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## UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Breakfast with Santa**  
**Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00 AM – 12 Noon**

Join your fellow neighbors at SplashPad Texas for our annual "Breakfast with Santa". Light snacks and beverages will be provided. Don't forget your camera!

**Happy Thanksgiving**  
**Thursday, November 22nd**



*Please contact Michelle Eyrard, Community Event Coordinator, at [mevrard@canyongate.com](mailto:mevrard@canyongate.com) or 713-783-6702 to be added to our community updates and activities email list or if you would like to volunteer for any of our events!*

## Don't forget to register!

All new homeowners, as well as current residents, are asked to register at the Park Lakes onsite office located on the second floor of the SplashPad Texas building. 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 maintain 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, Linda Morrison, at 281-441-3557.

## EVALUATING YOUR OWN LANDSCAPING

After you have mowed the lawn, edged, pruned, weeded the beds, and applied 3" of bark mulch, sit on the curb across the street and look at the overall picture. "Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder" and our community's Deeds & Restrictions, but this time, really be critical. This is your grade card.

1. Does your style of landscaping match the design style of your home's exterior – French provincial, cottage, traditional, formal?
2. Are all the plants healthy? If not, remove & replace. Is your lawn healthy? Fertilize or treat the problem.
3. Look for color: dark/light/gray greens; blooming plants compatible with color of your brick; continuity in color. From the street blankets of color are more impressive than small poka-dots.
4. Texture variety: small/large/blade leafed plants.
5. Yard Art: a pot with a plant is functional; an empty pot is yard art. A bench under a tree is functional; a bench in a flowerbed is yard art. A boulder holding back a hill is functional, a boulder just sitting there is yard art. Is there a pot or boulder where a shrub should be? One or 2 pieces of sculpture creates a theme, more creates clutter. Know when to stop.
6. Your landscaping must direct your eye to your front door welcoming visitors.
7. Squint your eyes. What do you see first? The plantings that you've spent good money on and have worked so hard to keep healthy? Or the edging or white flagstones supporting your beds? If anything detracts from your plantings, remove it.

Remember, your landscaping is a growing, ever-changing environment, consequently, will never be perfect and needs constant tweaking and attention. A low-maintenance landscape is just that, low maintenance not non-maintenance.

Jodie Douglass  
Texas Master Gardener

# PARK LAKES

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## HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

### *Park Lakes Property Owners Association*

PCMI Management/Agent ..... (281) 504-1360  
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office..... (281) 441-3557  
Recreation Center Onsite Office..... (281) 441-9955  
Houston National Golf Club..... (281) 304-1400

### *Park Lakes Information Center*

Community Information..... (281) 441-3928  
Comcast (New Installs) ..... (281) 441-3928  
TXU (New Service)..... (281) 441-3928

### *Utilities*

Comcast (Customer Service)..... (713) 341-1000  
TXU (Customer Service)..... (800) 368-1398  
Gas (Centerpoint) ..... (713) 659-2111  
Trash (Republic Waste) ..... (281) 446-2030  
Water & Sewer (Hay's) ..... (281) 353-9809  
Phone Service (Embarq)..... (877) 213-1053  
Electricity (Reliant- Report street light outage). (713) 207-7777

### *Property Tax Authorities*

Harris County Tax ..... (713) 368-2000  
Humble ISD..... (281) 641-1000  
Harris MUD #400..... (281) 353-9809

### *Public Services*

US Post Office ..... (281) 540-1775  
Toll Road EZ Tag ..... (281) 875-3279  
Voters/Auto Registration ..... (713) 368-2000  
Drivers License Information ..... (281) 446-3391  
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

### *Public Schools*

Humble ISD..... (281) 641-1000  
Park Lakes Elementary..... (281) 641-3200  
Humble Middle School ..... (281) 641-4000  
Humble High (9th grade) ..... (281) 641-6000  
Humble High (10-12 grade) ..... (281) 641-6300

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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.

Step 2: Log on to Your Community Intranet [www.canyongate.com/residents/pl](http://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](http://www.canyongate.com/residents/pl)

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## Community Involvement

Interested in getting more involved in the community? Join a Park Lakes committee:

- Social
- Landscape
- Communications
- Traffic & Safety

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# PARK LAKES

## --- TRASH ---

### Important Trash Information

Please remember that unless it is trash pick up day, your trash cans (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  
281-446-2030**

#### Mondays and Thursdays

Trash containers must be at curb by 7AM on Mondays and Thursdays

Note: Thursdays - Heavy pick up day

*\*For trash and curbside recycling service, call (281) 446-2030.*

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### Park Lakes SplashPad Texas Hours

Business Office (2nd Floor), PHONE: 281-441-3557

Office Hours:

Tuesday through Saturday - 10:00am until 6:00pm

Onsite Community Manager: Linda Morrison

### Park Lakes Recreation Center Hours

Business Office (2nd Floor), PHONE: 281-441-9955

Office Hours:

Tuesday through Saturday - 10:00am until 6:00pm

Onsite Community Manager: Judy Golightly

### SHOPPING CARTS

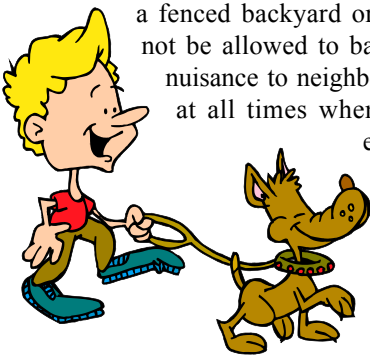
Please keep the neighborhood clean and don't bring shopping carts home. To report Wal-mart shopping cart issues, contact the store at (281) 441-2209.

### 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 Linda Morrison at the SplashPad Texas office or call her at 281-441-3557 for an ARC form and more information.

### 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 long or cause a nuisance to neighbors. They must be on a leash at all times when away from this contained environment. It is also the pet owner's responsibility, when walking their pet within the subdivision, to keep ALL areas free of pet debris. Please remember that cats must also be confined.



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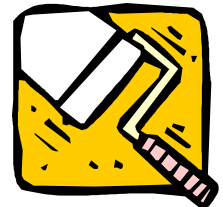
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