



The HOME FRONT

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PARK LAKES NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

*Lets make it
grander than ever!!*

This year we would like to make this a grand event. We think it is very important to know our neighbors and how we can contribute to making Park Lakes the best place to call home. Lets plan to actively participate this year. Our community events committee and communication committee is working towards getting the word out and gathering suggestions. Please send any suggestions you may have to parklakeevents@gmail.com.

GAME NIGHT

Every other Wednesday we will have a game night at the Club House @ 7 PM. There will be several board games, card games, competitions and prizes. Some nights will have a specific theme such as bingo. It is a great way to meet your neighbors. You can contact our events committee for more information @ parklakeevents@gmail.com

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS AT THE GUARDHOUSE ENTRANCE

Edgar Clayton has worked with Centerpoint to have 12 additional street lights installed at the Guardhouse entrance. Look forward to seeing a brighter entrance into Park Lakes Gates Section.

POOLS ARE CLOSED UNTIL SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK IS STARTED.

Swim At Your Own Risk
Coming Soon!

As the normal pool season comes to an end, Swim at your own risk will be coming soon. We are looking for suggestions for the timings. Please send your suggestions to parklakeevents@gmail.com. We are currently working on the waivers and they will be available at the Club House and the Splashpad. Initially, it will be available to adults only. As time progresses we will modify the restrictions.

PARK LAKES

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Park Lakes Property Owners Association

RealManage/Agent	(866) 473-2573
SplashPad Texas Onsite Office.....	(281) 441-3557
Recreation Center Onsite Office.....	(281) 441-9955
Gate Attendant.....	(281) 441-1089
Houston National Golf Club	(281) 304-1400

Utilities

Comcast (Customer Service)	(713) 341-1000
Electricity (TXU)	(800) 368-1398
Gas (Centerpoint)	(713) 659-2111
Trash (Republic Waste).....	(281) 446-2030
Water & Sewer (EDP Water District).....	(832) 467-1599
Phone Service (Embarq)	(877) 213-1053
Electricity (Centerpoint-Report street light outage)	(713) 207-2222
Texas One Call System (Call Before you Dig).....	811

Property Tax Authorities

Harris County Tax.....	(713) 368-2000
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
Constable/Precinct 4 (24-hr dispatch)	(281) 376-3472
Harris Co. Sheriff's Dept./Prec 4, Dist 2 (24-hr)	(713) 221-6000
Eastex Fire Department.....	(281) 441-2244
Emergency Medical Service	(281) 446-7889
Poison Control	(800) 222-1222
Humble Animal Control	(281) 446-2337
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 (K-6)	(281) 641-3200
Humble Middle School (7-8)	(281) 641-4000
Summer Creek High School (9-12)	(281) 641-5400

Private Schools

Holy Trinity	(281) 459-4323
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic.....	(281) 446-8535
The Christian School of Kingwood	(281) 359-4929
Humble Christian School.....	(281) 441-1313

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TO CONTACT THE BOARD:

Please address the Board of Directors via your representative,

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 Customer Service
 (866) 473-2573
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*You may also contact the board members
 directly with the listed emails.*



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Park Lakes

Board Approved Committees and Descriptions

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

Our initial meeting was a success and we had over 10 volunteers sign up for our committees. We are looking for more volunteers.

MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

There will be a committee meeting on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, located at the clubhouse or splashpad.

COMMITTEES:

Social / Community Events Committee

(Meetings scheduled as needed)

The role of the Event/Social Committee is to assist the community in creating, implementing and supporting events and activities.

Contact: Raj Allada @ parklakesraj@gmail.com

Landscape Committee

(Meetings are at 9:00 – 10:00 AM)

The Landscape Committee's primary role includes overseeing

the Yard of the Month program and Holiday Decoration Yard Contest. Additional roles include supporting a social club for landscaping ideas (Garden Club), inviting horticulture guest speakers for community events and sharing a general interest in landscaping.

Contact: Raj Allada @ parklakesraj@gmail.com

Communications Committee

(Meetings are at 12:00 to 1:00 PM)

To assist the community in creating, implementing and supporting communication efforts, including the newsletter, community intranet, and block captains. The Communication Committee also supports and oversees special interest groups, including the Welcome Committee and the Sunshine Committee.

Contact: Raj Allada @ parklakesraj@gmail.com

Traffic & Safety Committee

(Meetings are from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM)

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C.O.U.R.A.G.E.O.U.S. DAD's

BUILDING FEARLESS - GODLY FATHERS!

TOPICS FOR EACH WEEK - BIBLICALLY BASED

- C - Consistent, Dependable Behaviors Matter
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- S - Spiritually Equipping Your Child

11 Week Series - 8:30a to 9:30a

Park Lakes Elementary School

Provided By Antioch Christian Church of Humble

<http://www.accofhumble.org>

Prior to 10a Worship Service!

Starbucks Coffee & Pastry Provided

STARTS SUNDAY OCTOBER 20TH!



For Fathers, Father Figures,
Fathers To Be...

Discussions are Not for Children!

www.courageousdads.org

PARK LAKES

Committees and Descriptions *(Continued on Page 3)*

This committee encourages residents to observe speed limits, shut garage doors at night and other items of safety, as well as advises the management company of damaged, or missing, traffic signs, broken curbs, etc. They are also encouraged to promote an annual "Safety Day" with car seat inspections, bike rodeo, and local fire and police participation.

Contact: Edgar Clayton @ parklakesclayton@gmail.com

Adopt-a-School Committee

(Meetings are from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM)

The AAS Committee is comprised of the current Board of Directors, and if approved, one or more resident chair person(s) as participants to prepare and present to the Board of Directors recommendations for the donation of AAS funds to the schools within that community for educational school items, such as computers, library books, etc. Further, the Board may vote to fund improvements within the community such as sidewalks, playground areas or other improvements 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.

Contact: Edgar Clayton @ parklakesclayton@gmail.com

Park Lakes 2013 Event Calendar

(Subject to changes and/or additions)

Saturday, October 26

Fall Festival

Saturday, November 16

Fall Garage Sale

November TBD – Volunteer

Appreciation Dinner

Saturday, December 14

Cookies with Santa

Please contact Michelle Evrard, Director of Community Events, at mevrard@canyongate.com or Raj Allada, Social Committee Chairman, at parklakesraj@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer for any of our events!

* For more event information, please visit
www.canyongate.com/residents/pl



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UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 26
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

All residents are invited to join in the fun with your fellow ghouls and goblins. Our annual Fall Festival will be located at the Clubhouse. There will be carnival games, DJ, prizes, moonwalks, snacks and tons of fun!

If you would like to volunteer to help with the games, or need community service hours for school, please contact parklakeevents@gmail.com or mevrard@canyongate.com.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Saturday, November 16
7:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

It's almost time again to clean out your closets for our Fall community-wide garage sale. You won't have to haul your items far; the garage sale will take place in YOUR OWN garage! Just be ready to open your garage at 7AM on November 16th. To help increase traffic to your home, we suggest that you place signs at the end of your street. Don't forget to take them down afterwards.

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 mevrard@canyongate.com and include a short list (five words or less) of the types of items you are selling. No additions will be accepted after Wednesday, November 13th. The maps will be handed out at the SplashPad and the gate attendant the day of the event.

The Association doesn't verify, endorse, or approve any products, information or opinions mentioned at Association sponsored functions or contained in this community newsletter.

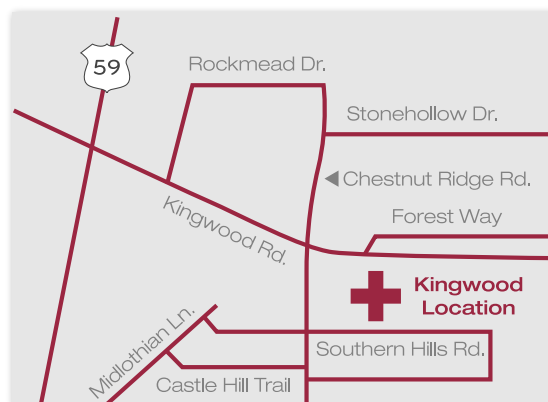


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PARK LAKES

Be Aware of Snakes

Recently we were informed about sightings of Water Moccasins and other snakes. Please take extra precautions while walking around the lakes and bushy areas. Some people have also sighted them in their backyards. The association has taken precautions to have pest control monitor our properties.

Regular Watering

Regular watering, mowing, edging and weeding are ongoing homeowner maintenance responsibilities. Your neighbors love you when you do your part to keep the community beautiful and they complain to others when you don't. Your Association management team is receiving an abundance of calls concerning dying grass and lack of mowing/edging/weeding. Please note, your management team is sending out violation letters and charging back for 'force mows'. If dying grass cannot be brought back to life, the resident will have to go to the expense to re-sod. For all our residents who consistently do an excellent job at maintaining, we sincerely thank you for your hard work.

Reminder about Basketball Goals

Basketball is a fun sport that many like to play. As a reminder, please make sure that all basketball goals are kept in an upright position in your driveway. Basketball goals should not be left in the street at anytime. Leaving basketball goals in the street can be a nuisance to drivers in the community and a hazard should there be a need for an emergency vehicle to gain access to your street. Please note this is also a violation and if you receive violation letters regarding this matter you could be sent to the attorney and be liable for these charges. Basketball goals found on the street can be removed at the Park Lakes Property Association's discretion.

Think Before you Drive

Park Lakes is a community of small families, young adults and seniors who love the outdoors. We have a right to enjoy our surroundings without the threat of tragedy striking through reckless driving.

Before you drive, stop and think about your responsibilities. Are you guilty of texting or talking on your cell phone when you should be paying attention? Will the 5 seconds you've saved be worth it if you hurt someone's child?

Help us make this a safer place by considering the consequences of one careless moment behind the wheel. If you observe others not driving responsibly, report this to the police and then get involved through neighborhood committees. We must all work together to make a difference.

KID'S CORNER

By Jocelyn

The community is our home, let's look into how we can help keep it a happy and safe place to be. You can start by getting to know your neighbor, come to game night on Wednesdays it's fun we get to interact with other kids we get to exchange ideas on how to help our community in a fun way.

Littering Hurts us All

Neighborhood appearance is a major concern when choosing a new home. Trash bins left on the street, vehicles in disrepair, yards left unattended all contribute to the image we project as Park Lakes residents.

Take a look around your property and see if there's anything you could do to improve things. If you have a neighbor who is struggling to keep up with the physical demands of home ownership, see if you can help without sounding critical. One gesture will surely lead to another, and we will all benefit.

This is what neighborhoods are all about.

Meet Our New On-site Manager

Cynthia Garza is our new on-site manager. Cynthia started with us early August 2013. She will be assisting the homeowners and the Board with board tasks. She will be working out of the Splash pad and Club House office.

Meet the New Facility Manager

Willie Murriel is our new Facility Manager. He started late July 2013. His duties include: interacting with our vendors, handyman tasks and assist homeowners. We look forward to the positive impact he will have on our community.

Park Lakes Educational and Activities Center

We are looking for volunteers and suggestions during our process to create a new educational center. The center will be tentatively located in the Splashpad downstairs room. We would like to have anybody with educational background get involved. Our goal is to provide Park Lakes children additional support in their education. Please contact us at parklakesboard@gmail.com, if you are interested in getting involved. Summer is coming soon and we would like to start providing these services soon.

New Humble Area Church!

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For Details Visit
www.accofhumble.org

FATHERING SERIES STARTS ON SUN OCT. 20, 2013

8:30A TO 9:30A

STARBUCKS & PASTRIES TO BE PROVIDED

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Family And He Will Know YOU!**



WORSHIP SERVICES TO BE HELD AT **Park Lakes Elementary School**

10a to 11:15a

(You'll Be Home In Time for The Texans Game!)

1st Service - Sunday October 20th

Our Goal Is: Believe - Belong - Become & Build

*Helping Every Person Believe in Jesus,
Belong to Family, Become a Disciple & Build His Kingdom!*



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