



# LAKES ON ELDRIDGE

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Official Newsletter for the  
Residents of Lakes on Eldridge

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## 2021 Assessments

Assessments are due on or before January 1, 2021. Payments not received by March 1, 2021 will incur a late fee of \$100.00 plus 18% interest until the assessment is paid in full. Payment coupons were mailed out in December. Include your coupon with your payment to ensure it is applied to the proper account. Failure to do so could delay processing of your payment.

Please forward the payment coupon to your mortgage company if they escrow these funds. For additional copies of your payment coupon please email [contactus.tx@fsresidential.com](mailto:contactus.tx@fsresidential.com) and reference LOE 2021 Assessment in the subject line.

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## Are You Ready for a Freeze?

The winter weather in Houston is very erratic and we may be basking in balmy 70 degree temperatures one day and experiencing a hard freeze the next. Be prepared for the next freeze by following these few tips:

- Insulate your pipes and faucets - towels may not be the best long-term option.
- Turn off your sprinkler system and make sure the back-flow preventer is drained
- Take plants inside or cover and water them
- Disconnect and drain garden hoses
- Experts say you can try using a hairdryer if your pipes freeze
- Open cabinet doors under sinks

## Picturesque LOE

Many residents have taken some fabulous pictures around LOE. We would like to highlight some in the newsletter. Please send your best pictures to Donna at [Donna.McDonald@fsresidential.com](mailto:Donna.McDonald@fsresidential.com) to be considered for future newsletter editions. Although you may have many wonderful pictures, please send no more than 1-2 pictures.



*Taken by Erik Roussel at Sunrise*



*Taken by Gaynor Richardson near the foot bridge*

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### Visit the Association Website:

<https://lakesoneldridge.nabrnetwork.com>

## LOE CLUBHOUSE RENTALS

Clubhouse inquiries for rentals are handled by FSR. Please review the Clubhouse Rental Agreement found on the Resources tab at [www.lakesoneldridge.net](http://www.lakesoneldridge.net). To inquire about availability or other information, please email [contactus.tx@fsresidential.com](mailto:contactus.tx@fsresidential.com) with LOE Clubhouse in the subject line and include information about your proposed dates, type of event, number of guests, etc. Email inquiries are preferred over phone call inquiries due to the time needed to address your inquiry.

## Maintenance/Project Highlights for December 2020

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- Installed heavy duty wiring to the irrigation controller located just south of the Auburn Shores Playground due to burn-out of undersized wiring.
- Modified Gym/Flex Room AC in the Clubhouse attic to prevent leaks which have previously damaged the Gym ceiling.
- Repainted vehicle/handicap designations in Clubhouse parking area.
- Finally received parts and repaired Resident gate for Eldridge entrance.
- Power washed Lake Center Run bridge over Turkey Creek.



## LOE PEAR TREE CHALLENGES AHEAD

Many of the flowering pear trees in both the LOE common areas and residents' properties are reaching the end of their lifespan. Some of these trees are losing their shape and also may become safety problems due to falling limbs. All trees should be routinely pruned to maintain shape and a clearance of at least 8' above sidewalks, streets and driveways. If this cannot be done and trees start losing their attractive blooms in the spring and leaf color changes in the fall, they will need to be removed. This removal process is well underway for the common areas and for a large number of resident properties. Most all of LOE's remaining pear trees will need to be removed in the next 3-5 years. The HOA has a plan in place to address this problem. Residents on corner lots are encouraged to inspect the pear trees along the side of their homes and keep them trimmed.

Originally, 5 pear trees were planted along the fence line of side yards for most all corner lots. That requirement for 5 trees in the side yard has been reduced to 2 trees of any variety. There is a Tree Resolution located on the LOE website which provides a list of suggested Texas friendly trees to be considered when replacing trees. Homeowners should seek ACC approval for any changes to their landscaping. This is a quick and easy process designed to ensure the overall attractiveness of our community.

## Blood Drive in LOE

### Blood Supplies are Low Due to the Pandemic

LOE resident **Ananya Rao** has partnered with the **Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center** to host a blood drive at the Lakes on Eldridge Clubhouse.

**Saturday, January 30**

**9:00 am – 1:30 pm**

This blood drive is open to LOE and LOEN residents only.

Reservations are required.

[https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/330919](https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/330919)

Free Covid-19 antibody test will be available for all donors\*



### Safety measures required by the GCRBC and supported by LOE:

- Every staff member receives a health screen and temp check each morning before leaving our offices and is required to report daily on health conditions. Every donor receives a health check on arrival, as well.
- As always, staff are wearing gloves and changing them between every donor. Staff also wearing masks, and donors are required to wear masks that cover their nose and mouth.
- Disposable masks will be provided to donors as needed.
- Every surface is thoroughly sanitized between every donor.
- One-time use items will be used instead of reusable/washable items. Every squeeze ball is one-time use.
- Blankets are no longer provided for donors who are cold/require additional privacy in a skirt. We have disposable drapes in their place instead.
- Hand sanitizer for donors will be placed at the check-in table and refreshments table. All refreshments are pre-packaged chips, cookies, and snacks.
- Every staff member has personal hand sanitizer for constant use after every interaction.
- The clubhouse will be cleared of furniture to allow stations to be at least but probably more than 6' apart.
- Social distancing floor markers are in use for every entrance area to remind donors to stand 6' apart.
- Donors are taken by appointment only to minimize the number of people in the clubhouse.

\*This test is authorized by the FDA only for detecting the presence of antibodies against SARS-COV-2 and is not intended for diagnosis of Covid-19. The Covid-19 antibody test does not test for the presence of the virus that causes Covid-19. The antibody test looks to see if the blood contains antibodies to the virus. The antibody test results will be available in approximately 7 days. Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center will invite donors who test positive for the antibodies to return and give convalescent plasma to help patients recover in local hospitals.



give blood, give life



# Lakes on Eldridge

## LOE Book Club



Reading is a great way to spend time indoors. We always welcome new members and/or suggestions. Our selections are proposed by the membership and then voted upon.

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). With the continued threat from Covid-19, we will have the option of meeting on the clubhouse patio or on Zoom. Contact celeste.fritz@gmail.com for information on what book we are reading and how to attend our meetings.

We are in the process of voting on books for our 2021 schedule. Our first meeting of the new year will be on January 25th. Please contact Celeste for the January book selection.

## Please Do Not Feed the Ducks or Geese!

On a walk through Lakes on Eldridge the other day, we observed one of the Egyptian Geese with a bone disorder known as Angel Wing. This disorder prevents the goose from being able to fold or use his wings. (see pictures).



Angel wing is a permanent bone and joint deformity caused by humans feeding them bread and crackers. These high carb foods do not provide the nutrients needed for the birds to remain healthy. There is plenty of food naturally for these birds.

Please help keep our wildlife safe and healthy.

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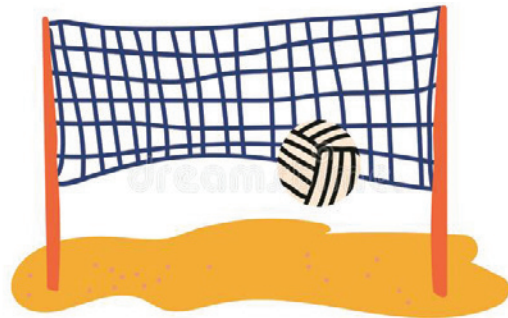


*Don't forget to remove  
holiday lights and decorations  
by January 10th, 2021*

## Volley-Ball Court Safety

Children are welcome to bring sand toys and play in the sand on the volley ball court, however please make sure all toys and any other objects are removed from the sand before you leave.

There have been couple of incidents recently where pieces of wood/sticks and plastic toys have been found buried in the sand. Sand volley ball is often played bare foot so please check the sand carefully to make sure no toys or sticks are left behind.



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