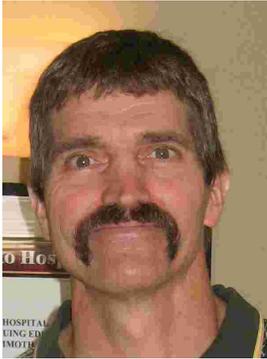




# Fall Newsletter 2014

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Board President Mark Snell

Hope you have been enjoying this wonderful summer weather. We have had some great times swimming in the lake.

We plan to make another attempt to change the Bylaws. Don't be surprised when members come by with proxies. We need to change several items, including the date of the annual meeting.

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Picture of Lower Park—Fall 2005

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 Asst. 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!

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## LAKE REPORT

Our lake ecology is dependent on many things, including annual weather conditions, air and water temperatures, and animals and people who live in, on, or near it. Some years require little maintenance and other years require more. Many years require no chemical treatments, or only a spot treatment.

This year we have needed a blanket treatment and it is very expensive. This was caused by some very invasive plants which could eventually clog and take over the lake. They are namely Brasinia (lily pad type plants) which we have had for years and they usually need to be treated every year or two, and Broadleaf pond weed (this plant is usually introduced into the lake by ducks which like to eat its seeds). We have only had the Broadleaf pond weed for a few years and have kept it at bay for the last two years.

Another intruder, bladder wort, was discovered last summer and identified too late to treat. Bladder wort is usually introduced into lakes from boats that have been used in a lake that has it. It is an extremely invasive plant and can take over a small lake in a year. To make matters worse this summer, the pump saver device which keeps the well pump (which contributes some fresh water into the lake during the summer months) from going out had to be replaced after about 20 years of use. Therefore we have had a very troublesome year. Hopefully we won't have another one for many years to come.

Many plants that we see in the lake are ecologically good plants, such as filamentous algae and elodea. These plants tend to hold down the types of algae that can come to the top and produce toxins.

Homeowners can help by not feeding the wildlife and keeping litter out of the lake and away from the beaches. Those who have homes on the lake can keep an area of lake friendly plants along the water's edge and raking their beaches out for 2 or 3 feet. They can also refrain from using toxic chemicals on their lawns adjacent to the lake.

If you wish to know more about lake plants, lake wildlife, or maintenance of the lake and islands call Lenore at any time.

I wish to thank our teen workers who I supervise, Tyrus Antonius, Makenzie Campbell, Dylan Kilmurray, Caden Retzlaff, and Megan Van Dusen. They work hard to keep our park and beaches clean and safe for all of us to enjoy.

Here are the lake passwords for the next few months:

September - Here we go again!

October - October Fest

November - Give Thanks

December - Santa Trout

January - Lonely Duck

February - Muskrat Love

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## PARK REPORT

It has been a very nice summer so far - hope everyone is staying cool.

The new roof on the shelter and the new picnic benches have been holding up great!

Vandalism has still been going on so to help cut down on that we have hired a private security firm, Washington Patrol Division, to patrol our neighborhood.

Also remember park hours are 7am to 10pm, March through September and 7am to 6pm, October through February.

Members can reserve the park shelter by going to the Lake Jane web site ([lakejane.org](http://lakejane.org)), click on Park, under Facilities. Fill out the Park reservation form and follow all instructions. Call Melissa at 891-0602 for more information. Park fees are a \$35.00 rental fee and a refundable \$100.00 deposit.

We live in a beautiful place. The park is there for all to enjoy. Please help us keep it clean.

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## POOL REPORT

A beautiful sunny season at the pool has just ended. We got a chance to see many kids learn how to swim and dive for the first time.

Session 1: 46 kids, Session 2: 62 kids, Session 3: 54 kids, Session 4: 87 kids, Session 5: 83 kids..

A special thanks to our teachers and helpers: Cameron, Nate, Melody, Dominic, Kristen E, Kaylee, James, Yvonne, Kristen R, Kiley, Elly and Kennedee.

The pool pump room is going to undergo some work this fall. There is a large hole under a grate that does not go anywhere and the Health Dept. has informed us we need to take care of this. It will need to be filled in and have updated drainage added

**Water Aerobic Teacher Needed:** Anyone interested volunteering to lead an adult aerobic class in the pool during the 2015 season? Contact the pool committee.

**Do you want to be a lifeguard in 2015?** Anyone 16 or older by June of 2015 can become a lifeguard. Plan ahead and get qualified next spring by taking a lifeguarding course. We will interview and hire lifeguards, hut workers, and park workers next May. Hut and park workers need to be 14 and 15 years old. Hut workers are encouraged to take CPR and first aid classes.

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## JEFF'S CORNER

Summer is winding down and all our facilities are in working order. We had a few repairs, but everything is still humming. We also had an excellent crew of pool and park workers who let me know when something needed attention.

As you probably read in the Park report, the Board decided to hire a security firm because of the continuing vandalism. We think that a consistent visible presence of this security firm, The Washington Patrol Division, will deter the vandalism.

Several times per week after dark, a security officer will do a walk around of our parks and boat launch area. The patrols will occur on random days at random time. More attention paid to weekends.

If a security officer finds anybody in the park after hours those people will be asked to leave the park immediately. If there is any resistance to the officers request to leave, the officer will not hesitate to call the police. If the officer observes any naughty activity, pictures, names and license plates will be taken if possible, and the police called.

The officer will also drive through different sections of LJE at random. If suspicious activity is observed the police will be called.

The Facilities Manager and Chairperson of the Park Committee will receive regular patrol reports of the park by email, weekly or more often if necessary. If a pattern of vandalism recurs we will adjust the timing of the patrols.

Our aim is to keep the vandals guessing when the security patrol will happen. When someone is caught, word will get around.

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