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CLUBHOUSE FUNDING AND CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

After months of work, the Board is pleased to share an exciting update to the Clubhouse Rebuilding Project. The insurance settlement was finalized July 11, 2013. The clubhouse construction bids have been received and the contract to build a new, enlarged and more functional LOE clubhouse has been awarded to Crossmark Development and Construction. Construction will begin September 3, 2013 and is anticipated to be completed by May 15, 2014. Crossmark was chosen after an extensive search and evaluation process. Crossmark's owner, Jeff Anderson, has over 30 years of relevant construction experience including actually building a clubhouse for the Avalon Community in Sugarland that is quite similar to the planned new clubhouse. With all of Crossmark's experience, relevant skills and commitment to quality construction, it is fortunate that they were also the low-bidder on the project.

Project funding will be primarily from the insurance settlement. Anticipated additional funding sources include a one year assessment increase of \$146 for each family in 2014, money saved by being very frugal with the 2013 Operating Budget and the re-direction of the normal 2014 Reserve Account allocation to the clubhouse construction instead of the Reserve Account. A Town Hall is scheduled for 7:00 PM on July 23rd at Kirk Elementary to discuss the contract award and funding specifics. As a reminder, the new clubhouse is significantly larger than the previous clubhouse (1935 sq. feet to 3506 sq. feet) and incorporates numerous new features requested by residents. The new clubhouse will include a workout room, a catering kitchen, a flex room for classes or small functions, a much larger main room, a security system, greater shaded areas near the pool, an office for future on-site management, and heating/air conditioning in the restrooms. This is a significant step forward for our community. The Board wishes to thank all the residents who have participated in sharing ideas and developing the plans for our new facility.

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Since the roll out in May, almost 20,000 one-day dash tags have been issued. That is about 25 visitors per home in our community. While the one day tags seem to be working well, it would be preferable to issue long term tags to our frequent visitors. The application forms for longer term tags are available on the LOE website and at the front gate. But, the application MUST be submitted to AMI (now First Service Residential). If you haven't already requested your new blue LOE sticker, please complete and return the form below. The goal is for every vehicle in LOE to have either a windshield sticker or one of the appropriate dash tags. Once this goal is met, any unregistered vehicle will be easily identified by the patrol. Even if the attendants "know your vehicle", please complete the form and place the sticker on your windshield.

The new stickers are blue; the previous red stickers will no longer be issued. All residents should have a new sticker on their car or apply for the new resident hang tag. Cars without identification in LOE are subject to being stopped by the patrol officers and the gate attendants. To receive your new sticker, please complete and return the following information to AMI (now First Service Residential):

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Legislative Town Hall

Over 100 residents from LOE and LOE North attended the recent Legislative Town Hall Meeting at Kirk Elementary, on evening of Monday June 10th. State Senator Dan Patrick (who flew in from Austin just to attend our event), State Representative Dwayne Bohac, and Precinct 4 County Commissioner Jack Caigle spoke to the attendees for over 2 hours including taking questions from the audience.

Commissioner Jack Caigle explained that his primary duties in Pct. 4 consist of the 3P's, which are repairing Potholes, maintaining our Parks, and providing Protection, through local law enforcement and gave a good overview of the challenges facing our area.

Senator Patrick and Representative Bohac spoke about the recently completed legislative session and the challenges facing the State of Texas particularly in the area of education.

The Board extends a special thanks to Russell Rush for coordinating the event.



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BOY SCOUT GIVES BACK TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND HIS COMMUNITY

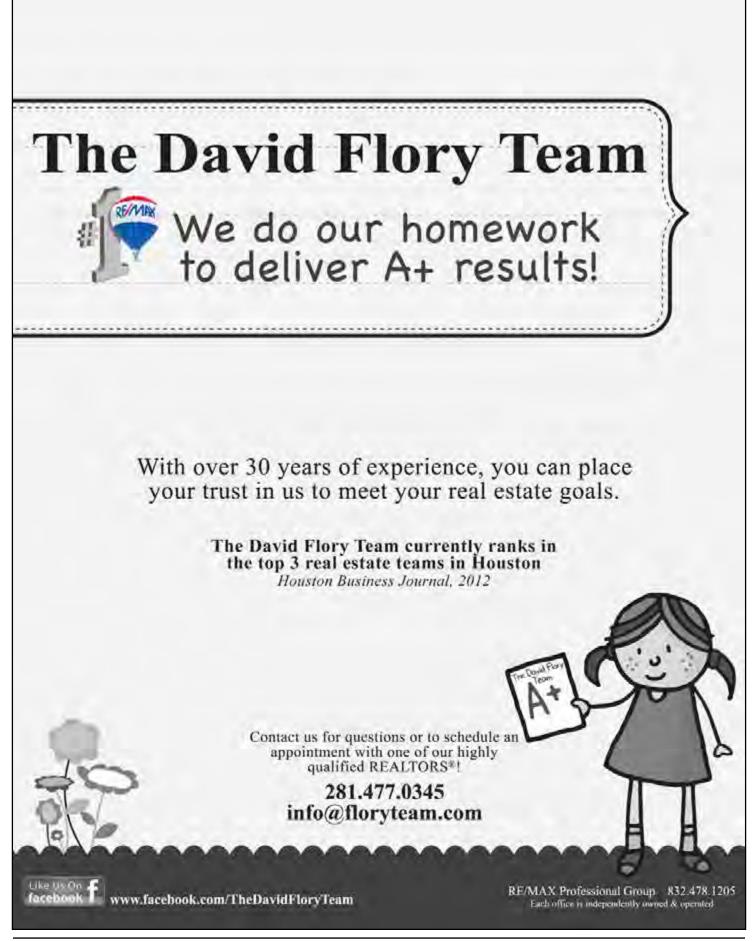
Many thanks to Jacob Sealey who chose to build new Wood duck boxes for the wildlife of Lakes on Eldridge as his Eagle Scout service project. Wood duck boxes provide safe shelter and a place to raise young for the various small waterfowl that reside in the area. These boxes have been installed in and around the vegetation on some of the smaller ponds.

An Eagle Scout service project is the opportunity for a Boy Scout to demonstrate leadership of others while performing a project for the benefit of any religious institution, school, or community. This is the culmination of the Eagle Scout candidate's leadership training, and it requires a significant effort on his part. The Scout must develop a project plan, coordinate fundraising to provide the necessary materials, schedule the work, organize the personnel needed, and give leadership to others in order to direct the project to its completion.

Jacob, 15, is a Boy Scout with Troop 1283 based out of St. Elizabeth Ann-Seton Church in Houston. He has worked his way through the ranks from a young Cub Scout to the final rank in Boy Scouts, going above and beyond the requirements; and, is now awaiting his Eagle boardof-review to become an Eagle Scout (the highest rank a Boy Scout can achieve).

We would like to thank Jacob, all of his volunteers, and the Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center for their efforts and a job well done. The benefits of providing your service to the needs of our local wildlife and to this community are greatly appreciated.





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We live in such a wonderful area! Our home prices have risen and in some cases have doubled since we purchased here. Your yard is usually the first thing a buyer sees when looking to buy a home. Why not spruce it up, make it inviting and, hopefully, win the Yard of the Month! There is a \$25.00 gift certificate from Cornelius for winning. So roll up those sleeves and see what your hard work can accomplish. The following is a list and photos of our two winners and names of our two honorable mentions for August:

WINNER

Robert & Phyllis Baker, 5510 Evening Shore

WINNER Janet & David Wallis, 5514 Windham Spring

HONORABLE MENTION Robert & Marianne Stearns, 5507 Cherry Creek Bend

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Lakes on Eldridge Bible Study is out for the summer, but will resume on September 10, 2013. We continue to meet at the activities center at Lakes on Eldridge North until the Beach Club at Lakes on Eldridge rebuilds the clubhouse that burned down on Christmas night.

Our study will be guided with a book from Joanna Weaver called Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World. Joanna Weaver is an author, pastor's wife and mother of two who also writes for Focus on the Family, Guideposts, and HomeLife. She is also award-winning author of the wedding gift book With This Ring. This twelve-week study addresses issues women encounter while living in a whirlwind society and trying to develop and maintain a close relationship with Jesus Christ. She uses Luke 10:38-40, the story of Jesus' friends Mary and Martha to springboard into contemporary living. Little has changed in the last 2000 years. The author offers examples, questions, problems, and solutions from Scripture to weld a woman's heart to Jesus' no matter how busy she is.

Please join us for this refreshing study beginning at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2013. Study guides will be available at the first meeting and we will begin the first chapter then. All are welcome.

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Book club will be taking a one month vacation during July, as many of our members will be traveling. At our last meeting, we scheduled the books below for the next several months.

Consider joining us on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. We take turns hosting the meeting and sometimes change the date or book, so please contact celeste.fritz@gmail.com to get the details for each meeting.

July 22 – We decided to skip a meeting this month since many of our members will be on vacation.

August 26 - Coyote by Allen Steele. The national bestselling story of Earth's first interstellar colonists-and the mysterious planet that becomes their home.

September 23 – Lamb by Christopher Moore. The birth of Jesus has been well chronicled, as have his glorious teachings, acts, and divine sacrifice after his thirtieth birthday. But no one knows about the early life of the Son of God, the missing years -- except Biff, the Messiah's best bud, who has been resurrected to tell the story in the divinely hilarious yet heartfelt work "reminiscent of Vonnegut and Douglas Adams" (Philadelphia Inquirer).

October 28 – Transatlantic by Colum McCann. Three iconic Atlantic crossings are connected by a series of remarkable women whose personal stories are caught up in the swells of history. Beginning with Irish housemaid Lily Duggan, who crosses paths with Frederick Douglass, the novel follows her daughter and granddaughter, Emily and Lottie, and culminates in the presentday story of Hannah Carson, in whom all the hopes and failures of previous generations live on. From the loughs of Ireland to the flatlands of Missouri and the windswept coast of Newfoundland, their journeys mirror the progress and shape of history. They each learn that even the most unassuming moments of grace have a way of rippling through time, space, and memory.

November 18 – 7:30 P.M. the Inprint's Margarett Root Brown Reading Series will feature an appearance by Colum McCann. Several book club members will be attending and non-members are welcome to join us. This will be at the Alley Theatre, and the \$5 tickets are on sale beginning Oct. 14 at inprinthouston.org.





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