

Waterford Park

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

OLDE OAKS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Notice to Homeowners of Olde Oaks CIA Board Meeting

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month
unless otherwise posted

Where: MUD 44 Bldg. on TC Jester
on south side of the bridge

Time: 6:45 p.m.

May 8 • June 12

July 10 • August 14

Monthly meetings are conducted to address the Board's new and old business. Residents are encouraged to attend; however, discussion during the Board Meetings is limited to the directors. A brief Q&A session will be held at the end of each meeting for resident questions and comments. Residents with specific property or account concerns should address these questions to ACMI directly. If you want to receive an email reminder for upcoming meetings, send an email request to info@ACMIgmt.com with your name, address and email address.

Graduating Seniors

We would like to recognize Olde Oaks/ Waterford Park's new high school and college graduates. Please email the student's name, parents' names, school presently attending, activities and honors, future plans and a photo, if desired, to OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com by May 10.

Congratulations!

April Yard of the Month Winners!

Our April award winners are:

15026 Walters • 15019 Olde Tavern • 15319 Dawn Meadows

3115 Black Castle • 15734 Misty Hollow • 15518 Beecham

Thank you to all of the residents who are contributing to the beautification of our neighborhood. We all are aware of the efforts required to maintain our yards, but your efforts are rewarded by your personal enjoyment, compliments from your neighbors, and those passing by. See Yards of the Month photos on pages 4 and 5.

Spring is a season when the trees are leafing and flowers are blooming. Maintaining our yards require, minimally, weekly mowing and edging. Have you noticed how just a well-maintained lawn enhances the general appearance of a home?

If you haven't already done so, now is a perfect time to apply a "weed and feed" fertilizer to your lawns. The weeds want to prevail, but if your lawn is properly fertilized and watered, the healthy grass will conquer the weed growth. Also, mulching the beds will minimize not only weed growth, but decrease the amount of water usage. For those yards with fungus, I have discovered that waiting about 10-14 days after applying a fungicide to infected areas before applying fertilizer makes a huge difference in eliminating lawn fungus.

A special thanks to Mia Cordova and Susan Sulski, both on the Beautification Committee, for the time they have taken driving through our vast community selecting homes for the OOCIA Yard of the Month awards.

We hope your home will be on our list for the May winners. Remember, we welcome nominations for Yard of the Month homes. Include the address of the home when contacting me at info@acmimgmt.com (attention Christine Potter). Many thanks to all of you.

Christine Potter, Beautification Committee Chairperson
and OOCIA Board Member

Mia Cordova and Susan Sulski
Beautification Committee



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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Got exciting news to share? Have something for sale?
 Have a community-related event to publicize?
 Want your neighbors to know more about an important issue?
 Submit all of this and more to the *Olde Oaks Waterford Park Community Newsletter*. We want to hear from you!

The June Newsletter Deadline is May 10.

Editor: Laura Summers

Email: OldeOaksEditor@hotmail.com

Mail or Hand-delivery: 3511 Kennonview Drive

For hand-delivery, please leave in the box marked "Olde Oaks Editor" on the front porch, not in the U.S. mailbox. All submissions must be signed to be considered for publication.

VISIT US ONLINE AT: www.oocia.org

OLDE OAKS Interest Group Contacts

If you are interested in joining any of the Olde Oaks Interest Groups, please call the neighborhood representative listed.

Book Club	Kathy Hall, 281-569-4967
Bridge, Women's	Susanne Bailey, 281-580-1717
Dinner With Friends	Lauren Hensley, 281-893-1833
Museum Excursion	Zelda Kaye, 281-880-8505
Mixed Bowling	Francine Alvarez, 281-580-8815
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DON'T FORGET!

COMMUNITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Thursday, May 2 through Saturday, May 4
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

It's time to clear out the clutter and make a little cash. Clean out your attic, closets and garage of unwanted items! The Olde Oaks and Waterford Park Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale is scheduled for May 2, 3 and 4.

Signs will be placed along FM 1960. I only have four of the Community Garage Sale signs left due to theft of signs each year, so I will need everyone's help to make sure every entrance has adequate signage. Also, you will need to place signs in your own yard and street or streets as necessary, but do not attach them to the street poles or stop signs – they will be removed!

If you would like to participate in the garage sale, please contact Temple at 281-580-9076 so your address can be listed on the flyer/map. You can choose to participate one day or all three days; just let Temple know your plans when you call. The flyers/maps will be available for you to pick up on May 1 from Temple at 15514 Beecham Drive. (She'll email it to you if you prefer.) The flyers/maps are to be given out to shoppers so that they know what homes are participating and how to get to each garage sale.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Eagle Scout Project Announcement

Hi, my name is Daniel Wright. I am working toward my Eagle Scout Rank. For my Eagle Scout project, I am having a *Basic Baby Needs Drive* for the Care Net Pregnancy Center. Care Net needs diapers, wipes, baby powder, diaper cream, and other baby basics, as well as new baby clothes and used maternity clothes. Along with several other workers, I am also going to help build six lightweight, interlocking tables for Care Net's classrooms and conference area to replace some heavy, poorly built ones, so cash donations for supplies are also appreciated. Please drop off donations in the receptacle near my front door at 15126 Morning Pine Lane. Thank you for your help!

School Is Out May 31

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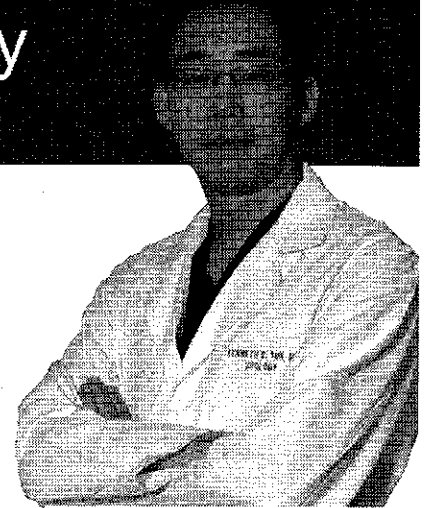
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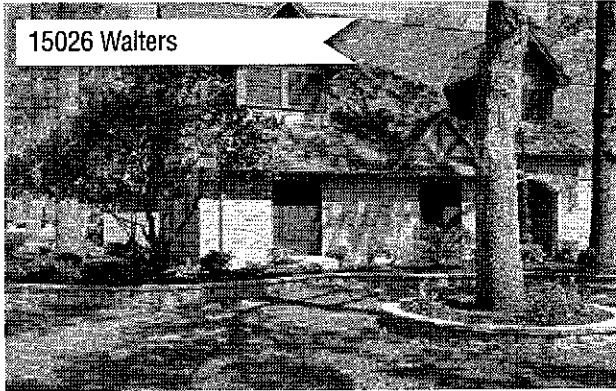


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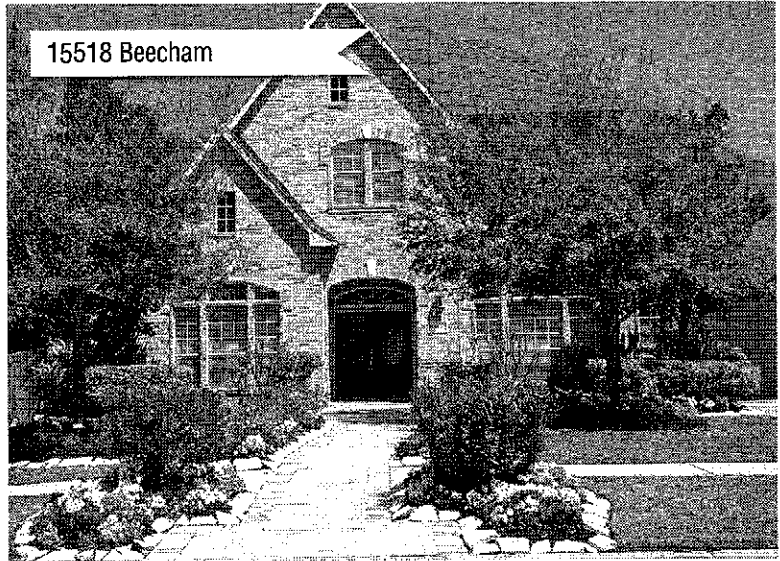
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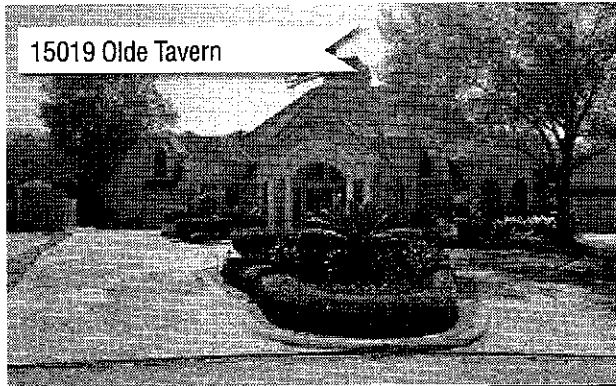
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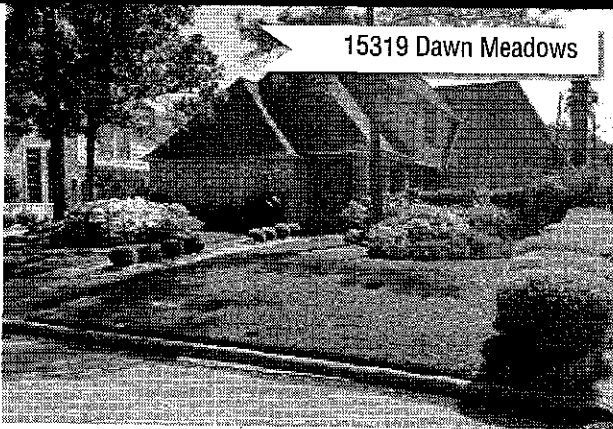
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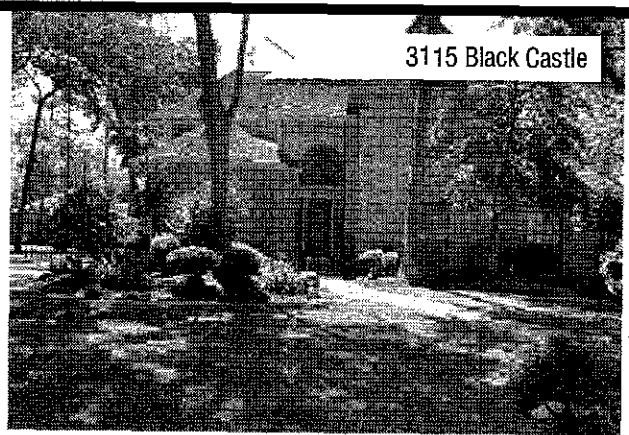
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- Clean pizza, beer, and soda boxes
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- Newspapers and circulars
- Paperboard (e.g., cereal/food boxes, detergent boxes, paper egg cartons)
- Office/school paper, fax paper (all colors)
- Tetrapak (paper dairy/juice cartons)
- Junk mail, including window envelopes

No, Thank You – Trash It!

- Waxed paper/cereal box liner
- Mixed metal and paper (stapled items)
- Food-contaminated boxes (cheesy pizza boxes)
- Diapers
- Food/seed bags
- Slick-coated food boxes
- Tissue paper or foil gift wrap
- Tyvek envelopes
- Hardback books

GLASS

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Clear, brown and green glass
- Broken glass
- Mirror or window glass
- Glass plates
- Light bulbs
- Heat-resistant glass (e.g., Pyrex)
- Ceramics (i.e., dishware, ovenware, decorative items)

PLASTICS

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Any and all plastics with recycle symbols #1-7
- Thin plastics (e.g., grocery bags, dry cleaner bags, newspaper sleeves)

No, Thank You – Trash It!

- Plastics without a recycle symbol
- Pesticide, chemical, antifreeze or motor oil containers
- Toys
- Laundry baskets and unsanitary containers

METAL

Yes, Please – Recycle It!

- Bi-metallic cans (e.g., food and pet food)
- Aluminum cans, foil, pie tins, trays
- Jar lids

No, Thank You – Trash It!

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- Pesticide/chemical containers
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Book Club



“Footnotes”

This month we'll learn about the saga of the Wyatt/Sakowitz families in the book *Blood Rich: When Oil Billions, High Fashion, and Royal Intimacies Are Not Enough* by Jane Wolfe. **Heather George** will be hostess and discussion leader on **Tuesday, May 28**.

All around the world people have been fascinated by the power plays and mishaps of these families. The author includes some history of the Sakowitz family when it immigrated to the United States from Russia, established a men's clothing store in Galveston, and then expanded to the location across from the Houston Galleria. Through hard work and smart business practices, they built a merchandising empire that assisted in moving them into the highest levels of American society.

The book also chronicles the background of oil billionaire Oscar Wyatt, Jr., who married Lynn Sakowitz in 1963, and some of his suspect business practices. Wyatt tried to get control of the Sakowitz business from Lynn's brother, Robert, whose policies, according to the book, drove the corporation into bankruptcy.

Jane Wolfe, the author, was the society editor of the *Dallas Morning News*. *Blood Rich* has been around for some time, having been published in 1993. Wolfe also wrote *The Murchisons*, a bestselling biography of another Texas family.

Kathy Hall, Book Club Coordinator



Houston Northwest Zeta Tau Alpha

Houston Northwest Zeta Tau Alpha Alumnae Chapter wants you to join them on **Thursday, May 9** for a mingling with a new generation of ZTA alumnae.

The meeting starts at 6:45 p.m. For more

information please contact Natalie Gibson at nataliesfa@hotmail.com or 832-725-2495.

6th Annual Cypress Creek Art Show and Sale

Friday, May 31
6-9 p.m.

Saturday, June 1
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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If you plan to use a contractor for any home improvement project, big or small, ask for references or contact the Better Business Bureau and learn all you can about the service provider before you sign a contract or give a deposit.

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Northwest Harris County Aggie Moms' Club

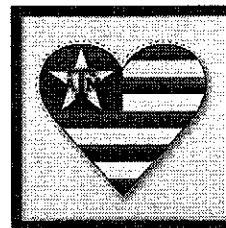
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Calling all Aggie Moms! Please join us Tuesday, May 14, at 7 p.m. We meet at the Houston Distributing Center, conveniently located where Cutten meets SH 249 at the corner of Cutten Road and 7100 High Life Drive.

All meetings are open to Aggies, future, present or past. We provide light refreshments and you can shop our boutique for that one-of-a-kind Aggie treasure. Our hand-crafted items celebrate the heart-warming TAMU traditions.

TAMU President Loftin was our March speaker. Next year in November, Brigadier Joe Ramirez, Commandant of the Corps of Cadets will offer his help to students wanting to attend TAMU through this prestigious program.

New Aggie Mom? Are you sending off your first to Aggieland? Find out how we help your student succeed that first year at one of our informal Summer Mixers. Dates and locations are on our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org. Aggie Moms, as an organization, encourages parents to become familiar with A&M during their student's freshman year instead of waiting for graduation to visit as is the custom on other university campuses. The path to graduation can be a challenging journey; don't go it alone. Northwest Harris County Aggie Moms has been here for 25 years and we're committed to helping your student and you enjoy the TAMU experience.



The Northwest Harris County Aggie Moms' Club meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. (August-May) at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive and Cutten Road. Drop on by and say Howdy. We'll be darn glad

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Princes and Paupers: The Art of Jacques Callot

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Jacques Callot (1592-1635), one of the most accomplished printmakers in the history of European art, created more than 1,400 prints that provide a glimpse into 17th-century Europe. Callot's etchings reveal his fascination with a broad range of

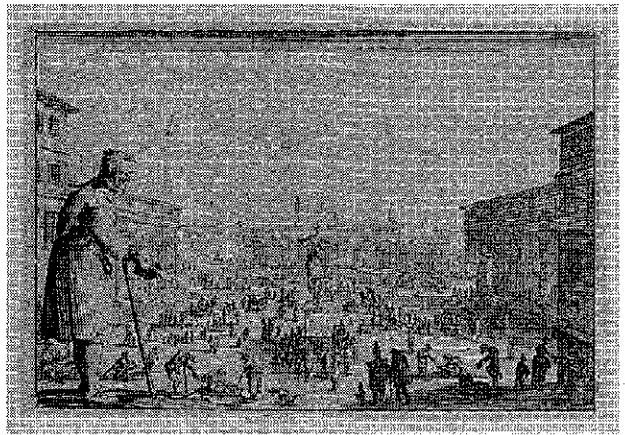
subjects, from courtly pageants and theatrical comedies to the atrocities of war; from saints and nobles to dwarfs, Gypsies and beggars.



Princes and Paupers: *The Art of Jacques Callot* reflects the artist's wit and imagination through more than 150 objects, including prints, books and tools. Callot revolutionized printmaking by developing the process of hard-ground etching and a new type of etching needle, applying his

skills to depicting the world around him in prints that display extraordinary detail and are often small in size. The exhibition will have a monitor available to amplify specific passages of the impressive print, *The Fair at Impruneta*, as much of the fine detail is only discernible with the use of a magnifying glass.

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August 26 1st Semester Classes Begin
 September 2 Labor Day/Student Holiday
 October 14 Parent Conference/Professional Learning
 November 25-29 Thanksgiving Break
 December 23-January 3 Winter Break
 January 17 1st Semester Classes End
 January 20 M. L. King, Jr. Holiday
 January 21 2nd Semester Classes Begin
 February 17 President's Day Holiday
 March 10-14 Spring Break
 April 18 Good Friday/Easter
 May 26 Memorial Day
 June 3 2nd Semester Classes End

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May

Garden Party and Auction (Saturday, May 4, 6 p.m.)
 – At this event, party-goers dine under the stars while bidding on unique and extraordinary treasures. A silent auction with wine and beer reception kicks off the evening at 6 p.m. followed by a catered dinner and a live auction. Proceeds benefit special garden projects and programs at Mercer. Please call for reservations.

Lunch Bunch (May 8, noon-2 p.m.) –
 Bees: Mike Warriner, Invertebrate Biologist, Wildlife Diversity Program, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Children's Story Time in the Garden (May 20, 10:30 a.m.)
 – *Bumblebee, Bumblebee, Do You Know Me?* by Anne Rockwell

Ongoing

Chrysanthemum Society (Fourth Friday of most months from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.) – These monthly meetings include discussions about growing chrysanthemums and floral arranging. The Society also provides plants for Mercer's collection. Call for more information.

Cypress Creek Daylily Society (Fourth Sunday of most months from 2-4 p.m.) – This group meets in the Mercer visitor center and presents various programs on gardening with daylilies.

T'ai Chi for Arthritis (Every Saturday from 9:30-10:30 a.m.) – Classes taught by certified instructor John Spencer. This free beginners' class helps relieve pain associated with arthritis and fibromyalgia, relieves stress and improves balance in the calming atmosphere of the garden. Most classes will meet outdoors under the treehouse portico or near Baldwin Boettcher Library. Check in at the visitor center or call for details.

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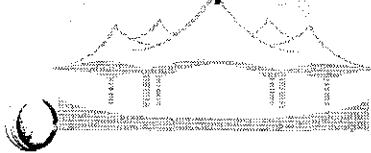
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Calendar of Events



THE CYNTHIA WOODS MITCHELL PAVILION

Date/Time: May 4, 8 p.m.
Event: Diana Krall

Date/Time: May 11, 5 p.m.
Event: KSBJ Presents 30th Anniversary Show with MercyMe, Switchfoot, Fransesca Battistelli, Chris August, Family Force 5, For King and Country & special guest

Date/Time: May 17, 7 p.m.
Event: Dave Matthews Band with Carolina Chocolate Drops

Date/Time: May 25-26, 6 p.m.
Event: Boni's "And the Oscar Goes To" presented by Boni's Dance & Performing Arts Studio

Date/Time: July 6, 1 p.m.
Event: 93Q's Day in the Woods with Eli Young Band with special guests TBA; this event is part of the 2013 Country Megaticket

Date/Time: July 11, 7 p.m.
Event: Lynyrd Skynyrd & Bad Company with Black Stone Cherry

Date/Time: July 28, 7 p.m.
Event: Cracker Barrel and Woodforest National Bank presents Brad Paisley with special guests Chris Young, Lee Brice and The Henningsens; this event is part of the 2013 Country Megaticket

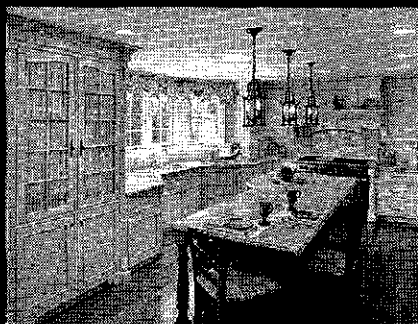
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MAY 2013

“Bridging Cultures: Muslim Journeys” (May 4 at 1:30 p.m.) – The first program in our NEH/ALA grant series entitled “Bridging Cultures: Muslim Journeys” will be held in the Earl Elliott Meeting Room. It will include a discussion of the book *Prince Among Slaves* by Terry Alford. This book is the true story of an African prince sold into slavery in the south. Portions of a documentary video providing background for the book will be shown. This event will partner the Barbara Bush Library Afternoon Book Club with the Between the Lines Book Club and the Baitus Samee Mosque on Spears Road. The public is invited to attend.

Barbara Bush Library Friends Annual Meeting (May 13 at 7 p.m.) – The speaker for the Annual Meeting on the 13th will be Carole Little, author of the memoir *Cutting the Strings*. Little’s desire to make a difference in the world took her to a refuge camp on the Thai/Lao border where she taught and served as a missionary for more than a year. After traveling throughout Asia, she later accepted a position in Mexico to participate in a teaching exchange program where she stayed six years. Little is currently the president and CEO of Northwest Assistance Ministries. Her book is a tale of hope, courage and perseverance and serves as a validation to all who contribute the time, talents and treasure to help others. Our volunteers of the year will be announced at this time, and we will also honor our many other library volunteers and staff. Officers for the upcoming year will be elected. Refreshments will be served.

Spotlight on Local Authors in May

- **Peggy Boone (May 18 from 1-3 p.m.)** – Peggy Boone’s new book, *Shadow Boxing: Siblings of the Disabled*, is based on five years of interviews, in-depth research of disability literature, and personal experience. She is the mother of a child with disabilities and the sister of a sibling with

disabilities. Peggy was an educator in Spring ISD. She and her husband have traveled extensively and live in the Spring area. Come and learn more about how children with disabilities can affect the whole family. The program will be in the Earl Elliott Meeting Room.

- **Jean Baker (May 28 from 6-7 p.m.)** – A mother relates her story of surviving her son’s mental illness and fulfilling her quest to teach special needs children. In her book *Schizophrenia: Evolving from My Son’s Suicide to the Classroom*, Jean Baker tells her son Brian’s story through his own words, notes and poetry as well as her observations. Come and hear her life experience as the mother of a son diagnosed with a schizoaffective disorder.

ALSO IN MAY

- Introductory Soldering Class – May 6, 6-8:30 p.m.**
- Job Search Seminars – May 9 and May 23, 1:30-3:30 p.m.**
- Senior Classic Movie Morning – May 17, 10 a.m.**

All programs are free; call the library for more information.

Computer Classes at the Library – Dave Smith, computer instructor, will be teaching seven different computer classes at the library in May. The classes are Computer Basics, Introduction to the Internet, Email, MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, and MS Publisher. He also teaches three additional classes which are one session only per month. These are Social Media, Mobile eReaders, and Digital Photography. Each class meets for one two-hour session. As class size is limited to 12 people, pre-registration is required for each class. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and opens 30 days prior to the class. Please call the library for more information and to register for a class. The classes are held in the Barbara Bush Library Friends Computer Lab.

Genealogical Research Database Demo (May 10, 11 a.m.) – Climbing your family tree to do some family history research?

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Kindle eBook Demo (May 14, 11 a.m.) – Did you purchase a Kindle recently? If you have a Kindle, Kindle Fire, Kindle Keyboard, Kindle Touch or Kindle Paperwhite, you can download eBooks from the Harris County Public Library's Digital Media Catalog. Come to the session to learn how to download eBooks to your device. The Kindle demo will be held in the second floor Barbara Bush Library Friends Computer Lab. Bring your Kindle device, all cables and all passwords. Registration is required and opens 30 days prior to the class.

Special Computer Class: The Kindle (May 30, 2-4 p.m.) – Stand-alone class in the Barbara Bush Library Friends Computer Lab. Facebook: Setting up an account, staying in touch with friends and family using the Internet, uploading your photos, and using chat. Registration opens 30 days prior to the class; call to register.

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Teen Job Seekers

Attention, Teen Job Seekers!

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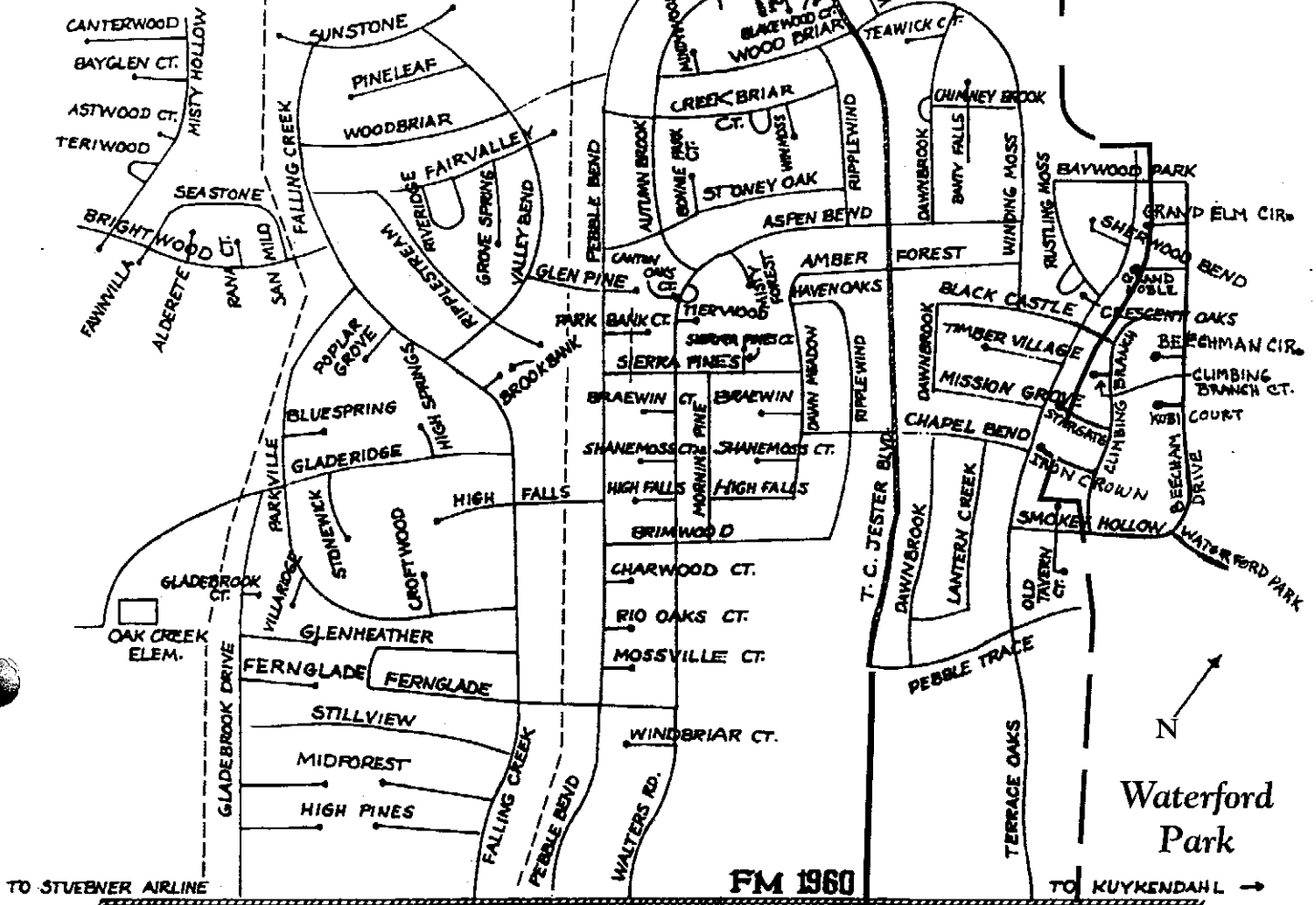
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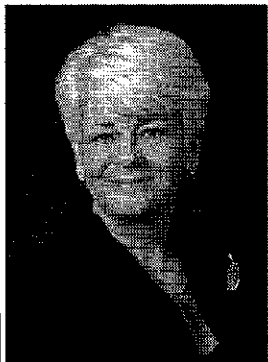
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Some projects unequivocally add significant value to your home. A new kitchen, for instance, is universally regarded as giving homeowners the most bang for their remodeling buck.

So go ahead and spend a little extra, particularly if you expect to sell your home within a few years. As a guideline, Hanby-Robie suggests spending 20 - 25% of your home's value on the kitchen. That may sound like a lot (and indeed it is), but according to Remodeling magazine's annual "Cost vs. Value" study, homeowners will recoup an average of 80 - 87% of what they spend on a kitchen remodeling project when they sell their home. *For more tips please contact me today.*

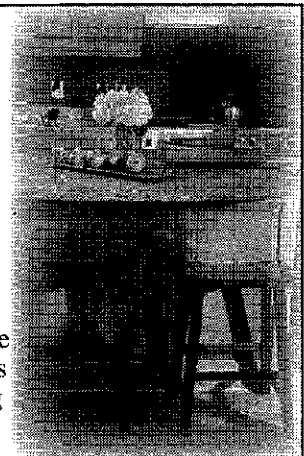


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