

statements regarding how members are assessed. The process to get the bylaws changed is difficult, since it requires a majority of members to pass a change. The proxies would be limited to the bylaw changes proposed. The plan to get the bylaws changed is to identify the changes, then collect enough proxies to get them changed. The rough timeline for this plan is to identify the bylaw changes by the first of the year, and then collect proxies the rest of the year. In this way I hope to give people a chance to understand and provide input to what is changing, without spending hours and hours at an annual meeting.

Before closing I would like to inform all members that we are still experiencing vandalism at the upper and lower parks. I am looking into getting some around-the-clock security cameras. I believe that we can stop this vandalism and the investment in the security cameras will save a lot of time, and money over the years.

2000/2001 Officers and Board Members

President: Kelly McClimans 863-2834 Vice President: Wendy Schwartznau 863-5740

Treasurer: Beth Schaan 863-7026 Secretary: Lorine Hegel 863-7564

Lake Committee: Dave McIntyre 862-9525; Dan Maez 863-9677; Roger Tolman 891-2850

Park Committee: Suzy King 863-0067; Kirby Kilmurray 891-9256; Mary Bushnell 863-8982

Pool Committee: Tonya Tinsley 863-8790; Elizabeth Wright 826-5191; Jill Lepper 891-0432

PARK REPORT

Our main goal continues to be maintaining our beautiful parks and facilities for the enjoyment of all members.

Our lawn and landscaping contract has been negotiated with New Dimensions whose length and time is July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003.

The park reservations this summer totalled eleven, four of which were by non-profit organizations. Our current reservation form and fees are being reviewed and updated. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions please contact one of us.

As vandalism in our parks continue, we ask each of you that when you see any suspicious activities taking place, please call one of us at our home phone number if you yourself feel uncomfortable dealing with the situation. Let's all help stop vandalism!!

Many thanks to our volunteer Lake Jane Patrol who give us their time to stop inappropriate behavior at the parks. You are making a difference!

The park committee would like to thank Roy and Carol Voelker for all their hard work of repairing and repainting the lower park shelter and the picnic table too.

LAKE REPORT

The Lake Committee consists of three Lake Jane Members. Roger Tolman (Lake Chairman—term 2001 to 2004), Dan Maez (term: 1999 to 2003) and Dave McIntyre (term: 2001 to 2005). The Pump and Lake Outlet will be monitored by Roger Tolman, the Island Maintenance and Fish Plants will be monitored by Dave McIntyre and the Lake Management (treatments) will be monitored by Dan Maez.

Lake Committee meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at Dave McIntyre's home. Any one interested in attending may call Roger Tolman at 891-2850.

Lake— The Lake has had its final Sonar Treatment. The Elodea and Brasonia in the lake have diminished significantly. The Bacteria in Lake Jane hit an all-time low this year, due to the low foul and vegetation. The Sonar treatments were expensive, but last two years. Primarily, the costs of two Aquathol treatments (every year treatment) equal the same as one Sonar Treatment. The Sonar treatments are working extremely well in Lake Jane. As future predicts, we may not have to treat Lake Jane until 2003 for extensive vegetation growth.

Islands— The islands are a constant issue with the Lake Committee. We appreciate all the help with volunteer parties, however, please do not attempt trimming these islands without first obtaining approval of the Lake Committee. These islands are to be a natural habitat for animals, as well as a park-like setting for our community to visit and enjoy. Islands trimmings are scheduled for 4 times each year. The next scheduled trimming is in October. We have noticed a resident muskrat and a Blue Heron on the islands. In addition, we have also noticed 1 Eagle, 2 Hawks, a Seagull and several crows that inhabit our islands. We wish to keep these birds residing at our islands, and not jeopardize their habitat, but in addition, maintain the islands as they were intended 50 years ago. This can be done with both interests involved. We will continue to maintain the growth and activity that each island presents to our community.

Fish Plants— The next fish plant is schedule for October. MEMBERS... be prepared that there will be an EXTENSIVE FISH PATROLLING of Lake Jane during this time. There is a \$2.00 guest fee for any person fishing WITH a Lake Jane Member. If there is no member present, the guest will be asked to leave. Police may be called and charges may be filed if a non-member is caught fishing from Lake Jane as it is considered trespassing on LJ property. Please tell your child that his "friends" are not allowed to fish in the lake unless he/she is with them and a guest fee is paid.

Maintenance— There are several maintenance issues being addressed. First, several signs have been recently posted on the bridge and beach. However unsightly they may be, these signs are required by our insurance company to reduce any liability to LJE in the case of an accident. Please have your children read and obey these signs as they are only for their protection. In addition, painting of the beach swings is to be completed in the next few weeks. Your membership dues are at work... Come take a look at the beach!!

Lastly, we wish to recognize all ideas, concerns and suggestions as your Lake Committee. Please feel free to contact any or all with any concerns you have regarding the Lake or Islands.

POOL REPORT

We had another successful summer at the Lake Jane Pool with the pool officially closing on Labor Day, September 3, 2001. The swim lessons, water aerobics and Teen Night were their usual big hit and many Lake Jane Estates members participated. We look forward to these activities continuing next year and we are always open to new ideas.

At the annual meeting two new pool committee members were voted in. Jill Lepper and Elizabeth Wright along with Tonya Tinsley are the pool committee for the next few years. We are full of ideas and eager for the pool to open next summer. We anticipate reopening the pool the last day of school in June. Prior to opening the pool, we would like to get the Pool Hut repainted and touch up the changing room floors. We will be having a couple of work parties in the spring to get these jobs done. If you are interested in helping with the pool projects or you know of someone interested in being a lifeguard next summer, please refer them to Tonya Tinsley.

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September 2001

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Kelly McClimans

I am pleased to report that Lake Jane Estates is working well as of September 20, 2001. The Annual Meeting was held on July 29th of this year. We had a quorum at the meeting, and passed a few critical items. First, the membership voted to continue with the legal action to prevent unauthorized subdivision of property. Second, the annual dues were raised to \$215 a year. While the increase is unfortunate it is the result of increasing cost for services, energy, and water. Finally, a special assessment of \$25 was approved. The special assessment will ensure that we can cover our operating expenses, and emergency repairs. Historically the association has spent about \$10,000 to \$25,000 for repairs to the swimming pool, the bridge, or well that feeds the lake.

The issues concerning the Estates are the legal action to prevent subdivision, the cities' Comprehensive Plan amendment, assessment of multiple lot owners, and the revision of the bylaws.

The legal action to prevent subdivision has moved forward. The board directed the attorney to file the appeal on the Land Use Petition Act. The board gave this direction based on the vote taken at the annual meeting that indicated that the association supported pursuing an appeal. We will publish the dates relative to the appeal on the association's web page. The board also elected Keith Arionus to the Executive Secretary position so that he could be the interface for the legal proceedings. I think this is an excellent move since Keith was the president when the legal action began and is the most knowledgeable on the subject.

The Bonney Lake Planning Commission reviewed a Comprehensive Plan amendment that proposed adding a new residential zoning for low-density housing. The zoning would place a 20,000 square foot minimum lot size restriction on lots within Lake Jane Estates. The Planning Commission is recommending the amendment not be adopted. The city council realized that this issue is important to the members of Lake Jane Estates so they held a public hearing on this issue. (Actually, they had a public meeting but did not satisfy the legal requirements for notifying the public so they held a second hearing.) The second hearing was held Tuesday, September 25, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. In my opinion, Lake Jane Estates was very well represented at the hearings. We had many members state their support for the amendment, and provided a petition with over 40 member's signatures.

The association has a number of members that own multiple lots who may or may not be assessed for both lots. The board voted to assess all owners of multiple lots for each lot owned, as outlined in the bylaws. Well, this caused a few members some consternation. I have, therefore, asked the finance committee to consider the problem. The concern is that we treat all members with multiple lots equitably and according to our bylaws. The finance committee is having the appropriate sections of the bylaws interpreted by legal council to ensure that a fair and accurate decision is made. I anticipate that the board will have the finance committee's recommendation at the November meeting. Until then, anyone with more than one lot will be assessed for each lot owned.

The bylaws of the association need to be amended for several reasons: date of annual meeting is awkward, they are out of date with Washington State guidelines, and there are some ambiguous

COMMUNITY CORNER

2001 Fright Fest. Enchanted Village is offering a new attraction. It's called the 2001 Fright Fest! This special Haunted Attraction is happening each Friday, Saturday and Sunday in the month of October. The amusement rides will be open and additional family fun planned are Pumpkin Painting, Clown shows, Hypnotist Shows, Magic Shows, A Hay Maze, A Haunted House and Trick-or-Treating. General Admission Tickets are \$17.40, however, LJE can offer them to you at a discount rate of only \$13.00!! (And no waiting in lines!!) Make sure to visit one of the newest, biggest and best haunted events in town!! Enjoy a night of terrifying thrills hidden behind every corner!! Call Wendy Schwartznau at 863-5740 to purchase your tickets. Make checks payable to Lake Jane Estates. We have plenty of tickets so invite all your family and friends to enjoy this special Halloween event!! (There will be a \$10.00 NSF fee on all returned checks. Please no calls after 8:00 PM.)

Mark your calendar and plan to attend Lake Jane Estates' 2nd Annual Holiday Caroling and Hayride with Santa on December 19th from 6:30-8:30 pm at the upper park near the pool. Watch your mail for a reminder postcard and complete details. If you are interested in helping with the Community Committee or you know of someone new moving into Lake Jane Estates please call Tonya Tinsley so that we can welcome them to the neighborhood.

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