem

Visit Bethlehem this season on Saturday, December 6th and Sunday December 7th from 5:00-8:00 pm. at Messiah Lutheran Church at 11522 Telge Road, Cypress, TX 77429. The event is free!

Imagine what life was like during this miraculous time in history as you visit the Spice Merchant, the Produce Market, sample the wonderful treats at the Bakery and taste the savory soup at the Soldier's Tavern. Listen to the storyteller, and visit the shepherds, & the Inn. Watch for the Roman soldiers. Don't miss this living, interactive recreation of the original Christmas story. Join us for free activities for the family including candle making, create a clay pinch pot, sew a coin bag or play Bethlehem dress-up. Pet the live animals and enjoy cookies, hot cider and coffee.

Messiah Lutheran Church is a grace place, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Messiah is located at 11522 Telge Road, ½ mile north of Highway 290. Regular Sunday worship times are: 8 am—Traditions; 9:30 am—The Gathering; and 10:45 am—The Crossing. The Discovery (education) Hour is 9:15-10:15 AM on Sundays. For more information, 281-890-3013 or www.messiahlc.org. All people are welcome at Messiah.





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STEP 4

The Modern Game: The Swinging Backhand Approach Shot or Volley

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to execute the basic strokes for players who are just beginning to play tennis or who want to resume playing.

I am now offering suggestions on how to play the “modern” game mostly geared towards players who are happy with hitting the ball over the net and controlling the point with consistency. These players may be already playing for leagues or in tournaments and are looking for more “weapons” on the court.

In this issue, I will offer instructions on how to execute “The Swinging Backhand Approach Shot or Volley.” This shot is used when an opponent hits a soft shot that is floating high on the service line area. The player will take advantage and will hit the ball on the fly with a huge swing, thus hitting with top spin high over the net and hit with power. When the ball hits the court, it will take a big hop, forcing the opponent to fall back close to the fence, or to hit the ball on the rise. This shot can be used as a “winner” or as an “approach shot.”

In the illustrations, Vishwa Aduru, one of the top players of the Grey Rock Tennis Academy, shows the proper technique to execute this stroke. Vishwa is coached by the Director of the Tennis Academy, Darin Pleasant.

Step 1: The Back Swing: When Vishwa sees the opportunity, he makes a quick turn of his upper body and takes the racket high and back. The head of the racket is now at shoulder height, his shoulders are turned, the left hand is gripping the racket tight and the right hand is semi-relaxed. His weight is on the front foot as his momentum carries him forward to attack the ball. His left wrist is “laid back” to allow maximum point of contact.

Step 2: The Point of Contact: The success of a top spin shot is keeping the ball on the strings going from low to high in a 30 degree angle and accelerating the racket head around the outside of the ball. Vishwa started the swing high and “looped” it to allow the head of the racket to drop down. He will be brushing around the outside of the ball as he makes contact with it. His left shoulder is almost opening and his weight is moving through the shot.

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Cypress Texas Tea Party

The next meetings of the Cypress Texas Tea Party will be on:

Saturday, November 15, 2014
Saturday, December 6, 2014

The Cypress Texas Tea Party meets every three weeks on Saturday
Noon until 2:00 PM at:
Spring Creek BBQ
25831 Northwest Freeway
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Map: <http://goo.gl/maps/OoNjY>

A schedule of our meetings and confirmed speakers can be found at our website, www.cypresstexasteaparty.org

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Nov 7 - 8 • Sugar Plum Market, Stafford Junior League	sugarplummarket.com
Nov 9 • 19 th Annual Children's Festival	woodlandscenter.org
Nov 9 - Dec 24 • Old Town Spring 'Home for the Holidays'	oldtownspring.com/events
Nov 13 - 16 • Houston Ballet Nutcracker Market	houstonballet.org
Nov 14 - May 10 • Ice Age Exhibit	moodygardens.org
Nov 15 - Jan 3 • Moody Gardens Festival of Lights	moodygardens.org
Nov 15 - Jan 4 • Moody Gardens 'Ice Island Ice Sculptures'	moodygardens.org
Nov 21- 22 • Brazos Valley Worldfest	brazosvalleyworldfest.org
Nov 21 - 23 • Holidays Christmas Gift Mkt, Katy TX	homefortheholidaysgiftmarket.com
Nov 21 - 23 • Woodlands Jr League Holiday Market	jlholidaymarket.org
Nov 22 & 23 • 2014 ViaColoriHouston	centerhearingandspeech.org
Nov 27 • Houston Thanksgiving Day Parade	uptown-houston.com
Nov 27 • Uptown Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony	visithoustontexas.com
Nov 28 -29 • Moody Garden's 'Home for the Holidays'	moodygardens.org
Dec 4 • The Woodlands 'Holly Jolly Jingle'	woodlandscenter.org
Dec 13 • Conroe Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting.....	playinconroe.com
Dec 13 • Annual Christmas Boat Lane Parade, Clear Lake.....	clearlakearea.com
Dec 14 - May 31, 2015 • Strawberry Picking at Blessington Farmes/blessingtonfarmes.com
Dec 15 - Jan 1,2015 • Houston 'Zoo Lights'	houstonzoo.org/zoolights
Dec 18 • Children's Campfire Christmas	georgeranch.org



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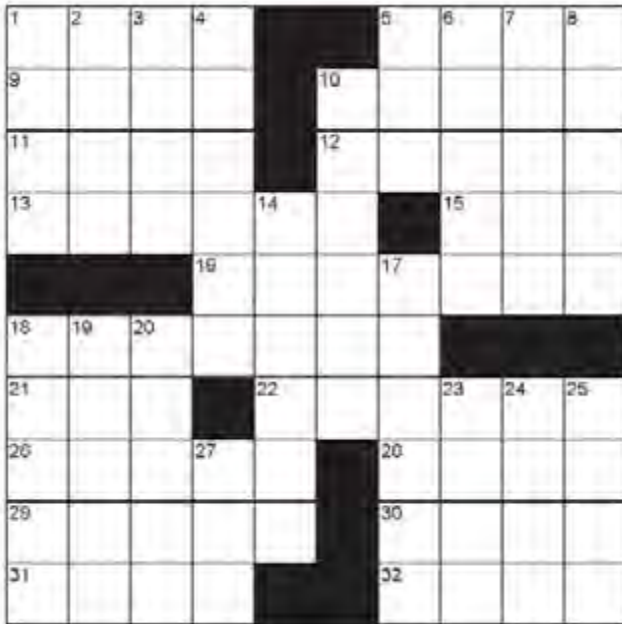
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ACROSS

1. Southwest by south
5. Prophet who built the arc
9. In ___ of
10. Short poem
11. Iraq's neighbor
12. More able
13. System
15. Conger
16. Avows
18. Angora (2 wds.)
21. Finale
22. Grows
26. Do penitence
28. Has 4 identical siblings
29. Automaton
30. Ancient Indian
31. Espy
32. Tier

DOWN

1. Skinny
2. Flexible metal thread
3. Lick
4. Sunbonnet
5. Catch
6. Cargo ship
7. BB Player Abdul Jabar
8. Throws violently
10. Played (2 wds.)
14. Counterbalance
17. Iranian's neighbors
18. What you shift
19. Upon (2 wds.)
20. Philippine dish with marinated chicken or pork
23. Peewee
24. Aphids
25. Fasten
27. Negative

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- Kids Stuff -



What does it mean to be green? "Green" is more than just a color. It also means taking special steps to protect the environment — the water, the land, and the air we breathe. Why green? Plants are green, and without them the Earth wouldn't be such a lovely home for us human beings. Every day, people make choices that affect the amount of trash and pollution that gets produced in our world. What can you do? A whole lot, actually. Here's a four-step guide to being green:

- Reduce the amount of stuff you use and throw away.
- Reuse stuff when you can.
- Recycle cans, bottles, paper, books, and even toys.
- Enjoy the Earth — walk in the woods, plant a tree, and eat some of the delicious food it produces.

REDUCE IT!

When you use less of something, you do a good thing for the Earth. For instance, a shorter shower means you used less water and less fuel since your house uses fuel to run the water heater that warmed up the water.

Here's a list of other stuff you can reduce:

- Turn off lights you're not using. Better yet, encourage your parents to switch to compact fluorescent light bulbs. They last longer and use less energy. They do need to be disposed of properly, though, so make sure your mom or dad helps if one breaks.
- Turn off the water when you're brushing your teeth.
- When you can, walk or ride your bike instead of driving in the car. You'll use less gas — and get some exercise!
- Unplug the chargers for your phone and MP3 player when you're not using them.
- Put your computer to "sleep" instead of leaving it on with the screensaver running.

REUSE IT!

Sometimes people call ours a "throwaway society." That means that we're a little too willing to throw away old stuff and buy new stuff. Many times, even if you no longer need something, someone else just might. For instance, if your baby brother outgrows his plastic basketball hoop, why not give it to another family who has a little kid? That's one less plastic basketball set that they need to buy. It's also one less large plastic toy that needs to be produced, packaged, and shipped to the toy store. Here are some additional ways to reuse the stuff you have:

- Use rechargeable batteries for your handheld computer games, MP3 players, cell phones, and digital cameras.
- Choose reusable travel cups instead of disposable paper or plastic cups.
- Take your own bags — preferably reusable ones — when you go to the grocery store.

- Drink tap water instead of buying bottled water. If you don't like how your tap water tastes, a low-cost filtration system could make a difference. Get a reusable water bottle so you can take it with you.
- Organize a swap among your friends. What can you swap? Books, toys, even clothes. It's a way for everyone to get something new without spending any money and without throwing a bunch of stuff away. Set aside some items for your swap when you're cleaning your room!
- Take paper from your computer printouts and use the other side for more computer printing or just to draw or doodle on.

RECYCLE IT!

Recycling has never been easier. Many communities will pick it up right in front of your house and some towns even require it. Tell your mom or dad you want to become "Chief of Recycling" for your household. That means you'll organize the recyclable items in bins, remember to put them on the curb on recycling day, and help remind others which items can be rinsed and recycled.

By separating plastic bottles, cans, bottles, and more, you're reducing the amount of trash that goes to the landfill. What's a landfill? A big mountain of trash, where all the trash trucks go to dump their loads. Recycled goods go instead to a recycling center, where they can be crushed, broken down, and later turned into new cans, bottles, and paper.

What else can be recycled? Sometimes water can be. For instance, some communities take used water — like from the washing machine and shower — and clean it up so it's safe to use for watering the grass and flowers.

ENJOY IT!

It's true that trash and pollution are problems, but the Earth remains a huge and glorious place that's ready for you to explore. You can start locally by visiting the naturally beautiful spots in your city and state. Go for a hike, visit local nature centers and gardens, climb up mountains, and explore lazy creeks.

Experience the outdoors in all sorts of weather — from a sunny day at the beach or lake to a wintry adventure when it snows. And if you're planning a family vacation, suggest a trip to a national treasure, such as the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone Park, or Chincoteague Island to roam with the wild ponies.

But before you travel the globe, take a look at your own backyard. Is there a spot where you could plant a tree or put in a little fruit or vegetable garden? If so, get out there and get your hands dirty. Then you can watch with pride as your tree takes root and your garden plants grow from sprigs to big plants full of ripe, red tomatoes or tiny, succulent blueberries. Who knew being green would taste so good?

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