

Sky Lakes Community News

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Water Quality at Sky Lakes

Sky Lakes is committed to providing high quality and safe drinking water. The water board conducts many tests each year. This week you should have received information in the mail regarding one recent test that resulted in a higher lead content than the TCEQ standard. A letter from the water board and a brochure called "Lead in Drinking Water" were sent with your water bill. To keep you informed, this communication and any updates will be posted on the skylakes.com website under the Sky Lakes Water Supply Corporation section and also on the Facebook page. The water board is taking measures to investigate and ensure that the community water continues to be of high quality and safe. If you have any questions, you may call the customer service line at 972-221-7808.

Thanksgiving History

Did You Know...

- Abraham Lincoln established Thanksgiving as a National holiday in 1863?
- Swanson created TV dinners in 1953 because they misjudged the number of turkeys needed for Thanksgiving?
- The turkey was almost our country's national bird? Ben Franklin said it was a "much more respectable bird" than the eagle which was noted as having "bad moral character".
- President Franklin D. Roosevelt restored Thursday before last of November as Thanksgiving Day in the year 1939. He did so to make the Christmas shopping season longer and thus stimulate the economy of the state.

Get Connected

Get the latest news about the community through the following social networking options:

- Visit our website at www.skylakes.com
- Like our page on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/wallerccskylakes>
- Email us at contact@skylakes.com

Important numbers:

For Emergencies, dial 911

Waller Police Dept
Phone: [\(936\) 372-2525](tel:(936) 372-2525)

Waller County Sheriff
Phone: [\(979\) 826-8282](tel:(979) 826-8282)

Waller County Constable
Phone: [\(281\) 934-3055](tel:(281) 934-3055)

5 Minute Fudge Wreath**Ingredients**

1 bag semi sweet chocolate chips, 12 ounces
3/4 bag butterscotch chips, 9 ounces
1 can sweetened condensed milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 cup currants
1 cup lightly toasted walnuts
Butter
Candied red and green cherries to garnish wreathes

Grease an 8-9 inch cake pan. Add all chips, milk, vanilla to large heavy pot over low heat, melt, add currants and walnuts. Wrap the empty condensed milk can with plastic and place center of pan, fill pan with fudge. Do not smooth the top – let the wreath be bumpy and irregular in surface. Decorate with cut red and green cherries to look like holly bunches and chill. Remove from pan, remove can, platter and serve in very thin slices. - See more at: http://www.rachaelrayshow.com/recipe/16933_5_Minute_Fudge_Wreath/#sthash.y2TNdpBr.dpuf

Holiday Traveling Safety Tips

Traveling for the holidays can add a lot of stress to the season. Here are a few tips to reduce stress and make the time with your family more enjoyable.

1. Plan your route and your schedule. There are several apps you can use: Triplt, TripAdvisor or TripCase are just a few.
2. Check the weather and road conditions so you can limit obstacles and delays. Plan an alternate route through areas that commonly have road closures this time of year. Google Maps or Waze are navigation apps you can download and monitor traffic conditions on your phone.
3. If driving, have your car serviced and pack an emergency kit including blankets, water and snacks.
4. If flying, leave for the airport at least an hour earlier than normal to manage traffic, parking and security checkpoints.
5. Pack as light as possible.
6. Consider shipping gifts to your destination and wrap them once you arrive.

Sky Lakes Social Club

The ladies of Sky Lakes gather monthly for dinner on the second Tuesday of the month. The annual Christmas Party will be held on December 8. The location has not been decided yet.

Email skylakesocial@aol.com to join and get community news and notices.

Pet Corner

If you are traveling with your pet, go to www.tripswithpets.com for tips.

All pets should be on a leash when outside of your home or fenced yard area in the community. This is for their protection as well as respect for your neighbors. When walking your pets, please kindly clean up after them as a responsible pet owner. Thank you.