

# In The News

Enchanted Lake Estates Newsletter

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## From the President

Hello Neighbors,

Summer is here and your neighbors have been busy keeping up with the tasks, big and little, that keep Enchanted Lakes a great place to live. First I want to recognize the pool committee, which made sure everything was ready to get the pool open for its traditional Splash Day opening. That includes hiring life guards, arranging the City inspection and preparing the pool and clubhouse for another summer season. In addition to the normal activities this year, the lounge chairs were restrapped. The refurbished chairs look great.

The social committee held a great Cinco de Mayo party. The street tacos and margaritas were a huge hit. Big thanks to Julie Pompa for putting this together.

The grounds committee continues to plant and make upgrades to the irrigation system to address the damage from last year's drought.

Finally, the board wants to recognize and thank the Women's Club for the new deck furniture. It looks great and I can attest it is quite comfortable. The new furniture provides a great place to sit and enjoy a conversation with your neighbors. I encourage you to come down and try them out.

Guy Donaldson, Board President president@elehoa.com

## Architectural Guidelines



In light of recent storms, we know many of you will be receiving a new roof or repairing fences, etc. This is a reminder that "No new construction nor

improvement to an existing structure may be initiated without approval of the Architectural Control Committee." (ELE Architectural Guidelines)

The complete bylaws and guidelines for architectural control can be found on our website at www.elehoa.com/legal.

You must submit an Improvement Permit Application to the Architectural Committee before you begin any new construction or repairs. This application is found on our website at www.elehoa.com\legal or on page 33 of your directory.



#### **Pool**

#### Pool season is here! Here are a few reminders!

#### **Pool Tags**

2012 Pool Tag stickers are required for all residents in order to enter the pool. The Pool Tag Request Form is found in your directory on page 31. Make sure you complete the form and submit it to Julie Landry's mailbox (7008 Crater Lake).

If you are a new resident please indicate so on the form. If you have lost your plastic pool tags, there is a \$5 replacement fee.

#### Pool Hours (Starting June 1)

Monday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tuesday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Adult Lap Swimming (M-F) 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. || Float Day (Sunday Only) 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Pool hours are subject to be extended and/or modified. Please see the newsletter or

website for the most current pool hour posting. If you have any questions about the pool, contact John Nohinek at pool@elehao.com.



Plans are underway for water exercise classes for adults which will be offered two days a week in the morning by a certified Red Cross instructor at the ELE pool. If you are interested in joining other ELE residents for the hour long sessions (days TBD), please contact Dianne del Cid at 214-418-4754 or at <a href="mailto:grounds@elehoa.com">grounds@elehoa.com</a>.





Do you have something to share with the neighborhood?

Submit your neighborhood news to Emily Swanson at communications@elehoa.com or call 817-480-0462

## Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Please welcome these new neighbors to ELE!

Patrick and his sister, Tamara McNiel. They live at 7007 Big Bear Lake. Tamara has two children, Caitlin (3) and Cadence (10). The McNiel's are victims of the April tornado damage in south Arlington. Tamara enjoys reading and spending time with her children.

Raul Cervantes and Courtney Swift to 7111 Big Bear Lake. Raul and Courtney plan to be married in October and Courtney has a daughter, Isabella who is 5. Raul is a nurse at Dallas Methodist Hospital in Critical Care and Courtney is a nurse at Baylor All Saints Hospital in the nursery. Isabella attends Miller Elementary.

### Volunteers Needed

#### **Neighborhood Directory**

We are looking for some volunteers to help with the 2013 directory. If you are interested in helping, please contact Emily Swanson at communications@elehoa.com or 817-480-0462.

#### **Canal Aerator Caretaker**

John Burris, our ever-faithful canal aerator caretaker/volunteer, wishes to retire from his responsibilities. We have a need for a volunteer who could take over this duty. It involves monitoring the 'aerator' fixed to the canal wall near the bridge, which helps keep the canal water moving so it does not become stagnant. In addition to monitoring, John has been the 'go-to' person for repairs and maintenance on this important feature of our common area. If anyone has a bit of extra time to donate their time to make routine checks on this, please contact Dianne del Cid so she can hook you up with John to go over the details.

Dianne del Cid at 214-418-4754 or at grounds@elehoa.com

If someone does not come forward, we will have to pay a person to monitor this, which will come out of our HOA dues.

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## Grounds Report

The landscape maintenance contract for all the ELE common grounds was once again awarded to Metroplex Landscape, after a unanimous vote from the board. Lynn Bullard is doing an excellent job and is responsive and dependable. The board also agreed to use Als' Landscape (owner Jose Acosta) for additional work as he is excellent and knowledgeable as well. Als' recently completed the installation of new temporary irrigation with individual bubblers for the new plantings along Bowman Springs Park. Two new valves were installed to accommodate the additional stations for the new Wax Myrtles installed there to replace the Photenia that succumbed. This new system will also provide water to the Hollies that were planted last year and will allow us to disconnect and be independent from a residents' irrigation system.

The purchase of a new park bench and picnic table for the common grounds was approved by the board and the new park amenities should arrive by June 19. The new fixtures were purchased from the same company that Arlington Parks uses. The purchase of these new amenities will provide long lasting, sturdy, attractive furnishings constructed of recycled materials that will enhance the private park area between the canal and the fence along Bowman Springs Park road. These furnishings will allow ELE residents to picnic and gather for comfortable family and friends events not far from home, near the pool and tennis court.

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There have been several requests from various homeowners to develop the area to the south of the Enchanted Lakes entrance, and east of residents' fences. Currently there are some garden plots that are individually maintained, but the desire to have a more congruent and visually pleasing area has been recommended. Also, that entrance island plantings could use an update. The subject has not been discussed formally at a board meeting, but will be addressed at the next meeting to be held in June.



We continue to chop away at the failing Photenia at the tennis court and Bowman Springs park area, and will soon need to consider more replacements. In addition, the rains continue to create trash build up in the canal and the boat ramp area which requires occasional, ongoing cleaning.

Dianne del Cid, Grounds Chair grounds@elehoa.com

## Vandalism at the Pool House

Well it happened again, the pool house was again vandalized with graffiti. Again the matter was reported to the Arlington police and the graffiti was painted over within 48 hours of discovery. Many thanks to John Nohinek for quickly arranging for the painting.

Again, special thanks to Tim Kelly of Southern Painting. They took care of the painting free of charge the very next day after being contacted. The neighborhood board sincerely appreciates the effort. Please think about Southern Painting the next time you need something painted.

The pool committee is investigating ways to improve security.



#### **Congrats Grads!**

We have several college and high school graduates this year!
We congratulate you all on a job well done and wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors!