ELE Newsletter

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From the President:

The work has begun. Yes, as some of you have noticed, we have begun the work on the canal area. The project will include clean up and realignment of the canal to improve water flow, shoring up the side of the canal that is eroding and regrading the slope and installing new tri-



lock material on the area adjacent to the tennis courts. These improvements will prevent further erosion and will make the areas much more attractive. Work should be finished in just a few weeks.

As I mentioned last month, ELE now has its own web site. We are currently working on additional content to make the site a valuable piece to our neighborhood. With the help of Beth Hellier, we have started a new initiative to develop an archives section on our new web site. What I envision for this section is a web page where we can record our history so that we, and others that will come in the future, can enjoy and celebrate our community activities and accomplishments. In order to put this together, I would like to ask each of you to go back to your own photo albums and find pictures of neighborhood events at ELE from as far back as when the first residents moved in until today. Along with your pictures, we would like a short narrative explaining the event and why this picture or group of pictures is important to you personally and to the community. I believe this site has the potential to give us a sense of pride in our ELE history and an opportunity to record future events as they occur, but we really need your participation. Please help.

Just a quick note on driving safety. I have received a few phone calls regarding people speeding down Lake Powell. In the past we have put the blame on our young drivers but, according to the complainants, adults are also speeding. As we all know, we have a very active community and there are always people, including children, cycling, jogging or walking throughout our neighborhood. Please slow down to ensure the safety of everyone in our community.

Finally, and I believe this is good news, I received a call from the Encore Utility people. They informed me that they will be working in our neighborhood for the next few months. They will be replacing the electrical towers with simple poles that take up less space, are aesthetically more pleasing and safer. At the same time, they will be mowing and trimming overgrown trees in the easement areas. Please be considerate and patient with them as they will be working from sun up to sun down to get this job done as quickly as possible.

Tony Pompa

Spring Cleanup Day

Saturday, April 12th
Mark your calendar now.
The more the merrier!
More details in your
next newsletter.

Common Grounds Committee

Instructions for submitting archives material:

Please submit your pictures along with the narrative to:

Beth Hellier 7012 Crater Lake 817-572-3912

Ideas:

- Women's club activities
- Neighborhood parties
- Pictures from the big flood
- Common area improvements
- Etc

Make sure your name and phone number are on the back of each picture you submit.

Beth has volunteered to organize the pictures, and if we have a large number for one particular event, choose the most appropriate. The selected pictures will be scanned and uploaded to our website and originals returned.

Thanks for your participation.

Social Committee:

Greetings for the New Year from the ELE Social Committeel We finished off 2002 with a very festive holiday party at the clubhouse and welcomed Handsome Hank, the holiday steer, to ELE for the first but I hope not the last time. Many thanks to Kathleen Valentine and Cheryl Eichenauer for helping with the planning, our teenagers who supervised the venue, and to all of you who baked cookies and participated in the festivities.

We've been busy planning for the new year starting with our 4 children/family holiday events. I'm greatly appreciative that Cheryl Eichenauer and Mary Hibbs have agreed to expand our childrens committee to three this year, but we could always use more helpers. Not only does it make the workload for events such as Easter and Halloween a bit easier, but it makes it a lot more fun for all of us and for your children. If you would like to volunteer, starting with our Easter Party on April 19, please call Lyn Maize at 817-483-1425.

Now, for "just us adults". I've had some requests to expand the adult events for 2003. First and foremost, is the progressive dinner this May, which will be spearheaded by Hal and Linda Pucket. We would also like to offer two new events this year, one a summer theme party at the pool, and another event in the fall, perhaps another exploration of wines, or an adult Halloween Party. I'm open to suggestions, ideas but of course will need exuberant volunteers. Our neighborhood has transitioned in the past few years, and this is a great opportunity to revive old traditions while getting to know a whole new group of revelers. Again, to offer suggestions or help for the adult events you can contact Lyn Maize at 817-483-7323, Linda Pucket at 817-516-7931 or email ideas to: lyn maize@yahoo.com.

Mardi Gras 2003

Benefiting Meals On Wheels, Inc. of Tarrant County When: Fat Tuesday, March 4, 2003 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Where: Will Rogers Memorial Center's Exhibit Hall 3401 Lancaster, Fort Worth

Tickets \$40 for Adults, Kids 7 to 12 years \$20, 6 & under free

Food Samples From Your Favorite Restaurants
Lots of Fun Activities for Everyone
Silent Auction Containing Hundreds of Items
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Live Music from "Crawfish"

Call (817) 336-0912 for more information

Note: Our ELE Womens Club is donating \$400 from their Holiday Auction proceeds to support Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County. This donation is greatly appreciated by the recipients of these meals.

From the Pool Committee:

Pool Tags

It's not too early to pickup your pool tag stickers. It's simple and easy, so don't wait! Follow these three easy steps to have your 2003 tags in hand for the pool and tennis courts:

- 1. Read updated operating rules/regulations in your ELE Directory.
- 2. Sign the form on page 31 in the Directory.
- 3. Drop or mail the signed form to Julie Landry, 7008 Crater Lake. Julie will deliver the 2003 stickers to you before the pool opens on May 24th. If you're new residents, indicate on your certificate so you will get a new tag along with your sticker.

Swim Lessons

The YMCA has offered to teach swimming lessons at our pool as part of their \$53/per child "Backyard Swim Program." The sessions consist of 8 classes, each 50 minutes long. We need to know who is interested by April 25th to properly staff the lessons. Please call Jan Brown at 817-478-5715 if interested.

Session Dates	Session Times
June 2-12	9:00-9:50 a.m.
June 2-12	10:00-11:00 a.m.
June 16-26	10:00-11:00 a.m.
	June 2-12 June 2-12

Lifeguards Needed

The Pool Committee could use your help in locating new lifeguards for the pool this season. If you know of a certified lifeguard, not residing in ELE, please have them call Jan Brown (817-478-5715). Lifeguard certification courses will be offered at the YMCA in March and April.