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Crime Awareness

It is a pity that the pleasure of so many is spoiled by so few.

Summer is here and the kids are out of school! While this is a fun time for most children in Lakes on Eldridge, some others seem to have a different definition of “fun” – one that most of us (and the legal authorities) call “vandalism”.

There have been recent incidents involving bb guns, serious damage to the Clubhouse pool and to the toilet areas. This type of behavior is costing every LOE homeowner money because all these repairs are paid out of the annual assessments. It also deprives the vast majority of LOE homeowners of the full enjoyment of this area and its facilities.

Unfortunately, some LOE parents seem to have little interest in controlling this type of behavior by their children. They are, consequently, showing the same lack of respect for their neighbors, and the law, as their children.

Your Board of Directors will continue to review and implement procedures to try to control this vandalism. They recognize that the vast majority of LOE children are well behaved and that they and their parents appreciate the opportunity to live in this nice neighborhood. The Board will continue its efforts to identify and prosecute these vandals to the full extent of the law and we welcome assistance with this work from all LOE homeowners and from their children. Children can help by trying their best to discourage any of their friends who may be doing this vandalism – sooner or later they will be caught and that may result in a jail term and a criminal record for the rest of their lives, with all that that implies. Homeowners who observe acts of vandalism or who have pertinent information should call the Sheriff's Dept 713-221-6000 immediately.

Volunteers Needed

We are always looking for volunteers in the community. You drive the policies and procedures. But without your involvement, this is left up to a handful of people. So if you are interested in helping the community, please visit the website, register as a member and list your interests to volunteer and we will contact you.

Do You Have An LOE Decal On Your Vehicle?

A couple of months ago, the gate attendants, at the Board's request, passed out flyers to residents who did not have decals on their vehicles, asking them to obtain them from AMI. Unfortunately there are still some residents who have not done this and just expect to be recognized by the attendant on duty and be allowed to enter unquestioned.

We all enjoy the quiet, private life behind our gates. Unfortunately there are various acts of vandalism that spoil this tranquility – and add to our annual assessment - and all residents are encouraged to help in stamping it out. The LOE decal is an important part of that work since it helps to identify non-resident vehicles within the community and the board requires the gate attendants to maintain a log of all such vehicles entering the property.

Some residents really make an effort to prevent vehicles without decals from entering the community without registering – they will stop and ask the attendant about a vehicle behind them at the resident side of the gate that does not have a decal. The board encourages this. Too often the gate attendant has to reply that the person in the other vehicle is recognized as a resident.

The decal is small and tasteful and does not detract from the appearance of any vehicle. If you are one of the residents who still does not have a decal on your vehicle, please take a few moments to request one from AMI (713-932-1122). If you still do not wish to comply with this LOE requirement for all residents, you may be requested to enter on the visitor side of the entrance gate and provide proof of LOE residency. Your Board of Directors considers the vehicular decals to be an essential part of our access control regulations.

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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| Lindsay Buchanan..... | Secretary |
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Airport Noise

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- Houston Airport Noise Complaints Hotline: 281 233-3900
- Air Traffic Approach Number: 281 230-8441
- FAA Hotline: 1-800-255-1111

UPDATED ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL GUIDELINES

About a year ago, the Board asked the Architectural Control Committee to review the then existing Architectural Control Guidelines with all their various additions and to prepare an updated version taking into account that LOE is now built out. The ACC held several meetings, consulted various references and considered past cases as it prepared its proposed update. A joint meeting of the Board and the ACC was held in January to review the ACC's proposal, and the various changes that were suggested have now been incorporated.

At its May meeting, the Board formally approved this updated version of the guidelines and these are now being recorded. When this has been done, the new guidelines will replace the original guidelines and you will receive a copy by mail.

When you receive your copy of these guidelines, please take a few minutes to become familiar with their requirements.

Please be sure to apply for ACC approval before making improvements to your property when required by the guidelines.

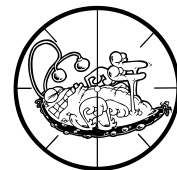
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The whole idea is to say thank you to those residents working hard to make their property and the Lakes on Eldridge community more attractive. Each winner gets to display a YOM sign for the month.

Congratulations to our June 2005

Yard of the Month Winners!!!

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Lakes on Eldridge Yards of the Month

Right : 12414 Lake Shore Ridge

Bottom Left: 12503 Still Harbor Drive

Bottom Right: 5610 Heather Run

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BOARD NOTES - MAY 2005

The Board of the Lakes on Eldridge Homeowners Association met on May 16, 2005. The following is a summary of the matters discussed.

The Board reviewed the financial statements for the month ended April 30, 2005. The Association had cash balances of \$03,323 in the Operating Fund and \$131,664 in the Replacement Fund. For the four months ended April 30, 2005 the Association had Total Income of \$301,048, Total Expenses of \$284,224 and an Operating Surplus in the amount of \$16,824. The financial statements were accepted.

The Board agreed to exercise its option to increase the rate of the certificate of deposit expiring in February 2007. The managing agent was to so instruct the bank.

The managing agent reported that additional coverage had been obtained for the increased valuation of common property.

On a motion duly made the revised Architectural Guidelines were approved. The managing agent is to submit the approved guidelines to legal counsel for recording. The Board also discussed distribution of the guidelines to the owners via compact disk. The managing agent is to investigate.

The Board agreed with the committee that owners with "good neighbor" fences visible from streets or common areas will be notified that upon repairing or replacing the fences must have all the pickets facing the street or common areas.

The Board approved the committee's newsletter article and recommendation that owners with multi-colored play structure tarps must have them replaced with earth tone tarps by the end of 2006.

The gate committee reported that the Ginger Ponds entry gate motor had been replaced with a larger motor and was working well. He also advised that the Committee was to repaint the speed bumps at the North Eldridge exit gate.

The managing agent reported that following an inspection of the pool area, it was clear that the previously proposed repairs and additions were necessary to comply with the State Health Code. The work was authorized and had been completed. At the recommendation of Greater Houston Pool, a tile line separating the deep and shallow areas of the pool will be installed in the fall after the pool season.

The managing agent reported there were 256 active service requests and that 115 had been closed and 90 new items opened during the month of April 2005.

Board meetings are generally held on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Beach Club. It is recommended that homeowners who wish to attend confirm the dates with AMI since they change occasionally. In addition, homeowners are welcome to bring business before the Board but are required to inform AMI of their intention to do so in order to be placed on the agenda.

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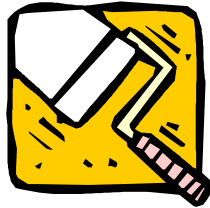
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July 28th – *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory. When Mary Boleyn comes to court as an innocent girl of fourteen, she catches the eye of Henry VIII. Dazzled by the king, Mary falls in love with both her golden prince and her growing role as unofficial queen. However, she soon realizes just how much she is a pawn in her family's ambitious plots as the king's interest begins to wane and she is forced to step aside for her best friend and rival: her sister, Anne. Then Mary knows that she must defy her family and her king, and take her fate into her own hands.

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August 25th – *Tim* by Colleen McCullough. Written by the author of *The Thornbirds*, *Tim* is the story of Mary Horton, a woman content with her comfortable, solitary existence . . . until she meets Tim. A beautiful young man with the mind of a child -- a gentle outcast in a cruel, unbending world -- he illuminates the darkness of Mary's day with his boyish innocence. And he will shatter the lonely, middle-aged spinster's respectable, ordered life with a forbidden promise of a very special love.



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The Juvenile Curfew is enforced seven days a week. The hour of enforcement is from 12 midnight to 6 a.m. in the morning.

The exceptions to the curfew are:

- Accompanied by parent, guardian or custodian
- Engaged in lawful employment or traveling to or from employment
- Participating or traveling to or from school-sponsored or church-affiliated activities, recreational activities supervised by adults and sponsored by a government entity, civic, non-profit organization or similar entity that takes responsibility for the juveniles.
- On sidewalk of Juvenile's residence or sidewalk of next door neighbor, if neighbor does not complain
- Involved in an emergency
- In vehicle or aircraft involved in interstate travel with the consent of a parent, guardian, or custodian
- Married or previously married; or had disabilities of minority

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Law enforcement officers will carefully assess each situation regarding a possible infraction of the juvenile curfew. If the juvenile is taken into custody, the juvenile may be transported to a processing center.

While at the processing center, the juvenile's parent, guardian or custodian will be contacted and asked to pick up the juvenile. If a parent, guardian or custodian cannot be located or does not pick up the juvenile, the juvenile will be transported to Chimney Rock Center operated by Children's Protective Services.

The juvenile can receive a citation, which is a Class C Misdemeanor up to \$500.00. In addition, the parent, guardian or custodian may also be issued a citation if they knowingly allow juvenile to violate curfew. Owner, operator and other person in control of a public place may be issued a citation if they knowingly permit juvenile to remain on premises during curfew hours.

If you live in one of the many corporate boundaries of a municipality, town and village located within Harris County, be sure and check with the Law Enforcement agency in your area for details of their juvenile curfew laws.

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LOE Dolphin Swim Team



The swimming season has finished with a bang. Our last meet was the Red, White and Blue Invitational on July 2nd and 3rd. Results from that invitational, our last few meets, and Divisionals will be published in the next newsletter. The Lakes on Eldridge communities can be proud of all the young swimmers for their outstanding efforts, everyday at practice and for participating at the meets. Thanks to every single parent who volunteered through out the whole swim season. A Special Thanks to Mary Beth Taylor, Jillian Barkley, Kindra Rokhsaz, Renee Dye, Peter Gross, and Kent Vinall, who dedicated themselves and the first part of their summer to our kids. Volunteering to help our children learn and grow in such a positive environment is the best goal our community could have! THANKS!

The Dolphins suffered three heart breaking losses in the first three dual meets. Last year the team was competing in Division 12 and as a result of winning divisionals, this year we have been moved all the way up to Division 6. Great efforts we put forth by all swimmers. Outstanding individual performances were as follows:

LOE (288) vs. Windsong (351)

1st Place Winners

Danny Ceballos 25 freestyle, 25 butterfly
Molly Styslinger 50 freestyle, 100 IM
Rory Davidson 50 freestyle, 50 breaststroke, 50 backstroke
Alex Durkee 50 freestyle, 50 breaststroke, 50 butterfly
Jasper Barsingerhorn 1 50 freestyle, 100 IM
Jacqueline Clay 25 breaststroke
Sarah Meyer 50 breaststroke, 50 butterfly
Charlie Mansour 50 breaststroke
Grace Lawson 25 backstroke
Ross Gordon 100 IM
McKenna Keith 25 Backstroke, 25 butterfly
Mira Mouffarrej 25 backstroke
Jamie Zeal 25 backstroke
Adam Vinall 25 butterfly
Nick Carroll 50 butterfly

Canyon Gate (367) vs. LOE (273)

1st Place Winners

William Redfield 100 freestyle, 50 backstroke
Adam Vinall 25 freestyle, 25 breaststroke
McKenna Keith 25 freestyle, 25 backstroke, 25 butterfly
Ross Gordon 50 freestyle, 100 IM
Molly Styslinger 50 freestyle, 50 backstroke
Alex Durkee 50 freestyle, 50 backstroke
Brittney Bowles 25 breaststroke
Jordan Zeal 25 breaststroke
Winston Kint 50 breaststroke
Sarah Meyer 50 breaststroke
Jasper Barsingerhorn 50 breaststroke
Nick Carroll 50 backstroke
Rory Davison 50 backstroke

Bear Creek (345) vs. LOE (299)

1st place winners

Souheil Mouffarrej 25 freestyle
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Molly Styslinger 50 freestyle, 50 butterfly
Alex Durkee 50 freestyle, 50 butterfly
Jasper Barsingerhorn 50 freestyle, 100 IM
Harrison Kint 25 breaststroke
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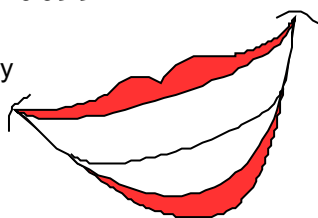
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Do You Have A Multi-colored Awning Or Cover?

Several years ago, the LOE Board decided that only earth-tone colors would be allowed for awnings or other fabric outdoor covers (i.e.; tan, brown or green). The coverings that we are speaking of are at the top of the playstructures and visible to the community. Accordingly, no non-compliant awnings were approved anywhere within LOE, and existing violations were expected to be phased out by attrition. There are, however, still some homes that have rainbow or other bright multi-colored ones. The Board discussed this at a recent meeting and decided that a reasonable phase-out period was the best approach. All rainbow or multi-colored awnings or other fabric outdoor covers must be changed to earth-tone colors by the end of 2006. If you have a multi-colored awning or cover, please plan to change it to earth-tone by that time.

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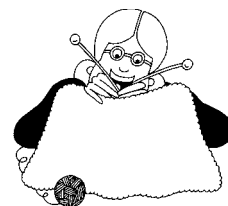
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LOE Stitchers



The stitchers regularly meet at the clubhouse on Thursdays from 9:30am-12:00 pm. But recently, the group enjoyed a short "ride-around" to local points of interest to stitchers. The group has 19 members since it has started last November. New faces are always welcome and invited, and we all look forward to seeing old friends. So, if you have an interest in any type of stitching or would like to learn, please join us. (because the equipment and tools used, it is requested that no one under 14 attend, please)

We also welcome residents that want to just meet neighbors, enjoy fun conversation and have coffee, juice and light refreshments.

For more information, contact LOE Stitchers organizer, Catherine Spellings, at 713-896-1652, 713-628-7083 or catherinespellings@msn.com.



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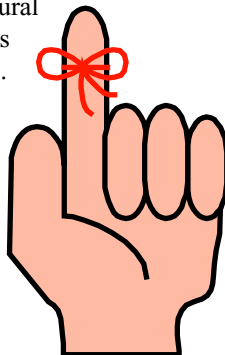
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- Please remember to place trash out on TRASH DAYS ONLY, and return cans to your storage location on the same day. Trash and trash containers should be visible on trash days only, and should not be set where they block the sidewalk. Trash should not be put out for extended periods of time.
- Vandalism is taken very seriously at Lakes on Eldridge. Anyone found vandalizing or causing damage to LOE property, including parks, playgrounds, nature areas, signs, lakes, etc., have and will continue to be prosecuted.
- As a reminder to all residents, any exterior modification, alteration, change or addition must be submitted and approved by the Architectural Committee prior to the start of construction. Forms and guidelines are available on the website www.lakesoneldridge.net or at AMI. If you are considering any of the following, please contact the committee or submit application: playhouse or swing set, outbuildings, permanent or portable basketball goals, gazebos, front yard accessories, outdoor lighting, application for sealants, stains, or paint on fences, front yard school or youth affiliated sport signs.
- Please notify us of any unsafe conditions that need repair or maintenance via email.



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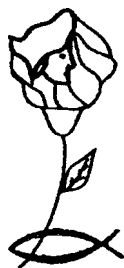
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- Keep tree limbs trimmed at least 8 feet above sidewalks
- Keep shrubs trimmed away from wrought iron fences (not doing so can lead to scraping, rusting and additional fence repair costs)
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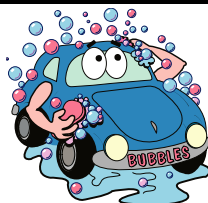
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