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# **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.....** BUILDING COMMUNITY -WHO Lives in Our Community?

Understanding and appreciating the generational values of your neighbors contributes to a strong community. Consider a few broad groups:

**Matures:** The Matures were born between 1920 and 1945. They are the last of the veterans of the World and Korean Wars, and are also called the "Silent Generation." They are about sacrifice. They survived the Great Depression, and they still reuse aluminum foil and paper bags. Their heroes were military figures. They believe that a rule is a rule. They feel that change is good, as long as it's the type of change they have envisioned. The Matures defined the world in which we live for many years, but they now have to give way to the Baby Boomers.

**Baby Boomers:** Baby Boomers were born between 1945 and 1964. Approximately 77 million in number, they are workaholics who believe in teamwork, democracy, and loyalty. They don't necessarily see the need to follow rules. Baby Boomers value the concept of "built to last." They invented the idea of "meaningful work," and the workplace continues to be a part of their self-identity. Baby Boomers will occupy the White House until approximately 2030.

**Generation X:** Generation X'ers were born between 1965 and 1977. Numbering about 44 million, this group was raised in an environment in which both parents worked. They question their parents' values, and they believe that jobs and housing are disposable. They place greater value on family and personal life than the Baby Boomers do, and they feel that a balanced life is more important than professional accomplishments.

**Generation Y:** Generation Y's were born between 1977 and 2000. They comprise approximately 33 percent of the U.S. population, and projections suggest that by the year 2010, those age 33 and younger will number 137 million, or 46 percent of the U.S. population. People in this group have always known the Internet, laptops, and cell phones. It would never occur to them to physically touch a television to change the channel. People born in the U.S. after 1983 have always had a President from the Southern states. South Africa's official policy of apartheid has not existed in their lifetime, cars have always had CD players and air bags, weather reports have always been available 24 hours a day, and genetic testing and DNA screening have always been available. This generation focuses on its individual choices, goals, and the future.

We have all of these generations living right here in Windermere Lakes. Be sure to join us at our next neighborhood social activity so we can get to know each other and appreciate the attributes of each generation. We are ALL in this together!

Kevin Swicegood, President



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\* We are in the process of establishing our Committees for 2009 and need resident volunteers! If you are interested in participating with us, please contact us at www. windermerelakes.net for more details. This is a great way to meet your fellow neighbors and to help make our Windermere Lakes community a better place to live.

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## **LANDSCAPE FOCUS - Windermere Yard of the Month** CONGRATULATIONS! The winner is ...... 10215 SAND DOLLAR



This winner's landscaping was great and impressed members of our committee as the selection for MAY 'Yard of the Month.

The homeowner receives a \$25 Gift Card from Home Depot, bragging rights to the honor AND our WL Yard of the Month sign remains in their yard during the month. Our thanks go out to those that care about their homes and keep their lawns maintained.

Residents don't forget to send in your request for any home improvements or painting projects so you will not be in violation of the ACC Guidelines. Your request will be reviewed promptly so as not to delay your project!

Thank you for helping make our neighborhood more beautiful. We also appreciate the time and participation by our judging volunteers during this selection process.

*Sreehari Gorantla* Landscape Committee



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## Info From the Board....

Living in and around Windermere Lakes is a unique and beautiful experience. The lakes make our daily living experience the best of all things! We enjoy great neighbors, a beautiful neighborhood and we get to enjoy the lakes each and every day! It is like having a primary home and a weekend home on the lake at the same time!

However, with that beauty and fun comes some additional responsibility. Often neighborhoods like ours create an 'attractive nuisance' situation. Non-Residents are attracted to our amenities and want to come into our neighborhood to look around at the lakes, fish or on occasion, even trespass in our backyards to get a better view of the lake or catch some of the fish! Accidents could happen when these persons or even our guests are on our property. What if we get sued as a result of one of these accidents? May or may not be our fault, but who pays for the cost to defend us?

In an effort to protect yourself, we have included an article about Personal Umbrella Liability. This is coverage that should be considered for personal financial protection.

#### Should I Purchase An Umbrella Liability Policy?

If you are ever sued, your standard homeowners or auto policy will provide you with some liability coverage, paying for judgements against you and your attorney's fees, up to a limit set in the policy. However, in our litigious society, you may want to have an extra layer of liability protection. That's what a personal umbrella liability policy provides.

An umbrella policy kicks in when you reach the limit on the underlying liability coverage in a homeowners, renters, condo or auto policy. It will also cover you for things such as libel and slander.

For about \$150 to \$300 per year you can buy a \$1 million personal umbrella liability policy.

Because the personal umbrella policy goes into effect after the underlying coverage is exhausted, there are certain limits that usually must be met in order to purchase this coverage. Most insurers will want you to have about \$250,000 of liability insurance on your auto policy and \$300,000 of liability insurance on your homeowners policy before selling you an umbrella liability policy for \$1 million of additional coverage.



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## What's Happening On The Lakes...

#### FLAMINGO LAKE YACHT CLUB -

The Flamingo Lake group met at Russo's Coal Oven Pizza on Northwest Freeway for their last get together! There was a Beer & Pizza Tasting provided by St. Arnold's Brewery and Russo's. The beer was great and the pizza even better... just enjoying fellowship with our WL friends/neighbors.

This is really a good group of neighbors that meet and just have fun being around each other! If you live on or around Flamingo Lake, they want to invite you to their next event. Just contact us at newsletter@windermerelakes.net and we will put you in touch with their group. This is how great neighbors become great friends!

#### WE NEED YOUR NEWS!

If you have some news or fun activities going on at your Lake, please let us hear from you!

We'd like to share the news in our future newsletters. Are you or someone in your family running in a marathon, have a new member in your family, children accomplishments or something you'd like to share in the newsletter? Any parties, birthdays, graduations, anniversaries or any other celebrations that may take place would be great shared with your other

Windermere Lakes neighbors!

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## Clubhouse Pool, Patio 'n' Playground (Recreational Facilities Committee)

Clubhouse/Pool times will quickly be here! If you are thinking about planning a pool party for this summer, please be sure to contact SCS Management to make your reservations. The calendar fills up quickly for pool and clubhouse reservations.

Come enjoy your Clubhouse/Pool, but remember your ID card! Our priority is also to make sure our members and guests are safe. If you are interested in being part of this committee to help make our pool and recreational areas more enjoyable, please contact Dianne

by email at ldwentzell@gmail.com. *Dianne Wentzell*, Chairperson Recreational Facilities Committee

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# Social Committee Corner



Nothing says summer like your feet in the sand and an ice cream in your hand! Get ready for fun in the sun. Were kicking it poolside... so jump in for a cool afternoon!

Catch a wave to WL Pool Party Luau! We can feel the breeze of the tropical seas at the community pool on Newport Shores. The islands may be far far away, but were bringing them to you for just one day!

We will have food, fun, while taking in the sun, music, and tropical delights to get the summer started off right! Be sure to bring your sun screen and towels-

*Kenya Castile* Social Committee Chair

For ideas, suggestions or volunteer opportunities please feel free to contact me at socialcommitteewindermerelakes@yahoo.com.



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#### Jersey Village Baptist Church Vacation Bible School

June 22-26



Take a thrilling ride across the land down under with The VBS Boomerang Express! As kids wind their way across Australia, they'll discover the vastness of God's love, and they'll learn that no matter where they go or what they do in life-it all comes back to Jesus. All children ages 4 (as of September 1, 2008) -5th Grade are invited to attend. VBS lasts from 9 am to 12 pm daily and is a FREE event.

# **Security Report**

Summer is here - School is Out! That means our children are having fun for the summer and will naturally be out and about the neighborhood. You can be sure the pool and playground areas are magnets for children during the summer.

Windermere residents are again cautioned to drive carefully within our community. Obey the posted speed limits and when entering Windermere, please be sure to come to complete stop at the signs. If you see other drivers violating these posted limits or stop signs, please give them a shout so they know there are children in our neighborhood to be concerned about.

As always, please be aware and on the lookout for any persons you believe to be suspicious and/or that do not appear to belong in our neighborhood, Please report them so they can be checked out by the proper authorities.

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Stay safe and keep a watchful eye on our neighborhood!

Tom DeJohn, Chairperson WL Security Committee



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#### Make sense?

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# Recipe of the Month:



#### **BASIC BARBECUE RUB:**

- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup sweet paprika
- 3 tablespoons freshly ground black pepper
- 3 tablespoons kosher or sea salt
- 1 tablespoon hickory salt
- 2 teaspoons garlic powder
- 2 teaspoons onion powder
- 2 teaspoons celery seeds
- 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Combine all the ingredients in a mixing bowl and stir to blend together. Store the rub in an airtight jar away from heat or light. It will keep for at least 6 months.

#### **COLA BARBECUE SAUCE:**

- 1 cup cola (recommended: Coca-Cola)
- 1 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon liquid smoke
- 3 tablespoon steak sauce (recommended: A-1 Steak Sauce)
- 1 teaspoon onion flakes
- 1 teaspoon garlic flakes
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Combine all the ingredients in a heavy non-reactive saucepan and gradually bring to a boil over medium heat. Reduce the heat slightly to obtain a gentle simmer. Simmer the sauce until reduced by 1/4, about 6 to 8 minutes. Use right away or transfer to a large jar, cool to room temperature, cover, and refrigerate. The sauce will keep for several months.

If you would like to submit YOUR recipe email it to newsletter@windermerelakes.net.

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# NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

FOR SALE - 7 Piece Dinette W/Glass Top. Windermere Resident - Contact: Ram Bhambhani 281-970-4647 or rambhambhani@hotmail.com

Having a Yard/Garage Sale ?? Let us know!

**Committee Members Wanted**.... If you would be interested in working on the Newsletter Committee and providing reports, articles and news for your block or lake, please contact Gerri Eubank at newsletter@windermerelakes.net

Have something to sell or want to give away?? The homeowners of Windermere Lakes can place their personal ads for free in our newsletter! Contact us at newsletter@ windermerelakes.net and we will contact you to obtain all the information so we can make it a win-win situation for everyone!

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## The Cy-Fair VFD Urges Citizens to be prepared for Hurricane Season

June 1st is the official start of Hurricane season and the Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department would like to urge all citizens to make sure they are prepared in the event a hurricane affects them this year. The best way to do this is to have a Disaster Supply Kit ready in advance. This kit should include at a minimum:

- □ Water –At least a five to seven day supply (one gallon per person per day)
- □ Food –At least a five to seven day supply of nonperishable/ canned food
  - (Change out stored water and food supplies every six months)
- □ First Aid Kit
- $\hfill\square$  Flashlight with extra batteries
- □ Battery powered radio
- □ Medications and special items (pain relievers, diapers, etc.)
- $\Box$  Tools and supplies
- □ Sanitation (toilet paper, personal hygiene items, etc.)
- $\hfill\square$  Change of clothes and bedding
- $\Box$  Cash
- □ Important documents (birth certificates, insurance/bank account information, etc.)
- □ Food, water, and medicine for your pets
- $\Box$  Kennels or crates for pets

You can also visit the Harris County Office of Emergency Management's website at: www.hcoem.org and clink on the right side link to natural disasters to access additional information on preparing for and dealing with hurricanes.

The Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department provides fire, rescue, and EMS services to 156 square miles of Northwest Harris County for the residents of Harris County Emergency Service District #9. By operating from 12 community based volunteer fire stations we are able to quickly and efficiently respond to help our neighbors in times of emergency.

For more information on the Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department or on how you can join the other 350 volunteers of our Department and be one of Cy-Fair's bravest call us at 281-656-3840 or visit us on the web at www.cyfairvfd.org. Located at FM 1960 & Hwy 290 (next to 1960 Family Practice) · 20320 Northwest Freeway # 550, Houston, TX 77065

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