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Cypress Assistance Ministries GED & ESL Tutors Needed

Cypress Assistance Ministries is proud to be opening a new classroom for GED and ESL classes. This updated classroom space will provide a better opportunity for individual as well as group instruction. We are currently seeking dedicated volunteers to tutor adults in Math, Reading, Writing and English. Classes are held Monday through Thursday evenings. Please contact Lisa Basset or Kelly Thomas at 281-955-7684 if you are interested in this volunteer opportunity.

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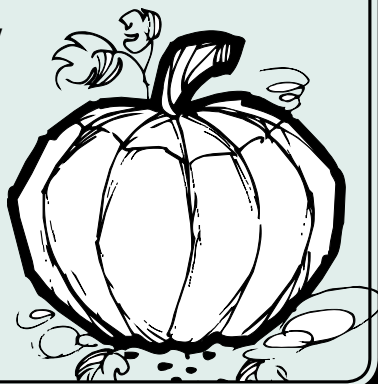
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World Festival - September 29th 2007 - 2pm to 7pm

A celebration of the many and wonderful Cultures represented in L.O.E.N.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for volunteers to help with our World Festival on September 29th 2007.

Can you donate one or two hours of your time between 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm?

Can you help us with the set-up for this event between 9:00 am and 12 Noon?

Can you help us with the clean-up after the event between 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm?

If you, or a family member, are willing to donate some time on Saturday, September 29th, then please contact the Lakes on Eldridge Ladies Club via email loenladiesclub@hotmail.com or call Jane Seaman, Festival Coordinator, on 281-733-7929.



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- Saturday, January 26, 2008 – Winter Banquet at Downtown Aquarium featuring Christian Comedian, David Ferrell and KSBJ Radio Personality, Susan O'Donnell
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Lakes on Eldridge North (L.O.E.N.) Community Fall Festival

The Ladies Club of Lakes on Eldridge North community is once again organizing the annual community fall festival. This year's festival theme is 'World Festival'; a celebration of the many and wonderful cultures represented in L.O.E.N. A large portion of the proceeds raised during the festival will benefit UNICEF, an international organization that is recognized for their amazing work in the survival, development and protection of children worldwide.

Twin Lakes and Lakes on Eldridge homeowners are cordially invited to come and join the festivities. Tickets are now available.

The festival will take place on Saturday, September 29th 2007 at the L.O.E.N. main clubhouse on Catalina Shores Drive. In order to recognize and raise awareness, about the many cultures of the world this year's festival will be offering attendees a wonderful diversity of Food, Merchandise, Activities, and Entertainment. There will be a 'World Food Market' where attendees can purchase a variety of different ethnic cuisines. To complement the food market there will also be a 'World Craft Market' offering a wide variety of international goods that can be purchased throughout the event. For the younger members of the community there will be a 'World Activity Park' open from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Within the park there will be games, face painting, food, and drinks on offer.

In addition to the markets and the activity park, there will also be ongoing cultural displays, international dance exhibitions, a raffle and a silent auction.

For the more mature family members the wine and beer bar will open between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm within the clubhouse patio area. This will be accompanied by music from a live band.

There is still a limited number of food vendor, craft market vendor "with an International theme" and activity park sponsorship opportunities available. Entry tickets will be available from July 14th at a VERY SPECIAL early-bird price. These tickets will only be available up until 12 Noon on the day of the event, at which time the price for entry will increase,

For more information on how you can be a vendor, offer sponsorship, obtain tickets, or indeed be an event volunteer, then please contact the L.O.E.N. Ladies Club at loenladiesclub@hotmail.com.



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Lakes On Eldridge North World Festival



*A celebration of the many,
and wonderful, cultures
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- Food stations from around the world representing;
 - America, Mexico, South America, Europe, Middle East & East Europe, Africa, East Indian, Asia and Pacific and Australasia.
- International Wine Tasting
- Dance exhibitions from around the world,
 - (examples) Irish, Chinese, American, European, East Indian and African
- Games from around the world
 - (examples) Kite Flying, Lawn Croquet, Boomerang and Haggis Tossing.
- Demonstrations and opportunities to participate in customs from around the world
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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

School is back in session as of August 27th. Please be aware of children walking and biking to and from school. Of course, we want all children to be safe and school buses are relatively safe. However, accidents and injuries involving school buses do happen. More often than not these injuries happen when children are entering or exiting the bus. Here are some safety tips for school bus riders.

- Have a safe place to wait for the bus, away from traffic and the street.
 - Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.
 - Hold onto the handrails when entering or exiting the bus.
 - Once on the bus, take your seat and remain seated face forward.
 - Talk quietly so that you don't distract the driver.
 - Never throw things on the bus and keep your hands to yourself.
 - When you exit the bus, take ten giant steps away from the bus. When you are closer than 10 feet from the bus, the driver might not see you. This is known as the DANGER ZONE.
 - If you forget something on the bus, do not return to the bus to get it. The driver might not see you.
 - Be aware of the street traffic around you.
 - If you need to cross the street, cross in front of the bus never behind the bus.
- Motorists should follow safety rules

around school buses. Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to stop. Motorists should slow down and be prepared to stop. Red flashing lights indicate that the bus has stopped and that children are getting on or off. Motorists must stop their cars and wait until the red flashing lights are turned off.

Here are a few more traffic safety tips for motorists.

- When backing out of the driveway or garage, watch out for children.
- When driving through neighborhoods and especially in school zones, watch out for children. Children don't always pay attention to traffic and don't always know that motorists have trouble seeing them.
- Slow down. Watch out for children walking or playing in the street.
- Be alert and ready to stop. Children sometimes dart into the street.

Basically "Watch out for our Lakes on Eldridge North children!"



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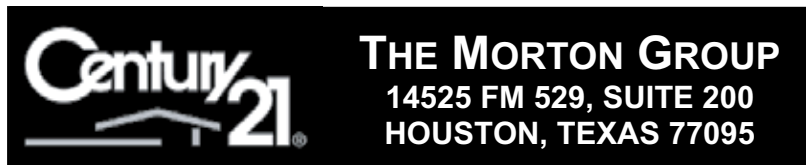
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Garage Doors: Getting What You Pay For

Submitted by Kat Brogden

We often get telephone inquiries from prospective clients seeking pricing on replacement garage doors. Often times the request is for a "standard size" or a "single car" door. The perils of such shopping techniques are numerous and erroneous for both the dealers and the homeowners. I am aware of a company that "sells" garage doors over the phone. The installers report as many as 50% of these sales result in wrong sizing and/or colorations being delivered and a high percentage of customer dissatisfaction due to hidden add ons on lesser quality that expected.

The following tips will help guide homeowners in selection:

1. Know your Service Company. Often times companies with no more than a tech with a truck in Central Texas use call centers out of the area to book appointments and do not have a bona fide office location in the service area.
2. Know the Product. Over 90% of new doors today are designed to last less than 5 years. Factors such as thickness of steel in the door and moving parts, plastic vs. steel in critical components and the design of the spring system will affect life expectancy.
3. Usually warranties quoted apply only to the paint. The majority of door manufacturers provide only a 12-month parts and labor warranty on moving parts.
4. How are Warranty Calls Handled? Ask about duration of response,

are annual service calls required, has the company been in business long term.

5. Does the Company Request an On-Site Inspection Before Finalizing Price? A large percentage of installations are not "standard" due to structural design, foundation settlement, etc.

6. Be Aware of Hidden Warranty Escapes. For instance, most door manufacturers require a special bracket when connecting a garage door opener to preserve their warranty. Most service companies don't mention it.

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- Dust/vacuum furniture
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- 1 tsp. vanilla
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- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/4 Cup cocoa
- Pecans (optional)
- Cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs and vanilla.
- Combine flour, salt, and cocoa. Add to creamed mixture.
- Add chopped pecans. Bake in greased and floured pan.
- 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

If you would like to submit YOUR recipe to the Lakes on Eldridge Newsletter email it to articles@peelinc.com.

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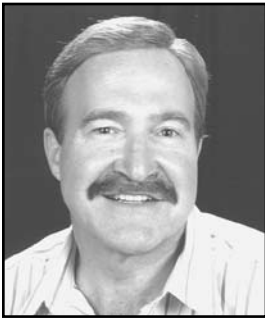


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