



# LAKES

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## LOE Quiz Night *Saturday, May 3rd, 2008*

Lakes on Eldridge residents and their friends are invited to meet at the Beach Club, Lakes on Eldridge for an evening of fascinating and fun-filled friendly fact-finding frivolity...well, actually just a Quiz Night!

Either come on your own, or with a partner, or bring a group of up to 10 people and we will organize you into teams. Teams of 6-10 people will compete for an attractive team prize, by answering a series of questions in various categories, to include Local Knowledge, Food and Drink, Music and more.

Arrive at 7:30 pm, for seating of teams at 8 o'clock, and commencement of the Quiz questions shortly thereafter. The final scores should be available around 10 pm and the winners will then be announced.

Complimentary drinks on arrival and nibbles will be provided; please feel free to bring a plateful of interesting finger-food, to add to the party mood. Additional liquid refreshment is BYO. This is primarily an adult event, but teenagers would be welcome to join their parents.

Please register if possible by end April. If you require more details, and to register, contact: Brigid Lomax: 713-492-6232 or Elizabeth Tobin: 832-467-1369; or e-mail: [brigidlomax@doctors.org.uk](mailto:brigidlomax@doctors.org.uk). Later registrations may be accepted if there is still space available.

This popular event gets neighbors and newcomers quickly engaged in earnest discussion over the correct answers; but remember the Quiz Master is always right; no arguing with the referee! And no electronic cheat-machines! Pit your wits and amaze yourself with your knowledge; or if that doesn't quite work out, enjoy the losers' booby prize!

## Lots of Treats and Fun Found at the Annual Egg Hunt



The young children of Lakes on Eldridge, and their families, enjoyed a fun morning at the annual Easter Egg Hunt held in front of the club house on March 8, 2008. After the children had collected their eggs, everyone enjoyed refreshments and dozens of children stood patiently in line for their turn to have their faces painted by Ann Knoche and her assistant, Lacey Cannon of Heritage Texas Properties. Many thanks, Ann and Lacey, for your support of our egg hunt by providing this fun activity for the children.

Thank you to Elise Mateker at AMI for getting the flyers copied. Thank you to Deborah Dunaway for making the gate signs and putting them up. Thank you to Sandy Deloney, Ellen Havlik, Holly Blausen, Monica Van Slate, Cecilia Freeman, Karen Sims,

Maria Marget, Georgia Shotwell of Keller Williams Realty, Deborah Dunaway, Anita Manning, Wendy Craven, Julie Applegate, Jamie Medina, and Sheryl Henke for distributing the flyers throughout the neighborhood. Thank you to Holly Blausen, Wendy Craven, Julie Applegate, Jamie Medina and Karen Sims for also serving as egg drop sites and getting the eggs to the club house.

Thank you to Kim Knobles for purchasing the refreshments and delivering them to the club house. Thank you to Georgia Shotwell, Wendy Craven, Olivia Tobin, Amelia Tobin, Matt Tobin, Dana Work, Toby Ellis of Keller Williams Realty, Anita Manning, Nathan Jolly, and Sue Jolly who hid hundreds of eggs and helped set up

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# Lakes on Eldridge

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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To contact a member of the Board of Directors, call Alex Taylor with AMI at 713-932-1122. Leave the number where you can be reached. Mr. Taylor will then forward your message to one of the following board members:

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**Visit the Association Website:**  
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## Airport Noise

LOE is now in the flight pattern for both Intercontinental and Hobby Airports, which means air traffic has significantly increased. If you are concerned over the noise make a call to one or all of the numbers below. It is the number of calls and the people taking time to make them that make the most effective appeal for change for this situation.

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

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## Dear Homeowners:

Last month, two residents of Lakes on Eldridge North were victims of a home burglary. One of the thoughts about this burglary was that the criminals entered by tailgating at the subdivision's back gate on Little York. Though this event did not occur in our own neighborhood, it brings to mind that it has happened here, and could happen again.

The Board stresses very strongly how important it is that you not let anyone tailgate you as you come in through the Tanner Road gates unless that vehicle clearly belongs to an LOE resident, or to let a vehicle waiting outside enter when you leave through these gates. On numerous occasions, residents have reported cars sitting off to the side of one of our back gates waiting for a resident to drive through, so they can gain access, sometimes with the engine idling. Why would someone be prepared to waste time and fuel waiting there for an indeterminate length of time to come through one of these gates rather than simply going to the main gate and identifying themselves to the gate attendant to secure admission? If someone does not have an LOE sticker and their own access clicker, they have no business coming into our neighborhood through the back gate. Would you let an unidentified stranger come through the back door of your home? Well, this is home for over 700 of us. If something like this happens to you, just pull through the gate and stop until it closes. No exceptions. The Board asks that everyone be very vigilant about this.

The Board has again reminded our gate attendants that they must strictly enforce the requirements for allowing non-residents to enter LOE. This may result in some inconvenience for your visitors, but we urge you to understand the reasons. We hope you will continue to let us know, through AMI, of incidents where the procedures are not being followed.



## 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.com](http://www.lakesoneldridge.com). 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.

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## Annual Egg Hunt- (Continued from Cover page)

Wendy Craven, Olivia Tobin, Amelia Tobin, Matt Tobin, Dana Work, Toby Ellis of Keller Williams Realty, Anita Manning, Nathan Jolly, and Sue Jolly who hid hundreds of eggs and helped set up for the hunt. Thank you to Georgia Shotwell, Anita Manning, Wendy Craven, and Ellen Havlik for their generous donations of extra eggs for the hunt!

I wish to extend again my sincerest thanks to each and every volunteer. The hunt would not be possible without your help. Many of you have volunteered for several years and your willingness to continue to help with the egg hunt is most sincerely appreciated. By Elizabeth Tobin

**P.S. from LOE:** A huge thank you to Elizabeth Tobin who has organized and hosted the LOE Easter Egg Hunt for so many years. Without Elizabeth, our little children would not be able to enjoy such a fun event in our neighborhood. A round of applause for Elizabeth, please!

*Don't want to wait for the mail?*

View the current issue of the **Lakes on Eldridge Community Newsletter** on the 1st day of each month at [www.PEELinc.com](http://www.PEELinc.com)

## ATTENTION MATING SEASON IN LOE!



Remember our lovely swans can be dangerous at this time of year. It is mating, nesting, and egg laying season and they feel the need to protect their territory against predators such as humans, dogs and waterfowl. Please stay clear of their territory when walking past the lakes.

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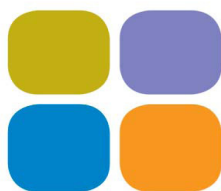
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## LAKE ON ELDRIDGE DOLPHINS SWIM TEAM

We would like to announce Laura Vassallo-Lee will be the Member at Large/Computer Board Member. We are glad to have her on board. Wendy Bordo and Sarah Dingwall are part of the computer team and are great assets for the success of our Computer Team. Thank You!! We have had great response to our on-line Registration. The on-line system has streamlined the entire process and it has made it easy for all. We are looking forward to an exciting and fun season! Below is a calendar of events, please cut and keep by the fridge for easy access or you can always visit us at [www.loedolphins.org](http://www.loedolphins.org)

### LOE SWIM TEAM 2008 CALENDAR

- April 3- Registrtrtion Officially Closed
- April 20- Parents Meeting @ LOE Beach Club @ 6:00 Pm
- April 21-25- One Week Swim Clinic - Visit [Www.loedolphins.org](http://www.loedolphins.org) For Schedule Practice Times
- April 26 - Meet And Greet Party (Adults Only) @ LOE Beach Club @ 7 Pm
- April 28- Swim Practice Starts- Visit [www.loedolphins.org](http://www.loedolphins.org) For Schedule Practice Times
- May 3- Time Trials With Concord Bridge @ LOE Pool
- May 10- Rain Date For Time Trials With Concord Bridge @ LOE Pool
- May 16- Pep-rally
- May 17- Non-div – Home Vs. Copperfield
- May 23- Pep-rally
- May 24- Away Vs. Concord Bridge
- May 26- No Practice - Holiday - Memorial Day
- May 30- Pep-rally
- May 31- Home Vs. Fairfield
- June 6 - Pep-rally
- June 7- Away Vs. Deerfield Village
- June 13- Pep-rally
- June 14- Home Vs. Jersey Village
- June 21- Divisional – Tomball Natatorium
- June 23- Banquet - Location TBA
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What kind of activities or events would you like to see organized?

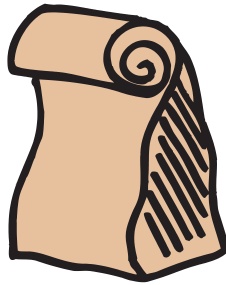
How often would you like these activities or events? (monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually)

Please send your ideas to Deborah Dunaway dsd1951@mac.com

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE BROWN BAG LUNCH

*Wednesday, May 7th,  
12 p.m. at the clubhouse.*

All interested residents are invited to join us to discuss upcoming social events. Just bring your lunch, drink of your choice and meet some of your fun loving neighbors.



## Yard of the Month at Lakes on Eldridge

It's time for yard of the month. LOE would like to recognize those neighbors whose yards stand out from the rest. The extra time, energy and money these residents expend on their lawns, and the imaginative touches they bring to their landscaping not only enhance the value of the homes around them, but also foster a positive image of the entire neighborhood. If you would like to nominate one of your neighbors or yourself for the Yard of the Month please contact the Yard of the Month coordinator: Deborah Dunaway, 713-983-9651 or dsd1951@mac.com. First yard will be selected second week in May.

## REMINDERS!

**Have you updated your Resident Information for Gate Attendant Form?**

The form was in last month's newsletter or may be down loaded from the Member's Section, under Applications at [www.lakesoneldridge.net](http://www.lakesoneldridge.net).

**Have you paid your assessment fee?**

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## NOTES FROM THE FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors of Lakes on Eldridge Community Association met on Tuesday, February 19, 2008. The following is a summary of what was discussed.

### HOMEOWNER/GUEST FORUM

A representative from ISSC reported that the two gate attendants about whom there had been complaints had been replaced and the new personnel appeared to be adhering to post orders. Various equipment requirements were reviewed and approved. Forms and procedures were also reviewed and new information forms were to be distributed via the newsletter and contact with new homeowners by the managing agent. A board member was to work on obtaining a wall map of the community for the gatehouse and the managing agent was to obtain a quote to install a second opener button for the visitors' gate.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

**Financial Statements:** The Board reviewed the financial statements for the month ended January 31, 2008. The Association had cash balances of \$512,936 in the Operating Fund and \$295,873 in the Replacement Fund. Operating income for the month ended January 31, 2008 was \$70,179, Operating Expenses were \$155,767 and the Deficit was \$85,588. The Operating Deficit was the result of the \$80,000 transfer to Reserves and the payment of two month's electricity in January. The managing agent reported that the payment of the insurance premium in February would add to the apparent deficit but that the Deficit will otherwise dissipate over the course of 2008.

**2007 Audit:** The Board engaged the auditors to perform the 2007 audit of the financial statements for \$3,485 plus \$375 for the Association's federal tax return.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Architectural Control:** It was reported that an application for installation of a pool patio was approved. The committee denied an application for painting a garage door on the grounds that the proposed color was too dark. The following letters were issued by AMI: 2 letters of approval for patio covers and 1 letter of approval for painting a home.

**Access Control:** The managing agent reported that the new vehicle decals were being actively distributed. The managing agent was to arrange to have reflective tape placed on the gates to enhance nighttime visibility, to have the controller covers painted a light color to reduce heat build-up and to arrange an on site meeting with the gate contractor and LOE Access Control members to review the gate systems. Following recent problems with the Ginger Ponds gate, the board agreed that in the event repairs could not be made during a single service visit that the gates were to be locked open to avoid traffic problems.

**Parks & Pool:** It was reported that the following pool furniture was ordered on February 15 for a total purchase price of \$7,152: 24 Kahana Cross Strap Dining chairs, 4 48" Round Dining Table with Acrylic tops, 4 Portifino II Aluminum Umbrellas, 8' Hexagon with Double Vent to allow the wind to blow thru the top and not push it over, 4 Cement Filled Aluminum Base

15" tall, and 8 Kahana Cross Strap Chaise Lounge. We hope to have delivery before the start of the swim season.

Work was delayed on cementing in the ground for the tables due to the recent rain. This project should start back up in the next week. Follow up was also needed on repair work from last month's report to fix the park bench and get bids for pressure washing and repainting of the park gazebos.

**Landscape:** It reported that a very productive meeting was held February 7, 2008 with the landscaping contractor, Landscaping Committee chairperson and managing agent. They reviewed the following agenda items: Transition from Terra Nova and commitment to quality for LOE, Major Immediate Improvement Areas, Major Maintenance Issues, Tanner Entrance Gates Rock Beautification Plan, and Coordination with Homeowner Properties.

**Lakes & Wildlife:** A meeting was held with Betty Burkett to discuss the swans and ducks at LOE. She stated the swans were starting to get fat and the males were starting to get aggressive. This is the time of year where the swans pair up which will cause some problems as we have a three-some on one lake. This will probably cause Betty to look at selling this bird. The nesting season is quickly approaching and both male and females will be more aggressive. It was suggested that we look at re-running last years article in the next newsletter.

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## Notes Feb Board Meeting- (Continued from page 8)

**Website:** A lot of progress has been made on the new LOE public page. This upcoming month will be used to test the site for bugs and add photographs to the slideshow.

**Social/Events:** A Quiz Night penciled for May 3rd was discussed and is in the planning. This will be an event for 13 years and up in age. To try to attract more members the Social Committee will be meeting monthly on the first Wednesday of each month.

### MANAGEMENT REPORT

The managing agent reported that the defunct computer from the storage room had been disposed of, the gouges in the Beach club floor had been repaired and three new storage containers were delivered. He also advised that the last of the Eldridge Parkway wall had been power washed.

**Park Benches:** On a motion duly made the Board approved the purchase and installation of three park benches in the total amount of \$2,130.54. A board member was to assist in the placement of the three benches. The Board also authorized placement of a memorial plaque on a park bench at the main lake.

**Deed Restrictions:** The Board reviewed the deed restrictions at February 18, 2008 and instructed the managing agent accordingly. There were 475 open items being pursued.

### SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors was scheduled to be held at 6:30 p.m. on March 18, 2008.



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## Welcome To Our Newest Neighbors!

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Eagle Bend welcomes the family of  
**Carlos Garibaldi and Bathan & Megan Osborn.**

Indigo Falls welcomes the family of  
**Tom & Gaynor Richardson.**

## Politics in LOE

Recently several residents were deeply disturbed by door to door canvassing for a presidential candidate prior to the Texas primary. Please remember LOE is a gated community to ensure we do not have solicitations of any kind. Therefore, while we recognize that many of us may have strong opinions, please do not distribute campaign materials or otherwise advertise for any particular candidate in the upcoming elections.

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**ADULT PIANO TEACHER WANTED** - Adult piano beginner is searching for a piano teacher in Lakes on Eldridge (or within a 5-10 minute drive) for evening/weekend lessons. If you are a teacher or if you know of one, please contact Fatima at 713-937-3753 or email [fatimz@yahoo.com](mailto:fatimz@yahoo.com).

**STRING PLAYERS NEEDED** - LOE resident, who plays violin and viola, is looking for other string players to play quartet music, on a recreational level. Email: [echavlik@earthlink.net](mailto:echavlik@earthlink.net) or call Ellen at 281-741-1781.

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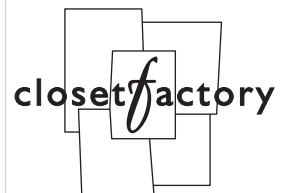
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## LOE BOOK CLUB

Book club has meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. We try to read a wide variety of material, so if this month's selection doesn't appeal to you, maybe next month's will. Do join us when we tackle a book on which you have comments or opinions. We will again be meeting in various members' homes, so call or e-mail Celeste Fritz, 713-896-6942, cfritztx@comcast.net for additional information.

March 24 - The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid by Bill Bryson. From one of the most beloved and bestselling authors in the English language, a vivid, nostalgic, and utterly hilarious memoir of growing up in the 1950s. Bill Bryson was born in the middle of the American century—1951—in the middle of the United States—Des Moines, Iowa—in the middle of the largest generation in American history—the baby boomers. As one of the best and funniest writers alive, he is perfectly positioned to mine his memories of a totally all-American childhood for 24-carat memoir gold. Like millions of his generational peers, Bill Bryson grew up with a rich fantasy life as a superhero. In his case, he ran around his house and neighborhood with an old football jersey with a thunderbolt on it and a towel about his neck that served as his cape, leaping tall buildings in a single bound and vanquishing awful evildoers (and morons)—in his head—as “The Thunderbolt Kid.

April 28 - Still Life by Louise Penny. Chief Inspector Armand Gamache of the Sûreté du Québec and his team of investigators are called in to the scene of a suspicious death in a rural village south of Montréal and yet a

world away. Jane Neal, a long-time resident of Three Pines, has been found dead in the woods. The locals are certain it's a tragic hunting accident and nothing more but Gamache smells something foul this holiday season...and is soon certain that Jane died at the hands of someone much more sinister than a careless bow hunter.

Next date to be determined (4th Monday is Memorial Day) – My Sister's Keeper by Jodi Picoult. Anna is not sick, but she might as well be. By age thirteen, she has undergone countless surgeries, transfusions, and shots so that her older sister, Kate, can somehow fight the leukemia that has plagued her since childhood. The product of preimplantation genetic diagnosis, Anna was conceived as a bone marrow match for Kate -- a life and a role that she has never challenged...until now. Like most teenagers, Anna is beginning to question who she truly is. But unlike most teenagers, she has always been defined in terms of her sister -- and so Anna makes a decision that for most would be unthinkable, a decision that will tear her family apart and have perhaps fatal consequences for the sister she loves. My Sister's Keeper examines what it means to be a good parent, a good sister, and a good person. Is it morally correct to do whatever it takes to save a child's life, even if that means infringing upon the rights of another? Is it worth trying to discover who you really are, if that quest makes you like yourself less? Should you follow your own heart, or let others lead you? Once again, in My Sister's Keeper, Jodi Picoult tackles a controversial real-life subject with grace, wisdom, and sensitivity.



### Helping You Get Started

Residents of Lakes on Eldridge that would be interested in learning to knit, crochet, do needlepoint or embroidery, please join us on any Thursday at the Beach Clubhouse from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. We will be happy to help you get started. Some of our members don't even sew, they just drop by for coffee and to chat. Please come join us.

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## MotherWise Bible Study News

The Lakes on Eldridge MotherWise group recently began its spring study program of the Book of Ruth using the bible study techniques of author Jen Hatmaker described in her book titled, *A Modern Girl's Guide to Bible Study*. MotherWise is a non-denominational bible study and prayer group. All are welcome and invited to attend the meetings.

The MotherWise group meets every other Monday at the Beach Club from 9:30-11:30 a.m. The meetings begin with prayer and the presentation of the study segment, followed by small group prayer time. The meetings also include social time and light refreshments. The MotherWise meetings are a great way to meet other mothers, support each other in prayer, and gain some spiritual enrichment.

The MotherWise group will hold its meetings this spring on the following dates: February 11th, February 25th, March 10th, March 31st, April 14th, April 28th, and May 5th.

The leaders of the MotherWise group are Kathy Prusak (713-937-7707) and Elizabeth Tobin (832-467-1369). Please feel free to contact us for further information about MotherWise. We encourage you to attend a meeting and check us out!

## LOE BIBLE STUDY

The Lakes On Eldridge Bible Study continues to meet every Tuesday morning from 9:15 to 11:30. On the first Tuesday of each month we all go out for lunch. Our LOE Bible study group has been meeting for almost five years now and each session brings new ladies seeking knowledge and wisdom from God's Word, the Bible. We are a multi-denominational group, which brings together the spiritual unity the Lord desires.

In January we began an in-depth study of the Book of Matthew published by NAV Press' Life Change Series. Matthew connects the Old Testament prophecies with Jesus' fulfillment of those prophecies in the New Testament. Along with thought-provoking questions, the study offers study skills, cross references, and applicational direction.

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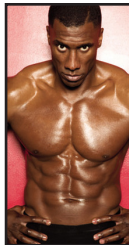
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Psalm 126:2-3 "Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.' The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy."

### Community Carnival and Family Fun Day - Saturday, April 19, 2008 from 10:00 to 4:00

Rides, games, food and prizes galore are in store for everyone who attends this special event. The carnival will be held on the school grounds located at 11123 Cypress N. Houston

Rd at Jones Rd. Ticket and sponsorship information is available on the school web site.

### Community Golf Tournament - Monday, May 5, 2008 at Longwood Golf Club

Calling all Golfers and Sponsors! Mark your calendar for Monday, May 5 to participate in the annual CCS Golf Classic. This year's Golf Tournament will be held at the Longwood Golf Club, 13300 Longwood Trace, Cypress, TX 77429 with a 1:00 tee-off time. In addition to a great afternoon on the course, golfers will be treated to lunch and dinner. To add to the fun, a silent auction will be held with golfer-friendly/family-friendly items to be awarded to the highest bidder.

To play in the tournament, sponsor the event - which includes a multitude of advertising opportunities - or donate an auction item, please log on to the school web site at [www.CypressChristian.org](http://www.CypressChristian.org) or call 281-664-0211.

## Please Let Us Know!

If you know of a LOE resident who has had any outstanding awards, milestones or accomplishments, please contact Deborah Dunaway at 713-983-9651 or [dsd1951@mac.com](mailto:dsd1951@mac.com) so they may be recognized in the newsletter.

## Please Scoop Your Dog's Poop!

There are a few dog owners in our neighborhood that do not pick up after their dogs. PLEASE!! We have a beautiful community and it is such a shame to walk in the park and be confronted with some lazy, inconsiderate neighbor's dog's mess much less step in it. Everyone has an extra plastic bag in their home; just grab one before you leave the house for your walk. PLEASE SCOOP YOUR DOG'S POOP!



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## Dr. Ben Welch Speaks To Aggie Moms On The Spirit Of Aggieland

Dr. Ben Welch will share his insights into what makes Texas A&M University such a special place, when he speaks on the Spirit of Aggieland at the NW Harris County Aggie Moms club on Tuesday, April 8. Dr. Welch serves as the Director of the Center for Executive Development and Clinical Associate Professor for the Department of Management in the Mays Business School. Among his many honors are having a Fish Camp and T-Camp named after him; being selected as Professor-of-the-Year for 1995-96 and 1991-92 by student members of the Management Society, as well as the College of Business Honors-Professor-of-the-Year for 1991; serving as Academic Advisor for Squadron 17 with the Corps of Cadets for seven years; and receiving the 1991-92 Corps Outstanding Academic Advisor award. Other honors include the John J. Koldus III Faculty/Staff Achievement Award and the Ed Guthrie Advisor-of-the-Year Award. Dr. Welch was the 2005 recipient of the coveted University-wide Association of Former Students Award for Teaching. Dr. Welch previously served as the Director of the Department of Student Activities for Texas A&M University, Director of Mays College of Business Fellows and Honors Programs and as Associate Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence at Texas A&M University.

Mothers of current and former students are invited to the April 8 meeting that will be held at the Houston Distributing Company, Inc., 7100 High Life Drive, Houston, TX 77066. The evening begins at 7 p.m. with snacks and a casual social time, and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

For more information about this and upcoming events check the website at [www.nwhcaggiemoms.com](http://www.nwhcaggiemoms.com)

## Sustainable Living in Houston

*Submitted by Jennifer Armentrout*

General Meeting, May 8th from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Cy-Fair College Library. At this meeting, we will discuss who we are, what our mission and goals are, as well accept members and talk about upcoming events.

This is open to everyone, although we ask that parents leave their children at home for this meeting.

## How To Start Playing Tennis

*By Fernando M. Velasco*

In past issues, we have discussed on how to start taking lessons, purchasing rackets, shoes and giving you some tips to begin playing.

Now that you are ready to start playing the game, in this issue, we will discuss on how to become “mentally prepared” when competing and playing socially with spouses, friends and children.

Game of “Mistakes” – Tennis, unlike other sports, is based on minimizing mistakes. Even the tournament players, will make mistakes. We will hit balls long, short, into the net, into the parking lot and sometimes even hit our own partners, if playing doubles.

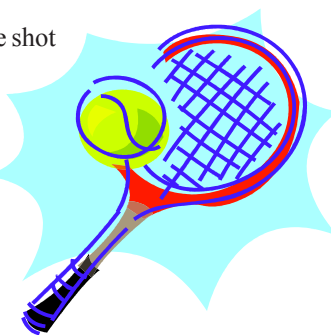
Three basis rules that I have my students follow when making an error are the three “R’s” that I learned from Dr. Karl Slaikeu in his book “Focused for Tennis”:

1. “Release” – The mistake is done. There is nothing to get the point back.
2. “Review” – Think of what you could have done to avoid the mistake.
3. “Reset” – Start the next point refreshed and with your mind clear.

Tennis is a game where, unless the opponent hit the last shot to win the match, that you still have plenty of opportunities to get your “rhythm” and confidence back.

In order to hit “winner” shots, one must take chances. On critical points, I ask my students to review the following “awareness points”:

1. “Own awareness” – Hit the shot that you have and can depend on it.
2. “Opponent awareness” – Hit the shot to the opponent’s weak area.
3. “Court awareness” – Plan your shot according to where the sun is and where the wind is coming from.
4. “Score awareness” – If ahead in the score, take chances, if behind or even, be more conservative.



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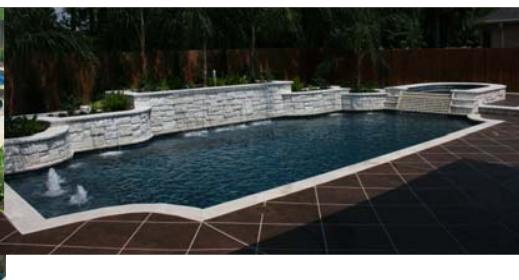
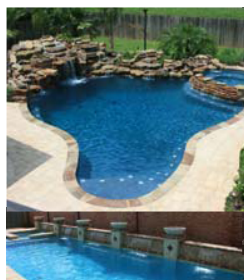
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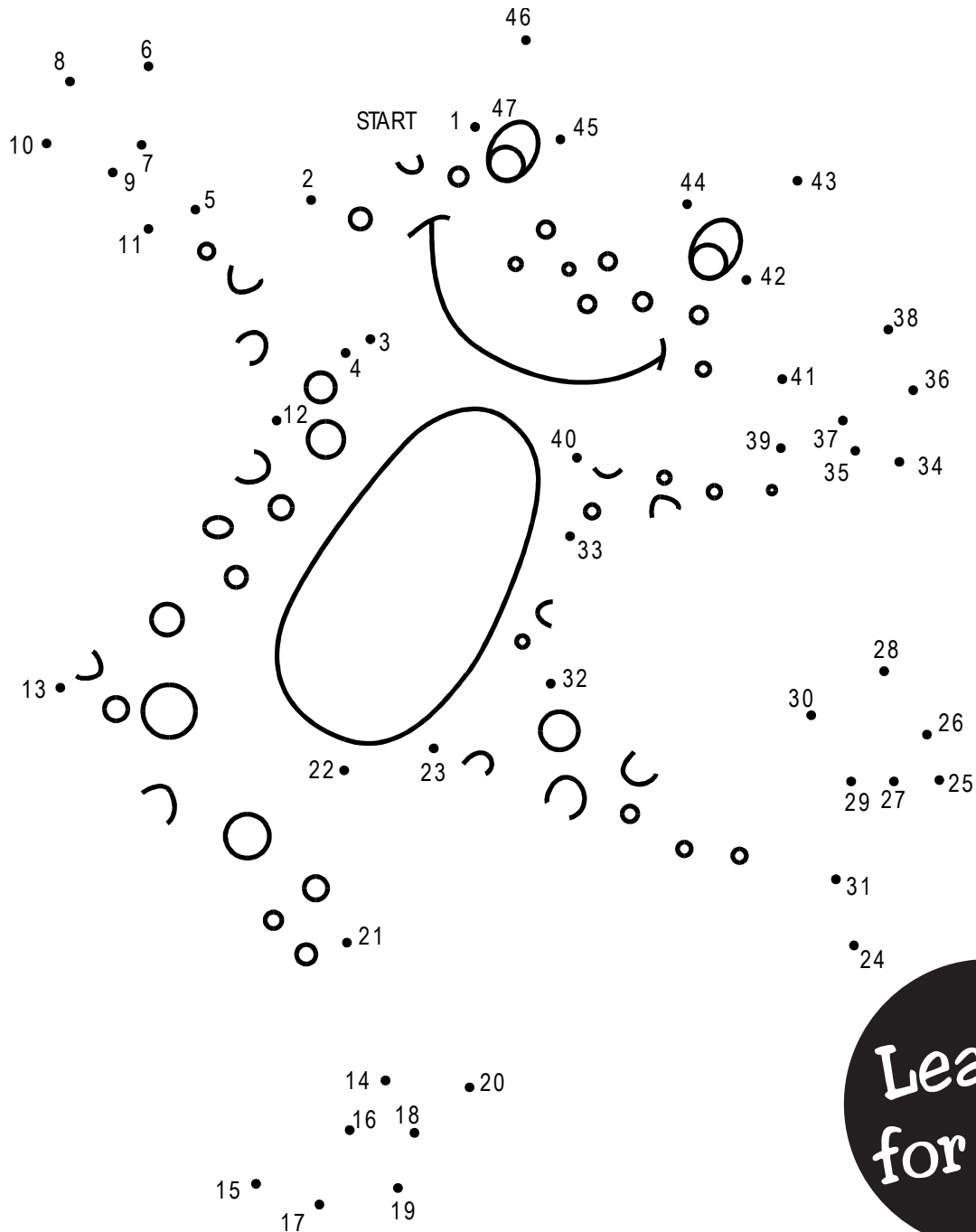


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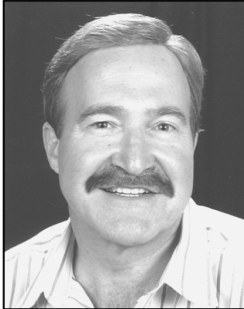


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