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Have A Safe Halloween!

Please watch out for our Trick or Treaters as they go through the neighborhood gathering their goodies! Be Safe!



Info From the Board HOA Meeting

Our Annual Homeowner Association meeting will be held on:

**November 2009 at 7:00pm
Windermere Lakes Clubhouse**

This is a very important meeting that all residents should attend.

We will be electing new Board Members to serve the residents of Windermere Lakes; if you are interested in becoming a Board Member, please contact us at www.windermerylakes.net so we can discuss with you.

We plan to discuss Patrol / Security options for our neighborhood and have invited guests from the Harris County Constables Precinct 4 to join us.

President's Message *Volunteerism*

SIX REASONS NOT TO VOLUNTEER AT WINDERMERE LAKES:

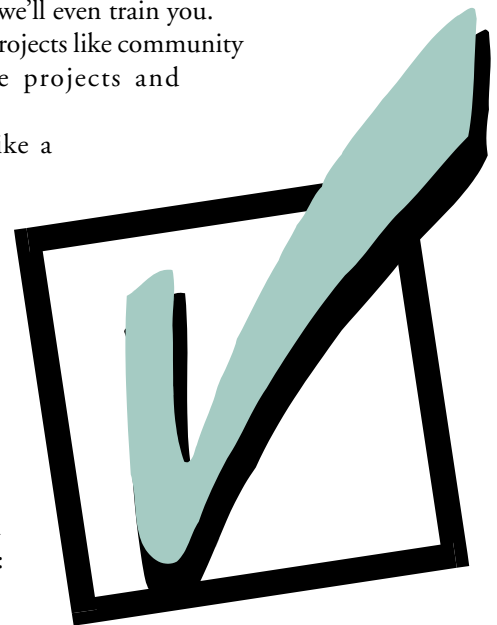
1. It's a giant responsibility.
2. Your neighbors will blame you for everything.
3. All your free time will disappear, and you'll become enslaved to the association.
4. You'll have to work with bombasts, dictators, figureheads, and puppets.
5. You'll never have any fun ever again.
6. Besides . . . there's no real reason to get involved; the community is in fine shape—we don't need you. NOT!

TEN REASONS TO VOLUNTEER AT WINDERMERE LAKES:

1. Protect your self-interests. Protect your property values and maintain the quality of life in your community.
2. Correct a problem. Not happy with the way things look or do you think maybe maintenance has been neglected?
3. Be sociable. Meet your neighbors, make friends, and exchange opinions.
4. Give back. Repay a little of what's been done for you.
5. Advance your career. Build your personal resume by including your community volunteer service.
6. Have some fun. Association work isn't drudgery. It's fun accomplishing good things with your neighbors.
7. Get educated. Learn how it's done—we'll even train you.
8. Express yourself. Help with creative projects like community beautification, social events, lake projects and neighborhood communications.
9. Earn recognition. If you would like a little attention or validation, your contributions will be recognized and celebrated.
10. Try some altruism. Improve society by helping others.

Just trying to get your attention . . . hope it works! We do need Volunteers in all areas of Windermere Lakes HOA. Can we count on you? If just one person from each family would volunteer on our committees, we could be so much more effective and accomplish great things! Contact us at: www.windermerylakes.net

Kevin Swicegood, President



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Architectural Control/Deed Restrictions	TBA

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can be contacted at www.windmerelakes.net*

* We are establishing our Committees for 2009 and need resident volunteers! If you are interested in participating with us, please contact us at www.windmerelakes.net for more details. This is a great way to meet your fellow neighbors and to help make our Windermere Lakes community a better place to live.

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10126 Lazy Lagoon



11915 Sunset Lake

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We appreciate the time and participation by our judging volunteers during this selection process!

Sreehari Gorantla, Landscape Committee

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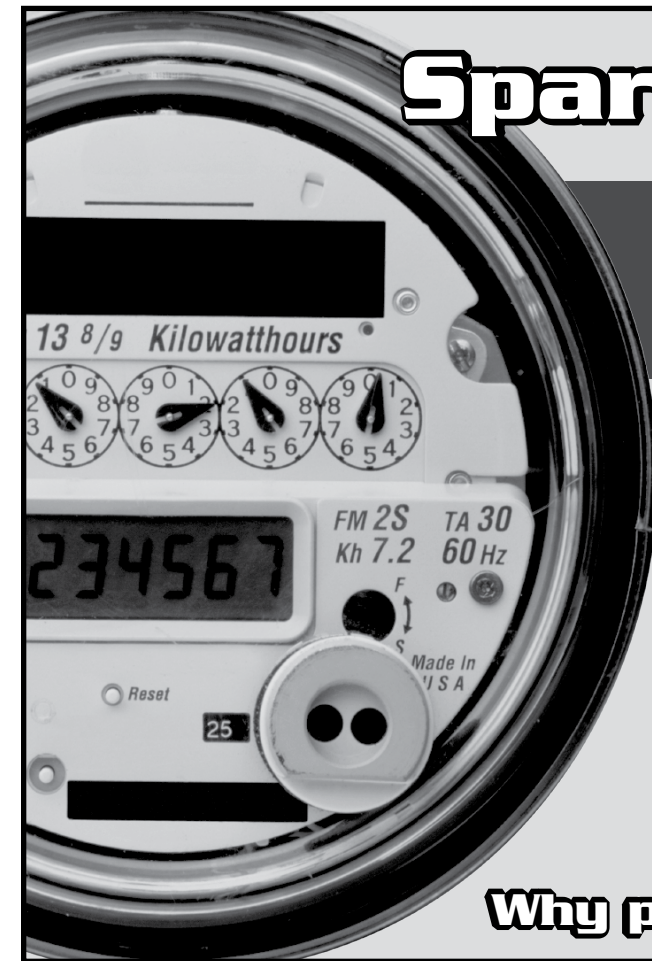
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We hope to hear from you soon!

Dianne Wentzell, Chairperson

WL Recreational Facilities Committee

WL Social Committee Corner

Hello Again WL Residents!

We sure do need help with our social events. If you have any ideas or would like to assist us, I can be contacted at oldchristian@gmail.com. I would love to hear from you and urge you to consider becoming a committee member.

I'll see you next time...

Bill Wentzell, Chairperson

WL Social Committee

SECURITY REPORT

We have reports of residents fishing and keeping the fish from our Lakes. This is strictly prohibited as we are only allowed to 'catch and release' any fish from the Lakes.

Stocking our lakes is quite expensive and it is up to each of our residents to be sure that the rules are followed and any violators are reported.

If you see anyone abusing the fishing rules, please report the activity to www.windermelakes.net with the location of the violation and any information that you can provide as to who was doing the fishing violation.

In addition, please be aware and on the lookout for any persons you believe to be suspicious and/or that do not appear to belong in our neighborhood. Please report them so they can be checked out by the proper authorities.

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Whats Happening on the Lakes



Our BFF

The lakes have been missing a lot of fun and frolic... not much activity out 'n' about these days.

It is almost time for the October Ghosts and Goblins to be out so please watch out for the children.

Special prayers go out to our "BFF" (a/k/a Bestest Flamingo Friend) Gail Orso... She is in our hearts and prayers each day!

The attached photo is from a Flamingo Lakes Game Night... oh what a night that

was! Lots of fun, food and great laughs! We all learned new games and some even won some lots of quarters!!

We'd like to share the news in our future newsletters. Are you or someone in your family running in a marathon, have a new member in your family, children accomplishments or something you'd like to share in the newsletter? Any parties, birthdays, graduations, anniversaries or any other celebrations that may take place would be great shared with your other Windermere Lakes neighbors!

PLEASE SEND YOUR INFO TO US FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER TO:
newsletter@windermemelakes.net

Neighbor to Neighbor

Have something to sell or want to give away?? The homeowners of Windermere Lakes can place their personal ads for free in our newsletter! Contact us at newsletter@windermemelakes.net and we will contact you to obtain all the information so we can make it a win-win situation for everyone!

Article Submissions

If you would like to submit an article or any information for the Windermere Lakes Newsletter, you may do so by sending the information to newsletter@windermemelakes.net. This information should include your name. All information should be received **no later than the 9th of the month** and is subject to editorial approval as well as space limitations.

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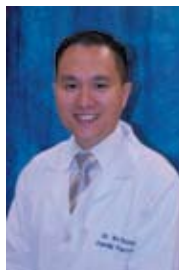
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Dr. Vu Phung joined 1960 Family Practice in July 2009. Dr. Phung graduated from Texas Tech University and is board certified in Family Medicine. He completed his residency in Family Practice and in pursuing his special interest; he completed his fellowship in Geriatric Medicine. Dr Phung welcomes patients of all ages to his practice.



Dr. Annie Hoang joined our practice in August of 2009. She graduated from Texas A & M University and finished her training in Family Practice at Texas Tech University. She is board certified in Family Medicine and has been providing comprehensive care for adults and children with compassion and kindness for the past 10 years. She welcomes all new patients to her practice.

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Mammograms - 1960 Digital Imaging offers Digital Mammograms. Women should have a baseline mammogram beginning at age 35. Mammograms are recommended every 2 years through age 45. Women over the age of 45, should have a mammogram every year.

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- 2 tablespoons butter, melted

Directions

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Mix all ingredients well, adjusting the sugar according to how sweet a biscuit you prefer. Pour into well-greased muffin tins. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes. Serve with honey butter.

- Cook Time 20 min
- Level Easy
- Yield 12 to 16 biscuits



New Cell Phone Law

*"I'll Have to Call You Back;
I'm in a School Zone."*

THE LAST SESSION OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE PASSED A NEW LAW MAKING IT ILLEGAL TO USE YOUR CELL PHONE IN A SCHOOL ZONE. THE EXCEPTIONS ARE:

- if you are using a hands free device
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Get Ready for Windows 7

Submitted by Laurie Scott

For Lovers of XP and Haters of Vista

Users of Microsoft Windows have been waiting a long time for a great upgrade from Windows XP. Well, I have good news - Windows 7 is coming.

On October 22nd, the successor to the less than popular Windows Vista will begin to ship with new PC's and be available in stores and online. If you bought a new PC with Vista Home Premium installed in the last 3 months, you're probably going to get a free upgrade disk from the manufacturer.

Should you upgrade your current PC? There are some very compelling reasons to do so. In almost every area Windows 7 outperforms Vista and even XP in the time it takes to install, copy files on the hard drive or move files over a network. It also doesn't need quite as much memory to run well. It has MUCH better security than XP and is less annoying than Vista. Vista users know about the constant pop-ups of the UAC (User Account Control) every time you make the slightest change to the system, encouraging many to disable it altogether. Windows 7 has modified it so that it can be adjusted to be less intrusive while still protecting you from unwanted program installations. This makes it much easier to run as a regular user rather than an administrator (an almost impossible task in XP), providing better protection from viruses and trojans.

The Media Center provides support for playing Blu-Ray discs (if you have a drive that can play them), and the Home Group feature makes sharing files and printers between computer really simple.

Windows Live is a separate but I think important

product from Microsoft that works well with Windows 7. It's a set of free online products that features SkyDrive, offering 25 gigabytes of online storage, and Family Safety, that in conjunction with your Windows user accounts provides access control to web content, and provides activity reports as well as administrator access (i.e. the parent) from any computer, anywhere.

The Professional version of Windows 7 includes the ability to run Windows XP as a "Virtual Machine" in a window, so if you have programs that need XP to run, you can run them in the virtual machine while continuing to run everything else in the Windows 7 environment (I know, that was geeky and your eyes probably started to glaze over, but it's a great feature none the less.)

System requirements for Windows 7 are a 1GHz or faster processor and at least 1GB of memory. You can perform a check of your computer by downloading the Windows 7 Upgrade Advisor from microsoft.com. The upgrade for Windows 7 Home Premium will be \$119, but Microsoft will also be making a "Family Pack" available, giving you 3 licenses for \$149.

I've been using Windows 7 since the Beta version was released in January, having it on 3 systems without problems, including 2 desktops and 1 laptop. The interface is much cleaner with lots of great small features too numerous to list here. So if you're ready for a new computer, but it's not presently in your budget, consider upgrading your current computer to Windows 7. The only regret you'll have is that it took Microsoft so long to finally get it right.



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