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Residents of Lakes on Eldridge

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THE 4TH WAS A BANG!



Lakes on Eldridge was proud to celebrate our American independence on July 4th at the Beach Club. A special thanks to Ken and Brenda Zetka for leading our parade with their antique Model T car. Families were so excited to decorate their bikes, scooters, and strollers, and the crowd cheering them on was awesome. Over 140 neighbors mixed and mingled over food. Steve Vatanka is an angel as he ran home and got his grill and grilled hundreds of hot

dogs when we worried our crock pot cooking was not going to work. They tasted so yummy! We enjoyed a great assortment of dishes brought by neighbors as well. The evening was topped off by everyone's fireworks in the night's sky behind the clubhouse. Children were very well supervised by their families, and it was fun to hear the giggles and squeals with every pop and bang. You could even hear a few adults squeal with delight.

Many, many thanks to Celeste Fritz, Marcella Luper, Sue and John Strebel, Mike, Angela and Steve Vatanka, Kirby Loid, and again Ken and Brenda Zetka for all their help. We truly appreciate your volunteering to help make this event a huge success.

Community Committee Members
Christine Ciro
Carrie Loid
Angela Vatanka

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HOA BOARD REALIGNMENTS AND A THANK YOU

With our clubhouse and community renovations completed from Hurricane Harvey, Carlon Thorpe has resigned from the Board and her position as President. Carlon was previously on the HOA Board for over 10 years, and with Gary Fehsenfeld, was responsible for the design and construction of our beautiful clubhouse after a fire destroyed the original facility. When the hurricane happened, three of the current Board members were flooded and Carlon volunteered to come out of retirement, return to the Board and lead our community through the renovations and restoration. We sincerely thank Carlon for her leadership and hard work to return our community to normal. We wish her all the best as she now serves our community as a member of the Board for MUD 341.

In light of her resignation, Michel Hayek has returned to the Board now that his home has been restored. The new slate of officers for the community are David Westphal – President, Gary Fehsenfeld – Vice President, Erik Roussel – Treasurer, Sue Strebel – Secretary, Michel Hayek – Director at Large.



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BACK TO SCHOOL POOL PARTY

It's time to go back to school, but we can still enjoy the rest of the summer at the pool. Come join us for our annual Back-To-School swim party on Saturday, August 18th from 10am to noon at the LOE pool.



Not everyone is ready to go back to school yet, so please help us help the kids in our community get ready by bringing a donation of new school supplies. We will donate them to the children at the Mission of Yahweh women's and children's shelter nearby.

Meet your neighbors, have some fun and do something good for our community - it's a win for everyone!

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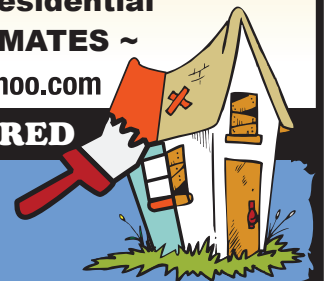
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Meetings on August 14th and August 15th

On behalf of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 341 (HCM341), Benchmark Engineering Corporation (BEC), in collaboration with AECOM, has prepared a drainage analysis of the Hurricane Harvey rain event to analyze particularly its effects on the Lakes on Eldridge community. As part of the study, topographic information was obtained by BEC of elevations of key locations throughout the subdivision, including the house slab (finished floor) elevation of every house in Lakes on Eldridge. This information was then used for a hydraulic analysis that recreated a model of the Hurricane Harvey rain event.

HCM341 will be hosting 2 informational meetings at the Lakes on Eldridge clubhouse on August 14th and 15th from 6pm to 8pm to present results and conclusions related to this study. BEC and AECOM will, on behalf of HCM341, make the presentation to Lakes on Eldridge residents. The information presented at these meetings (same information will be presented both nights, residents only need to attend one night) will include

a brief overview and history of the Addicks Reservoir watershed, development of the model, results, and application as it relates to potential improvements that could provide additional flood protection for Lakes on Eldridge and surrounding areas going forward.

Results of the study that will be discussed at the meetings indicate potential options for regional drainage solutions by others that, if implemented, could reduce the impact of flooding in Lakes on Eldridge in a potential future Harvey-level event. The upcoming Harris County bond election will also be discussed. Finally, individual house slab elevations will be available during the meetings. If you cannot attend either meeting, the information will be posted to the LOE website and you will be able to contact BEC for your individual home elevation.

We look forward to seeing you either August 14th or August 15th.

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Using the Visitor Lane at Main Gate - all non-residents must enter the community at the main entry on N. Eldridge Parkway and register with the guardhouse in the Visitor Lane. No exceptions.

LOE windshield decals - All residents must have a LOE windshield decal displayed on their vehicle to enter in the resident lane. If you need a new decal because you have changed vehicles, the forms are on the website under the Resources tab or you can email general@cmctx.com and reference LOE vehicle decal in the subject line to request the forms.

Street parking not for residents' vehicles - street parking is for service providers and guests to your homes. It is not for residents' vehicles; we all have garages and driveways for our vehicles. Parking on the street cannot block mailboxes, safe ingress or egress for driveways, not blocking intersections, not causing unsafe traffic flow on a street because vehicles are parked on both sides of the street and blocking easy access for a vehicle driving into or out of a

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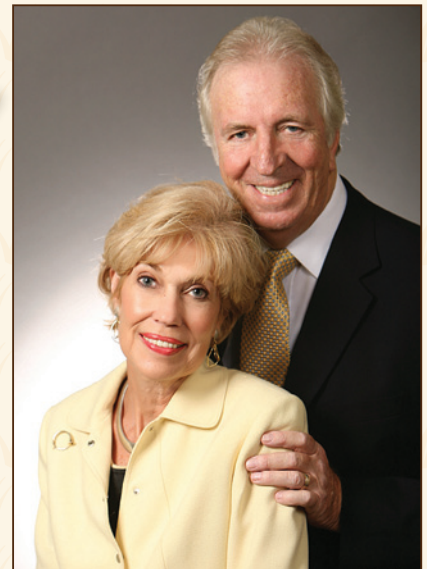
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HARVEY, THE FLOOD THAT DESTROYED HOUSTON AND OUR HOME IN LAKES ON ELDRIDGE

Submitted by Paul Arnold

It is hard to believe that it has been 9 months since Harvey hit and there are homes still under construction. We wanted to share our pets' experiences during this trying time. The night before we flooded out our parents were very nervous and anxious. We saw them move furniture upstairs. Our pets could sense the stress. Our cat had a urine infection but we could not take him to the vet that day. It was hard to sleep that night. There was continuous tornado warnings. We were terrified. The next morning we woke up to the flood. I remember looking out the window and seeing a river with a canoe and two dogs in it that was being pulled by his owner. Our moms were having panic attacks trying to get us ready to go. We each took a back pack with only essentials and some clothes. We had to take enough pet food to last a few days. We missed the first boat because we could not find our cat, Valentino. He was hiding under the bed terrified. A second boat, with a young couple from San Antonio, came to rescue us. We were their first rescue!!! They drove from San Antonio to help. In fact, people from all over the country came to volunteer in any way needed. The volunteer helped us put Valentino in a crate and Alex on his leash. Alex, our golden was so excited. He thought this was an amazing adventure. In total we had 2 cats, 3 dogs, 4 kids and 7 adults in one boat. This included Rhea and Rohan's grandfather who was just rescued from his home in Charleston Colony which is near us. It was a circus. Mary's cat was calm. Sadie their Old English Sheep dog was thrilled. Alex, the Golden Retriever, was going crazy and charging Sadie, the Sheep dog. Isabella's dog, Bare, was nervous and vomited. Valentino the Ragdoll was crying. Talk about an adventure we will never forget! When we got out we were all relieved and thanked the rescuers. We were very lucky that our pets survived. Other pets in Houston were not as lucky. Many were displaced from their families and others did not make it. All of our houses has completed reconstruction but others in our neighborhood are still in progress. This experience has brought us closer together. This concludes the adventures of Rohan, Matteo, Rhea and Isabella.



LOE Book Club

We meet the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. (unless we decide to skip a month or change the meeting day). 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. Our group has lively discussion (not totally about the books) and we challenge ourselves to read out of our comfort zones.

August 27 - Tisha: the Story of a Young Teacher in the Alaska Wilderness by Robert Specht. Anne Hobbs was only nineteen in 1927 when she came to harsh and beautiful Alaska. Running a ramshackle schoolhouse would expose her to more than just the elements. After she allowed Native American children into her class and fell in love with a half-Inuit man, she would learn the meanings of prejudice and perseverance, irrational hatred and unconditional love. "People get as mean as the weather," she discovered, but they were also capable of great good.

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September 24 - The Murderer's Son by Joy Ellis. Twenty years ago: a farmer and his wife are cut to pieces by a ruthless serial killer. Now: a woman is viciously stabbed to death in the upmarket kitchen of her beautiful house on the edge of the marshes.

Then a man called Daniel Kinder walks into Saltern police station and confesses to the murder.

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October 22 - The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick. Sixty-nine-year-old Arthur Pepper lives a simple life. He gets out of bed at precisely 7:30 a.m., just as he did when his wife, Miriam, was alive. He dresses in the same gray slacks and mustard sweater vest, waters his fern, Frederica, and heads out to his garden. But on the one-year anniversary of Miriam's death, something changes. Sorting through Miriam's possessions, Arthur finds an exquisite gold charm bracelet he's never seen before. What follows is a surprising and unforgettable odyssey that takes Arthur from London to Paris and as far as India in an epic quest to find out the truth about his wife's secret life before they met—a journey that leads him to find hope, healing and self-discovery in the most unexpected places

So many books, so little time!.....

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