

Summit Lake Community Association

Newsletter

August - September 2020







Whether it's sailing on our crystal clear water, or seeing the magnificence of a rainbow during an occasional summer or fall rain, Summit Lake has a special beauty that is appreciated by all its residents.



SLCA Upcoming Events

Note: All scheduled events subject to change or cancellation due to COVID19 guidelines

- SLCA General meeting Friday, October 2 Meeting 7:00 pm (Officer and Board Nominations) Meeting will be a virtual meeting streamed live on Facebook hosted at the Boy Scout camp facility.
- Pinochle meeting Wednesday, October 7 & 21 7:00 Community Clubhouse
- SLCA General Meeting Friday, November 6 Potluck 6:30 pm / Meeting 7:00 pm (Finalize Officer and Board Nominations & Elections) - Community Clubhouse
- Santa Visit Saturday, December 12 10:00—11:30 am Community Clubhouse

A note from the Editor: If you have comments or suggested input to the newsletter, please contact me at summitlakenews@gmail.com. I'm always looking for decent photos to use in the newsletter!



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The advertisers in this newsletter are interested in our community. Please give them your support.

If you are a business owner that provides services to residents in the Summit Lake area, there is always room to advertise in the SLCA Newsletter. The cost is \$100 per year for the



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SLCA 2020 OFFICERS and TRUSTEES

The following is the SLCA board elected for the 2020 calendar year.

President: Craig Edwards - craigipe@yahoo.com

Vice President: Dwayne Swenson - dwayne@mscwashington.com

Secretary: Joni Fuchs - <u>summitlakeslca@gmail.com</u>

Treasurer: David Dishman - SLCAtreasurer@gmail.com

Trustees (two-year terms): Debbie White, Duane Inglin, Richelle Gonzales

Trustee (one-year term): Terry Brannberg

Trustee (temporary): Melissa Neff

Note: As of August 1, Bart Collins and Ronni Collins resigned as VP and Treasurer as they are moving away from the lake. They have been replaced by Dwayne Swenson and David Dishman respectively, as appointed by the President and approved by the SLCA Board. Dwayne's Trustee position will be filled for the remainder of the year by Melissa Neff.

SLCA Needs and Opportunities

There are several areas of current needs for volunteer support to the SLCA:

Membership Chair — We need someone who will actively seek new members and also new advertisers.



Sign maintenance — Monthly signups are needed for updating the two SLCA announcement signs.

Flag control and maintenance — A volunteer is needed to raise and lower the flag as needed to meet the flag standards and designated times for half mast. A phone app is available for guidance.

Someone to teach dancing — preferably after a General Meeting! There is a financial incentive!

Hosts for Oktoberfest this year — Cancelled

Contact Craig Edwards at craigipe@yahoo.com if willing to help in any of these areas.

Logo Items

Summit Lake logo items make great gifts. Lots of new items to choose from. To see what's available and order yours, contact Joni Fuchs at (206) 406-1797 or email to: summitlakeslca@gmail.com









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Summit Lake Community Center



The Summit Lake Community Center is available to be rented for your events!

Amenities include a full kitchen loaded with several fridges, two stoves with ovens, tons of counter space, dishes, silverware, and more. A stage and music/sound system are available for live bands, Karaoke, family sing-a-longs, etc. Plenty of chairs and tables available for your use. Added bonuses include the large parking lot, grassy area, pickleball and basketball courts, horseshoe pits, and two bathrooms. Rental fee for members is \$150, and for non-members \$250.



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SLCA 2020 CALENDAR

(Note: this is a preliminary schedule and is subject to change)

JANUARY

JAN.17TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 7:00

JANUARY 22ND PINOCHELE 7:00

FEBRUARY

FEB 12TH AND 26TH PINOCHLE 7:00

MARCH

MARCH 6TH GENERAL MEETING/POTLUCK 6:30

MARCH 11TH AND 25TH PINOCHELE 7:00 **

MARCH 21ST OPEN MIKE NIGHT 7:00 ***

APRIL

APRIL 4TH LAKE CLEANUP 8:30-11 AM **

APRIL 8TH AND 22ND PINOCHELE 7:00 **

APRIL 11TH EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00-11:00 AM **

APRIL 25TH FISHERMANS BREAKFAST 6:00 -11:00 AM **

MAY

MAY 2ND CINCO DE MAYO / POTLUCK 6:30 ***

MAY 13TH AND 27TH PINOCHELE 7:00 **

** Note: Cancelled due to CV-19 restrictions

JUNE

JUNE $5^{\rm TH}$ GENERAL MEETING 7:00 (Live on-line meeting via SLCA Facebook page)

JULY

JULY 4TH BOAT PARADE 10:00 AM

AUGUST

AUGUST 15TH COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE 8 AM -4 PM

AUGUST 22ND SLCA PICNIC 5:00 -10:00

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 9TH AND 23RD PINOCHELE 7:00

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 2ND GENERAL MEETING / OKTOBERFEST 7:00

OCTOBER 7TH AND 21ST PINOCHELE 7:00

NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 6TH GENERAL MEETING (ELECTIONS) / POTLUCK 6:30

DECEMBER

 $\underline{\textbf{DECEMBER}\ 12^{\text{TH}}\ \textbf{SANTA}\ \textbf{VISIT}\ 10:00\text{-}11:30\ \textbf{AM}}$



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I	CORRENT SECA PILPIDERSHIP LIST							
Į	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME		
V	Aahl	Steven	Fjeld	Dave & Katrina	Lamky	Ross		
N	Adams	Louella & Kent	Foust	Jason & Bridget	Lanigan	Tim & Jane		
4	Agnelli	Jill	Fuchs	Joni & Craig	Lathrop	Willard & Lucile		
N	Ammons	Bernie	Galbraith	Deborah	Leachman	Dan & Shawni		
۱	Anderson	Amy	Geraci	Joseph & Tara	Leingang	Clarence		
I	Anderson	John & Susan	Glenn	Bob & Teresa	Lowery/Hubbert	"A"/Teresa		
$\!$	Bader	Terri & Dave	Glore	Gavin N	Lusier	Lorne & Jaquie		
Ų	Bailey	Michael & Cindy	Gonzalez-Vining	Manuel & Richelle	Martin	Rollie & Audrey		
<u> </u>	Barmuta	John & Becky	Grow	Randy	Martinelli/Benjamin			
	Barry	Steve	Gustafson	Kiley & Voshte	Maynard	Kirk & Lorrie		
4	Bastin	Brad & Sharon	Haggerty	Dan & Sandi	McDonald	Betty J.		
N		Brink/ Janet	Halstrom	Craig & Beth	Melendez	Cesar		
I	Blackner	Greg & Debbie	Hamilton	Ross & Whitney	Mitchell	Harold & Nancy		
I	Blum	James & Kristan	Hansen	Mike & Barb	Moffitt	Steve & Linda		
	Bonjorni	Daniel	Harkness-Lumsden	Cindy & Ednalee	Morales	Fernando & Amanda		
V	Booth	Brian & Susan	Hart	Kerry & Judy	Morefield	Marjorie		
Y	Brannberg	Terry & Gerry	Hartman	Rich & Kristen	Mullin	Robert & Leslie		
\ \	Braseth	Arin	Hayes	Leonard	Murphy / Chapman	MaryAnn / Paula		
(Brewer	Tim & Carole	Hess	Bryan & Rose	Nabbefeld	Lenore		
۱	Brinton	John	Hipp	John	Neff	Michael & Melissa		
I	Bruebaker	Gary & Aleta	Hodges	Shawna	Nelson	Steve & Chris		
	Buckholtz	Paul & Connie	Hodgins	Greg & Kathleen	Nole	Nancy		
//	Bush	Richard	Hodgins/Larson	Vaugn/Tracy	O'Byrne	Josh & Krista		
Š	Campbell	Kevin & Jill	Holstein	Fred & Lynn	Okamoto	Kiyosato		
ľ	Cangelosi	Terry & Millie	Hopsecger	Mark & Shelli	Olson /Zabriskie	Steve / Kris		
,	Chase	Rick & Melissa	Horn	Ben & Joy	Ounsted	Larry & Barbara		
•	Christensen	Derwyn, Neal & Lynn	Hunter	Andy & Tracey	Padgett / Berbells	Cindy / Genie		
N	Christoffer	Jesse	Hunter	Ron	Patterson	Michael & Janet		
I	Cockrell	Brian & Brandi		Nancy/David	Patterson	Rikki		
1	Collins	Bart & Ronni	Inglin	Duane & Sheri	Payne	Doug & Alice		
//	Collins	Bob & Glenda	Japhet	Carl F.	Payne	John & Mary Sue		
V	Collins	Charlie & Jodi	Japhet	Don & Lisa	Pellegrino	Nick & Sheila		
	Conover	Kevin & Sarah	Japhet	Floyd	Peterson	Venn & Cathy		
Ż.	Crocker	Timothy & Carisa	Japhet	Ginger	Piccolotto	Dennis & Nancy		
ĺ	Darby	Gordon & Linda	Japhet	John & Sandy	Pierce	Carm & Regina		
۱	Delaney/Lietch	Robert / Kathy	Japhet	Wm. "Butch" & Diane	Pierce-SL Church	Jeff		
	Desanto	Tom & Sherry	Jenkins	Al & Shannie	Piercey	Gary		
	Dizon	Ramel & Grace	Jenkins	W.K. "Bill"	Pierson / Hart	Jane / Celia		
//	Dobrovich	John	Johnson	Renee & Eric	Pollard-Johnson	Lori & Brian		
V	Duke	Pat & Deb	Jones	Family Trust	Raedel	Larry & Holly		
	Duvall	Lanny & Kelli	Kaivo	Ken & Luva	Ramstad, Wise	Debbie & Mark,		
/		·			· ·	Kathy		
Ś	Earley	Dan & Mindy	Karnas / Cole	Natalie / Jerry	Reiling	Keith & Hallie		
۱	Edgberg	Rod & Shem	Keiser	Bruce	Roberts	Bruce & Sharon		
	Edwards/Sandstrom	Craig / Cindy	Kellar	Leonard & Margaret	Roper / Franks	Tom / Janet		
	Eide	Audrey B.	Keller	Ryan & Christina	Russell	Chris & Barbara		
	Ellertson	Mark & Barbara	Kelley	Bill & Kathy	Rust	David & Kathleen		
V	Espirito	Keith, Janet, Beth, Kevin	Kelson	Michael & Janis	Salmon	Jay & Kris		
	Everson	Gary & Catherine	Kinnaman/Bowen	Patricia & Linda Sue	Salzer	Ray & Cathy		
(Eygabroad	Dan & Jody	Kirkwood	Dolores	Sanger	Rick & Barbie		
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	Filyaw	Michael & Susan	Laflamme/Grimsted	Denise/ Brad	Saunders	Craig & Kathy		
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Sebasta	Janelle	Walhmark/Barrett	Steven & Frances	
Shaffer	Mark & Pam	Walker	Lyndsay	
Shelstad	Michael & Jan	Wallace	Stewart	
Sloane	Scott & Lori	Ward	Randy & Sundy	
Snyder	Mitch	Wells	Randy & Aleta	П
Solis	Alex & M'Lissa	White	Debbie	
Sorenson-Borgmann	Steve / Carol	White	Dorris	
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Spacciante	Joe & Marueen	Williams	Doug & Lori	
Spero	Rick & Amy	Williams	Brian & Margaret	
Spomer	Barry & Lisa	Williams	Joe & Cheryl	
Stewart	Bob & Merrily	Williams	April & Grady	
Stoehr	Ron	Willrich	Mavis	
Stonecipher	Michele	Wilson	Carole	
Strong	Don & Lorna	Wilson	Patrick & Jill	
Swenson	Judy & Dwayne	Wright	Chuck & Tamie	
Taylor	Doug & Darryl Ann	Wright	Jeff & Amy	
Telling	Randy & Recky	Wybenga	Thomas	
Tetzlaff	Brian & Jennifer	Wyllie	Bryan & Rebecca	
Thomasson	Lee	Yonek	Jeff & Jody	
Torgerson	Greg & Pam	Zabel	Ed & Vickie	
Tracht	Ron & Lisa	Zimmerman	Cynthia	
Waldron	Katie & Chris			

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOUR NAME IS NOT ON THIS LIST, YOU WERE NOT A REGISTERED MEMBER AS OF AUGUST 31, 2020

General Membership Meeting Minutes

SLCA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - No General Meeting has been conducted since the last edition of the Newsletter. The next General Meeting will be held on Friday, October 2, streamed live on Facebook. Initial officer nominations for the 2020 board will be accepted at this meeting, with final nominations and elections to be held at the November 6 General Meeting.



SLCA 2020 September Financial Report

SUMMIT LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

\$29,035.23

As of: 8/31/2020

Balance Forward from: 7/31/2020

Deposits Acct# **A**mount Category Dues 240.64 1000 1100 Hall Rental 1200 Advertisers \$ 4,511.00 1300 Logo Items Sales 1400 vacant 1500 Raffles \$ 337.00 1600 Fisherman's Breakfast 195.74 1700 Donations 1800 Special Events \$ 3,827.49

Miscellaneous-Drinks

1900

Total	\$ 9	,127.87
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	Disbursements		\$3,635.13
Acct#	Category		Amount
2000	Capital Projects		
2100	Repair & Maintenance		
2200	Utilities	\$	294.76
2300	Insurance	\$ 1,	,747.78
2400	Taxes & Fees		
2500	Special Events		
2600	Logo Items		\$1,582.59
2700	Contracted Services		
2800	Supplies/Equipment		
2900	Miscellaneous	\$	10.00

Total \$ 3,635.13

Monthly Net \$ 5,492.74

Balance as of:

8/31/2020	\$34,527.97
8/31/2019	\$22,070.14
Net Change	\$12,457.83

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Deposits Detail

Acct#	Description	Amount
1000	Dues: 2 NEW / 2 Renew	\$ 240.64
		\$ -
1300	Logo Sales	\$4,511.00
1500	Raffle Tickets Sold	\$ 337.00
1700	Donations	\$ 195.74
1800	August Garage Sale	\$3,827.49
1900	Garage Sale Drinks	\$ 16.00
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Total \$9,127.87

	Disbursements Detail	
Acct#	Description	Amount
2000		
2100		
2200	Rocket Fuel	\$294.76
2300	Liberty Mutual Insurance	\$1,747.78
2400		
2500		
2600	Logo Order	\$258.09
2600	50% Deposit to This/That	\$1,324.50
2700		
2800		
2900	Secretary of State Annual Filing Fee	\$10.00

Total **\$3,635.13**

#	Memberships to Date*			
11	Complimentary Memberships			
1	Paid for 2022			
13	Paid for 2021			
185	Paid for 2020 (YTD 2019: 176)			
35	Unrenewed 2019			
58	Unrenewed 2018-2014			

*Memberships could represent more than 1 person

SLCA President's Report

Hello Summitarians,

Its been a pretty nice summer weather wise and it's good to have a little rain. Seemed too quick for fall tho.....

We had a some good accomplishments at the SLCA this summer — we now have pickle ball courts and basketball also. We have the logging mess cleaned up, and the parking lot gravel redone and looking nice (good job Duane Swenson and Craig Fuchs).

Craig Fuchs also remodeled our back rooms at the clubhouse for logo item storage, which will help Joni with maintaining and displaying logo items. Good job Craig!

We're gaining speed and hope to keep it rolling into next year.

Our bank account looks great and our new treasurer is setting us up on QuickBooks, which will make life easier well into the future (wonderful job David and welcome aboard).

We're sure gonna miss Bart and Ronnie Collins (Our previous vice president and treasurer) who have moved off the lake. Good luck in Cle Elum! They were my neighbors and good friends who I could con into almost anything when I needed a hand.

I need to put a special shout out to Joni and Craig Fuchs for the above and beyond job they have done running our multi week garage sale and sale of logo items....they made up for us missing all our fundraising this year on this single event. I think most of us poo-pooed the idea this year, as we were all giving up on the year, but Joni rammed er home...Great job Joni!!

Also a big thanks to Mike and Melissa (our new trustee) Neff for their wonderful job on Labor Day with music around the lake! And then splitting the profits with the SLCA. How great is that.

Duane Inglin has also done a great job working with the WDFW to bring our fish stocking level for next year back up to what used to be the normal stock level of 30,000 fish. We hope to have a great fisherman's breakfast with a kids fishing derby to go along with it. Thanks Duane!

I hope everyone will get informed about our unmanned fire station (Since February) and zoom in on the second Thursday of each month for the fire commissioners meeting. We will send out reminders and if anyone wants to be a volunteer fire fighter we will be trying to get info out to you.

As we are mentioning volunteers, I would like to tell you my volunteer story. Around 8 years ago I didn't know much about the SLCA, and we for the most part kept to ourselves at the lake, as we were plenty busy and have 2 homes etc etc. Then I started winning the boat parade and was getting used to the glory of winning when I heard that they were contemplating shutting down the SLCA for lack of interest. That would mean no more glorious victories on the 4th. Ruh Ro I said, this can not be! So I actually went to a SLCA board meeting along with Sean Mason, who I conned into going with me. At the meeting I convinced Sean into doing what I thought was going to be some small trustee position with me like sweeping floors once a month or something - and BANG I was President and head cheese whiz, and Shawn was a trustee. Dang that was not what I was expecting. Well I have to say after 8 years or so it has turned out to be very rewarding, and it was really swell getting to know everyone around the lake on a real friend basis while working on projects together and attending functions. I tell this story to encourage other members to kick around volunteering or at least coming to this upcoming years functions. You won't regret it. I know we all don't have time. I don't either but in life you all make decisions with your time, and I have slowed down and made time for the SLCA—and it was worth it. I have made lifetime friendships that never would have happened had I not made that effort. I'm not perfect for this job and I knew nothing about being on a board and ain't politically correct and probably should be sweeping the floors once a month, but what the hay it seems to be working....and we're getting er done.

The board is kicking around lots of new ideas for next year so stay tuned...hope to see ya all soon!

Craig Edwards

President and head cheese whiz

The SLCA now has a sharing cubby in the outer foyer of the clubhouse. Bring your used books, puzzles and games for exchange, or borrow what is there. It is accessible to SLCA members most any time. Thanks to Joni Fuchs for setting up and organizing this.



Learn and Play Pickleball

We now have Pickleball at the Summit Lake Community Association Clubhouse! Pickleball is a fun, social and friendly sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping pong! The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game.

Due to increasing popularity Pickleball is played nearly everywhere both nationally and abroad. Summit Lake locals Manny and Richelle "We love it and even play internationally!" "Watch out pickleball is very addictive!"

Please contact Richelle and Manny Gonzalez if you want to play Or need tips to start playing (360) 259-8112





Annual Garage Sale

This year's annual SLCA garage sale was a booming success thanks to the dedicated effort of Joni Fuchs who coordinated the project and spent countless hours setting up, sorting,, and managing the sale of the donated items and logo items during the three weekends of the sale. Thanks are also due to many who supported Joni during the project, including Judy & Dwayne Swenson, Craig Fuchs, Gerry Brannberg, Patricia Kinnaman, Linda Bowen, Linda Darby, Deb Martinelli, Jack Benjamin, Duane & Sheri Inglin and several others. Also a big thank you to all those who donated the many items that were included in the sale. With the cancellation of the Fishermans Breakfast and other fundraising projects this year due to COVID19, the garage sale became the

only major fundraising activity for the SLCA this year, and was hugely successful, generating over \$5000 for the continued maintenance and upgrades to the clubhouse and adjacent property. Sales of Summit Lake logo items concurrent with the garage sale also generated significant revenue for the SLCA.







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POMP AND REVEL — ABOUT US



Pomp and Revel is made up of 3 generations of party loving girls. Our story begins with the Mother-Daughter team, Mary Jo and Danielle, who together created a magical store in Seattle called Curtsy Bella. They ran it for 7 fun and glitter filled years, until the Army transferred Danielle's husband out of the state. Several more military transfers and the appearance of Danielle's daughter, Stella, gave them the inspiration to work together again, this time from an online storefront, and Pomp & Revel was born.

Danielle is our graphic artist and designer of all things Pomp & Revel. Mary Jo is the business/details person and Stella is the inspiration behind it all. Everything is designed, created, beautifully packaged and shipped from our studio in the Pacific Northwest.

We design items to celebrate life's milestones. The birth of a baby, a wedding, a new home, a birthday, a new job or just something special to give for no reason at all. Most of our items are customizable and if you don't see exactly what you are looking for, feel free to contact us at info@pompandrevel.com.



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Be considerate of your neighbors and the environment—pick up after your pets.

Summit Lake is a great area to have dogs, with lots of room to let them run. But that does not mean that you should let them run indiscriminately and do their business anywhere. Piles of dog poop in other's yards or along the road where many residents walk is definitely undesirable, and potentially unhealthy. This includes at the Community Center, where some people seem to think that it is an open dog park. Although that may be a good place for dogs to run and play, please control this activity to the extent that you can clean up after your pet. The other members and the SLCA Board will appreciate your cooperation.





Summit Lake Emergency Preparedness

The Emergency Preparedness committee is being co-chaired by Vaughn Hodgins and Kylie Gustafson with support from our EP professional, Duane Inglin. We need to attempt to renew interest in the Emergency Preparedness program. Residents that have come together with their Team Captains and made a plan will be asked to share their success. If little or no new interest is developed, the committee will go with the names that have volunteered previously and try to make a plan from there. Residents do not seem to be aware that we could be shut off from all services and from access to town in the event of a catastrophic event.

NOTE

Until the winter rains arrive in full force, this area will remain in an EXTREME fire danger mode. The Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA) in association with local Fire Districts has issued a NO BURN decree for the entire area, This includes recreational fires as well as debris burns until further notice. In case of imminent fire or other disaster, the chart to the right is very useful if evacuation is probable or necessary.

COVID-19 IS STILL WITH US!

Remember to wash your hands or use sanitizer regularly, and to wear a mask or cover your mouth if you cough or sneeze to contain the spread of the Coronavirus and other flu strains during this season. Keep yourself and others safe and healthy!

	S MOTORCYCLES
15-MINUTE WARNING:	1-HOUR WARNING:
Wallet, purse, keys, glasses	 Take or safeguard guns, ammo
Cell phone(s), charger(s)	☐ Ice cooler w/ice, food drinks
Emergency cash, credit card	☐ Genealogy records, files
Pets, carriers, leashes, meds	 3 days of food, special diet items
Clothes, shoes, hats	Gloves, dust mask for smoke
Hearing aids, medications	Paper plates, cups, utensils
Flashlights, extra batteries	 School items (homework/books/pens/pencils, paper etc.)
Safety deposit box key(s)	☐ Licenses, vehicle titles, deeds
Checkbooks, bills to pay	 Insurance, financial, medical data; wills,
	powers of attorney
	 Personal property list, photos and appraisals, documentation
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30-MINUTE WARNING:	
Pillows, sleeping bags, blankets	
Address book, phone list	2-HOUR+ WARNING:
Jewelry & most valuable personal possessions	☐ Albums, photos, home videos
Personal hygiene items	 Family photos on display
Other meds, supplements	 Military decorations, records, momentous,
First aid kit, medical items	plaques
Pet food, dishes, bedding, litter	 Luggage (packed)
Children's items, toys, books	☐ Valuable items, cameras
Battery radio, extra batteries	 Heirlooms, art, collections
Toilet paper, hand wipes, soap	☐ Primary cosmetics
Clothing for 3 days, shoes	 Secondary vehicles, RV
Computer, monitor, laptop	 Camping equipment, tent
Gallon jugs of drinking water	 Journals, diaries, letters

Water Quality Report

On June 22, an area of blue-green algae was reported to Thurston County Health Dept.

An algae sample was taken at that time and tested for Anatoxin-a by the County. Test results indicated NO unsafe level of toxin in the algae scum. Subsequent sample readings the following week also showed unreadable levels of toxin. No blue-green algae has been reported on the lake since then.

LAKE LIFE

Note: The intent of this section of the newsletter is to provide interesting pictures of things and activities around Summit Lake. If you have inputs of items that would be of interest to other residents, please submit them to: summitlakenews@gmail.com

FALL IS HERE

With the fall equinox behind us, summer is officially over and we are seeing the emergence of beautiful fall colors. Although we can hope for some nice weather still for enjoyment of lake recreation, we can see that the rain and storms of the fall and winter season on the lake have already started. Make sure that all of your floating toys and docks are put away or securely tethered, or the storms will take them away.



Band on the lake

ON THE ROCKS BAND

On the Rocks is an Olympia rock n roll cover band. We're four longtime friends that love music and enjoy hanging out with each other. The band members are Tommy Queen on lead guitar/vocals, Will Morrison on drums, Don Conant on bass and Summit Lake's Dollhouse Mike Neff on rhythm guitar/vocals.

Tommy and Will are the pros in the band. Tommy's day job is a finish carpenter but his true passion is music. He grew up in Elma but lived in Nashville for a decade immersed in the music scene. He opened for national touring acts and played the local Nashville circuit. Will is an electrical engineer who specializes in powering datacenters. Will has played drums since he was a kid and as teens Will and Tommy formed their first band together. When Tommy moved back to the area from Nashville, he was asked to open for Buddy Guy. He asked Will to sit in on the drums. Give it a listen if you like the blues:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RkOjjaDJQKM

Dr. Don Conant is on the bass. He gets up at 4AM every day, has more jobs and sits on more boards than you can count. Mike, your fellow Summitarian, has worked in IT for the last 22 years. Don and Mike have been playing in bands together for close to 15 years, but they know where the big time talent in the band lies. They let Tommy be out in front as much as possible.

When not rocking out on Summit Lake, the band plays out in local bars and casinos. They love playing on the lake. It's such a novelty. How many bands have Summit Lake's gorgeous scenery as a back drop. Plus, the response they get from everyone on the lake is always great and appreciated. If you'd like to see On the Rocks playing out or would like to book them for a private event, like OnTheRocksOlympia on Facebook, email ontherocksoly@gmail.com or give Will a call at 360-790-8196.

From everyone in the band, "Thank You Summit Lake!!!".



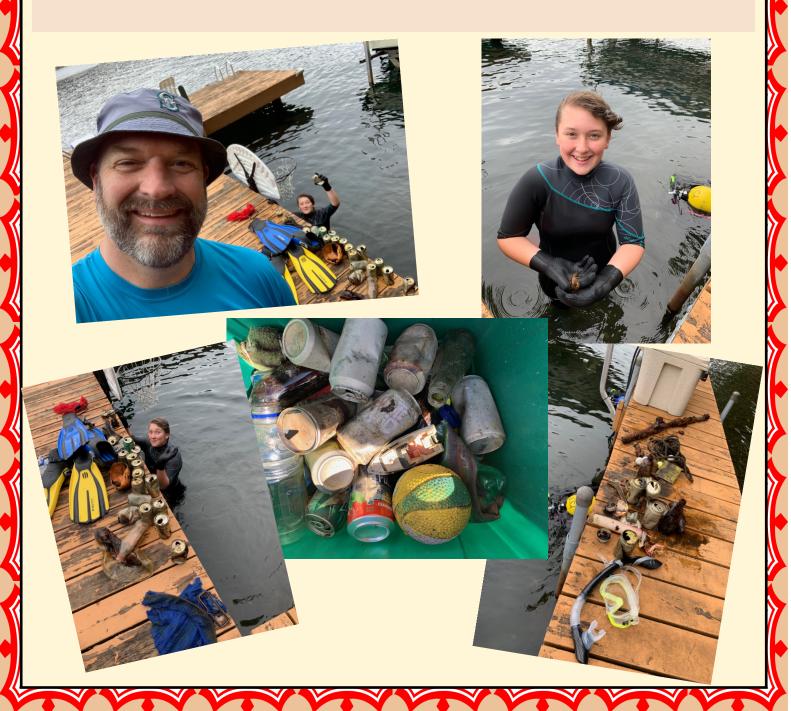
LAKE LIFE

Brian and Carli Cockrell at 903 on the lake have been practicing their SCUBA diving by cleaning up the lake bottom near their property. They provided the below photos of their exploits, and provided the following information to the SLCA:

My daughter and I just became SCUBA certified a couple of weeks ago. We spent just two hours underwater at the cabin this last weekend and cleaned up ALL OF THIS from our underwater area. The stuff in the bin is not the same trash you see on the dock.

Some of the cans, toys, etc. we found were 50ish years old. Sadly, there were LOTS of golf balls down there too. Just a reminder/request to take care of our beautiful lake and do all you can to keep trash on the surface!

Thank you to Brian and Carli for providing this service to the lake!



Cougar sightings

This photo was taken by Rich Tomsinski, 2041 Summit Lake Shore Rd, who reported sighting and photographing this cougar in his yard on August 18, 2020. There were also reports of a recent cougar sighting in the 1700 block above Maxin Road.

We must remember that we live in a rural area, and that there are wild animals in the area.



The following article is provided by the editor for interest and informational purposes regarding cougars and their characteristics.

Mountain Lion (Cougar) Puma concolour

The largest carnivorous cat in north America is known by many names, including **mountain lion**, cougar, puma, and panther, catamount, painter and by its scientific name - *Puma concolor*. The **North American cougar** (*Puma concolor couguar*) is a subspecies of cougar in North America. The subspecies *P. c. cougar* encompasses populations found in western Canada, the western United States, Florida, Mexico and Central America, and possibly South America northwest of the Andes Mountains. It was once commonly found in eastern North America as well, but is now only prevalent in the western half of the continent.



Mountain lions are generally secretive, solitary and elusive. Most people never see this animal in the wild. In fact, both field biologists and outdoor recreationists rarely see mountain lions, even in habitats that support relatively dense populations. That is why it has come to be known as the "Ghost Cat". The fact that this animal is rarely seen by humans in its native habitat gives the false impression that there are very few of them, when quite the opposite is true. Mountain lions make little noise in the woods. They make vocalizations, but they are more similar to the sounds domestic cats make, such as purrs, chirps, whistles, hisses, and growls. It is not considered one of the 'big cats' because of its inability to roar.

Adult cougars stand about 60 to 76 centimeters (2.0 to 2.5 ft) tall at the shoulders. The length of adult males (toms) is around 2.4 meters (8 ft) long nose to tail. Males typically weigh 53 to 90 kilograms (115 to 198 pounds), averaging 62 kg (137 lb). On rare occasions, there have been cats as large as 120 kg (264 lb). Females typically weigh between 29 and 64 kg (64 and 141 lb), averaging 42 kg (93 lb). A mountain lion can drop silently from a height of 60 feet and *land running*. They can leap 15 feet upward.

An adult male lion requires up to a 100 square mile area for its range and habitat. There are as many as 10 lions per 100 square miles along the western slope of the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range in California. The California Department of Fish and Game puts their numbers at about 5,100 adults ranging over a habitat of about 80,000 square miles. As their numbers increase we are beginning to see more of them encroaching in areas used or inhabited by humans as more of them are pushed to the fringes of their range seeking new territories. It appears that the available habitat for this native carnivore is approaching critical densities.

A scientific review of records on attacks by mountain lions on humans in the United States and Canada from 1890 through 1990 indicated there were 53 mountain lion attacks on humans during this period; nine attacks resulting in 10 human deaths, and 44 non-fatal attacks.

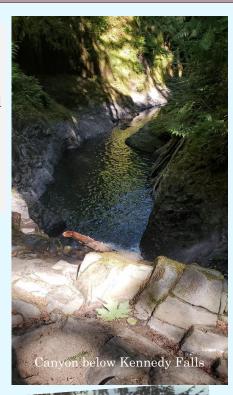
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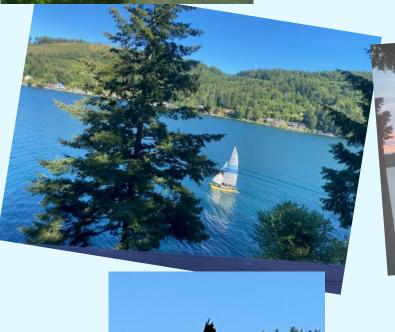
LAKE LIFE



Photos Around the Lake

These Photos were provided by lake residents. Unfortunately, I do not have names of all who provided them, but I appreciate the opportunity to utilize them in this newsletter. The bottom two photos were provided by Ronni Collins.







Comet NEOWISE

Comets are cosmic snowballs of frozen gases, rock and dust that orbit the Sun. When frozen, they are the size of a small town. When a *comet's* orbit brings it close to the Sun, it heats up and spews dust and gases into a giant glowing head larger than most planets. Comet NEOWISE is a long period comet with a near-parabolic orbit discovered on March 27, 2020, by astronomers during the NEOWISE mission of the Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer space telescope. At that time, it was an 18th-magnitude object, located 2 AU away from the Sun and 1.7 AU away from Earth. Wikipedia Note: An AU (astronomical unit) is equal to 93 million miles, the mean dis-

tance of the earth from the sun.

Comet NEOWISE was visible in the north sky with binoculars or telephoto lens during July and August of this year.





August 14, 2020





This bird, called a Belted Kingfisher, perches on top of our flagpole every morning and watches for small fish in the lake. Every so often, it dives to the water and grabs something in it's beak and flies away for a while, only to return to its favorite perch. It is a very skittish bird, and with the slightest observed motion it flies away. I had been trying for several months to get a photo of it, and this was captured by my wife in early September.

These kingfishers are blue-gray above with fine, white spotting on the wings and tail. The underparts are white with a broad, blue breast band. Females

also have a broad rusty band on their bellies.
Juveniles show irregular rusty spotting in the breast band. Belted Kingfishers spend much of their time perched alone along the edges of streams, lakes, and estuaries, searching for small fish. They also fly quickly up and down rivers and shorelines giving loud rattling calls. They hunt either by plunging directly from a perch, or by hovering over the water, bill downward, before diving after a fish they've spotted. (www.allaboutbirds.org)





PINOCHLE

Pinochle is on hold for now due to COVID19 restrictions. Hopefully it can be resumed soon. If so, it will be every other Wednesday night! Social starts at 6:30 and play starts at 7:00! We play single deck, double deck and if not enough people to fill a table there is cards, Dominos, dice and Cribbage!



Are you looking for a local place to worship, or feel the need for some spiritual guidance? Do you know that there is a church at Summit Lake? Although not affiliated with SLCA, the Summit Lake Community Church is located on property adjacent to the Summit Lake Community Center on Fellowship Lane off of Summit Lake Road.

Ready or not, Christmas is just around the corner.



Conditions permitting, our Santa Party will be December 12 th at 10:00AM Santa's arrival at the Community Center is going to be about 10:30AM

The kids will be able to decorate Christmas cookies and an ornament. Mrs. Claus will have Santa's special cocoa and cookies served by a few of Santa's special elves! Kids can have their pictures separately and/or with family if wanted.

We are going to ask that this year each family bring a wrapped present (under \$5) with their child's first and last name on it for Santa to give your child. If you contact SLCA with your child/children's name and mailing address they will get a special invite from Santa. Send it to summitlakeslca@gmail.com. We must receive names by November 30 to make sure their invite is in the mail!

Lost and Found

NOTE: If you have something lost or found that you would like to post in the newsletter, please email the information to "summitlakenews@gmail.com".

LOST

No lost or found items have been reported this period.

FOUND

Although living at the lake is for the most part safe and secure, we must still be diligent about maintaining our area. If you see any illegal or unusual activity, report it to the Sherriff's office. The following information was provided by a lake resident regarding a recent residential burglary.

It was reported by Kerry Hart that a residential burglary was committed at his home at 1505 Summit Lake Shore Rd on September 1, 2020 between 12 noon and 4pm. Kerry stated that he had hired out some concrete work by a local Olympia cement contractor, with a concrete pour of his boathouse floor on August 24. Shortly after the pour, Kerry noticed that a small boat hoist was missing from behind his boathouse, but wasn't positive at the time that it had been stolen.

Kerry stated that after the pour there remained some uncompleted cleanup work that was the contractor's responsibility, and without notifying Kerry ahead, the same workman that had been at the boathouse pour was sent to do the cleanup on the afternoon of September 1. Kerry and Judy happened to have been away between noon and 4pm that day, and when arriving home they discovered that several thousand dollars' worth of equipment including garden sprayers, three 5 gallon cans of gasoline, heavy tow chains, gas blower, most of their garden tools, a tool box full of mechanics tools, gas and electric operated shop equipment, and gun ammunition among a multitude of other items were gone. These items were removed from a large garden shed and Kerry's pickup truck. The "cleanup work" was only partially finished. The contractor was contacted shortly thereafter about the thefts, and denied any knowledge of the thefts or the whereabouts of the stolen items, but stated that the workman involved was no longer working for him.

A residential burglary report with suspect names and other information was made with Thurston County Sheriff's Department, with no resolution of the issue at this time.

Keep a watchful eye out for mail and package thieves!

Unfortunately, everything is not always happy and pleasant here at the lake. Several instances of mail theft have been noted, with raided mail being dumped along the road after being searched for money, checks, or other valuable content.

Also, theft of delivered packages have been reported around the lake, with the thief following the delivery trucks. Please be vigilant while driving or walking around the lake, and if you see something suspicious, report it to the Sheriff's office.

The non-emergency number for the Sheriff's office is 360-786-5500



Boat repair at your door, or on the shore! Servicing Grays Harbor, Thurston, and Pacific counties.



Remind your neighbors if they are not SLCA members to join so they can get the Newsletter, Lake Alerts and updates, plus a wonderful rate to rent our new and beautiful Clubhouse! The biggest bonus is getting to know your fellow Summit Lake residents!



Many people ask: Where does my membership money go?

- 1.The SLCA has property that we pay taxes on each year. The clubhouse is exempt but our acreage is not. Our Fisherman's Breakfast is our main fundraiser to help pay our tax bill.
- 2.Power for the Clubhouse. We have to have lighting for safety and rentals and we have to maintain minimal heat during the winter to keep the Center in good condition. We are trying to increase our rentals to help defray these costs.
- 3.Insurance
- 4.Maintenance on clubhouse. We rely heavily on volunteers for a lot of these projects but when necessary we do have to pay out of pocket.
- 5.Operating expenses (checking account, office supplies, coffee, tea, cocoa, toilet paper, napkins, and paper towels, etc.)

You don't always notice it but the amount of time and labor your SLCA board donates to keep our SLCA running is enormous. All of these individuals are dedicated to the lake and the betterment of our community.

We have a unique opportunity here at Summit Lake to reinstate that old phenomena that used to be called a "neighborhood!" All of our board members are passionate about having a neighborhood/community that we can all be proud of. We hope you are on the same page.

We welcome any ideas, thoughts, or questions you have. Feel free to submit them to any of the above board members via email or in person at a meeting or event. If you would like to get in contact with a live person, feel free to email and we will make sure you get in touch with the board member you are looking for.

The next General Meeting is on Friday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm (Virtual meeting live streamed via Facebook).

We would love to have your input.

The SLCA is now in a membership drive for the 2021 membership year. Sign up now to extend your membership through the 2021 year. Membership dues are still only \$60 per year, with more facilities and benefits continually being provided. Use the membership form on the following page to submit for membership! If you have neighbors who are not members, talk to them about joining also! New members signing up now will have membership privileges for the remainder of 2020 as well as the full year 2021.

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