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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Missing out on the GLE newsletter? Go to Peel, Inc. Newsletter Subscription and sign up to have the newsletters sent directly to your mailbox. Prior versions of the newsletter may be found at the Peel website.

GLE's Property Management Company is IMC Property Management and our property manager is Tammy Perry. Tammy can be reached at tammyperry@imcmanagement.net or 936-756-0032.

The GLE POA website is glepoa.com. If you have any questions concerning the new website, please contact Tammy Perry at IMC Property Management.

Board minutes and financials are located at the POA website. Go to glepoa. com and select the board meeting tab. The password is GLEBoardMins&Fins. You must enter the password exactly as written with the same upper and lowercase letters.

REMINDER: <u>Do not dump any type</u> of materials such as dirt, landscaping supplies, etc. in the easement areas that the POA maintains.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The 2018 GLE POA Annual Meeting is on Tuesday, September 25.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE BOARD

May 2018

The May meeting was canceled due to a lack of quorum.

GLE GETTING SOCIAL

Mark Your Calendars and Join the Fun!

The "GLE Getting Social" Facebook page includes the most up-to-date details, times, & locations.

- Walking Club (Wednesdays 7:00 at the park)
- BUNCO GLE ladies meet at various homes on the 2nd Friday of each month
- GLE Playdate (multiple dates coming each month)
- Poker Night (June Date/Location(s) TBD)
- GLE Patriotic & Proud July 4th Celebration (July 4th at the park)

We are always looking for additional groups/events to add to our current calendar, if you would like to see offered in our community or are interested in getting involved with the planning efforts, contact Ellen Edwards to be a part of Getting Social in GLE at



grandlakesocial@gmail.com or 936-777-3464. Our planning team is a wonderful group of volunteers, we get together each month and in addition to getting work done, we have a lot of fun together!

GLE PATRIOTIC & PROUD – JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

We are beyond excited for all the new activities that will take place at our 2nd Annual PATRIOTIC & PROUD GLE Independence Day Celebration!

Beginning at 11:00 on July 4th we will kick off the day with the PATRIOTIC & PROUD Golf Cart & Classic Car Parade! (Continued on Page 2)

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All who want to participate are welcome; decorate your golf cart/car, have goodies to distribute on the parade route and line up on Tiffany's Ct at 10:30. This year's route will leave Tiffany's Ct and go left on GLE to Kristina, make the loop on Kristina and back down GLE to the park. All not in the parade, bring a seat and find a place on the route to watch the parade starting at 11:00 then come to the Park afterward for a day full of fun! We will have prizes for best decorated golf cart and classic car.

After the Parade, there will be a Family Relay (4) people to a team and each team will complete a potato sack race, a three-legged race and carry an object on a spoon! There will be prizes for the race!

The afternoon would not be complete without hot dogs, nachos, snow cones from Funky Monkey and inflatables AND our 2nd Annual Corn Hole Tournament (this year we have prizes for our champions!).

Come join the fun at the PATRIOTIC & PROUD GLE Independence Day Celebration at the Park. We are thrilled to continue growing this event and having a wonderful opportunity to meet our neighbors; this event is made possible with funds from your yearly flag subscriptions.

GLE PLAYDATES

We now have two additional volunteers helping with the monthly Playdates, thank you for getting involved Lisa Bishop and Sarah Moyer! As a result, we will now have 2 playdates in the park and a third date each month somewhere outside of GLE. Details of dates, times and locations can be found on the Getting Social Facebook page and the signs at the gates.

JULY YARD OF THE MONTH



The July 2018 Yard of the Month is the home of Dave and Sara Berglund located at 8894 Grand Lake Estates Drive. The Berglund's first moved to GLE in 2007 from Lumberton, Texas into a home on East Kristina, where they lived for 10 years. Then in January 2017, they moved to their current location to custom build on the lake. They chose to live in GLE because of its great location. They have 2 daughters; Hannah (17 yrs.) and Lauren (15 yrs.).

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To keep their yard looking good, they spend about 3 hours each week maintaining the landscaping. Their home is showcased with beautiful azaleas, Indian hawthorns, colorful loropetalums, and sunshine ligustrum.

Their favorite part of the home is the lake in the backyard. It's the perfect location for the family to enjoy the picturesque views and get together to do a little birdwatching.

Congratulations Dave and Sara and thank you for helping make Grand Lake Estates a wonderful place to live.

END OF SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Our 2nd Annual Summer Break GLE Ice Cream Social was a HUGE hit! We had 75+ kiddos & parents for an afternoon of fun in the park

There were

popsicles, Ben & Jerry's ice cream, games, water blasters and most of all sea of smiles and neighbors interacting.

A special thank you to Nikki Martin who organized this wet and wild event ensuring all had a really special time!

WELCOME WAGON



Welcome Wagon is our social group who welcome new residents of GLE. We have had a number of sales and new builds in 2018. As of the end of May, we have welcomed 16 new residents to our beautiful community with a smile,

a welcome basket and pie from Pie in the Sky! Last year our busiest months were the summer!

We are excited to continue meeting our new neighbors and this is all made possible with funds from your yearly flag subscriptions. Thank you to all those who volunteer to help deliver baskets and greet new neighbors! If you would like to be a part of welcoming new residents, please contact Morgan Borths at grandlakesocial@ gmail.com

MEN'S POKER NIGHT

The men have started Poker Night and they are meeting at homes in the neighborhood. If you are interested in joining them and/or hosting an evening, contact Geoff Goold at g2goold@yahoo.com.

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PATRIOTIC TRIFLE

Ingredients:

1 pkg Jello Instant pudding (prepared according to directions on the package)

Strawberries

Blueberries

Angel Food Cake

Cool Whip

Directions:

Tear apart about a third of the angel food cake and put in bottom of a trifle bowl. Cover with about a third of the vanilla pudding. Next layer the strawberries and then add a layer of blueberries. Repeat with layer of cake, pudding, strawberries and blueberries two times. Top with Cool Whip.

This is a great dessert to take to a Fourth of July party!





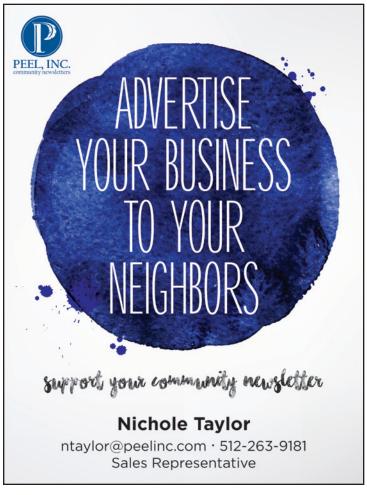
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THE HISTORY OF **FIREWORKS**

I can't imagine the Fourth of July without fireworks! Fireworks displays actually have a history. According to scholars, war rockets and explosives were first made in China during the 6th century. The first fireworks were probably firecrackers, also known as Chinese crackers. Firecrackers are still used in China - and elsewhere - to celebrate weddings, births and Chinese New Year.

In the 14th century, Europeans began using gunpowder for weapons, as well as for pyrotechnics shows for entertainment; Italians and Germans were recognized as the masters of the fireworks game. Some medieval fireworks featured living people holding sky rockets and other fireworks. They were called "green men" because they placed leaves and greenery all over their bodies to ward off burns.

In England, a fireworks display helped celebrate the 1486 wedding of Henry VII, and by 1749 fireworks were such the rage that composer George Friedrich Handel created a symphony called Music for the Royal Fireworks. Fireworks finally made a big bang in the U.S. before the Revolutionary War and fireworks displays have been synonymous with the Fourth of July since the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The biggest U.S. fireworks display ever was staged for the centenary of the Statue of Liberty in 1986, which brought together Zambelli, Grucci and Souza, the biggest names in modern-day American pyrotechnics.

Lime Sherbies

(to beat the heat!)



crushed ice 2 scoops of lime sherbet 1/4 cup of undiluted canned frozen limeade Fill

1/2 glass of

remainder of glass with club soda Squeeze of lime Stir and enjoy!

GUESTS IN YOUR ATTIC

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



Who doesn't enjoy seeing squirrels scamper from tree to tree? Everyone loves seeing birds at their feeders. Who doesn't love seeing the does with their fawns? We live side by side with wildlife. Is it any wonder that conflicts arise between humans and the animals?

This is baby season for raccoons. You may find that a mama raccoon has taken up residence in your attic or garage. The best advice we can offer you is to leave her alone. Within a couple of weeks, she will lead her babies out of your attic or garage to live in the wild. If you just can't wait, here are a couple of things you can try. Put a bright light in the area at night and play some LOUD music. Some say talk radio is best. You can throw some moth balls in the area or ammonia-soaked cotton balls. She will probably choose to move the babies to a darker, quieter place outside. When she moves out, it's your responsibility to find out how she got in and block the entrance or your attic will always look like an apartment for rent to wildlife.

We often receive calls from homeowners asking for advice on how to stop raccoons that are getting into trash cans. Solution: try using some bungee cords to secure the top. Another issue we hear about is that raccoons are eating food that is being put out for feral cats. Since raccoons are nocturnal, simply removing the cat food at night will fix the problem except in the spring when mama raccoons can be seen looking for food during the day. No, they are not rabid! They are just hungry. Some homeowners ask about trapping and relocating. While removal may seem like a solution, it usually only creates an enticing vacancy for another animal in search of a meal. Remove raccoons from an area and it's only a matter of time before others move in to take their place. Additionally, the survival rate of relocated raccoons is very low. Raccoons are territorial and putting a lone raccoon into an area already populated with other raccoons can often result in death as the other raccoons will consider him/ her as an intruder.

There are products available that may help not only with raccoons but other animals as well. One such product is the motion-activated sprinkler. When an animal gets close to the food source, the sprinkler goes off and scares them away. Just do an internet search and I'm certain you'll find other products that may work as well.

With urban sprawl and loss of habitats, we need to learn to live in harmony with wildlife. TWRC Wildlife Center can often help you find solutions to your issues. Check our website at www. twrcwildlifecenter.org or call us at 713-468-8972.

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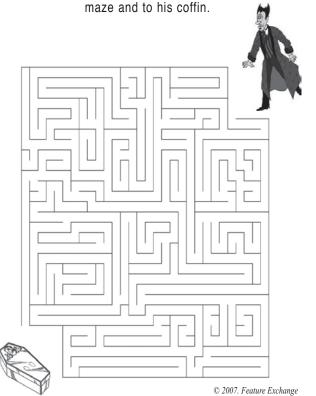
Those of us with small children are very familiar with waterproof sunblock - after all, the day at the beach or in the pool requires some serious protection from the sun for our youngsters. However, if your child gets waterproof sunblock in their eyes how are you going to get it out? You can't flush it out with water - it's waterproof!

It has been reported that 1 out of every 100 children using waterproof sunblock is temporarily blinded when they get the sunblock in their eyes by rubbing their eyes with sunblock coated hands or the sunblock being wiped into their eyes from other parts of their face.

Remember: Check the ingredients and choose sunblocks that are water-based NOT oil-based; don't apply waterproof sunblock to the child's hands and try to use another sunblock on their faces. Also, ask your pediatrician if they can recommend an eye wash solution that can counter the waterproof sunblock if it gets in your child's eyes.

Kidz Maze Mania

The sun is coming up and the vampire needs to get into the coffin before he turns into dust. Help him find his way through the



TEXAS A&M **DAUBERS EXTENSION**



Mud daubers are a great wasp to have around. They are solitary, generally docile, and can help to reduce various bugs in the landscape. Mud dauber wasps are ¾- 1" in size and come in a variety of colors. They have a very thin, thread-like waist.

Mud daubers create a mud structure that they provision with insects and/or spiders; they lay an egg on each prey item within a cell in the nest, and then seal the nest off. When larvae hatch from eggs, they eat the items provisioned for them, pupate, and then emerge as adults to begin the process over.

Management is not usually needed for mud daubers as they do not guard their nest like other wasps. While they are capable of stinging, they are not considered to be aggressive. If you do not like the look of the mud nests, you can remove them with a putty knife.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urbanipm.blogspot.com

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