

THE R.O.L.L.

Report of Leisure Lake

Happy Holidays



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THE PRESIDENT'S POINT



Season's Greetings to everyone! Let's all look forward to a time where the pandemic is under control, and we can again meet for fun, friendship and great food at our monthly potlucks and socials in this wonderful community. I hope you will drop in at our holiday open house (see below). Stay safe, social distance, and wear your mask.

President Chuck Gentry

'TIS THE SEASON

It's already beginning to look a lot like Christmas in the neighborhood. Houses are decorated and it's a great time to take walk and see all the twinkling lights. Unfortunately, there will be no Christmas brunch this year. However, it's your board's pleasure to host a come-and-go open house on



12-12 (that's December 12th)

Come say hello to neighbors, enjoy Mimosas and Muffins, and get a chance to win a Christmas present from Santa. Invitations will be emailed very soon with all the details.

LEISURE LAKE ANNUAL MEETING 2021

As you start your 2021 calendar, jot down the annual meeting on January 26. Because of Covid, reports and detailed information will be emailed. The meeting will be brief and paperless, but it is required to be held per the covenants. The board wants to address your questions and concerns in a safe manner, so call the Helpline (251-955-1228) or email (llbod@outlook.com) and we will return your call. If you aren't comfortable attending, the minutes will be posted on the website. There are no major issues at hand and the board will be

heading full steam into 2021. The dues will not increase, the financial picture is sound, we'll finish the year under budget. Priscilla Chamblin's board term is expiring and as she steps down, two new candidates will be welcomed as Board Members (see below). Watch for information via email before the end of the month.

CANDIDATES FOR B.O.D.

Our community is blessed to have two owners graciously stepping up to join your Board of Directors next year. Mr. Ken Taylor, who lives on Placid with his wife, Alice and who is relatively new to our community, will bring many fresh ideas to the table from his past professional experience.

Also, Ms. Jane Tyler, a long-time resident on Tranquil will join your board. Her longevity in Leisure Lake can help identify and solve problems that may arise. Jane has been serving on the A.R.C. properly improvement committee for several years.

The Board of Directors is fortunate to find these individuals willing to help keep Leisure Lake a great place to live. Watch for introductions to them in a future issue.

ACTIVITIES



Pickleball: There are more and more trying Pickle ball as weather cools. It's played several days after lunch, so come see if you can hit the ball. It's easier than you think, like stand-up ping pong! The court is smaller than tennis; 2 players per side. Someone will loan you a paddle, and get you started. Who's

ready for some fun, social-distanced, low-key exercise?

Dominoes: It's such fun playing Mexican Train style, and beginners are always welcome. If you'd like to be notified when it starts, call the HelpLine. Hopefully...next month!



Bunko: This is a long-standing tradition in Leisure Lake. It's fast moving, played with nine dice, no skills and a whole lot of luck to score points rolling dice. Played at tables of 4 with a sub list. Call the HelpLine to get information.

DO YOUR DUES

You'll receive your invoice for 2021 dues soon and thanks to good money management, there is no increase! The convenience of paying the yearly \$420 is now an option for you (or you may defer half until June with no fee). Records are being updated for 2021 and it's important yours are current in case of emergency. Contact the association if (1) *personal information changed* (2) *you currently or intend to rent your house and didn't receive a packet of info recently*, (3) *didn't get your new pool gate key card* or (4) *for security, you live elsewhere a good portion of the year and your house sits vacant*.

CLUBHOUSE

Still plenty of time and dates open to reserve the clubhouse for your private party with ample space for social distancing. It's free to reserve with a \$75 refundable clean-up deposit. Why not invite friends over for a distanced holiday get together.

POOL REPAIRS COMPLETE

The pool contractor is wrapping up repairing equipment and cleaning the pool out. It has returned to its beautiful color. We're fortunate the damage incurred was not catastrophic. Although the pool remains closed until spring, it's certainly nice to see it sparkle in the sunshine.



MEET A VOLUNTEER

Applause for Tom Roberts, who serves on the Lake Committee. Fishing is something he and his wife, Becky love to do, and frequently have good luck off the gazebo.

He likes to piddle around in their yard and has been on Tranquil for 3 years. Tom encourages others to help out, and says, "**the more volunteers we have in our community, the better it will be for all of us.**"



December 5 is National Volunteer Day. There are several slots for helping hands in 2021. Do you have a little time to share? Come lend a hand.

OUR BEAUTIFUL LAKE



Lake Dredging

Lake Committee has met with the dredger, and work is scheduled for this month around the gazebo and boat launch. The lake's water level was down due to 6 weeks without measurable rain. Look around docks and bulkheads, where it's down about 2", and on the west walkway the water's edge has moved approx. 6" horizontally away from the bulkhead. Note that 6" horizontally isn't 6" of depth, just a water level gauge in shallow areas. This affects fishing, as more shoreline is exposed, minnows and smaller fish are forced into closer proximity to their predators. As the baitfish population decreases, the gamefish population is more likely to take artificial baits.

From Ryland Murden, Lake Committee Chairman

"DID YOU KNOW"

The winter solstice is almost upon us...December 21 is the first day of winter and the shortest of the year. It's an astronomical event, based on the Earth's tilt away from the sun, when the tilt of the North Pole is farthest from the sun, causing less light to reach the northern hemisphere.

Although it may feel gloomy to have so much darkness, all hope isn't lost. After Dec. 21 each day will grow longer and the nights shorter as we get closer to welcoming spring!

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 5- National Volunteer Day
December 25 – Christmas Day
December 30 – New Years Eve