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Members of the Cinco Ranch Ladies Club

Cinco Ranch *Ladies Club*

Celebrating Sixteen Years of Fun and Service



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Katy has a lot to offer its residents - malls, restaurants, an exemplary school system, and much more. One may wonder what do we, the residents, have to offer to Katy? The members of the Cinco Ranch Ladies Club (CRLC), however, know what they're contributing to our great community. With new president Pam Rapp, the CRLC is taking a much appreciated turn toward charity events. As an event planner, Rapp says she has a heart for fundraising and setting up charity events, and her vice president, Robin Garcia, who is also newly elected, agrees, "Pam is really putting a fresh, new spin on things".

Success from the Beginning

The idea of a women's club for Cinco Ranch was first discussed over coffee in the home of Venetta Hilton in 1992. From there, Karen Wilson and Hilton walked from door to door in Cinco Ranch with flyers announcing their first meeting. Nearly one hundred women attended. Today, the CRLC has grown into a flourishing club with charity events jam packed on its calendar.



Joining the CRLC is a great way to get to know your neighbors



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The Ladies enjoy a fun night of pampering at a recent meeting

Having Fun for a Good Cause

Last fall, they held a fun house at LaCenterra in Cinco Ranch. Though the event was free of charge, donations were accepted and given entirely to Carrie's Heart, a local charity that helps children with disabilities. And recently, the Ladies Club hosted Rock the Runway Fashion Show and Christmas Luncheon at Pine Forest Country Club, with all event proceeds benefiting a Katy woman with brain cancer. Rapp says, "Our club's goal is to build a bigger and stronger community through events like these. We want to make others aware of the difference they can make by participating in events that help support our community." Rapp also says, "Our club is open to all women who are residents of homes in Cinco Ranch. We welcome all to participate in every one of our social events.

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-Pamela Rapp



CRLC President Pam Rapp applies makeup to a fellow member



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The Ladies Club meets on the last Tuesday of each month



This is our way of gathering support for the local charities that the Ladies Club supports". And it's apparent that their message is coming across loud and clear – participation in membership and at events has been steadily increasing each year since the club was founded.

Not Your Typical Meeting

The CRLC meets on the last Tuesday of every month from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Cinco Ranch Golf Club. A speaker is always invited to discuss a "women's interest" subject. "The topic could be anything from dance, to health, to beauty, to fitness, or even legal advice," Rapp says. The CRLC welcomes local businesses to come speak during this half hour. Throughout the rest of the meeting, the ladies plan the upcoming events. And it wouldn't be complete without a little chit chatting amongst friends.

Meetings this year have included a Girls Just Wanna Have Fun! night, complete with indulgence stations featuring a spa station, personal trainer, Bath Junkie, chocolate vendor, airbrush makeup artist, lingerie vendor, and other fun surprises. Firemen were also invited to a meeting, along with a self-defense instructor. And in November they hosted their third annual Entrepreneur Night for members of the club to showcase their businesses.

It's inspiring to see the power and progress of these trailblazing women. A single person would find it nearly impossible to accomplish what these women have done in the past sixteen years. Rapp reiterated this by saying, "The club really needs a lot of community support to make events successful. We're looking forward to extensive community support to achieve our goal for civic service this year." KM

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Monthly meetings are fun and informative



The ladies enjoy their social activities, but also do charity work for the community



Join in the fun!

The Cinco Ranch Ladies Club has meetings scheduled on the last Tuesday of every month, each jam-packed with tons of fun! The ladies keep busy with their charity events, too.

January 16

Murder Mystery Couples Dinner at the Lake House.

January 27

Wear something comfortable and join in on the popular Zumba demonstration. Discussion will include health and fitness topics to get ready for summer.

February 24

Learn how to cook and entertain with ease. Get recipe cards and tips to make the perfect table scape.

February 28

Mardi Gras Celebration at LaCenterra benefiting Special Pals.

March (date TBA)

Denim and Diamonds Gala benefiting the Alzheimer's Association.

March 31

As of press time, the activities for this meeting were still in the works. Visit the website for details closer to event date.

April 26

Fun Run and Walk benefiting Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

April 28

It's time for Spring Fling! Check the website for more details.

May 26

Cinco de Mayo Fiesta Celebration. More details to come closer to event date.

*Visit cincoranchladiesclub.com to verify dates, times, and events

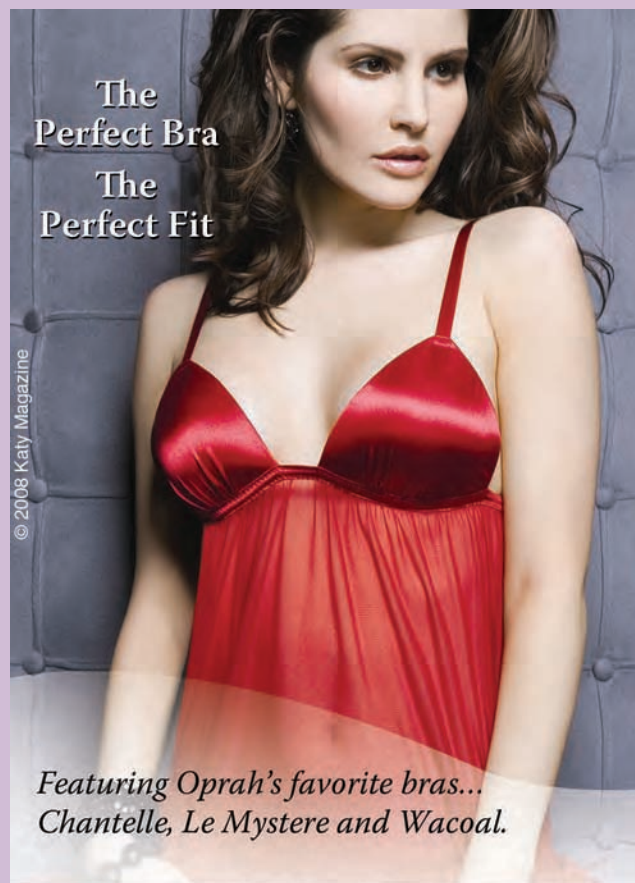


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