

Official HOA Newsletter for Lakeshore

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### **WELCOME TO THE LAKESHORE REPORT**

A Newsletter for the Lakeshore Residents

The Lakeshore Report is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Lakeshore residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information, and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports team, social group, etc., and would like to submit an article for the newsletter, you can do so online at www.PEELinc.com. Personal news (announcements, accolades/ honors/ celebrations, etc.) are also welcome as long as they are from area residents.

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## LAKESHORE OUT AGAINST CRIME NIGHT

This year the Lakeshore Night Against Crime featured an inflatable obstacle course, a trackless train, delicious shaved ice cones, food and drinks courtesy of local sponsors and our HOA. The Constable's office, Precinct 4, were well represented with two K-9 units, ATV parks division, Special units division, and our patrol deputies, Deputy Johnson and Deputy Rodriguez. I would like to thank all the volunteers that helped make this event such a huge success. Special thanks to those who went above and beyond, Michelle, Jennifer & Jeff, Lisa and Paul! Next year promises to be even better due to more corporate and local sponsorships!

Food, drinks, treats, and games will be top notch, so be sure to make plans to attend and support your community!

If you would like to get involved or simply want to see what is happening in our community, please attend the yearly Lakeshore crime review meeting on, January 12th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Clubhouse. We will go over the crime statistics from the entire year and have coffee and treats for everyone! See you there!!!

George Casellas Crime Watch Chairman



### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

#### LAKESHORE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS CREST MANAGEMENT CO.

#### **Community Manager**

#### **Clubhouse Manager**

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#### EMERGENCY INFORMATION FIRE, MEDICAL OR LIFE THREATENIN Emergency

Constable Dispatch	
Humble ISD Police (Schools)	
Harris County Animal Control	
Texas Poison Control Center	

#### UTILITIES

Electric, (multiple providers)	www.powertochoose.org
Power Outages	
Street Light Outages	
Gas, Centerpoint Energy	

### SCHOOLS

	www.humble.k12.tx.us
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Woodcreek Middle School	
Summer Creek High School	

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To volunteer, please email lakeshore-ca@sbcglobal	.net

### LAKESHORE CLUBHOUSE

281-458-3345

#### ONSITE MANAGER HOURS MONDAY & WEDNESDAY: 10:00AM - 2:00PM TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 2:00PM - 7:00PM

CLOSED FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY



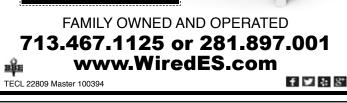


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# **Community Calendar**

### December 5, 2015

3:00pm-5:00pm Christmas Party

### December 13, 2015

Christmas Decorations Judging

### January 12, 2016

7:00pm Community Crime Watch Meeting

Please view our website (www.lakeshoretx.org) for more details about each event.



**Description:** The position includes marketing our community newsletters to local and area businesses. It is a flexible position that allows you to work from home and set your own hours.

**Roles:** Stimulate new advertising accounts in our community newsletters. Maintain current accounts assigned to you by Sales Manager. Service your accounts by assisting them from ad design to final proof approval.

**Skills:** Excellent communication through email and phone, with high level presentation and relationship-building skills. Strong prospecting and business development skills are a must. Previous sales experience preferred but not required.

**Benefits:** Commission Based Apply by sending resume to jobs@peelinc.com



# **New Trash Service**

Trash service is now provided by Best Trash. Service will remain on Tuesday and Friday with recycling on Friday. You can find recycling and trash guidelines on their website: http://www.best-trash.com

### **RECYCLABLE ITEMS**

- Paper: Dry & Clean, Loose
- Newspapers & inserts
- Magazines & catalogsJunk mail, envelopes, file folders
- Office white, colored or computer paper
- Corrugated cardboard boxes
- Cereal & gift boxes, etc
- Paper bags & phone books
- Wrapping paper
- Milk cartons
- Juice Cartons
- Wax coated boxes
- Containers: Empty, Clean & Loose
- Glass- clear & colored
- Aluminum Cans
- Aluminum foil
- Aluminum foil plates/serving containers
- Plastic bottles, jars, tubs and buckets (soda, water, milk, juice, liquor, shampoo, detergent, condiments, salad dressing, yogurt, margarine, pet food, etc)
- Plastic grocery bags
- Metal food cans (tin & steel)
- Metal food can lids
- Metal pots & pans

If you have more recyclable material than what fits in the provided recycle container, you are welcome to use a container of your choice (i.e. Rubbermaid tote, trash can with lid and wheels) as long as the container is clearly marked "Recycle".

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

There is no garbage collection service on:

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day (4th of July)
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

If your garbage collection day falls on any of these holidays, the garbage collection services will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

If your recycle collection day falls on a holiday it will be picked up the next week on your regularly scheduled recycle day.

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# **Christmas Decorations**

Christmas Decorations Judging will be held at dusk on Sunday, December 13, 2015. Specific criterion that the committee will be looking for are listed below.

- 1) Consistent Theme
- 2) Balance Across the Yard
- 3) Uniqueness of Display

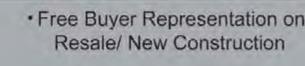
4) Color Coordinated

5) All Lights Working6) Use of Landscape & Walkway

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# THE LAKESHORE REPORT LOVE YOUR DOG, Leash Your Dog

We love dogs—we really do. That's why the association is committed to enforcing the county leash law on association property. According to the U.S. Humane Society, an unleashed dog has an average life span of less than four years? Allowing your dog to run free threatens your dog's health and welfare and the happiness it brings to you.

We also love our community. That's another reason the association is committed to enforcing the county leash law—so all residents may enjoy our community.

We trust we can count on you for voluntary compliance with the leash law. We don't like to call animal control, but we won't have any choice if your dog is running free.

# Reporting Street Light Outages

To report street light outages you can go directly to CenterPoint's website and report the outage. In order to complete the repair request you will need the pole location and six digit number that is listed on the pole. For emergency situations (pole burning, pole down, wire down, wire burning, cut wire, etc.) please report the situation by phone to customer service at (713)207-2222.

# We're opening soon! Come learn more about us.

### PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

November 11, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. December 10, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Meetings held at Primrose School at Summerwood 14002 W Lake Houston Pkwy, Houston, TX 77044

Call to RSVP.

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# **Tips for Protecting Your Identity During the Holidays**

Identity theft is a problem any time of the year. But, while consumers are focused on giving during the holidays, crooks are focused on taking. If there's one thing consumers don't need, it is dealing with identity theft during the holidays. The National Foundation for Credit Counseling (NFCC) offers the following tips to help consumers protect themselves during the busy holiday season:

- Be aware of your surroundings. Sidewalks and malls will be crowded and shoppers will be distracted—the perfect combination for a pick-pocket. If someone bumps into you, don't assume it was an accident. Women should clutch purses closely at their side or in front of them with the wallet hidden at the bottom. Men should stow wallets in an inside coat pocket.
- Don't carry large sums of cash. Charge your purchases or use a debit card. Just remember that credit cards offer some protections that debit cards don't. When you use a credit card, you can dispute a purchase before paying for it. With a debit card, the money is removed from your account at the time of the purchase. A thief can wipe out your checking or savings account before you ever realize the theft has taken place
- Guard your PIN number at the ATM. Be aware of anyone lurking around the ATM, and if someone is standing too close, simply ask him or her to step back. Thieves can also install devices that read your information at the ATM without you knowing it. If you notice anything unusual about the ATM, use a different one, and report what you've seen to the bank.
- Don't let your credit card out of your sight. Unscrupulous clerks or waiters can copy your card information or swipe your card into a second card reader and later make a new credit card for themselves. Worse yet, they can sell your information to an organized crime ring.
- Lighten your wallet. Remove anything from your wallet that you don't absolutely need to have with you. That way, if someone is successful in stealing it, they won't get as much. Never carry your Social Security card with you, but check other cards that might use your SS# as an identifier. If you're not going to be using your checkbook, leave it at home.
- Make copies of your credit cards. Copy both sides of all your cards. If you lose your wallet, you'll have easy access to all of your account numbers and phone numbers, allowing you to alert your bank immediately.
- Keep up with all receipts. Not only will you need them to make returns easily, but crooks are very interested in stealing the information they contain. Never stuff the receipts into your car visor or leave them exposed in any way.
- Open your credit card statements as soon

as they arrive. Check the bill for any unauthorized purchases. Even better, keep a watchful eye on your accounts by going online and reviewing your accounts each week. If you notice anything out of the ordinary, report it immediately to your bank. Doing so will likely remove any payment responsibility you might have for fraudulent purchases.

- Secure all personal information even while at home. Unfortunately, many times an ID thief is someone we know. During the holidays, you may have guests in your home. Remove temptation by putting personal information out of sight.
- Consider signing up for a credit monitoring service. Such services alert you via email anytime there is an inquiry or other activity to your credit report. In other words, if someone tries to open an account in your name, you'll know about it. Such services are offered by all of the major credit reporting bureaus, and could be money well-spent.
- Order your credit report. Consumers are allowed one free credit report every 12 months from each of the three bureaus. Order a report now from one bureau, and order another one in January from a different bureau. This will give you a good snapshot of activity and will alert you to anything unusual.

In spite of all your efforts, if you are victimized by ID theft, contact an NFCC Member Agency for help. Their certified counselors can walk you through the steps to recovery. To find the agency closest to you, dial (800) 388-2227, or go online www.DebtAdvice.org. To locate a Spanish speaking counselor, call (800) 682-9832.

For more information and tips about identity theft visit NFCC at www.ProtectYourIDNow

# Welcome, First-Time Buyers

Few events in life are more exciting than buying your first home. We're glad you've chosen us! You're now a member of our community association. We're proud of our association and trust it will contribute to the quality of your experience in our community. Here are a few tips and bits of information to help you make the most of community association living.

### Your Own Space

There's one important difference between renting and owning a home that you need to keep in mind. Unlike renting, your unit and its upkeep belong entirely to you. You're responsible for all maintenance for any part of your home that is used only by you or your family. So, when the faucet leaks, the first person to call is your favorite plumber, not the association manager.

### **Common Elements and Assessments**

The community has a number of common areas and services—like the grounds and the maintenance to keep them attractive and enjoyable. We share these areas and their expenses when we pay our assessments.

### **Community Rules**

Because many residents share the common areas, it's necessary to have a few basic rules so everyone can enjoy the community. If you don't have a copy of the community rules, please call the manager.

### Membership

When you bought your new home, you became a member of our community association. Membership entitles you to attend and observe board meetings and vote in board elections. You may even want to consider running for a board seat yourself. Our community thrives because residents volunteer for committee assignments and eagerly stand for board elections. Get involved—we need you.

Please contact the manager for more information or if you have questions about the association.

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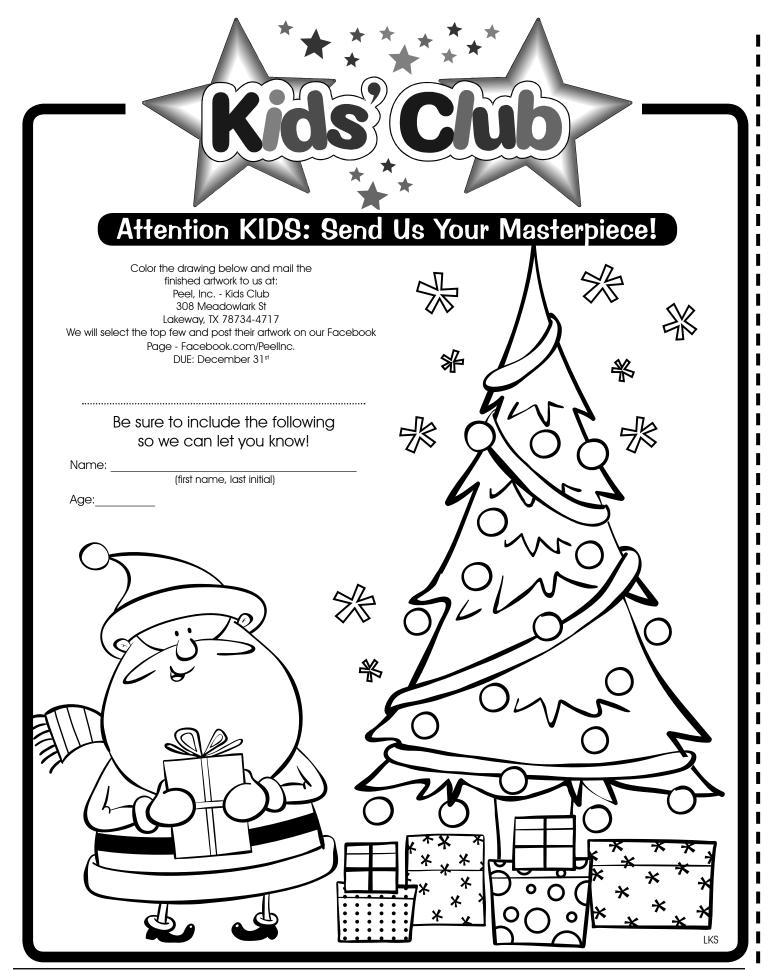


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# A MESSAGE OF HOLIDAY CHEER

One of the key principles of accomplishing anything is Consistency. Do almost anything with enough consistency and you'll eventually get the desired outcome.

As I closely monitor the economic conditions of our city and nation, it is clear that the media is squarely focused on convincing us of how bad things are. As I speak with friends and clients I can see the impact this consistently poor messaging is having on us. Allow me to change that today.

Real Estate reports can be a window into the heart of a community's economic state. Inventory is low and buyer demand remains high. This has contributed to the consistent home value increases we've seen. Interest rates continue to remain low with

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We would like to once again thank everyone for your support and referrals in 2015 which has allowed us to continue to invest in the community. We wish you and your family Happy Holidays and a Very Happy New Year.

