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**MARCH 11-15, 2009 / MERRELL CENTER
KATY, TEXAS**

FAN GUIDE

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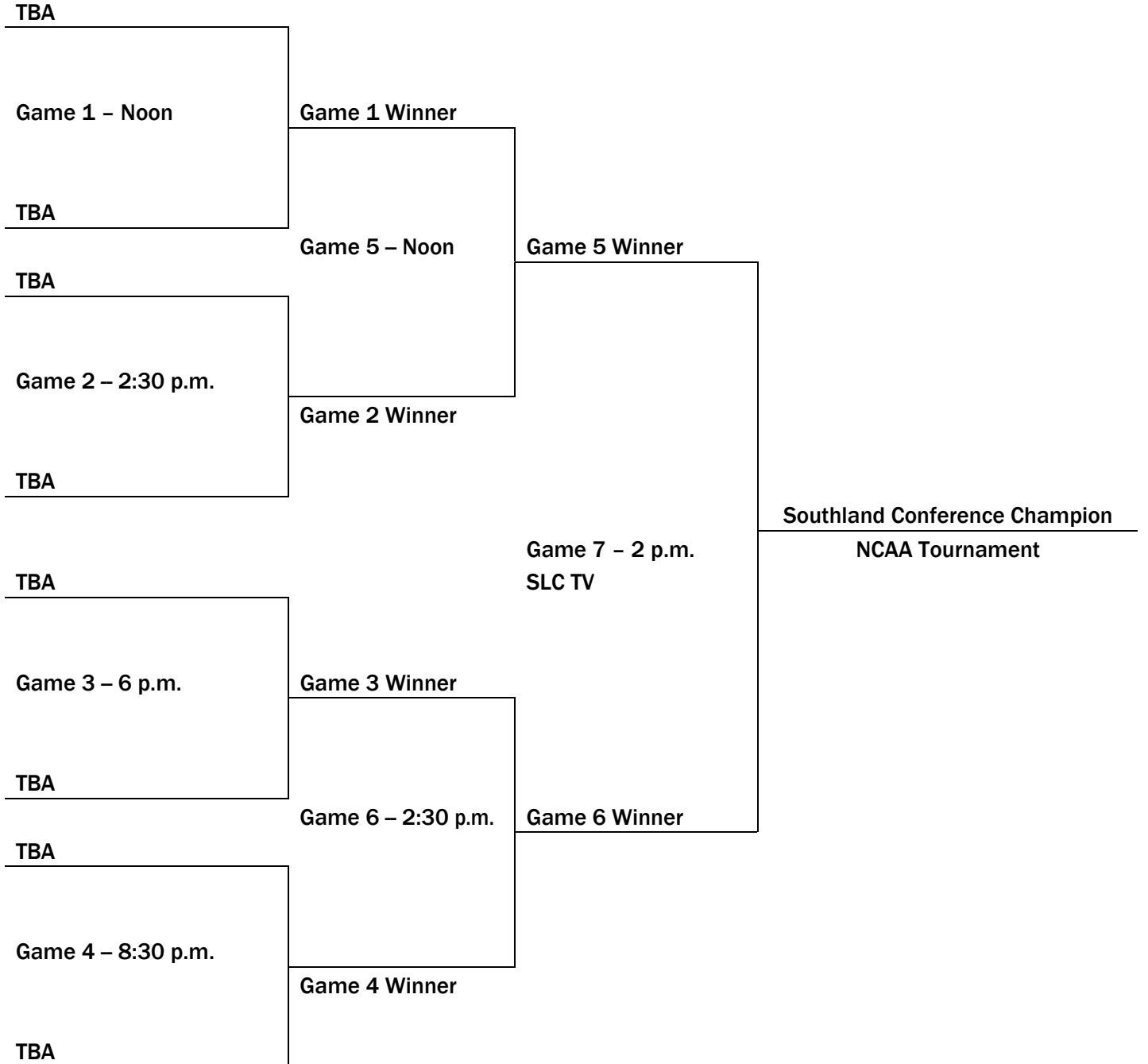
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Women's Championship Bracket

Wednesday, March 11
First Round

Friday, March 13
Semifinals

Saturday, March 14
Championship



Men's Championship Bracket

Thursday, March 12
First Round

Friday, March 13
Semifinals

Sunday, March 15
Championship

TBA

Game 1 – Noon

Game 1 Winner

TBA

Game 5 – 6 p.m.

Game 5 Winner

TBA

Game 2 – 2:30 p.m.

Game 2 Winner

TBA

Game 7 – Noon
ESPN2

Southland Conference Champion
NCAA Tournament

TBA

Game 3 – 6 p.m.

Game 3 Winner

TBA

Game 6 – 8:30 p.m.

Game 6 Winner

TBA

Game 4 – 8:30 p.m.

Game 4 Winner

TBA

BRACKET FORMAT

Brackets.

Women's Format. Eight (8) teams will participate with the top two divisional finishers plus the next four best Conference records advancing to the single-elimination tournament to determine the automatic representative to the NCAA tournament, and shall be bound by operating procedures and regulations contained in this manual. The format for the Women's Tournament will feature four quarterfinal games on Wed., March 11, with the winners advancing to the semifinals on Fri., March 13. The semifinal winners will play for the Tournament Championship and the Southland Conference automatic qualification to the NCAA Tournament on Sat., March 14.

Men's Format. Eight (8) teams will participate with the top two divisional finishers plus the next four best Conference records advancing to the single-elimination tournament to determine the automatic representative to the NCAA tournament, and shall be bound by operating procedures and regulations contained in this manual. The format for the Men's Tournament will feature four quarterfinal games on Thur., March 12, with the winners advancing to the semifinals on Fri., March 13. The semifinal winners will play for the Tournament Championship and the Southland Conference automatic qualification to the NCAA Tournament on Sun., March 15.

TOURNAMENT SEEDING PROCEDURES.

Seeding. Tournament seeding, 1 through 8, shall be based upon regular-season winning percentage regardless of divisional place in Conference competition. In the event of a tie for any seeded position, seed shall be determined by utilizing the conference's tie-breaking formula.

Tie-Breaking Formula. All ties shall be broken in the order in which they occur, from top to bottom, in the standings.

- a) If two teams are tied and they are from different divisions, the winner of the game between the two tied teams shall be the higher seed.
- b) If two teams are tied and they are from the same division, the team with an advantage in head-to-head competition shall be the higher seed.
- c) If two teams remain tied, there will be a comparison of overall record against division teams only (10 divisional games).
- d) If two teams remain tied, there will be a *comparison of record against the highest ranked team(s) (based upon Conference winning percentage) in the division and proceeding through in order of divisional finish.
- e) If two teams remain tied, there will be a *comparison of record against the highest ranked team(s) (based upon Conference winning percentage) in the opposite division and proceeding through in order of divisional finish.
- f) If two teams remain tied, the higher seed will be chosen by draw.

g) If three or more teams are tied, ties among divisional opponents will be broken by using steps (b) through (f) and the head-to-head results will be used to break ties between non-divisional teams. When three or more teams from the same division are tied step (b) will consist of a mini-round robin among those tied teams. At any point during the process of breaking ties among three or more teams that the number of tied teams are reduced to two, head-to-head competition would be used as the primary tiebreaker, followed by steps (c) through (f).

* Note: When comparing against the “highest” ranked team(s) in either division, the comparison will be based upon how tied teams did against all teams in a given placement, rather than a team that wins a tiebreaker at another position. For example, if two teams are tied for fifth and two teams are tied for first, the head-to-head comparison would be how the fifth place teams did against the first place teams combined, and vice versa.

TICKETS. Available at Southland Conference Institutions, anywhere Ticketmaster tickets are sold, and at Ticketmaster.com.

TICKET PRICES.

Tournament Booklets:

All Tickets: \$75.00

Reserved Session Tickets (Available March 9):

Session (2 games): \$15.00

Championship Day: \$10.00

Southland Students w/ID: Free

Children Under 5: Free

General Admission Session Tickets:

Session (2 games): \$10.00

Championship Day: \$8.00

Southland Students w/ID: Free

Children Under 5: Free

Youth Groups:

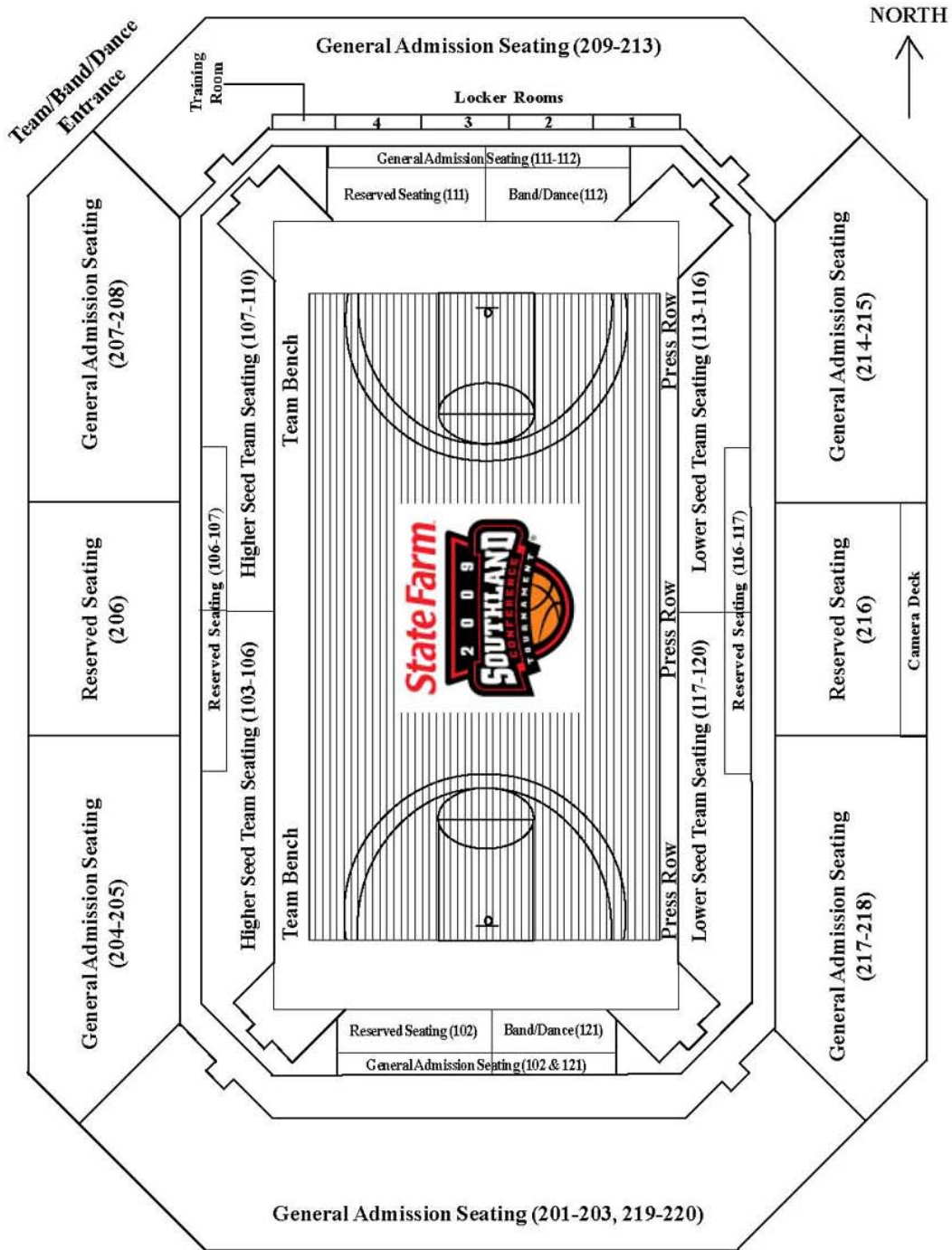
Discounts Available

Leonard E. Merrell Center

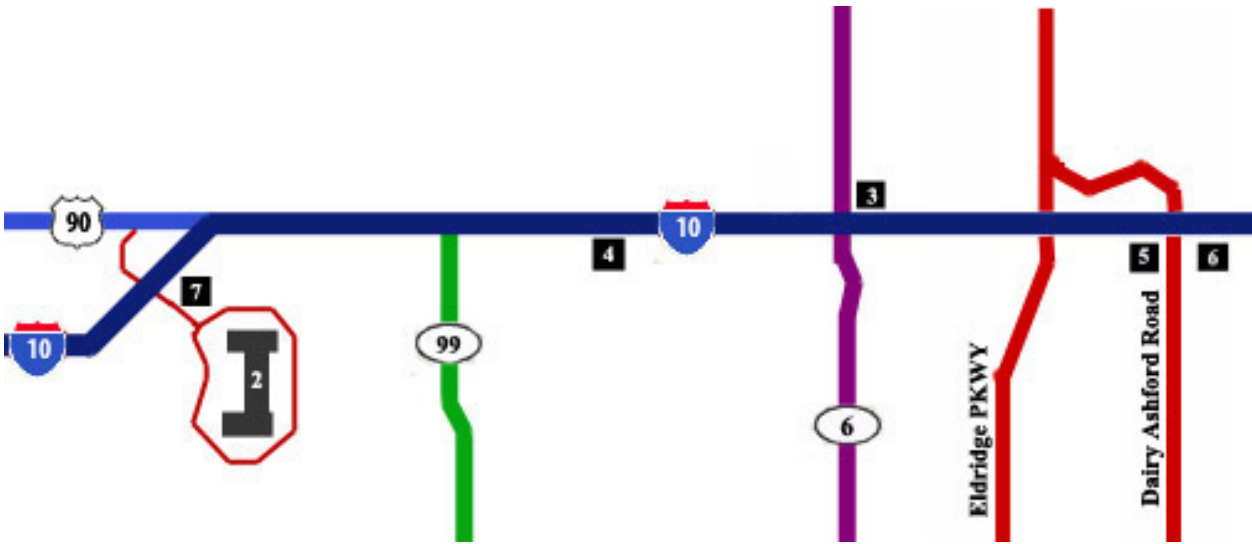
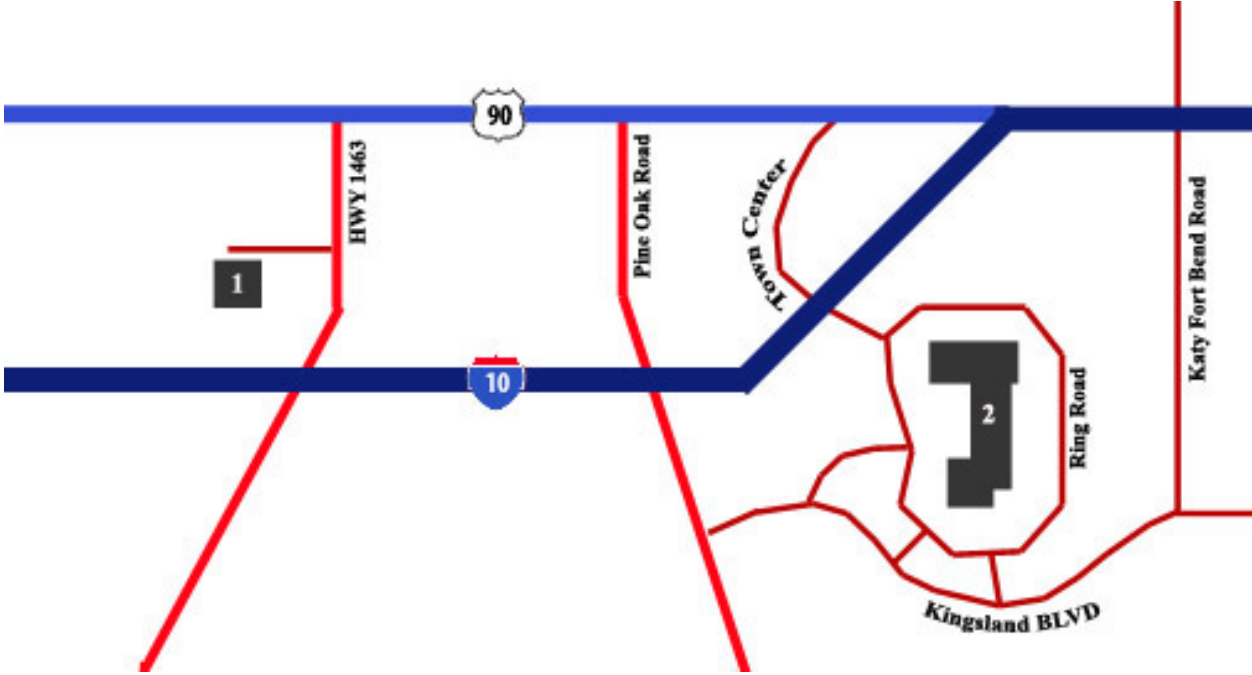
6301 South Stadium Lane
Katy, Texas 77494
(281) 396-2562



MERRELL CENTER MAP



MERRELL CENTER/HOTEL MAPS



- KEY
- 1. Merrell Center
 - 2. Katy Mills Mall
 - 3. Crowne Plaza-Houston Hotel
 - 4. LaQuinta Inn
 - 5. Courtyard Marriott
 - 6. Holiday Inn Express
 - 7. Springhill Suites and Best Western

WEST HOUSTON/KATY HOTEL LISTING

Best Western
2006 Katy Mills Blvd.
Katy, Texas
281-395-6200

Comfort Inn & Suites
22025 I-10 West
Katy, Texas
281-392-8700

Crown Plaza
Houston West
14703 Park Row
Houston, Texas
281-558-5580

Drury Hotel
Houston West
1000 Highway 6 North
Houston, Texas
281-558-7007

Extended State Deluxe-Katy
15385 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas 77094
(281) 398-6500

Fairfield Inn
Houston I-10 West
15111 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas
281-646-0056

Hampton Inn & Suites
Houston I-10 West
22055 Katy Freeway
Katy, Texas
281-392-1000

Holiday Inn Express
Houston West
12323 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas
281-493-5626

Holiday Inn Express
22105 Katy Freeway
Katy, Texas
281-395-4800

LaQuinta
Houston Park Ten
15225 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas
281-646-9201

LaQuinta
22455 Katy Freeway
Katy, Texas
281-392-9800

Marriott Courtyard
Houston West
12401 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas
281-496-9090

Omni Hotel
Westside
13210 Katy Freeway
Houston, Texas
281-558-8338

Springhill Suites
Houston-Katy Mills
2501 Texmati Drive
Katy, Texas
281-644-4455



KATY AREA HOTELS

Special Southland Conference Fan Rate!!!

Hilton Garden Inn

12245 Katy Freeway

Houston, TX 77079

281.531.0220

www.hiltongardeninn.hilton.com

Southland Conference Rate: \$95.00

Availability: March 10-15

Omni Houston Hotel Westside

13210 Katy Freeway

Houston, TX 77079

281.558.8338

www.omniwestside.com

Southland Conference Rate: \$95.00

Availability: March 10-15

When making reservations, be sure to mention the Southland Conference Fan Rate.

2009 SLC Tournament Restaurant Partners

Swampy's Cajun Shack

Bob Ginsburg (bob4357@netzero.net)
Ronnie Kelly (daisymom1266@yahoo.com)
406 W. Grand Pkwy. #400
Katy, TX 77494
281-347-2847

Carmelo's Ristorante

Daniel Barbazita (daniel@carmelosrestaurant.com)
Carmelo Mauro
14795 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
281-531-0696

Allie's Steakhouse and Piano Bar

Pam Dablanc (pam@alliessteakhouse.com)
Victor DeBlanc (victor@alliessteakhouse.com)
Susan Loehr (susan@alliessteakhouse.com)
402 W. Grand Pkwy. South #102
Katy, TX 77494
281-347-8325

Los Cucos Mexican Restaurant

Nicolas Garcia (loscucoskm@loscucos.com)
David Rowe
Zurama Garcia
5305 Bell Patna
Katy, TX 77494
281-644-6808

Texas Twins BBQ

Ron McGaughy (ron@texastwinsbbq.com)
7610 Cherry Park Dr.
Houston, TX 77095
281-206-4404

KATY ATTRACTIONS

Alkek Velodrome

19008 Saums Rd in Cullen Park 281-578-0693
www.houstontx.gov/alkekvelodrome

American Shooting Center

George Bush Park
16500 Westheimer Parkway
281-556-8199
www.amshootcenters.com

City of Katy Railroad Park and Railroad Museum

5616 First Street
281-391-8400

Dick Scobee Model Airplane Park

George Bush Park
16756 Westheimer Parkway
281-556-8199

Folk Life Festival

Kenneth D. Welch Outdoor Learning Center
6301 S Stadium Lane
ww.katyisd.org/curriculum/outdoor/folklife.htm

Forbidden Gardens

23500 Franz Road
281-347-8000
www.forbidden-gardents.com

Great Southwest Equestrian Center

2501 S. Mason Rd.
281-578-7669

Houston Farm and Ranch Club

#1 Abercrombie
281-463-6650
www.hfrc.org

Katy Heritage Museum

6002 George Bush Dr.
281-391-4800

Katy Heritage Park

5990 George Bush Dr.
281-391-4800

Katy ISD FFA Livestock Show and Rodeo

LD Robinson Pavilion and Show Barn
6301 S Stadium Lane
www.katyrodeo.org

Katy Mills

5000 Katy Mills Circle
www.katymills.com

Katy Prairie

713-523-6135
www.katyprairie.org

Katy Ruff Riders

Leonard E Merrell Center
6301 S Stadium Lane
281-492-1045
www.katyruffriders.com

La Centerra @ Cinco Ranch

23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd.
www.lacenterra.com

Leonard E. Merrell Center

6301 S Stadium Lane
281-396-2562
www.merrellcenter.org

Mary Jo Peckham Park

5597 Gardenia
281-496-2177

Military Museum of Texas

18000 Groeschke
281-599-9666

Safari Texas Ranch - Texas Ballroom

11627 FM 1464
281-277-7888

Texas Maze at Dewberry Farm

7705 FM 362
281-934-FARM
www.dewberryfarm.com

Veterans Museum

6202 George Bush Dr.
281-391-8387

Veterans War Memorial

Bear Creek Park
3535 War Memorial Dr.

Wildlife Habitat and Aviary

Bear Creek Park
3533 War Memorial Dr.
www.pct3.hctx.net/PBearCreek/Wildlife.htm

