

LAKE JANE ESTATES
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Kelly McClimans

Well, winter seems all but gone, and we look forward to spring with eagerness. Remember to take advantage of all of the Lake Jane Estates facilities. You can go fishing, play tennis, basketball, baseball, and horseshoes at our two parks. If you have not been to either of our parks, I strongly recommend that you take the time to visit them. The bridge over the lake in the lower park is lovely in the evening. The view of Mt. Rainier is fabulous as the sun is setting.

On a more serious note, we continue to be victims of vandalism. The swing in the lower park was taken apart, and the picnic area in the upper park was sprayed with, of all things, "Pruning Sealer". Some say there is no way of stopping vandalism, but I don't agree. I believe that most of this is perpetrated by young children and that when we teach our children to appreciate the parks they will prevent vandalism by influencing their friends, and reporting any vandalism they see. Adult members need to watch for suspicious activity also and continue to clean up the messes and fix the damage. Working together, we can protect our parks.

With respect to the association's effort to prevent unauthorized short platting, in January, Judge Orlando dismissed our request for "Injunctive Relief". In response to this, the board organized a special meeting to inform the members what the situation was to determine the next course of action. There were not enough members at the meeting to make it official, so a formal vote by the membership could not be taken. There were about 60 members represented at the meeting and we needed over 120 to form a quorum. Therefore, after much thought, the board voted to appeal the dismissal at the February board meeting. The bottom line is that we are not done with this process yet and will endeavor to keep the membership informed of new developments.

In closing, I want to encourage all the members to come and enjoy the Easter egg hunt and keep an eye on our web site: www.lakejane.org, for work parties and make plans for the annual meeting. Please, mark your calendars for the annual meeting on July 28th at 2:00 p.m. We need 221 members to change some of the out-dated by-laws. We want to change the by-law that requires the annual meeting to be held in July, so future meetings can be held in September, which should encourage better attendance in the years to come. **YOU** can make Lake Jane Estates the community you want by coming to the annual meeting, voting, and even joining the board.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Wendy Schwartznau

I wanted to take a moment and WELCOME all those new Homeowners to Lake Jane. We have a great community, and want to extend a warm welcome to each of you to the area. For those that may know of a new neighbor, please call Tonya Tinsley, who is in charge of our "Welcoming Committee" at 863-8790.

The Lake Jane Board Members and Officers have had to make some difficult decisions these past few months. We appreciate and want to thank all those that take the time to attend our meetings. We want, and need, your input. Even though the outcome may not always be the way we would like, our freedom of choice is being exercised and in our democratic society, that is how we conduct business. At the Annual Meeting each year, we elect new Officers and Board Members that their terms have expired. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for July 28th, 2002 and any member that is interested in being a Board Member or Officer may want to attend a meeting or two to become familiar with responsibilities. The next Board Meeting will be on March 21st. We welcome all guests and encourage your attendance. Please feel free to call any Board Member or Officer to inquire about attending a Board meeting. Both the secretary and treasurer positions will be open for the coming year. If you or anyone you know living in Lake Jane are interested in either of these positions, please contact a board member for more information on these PAID positions.

Our country has seen and experienced much devastation with the happenings on September 11th. It has affected each of us in different ways. This country came together like never before to show that we are strong and we will prevail in times of peril. But as our country faces many new challenges, so does our community. Lake Jane is a great community. We need to work together to make it the best place for our children to grow up and enjoy. Get to know your neighbors. If you see suspicious activity, report it to the police. Go for a walk and pick up litter. Speak to your children about respecting other people's property. Vandalism still continues to be a major cost for our community and we need ALL of your eyes and ears to help us stop it.

2001/2002 Officers and Board Members

President: Kelly McClimans 826-2834 Vice President: Wendy Schwartzman 863-5740

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

Lake Committee: Dave McIntyre 862-9525; Roger Tolman 891-2850

Park Committee: Suzy King 826-0067; Kirby Kilmurray 891-9256; Mary Bushnell 863-8982

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

LAKE REPORT

We are almost through winter and looking forward to another summer to enjoy our lake. Our winter island trimming has been completed. We feel that the islands are shaping up. The lake committee is trying to ensure that they are kept trimmed and beautiful for everyone to enjoy. As spring approaches and more people are out on the lake and in the parks, please help keep our neighborhood clean by taking your trash with you. The lake committee would also like to thank those members who help by reporting their concerns regarding the lake.

POOL REPORT

We look forward to the pool opening when school is out. Lifeguard interviewing for the summer of 2002 will begin in April. If you are interested in being a lifeguard or volunteering to help get the pool ready, please contact one of the Pool committee members on the Lake Jane line (253) 863-1250.

There will be at least one work party to get the pool ready to open this summer and volunteers are needed.

ARE YOU GETTING READY TO BUILD?

Please remember to have your building plans checked by the architecture committee prior to building within Lake Jane Estates. This includes docks, houses, and garages. The architecture committee members are Terry Hegel and Dennis Fite. You can reach Terry or Dennis at the Lake Jane phone line at (253) 863-1250.

LET'S KEEP OUR COMMUNITY CLEAN! A lot of garbage has collected in the streets around the neighborhood this winter. If everyone could just pick up litter in front of their own property it would surely make a difference. **THANK YOU!**

COMMUNITY CORNER

Mark your calendar for the second Annual Lake Jane Easter Egg Hunt. The fun begins on March 23, 2002 at 10:30 AM in the upper park near the picnic shelter. Kids should bring their favorite basket and hunt for the Easter Bunny's eggs in the park.

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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