



# LAKES ON ELDRIDGE

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Residents of Lakes on Eldridge

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## Recycling Day!

*Saturday, March 30th, 2019 | 8am - Noon at the Clubhouse*



Do you have old electronics or tons of paper that you need to safely dispose of or destroy? Texas Security Shredding and RPC Global E-Waste Management Solutions will help residents prevent identity theft and protect the environment by offering paper shredding and electronic recycling on

Saturday, March 30th, 2019 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Lakes on Eldridge Clubhouse parking lot.

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.

Items to be recycled need to be separated into paper shredding or electronics categories. This will help facilitate faster drop off for our residents. Volunteers will be there to help direct traffic and unload vehicles. Enjoy this one stop recycling opportunity!

## LOE Community Reminders

- All trash and recycling containers are to be stored out of street/public view when they are not put out for trash service days. This means behind a fence or in the garage or behind a screening wall but NOT visible from the street. Also remember that trash, yard bags and recycling should only be put out the night before service days or by 7am on service days and then put back away by the evening of your service days.

- Bagged yard waste – please instruct your lawn service to place your bagged yard debris up by your garage and not at the street curb unless they are doing your yard the day before your trash service days.

- Harvey restoration dumpsters at homes – we realize there are still several homes that are still under repair and we hope your repairs are proceeding well for you. Dumpsters need to be emptied when they are full. We have seen some that are full to capacity and they need to be emptied. Bag dumpsters should not be put out on the street and allowed to be overflowing, causing the bag dumpster to be covered up and leaving an unsightly mess on the street.

- Contractor signs – only one contractor sign is permitted to be displayed on your property and only while work is in progress. If your repairs are complete and there is still a sign in the yard, please remove it.

- Holiday Decorations – It is time to remove all exterior holiday decorations. Door wreaths are acceptable décor year round.

## 2019 Assessment

Your assessment is due on or before January 1, 2019. It will be considered late if payment is not received by March 1, 2019. A late fee in the amount of \$100.00, plus interest in the amount of 18% per annum, will be assessed until the assessment is paid in full.

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## LOE EVENTS CALENDAR

January 19	Chili Cook Off
February 16	International Potluck Dinner
March 30	Recycling Day
April 13	Easter Egg Hunt
May 18	Wine Tasting
July 4	Parade, Hotdogs & Fireworks
August 17	Back to School Swim Party
September 28	National Night Out Block Parties
October 18	Oktoberfest
October 27	Family Halloween Party
November	Holiday Market
December 31	New Years Eve Party

First Friday of every month Open Clubhouse



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## International Potluck Dinner

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16th  
6 - 8 PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE



After last year's success, here's another chance to come meet your neighbors and bring your favorite or popular appetizer, entrée, side dish or dessert from your country or state to share.

Water and juice will be served, but feel free to bring your own beverage of choice! Cards will be available to write the name

of your dish, the country or state and your name, so others can ask you about it.

We hope to see you all there!

For more information or if you'd like to be part of our team, please contact Veerle Swinnen at [veerlekurt@msn.com](mailto:veerlekurt@msn.com).

Be sure to befriend us on Facebook @LOE Social Committee to stay up to date on all events!

## Maintenance/Project Highlights

### Recent Maintenance/Project Highlights

- Installed new TV Receiver Reboot switch for TVs in Clubhouse Main and Flex Rooms.
- Re-activated security policy to shut down resident access via Ginger Pond and Heather Run Gates between midnight and 5am daily.
- Raised tree canopies to 15 feet in the center of the road for all major thoroughfares throughout LOE.
- Posted new more legible RESIDENT ONLY signs at the Ginger Pond and Heather Run gates. Also posted new signs at all entrances that THIS COMMUNITY IS ACTIVELY PATROLLED BY OFF-DUTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.
- Approved painting of Common Area wrought iron fence along Summerland Ridge, behind Kirk Elementary.
- Restored Common Area bench at northwest end of Lake C in Pelican Point.
- Refinished damage 54" round wood table for Clubhouse Main Room.
- Installed new monitor in Guardhouse which will be monitoring all seven of our gate cameras 24/7.
- Replaced defective pump for Clubhouse entrance fountain.
- Replaced all of the seat and back boards for the Common Area bench at the NW end of Lake C at Pelican Point.

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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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## SERVING THE LOE COMMUNITY

The LOE Social Committee is looking for volunteers to join our team. We have a fun filled 2019 social calendar filled with activities - you can participate as much or as little as you like. Sign up for one event or many - all help is greatly appreciated



## 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.

February 25 - One Thousand White Women by Jim Fergus. This is the story of May Dodd and a colorful assembly of pioneer women who, under the auspices of the U.S. government, travel to the western prairies in 1875 to intermarry among the Cheyenne Indians. The covert and controversial "Brides for Indians" program, launched by the administration of Ulysses S. Grant, is intended to help assimilate the Indians into the white man's world. Toward that end May and her friends embark upon the adventure of their lifetime. Jim Fergus has so vividly depicted the American West that it is as if these diaries are a capsule in time.

March 25 - The Twisted Root by Anne Perry. A young bridegroom enlists private investigator William Monk to track down his fiancée, Miriam Gardiner, who disappeared suddenly from a party at a luxurious Bayswater mansion. Monk soon finds

the coach in which Miriam fled and, nearby, the murdered body of the coachman, but there is no trace of the young passenger. What strange compulsion could have driven the beautiful widow to abandon the prospect of a loving marriage and financial abundance? Monk and clever nurse Hester Latterly, themselves now newlyweds, desperately pursue the elusive truth—and an unknown killer whose malign brilliance they have scarcely begun to fathom.

April 22 - The Storyteller's Secret by Sejal Badani. Nothing prepares Jaya, a New York journalist, for the heartbreak of her third miscarriage and the slow unraveling of her marriage in its wake. Desperate to assuage her deep anguish, she decides to go to India to uncover answers to her family's past.

Intoxicated by the sights, smells, and sounds she experiences, Jaya becomes an eager student of the culture. But it is Ravi—her grandmother's former servant and trusted confidant—who reveals the resilience, struggles, secret love, and tragic fall of Jaya's pioneering grandmother during the British occupation. Through her courageous grandmother's arrestingly romantic and heart-wrenching story, Jaya discovers the legacy bequeathed to her and a strength that, until now, she never knew was possible.

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## SKIN CANCER

### THE SAD TRUTH

Every year, **5.4 million new cases** of skin cancer are diagnosed, making skin cancer more prevalent than any other cancer. 1 in 5 Americans will develop skin cancer in their life. The saddest part is that skin cancer is one of the most **easily preventable** and diagnosable cancers, and, if detected early, has one of the highest treatment rates. Yet, the public is still ill-informed on such a common cancer.



### WHAT CAN YOU DO TO REDUCE YOUR RISK

#### PROTECT

Apply sunscreen and wear long-sleeves & hats under the sun.



#### PREVENT

Avoid direct sun exposure between the hours of 11:00 am and 4:00 pm. Never use tanning beds.



#### DETECT

Look out for abnormal moles or skin patches on your skin and regularly get physical examinations.



Oddly shaped, discolored, large, and evolving moles are potentially malignant

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2019 SPRING FLING FUNDRAISING EVENT*



Save the date for the 49th Annual Strake Jesuit Spring Fling Fundraising Festival to be held on Sunday, March 3 from noon – 6 pm at Strake Jesuit College Preparatory on 8900 Bellaire Blvd; Houston, TX 77036. There is no charge to attend the event, however Spring Fling doubloons/coins can be purchased day-of for food and to participate in games.

Please join co-chairs Michelle Cashiola (mcashiola@gmail.com), Eileen Conery (eileen.conery@att.net), and Kristin Holy (ckholy@windstream.net), in

making this the best Spring Fling event to date! In recognition of Mardi Gras weekend, the 2019 Spring Fling event will feature a Mardi Gras theme, so one can expect traditional carnival activities and Cajun-style food! Don't be surprised if there's a "second line" passing through campus to Mardi Gras music that will be hard to resist.

Since 1971, Spring Fling has been a favorite fundraising

activity that brings the general public together with the Strake Jesuit community for a day of fun festivities, all while raising much-needed funding for financial aid. The festival features more than 15 food vendors, a variety of games, crafts, professional and student-led entertainment, as well as many other activities, appropriate for all ages. The current financial aid budget for Strake is \$2.2 million, about 13 percent of student population.

For more information or to sponsor a booth, please contact: Sheri Bordelon – sbordelon@strakejesuit.org, 713-490-8160 or visit: [www.strakejesuit.org](http://www.strakejesuit.org).





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