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Residents of Lakes on Eldridge

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LAKES ON ELDRIDGE DOLPHINS 19TH SEASON!



The Lakes on Eldridge Dolphins Swim Team will begin their 19th season in 2018!

We are excited to welcome back our head coach, Amanda Chow and assistant coach, Blair Thoman. Sian Thompson will be helping out with Monday practices. We would also like to welcome Jack Pittenger as our new junior assistant coach.

The 2018 practices will be held at the Lakes on Eldridge pool on Mondays, the Lakes on Eldridge North pool on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and the Villages of Lakepointe pool on Thursdays and Fridays.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2018 SWIM SEASON:

April 23-27- Guppy School Begins- more details to come

April 30- Regular Practice Starts

MEET SCHEDULE

May 5th- Time Trials at LOE Pool

May 12th- LOE Dolphins at Cypress Wood

May 19th- Home Meet vs Champion Park

May 26th- LOE Dolphins at Candlelight Hills

June 2nd- LOE Dolphins at Cypress Pt

June 9th- Home Meet vs Memorial NW

June 16th- Divisionals

Check the NEW website <http://loedolphins.swimtopia.com/>. for important dates, and also for everything and anything about the LOEST DOLPHINS!

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Swans Can Be Dangerous

This time of the year, Mother Nature provides our LOE swans with some common sense. It is mating, nesting, and egg-laying season and they feel the need to protect their territory against predators including humans, dogs, and waterfowl. Most of the swans in our neighborhood are not old enough to mate but some will go through the motions of even building a nest. The pairs of swans that are old enough to produce young (cygnets) are normally gentle and can be hand fed while posing no threat. However, our cobs (males) will become aggressive and territorial in trying to protect his pen (female) and nest. This is usually temporary until mating season is over. If you are walking past a lake and a swan swims to your side and follows you, **BEWARE!** If you see a swan with his neck back and feathers up such as the one in the accompanying picture, please stay away, do not attempt to feed him, and walk on the other side of the street as he is in his **ATTACK** position. Please warn your nannies and sitters not to stroll babies around the swans. We must try to remember that the swans are merely protecting their territory and readying the area for their young. We need to be as cautious of them as they are of us. Thank you for your cooperation!



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Community Committee Update

CLUBHOUSE GRAND RE-OPENING

With the Clubhouse nearing completion, a Grand Re-Opening celebration is being planned. The date has not been finalized so please watch NabrNetwork for notice of this event. Everyone is invited to come for refreshments and to view the newly restored facility including updated pool bathrooms, a different workout floor and a surprise in the main room. It will also be the day when the pool is reopened to residents.

DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A COMMUNITY EVENT?

As the Community Committee plans the 2018 Events Schedule any suggestions or comments would be very welcomed! Please send any ideas to Committee Co-Chairs Veerle Swinnen (veerlekurt@msn.com) and Carrie Loid (cgloid@hotmail.com).

The Community Committee is also looking for 2-3 residents to assist in the planning and execution of LOE events. The planning part would be 2-4 meetings per year where we brainstorm ideas and look into a wide assortment of activities for our community. The execution side is organizing and helping to set up for events. Contact Veerle or Carrie for more information

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Construction and Insurance Update as of 3-16-18

Construction continues to progress. Since the gate house reopened on February 8, we have turned our attention to the main clubhouse facility. Currently all painting is complete in the clubhouse, the storage areas and the workout facility. The tile is complete in the pool bath and painting has begun. Following painting and some electrical in the pool baths a new non-skid floor will be installed. The pool baths, like the gate house, are undergoing an extensive upgrade. The workout facility's new floor is now complete. It is a better quality floor than before and has a light pattern, so it won't show as much dirt. The office painting started this week. The kitchen cabinets are approximately 80% complete. We know everyone is anxious to re-open and we feel comfortable that everything will be complete around May 1. Discussions are in progress about the plan for the Grand Re-opening. Watch your email for more information.

Around the community, the landscape renovation has begun. In the upcoming weeks we will be doing a lot of power washing where we removed dead bushes. In some areas, we will be replanting holly bushes. In other areas where the hollies have never grown well, we are looking at alternative plants or leaving clean bare walls. Most of the new planting will be done in early April.



The insurance claim discussions are still in progress. We have submitted either estimates or invoices for all the necessary repairs. On February 13th, we were informed they had agreed to fund us an additional \$150,000 which would make our total receipts \$250,000. Unfortunately, the funds weren't sent until March 16th. We've also been promised that they will present a new Statement of Loss the week of 3/19 reflecting their proposal for the costs associated with the items located near the Special Hazard Flood Areas. We've had extensive discussions about these areas, but until we see their proposal in writing, we cannot finalize the full impact to our community. As mentioned earlier, the resolution of the claim has been severely impacted because the insurance is through Lloyds of London and underwritten by 3 different underwriters. Lloyd's has refused to give us contact information for these 3 underwriters, so we have to work through intermediaries. This has created multiple delays. Be assured that we will continue to press for funding and a favorable resolution. Our community is very fortunate that our financial position is strong and we can pay for the necessary repairs while we await reimbursement.

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April 23 – *The Bonesetter's Daughter* by Amy Tan. "The Bonesetter's Daughter dramatically chronicles the tortured, devoted relationship between LuLing Young and her daughter Ruth. . . . A strong novel, filled with idiosyncratic, sympathetic characters, haunting images, historical complexity, significant contemporary themes, and suspenseful mystery."

—Los Angeles Times

May 21 (NOTE: 1 week earlier because of Memorial Day) – *Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruf. In the familiar setting of Holt, Colorado, home to all of Kent Haruf's inimitable fiction, Addie Moore pays an unexpected visit to a neighbor, Louis Waters. Her husband died years ago, as did his wife, and in such a small town they naturally have known of each other for decades. Addie and Louis have long been living alone in empty houses, the nights so terribly lonely,

especially with no one to talk with. But maybe that could change? As Addie and Louis come to know each other better—their pleasures and their difficulties—a beautiful story of second chances unfolds.

June 25 – *A Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler. The Whitshanks are one of those families that radiate an indefinable kind of specialness, but like all families, their stories reveal only part of the picture: Abby and Red and their four grown children have accumulated not only tender moments, laughter, and celebrations, but also jealousies, disappointments, and carefully guarded secrets. From Red's parents, newly arrived in Baltimore in the 1920s, to the grandchildren carrying the Whitshank legacy boisterously into the twenty-first century, here are four generations of lives unfolding in and around the sprawling, lovingly worn house that has always been their anchor.

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Texas Security Shredding will provide onsite shredding for your private documents. No need to remove staples, paper clips or binder clips! Documents that contain personal and confidential information will be securely destroyed on-site into confetti-sized pieces. If possible, bring papers to be shredded in paper grocery or shopping bags, which can also be shredded on site and recycled with other paper products. If papers to be shredded are brought in plastic bags or cardboard boxes, the bags or cardboard boxes will be returned to the resident.

RPC Global will accept computer electronics, such as personal computers, servers & peripherals, keyboards, mice & speakers, switches and routers, cords & cables, computer monitors, laptops,

hard drives, memory chips, projectors, hubs & routers, tape drives, printers, copiers & plotters, fax machines, UPS batteries, and power supplies. For an additional cost of \$4.50, RPC offers documented hard drive media shredding and will issue a certificate when payment clears.

Consumer electronic goods will also be accepted. Acceptable items are small kitchen appliances, PDAs, game consoles and controllers, laptop & rechargeable batteries, telephones, cell phones, toner cartridges, DVD/CD/VCR players, stereo equipment, CDs, floppy drives, VHS tapes, alarm clocks, radios, electric fans, and televisions. For safety reasons, all items dropped off should be easily carried by one person. They do not accept televisions or monitors with broken glass, large appliances or hazardous materials.

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| 1 large onion, chopped | 1 tsp. cumin |
| 1 clove garlic | ½ tsp. brown sugar |
| 1 can tomato sauce | ½ tsp. salt |
| 1 can tomato paste (plus 3 cans water) | |
| ½ tsp. pepper | 1 tsp. chili powder |
| 1 pkg. taco mix | ½ small pkg. cooked Minute Rice |

Brown ground beef; add onion and garlic and cook until tender. Add all other ingredients except rice. Simmer for 30 minutes.

In separate dishes, serve the following:

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| Fritos | Diced tomatoes |
| Shredded lettuce | Chopped onion |
| Diced olives | Grated cheese |
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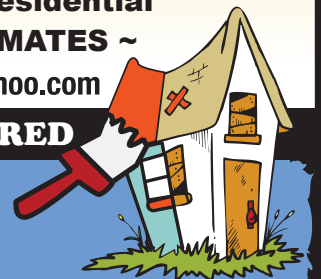
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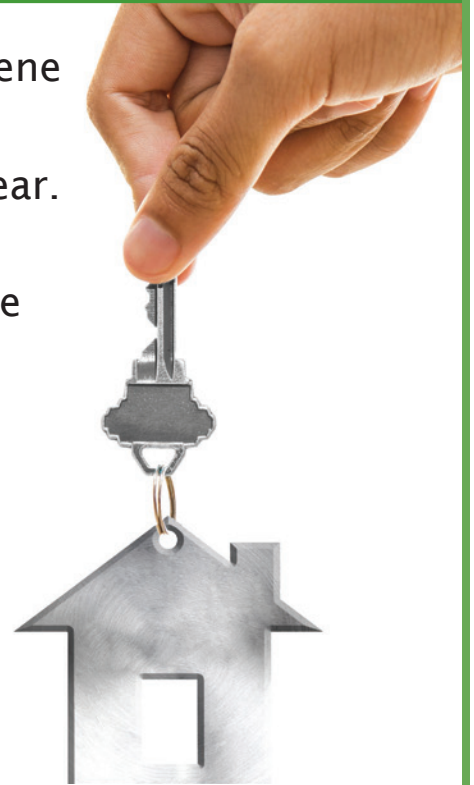
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