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Homeowners Association

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BOARD REPORT

The day-to-day Operating Expenses of the Homeowners Association, such as Administration, Utilities, General Maintenance, Amenities, Landscaping, and Miscellaneous Operating Expenses, are covered by the Annual Assessment Fee. Our Operating Budget for 2016 is based on utilizing 98% of the income raised from our 2016 Annual Assessment. At the end of March, we had spent 20% of our budget and we are currently anticipating that our total Operating Expenses for 2016 will be on budget.

The Capital Reserve is used for the extraordinary maintenance, repair, enhancement and end-of-life replacement of assets and funding for this comes from the Reserve Assessment. A third party study of projected Capital Reserve needs for the next 30 years was undertaken in 2012 and, based on that study, it was recommended that the accumulated balance of our Capital Reserve Fund be built up to be equivalent to \$935 and \$1,100 per homeowner by the end of 2016 and 2017, respectively. As things currently stand the projection

is that the actual accumulated balance of our Capital Reserve Fund will be equivalent to \$760 per homeowner by the end of 2016 and \$1,010 per homeowner by the end of 2017.

A Special Assessment of \$600 per homeowner was approved in October, 2014 to provide the funds needed to undertake some extraordinary asset repair work in 2015. At the close of the 2015 financial year we had used approximately 70% of the funds raised through the Special Assessment. The balance of the funds available from the Special Assessment has been rolled over to 2016 and will be used to cover the cost of performing a limited number of extraordinary asset repair jobs in the coming months.

The Annual Meeting of the HOA scheduled for April 18, 2016 was cancelled as a result of the extensive flooding experienced throughout the Northwest Harris County area on the day of the meeting. The current intention is to re-schedule the meeting for around May 16, 2016. The appropriate meeting notices will be issued to all homeowners once the new date has been finalized.

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Harris County Health Department.....	713-439-6260
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- not working (Report Number on Pole)	
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2016 Scouting for Food Results

Scouting for Food is a project rooted in the very foundation of the Scouting movement and its dedication to do and implement the Scout Slogan, Do a Good Turn Daily. It is an ongoing annual program of the Boy Scouts of America, organized at a local level throughout the country, with one objective, to collect food for local food banks. Each year local Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venture Scout Crews and Sea Scout Ships in every District leave door hangers throughout their neighborhoods soliciting non-perishable food items. One week later Scouts return in the morning hours to pick up and deliver any food donations left on front porches to their local food banks. For the Big Cypress District this occurs annually in late January and donations are provided to Cypress Area Ministries (CAM), our local pantry.

The Big Cypress District of Sam Houston Area Council includes Scouting units in the Northwest area of the Cy-Fair ISD attendance zones of Harris County. This includes Cypress, Bridgeland and Fairfield. The Big Cypress District overall collected 22,168 lbs of food, translating to approximately \$37,686. CAM estimates, for the number of families they anticipate supporting, this will last from February til end August this year. Thank you to all those that placed a bag, large or small, on their front porch this February!

Cub Scout Pack 3, chartered thru the A. Robison Elementary PTO, has 45 boys, grades 1-5, who primarily attend A. Robison Elementary School. Pack 3 would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to the communities of Lakes of Rosehill, Cypress Mill Parks 1 & 2, Cypress Mill Estates, Cypress Ranch Estates and Cypress Village. With their help the 45 boys of Pack 3 checked the porches of over 2000 homes and collect a combined weight of 751.2 pounds of food to deliver to CAM. The boys enjoy finding these treasured bags of food left on porches, knowing they are doing something to help make a difference in someone's life. Be on the lookout next January for your door hanger and please consider leaving a few things out for the boys to collect, every little bit helps!!

Thank you again from the Cub Scouts of Pack 3 to everyone that contributed to the Scouting for Food movement!!



6 Health Benefits of Eating Dark Chocolate

If your sweet tooth craves chocolate, there are plenty of reasons to surrender to your cravings and indulge. Dark chocolate is loaded with nutrients that can positively affect your health. Made from the seed of the cocoa tree, it is one of the best sources of antioxidants on the planet. Cacao offers a number of health benefits from helping to control blood sugar to lowering the risk of cardiovascular disease because it contains flavonols, which are a type of antioxidant that has been shown to improve blood flow and can protect against sun-induced damage, improve blood flow to the skin and increase skin density and hydration.

Bottom Line: Quality dark chocolate has various nutritional perks so enjoying a delicious treat that has at least 65% cacao can be guilt-free if you don't overdo it.

NUTRITIONAL PERKS

HEART-HEALTHY

Dark chocolate has been shown to improve blood flow and possibly prevent blood clots. It also helps lower blood pressure and may help keep arteries from hardening.

BRAIN FOOD

Because chocolate increases blood flow to the brain, it can be a boost to your cognitive health.

MOOD CHANGER

Chocolate also contains phenylethylamine (PEA), which encourages your brain to release endorphins that make you feel good.

CANCER FIGHTER

Antioxidants in chocolate help rid your system of free radicals, which have been linked to multiple age-related health risks and diseases.

SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT

Theobromine, found in dark chocolate, helps harden tooth enamel, which helps prevent cavities.

SUN BLOCKER

Some studies show that people with diets high in flavonols take longer to burn in the sun than people with low flavonol diets.

Written by: Claudia Mosley, Moms Making Six Figures

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Cy-Fair Republican

Women

May 10th our guest speakers will be candidates for Harris County Republican Party Chairman, Paul Simpson, Tex Christopher, and Rick Ramos.

10:30 AM - Noon. (Second Tuesday each month)

Meeting is \$3 -- Meeting w/Lunch at Noon is \$20.

**Hearthstone Country Club,
7615 Ameswood, Houston, TX 77095**

Come, enjoy likeminded fellowship and getting to know our candidates. All are welcome! Candidates, we want to get to know each of you. Please RSVP to www.cfrw.net by 5/3/16.

The run-off election is May 24th. Our turn-out is very important as there are several areas with run-off candidates.



Shalom Cypress

Shalom Cypress was established in 2011 by local families seeking a Jewish presence in Northwest Houston. We are the closest synagogue within 25 miles of the nearest synagogue. Many thought that they were the only Jews in the Cypress area, but it turns out that they were wrong! Shalom Cypress has grown to more than 30 affiliated families.

I hope that everyone had a great Purim & Passover! In May, we will have our monthly Friday & Saturday services. Noah will be called to the Torah to become a Bar Mitzvah. Come join us for this celebration. In June, we are having a free BBQ to kick-off the summer. You can eat the best Kosher hamburgers & hotdogs right here in Cypress!

Shalom Cypress has many ongoing & active programs for people of all ages. Please visit our website at www.shalomcypress.org, e-mail us at info@shalomcypress.org, or call Ben Federman at 832-795-2002 to find out more details about the upcoming events.



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At the May 26 Cy-Fair Express Network Luncheon, our speaker, Kathryn Crawford Wheat will enthusiastically teach attendees her proven networking methods to those looking for answers on what makes networking really work. She teaches based on the principal, "Networking is simply starting a conversation with no destination in mind".



Kathryn is a Professional Motivational Speaker, Networking Instructor, Blogger and Author of the book, *Networking: Naked & Unafraid*. She began her journey as an entrepreneur in 2007 with Home Staging. In 2010 she launched her own website, *Woman's InSite*.

Then in 2014 she established Kathryn C. Wheat School of Real Estate.

Kathryn enjoys spending time with family and friends, scuba diving, wine tasting, dancing, exercise, yoga, writing and musical theater. Some of the best things about Kathryn include her faith, courage, and fierce loyalty. Kathryn will inspire and encourage you to move forward and take the next step in your journey to success.

This month's CYFEN meeting begins with networking at 11 a.m. followed with a prompt 11:30 a.m. start of the program. Luncheons are held at the Sterling Country Club, 16500 Houston National Blvd.

About Cy-Fair Express Network (CYFEN)

Now over 50 members strong, 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. CYFEN is part of the national organization of American Business Women's Association (ABWA), for more information go to www.CYFEN.org.

About American Business Women's Association (ABWA)

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Whiteflies

Whiteflies are small, soft bodied insects with piercing-sucking mouthparts. They are creamy white and adults have a mealy wax coating their body and wings. Immatures, also called nymphs, are small, oval, flattened and wingless.

Whitefly populations can increase quickly when temperatures are warmer. The insects like to be on the underside of leaves, often in clusters. Common species of whiteflies have a wide host range and can switch host plants.

Whiteflies suck plant juices and large populations can cause foliage to turn yellow, appear to be dry or even fall off the plant. Some whiteflies cause plant distortion or foliage to turn silver in color. Whiteflies produce honeydew, a sticky substance secreted by some insects. Honey dew causes foliage to become shiny in appearance and can attract a fungus called sooty mold. Some whiteflies are capable of transmitting plant viruses.

Try to encourage natural enemies to help manage whitefly populations in your garden. To do this, make wise pesticide choices. Try to choose pesticides to target specific pests and/or specific areas. Also, you may need to manage ants that tend the whiteflies to obtain honeydew. The ants protect whiteflies from natural enemies

that may normally keep the pest population at manageable levels.

In vegetable gardens, you may want to try reflective mulches to make the underside of the leaves where whiteflies hide less habitable.

As for chemical treatment, you can use high pressure water sprays, insecticidal soap, azadirachtin, d-limonene, botanicals or a synthetic product. Target your treatment to the underside of the leaves to get to where the whiteflies like to hide.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com

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Stain Solutions

Try as you might to prevent them, spills, drips and splatters in your house are inevitable. Whether you, your family or your guests are the culprits, stains happen. Most, if not all, are treatable, especially if you act quickly and use the right stain-removing technique.

If there's an accident on your carpet or a rug, start by scooping up any solids and soaking up any unabsorbed liquids. Then, blot the stain with a white cloth or paper towel. You should work from the outside in so you don't spread the spill, and dab at it instead of rubbing or pressing hard.

You also can try spot cleaning with a soapy water mix. Dilute a ¼ teaspoon of clear hand-dishwashing soap with 1 cup of lukewarm water. Spray the solution on the stain, and mist the area with clean water or blot with a wet towel. Then blot the area with a dry towel. Repeat this process until you get as much residue out as possible.

Follow these specific instructions for cleaning up the more stubborn stains and sticky spots on your floors:

- Red wine: Begin with the same three steps—blot, apply soapy water and rinse. Then, dribble very hot water from a sponge onto the spill. Continue to blot with a clean towel, and repeat until the carpet no longer shows any red.

- Soft drinks and coffee: Begin with the same three steps—blot, apply soapy water and rinse. Then dab on hydrogen peroxide. Wait one hour before repeating the process. Hydrogen peroxide bleaches a stain without breaking down carpet dyes. Use a 3 percent solution, which can be found at a drugstore, and apply at full strength.

- Candle wax and chewing gum: These are easiest to remove when hot or cold. For the cold method, harden the spot by rubbing it with an ice cube inside a plastic bag. Then, carefully scrape off the residue with a dull knife or a plastic card, such as an expired credit card. For the hot method, apply paper towels over the waxy area, and then use a clothes iron on low heat to soak up the wax. Replace the paper towels until all the wax is removed. Use a hair dryer to heat gum. Then with a plastic bag over your fingers, pull the goo off.

So the next time your carpeting endures a nasty spill, rest assured that it doesn't have to become a permanent stain. With these simple tips, you can keep your carpets and rugs looking great for years to come.



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May Meeting

The Cypress-Tomball Democrats monthly meeting for the month of May will be held on Tuesday, May 17th, 2016, at Rudy's Grill & Cantina, 11760 Grant Rd., Cypress, TX 77429, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Mr. Gerry Birnberg, former Harris County Democratic Party Chairman, will be our Guest Speaker, he would be speaking on the "Strategies of building a strong Democratic electoral base" and the runoff elections.

Everybody is welcome to attend the meeting and to join this growing club, which meets on the third Tuesday of every month. The meetings foster great fellowship and feature informative guest speakers. For further information, visit the website www.cytomdems.com; contact Cris Hernandez at cytomdems@yahoo.com; Follow us on Facebook at Cypress-Tomball Democrats.

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