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## UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### "Egg"stravaganza

Sunday, April 1st 2:00PM - 4:00PM

Join your fellow neighbors for our annual "Egg" stravaganza, located at the children's playground near SplashPad Texas. Light snacks and beverages will be served, and there will be entertainment for all ages. Don't forget your basket!

#### **Community Garage Sale**

Saturday, April 21st 7:00AM - Noon

Get ready to clean out your closets for our community-wide spring garage sale. You won't have to haul your items far; the community garage sale will take place in YOUR OWN garage! Just be ready to open your garage at 7AM on April 21st.

We'll be creating a map of all the garage sales in the community. To be added to the map, please e-mail your address to michelle@events-ec.com and include a short list (five words or less) of the types of items you are selling. No additions will be accepted after Monday, April 16th. The map will be handed out at the gate attendant's office as well as the onsite office located at SplashPad Texas the day of the event.

#### **Pool Opening Party**

Saturday, May 5th 10:00AM - Noon

Get ready to start the summer off by joining us at our Pool Opening Party, located at SplashPad Texas. Snacks and beverages will be served, and DJ Bill will be there with games and fun for all ages. Hope to see you there!

#### Don't Forget to Register!

All new homeowners, as well as current residents, are asked to register at the Park Lakes onsite business office. This process ensures that all residents have access to the amenities such as the pool, automobile stickers, and EZ Tag enrollment (no cost with a Harris County EZ Tag) for entry into the EZ Tag lanes at the gated sections. Some electronic tag fees are applicable. Your proof of resident ownership will be needed to properly complete your registration.

The gate attendants will have a list of residents that have registered at the onsite business office. Your visitors should also be reminded to stop and register with the gate attendant. Association's property is only under camera surveillance throughout the community's parks, gates, pools, etc.

For more details and assistance, please contact your onsite office manager, Judy, at 281-441-3557.

#### Park Lakes Splashpad Texas Hours

**Business Office (2nd Floor) PHONE: 281-441-3557 Hours:** Tuesday through Saturday - 10:00am until 6:00pm

#### **Onsite Community Manager: Judy Golightly**

The SplashPad Texas water park is open during the winter months, weather permitting.

Lifeguards and office staff are on duty. The Splashpad Slide Pool is only open during the summer season. Private parties can be arranged through the Manager during regular business hours only. Please call Judy at 281-441-3557 for more information. Also, you may check the hours on the community INTRANET at www.canyongate.com

Don't want to wait for the mail?

View the current issue of the Park Lakes Property Owners Association Newsletter on the 1st day of each month at www.PEELinc.com

## PARK LAKES

#### TO CONTACT THE BOARD:

#### **HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS**

Park Lakes Property Owners Associa	tion
PCMI Management/Agent	(281) 504-1360
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office	
Houston National Golf Club	
Park Lakes Information Center	, ,
Community Information	(281) 441-3928
Time Warner (New Installs)	
Utilities	
Electricity (Reliant)	(713) 207-7777
Gas (Centerpoint)	
Time Warner (Customer Service)	
PowerHouse Services	
Republic Waste	(281) 446-2030
Water & Sewer (Hay's)	
Property Tax Authorities	` '
Harris County Tax	(713) 368-2000
Humble ISD	(281) 641-1000
Harris MUD #400	
Public Services	
US Post Office	(281) 540-1775
Toll Road EZ Tag	(281) 875-3279
Voters/Auto Registration	(713) 368-2000
Drivers License Information	
Humble Area Chamber	(281) 446-2128
Police & Fire	
Emergency	911
Humble Police	(281) 446-7127
Humble Fire Department	(281) 446-2212
Emergency Medical Service	(281) 446-7889
Poison Control	(800) 222-1222
Texas DPS	(281) 446-3391
Area Hospitals	
Renaissance Northeast Surgery	(281) 446-4053
Kingwood Medical Center	(281) 348-8000
Northeast Medical Center Hospital(281) 540-7700	
Memorial Hermann Hospital (The Woodlands)(281) 364-2300	

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#### SplashPad Texas Cabana Rentals

SplashPad Texas has an extended covered patio area that residents can reserve for private parties. Residents may reserve that area with or without the kitchen facility for a nominal fee during the winter season of October 1 through April 30.

SplashPad Texas is open from 10am to 5pm from October 1 until April 30. A maximum of two parties at 4 hours each is available.

Please contact Judy Golightly at the SplashPad Texas office at 281-441-3557 for further details.

#### --- TRASH ---

#### **Important Trash Information**

Please remember that unless it is trash pick up day, your trashcans (and any bags of trash) must be placed out of public view. Do not store your trashcans in front of your garage or on the side of your home - your neighbors don't want to see your garbage either!

#### Park Lakes Trash Pick-up Schedule Republic Waste

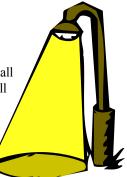
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#### **Mondays and Thursdays**

Trash containers must be at curb by 7AM on Mondays and Thursdays Note: Thursdays - Heavy pick up day

### **Street Light Maintenance**

To report a street light that is not working, call Centerpoint Energy at 713-207-2222. You will need to provide them with the number located at the base of the pole and the street address. You can also report outages on online at www.centerpointenergy.com/outage.







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## PARK LAKES

#### CANYON GATE ATTENDANT SERVICES

Effective February 2, 2007 "ISSC" company began providing gate attendant services for the Park Lakes community. Hours of staffing are from 7pm to 7am, Monday through Friday, and 24-hour staffing is on Saturdays and Sundays. The gate attendant's office is located at the entry to Canyon Gate at Park Lakes.

#### As A Reminder

- The <u>EZ TAG LANE</u> is for EZ Tag access **ONLY** (Registration OF RESIDENTS is required).
- <u>Residents</u> with a Park Lakes vehicle sticker that do not have EZ Tags may enter through the covered drive lane nearest the building and stop TO REGISTER WITH THE ATTENDANT.
- <u>Visitors</u> must enter through the visitor lane nearest the building and stop for the gate attendant's assistance.
  - \* Visit the SplashPad Texas onsite office to register or call (281) 441-3557 \*

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### Have you logged in yet?

www.canyongate.com /residents/pl
Features of the Park Lakes Community intranet include:

- Resident Directory
- Amenity Web Cams
- Current Events and Activities
- · Documents and Forms
- Event Photos and MORE!



# PLANNING ON OUTDOOR HOME IMPROVEMENTS?

Please remember that when planning to do any outdoor home improvements, you must first apply for approval from the Architectural Review Committee by submitting a home improvement form. Visit Judy Golightly at the SplashPad Texas office or call her at 281-441-3557 for an ARC form and more information

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#### **Animal/Pet Control**

Please respect your neighbors' yards and their personal space....remember that pets must be confined to a

fenced backyard or within the house and must not be allowed to bark all night or cause a nuisance to your neighbors. They must also be on a leash at all times when not in a contained environment. It is also

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the pet owner's responsibility to keep ALL areas of the community FREE from pet debris when walking your pets. Please remember that cats must also be confined.

# Fireworks Prohibition in the Deed Restrictions

The Board asks that residents refrain from celebrating the holidays with the use of fireworks and firework displays. This not only poses a nuisance and disturbance to your neighbors, it also leaves a messy aftermath to be cleaned up. Thank you for helping to keep Park Lakes community firework free!

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#### Classified Ads

**Personal classifieds** (one time sell items, such as a used bike...) run at no charge to Park Lakes residents, limit 30 words, please e-mail mevrard@canyongate.com

**Business classifieds** (offering a service or product line for profit) are \$45, limit 40 words, please contact Peel, Inc. Sales Office @ 888-687-6444 or *advertising@PEELinc.com*.

#### **Advertising Information**

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#### PARK LAKES TESTIMONIAL CONTEST

Interested in winning a \$25 gift certificate to Pappas? To enter, submit your Testimonial on the Community Intranet and each month the best Resident Testimonial will be selected. If you are interested in participating in this monthly contest, please follow the steps below:

**Step 1**: Write down your greatest experience in your Canyon Gate Community. It can be why you moved here, about your neighbors, a day at the SplashPad, or anything else about your community and how it has brightened your life.

<u>Step 2</u>: Log on to Your Community Intranet www.canyongate.com/residents/pl

**Step 3:** Submit your testimonial through the "Submit News" Tab. Choose "Testimonials" as the category. Type your story and then save your testimonial. You may also send a photo, or have your picture taken by our Director of Community Events.

We will review the testimonials each month, and one person each month will win a \$25 gift certificate to Pappas.

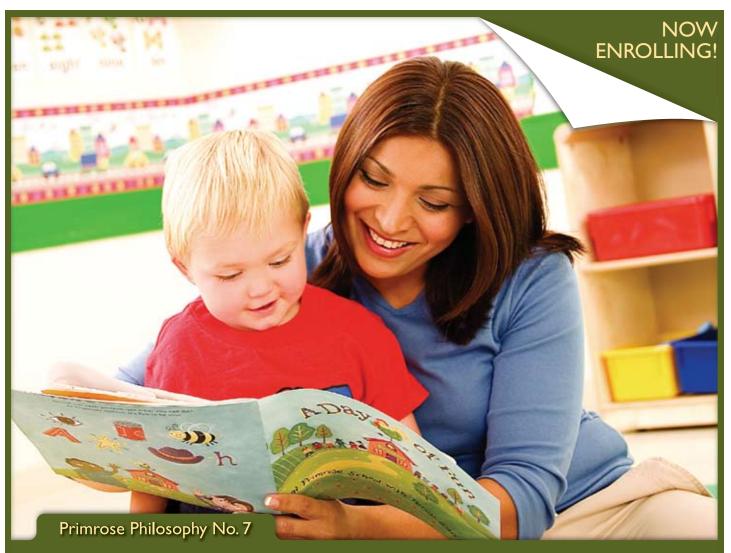
All testimonials will be posted on the Intranet, so if you don't want to share your story log on to learn more about your neighbors and you community. For more information, log on to www.canyongate.com/residents/pl

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# Texas Events - April

13, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 29—HOUSTON: Verdi's Aida Depicts the love triangle involving a slave girl, military captain and princess. Houston Grand Opera. Wortham Theater Center. 713/228-6737 or 800/626-7372

14-15—HOUSTON: Japan Festival Includes music, dance, martial arts, Japanese food vendors, exhibitors, Japanese Gardens tour, tea ceremony, bonsai and origami demonstrations, kids games, and more. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Hermann Park Japanese Gardens. E-mail: yoko@jashouston.org 713/963-0121

20-21—HOUSTON: Spring Showcase Houston Ballet. Wortham Theater Center. www.houstonballet.org 713/227-2787

20-22—HOUSTON: The Grand Prix of Houston Allows families to see the finest open wheel and sports car racing in America. See the race teams and enjoy live music and other entertainment. Reliant Park. 713/659-7223

20-29—HOUSTON: 40th Annual WorldFest: Houston International Film Festival Brings a blend of feature films, shorts, screenplays, TV commercials, music videos and documentaries to viewers. 713/965-9955

21—HOUSTON: Birder Walk & Talk Stroll around the park's many trails on this guided hike while seeking spring neotropic migrants and nesters. Begins at 8:30 a.m. Sheldon Lake State Park. 281/456-2800

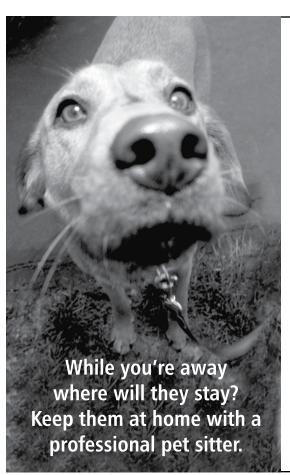
21-22—HOUSTON: 2007 BP MS 150 This 180-mile journey starts in Houston and ends in Austin. Includes an overnight celebration in La Grange. www.ms150.org 800/323-4873 or 713/867-3279

21-22, 28-29—HOUSTON: Houston International Festival This event is the city's official celebration of art and culture. Continues its tradition of bringing together hundreds of international musicians, artisans and food vendors from around the world. This year's festival spotlights China. Downtown Houston. www.ifest.org 713/654-8808

24—HOUSTON: TUTS' Tommy Tune Awards A team of 40 Houstonbased theater professionals review and evaluate participating high school productions with the winners being announced at this Tony Awards-style ceremony. Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. Email: tuts@tuts.com • www.tuts.com 713/558-2600

run, children's walk/run, live entertainment and dancing. Claiborne 28-29—HOUSTON: 36th Annual Houston Pod Chili Cook-Off Held under the auspices of the Chili Appreciation Society International, this event draws cooks from as far away as New York City. Join in the fun, food and festivities. Traders Village. www.tradersvillage. com 281/890-5500

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# Pet Sitting • Dog Walking • Pet Taxi • House Sitting

When you keep your pet at home you reduce stress by maintaining a familiar, secure environment, including a consistent diet and exercise routine. The TLC your pet receives while you're away will provide you with peace of mind knowing your pet is happy and secure at "home". Pet sitters can provide additional home services while caring for your pet, such as watering plants and bringing in the mail — presenting a lived in appearance as a crime deterrent.

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#### **Adopt-a-School Committee**

The AAS Committee is comprised of the current Board of Directors and the Land Tejas Marketing Director. Recommendations for the donation of AAS funds to the schools within that community for educational school items, such as computers, library books, etc. are considered by the Board when the schools present their requests to PCMI.

The Board may vote to fund improvements within the community such as sidewalks, playground areas or other areas that will benefit the students of the community. This fund is separate from the operations of the Association and is distributed solely at the discretion of the Board of Directors.



#### FERTILIZING YOUR LAWN

When: Easter, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day With What: Slow Release, 3-1-2 (example: 21-7-14)

**Why:** We live in the Gulf Coast Region, with approximately 293 growing days per year, a healthy turf deters insects, funguses, molds and weeds.

Jodie Douglass Texas Master Gardener



# Park Lakes 2007 Event Calendar

"Egg" stravaganza Sunday, April 1

**Spring Garage Sale** Saturday, April 21

**Pool Opening Party** Saturday, May 5

**4th of July Pool Party** Saturday, June 30 -

Back to School Party Saturday, August 4

National Night Out Tuesday, August 7

Cookies with Santa Saturday, December 8

\* Events are subject to change

Please contact Michelle Evrard, Community Event Coordinator, at michelle@events-ec.com or 310-418-3802 to be added to our community updates and activities email list or if you would like to volunteer for any of our events!

Visit the Park Lakes Community Intranet for event updates and more information at <a href="https://www.canyongate.com/residents/pl">www.canyongate.com/residents/pl</a>





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