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## 2012 LOE'S SANTA'S TOY DRIVE & PARTY

Children's Christmas Party and Toy Drive will be held on Friday, December 14, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse.

Santa has made his list and checked it twice and knows that the LOE children have all been nice!!! So bring your little ones over to take a picture with Santa and take a hayride around the neighborhood to see the Christmas lights. There will be hot chocolate, apple cider and Christmas cookies to share as well as other Holiday activities.

This party allows our residents to spread a little Holiday cheer and to donate toys to the less fortunate. So don't forget to bring a new, unwrapped toy to be donated to Toys for Tots while you get your picture taken with Santa for free. You may also make a cash donation to this very worthy cause.

We can always use volunteers to help with the pictures, coordinating, serving as well as cleanup. This would be a great opportunity for that high school student looking to do some volunteer work to put on their resume. If you would like to help with this event or want more details, please contact Georgia Shotwell Lester at (281)460-8505 or [gshotwell@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gshotwell@sbcglobal.net)



## LOE Christmas Decorating Contest

Do you and the kids like to drive around looking at Christmas Lights during the Holiday Season? For most of us the answer is a resounding YES! What a great way to get everyone in the Holiday Spirit. You could even walk and get yourself a little exercise too! We are looking for volunteers to help with the judging of the LOE decorating contest! This could be a great opportunity for a Girl Scout troop, Boy Scout troop, or kids club to help volunteer in the neighborhood and get community service points.

LOE will have a Christmas Lighting and Decorating Contest December 11th and 12th, 2012. We hope to have lots of good neighborly competition to give you plenty of beautiful decorations to look at here in Lakes on Eldridge.

We will present an award for best decorations in each Village on December 11th and on December 12th there will be "OVERALL BEST" awards presented. The awards for the decorated homes and yards will be judged on their design, layout and overall flow of the decorations. In the past years, LOE residents have done a tremendous job with Christmas Decorations and we look forward to seeing the whole neighborhood sparkle in Holiday Cheer!

Let's all get out and "Light up our Neighborhood! Winners will have a Sign placed in their yard showing Best Christmas Decorations 2012. The signs can be displayed until the end of January 2013.

Please note that Holiday lights and decorations must not be turned on before Thanksgiving and must be taken down no later than fifteen (15) days after Christmas.

We look forward to seeing your Holiday Spirit and want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Blessed and Happy Holiday Season!

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## November Yard Of The Month

### CALLOWAY / CORNELIUS GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

You still have one more month to be recognized as a Yard of the Month Winner! Take advantage of the cooler weather and rains to enhance your gardening skills. There is no better time than the fall season to enjoy the outdoors and your garden!

The following are our winners and honorable mentions for November:



Winner: Carolyn & Shelton Glenn, 5539 Evening Shore



Winner: Denise & Tommy Woodard, 5530 Chase Harbor

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Yard of The Month - (Continued from Page 2)

## CORRECTION WITH APOLOGIES TO OCTOBER YARD OF THE MONTH:



*Winner: Brady Reed & Laura Worley, 12707 Wilbury Park*

Congratulations to you all for a job well done!  
Winners, please allow 8 weeks for receiving your gift certificate from Cornelius.

## The Lakes on Eldridge Social Committee needs your HELP

The Lakes on Eldridge Social Committee needs your HELP! We are looking for volunteers to help with the Community events. The Holiday Season is upon us and we are looking for volunteers to help with the Community Christmas Party/Toy Drive and Christmas Decorating Contest. The Community events in the past have had a great turnout and were a lot of fun for the children as well as the adults. These events cannot be held or cannot be a success without Volunteers from the community.

If YOU would like to help with one of the upcoming events or want more details, please contact Georgia Shotwell at (281)460-8505 or at [gshotwell@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gshotwell@sbcglobal.net)

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## TIMELY TIPS FOR NOVEMBER GARDENERS

Home for the holidays... Get inspiration to transform your surroundings with a visit to Cornelius Nursery!

Cornelius Nursery will soon become a winter wonderland that will have you singing "There's no place like home for the holidays"! Get inspired by our selection of unique and festive décor that is sure to delight. Our "elves" have been hard at work creating the following holiday themes:

- Dear Santa celebrates yesteryear, with traditional colors and a vintage feel.
- Western Slope pays homage to the rugged beauty of the West, and features décor with brown, ivory and soft turquoise tones.
- Peppermint with a Twist will dazzle guest with red,

white and lime-green accents.

- Party at the North Pole is all about fun and whimsy, with festive décor and eye-popping colors.
- It's Christmas Time says "tick-tock"! We're counting down the hours until Christmas morning with this lighthearted clock theme.
- A Star in the East offers up elegant jewel tones and a joyful Nativity theme befitting the season.
- Heaven and Nature Sing commemorates nature's tranquil winter slumber—with garden statuary, beautiful birds and décor in soft green, brown and ivory.

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## *Our Adoptable Dog of the Month*

Kacie is a Lab / Border Collie mix. She is a fun-loving girl who loves people and does well with other dogs. She especially likes playing with her two foster sisters who are still pups. She is completely house-trained and is not crated when left alone. She is not an expert on a leash, but loves walks and is a very smart girl—she will learn quickly. She may even enjoy taking up jogging with a runner. Kacie is approximately 2 1/2 years old and weighs about 55 lbs. She is spayed, heartworm negative and up-to-date on her vaccinations. It took some time, but she has learned to live with cats, although still has her moments of wanting to chase them.

*If you are interested in meeting Kacie, please contact [cindi.bohle@c-a-m.com](mailto:cindi.bohle@c-a-m.com).*







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## WILEY COYOTE LURKING AT TURKEY CREEK AND THE WOODS

Though we live in a thriving metropolis, we also are surrounded by wild nature in the woods of the Addicks Reservoir. Hungry coyotes occupy our neighborhood as well as the woods. The drought of the past few years has killed off much of the small wildlife in the woods. The coyotes are stealing small animals, cats, small dogs, rabbits, and anyone else they can carry or drag away. Please do not leave your pets or small children in the yard unattended! Also, do not walk your small pets off leash. Coyotes are quick, stealthy, and very bold because they are hungry, which makes them unafraid of humans.

*Be alert, be safe, and please report any sightings to the "i-neighbor" website ([www.i-neighbors.org](http://www.i-neighbors.org)).*

## Book Club

We have some good books coming up! If you see anything you like, why don't you join us for one of our meetings? Contact Celeste Fritz at [celeste.fritz@gmail.com](mailto:celeste.fritz@gmail.com) to find the location of each meeting.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**October 22** - Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand. The newest book by the author of Seabiscuit tells the true story of Louis Zamperini, a 26-year-old airman who had overcome a troubled past to become an Olympic athlete. After his Army Air Corps bomber crashed into the Pacific, and 47 perilous days adrift on a raft, Zamperini and his companion survivor were rescued by the Japanese navy. He remained a prisoner of war until the end of hostilities. Now ninety-three, Louis Zamperini lives on.



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Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 22, 2012

Christmas Day – Tuesday, December 25, 2012

New Years Day – Tuesday January 2013

Memorial Day, Monday May 27, 2013

Independence Day - Thursday, July 4, 2013

Labor Day – Monday, September 2, 2013

Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 28, 2013

Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25, 2013

New Years Day – Wednesday January 2014

Service will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day. Have a Safe and GREEN Holiday!



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# TIME FOR A MARKET UPDATE!

Searching 5 months  
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	LOE		LOEN	
	# Sold	\$/ft.	# Sold	\$/ft.
3 Bedrooms	5	\$114.04	2	\$135.68
4 Bedrooms	16	\$118.17	33	\$124.84
5+ Bedrooms	2	\$130.51	12	\$135.73
1 Story	5	\$114.45	9	\$128.41
2 Story	18	\$119.42	38	\$128.00
Without Pool	12	\$109.90	28	\$118.60
With Pool	11	\$127.54	19	\$142.05
Built 1990-1999	20	\$116.96	0	\$0.00
Built After 2000	3	\$127.57	47	\$128.08
Never Lived In	0	-	0	-
1500-2000 sq. ft.	0	-	0	-
2000-2500 sq. ft.	2	\$111.50	0	\$0.00
2500-3000 sq. ft.	6	\$116.93	5	\$135.67
3000-3500 sq. ft.	8	\$112.05	17	\$118.43
3500-4000 sq. ft.	1	\$99.61	8	\$125.08
4000-4500 sq. ft.	5	\$132.69	7	\$123.86
4500+ sq. ft.	1	\$137.81	10	\$146.05
Waterfront	1	\$137.81	5	\$145.25
Waterview	3	\$121.70	5	\$144.86
Cul-de-sac	8	\$117.66	11	\$118.66
Other	11	\$116.15	26	\$125.54

All information obtained from HAR mls data.

**FACT:** In the last 5 months we had the best resale market ever recorded in LOE and LOEN!

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## Cypress-Tomball Democrats Oct. Meeting

The Cypress-Tomball Democrats next monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 6, will be an election night watch party at Rudy's Grill & Cantina, 11760 Grant Rd., Cypress, TX 77429, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

All are welcome to attend and join this growing club. For more information contact Olga Moya at [cytomdems@yahoo.com](mailto:cytomdems@yahoo.com).



## Cypress Christian School Upcoming Events

K-12 Fall Preview: On Thursday, November 8, from 7-8:30, prospective families will be given the opportunity to visit Cypress Christian School to gather information and tour of the campus. The Admissions Department will begin accepting applications for 2013-2014 on this date. For more information, visit [CypressChristian.org](http://CypressChristian.org) or call 281-469.7745.

Christmas Concert on December 6: You are invited to the Cypress Christian School Christmas concert, "Joy to the World," to join us as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Family members and friends will enjoy delightful performances by elementary, middle school, and high school students. The award-winning CCS Concert Choir will also present special music during the evening. Please invite family members and friends to join you for this joyful event on Thursday, December 6 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the main auditorium of Christ Church Baptist Fellowship at 12501 Champion Forest Drive in northwest Houston.

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## Houston F-Body First Anniversary Celebration

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A small admission fee of \$10 (\$15 on site) is required to reserve your registration. Please send your donations via PayPal to ‘PayPal@Houston-F-Body.org’, and please mark it as a gift. One paid admission entitles you to enter one car in the car show and receive two raffle tickets and two food tickets. Food (burgers, dogs and soda) will be provided to those who register. If you would like to bring something else, there will be an additional BBQ pit available. Come and be a part of HFB History!

Go to [www.houston-f-body.org](http://www.houston-f-body.org) for more information on the club and the event.

## Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club Registration

The Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club will celebrate its 26th Anniversary Season by hosting its annual free information and registration breakfast on Saturday, February 2nd, 2013, for all boys, girls and their parents who are interested in joining for the 2013 track season. The breakfast starts promptly at 8:30 AM at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center Forum located at 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX, 77379.

The free breakfast is the opportunity for youth athletes to register for the club’s 2013 spring/summer track season, and to meet the Northwest Flyers coaches, staff, and other new and returning athletes. The event will be highlighted by a special presentation from a member of the USA Track & Field Olympic organization. All new parents and athletes interested in joining the Northwest Flyers must attend.

The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a youth (ages 6 -18) track club, affiliated with USA Track & Field (USATF), that provides a full program of sanctioned “track” events such as sprints, hurdles, middle distance, distance and relays, and sanctioned “field” events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus and javelin. The Northwest Flyers has approximately 285 members, and was founded 26 years ago by Olympic gold medalist Fred Newhouse to foster the development of youth track & field in the Northwest Houston area.

The Northwest Flyers is a member of the “Win with Integrity” program, a partnership between USATF and the American College of Sports Medicine. “Win with Integrity” brings elite track & field athletes and school-aged kids together to promote healthy lifestyles, keeping active, and living with integrity through the sport of track & field.

For additional information on the Northwest Flyers Track Club, please visit the team website at [www.northwestflyers.org](http://www.northwestflyers.org), or contact Linette Roach at (281) 587-8442, [linette.roach@sbcglobe.com](mailto:linette.roach@sbcglobe.com).





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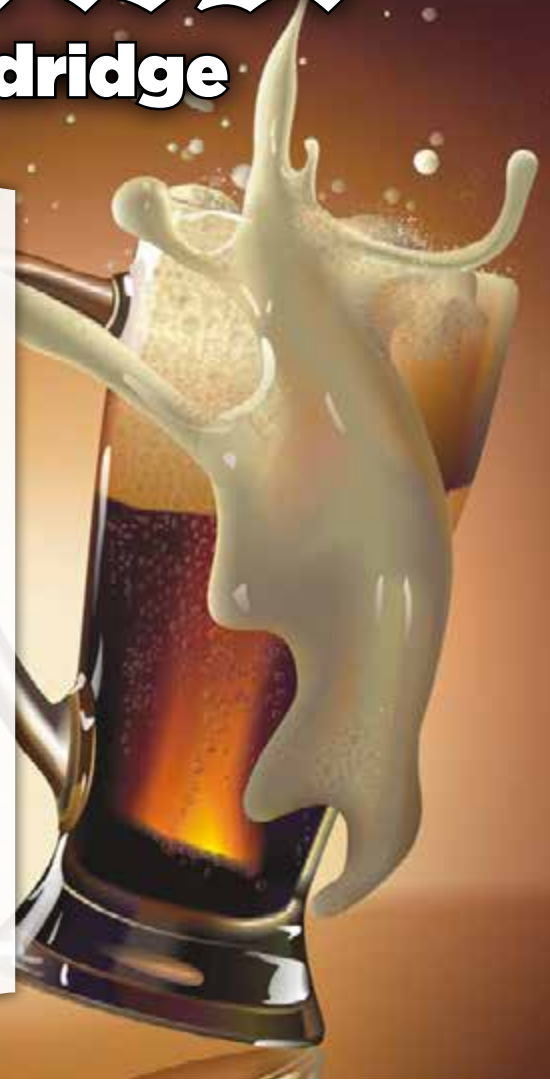
*"Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy."*

– Benjamin Franklin

Oktoberfest is next month. Round up your friends and neighbors and head to the Beach Club for Oktoberfest. Saint Arnold Brewing Company is treating Lakes on Eldridge homeowners to a beer tasting on Friday, November 2, 2012 at 7:30. Saint Arnold tasting glasses will be for sale for \$5 a person and the Saint Arnold crew will supply their 5 regular beers as well a seasonal offering for sampling.

Not familiar with Saint Arnold Brewery? From their website: "Saint Arnold Brewing Company, located in Houston, is Texas' Oldest Craft Brewery. Our goal is to brew world class beers and deliver them to our customers as fresh as possible making them the best beers in Texas. Our customers are beer lovers - people that appreciate great, full-flavored beers. Our small crew of seventeen does everything at the brewery: brew the beer, filter the beer, keg the beer, bottle the beer, sell the beer and drink the beer. For us, this is a passion, not a job. We believe that this comes through in the beers we make. Our beers have soul."

We are looking forward to seeing you there. It is a great chance to get out and meet your neighbors and support a local business. For more details or to RSVP please contact Melissa at 281-639-9287 or [melissa@melissahunzeker.com](mailto:melissa@melissahunzeker.com).



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## Electricity From The Sun

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It turns out you can easily get some estimates of the savings without having to know much about solar energy or contacting a solar installer or solar company. The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), operated by the US Department of Energy, has a website that allows anyone to calculate the amount of electricity generated by a PV (photovoltaic) system (a.k.a. solar panel array system). You can go to their website ‘[redc.nrel.gov](http://redc.nrel.gov)’ and look for the calculators. Or for your convenience, here is a shortened link that takes directly to the calculator for Houston: <http://goo.gl/bRurv>.

Once there, for your initial estimate you can use the default information presented and just click on “calculate” at the bottom. On the results page you will see that in Houston a south facing solar panel array (i.e., Array Azimuth = 180 degrees) that’s built for 4 kW of electricity generation is expected to generate 4879 kWh and save you \$473.26 in a year, if your rate is indeed 9.7 cents per kWh. If you want a better estimate, there are 3 main settings you can go back and change:

1. Array Azimuth in degrees.
2. DC Rating in kW.
3. Cost of Electricity in cents.

**Array Azimuth:** This is the direction the panel will face, expressed as degrees from north. South is best, because that gets it the most sunlight, hence the default value of 180 degrees. But if you cannot place it that way, southwest (225 degrees) or southeast (135 degrees) are second best.

**DC Rating:** This is the “size” in kW of your solar array, i.e., its capacity to generate electricity, which depends on the number of solar panels in your proposed system. The default of 4kW is the size of a typical roof installation. Adding solar panels to your array increases your upfront costs of course, but also increases the amount of electricity generated and therefore increases the potential savings.

**Cost of Electricity:** The default in the calculator is the Texas state average of 9.7 cents per kWh. If that is not what you are paying (or expect to pay) your electricity provider, change it accordingly to get a more realistic estimate.

When you are done you will have a fairly accurate prediction of the benefit of installing solar generation on your home, and you can start to consider whether doing so may make financial sense for you and your family. If you have any questions, please contact Chris lee at [leec89@gmail.com](mailto:leec89@gmail.com).

## Yoga Practice

*After a long day, come stretch & unwind with some gentle yoga.*

No experience or flexibility needed except for a willing heart and open mind, and it is open to all residents free of charge. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat (borrowing mats are available at the class). **Upcoming meetings will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Lakes on Eldridge Club House.** Contact Jennifer Adams, [adamsjjenn@gmail.com](mailto:adamsjjenn@gmail.com) and 832-628-5425 for more information.



## Stitch & Chat

Members of Stitch and Chat meet every Thursday from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the LOE Beach Club House. We knit, crochet, do needle point, embroidery, and counted cross stitch, plus mend items and sew on buttons that we have put off much too long. We make quilts for family members, shawls for cancer patients, and caps for newborn babies. We would love to have you join us for coffee and conversation. We would be happy to help you get started on any project that you have always wanted to do.

*You do not have to be a resident of Lakes on Eldridge to join us. For more information contact: Catherine Spellings at [CTSpellings@aol.com](mailto:CTSpellings@aol.com), or call 713-628-7083 or 713-896-1652.*

## Bunco Junkies

Members of Bunco Junkies meet & play at the LOE Beach Club House on the 1st Thursday of each month from 12 noon until 2 pm. We must have 12 players each month to be able to play. Please speak to your friends & neighbors and ask them to join us in this easy and fun game. Players do not have to be residents of Lakes on Eldridge to play.

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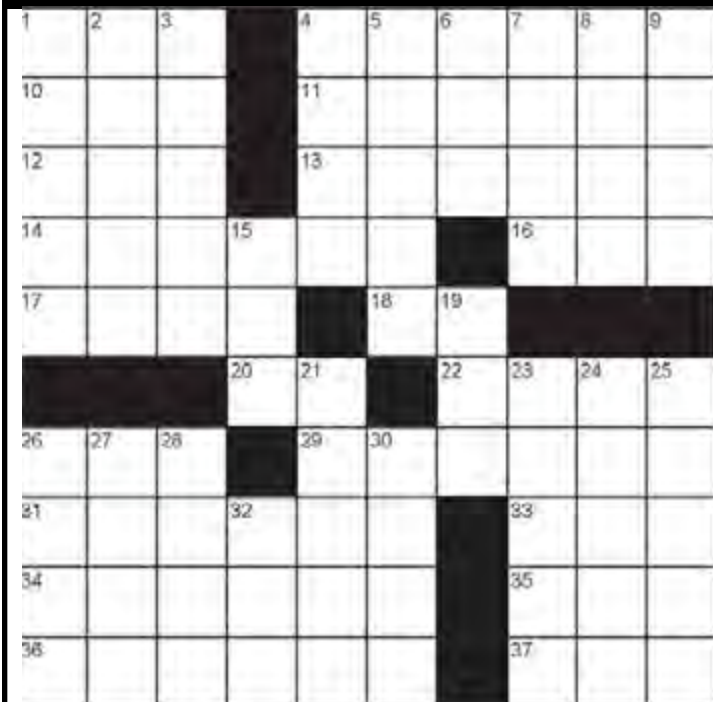
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4. Rolled up paper
10. Carry
11. Irrational fear
12. Wing
13. Animal disease
14. Gentle breeze
16. Eastern Time
17. Region
18. Military policeman (abbr.)
20. Deutschmark (abbr.)
22. Meat alternative
26. Slumber
29. Bayer's competitor
31. Pilot
33. Pull
34. Seed remover
35. East northeast
36. Gully
37. Little bit

### DOWN

1. Shopping mall
2. Swiss mathematician
3. Open
4. Energetic
5. Amulet
6. Fleece
7. Off-Broadway award
8. Fish stories
9. Endure
15. Held
19. School group
21. Nautical "friend"
23. Eight
24. Female singer \_\_\_ Apple
25. Single
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28. Landing
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