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# **RESIDENT WEBSITE**

March 1st marks exactly six months since we launched www.MyElyson.com, our new and improved, stand-alone resident website. Thank you to our 265 registered users!

We hope you're enjoying the website, which includes community updates, important neighborhood information, upcoming events and activities, contact information and HOA documents.

Weekly emails are sent to all registered users every Tuesday. With an open rate between 85% - 90%, we appreciate everyone who is taking the time to read the weekly updates. Make sure to add noreply@myelyson.com to your preferred email list to ensure the weekly emails appear in your inbox.

If you haven't already registered, please sign-up at www. My Elyson.com.

If we get 500 registered users by the end of April, we will hold a drawing for a \$100 VISA gift card, so please encourage your neighbors and friends to register! The winner will be randomly selected from all of the registered email addresses on May 1st and the winner will be notified by email.



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 10:00AM - 11:00AM CHILDREN'S STORY TIME

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 5:00PM MOVIE NIGHT ON THE LAWN

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 9:30AM HOA ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 10AM - END
PICTURES WITH
THE EASTER BUNNY

VISIT WWW.MYELYSON.COM
FOR MORE DETAILS!

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Websites: www.myelyson.com / www.crest-management.com

*Elyson Welcome Center*: 281-640-4004 or elyson@ newlandcommunities.com

Elyson Cafe - 281-371-3379 or www.elyson.com/elyson-cafe

Non-Emergency Sheriff - 713-221-6000

- Suspicious persons or activities
- Loud music from a neighboring property
- Vehicles blocking entry or exit to a home
- Unprovoked harassment by fellow property owners
- Other non-emergency items or events

For life threatening emergencies, please call 911 IMMEDIATELY.

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- Connect new water service
- Water service issues
- Other MUD facility concerns

*Centerpoint Energy* – 713-207-2222 or www.centerpointenergy.com

- Power outages
- · Streetlight outages

**A-Beautiful Pools** - 281-376-6510 or a-beautiful pools.com Pool is guarded from May to September and is swim at your own risk for the remainder of the year.

# **COMMUNITY REMINDERS**

#### Community Website

Sign up at www.myelyson.com (Elyson's stand-alone resident website) to receive the latest community information, upcoming events, announcements and weekly emails. Make sure to add noreply@myelyson.com to your preferred email list to ensure the weekly emails appear in your inbox. Weekly e-blasts are sent every Tuesday to all email addresses registered on MyElyson.com.

#### Elyson Café

Monday: CLOSED

Tuesday - Thursday: 11:00am - 5:00pm

Friday: 11:00am – 9:00pm Saturday: 10:00am – 5:30pm Sunday: 12:00pm – 5:30pm

Family Meals for four are available for pick up daily between

2:00 and 5:00pm (except Monday).

#### Fitness Center

The fitness center access hours are 4:00am – 10:30pm, everyone must exit by 11:00pm. Please follow proper gym etiquette at all times. Pick up and return all fitness equipment to its appropriate location once finished, re-rack weights and wipe down equipment after use. The gym is to be used by Elyson residents ages 16+. Please direct questions and/or report any issues to Crest Management.

#### Tennis Courts

The tennis courts are open from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. The courts will close at 11:00 p.m. Residents will need their access devices to enter the gate. There is an online reservation system that can be accessed via www.MyElyson.com if you want to guarantee a court will be available for use at a specific time.

#### Elyson House Meeting Room

The meeting room at Elyson House is not open for public use but is available for reservation. If you are interested in reserving the room, please contact Melanie Kennedy to check availability and get a copy of the rental agreement. Please keep in mind that the maximum occupancy of the room is 36 people and that the Association requires a completed rental agreement and payment in full at least 10 days prior to the event. Please note the Elyson House patio is not available for rental, but it is available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

#### Lost and Found

Please note all lost & found items will be held at the Welcome Center for up to one week.

You may email Elyson@NewlandCommunities.com or stop by the Welcome Center to inquire about a lost item.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

ELYSON CARES

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**



We are happy to announce Elyson's first-ever community service project. Newland, Elyson Café and the Elyson Residential Association are pleased to work together to provide dinner for the Ballard House on Wednesday, March 20th.

We are looking for Elyson residents to help us set-up and serve the dinner, from approximately 5:30pm – 7:30pm. All ages are welcome. Please email Kelly Jones at kelly.jones@crest-management.com to sign-up!

The Ballard House in Katy provides temporary housing with a warm, safe environment for individuals and their families who are hospitalized or receiving treatment for a serious medical condition. For more information, please visit: https://www.theballardhouse.org/.

#### CHILDREN'S STORY TIME

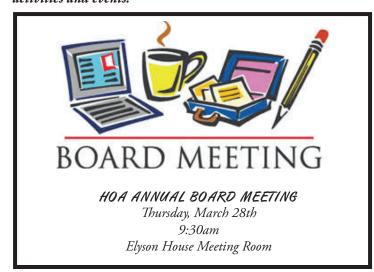
Friday, March 8, 10:00am – 11:00am Elyson House Children's Room

Held on the 2nd Friday of every month, this free, hour-long event includes stories, songs, crafts, cookies and lots of fun! All residents are welcome, RSVP's not required.

# SPRING STORY TIME



Make sure to register on Elyson's resident website
(www.MyElyson.com) to find out more about Elyson's upcoming
activities and events!



#### PICTURES WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

Saturday, April 13, 10:00am – 12:00pm *Elyson House* 

The Easter Bunny is coming to Elyson! Bring your camera and enjoy pictures with the Easter Bunny, a petting zoo, lawn games, face painting and a cookie decorating station.



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# Movie Night!



## Saturday, March 23 at 5pm Elyson House Event Lawn 23623 Elyson Falls Drive

#### Come early to enjoy inflatables and a DJ with games and prizes!

This event is open to the public and everyone is welcome. Free popcorn, candy and water will be provided. Visit Elyson Café for food & drink specials for purchase. Don't forget your blankets & chairs for a screening of Small Foot at dusk.

#### Thank you to our event sponsors:

















# **DID YOU KNOW?**

The only space you can rent for private parties in Elyson is the meeting room near the fitness center. All other spaces, including the event lawn and covered patios, are public spaces on a first come, first served basis. If using a public space you cannot ask others to leave.



# **MIXOLOGY CLASS**

Residents had a fantastic time mixing and mingling at our first mixology class in January. Neighbors were able to get to know each other better and learn some new bar skills. Thank you to Lindsey Martin from The Local Bar for sharing your wisdom and creative recipes!











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# LIFEGUARDS WANTED

A-Beautiful Pools, Inc. is busy hiring and getting ready for the 2019 pool season! The company believes young people who invest where they live and spend their time are a valuable asset for our community pool. Professional lifeguard training is provided as part of the hiring process. Minimum age 15. Flexible hours. If interested please, contact A-Beautiful Pools, Inc. at: 281.376.6510 or www.a-beautifulpools.com.

# **ITALIAN WINE DINNER**

Thank you to everyone who attended Elyson Café's first-ever Italian Wine Tasting Dinner on Thursday, January 31, featuring a 4-course prix fixe menu with a different wine each course. Residents enjoyed fantastic Italian music by Rodrigo Gamboa.

\*Stay tuned for more fun events at Elyson Café!



# A-BEAUTIFUL POOLS









#### PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET

Picking up after your pet is an important responsibility held by all pet owners. Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to our health, including children who play in the community and other pets.

Dog waste often carries bacteria, worms and other parasites that can be transmitted directly to humans. In addition, one of the most common forms of disease transmission between dogs is through fecal matter. Disposing of dog poop properly and immediately helps everyone stay healthier and reduces feces-borne parasites and illnesses.

Dog feces, like any feces, contains high levels of nutrients, like nitrogen and phosphorus, which actually pollute the water. Therefore, please don't dispose of dog poop in storm drains, as storm drains are a direct conduit to our water system.

There are pet waste stations and trash cans throughout the community, but you may also want to take your own bags when walking your dog. Consider carrying extra bags and offering them to other dog owners who aren't prepared or may not yet be educated about the importance of picking up after their pet. If you forget or run out of bags and your dog does their business, go home, get a bag and go back to pick it up.

One area where it has been noted owners are not picking up poop is the open space where the future Katy I.S.D. eltementary school is to be located. We will be monitoring this area to try and determine those who are not using the bags and properly disposing.

Please remember your dog should be leashed at all times, whenever the dog is on public property. This includes all parks, sidewalks and streets.

By taking a few simple steps to clean up after your pet, you are protecting the environment, your family and friends, and the community as a whole. Thank you for your cooperation!



### **SCHOOL BUS PICKUP**



#### ATTENTION PARENTS:

WHEN WAITING IN YOUR VEHICLE FOR THE SCHOOL BUS TO PICK-UP YOUR CHILDREN, PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE ROUND-ABOUT. PARKING THERE REDUCES VISIBILITY AND MAKES IT VERY DANGEROUS FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE GETTING OUT OF AND MOVING AROUND VEHICLES.





For those of you with teens, we would love to hear your ideas on a community event that would be fun and well attended by that age group. Please email your suggestions to: kelly.jones@crest-management.com.

# TEENAGE JOB SEEKERS

		Бару	Dog	House	
Name	Age	Sit	Walk	Sit	Phone
Barak Abassta	15		•		832-205-7010
Jenna Wayne	12	·····•	•	•	405-465-0208
Brock Peloquin	17	•	•		346-932-5364

\*-CPR Training +-First Aid Training

# Attention

All Job Seekers (21&Under)

Please submit your information to kelly.jones@crest-management.com if you would like to be added to this list.

# **PAUL RUSHING PARK**

As spring arrives, it's the perfect time to explore the outdoors. With over 200 acres, Paul Rushing Park boasts a wetlands habitat of interconnected lakes with wildlife viewing areas surrounded by paved hike and bike trails.

The park has recorded 202 species of birds that are noted by the Houston Audubon Society, including the black-bellied whistling duck, black-necked stilt, hawks, sparrows and bald eagles.

Other amenities include a gazebo, picnic areas, softball fields, cricket fields, 2 dog parks, a playground, tree farm and restrooms.

Located on the corner of Katy Hockley and West Road, the park is open from 8:00 am until 10 pm, 7 days a week.







### **WEED ARTICLE**

**COURTESY OF NELSON PLANT FOOL** 

#### Identifying Weeds

It's Spring! The birds are singing. The butterflies are soaring, and life is good...until you glance at your yard that has turned from a beautiful golden wheat color to a yard dotted with bright green WEEDS!

They stick out like a sore thumb. They are creeping, crawling, sprawling plants waiting for a chance to take command and seize your beautiful lawn. By definition, a "weed" is any plant that is growing where it is not wanted. Generally, any plant that isn't the same grass type as the lawn... is a weed! Weeds fall into two categories: broadleaf weeds (dicots) and grassy weeds (monocots), including sedges. Once you have identified the type of weed, determine if the weed is an annual (lives and dies in one season) or perennial weed (lives for several years).

#### Cultivating Weed Control

Every lawn contains an arsenal of weed seeds. Seeds are brought in by wind, water, transferred from shoes, and dropped by birds. An effective weed control plan focuses on three actions. Good cultural practices, the appropriate weed control products, and the timing of the treatments. The very best method of weed prevention is a properly mowed lawn with a healthy stand of grass. Mowing grass higher when temperatures are hotter shades the soil, keeping sun and heat from reaching the weed seeds. Dense turf also helps with weed control by denying weeds the water and sunshine they need to gain a foothold. Identifying the weeds will help determine the type of product/s (organic or non-organic) that will remove these unsightly visitors. Then, it's all about timing.

### The Mechanics of Weed Control

There are two categories for weed control; systemic and contact. Systemic control is by translocation, meaning, chemicals are absorbed into the weed moving through the leaves and into the roots. Contact controls, such as salt based chemicals, work through dehydration causing the plant to wither away. Depending on the type of weed, how actively it is growing, and the temperature, the effects of the treatment can happen in a few hours or take several days. Once fully absorbed, weed control affects plant hormones, causing abnormal cell function. That's why weeds curl and brown out after a lawn treatment. Broadleaf weed control works on post-emergent weeds, those that are present and actively growing at the time of a treatment. Because new weeds blow in and sprout, unless the grass density is improved, regular weed control treatments are required.

#### What to Expect from Weed Control

Because there is a delay in weed control while the material is absorbed, mowing and watering should be avoided immediately after

a lawn treatment. It is very important to follow the label instructions for each weed control application. Done correctly, you have won the war on weeds. Now relax, remove your army gear, and enjoy the rest of Spring!



### **OPENING SOON!**



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