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Crime Awareness

Parents: Please give or read this article to your kids.

Our modern world is increasing in crimes against people and property, and the Houston area is no exception. Residents of Lakes on Eldridge are blessed by living in a relatively crime-free environment because most of the people here are pretty special. What do I mean by "special"? Certainly it takes a higher than average income to afford a home in Lakes on Eldridge, but many other factors contribute to our quality of life here. The level of education, the diverse cultures and backgrounds of our families, and our mutual respect for the rights of others all play an important part in making us special. That doesn't mean that we're better than anybody else, but it does mean that we have a responsibility to show that we can live together without resorting to violence or criminal behavior.

Kids, your parents have made, and are making, a significant financial sacrifice in order to provide a quality home for you in LOE. You, too, have a responsibility to contribute to making and keeping Lakes on Eldridge "special". That includes, for example, not throwing trash on the streets or in the lakes and especially by helping to discourage crime and vandalism by any of your peers.

On a recent evening, someone pulled flowers out of our landscaping and threw the plants, dirt and all, onto a resident's front porch. Other plants were scattered in the street. The community will have to spend a lot of money to have the



LOE landscaping was vandalized as well as a resident's home.

plants replaced. Why would anyone do something like that? It doesn't matter if you are angry with your parents, your teachers, or if you had a fight with your girlfriend. Why would you deliberately damage and destroy part of your own community? Think about it; it makes no sense. If you get caught, you could be charged with criminal mischief, or worse, and you may get a police record that will follow you for a long time. It's not worth it.

If you know anyone who thinks it's fun to destroy property, you can do them a favor by telling your parents or calling AMI (our management company) at 713-932-1122. Maybe they can be stopped before they do something really serious and get in big trouble. Be a good friend and neighbor to all the folks in Lakes on Eldridge and everyone will benefit by having a nicer place to live!

Happy
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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

For Information Only.

ROMEO AND JULIET

Grief is being shared in LOE over the tragic death of Romeo, Juliet's mate in Pelican Pointe. The two swans have provided us with beautiful cygnets year after year. Elizabeth Braun, a former LOE resident purchased Romeo from a well-respected breeder in Tennessee in 1999. He was air crated to Houston and placed on Pelican Pointe where he was introduced to a 1999 hatchling named Juliet. The pair have led a peaceful life raising their cygnets each spring. On Monday morning, January 15, a Waste Management recycle truck doing a U-turn ran over Romeo. He will be missed by all of us in LOE and especially by his handler, Lee Mueller, and, of course, by his mate, Juliet.



Romeo & Juliet with their cygnets last spring.

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Mark Your Calendars Lakes on Eldridge Dolphins Swim Team Registration is Coming Soon!

The LOE Dolphins Swim Team is gearing up for another exciting swim season, and it's time to get ready! The team will hold registration at the Lakes on Eldridge Beach Club on the following dates:

- Sunday, March 25 from 4-6 PM – Registration for Returning Swimmers Only
- Wednesday, March 28 from 6-8 PM – Registration for New & Returning Swimmers
- Sunday, April 1 from 4-6 PM – Registration for New & Returning Swimmers

For new swimmers, no previous swim team experience is necessary. Swimmers from age 4 to 18 are welcome to join – the only requirement is that the swimmer can swim from one end of the pool to the other (25 yards) without assistance (brief stops at

the wall or on the lane ropes along the way are ok).

We are especially pleased to announce that we have a new coach, Kyle Horne, this year. Kyle has an impressive resume including coaching both summer league teams and all-star teams. He is currently the Head Coach for the Cy-Ridge High School swim team. Everyone will have a chance to meet Kyle at registration.

Beginning in February, as we get closer to the registration dates, we will post up to the minute information on the LOE Dolphins web site, www.loedolphins.org.

PLEASE NOTE

Landscapers and housekeepers should not have a remote to the community. Their names should be on file with the gate attendants and they should enter via the front entrance gate only. Please help control the access to our community by following these rules.

Article Submissions

If you would like to submit an article or any information for the Lakes On Eldridge Newsletter, you may do so by sending the information to dsd1951@mac.com. This information should include your name. All information should be received **no later than the 12th of the month** and is subject to editorial approval as well as space limitations.

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**WHEN: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2007, NOON TO 6:00 PM
(RAIN DATE MARCH 3rd, 2007)**

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Bible Study at Lakes On Eldridge

“Becoming a Woman of Grace” Bible study at the Lakes On Eldridge Beach Club meets every Tuesday morning from 9:15 to 11:30 A.M. This is a non-denominational group. All are welcome to come and make new friends, study God’s Word, and pray for one another. Our subject this session is “Becoming a Woman of Grace” by Cynthia Heald, a dedicated and knowledgeable Bible teacher. The subject of grace is often misunderstood. This study clarifies the meaning of grace, God’s grace to His children, and the grace His children can attain to glorify Him.

Please join us for this enlightening study and share the opportunity to find the love, joy, and peace that understanding God’s Word brings. Study guides are available on site. There is no need to register, just come and enjoy the morning. Lakes On Eldridge is located on North Eldridge Parkway between West Little York and Clay Roads across from Twin Lakes. Once you enter through the gate, turn left at the stop sign, then at the next stop sign, turn right. The clubhouse is on the right nestled between the lakes. We look forward to seeing you there any Tuesday morning.

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CHRYSALIS ANNOUNCES NEW FACILITY/OPEN HOUSE

Chrysalis: A Grace Place for Children, a ministry of Messiah Lutheran Church, announces the opening of a new Learning Center. The Chrysalis program includes Chrysalis, A Christian Preschool and Chrysalis After School Enrichment. 2007 is a time of new beginnings at Chrysalis as the new Learning Center is opened. The bright, new Learning Center contains well-equipped classrooms and administrative space. In addition, much of the previously used Chrysalis space has been freshened and updated.

Chrysalis offers a Christian preschool with a unique variety of options for the convenience of families and working parents for ages infant through PreKindergarten. (Infant space is limited.)

The Chrysalis After School Enrichment program offers homework assistance, games, and activities for elementary-aged children from 2:15-6 PM. New enrichment programs are being planned.

Alison Harley is the director of Chrysalis: A Grace Place for Children. She has twenty years of experience in childcare administration, and welcomes you to stop by and visit the new facility at 11522 Telge Road, across the street from Lamkin Elementary, one-half mile north of Highway 290, 281-807-0764.

Chrysalis: A Grace Place for Children, is a ministry of Messiah Lutheran Church. All people are welcome at Messiah, www.messiahlc.org.

SUGGESTION BOX

Have you ever wanted to make a suggestion to the LOE Board of Directors but don't know how to go about it? Well, they have now made it very easy and convenient for you. The Board has placed a SUGGESTION BOX in the Member Section of the LOE website, www.lakesoneldridge. Please type in any suggestions for the Board to review and discuss. This Suggestion Box goes directly to the Board members and after such discussion; one of the members will be in contact with you. Please note that you may be called upon to be a part of the solution to the suggestion you make.

Cy-Fair Area Y-ME Breast Cancer Support Group

Are you a Breast Cancer Survivor? Please join us for the Cy-fair Area Y-Me Breast Cancer Support Group. We meet the second Thursday of each month @ Kindred Hospital Houston Northwest from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. For more information please contact Tere Kelly@ 281-517-1008.



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PROSPECTIVE FAMILY NIGHT OPEN HOUSE

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Tuesday, February 20, 2007 7:00-8:30 p.m.

For more information www.CypressChristian.org

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The Brick

About ten years ago, a young and very successful executive named Josh was traveling down a Chicago neighborhood street. He was going a bit too fast in his sleek, black, 12 cylinder Jaguar XKE, which was only two months old.

He was watching for kids darting out from between parked cars and slowed down when he thought he saw something. As his car passed, no child darted out, but a brick sailed out and - WHUMP! - it smashed into the Jag's shiny black side door! SCREECH!!!! Brakes slammed! Gears ground into reverse, and tires madly spun the Jaguar back to the spot from where the brick had been thrown. Josh jumped out of the car, grabbed the kid and pushed him up against a parked car. He shouted at the kid, "What was that all about and who are you? Just what are you doing?!" Building up a head of steam, he went on. "That brick you threw is going to cost you a lot of money. Why did you throw it?"

"Please, sir, please. . . I'm sorry! I didn't know what else to do!" Pleaded the youngster. "I threw the brick because no one else would stop!" Tears were dripping down the boy's chin as he pointed around the parked car. "It's my brother, sir," he said. "He rolled off the curb and fell out of his wheelchair and I can't lift him up." Sobbing, the boy asked the executive, "Would you please help me get him back into his wheelchair? He's hurt and he's too heavy for me."

Moved beyond words, the young executive tried desperately to swallow the rapidly swelling lump in his throat. Straining, he lifted the young man back into the wheelchair and took out his handkerchief and wiped the scrapes and cuts, checking to see that everything was going to be OK. He then watched the younger brother push him down the sidewalk toward their home.

It was a long walk back to the sleek, black, shining, 12 cylinder Jaguar XKE -a long and slow walk. Josh never did fix the side door of his Jaguar. He kept the dent to remind him not to go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at him to get his attention. . . Some bricks are softer than others. Feel for the bricks of life coming at to you.

For all the negative things we have to say to ourselves, Life has positive answers.



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Questions about Christianity?

ALPHA!

Do you have unanswered questions about the Christian faith? Have you been looking for an opportunity to search a bit deeper? Perhaps you'd like to brush up on the basics of Christianity?

If you have answered yes to any of the above, have we got a program for you! Alpha is a 12 week course designed to explore the Christian faith in a non-threatening atmosphere. There is no charge for registration. Alpha is supported by all the main Christian denominations, including the Evangelical Lutheran Church in American (ELCA). The evening starts with dinner, moves to an engaging video, and ends with a group discussion. Ideas are shared in a non-judgmental environment. More than four million people all over the world have completed the Alpha course in the last 10 years, and now it's coming to Messiah Lutheran! The course begins Thursday, March 1, at 6 PM and continues for 12 consecutive Thursday evenings.

If you are interested in attending Alpha, please contact the church. Messiah Lutheran Church is a grace place, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Messiah is located at 11522 Telge Road, ½ mile north of Highway 290. Regular worship times are at 8 and 10:30 AM on Sundays. The Education Hour is 9:15-10:15 AM on Sundays. For more information, 281-890-3013 or www.messiahlc.org. All people are welcome at Messiah.

Service with Love

February is the official month to celebrate the gift of "love," and many people will celebrate that gift in their life with those they hold dear. The students, administration, and faculty of Cypress Christian School challenge you to express God's love to those less fortunate than yourselves this month.



There are many ways to show others that they are loved. For example, get involved in a community project like Habitat for Humanity, serve at your local food bank/mission, write a letter to someone who needs encouragement or bring food and flowers to an elderly person who might be lonely and missing family members. No matter what you do, your actions will be greatly appreciated and will serve as an encouragement to that person or group.

The mission of Cypress Christian School - "to produce students from Christian families who are academically prepared with a biblical worldview to take their place in the world as servants of Jesus Christ" - includes the goal of teaching students to serve. In recent months, students have helped build a house, collected food and supplies for a local food bank, visited and entertained residents in an assisted living facility, collected gifts for children whose parents are in prison, served at a home for incarcerated youth, and more.

As we strive to serve others in our community, we hope you, too, will join the effort to make those less fortunate feel loved through acts of kindness - small or large. To partner with our school in a service project or suggest a service project for our students, please contact Todd Clark, Chaplain, at 281-469-8829 or todd.clark@CypressChristian.org.

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Cypress Christian School Enrollment Events

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Administration, we invite you to attend one or more of the enrollment events listed below to learn more about the benefits of a Christian education. If you are not able to attend or would like to schedule a tour outside of the enrollment events listed below, please feel free to contact the Admissions Director, Vicki Moore, at 281-469-7745 or Vicki.Moore@CypressChristian.org. Also, please visit the school web site at www.CypressChristian.org.

Cypress Christian School Enrollment Events **K-12 Prospective Family Night Open House –** **Tuesday, February 6, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Prospective families are invited to attend a general assembly at 7:00 p.m. and then tour the campus. School and application information will be available. In addition, families may visit with CCS Administrators, the Athletic Director, Fine Arts Faculty, Academic and College Advisor, Curriculum and Learning Center Directors. Mark your calendars for this important evening, and invite your friends, neighbors and relatives who might be interested in Christian Education at CCS.

New Applications Accepted – **Tuesday, February 6**

This is the first day that new families may submit their child's application for enrollment. Application forms may be obtained from the Admissions Office or downloaded from the school web site at www.CypressChristian.org.

Kindergarten Round-Up-

Tuesday, February 20, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join us for an overview of the Kindergarten Program at Cypress Christian. Moms and dads will meet teachers, hear from guest speakers and enjoy snacks and fellowship with other parents. Visiting children will enjoy hearing a story from the Kindergarten teachers and coloring a masterpiece for their parents, and they will be delighted by a puppet show performed by CCS drama students. For more information or to register for free childcare (ages 2-5), contact the Admissions Director.

K-12 Prospective Parent Open House – **Tuesday, March 6, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

Prospective parents may visit classes and gather information. A map and list of classes will be available at the registration tables in the foyer of both the Elementary Building and Secondary Multi-Use Facility.

K-12 Prospective Student Visitor Days

Tuesday, February 13, Thursday, March 22, and Wednesday, April 11, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. each day

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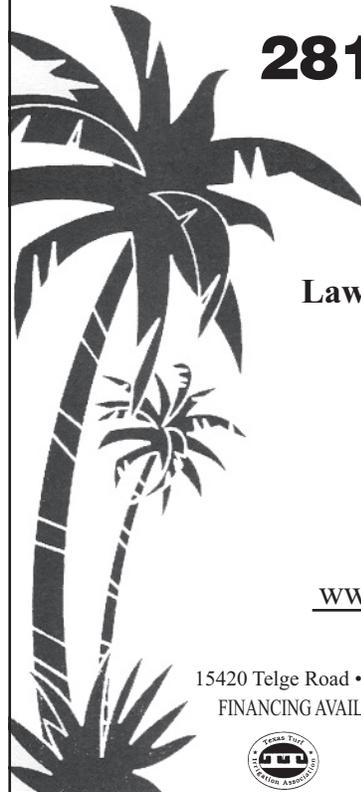
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REGISTER NOW for Cy-Wood's High School 1st Annual "New Cat in Town" Classic Golf Tournament at Cypress Lakes Golf Club on Monday, April 30, 2007. Your team will participate in a day of golf, a great dinner and an array of prizes. Player spots are limited to 144 so we encourage you to sign up today! For more information and registration form, please contact hreichert@houston.rr.com.

FOUR-MAN SCRAMBLE FORMAT (Registration at 11:00 a.m.)

12:30 PM SHOTGUN START

AFTER TOURNAMENT (Bar-b-que Meal, Awards, Silent Auction & Door Prizes)

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Hole-in-one Contest; Longest Drive; Closest-to-the-pin; Beat the Bandita; Putting Contest
COST

Golf Entry Fee of \$150 per player (\$600 per team)

Includes: Green Fees & ½ Cart, Golfer's Gift Bag, Meal, Range Balls, Refreshments

All proceeds benefit the CY-WOODS "All Sports" ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB



Tournament Sponsorship Levels are Available:

\$5,000 Wildcats Sponsorship: Receives 2 foursomes, a Wildcat Sponsor gift bag including a pair of golf shoes and a Cy-Woods golf shirt for each player, 4 hole signs, and special acknowledgement throughout the tournament.

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\$125 HOLE SPONSORSHIPS: Receives recognition at a designated hole.

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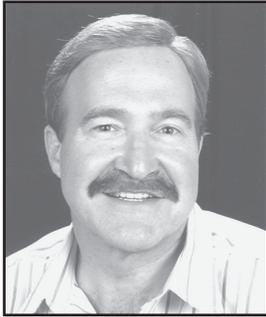
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