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Diwali Event

Dear Neighbors,

We at WLS are fortunate to have variety of cultures / communities within our community. We would like each community within our community to showcase their culture by celebrating different cultural events...In that spirit, I am pleased to announce that this year we will celebrate Indian Cultural Event - "Diwali" on Friday Oct 28th. The Diwali function will include typical Indian prayer, cultural activities and dinner.

I am thankful to Pushpa and Arun Prakash who have gracefully accepted the lead responsibilities for the Diwali Celebration. We would like to solicit volunteers for planning and execution of the events and activities. Please contact Pushpa & Arun Prakash at 281-890-8710 if you would like to volunteer.

Please note the event will be open to WLS residents who have purchased tickets in advance. The tickets will be \$15 / person and will be available from Mr. & Mrs. Prakash and myself starting 1 Sept through Oct 15th, 2016.

More event details will be published later....stay tuned to Nextdoor. If you are not registered on Nextdoor yet - Please do so and enjoy the community blog and e-socialize with neighbors in the beautiful Windermere Lakes.

Hope to hear from you on Nextdoor. Raj Amin President of WLHOA

Eight Reasons Why You Should Leash Your Doggie

1. Be a good neighbor. Not everyone likes dogs. Some cultures perceive dogs in ways that may differ from your own so even a friendly dog running up to them is very distressing. Someone truly afraid may act out of fear and injure your dog.

2. People can be injured by loose dogs. Whether intentional or not your dog could bite, knock over, or injure someone

3. Loose dogs get into more fights with dogs and other animals. An off-leash dog could wander into another animal's territory provoking a fight.

4. Wildlife has a place too. Your best friend can become nature's enemy if taken off a leash and allowed to run free. Dogs that leave trails destroy the homes of ground-nesting birds, stress small mammals, destroy plants, leave feces that disrupts the natural balance of the ecosystem, and they are susceptible to the rabies virus through wildlife they may encounter.

5. Leashed dogs don't get run over. A leash can help you pull your dog to safety when a driver is too close. On the other hand, unleashed dogs can cause car accidents when drivers try to avoid hitting a loose dog.

6. Lowers costly veterinary bills. Dogs are known to eat many things they shouldn't and roaming dogs could drink contaminated water, tread through pesticides, be exposed to ticks, poison oak, or plants that have thorns and burrs.

7. Unleashed dogs eliminate at will. This will make you very unpopular with your neighbors. Owners that do not scoop will incur a fine. Dog that are not dewormed completely leave, parasitic worm eggs can be transmitted from feces to humans causing blindness.

8. It is a good birth control device. Leashing is one of the best ways to preventing random mating and unwanted puppies.

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HOA INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

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- Lakes Aaron Duhon
- Landscape Aaron Duhon\Tim Henderson
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- Clubhouse Lu Harrison
- Clubhouse Furniture Racheal Huber\Delisa Meyers
- Social Events Hema Verma\Darlene Lee
- Architectural Nick Nguyen

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Animal Control	
Center Point Gas	713-659-2111
Center Point (Street Lights)	713-207-2222
EDP Water - Mud #29	
Library	
Post Office	
Waste Management/Trash	713-686-666

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Windermere Lakes Homeowners Association, Inc. Facilities Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION TO ENSURE ACCURACY:

Address:	
Cell Phone:	Alt/Home Phone:
Email Address:	
OWN: Purchase Date:	
RENT: Owner's Name & Address:	

PLEASE LIST ALL NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS RESIDENING FULL TIME AT THIS PROPERTY:

FIRST & LAST NAME	AGE	HAIR	EYES	HGT	MEDICAL

PLEASE LIST AN EMERGENCY CONTACT:

NAME:	PHONE:				
<u>Please mail the completed for to:</u> Windermere Lakes Homeowners Association, Inc. 5295 Hollister St. Houston, TX 77040	Alternate Options: Fax: 888-569-1155 Email: ContactUS.TX@FSResidential.com				
ACCESS CARD:ACCESS CARD:					
SIGNATURE: PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE I					
LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTER	NDED IN THE POOL.				

Community Permits and Tags

Fishing Tags

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Each residence shall be given two orange Fishing Tags that must be carried at all time when fishing off public docs in our community. Police do not know who lives here and are instructed to stop and check at random for Orange Fishing permits that show you are a resident of Windermere Lakes. NO TAG=NO FISHING. If caught without a fishing tag, you will be asked to stop fishing immediately and return home to retrieve your fishing tag.

Fishing License Permits

Windermere Lakes is considered a private lake operating under the guidance and jurisdiction of the Wildlife and Fisheries Department and because of this you're "Fishing License" must be current. You can be fined if caught fishing off public or personal docks without a current license.

Parking Tags

Each car that is parked in the Windermere Lakes Community must have a Round Parking Permit on: Back windshield- middle top position of the car. This allows patrolling officers to know if a strange car is in our community. If checked the cars must be registered at your address as the owner and operator.

Boat Tags

Boat Tags are very important as many times boats become untied and float off to other areas of the lake. Lake rules imply that if a boat is found, it is kept for 30 days. If not claimed by its owner, the boat will be considered free property. Same rules apply to boars that are left to sink, damaged or deserted.

Missing your Boat? Post it on NextDoor!



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Windermere Lakes NON-MOTORIZED BOAT REGISTRATION

Owner of Boat				
Address				
Alternate Address (if applicable)				
Home Phone	Cell Phone			
Email Address (s)				
Owner of Residence (if different than Boat)				
Address				
Alternate Address (if applicable)				
Home Phone	Cell Phone			
Email Address (s)				
BOAT INFORMATION				
Туре				
Other Special Notation(s):				

I have received a copy of the *Rules & Regulations Relating To Boats, Docks and the Use of The Recreational Lake at Windermere Lakes.* Failure to abide by the Rules and Regulations relating to the use of the recreational lake by any operator may result in fines and/or legal action.

Owner of Water Craft Signature

Date

Disclaimer: This registration and inspection process is to provide documentation for the Windermere Lakes Homeowners Association that the property owner registering the above referenced water craft has complied with the recorded Rules and Regulations for the Recreation Lake in the Windermere Lakes Community, as those rules and regulations relate to the type and size of water craft. The inspection and registration process does not however provide any warranty or certification to the safety of the water craft or the ability of the owner of said craft for its proper operation.



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TENNIS TIPS

By USPTA/PTR Master Professional - Owner, Manager and Director of Tennis Grey Rock Tennis Club, Austin, TX



How to execute The Backhand Service Return

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to hit a forehand groundstroke, a two-handed backhand, one-handed backhand, forehand volley, the two handed backhand volley, the serve, the forehand half-volley, the one-handed backhand volley, the overhead "smash" and the forehand service return.

In this issue, I will offer you instructions on how to execute the second most important shot in the game of tennis: The Service Return, since it is the response to the first most important shot of the game: The Serve. In the illustrations, Susan Herb, player at the Grey Rock Tennis Club, shows the proper technique to execute this stroke.

Step 1: The Ready Position: When Susan is getting ready to return the serve, her eyes are focused on the tennis ball held by the opponent. Knees are relaxed and the hands are holding the racket with a relaxed grip.

Step 2: The Back Swing: Once Susan realizes that the ball has been directed to her forehand, she will turn her upper body and will take the racket back. Notice that the left hand is up in front to allow her to keep her center of gravity in the center. She has loaded her weight on her left foot and will be ready to step forward to meet the ball.

Step 3: The Point of Contact: Susan now is ready to step into the ball. She has kept her eye on the ball and her center of gravity now is shifted to the point of contact. Notice the right knee being slightly bent and the right foot is pointing to the ball meeting the racket.

Step 5: The Follow Through: Once Susan has finished her stroke, the momentum of the racket continues to move almost to a point behind her neck. Her left hand is next to her body and her left elbow is pointing toward her target. Her body is now ready to take the "split step" with both feet in order to prepare for the opponent's returned shot.

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Association Crime Stoppers

Everyone wants a safe place to call home, and our association strives to make all residents feel secure. While we're diligent in our efforts to reduce possible dangers in our community, we can't do it alone. It's up to everyone to pitch in to keep crime rates down. Thankfully, taking a few simple steps can go a long way in keeping theft, vandalism and other felonies and misdemeanors out of the association.

Know Your Neighbors. And not just the neighbors on your block, but also the neighbors from all parts of the association. At the very least, you'll get a better idea of who actually lives (and in turn, who belongs) here. Talking with your neighbors will also give you the chance to find out if there have noticed any crimes or suspicious activity in the association recently so that you can be on the lookout as well. Consider creating and distributing a block list with everyone's contact information on your block so that you and your neighbors can alert each other of any problems that arise.

Leave The Light On. A good way to deter felons from breaking into your home is to make sure your front porch light stays on all night, even when you're out of town. Not only does it signal that someone's home, it also makes it harder for vandals to hide among the shadows. If you're worried that you'll either forget to turn the light on at night or off in the morning, you can purchase an inexpensive timer that will automatically do that for you every day. Also, if you see any street lights around the association that are burnt out, please contact https://slo.centerpointenergy.com/ or let the clubhouse know as soon as possible so that we can replace them for everyone's safety.

Lock Up. If you want to keep unwanted guests out, don't make your home inviting. Even when you're around, it's best to keep all gates, doors and garages locked at all times. It's also a good idea to keep your windows closed and locked when possible, especially if they're on the ground floor.

Put On Your Walking Shoes. Taking as stroll around the association isn't just good exercise. You can casually patrol the community for anything suspicious or usual, as well as swap notes about criminal activity in the area with other neighbors who are out and about. Also, when more residents regularly walk around the association, it can help scare off hooligans who are afraid of getting caught in the act.

Clean It Up. Picking up litter, removing graffiti and keeping trees, bushes and lawns trimmed not only makes the association look better, but also sends the message that our residents are diligent about keeping the neighborhood a respectable place to live. This can help discourage troublemakers from hanging around our community and encourage responsible and involved people to move to the association.

See Something, Say Something. If you notice a crime or a suspicious activity, regardless of how small the incident may seem, notify your local precinct or notify 911. Keep in mind that our local precinct is already in our area. List this number under A911 on your phone for easy access.

We all have a responsibility to our community to help keep it safe, and incorporating even a few of these tips can go a long way. Do your part to make our association a place you're happy to call home.



Cloudy with a Chance of Technology

We all know about the clouds that shade the sun and carry rain. Now it's time to get to know the other cloud—the one that delivers computing power, handy applications, and the ability to share information with others wherever and whenever you need. Like the atmospheric mass that provides its name, the technological phenomenon impacts our daily lives.

Cloud computing sounds mysterious and untrustworthy, but chances are you're already working, playing and surfing in the cloud. If you've purchased an iPhone, Kindle, or any smartphone, tablet or computer recently, you're probably taking advantage of its benefits. If you've downloaded a song from the Internet, chatted on Skype or purchased something from Amazon.com, you've used the cloud.

So, what does the cloud mean to you, and how can you harness its power?

It means you can pay your assessments online. You can access association documents and board meeting minutes from wherever you are. It might also mean, for the owners of second homes, that you can tune in to board meetings from the other side of the country.

It means you can work from a remote office without losing a beat. You can collaborate with others on a document without having to e-mail the file back and forth. You can store photos, music and files online without taking up precious space on your computer.

The cloud offers cheaper, stress-free alternatives to expensive hardware and maintenance. All you really need to take advantage of the cloud is reliable Internet access, but you should carefully consider security, privacy, the provider's reliability and contract terms first.

How secure is your data and information on the cloud? What privacy rules are you subject to? Some cloud services include clauses that allow providers to access and use a customer's data —often for marketing purposes—and can retain that data long after you're done using the service.

What if the company providing the cloud service goes out of business? What happens to all your information? Do contact terms lock you into one program or application?

These are important questions to ask. And though the cloud is relatively new, it's here to stay and will become even more prevalent over time. To see a list of cloud computing providers, visit http:// cloud-computing.findthebest.com.



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