

Lake Jane Estates Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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Greetings to all,

My wife and I recently returned from a mission trip to Kenya and Kuwait. It is definitely a bit warmer there than it is here. Just a few notes from the winter season:

- Unless you tell us otherwise, Lake Jane is moving forward with **electronic only** copies of the newsletter. Many of you already receive the newsletter this way. Included with the print version of this newsletter is a pre-stamped postcard. Please indicate your preference and drop the card in the mail back to us.
- The water main project is in full swing. For the duration of the project, the parking next to the swimming pool is open if you have any difficulty in accessing your own property. Parking is at your own risk.
- The Jensen lawsuit is back at the Court of Appeals as he appealed following his loss at district court.
- Our Lake, Park and Pool Committees continue to work diligently to make our neighborhood a better place.

Are you interested in a **paid part time position**? We have an opening for the Assistant Board Secretary. Please contact Mark (mjsnell85@gmail.com) for further details. Must be a member in good standing. Resume required.

Howdy, Neighbor

When I moved in to Lake Jane as a first-time homeowner nearly 5 years ago, I had expectations my neighbors would drop by - curious to find out who had moved in - and introduce themselves. When that didn't happen, I arranged an open house and invited my neighbors: only one neighbor came. After two years living here, and only knowing the neighbors immediately surrounding me, I joined the Lake Jane Board in part to meet others. Since then, I've found my situation isn't uncommon.

One of my goals on the board is to change this. Many of you have had a Lake Jane board member stop by to ask for your email address, or had a letter left on your doorstep. We are collecting emails to help our community be better connected and keep each other informed about what is happening in our neighborhood. If someone loses an animal, or is having a garage sale, or has a car vandalized, we'll soon have an opt-in distribution list to share that with the Lake Jane Community.

Virtual relationships only go so far, however. Strong communities are still where neighbors know one another and feel comfortable helping one another or asking for help. To grow our community, we would like to begin two efforts: a neighbor watch and a street block gathering.

The neighbor watch means knowing who your immediate neighbors are - the 5 or 6 houses around you - and watching out for one another. Lake Jane had a rash of vandalism this past summer. I can't help but think some of this might have been stopped, or the vandals caught, if we were more aware of our neighbors.

The street block gathering would be neighbors on the same street getting together for a social evening to meet and mingle. It could be at someone's house; as the weather gets warmer, it could be in someone's front yard, or even at the Lake Jane Park.

To make this happen, we need volunteers. As I went street-to-street canvassing for people's emails, all of the neighbors I met were nice, and many of them expressed the same desire: they wished they knew their neighbors better. Now is your chance! Are you willing to contact the neighbors on your street and get to know them? Are you a neighbor willing to get to know the other households on your street?

If you're willing to talk to your neighbors, please contact me at amkdavidson@gmail.com or call me at 425-246-3581. Better yet, feel free to stop by. I'm at 6503 188th St., and I'd be pleased to meet you.

-- Anne-Marie Davidson

PARK REPORT

IMPROVED LAKE JANE BALLFIELD READY FOR USE

This summer LJE rebuilt the baseball infield and laid it out to little league measurements.

People are taking notice of the improvements. Already there have been some inquiries about taking reservation overages from the City of Bonney Lake. We improved the ball field primarily for the use of LJE members, and **WE WANT LJE MEMBERS TO HAVE FIRST CHANCE AT RESERVING THE FIELD.**

If you think that our community ball field might work for your team, please contact us. The fee for reserving the ball field is \$7 per two hour period or \$35 for

the day. Additional requirements for reserving the ball field are on the website, www.lakejane.org, under park reservations. We also have a website calendar that shows reservations.

In addition, by August 2011, we hope to have laid out a soccer practice field and acquired a set of soccer goals. We have seen three sizes of soccer goals at Allan Yorke park, 9', 12' & 18' wide. For neighborhood kids to have pickup soccer games, we think it would be nice if the kids could move the goals into the proper position by themselves. Give us some ideas on the size of goals you think most appropriate. We welcome any ideas on where to find the heavy duty types of goals like the ones at Allan Yorke park.

LAKE REPORT

This is a great time for homeowners on the lake to spruce up their beach and remove any unwanted plant life before things really take off this spring and summer. This will help us avoid an expensive late treatment this summer. We have had an unusual and abundant growth of grass and weeds on the swimming beach. We plan to have this removed and some new sand added before summer.

We will again be recruiting lake water quality monitors. Training will be provided. This is a great community volunteer opportunity for anyone who likes to get out on the lake and for high school students who are interested in community service credit. We monitor twice a month from May through October. We usually monitor on Sundays

between noon and 3 pm. Data and water samples are then sent to a lab for evaluation. If interested please call Lenore at 253 863-



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As our last newsletter reported, we have started implementing a monthly password for our members to know. As you are fishing or boating, please know the password

of the month. Then if you are approached by one of the HOA's volunteers checking to see if you are a member you will pass the test and not be asked to leave the area. We have had some success in using this method of security. We appreciate your cooperation. This protects the investment in stocking the lake and allows for more friendly visitors. Here are the next 4 months of passwords. Please keep them secret: only your family should know. Thank you.

Lake Passwords:

March: Luck of the Irish
April: Victory
May: Bloom
June: Summer is here.

FOUND

In mid November 2010, a green plastic canoe (Pelican brand) was found drifting on Lake Jane at the outlet end of the lake. It was bearing on the float line cable, so the canoe was removed from the water and locked up on the swimming beach. If it belongs to you, please contact us.

POOL REPORT

LIFEGUARDS NEEDED

Anyone interested in being a summer lifeguard must take a Life Saving Course before the pool opens in June. There is usually a course offered during Spring.

Applicants must also have a current CPR and First Aid card. Please pick up a job application from Bob Garrison @253-318-8625 or Yvonne Snell @ 253-321-2187. **We will schedule interviews the beginning of May.**

POOL HUT WORKERS NEEDED

We would also like to hire pool hut workers. If you are 14 - 15 years old and are flexible with your schedule, call to pick up an application. Applicants are encouraged to get current CPR and First Aid cards.

The fire department offers free classes every month.

POOL SCHEDULE

Opening: Saturday, June 18- Monday, September 5

SWIM LESSONS

June 27 - July 8 (No lessons on July 4)

July 18 - 28

August 1 - 11

August 15 - 25

DAILY SCHEDULE

Noon - 6 pm Open Swim

6 pm - 7 pm Family Swim

7 pm - 8 pm Adult Swim & Mon/Wed Aerobic Swim

POOL RENTAL

Availability begins Saturday, June 18 - Monday, September 5 during off hours.

Applications can be picked up at the pool during pool hours or downloaded off of the LJE website.

We would like to remind you of some of the lake rules that help us maintain a healthy lake.

1. NO MOTORS of any kind may be used on the lake, except by security and maintenance.
2. FISHING REGULATIONS:
 - A. Daily catch and possession limits:
 - Trout – 5 fish per day, over 6' length
 - Bass – 5 fish per day, over 6" length
 - Catfish and Bluegills – no limit as to size or amount.
 - Grass Carp – 0 per day-restricted! (The carp help maintain a healthy balance. So, If you accidently hook one, please carefully take it off the hook and throw it back. Thank you.)
 - A limit of bass may be taken in addition to a limit of trout.
 - B. A restocking fee of \$3 per day, per guest, will be charged. (May be deposited in box on park side of bridge.) Limit of two guests per membership. Member must be with his or her guests while fishing. Same fishing limits apply to guests.
 - C. Only one pole or line per member or guest is allowed and must be attended at all times. Unattended lines will be confiscated. Fishing from the bridge must not obstruct foot or boat traffic.
 - D. No frogs may be killed or taken from Lake Debra Jane Lake. Also please protect egg masses as we need more frogs in the lake in order to maintain a good ecological balance.
3. Swimming in Lake Debra Jane is at your own risk. **NO LIFEGUARD IS PROVIDED.**
4. Members and approved member-designated tenants are responsible for the conduct of their family and guests and must accompany all family members and guests using community facilities.
5. No diving or jumping is allowed from the bridge.
6. Throwing or dumping debris into Lake Jane is prohibited.
7. No watercraft may be stored or moored overnight on Lake Jane Property.
8. No plant, fish, animal, or waterfowl may be introduced into, or cultivated, or kept in the waters or on the shoreline of Lake Debra Jane without permission of the Board of Trustees.

(For complete text of these rules please see website for revised rules and regulations.)

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Anytime you have a name change, phone number change, switching from living in Lake Jane Estates to renting your home out in Lake Jane, or divorce/marriage then please contact the Treasurer so your records can be updated. We do not sell our members information and only use it for Lake Jane business.

Also please remember us when you are selling your home and include our dues in your escrow process.

Call 253-863-1250. Thank you!