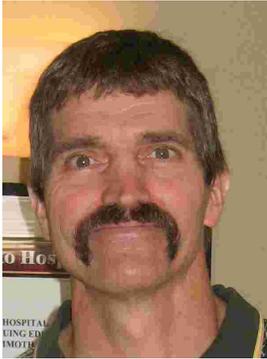




Fall Newsletter 2015

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Board President Mark Snell

This summer has definitely been a warm one.

We did not get enough proxies, so none of the amendments passed. I did enjoy getting to meet a lot of you I have never met before by going door to door.

Because of the proxies we did obtain, we were able to fulfill a quorum, so we elected the board of trustees and passed the previous minutes from 2003, our last meeting with a quorum.

We would like to thank Dan Beebe for his service on the board of trustees where he served on the Lake committee.

We would also like to welcome Kelly McClimans to the board of trustees where he will serve on the Park committee.

Kelly filled the vacant spot on the board and the rest of the board of trustees remains the same, although some will change committees. They will all serve for four years.

Any questions about this, please contact me.

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New Collection Policy

In an effort to collect unpaid membership dues, and to encourage all members to pay their dues in a more timely manner the Collection Policy has been changed. These changes became effective July 1st, 2015.

Late fee is increased to \$50.00 at one month late. This is a one time, yearly charge.

Interest of 1% per month (12% per year), will be charged to all accounts past due one month.

Liens will be placed on Members properties at one year past due.

Member accounts will be sent to our Attorney for collections at 2 years past due.

Member accounts will be sent to a Collections Agency of the boards choosing for collections at 3 years past due.

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!

LAKE REPORT

It has been great to see and meet so many of our homeowners enjoying the lake this summer. We have had numerous row boats, pedal boats, kayaks, paddle boards and swimmers having fun on the lake every day.

Our lake is in very good health considering the unusually dry and hot summer. As you may remember we had to have a very expensive complete treatment of the lake late last summer to control some very invasive weeds, namely bladderwort, broadleaf pond weed, and Brasinia. Other than a few plants of Brasinia, I have found no sign of bladderwort and broadleaf pond weed this summer.

The lake level is very low due to the dry weather and evaporation. You will see lots of filamentous algae floating which is actually a good thing. This algae tends to hold down the kind of algae that can become toxic. Although I have been checking almost daily for any signs of toxic algae there has been none. We are hopeful that we will not need even a spot treatment this year.

Several home owners on the lake have contacted me to see if they can rake the elodea algae from their beach. Elodea is another good algae which is also beneficial to the lake ecology. It not only provides shelter for the fish but also keeps the kind of algae that can become toxic down. Fall is a good time to rake your beach out a little more than the six feet allowed for your dock. This enables a much nicer swimming and wading beach to enjoy.

We may have to delay the fall fish plant depending on the condition of the lake at that time.

We would like to thank all of you for helping to keep litter out of the lake, refraining from feeding the ducks and geese so they will migrate as they should, not using toxic chemicals on your lawns adjacent to the lake, challenging poachers, and keeping an area of lake friendly plants along the water's edge where possible.

A big thank you to our teen park and lake workers, Nolan Avery, Cheyenne Bell, Korey Rager, and Jayce Rohde who have worked hard this summer to keep our beaches and park clean and safe for all of us to enjoy.

We would like to welcome Todd Offner to the Lake Committee.

PARK REPORT

The park was used many times over the summer for parties and just having fun.

Please remember to keep the park clean by picking up after yourself!

Vandalism in the park has continued but has decreased. If anyone has witnessed any vandalism in the park, lake, or pool, please contact a board member or report any suspicious activity to the police.

We have changed the park hours. Make sure you know when the park is closed and when you need to have your car removed from the parking lot so you don't get locked in!

New Park hours for the upper park – Summer hours March through September 7:00am to 10:00pm and Winter hours October through February 7:00am to 6:00pm and new hours for the lower park – Summer hours March through September 7:00am to dusk and Winter hours October through February 7:00am to 6:00pm.

We would like to welcome Kelly McClimans and Michael Farmer to the Park Committee.

POOL REPORT

The pool season is coming to an end. We have had beautiful weather this season. Swimming lessons are ending and we had about 380 kids this year. I want to give a special thank you to our teachers and helpers: Cameron, Dakotah, Jerica, Kristin, Nate, Cody, Paige, Caden, Katrina, Elly, Kennedee, Hanna, and Jenna.

We have had no vandalism this year.

Do you want to be a lifeguard in 2016? Anyone 16 or older by June of 2016 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 spring. Hut and park workers need to be 14 and 15 years old.

A goodbye and a thank you to Michael Farmer for serving on the pool committee.

A warm welcome to his wife, Mandi Farmer for joining the pool committee.

JEFF'S CORNER

Wow, it's been a hot dry summer. We have done our best to keep the newly planted trees and shrubs watered and healthy. Our ball field is very dormant from lack of rain. On the plus side, the dandelions have had a rough go too.

Our baseball infield got some extra "infield mix" dirt in the late spring. That made for a nicer playing surface that should withstand the winter rains and stay in pretty good shape for early spring practice 2016.

The lake is at least 15" low. This is the lowest mark in recent memory. The well pump has been running since June. Its operation was briefly interrupted when a dead tree fell on the electrical power line. With the help of Jim Snyder and Fred Wells the dead wood was removed from the line, as well as a few more dead trees soon to fall. After a bit of work on the power mast, Puget Power was called for a re-connect.

This pump brings fresh water into the lake from a deep well. It runs for a couple hours 6 times a day on a 24 hr. timer. It doesn't fill the lake, nor can it keep up with evaporation. But this introduction of fresh water is one small thing we do to help keep toxic algae blooms from happening.

The equipment at the pool functioned flawlessly this summer. Due to the abundance of warm sunny weather this was a record year for the use of chlorine and PH control agents. Our young pool staff did a fine job of keeping things safe for all users.

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