CROSS CREEK RANCH

July 2014

News *around the* Creek

Cross Creek Ranch Fireworks Show

Saturday, July 5th

Keep the Independence Day celebration going with the Cross Creek Ranch Fireworks show on Saturday, July 5th from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Don't miss out on the fun and festivities as we continue to celebrate America's birthday on the hill with balloon animals, food vendors, music, games and prizes powered by Radio Disney. Grab the kids, your coolers and lawn chairs and join in the fun.

Saturday, July 5th on the Hill
6:00pm-9:00pm

Radio Disney Show at 7:00pm & 8:00pm

Event Schedule:

6:00pm-7:00pm - Radio Disney Music

7:00pm-7:45pm - Radio Disney Road Crew Performance

7:45pm-8:00pm - Radio Disney Music

8:00pm-8:55pm - Radio Disney Road Crew Performance

9:00pm - Radio Disney Countdown to Fireworks Show

CELEBRATE THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE IN FULSHEAR!

FULSHEAR FREEDOM FEST – Friday, July 4th

The Fulshear Freedom Fest, hosted by the City of Fulshear and the Fulshear Area Chamber of Commerce, is scheduled for Friday, July 4, 2014, 6 PM – 9 PM in Downtown Fulshear. Music, parade, children's activities, fireworks, shopping, and food. This event has it all!

The Triumphs (www.orignialtriumphs.com) will take the stage at 6 PM. The nine piece band has roots that go back to the early days of rock 'n roll and also launched the career of 5-time Grammy award winner B.J. Thomas. Their music menu ranges from Elvis to the Eagles, Chuck Berry to Chicago, and the Beatles to Bobby Bland. The parade will begin promptly at 7 PM, from the Bob Lutts Library on Fifth Street, moving south along FM 359 to First Street.

The event is sponsored by Briscoe Manor and State Farm Insurance Agent, Jeff Gilbert. More information, including parade and booth registrations, can be found at www.fulsheartexas.gov or www.fulshearareachamber.com.

REMINDER!

Don't miss out on what's going on in the Cross Creek Ranch Community. To learn more about the community happenings in Cross Creek Ranch stay in touch by signing up for the resident intranet at www.crosscreektexas.com, visiting our website at www.crosscreektexas.com or check us out on the Cross Creek Ranch Facebook page.

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Cross Creek Welcome Center
281-344-9882

Cross Creek Ranch Fitness Center
281-344-0078

Homeowner Intranet
www.crosscreektexas.com

Café at Cross Creek Ranch
281-341-1587

Fulshear/Simonton Branch Library
281-346-1432

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FUN IN CROSS CREEK

NEW BOARDWALK AND NATURE OVERLOOK OPEN IN CROSS CREEK RANCH

A new boardwalk and nature overlook is open in Cross Creek Ranch where residents of the west Houston master-planned community can observe wetland plants, identify birds and wildlife, hone their photography skills and access nature trails.

The new boardwalk and viewing platforms will provide an overlook of the community's Polishing Pond, a 50-acre natural habitat and lush oasis which has become a permanent home for fish and turtles as well as a migratory stop for countless birds and wildlife. The new venue was made possible by a grant from the Cross Creek Ranch Community Foundation.

"Families are amazed at how we have created a master-planned community with new homes while fostering a healthy, natural habitat for wildlife," says Cross Creek Ranch General Manager Rob Bamford. "This new boardwalk and overlook will provide a spot for both casual observers and nature enthusiasts to observe spectacular, 360-degree views of the open water."

Roughly the size of 48 football fields, the Cross Creek Ranch Polishing Pond also functions as an engineered water quality basin where water is filtered for reuse throughout the development for irrigation.

Boardwalk Picture Contest

Cross Creek Ranch families are invited to trot the new boardwalk and share with others what makes the boardwalk 'the place to be' for a chance to win a $100 gift card. Send us your picture of you and your family enjoying the new Cross Creek Ranch boardwalk.

E-mail your photo and contact information to Robin at ccrlifestyledirector@johnsondev.com with the subject Boardwalk Photo Contest by the entry deadline of July 31. Limited to one photo per family.

Entries will be posted to a photo gallery on the Cross Creek Ranch Facebook page, under boardwalk photo contest on August 1st, where fans can 'like' their favorite photo. The photo with the most 'likes' by August 15th will win the $100 gift card.

CHECK IN STATION (We use this to track the facility usage)

Please remember to bring your ID Card with you every time you visit the Fitness Center. You will need your card to check in at the front desk. If you do not have an ID Card, please notify our staff or contact us at 281-344-0078.

SMALL GROUP SIGN UPS!! - Do you find yourself falling into the same fitness routine each week or lacking motivation to really push it in the gym? Or maybe, you and your friends want to come workout but need a structured program. If so, Group Personal Training may be for you!! Try the "Buddy System" approach when it comes to your fitness and see firsthand how working together can help you reach your goals!!

If you would like more information, please contact us at 281-344-0078 or april@risherco.com.

Holiday Hours

Independence Day

Friday 7/4
Closed

Saturday 7/5
Return to Regular Operating Hours

kid's corral

M: 8:15am - 10am
T: 6pm - 8pm
W: 8:15 - 10am
TH: 6pm - 8pm
F: 8:15am - 10:45am

For questions or additional information about the Kid's Corral, please contact us at 281.344.0078.

Group Class Schedule

	Morning	Evening
Monday	9:00am - 9:55am Zumba	6:15pm - 6:45pm Boot Camp
Tuesday	5:15am - 5:45am Boot Camp 11:00am - 11:45am Water Aerobics *Water aerobics begin on June 10 at Flewellen Creek Pool	6:15pm - 6:45pm Core Essentials 7:00pm - 7:55pm Yoga
Wednesday	8:45am - 9:30am Cardio Strength	6:15pm - 6:45pm Boot Camp
Thursday	5:15am - 5:45am Boot Camp 11:00am - 11:45am Water Aerobics *Water aerobics begin on June 10 at Flewellen Creek Pool	6:00pm - 6:40pm PiYo Strength 6:45pm - 7:40pm Zumba
Friday	8:45am - 9:30am Cardio Strength 9:45am - 10:40am Yoga	
Saturday	Run Club (Self-led) Check Facebook Page For Meeting Times Each Week	

Join the Facebook Page:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/1512150515678432/#!/groups/1512150515678432/

Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday
4:00am – 5:00am*
5:00am – 11:00am
11:00am – 4:00pm*
4:00pm – 10:00pm

Friday
4:00am – 5:00am*
5:00am – 11:00am
11:00am – 4:00pm*
4:00pm – 9:00pm

Saturday
4:00am – 8:00am*
8:00am – 5:00pm

Sunday
4:00am – 1:00pm*
1:00pm – 5:00pm

Cross Creek Ranch
6440 Cross Creek Bend Lane
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Access is limited to Cross Creek Ranch residents that have a valid CCR ID Card and are over the age of 18.

MOVIE ON THE HILL

The entire family is invited to join us on the hill at the Cross Creek Ranch Movie on the Hill, Saturday, July 26th. Bring your lawn chairs, coolers, and enjoy a movie under the stars. The feature film is Captain America – The First Avenger rated PG-13.

When: Saturday, July 26th (Cross Creek Ranch Hill)
Time: 8:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Feature Film: Captain America - The First Avenger (PG-13)

LANDSCAPING AND GARDEN COMMITTEE & FOREVER FULSHEAR PRESENTS:

Let's talk soil! Are you using the right soil for your yard?

Mark your calendars! The CCR Landscaping and Garden Committee, and Forever Fulshear has the honor of hosting John Ferguson at the **Cross Creek Ranch Community Room on July 16th at 7:30 p.m.** This is a talk you won't want to miss! As owner of Nature's Way Resources which specializes in high quality compost, mulch, and soil mixes, Mr. Ferguson brings over twenty-seven years of business experience. He holds a master's degree in Physics and Geology and is a licensed Soil Scientist in Texas.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE YARDS OF THE MONTH

All Yard of the Month winners received a Cross Creek Ranch Yard of the Month lawn sign and a $25 gift card sponsored by Janelle Williams - Realtor, Better Homes and Gardens Gary Greene.

YARDS OF THE MONTH - MAY

Cascade Canyon - The Sanders Family | Arroyo Springs - The Tucker Family
Mustang Trail - The Landis Family | Caspian Falls - The Van Brunt Family
Villa Mountain - The Hall Family | Birch Pine Court - The Campos Family

If you see a yard worthy of "Yard of the Month", email Robin at ccrlifestyledirector@johnsondev.com.

End of the School Year Shred Party

The school year is over and 200 plus residents came out to shred all of their unwanted papers while enjoying some ice cream on Friday, June 13th in the Welcome Center parking lot.

Cross Creek Ranch Summer Blood Drive

Thank you to everyone who came out and donated at our annual summer community blood drive on June 14th with the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center. Mark your calendars for our fall community blood drive on Saturday, September 27th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CROSS CREEK RANCH KRAKENS SWIM TEAM!

With their first year in the West Houston Aquatic League (WHALe) they have proven to be a power house by winning three of three swim meets by double digits or more. A job well done to the swimmers, parents and coaches on having a successful first season!

Keep up with the Cross Creek Ranch Krakens swim team by visiting their website at https://crosscreekkrakens.swimtopia.com/.

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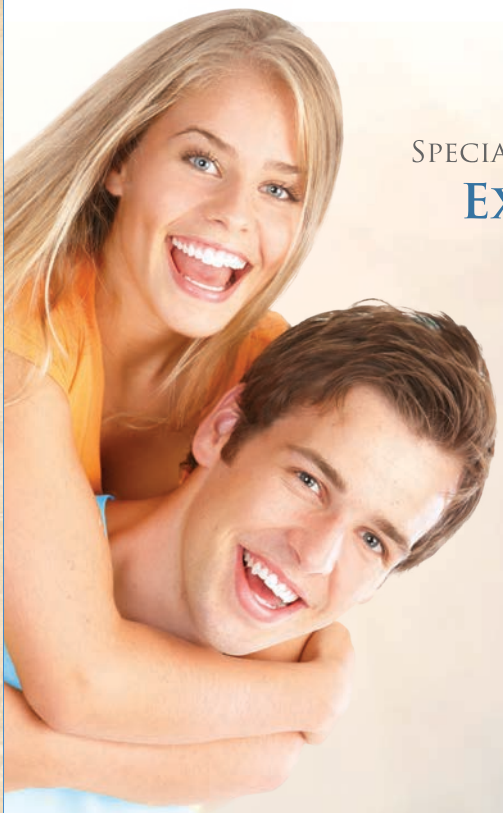

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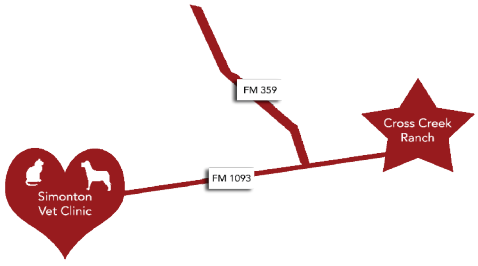

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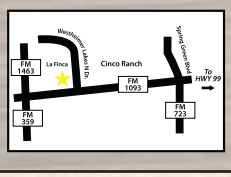

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CCR Boardwalk Photo Contest: July 1st-July 31st

Taekwondo with the Katy YMCA Friday evenings: 5-6pm

Fulshear Freedom Fest: Friday, July 4th 6pm-9pm

Fireworks Show in Cross Creek Ranch: Saturday, July 5th 6pm-9pm

CCR Movie on the Hill: Saturday, July 26th 8:30pm-10pm

Nature Sightings

What type of wildlife have you seen in CCR? Share your story at ccrlifestyledirector@johnsondev.com.

Houston Toad

HOUSTON TOAD (BUFO HOUSTONENSIS)

The Houston toad is 2 to 3.5 inches long. Its general coloration varies from light brown to gray or purplish gray, sometimes with green patches. The pale undersides often have small, dark spots. Males have a dark throat, which appears bluish when distended.

The Houston toad lives primarily on land. The toads burrow into the sand for protection from cold weather in the winter (hibernation) and hot, dry conditions in the summer (aestivation). Plants that are often present in Houston toad habitat include loblolly pine, post oak, bluejack or sandjack oak, yaupon, and little bluestem.

For breeding, including egg and tadpole development, Houston toads also require still or slow-flowing bodies of water that persist for at least 30 days. These water sources may include ephemeral (temporary) rain pools, flooded fields, blocked drainages of upper creek reaches, wet areas associated with seeps or springs, or more permanent ponds containing shallow water. The toads do best in ponds without predatory fish.

Source: http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/huntwild/wild/species/htoad/