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Catch-up Edition

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SALUTE TO ELE SERVICE MEMBER

PV2 Andrew West completed Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO on November 28, 2018. And, he graduated in the top 10% of his class with an expert ranking in marksmanship, the highest award. He was promoted to PV2 from PVT during training. He is the son of Lee and Paige West on Lake Louise.

After training, Andrew was assigned to Fort Lee, VA for AIT, Infantry Logistics Management. He will graduate from there on February 22, and soon thereafter, head



home to be married to his longtime sweetheart, Erika Rodriguez. They will wed on March 30.

Lee and Paige have an-

other son serving currently. Zakary and his wife, Garrison, are currently stationed in Great Britain.

We thank each of these young people for their service to the country.

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NEW NEIGHBORS WELCOME TO ENCHANTED LAKE ESTATES

Our newest, and youngest addition to the ELE neighborhood is Malachi Joshua Audi. He was born to Joshua and Elizabeth Audi on Tuesday, January 29,

2019. He was 9 lbs, 7 oz. and 22 inches long. Congratulations to Joshua and Elizabeth and siblings Elijah and Matthew.

We have more new neigh-

bors that we will introduce next month. We hope to profile as many new neighbors monthly as possible so that we can quickly get to know each other.

SPOOKY LIGHTS AFOOT!!



Rob and Jennifer Viner, 3519 Lake Powell took the prize for **CUTEST HAUNT**. The pumpkins lit up most of their court, with just a little spookiness to make you watch over your

SPOOKIEST HAUNT

The corner of Big Bear Lake and Lake Mead always seems possessed



at Halloween. Jake and Amy Miller, at 3709 Big Bear Lake, seem to be invaded by skeletons. But they looked like the friendly playful type.

BEST OVERALL HAUNT



Angie and Scott Woods were ready for any goblins that might come around. They can always be expected to pull out all stops on their decorations at 3619 Lake Tahoe.



LIGHTS!! GLORIOUS LIGHTS!

What would Christmas be like without John and Mary Hibbs going all out for our benefit? Their display at 4006 Falcon Lake once again took the **GRISWALD AWARD** for 2018. You can't just drive by; you must slow down and take it all in. Thank you!



"...all is calm, all is bright..." This beautiful winner of the **CLASSIC AWARD** is the home of John and Julie Landry at 7008 Crater Lake. The reindeer were resting before their big night. Just Beautiful!



The Henneberrys, at 4003 Lake Powell, dress up their jeep along with their yard for Christmas. It's their goal to win the **WHIMSICAL AWARD** every year! Everyone knows what house you're talking about when you mention the jeep.

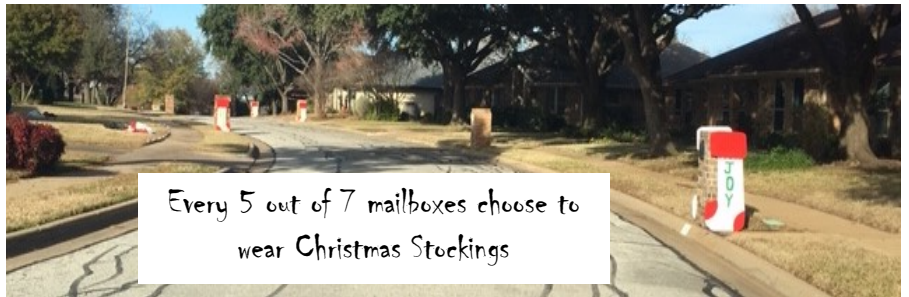
(Disclaimer- the photos are from previous year (2017) as the Grinch ate the current pictures in the camera.)

A TALE OF CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

It all began at the Annual Home-owners' Meeting in September. Mr. Tom Bonjour, long-time and very active ELE resident spoke of the time when all the ELE homes sported Christmas Stockings with messages of good cheer over the holidays. (This may have been a time before some of you were even born!) But, this also had been on a number of neighbors' minds, come to find out.

So, Mike and Dorothy Tejada decided to finally make a set for their mailbox, and while they were at it, they decided to check to see if anyone else wanted a set. An order form went out with the Directory Form request. Expecting to maybe receive a half dozen replies, Mike went down to his favorite store, Home Depot, and purchased a couple of sheets of plywood. Then the request forms started pouring in.....

After all was said and done, and many, many more trips to HD, Mike with help from the ELE 'Ever Ready Bunnies', Scott and Angie Woods, cut out forms for 116 stockings.



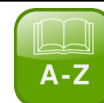
After they were cut out, they were then filled, sanded, primed and painted.

A big shout out goes to *James and Evelyn Bowen* for help with sanding and priming; to *Mark Tejada* for cutting; and an extra huge one to *Carol Midkiff* who spent two full days lettering. And, finally to *Nicholas Brown* for keeping spirits high.

While at times, the effort seemed overwhelming, the end result was nice to see. Hopefully, next year more mailboxes will be dressed.



2019 DIRECTORIES



The 2019 ELE Directories have been distributed by the block reps. A huge thank you goes out to each and every one of you that filled out the form and returned it. The forms do go out each year, and it may

seem redundant, but it does help to ensure that the directory is up-to-date and that the information is correct.

Changes already need to be made to this directory. We have new neighbors

who need to be added, and phone numbers changed. Changes will be found on last page of this newsletter. If you see an error or any change, please let Communications@elehoa.com know immediately.

WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

The ELE Women's Club had a super fun fall and winter. In November Nicole Thomas hosted the traditional "My Favorite Things" meeting. Each guest brought three of their favorite, inexpensive item. Those items were then shared by drawing numbers with three other ladies present. In the end, guests walked away with three new items to love such as scarves, slippers, facial products, can-



dles, guest towels, and spices. It was a fun, sharing evening.

Then December brought the ever popular Christmas Auction. Once again, the evening ended with no broken bones or bloodshed, but the noise/laughter level rivaled previous years. Ladies left with their spoils of gift baskets, wine, and a huge wreath that was created by Ronnie Barker and



decorated with gift cards from others! In all, over \$3500 was raised for the Women's Club donations to the Arlington Life Shelter, local school libraries, Open Arms and the ELE Community/clubhouse.

January found the ladies at the ELE Clubhouse playing a variety of games, eating good food and getting involved in Charades.

The February meeting will be on Thursday, February 21, at 7 PM at the home of Beth Hellier, 7012 Crater Lake. Everyone is welcome. Come alone or bring a friend.

ELE PROJECTS

While the neighbors have been going about their daily lives, maintenance has been taking place around the clubhouse. A leak in the clubhouse had caused some ceiling damage. The contractor for the recent remodel determined that it may have been done during construction and repaired the ceiling at no charge. Andy Chinchilla also repaired a water line that had been leaking just outside of the clubhouse. His team has also refurbished the columns and guttering at the entrance to the building. The columns really look much better now.

Corrosion and age had damaged one of the tennis net posts. The post has been removed and completely replaced and is ready for tennis players. It involved actually having to remove and replace concrete in the court, but workers took great pride in the work they did.

More repairs are going to be needed on the canal just east of the tennis courts. The rains in the fall undercut the embankment. This has been re-

paired years ago, but the amount of water and its force was no match. This will be remedied as soon as the water recedes enough to gain access to the problem.

Work is also planned on the gates to the boat dock. Damage to the main gate with the swinging arm has prevented it from opening and closing correctly. The repair for that is in progress.

Thanks to the ELE Board for overseeing this work.



Christmas Light Awards Honorable Mention goes to Jereme & Heather Mentzel, 7010 Lake Louise; Jake & Amy Miller, 3709 Big Bear Lake, and Pat & Linda Malcheski 4007 Big Bear Lake.

Don't forget that it's time to pay your ELE Homeowners' Dues. Make sure to get yours in, if you haven't already. If you have questions, send an email to Treasurer@elehoa.com. And don't forget that you can send in the dues for the Women's Club at the same time (\$25). The Women's Club is open to all of the residents here in ELE, and is a great place to meet your neighbors, especially if you work full time.

Apologies for the absence of newsletters for the last 3 months! Between Christmas Stockings, Neighborhood Directories, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and a personal life, somethings were put on the back burner. The newsletter was one of those things. But, it's back and full of neighborhood life. dt

DIRECTORY UPDATES

We already have a couple of changes/ additions you might want to make to your new directories:

Jason and Brandi Thomas have moved from 3606 Lake Pontchartrain, so delete them.

Mark and Deanna Kratovil are now at 3606 Lake Pontchartrain.

Their telephone numbers are:

817-209-9906 (M)

817-692-4643 (D)

E-mail is Kratogreen@gmail.com

Any other additions or changes will be here in the newsletters. Please report any errors, changes or suggestions to communications@elehoa.com

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Kathleen Valentine's primary telephone number should be her cell phone:

817-919-7123

