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NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO WINDERMERE LAKES NEWSLETTER

Official Newsletter of the Windermere Lakes HOA

The Windermere Lakes Newsletter is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Windermere Lakes residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information, and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports team, social group, etc., and would like to submit an article for the newsletter, you can do so online at www.PEELinc.com. Personal news (announcements, accolades/ honors/ celebrations, etc.) are also welcome as long as they are from area residents.

GO GREEN! Subscribe via Peelinc.com to have an email sent to you with a link to a PDF of the newsletter, or have an email sent to you instead of having a newsletter mailed to you!

Pet Waste Stations

Don't forget to use the new pet waste stations located in Windermere Lakes!

Please email Michelle Bright if any of the stations need attention. Thank you and happy dog walking!

Join NextDoor Today at https://nextdoor.com/windermere

A free online network for your community!

The goal is to connect with our neighbors to keep Windermere Lakes a place you love to call home. NextDoor has made it possible to take this goal to the next level! With NextDoor you can:

• Report lost pets

- Sell your used appliances
- Stay up to date on community events
- Or just chat with your neighbors

The benefits to NextDoor are endless! Please create your account today!



Visit your Community Website at www.
Windermerelakes.net for a quick overview of your association's operations, amenities access, and general services. Have the following access at your fingertips:

• Club H
Agreements
• Images of the following access at your fingertips:

Guidelines

- Amenities Information and Registration Forms
- Club House Rental Information and Agreements
- Images of the Club House
- Home Improvement Application and Guidelines
 - Vacation Watch
 - HOA News
 - Community Events

HOA INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President Raj Amin
- Vice President Aaron Duhon
- Treasurer Jose Villegas
- Secretary Hema Verma
- Director Kenneth Meyers

FIRSTSERVICE RESIDENTIAL TEAM

- Community Manager Jennifer Meador
- Service Specialist Michelle Bright
- Contact us at 713-932-1122 or email Jennifer.Meador@fsresidential.com or Michelle.Bright@fsresidential.com

COMMITTEES

- Security Ken Meyers\James Peiffer
- Lakes Aaron Duhon
- Landscape Aaron Duhon\Tim Henderson
- Pool Jose Vellagas\Lu Harrison
- Clubhouse Bill Wentzell
- Clubhouse Furniture Racheal Huber\Delisa Meyers
- Social Events Hema Verma\Darlene Lee
- Architectural Nick Nguyen

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Emergency/Ambulance	911
Fire Dept	
Sheriff's Dept.	713-221-6000

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Animal Control	281-999-3191
Center Point Gas	713-659-2111
Center Point (Street Lights)	713-207-2222
EDP Water - Mud #29	832-467-1599
Library	281-890-2665
Post Office	713-937-6827
Waste Management/Trash	713-686-666

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The 2016 Assessments will be charged to your account on January 1st, 2016 and will be considered late after January 31st, 2015.

Please contact FirstService Residential to obtain information about your assessment and/or make a payment at 713-932-1122 or by email at ar.tx@fsresidential.com.



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Easy Ways to Make Your Home Safe

A home should be a sanctuary and a safe haven. You can ensure that you and your loved ones remain out of harm's way in the precincts of your homestead.

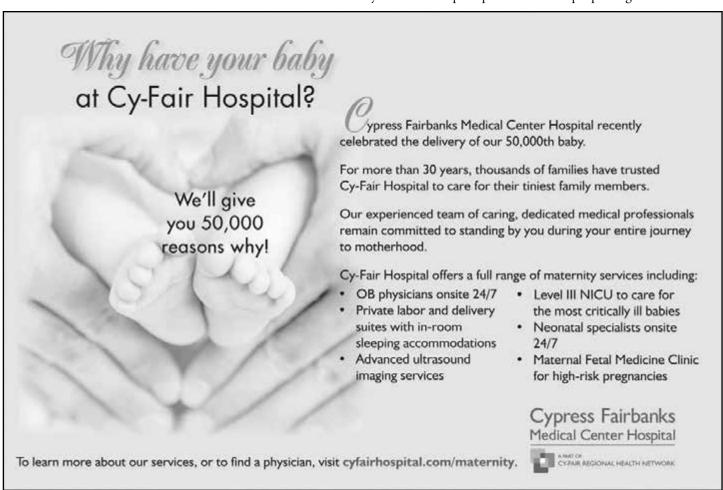
To avoid all kinds of accidents you should make it an accidentproof dwelling. It's really simple if you observe specific steps to keep mishaps at bay.

Here are 10 easy ways to make your home safe and secure. These will help you take care and protect yourself, family members and house-guests. Employ these effective tips:

- 1. Keep interiors and exteriors well lit. This is important at nighttime and also in winters when daylight is not very effective. Critical areas that need to be illuminated are the stairs, outdoors and foyers.
- 2. Never leave electrical problems pending at any point. The slightest fluctuation should be attended immediately. Make it a cardinal rule to switch off appliances after use.
- 3. Smoke alarms are a necessity and you must have the very best. Practice regular safety drills with your family to ensure awareness of procedures.

- 4. Keep ordinary appliances safely as they could be dangerous. Especially with kids around. Make electrical outlets safe by safety plugging and child proofing them. Keep sharp objects like scissors, knives, weapons and match boxes out of reach.
- 5. Ensure locks and bolts on doors and windows are in order and tamper-proof. Keep an eye out for suspicious characters and never invite strangers into your home. Teach your children not to entertain queries from strangers.
- 6. Do not share information about working or school hours. Teach family members to avoid telling people about schedules and routines. Do not put personal information online and never respond to voicemails.
- 7. The risk of accidents goes up when you are getting maintenance or repair work done. Ensure safety and precaution and be prepared to react quickly to accidents or injuries.
- 8. Do not attempt repair work of appliances involving undue risk. Many home accidents are the result of improper tampering with tools like lawnmowers and trimmers.
- 9. Maintain caution when driving vehicles in or out of your home. If you are backing the car up, watch out for children and pets on the road.

Make sure you don't leave stuff on stairs that may cause people to trip and fall. Be watchful when clearing snow from pathways that you do not heap it up in areas where people might walk.



"SPRINGTAILS"

Springtails are very small, jumping insects that can sometimes become a problem inside homes. Springtails are usually found in areas of moisture, so indoors they may located near potted plants, sinks, bath tubs or kitchen compost areas. These insects are typically found outside in gardens, near swimming pools or near where there is excessive moisture or standing water.

Springtails are small (about 1/16 of an inch long), wingless and come in various colors. These insects have a "tail" that latches into a space on the underside of the body that they can use to "jump" several inches into the air.

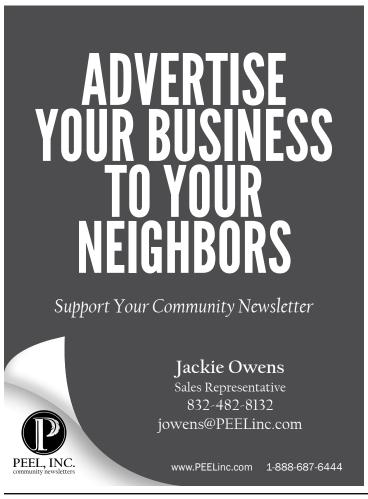
Springtails are considered a nuisance insect, but some may chew on roots and leaves of sapling plants. They usually do not cause enough damage to warrant control measures to be taken. If you have springtails in your home it points to a moisture problem that should be fixed.



Options for helping reduce springtail problems:

- Remove excessive mulch and/ or leaf litter near the home
- Change watering schedule to reduce the amount of moisture near the home
 - Use fans or dehumidifiers to reduce moisture indoors
- Seal cracks, crevices, pipe & wire penetrations on the outside of the home
- Replace or repair any screening on doors and windows that is damaged
- Replace weather stripping around doors and windows that does not provide a good seal
 - Suck up any indoor infestations with a vacuum

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com





The Benefits of Hosting Span Borders

Traveling the world and experiencing new cultures is something many dream of but few are able to do. Hosting an Ayusa exchange student provides the opportunity to experience the world while bringing other benefits to their family and local community.

For schools, opening their doors to an exchange student provides their students the opportunity to experience new cultures and expand their understanding of the global society. Not only will students be able to expand their circle of friends, they will be able to reference different perspectives of world events. The new perspectives that both local and exchange students gain through the exchange experience are invaluable for the ever-expanding global community.

Ayusa exchange students are eager to learn and participate in school and community programs. They take their role as ambassadors for their country seriously. Ayusa students are not simply bystanders to their program year; they are active participants looking to make a difference in their host school and community.

Aysua exchange students are strong academic performers, wellrounded, and open-minded. Prospective students go through an extensive interview process in their home countries and are evaluated for maturity, strength of goals, leadership skills, and

academic background. Ayusa honors all school enrollment standards, academic requirements and student placement criteria specified in school or district policies.

Host families also reap the benefits of opening their home by sharing their America. When they share with their exchange student, they are also able to see America with fresh eyes through the student. Families often learn new things about the U.S. and have different perspectives after hosting. The experiences and memories that are shared during the program last a lifetime and span international borders.

For more information about hosting a high school foreign exchange student, please contact your local representative Vicki Odom at 832.455.7881 or HYPERLINK "mailto:vodom@ayusa. org" vodom@ayusa.org or Ayusa at 1.888.552.9872 or by visiting the website at www.ayusa.org.

ABOUT AYUSA

Ayusa is a non-profit educational organization that promotes global learning and leadership through foreign exchange and leadership program programs for high school students from around the world. Ayusa offers unique, richly personal cross-cultural experiences for students, volunteer host families, schools, and local communities.



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Roles: Stimulate new advertising accounts in our community newsletters. Maintain current accounts assigned to you by Sales Manager. Service your accounts by assisting them from ad design to final proof approval.

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