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# WINE TASTING WITH NICE WINERY

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH | 6:00 PM AT THE LOE CLUBHOUSE

Join us for a fun and interactive evening of wine education! Enjoy a tasting of five award-winning wines, led by Nice Winery's Winemaker and Sommelier, Ryan Levy. This is a unique opportunity to taste and purchase highly rated wines. Meat & cheese pairings will be served.

Most notably awarded 6 Belt Buckle awards and 28 total medals at the 2019 Rodeo Uncorked! International Wine Competition, Nice Winery specializes in sustainably-farmed wines from their family-owned vineyards in California, Washington, Argentina, and Texas.

Tickets: \$35 per person

Spaces are limited - tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets available at nicewines.com/product/LOE



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#### LOE Families Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 13th, 10 AM



Come join us for the LOE Families Easter Egg Hunt at the playground on Auburn Shores. We will have separate areas by age group, so all of the kids can have fun. Easter egg hunts will begin shortly after 10.

Any families interested in participating are asked to contribute one dozen pre-filled

eggs per child. Please drop off the contributions by Sunday, April 7th at Christine's house (5611 Barton Falls). Please avoid any candy with nuts in the eggs, as we have several neighborhood kids with peanut and tree-nut allergies.

I need a handful of volunteers to help set up and to hide eggs the morning of the event. If you are available, please let Christine Ciro know by email at lakesoneldridgefamilies@gmail.com. Thank you!



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#### INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK DINNER (FEB. 16, 2019)

The International Potluck dinner was a great success! Thank you to everyone who participated! We celebrated with dishes from every continent including countries and participants from Australia, France, Korea, Libya, Brazil, Belgium, China, Italy, Colombia, India, Iran, Ukraine, Taiwan, Mexico, Kazakhstan, The Netherlands, and Peru. We even experienced domestic dishes from St. Louis and Texas. How lucky we are to live in such a great international and diverse community!

A special thank you to Karen Parker, Gaynor Richardson, Cecilia Freeman, Kurt Aerts, and Angela Vatankha and her sister for helping prepare for this event!

Don't forget to join us for additional fun events coming up - Recycle Day (March 30) - First Friday Social Time (April 5), Easter Egg Hunt (April 13) and Wine Tasting (May 18).

BEFRIEND US ON FACEBOOK @LOESocialCommittee.

The LOE Social Committee is always looking for volunteers, so if you would like to be part of this fun group, we'd like to invite you to our next meeting! Don't hesitate to contact me at veerlekurt@msn.com!

\*Veerle Swinnen\*\*



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#### New Ping-Pong Table Available For Resident Use At Clubhouse

The LOE Board approved and purchased a ping-pong table for resident use.

It is located on the south side of the pool deck. Players will need to bring their own paddles and balls.

First come, first served! No time restrictions but please be courteous of others waiting. Please do not place anything on the table such as wet towels, drinks, food, etc. Please also remember that children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or adult 18 years or older.



#### LOE Mailbox Resolution

A new Resolution has been created to clarify the rules for LOE mailboxes and provide suggestions on how to properly maintain or replace damaged mailboxes. The Resolution includes the contact information for (3) three vendors that you can contact for repairs/replacement. This document is available on the LOE website www.lakesoneldridge.net under the Resources tab.





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#### Recent Maintenance Project Highlights

- Trimmed Oak Trees for Main Entrance esplanade and those portions of Lakeshore Ridge and Lake Center Run that surround the Clubhouse. Also removed several dead trees. Additional tree trimming will be deferred until 4Q2019.
- Replaced damaged chain link gate to improve security against intruders accessing LOE Common Areas and homeowner properties via the greenbelt running adjacent to the eastern border of these properties.
- Repaired 480 linear feet of severely damaged curbs throughout the subdivision.
- Installed 13 pallets of St. Augustine sod and 4 new magnolia trees to cover bare areas resulting from recent pear tree removals.
  - Repaired defective switch for clubhouse table lamp.
- Replaced dead/missing Hollies and Liriope throughout the Common Area. Also replaced sick looking plants with drift roses at Auburn Shores and Indigo Falls monuments.
- Bulb & socket replacement Lake A Sunburst; Bulbs replaced in Lake E fountain; Bulb & wiring replacement at Lake H Fountain; Motor replaced at Lake C Fountain; Light Set repaired & replaced Lake A Phoenix



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Are you looking for a fun way of working out without going too far from home? Here is your chance to experience a High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) workout at LOE clubhouse flexroom, three times a week, Bollyx The Bollywood Workout!

Rightfully named after Bollywood, BollyX is a Bollywoodinspired dance-fitness program that combines dynamic choreography with the most popular music from around the world. Its 50-minute cardio workout cycles between higher and lower-intensity dance sequences to get you moving, sweating, and smiling. At the very core of a BollyX workout is the inspiration it draws from the music and dance of Bollywood, the film industry of India. It embodies the infectious energy, expression and movement of Bollywood and aims to expand the reach of fitness. Its fitness curriculum has been created by world-class choreographers and certified fitness professionals to ensure a safe and effective total body dance workout for all. The BollyX fitness program and instructor training is endorsed by the Athletics and Fitness Association of America (AFAA), the National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM), the American Council on Exercise (ACE), canfitpro (FIS) and the British Columbia Recreation and Parks Association (BCRPA) in Canada as an approved provider for continuing education units/credits (CEUs/CECs).

To find out more about the program, please visit the website: www.bollyx.com or simply stop by the flexroom on

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY: 7.30 PM
FEE: \$6/CLASS



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## LIVE MUSIC

BY

Cody Joe Tillman & The Wicked Truth

Come join your LOE Neighbors and Friends for a musical fusion of Americana, Triple A Funk, Blues, Texas Country and Alternative Rock

> June 22, 2019 6:30 p.m - 10:00 p.m.

> > Watch for more details to come!

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## Are You Making Exterior Changes To Your Home?

Did you know you need to submit an ARC (Architectural Review Committee) application for approval? The form can be found on the LOE website at www.lakesoneldridge.net under RESOURCES and Association FORMS or you can email contactus.tx@fsresidential and request the form. Per the Governing Documents, Article IV, Section 2, any improvement to the exterior of your home needs to be approved. Some of the most common changes are roofs, painting, landscape changes, fences, structural, windows, and pool addition. You can see the full list by reviewing the ARC Guidelines which are also on the LOE website.

#### FRIENDLY REMINDER Flex Room Usage

The Flex Room is open for all residents to use if there is not a prior small group reservation. Please remember, if you use the Flex Room, you must clean up after yourself. In the past month, there have been several days when we have found the room left un-swept and garbage not removed.

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#### Lakes on Eldridge Events Calendar 2019

#### Recycling Day\*

Saturday March 30 - 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### Easter Egg Hunt++

Saturday April 13 - 10:00 am

#### Wine Tasting\*#

Saturday May 18 - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

#### Music Concert & Food Trucks\*#

Saturday June 22 - 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

#### Parade, Hotdogs & Fireworks\*

Thursday July 4 - 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

#### Back to School Swim Party ++

Saturday August 17 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### National Night Out Neighborhood Block Parties\*

Saturday September 28 - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

#### Oktoberfest\*#

Friday October 18 - 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

#### Family Halloween Party ++

Sunday October 27 - 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

#### Holiday Market\*

Saturday November 2 - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

#### New Year's Eve Party\*

Tuesday December 31 - 7:30 pm - 12:30 am

#### Dive in Movie++

June, July & August

#### **Recurring Events**

First Friday of every month: SOCIAL TIME 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Meet up with your neighbors for a chat and a drink. BYOB and bring an appetizer to share.

- \* For more information about these events, please contact Carrie Loid (cgloid@hotmail.com) or Veerle Swinnen (veerlekurt@msn.com).
- ++ For more information about the family events, please contact Christine Ciro (lakesoneldridgefamilies@gmail.com).
  - # Nominal fee may be charged.

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#### **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.

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.

#### **JAMBALAYA**

- 2 C cooked rice (we like saffron rice)
- ¼ ½ lb. Andouille sausage (or substitute your favorite)
- 1 lb. raw shrimp (de-head & rinse)
- 3 chopped green onions
- ½ cup chopped green or red sweet peppers
- 1 clove minced garlic
- 2 small cans tomato sauce
- Salt, pepper & oregano to taste



Cook rice and set aside. Sauté chopped vegetables in 1-2 T cooking oil. Add sausage and cook until almost done. Add shrimp and cook until pink. Stir in cooked rice and tomato sauce. Season to taste. Cook slow (20 minutes to ½ hour) until mixture is firm and moist, but not juicy.

• Jambalaya is one of those favorite dishes that vary from day to day. "Everything but the kitchen sink" is welcomed into the pot. It is a wonderful way to turn leftovers into a treat. Experiment!



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#### Genista Caterpillar

Genista caterpillars can often be seen on Mountain Laurel, but may also be found on crape myrtle and honeysuckle. These caterpillars can grow up to one inch in length and are yellowish-green with small black and white dots along their body. They have sporadic hairs protruding along the body, but are not covered densely.

Genista caterpillars create and feed within webbing similar to webworms. The caterpillars have chewing mouthparts and cause defoliation of the plant. Eggs are laid in overlapping clusters on the underside of leaves. Pupation occurs in a small, white silken cocoon that is attached to plants or structures. There are two generations per year.

Management of outbreaks can be rather simple. If plant size and number of caterpillars allows, then hand-picking or vacuuming caterpillars can be a good method of control. Removed caterpillars can either be smashed or dropped in a bucket of soapy water. Other options may include pesticides with active ingredients such as insecticidal soap, horticultural oils, pyrethrum, spinosad, or Bacillus thuringiensis var. kurstaki, also known as Bt. Bacillus thuringiensis var. kurstaki specifically targets caterpillars, but does not distinguish between "good" and "bad" caterpillars, so be careful where you apply it and also be aware of drift that may occur. When using Bt or spinosad, good coverage of the plant foliage is essential since

caterpillars need to consume a lethal dose. There are also numerous synthetic insecticides formulated to treat for caterpillars. When using any pesticide product, be sure to read and follow all label instructions.

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.urban-ipm.blogspot.com

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