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# WHY WE LOVE THE LAKE

Winter at the lake provides a mixture of sights and weather. Except for a nasty windstorm and a couple of very cold nights, January was exceptionally nice with mild weather and light rain. It ended with this beautiful sunset. In contrast, February was brutal, with some of the coldest weather on record and near record snowfall. The first half of March brought more snow and blustery weaher, but then the days lengthened and days warmed up, with the promise of spring finally arriving, It all adds to the beauty of living at the lake!

# SLCA Upcoming Events

### **APRIL**

04/20—EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00 AM 04/27—FISHERMANS BREAKFAST 6:00-11:00AM

### **MAY**

05/04—CINCO DE MAYO POTLUCK 6:30PM 05/11—LAKE CLEANUP 8:00AM

Note: A full calendar of events for the year is shown on the following page of this newsletter.

A note from the Editor: If you have comments or suggested input to the newsletter, please contact me at summitlakenews@gmail.com

Terry Brannberg

## SLCA 2019 OFFICERS and TRUSTEES

The following is the SLCA board elected for the 2019 calendar year.

President: Craig Edwards-craigipe@yahoo.com

Vice President: Bart Collins-bartc@holadayparks.com

Secretary: Joni Fuchs-joni49 fuchs@yahoo.com
Treasurer: Ronnie Collins-Rmcollins545@gmail.com

Trustees (two-year terms): Dwayne Swenson, Debbie White, Debra Martinelli

Trustee (one-year term): Cyndie Sundstrom

Duane Inglin (One year remaining of two year term)

### SLCA 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **MARCH**

3/01-GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/POTLUCK 6:30PM/MEETING 7:00PM

#### **APRIL**

04/20-EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00 AM

04/27-FISHERMANS BREAKFAST 6:00AM

#### **MAY**

05/04 CINCO DE MAYO POTLUCK 6:30PM

05/11 LAKE CLEANUP 8:00AM

#### JUNE

06/07-GENERAL MEETING/POTLUCK 6:30PM/MEETING7:00PM

#### **JULY**

07/04 BOAT PARADE 10:00AM

#### **AUGUST**

08/17 SLCA ANNUAL PICNIC 5:00PM

#### **SEPTEMBER**

09/14 LAKE GARAGE SALE AT CLUBHOUSE 8:00AM (Still looking for a coordinator) (DATE IS TENTATIVE AS MCLEARY HAS NOT SET THEIR DATE YET)

09/28 OCTOBERFEST/POTLUCK 6:30PM (Still looking for a coordinator)

#### **OCTOBER**

10/04 GENERAL MEETING/POTLUCK 6:30PM/MEETING7:00PM

#### **NOVEMBER**

11/01 GENERAL MEETING/POTLUCK 6:30PM/MEETING7:00PM

#### **DECEMBER**

12/14- SANTA VISITS SUMMIT LAKE CLUBHOUSE

# SLCA 2018 Annual Financial Report

			As of:	12/31/2018	
	Balance Forward from:				
	12/31/2017	\$12,376.93			
	Deposits	\$11,527.79			
Acct#	Category	Amount			
1000	Dues	\$ 5,670.00			
1100	Hall Rental	\$ 700.00			1
1200	Advertisers	\$ 925.00			
1300	Logo Items Sales	\$ 1,682.00			
1400	Open Mic Donations	\$ 48.00			e e
1500	Raffles	\$ 184.00	40 8		2
1600	Fisherman's Breakfast	\$ 1,298.58	8 3		8
1700	Donations	\$ 278.75	5 7		
1800	Events	\$ 675.00			
1900	Miscellaneous	\$ 66.46			
	<u>Disbursements</u>	\$11,418.61			
	Category	Amount			
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	Capital Projects	\$ 361.25			
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This annual SLCA financial report was provided by Patrick Patterson.

Thank you Patrick for the excellent job as SLCA Treasurer this past year.

summitlakeslca@gmail.com.

# Logo Items

Summit Lake logo items make great gifts. To see what's available and order yours, contact Joni Fuchs at (206) 496-1797 or email to: joni49 fuchs@yahoo.com



# Summit Lake Community Center



A stage for music, games, movies, and more!



Lots of room!



A Pool Table!

# The SLCC is available to be rented for your events.

Amenities include a full kitchen loaded with several fridges, tons of counter space, dishes, silverware, and more. A stage and music 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, horseshoe pits, and two bathrooms. Rental fee for members is \$100 and for non-members \$250.

For more information or to check availability, please submit your request via email to summitlakeslca@gmail.com.

# SLCA President's Report

Hello SLCA members,

I am back as your President because of concerns of the SLCA longevity as I want to see it go on into the future. My goals are to make the SLCA self sustaining if possible. It seems that we have been tackling serious issues lately, year round fishing, water quality, WDFW fish planting etc..... I hope we can get back to just working on having fun parties. The reason I first became President was so they wouldn't quit the boat parade because I wanted to win every year.....good times....oh and I aint the most politically correct.....but I am a get er done fellow. Well lets see what I can do.....thanks to everyone for giving their time and opinions at the general meeting with the WDFW and hope everyone is happy with the results. Looking forward to a great year.

Craig Edwards SLCA president (Head Cheese Whiz)

# SLCA Membership Drive

Annual memberships for 2019 are now due, and the SLCA board asks you to remit your membership dues as soon as possible. Please keep in mind that without being a current member you are not able to vote on issues at the General Meetings. Also, you will not receive the Summit Lake Newsletter. SLCA has informative workshops and classes during the year and if you are a member you are automatically on the mailing list to keep informed on what's happening here at the lake. One of the biggest advantages is that you are able to rent our completely stocked Clubhouse for only \$100 a day instead of the \$200 fee for nonmembers.

A 2019 Membership Form on the last page of this newsletter.

# **SLCA Needs and Opportunities**

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

**Sign maintenance** — Monthly signups are needed for updating the two SLCA announcement signs. Contact Craig Edwards at <a href="maintenance">craigipe@yahoo.com</a> if willing to help.

**Webmaster** — Someone is needed for occasional update and maintenance of the SLCA web site. Contact Craig Edwards at **craigipe@yahoo.com** or Joni Fuchs at **joni49 fuchs@yahoo.com** if interested.

**Easter egg hunt** — The Easter egg hunt is April 20. Contact Joni Fuchs at **joni49 fuchs@yahoo.com** if willing to help out.

**Fisherman's breakfast** — A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers. Shifts will be in 2-hour increments. The breakfast date is Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00AM to11:00 AM. Contact Tracy Larson at 360-867-1458 or Sheri Inglin if you are willing to help and haven't signed up.

**Annual road cleanup** — The annual cleanup around the lake will be on May 11. Come to the clubhouse around 8:30 - SLCA will provide coffee and doughnuts. Wear good footwear and bright clothing. Vests and garbage bags will be available for all.

Clubhouse remodel — Volunteers are needed for remodeling the Clubhouse. SLCA would like to replace the linoleum in the kitchen, among other things. Donations of cash or materials to help with the remodel would also be appreciated. If you are able to help purchase, donate items, or time please email Joni at joni49\_fuchs@yahoo.com The remodel is scheduled for the later part of March and early April.

# March General Membership Meeting Minutes

### **SLCA General Meeting Minutes**

### March, 1,2019

President Craig Edwards called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All Board Members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Craig Edwards welcomed everyone and introduced the 2019 Board Members.

Joni Fuchs passed cards around for the Board and Membership to sign and send to Nancy Nole. A date will be set to have a "Tim Nole Celebration of Life "Open Mic Night. Our Community was rocked by his sudden passing. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Nancy Nole.

### **Treasures Report-Ronnie Collins**

Please see attachment

### Minutes from November General Meeting

Reading was waived due to time constraints. They will be included with these minutes to the membership.

### **Old Business**

#### Clubhouse Remodel -Joni Fuchs

Sign up sheets were provided to get volunteers for remodeling the Clubhouse. Joni asked for donations of cash or materials to help with the remodel. SLCA would like to replace the linoleum in the kitchen. If you are able to help purchase, donate items, or time please email Joni at joni49\_fuchs@yahoo.com The remodel is scheduled for the later part of March and early April.

### **New Business**

### **Septic Education-Bart Collins**

Bart brought a water tracing dye purchased from Amazon. The product name is Red Water Tracing and Leak Detection Fluorescent Dye by Eco Clean Systems. It can be purchased for \$28 a gal or 4 Gals for \$99. Thurston County has a video that can be watched on usage. Bart said it is an inexpensive way to find out whether your septic system is leaking. Septic Education and getting Summit Lake Septic's into compliance needs to be a number one priority with residents at the lake.

### Survey Results-Cindy Edwards

Joni Fuchs gave the results for the Survey in Cyndie's Absence. See attachment (following minutes) for results.

### Fisherman's Breakfast-Tracey Larsen/Sheri Inglin

A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers. Shifts will be in 2-hour increments. The breakfast date is Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00AM to11:00 AM.

Adults will be \$8, and Kids are \$6 and under 5 will be free.

Duane Inglin is getting a Traeger BBQ to be raffled off. Tickets will be available at the breakfast and sold through June. Winner will be announced on the 4th of July after the Boat Parade. Duane said 100 tickets were being sold. Joyce Tomlinson said she felt that wasn't enough and we should sell 300 tickets at \$10. The Membership agreed. Mike Patterson suggested we take advantage of the radio station and newspapers to make sure the event is well advertised. SLCA is looking for people to donate items for an additional Raffle. There was also a sign-up for Volunteers for the Bake Sale that morning

### Lake Clean Up-Deb Martinelli

A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers for the event. The date is May 11. SLCA will provide coffee and doughnuts. Deb stressed that people wear good footwear and bright clothing. She will have vests and garbage bags available for all.

### Scottish Broom- Deb Martinelli

Deb brought a handout for Scottish Bloom. It is a plant that is found at the lake and grows rampant. We need to be removing it. The handout is included in this email. Thurston County has a tool that can be rented for a week that makes removal easier. Duane Inglin spoke on the volatility of the plant when it is dry. There is an oil in the plant when it is dried that ignites and can easily become an uncontrolled fire. If it is burned it needs to be cut up into small pieces and burned a little at time. Judy Swenson said that Thurston County Refuse will take the debris. Joyce Tomlinson said that the County had planted it in the medians for conservation.

# WDFW Presentation on Fish Stocking - James Lossee, Gabe, Madel, and Steve Caromile

James Lossee gave a Power Point presentation on WDFW fish stocking for Summit Lake over the last 40+years. Several good points were made during the question and answer period. Duane Inglin pointed out that over a 30-year timeline there were trout plants, 150K fingerlings, numerous truck loads and no Algae blooms. In 2017 the bloom came before the fish plant. The biggest changing factor is the number of fulltime residents. Duane feels we are the contributing factor to the Algae bloom. Our septic systems and use of non-friendly chemicals have contributed to the Algae problem.

Eric Johnson asked what the plans were for stocking for 2019. Steve said that he is in the process of compiling all input to make a stocking plan.

Steve Olsen ask why no one has collaborated with Lisabeth Siebacher and the Washington State Department of Ecology. James said he had not been in contact with her as her study had to do with a high-altitude lake I the Sierra Nevada's and is different from ours. He said he would love to have people call with their ideas. President Edwards asked for an impromptu show of hands that supported the fish stocking and those against. There were less than 6 Members not in favor of stocking.

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Anne Vanderbeck said we need to evaluate everything and not take the fish stocking out of the mix. Mike Patterson, Kris Briskie, Gary Brubaker and numerous people contributed to the discussion.

Duane Inglin suggested that we support James and WDFW in a

- 1) Metered approach
- 2) 5-10K stocking in tiers
- 3) We continue to monitor the lake.

Jennifer Tanzler spoke about the trials she had during the Algae Bloom in 2017 with an infant. She would prefer a moratorium on the fish stocking.

Debbie White asked that WDWF continue working with Jayne at Department of Ecology.

President Edwards thanked everyone for coming and their input and adjourned the meeting.

A letter from Kerry Hart was given to the Secretary and he asked it to be added to the meeting notes. I have also included the letter we got from WDFW a few days ago.

The meeting was a success and if you missed the Potluck .... you missed out! Summitarians never disappoint when it comes to cooking! The food was incredible! Thanks to all.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Joni Fuchs SLCA Secretary

# **Member Survey Results**

- 1.EASTER EGG HUNT RESPONDANTS 26 ATTEND 23 VOUNTEER 8
- 5.FOURTH OF JULY BOAT PARADE RESPONDANTS 54 ATTEND 49 VOLUNTEER 12
- 2.LAKE SPRING CLEANUP RESPONDANTS 63 ATTEND 41 VOLUNTEER 44
- 6.SLCA ANNUAL PICNIC RESPONDANTS 48 ATTEND 47 VOLUNTEER 12
- 3.FISHERMANS BREAKFST RESPONDANTS 57 ATTEND 48 VOLUNTEER 26
- 7.OCTOBERFEST RESPONDANTS 24 ATTEND 22 VOLUNTEER 8
- 4.CINCO DE MAYO RESPONDANTS 32 ATTEND 30 VOLUNTEER 10
- 8.CHRISTMAS/SANTA VISIT RESPONDANTS 225 ATTEND 24 VOLUNTEER 7

### 9.ANY MORE ACTIVITIES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADDED

- a) Open mic return/have volunteer to host it.
- b) Wakeboard/ski tournament, or paddle boat races, fishing derby, etc., so we are not dependent on all our monies coming from the fisherman's breakfast.
- c) Old lake photo and slide night with potluck.
- d) A second lake cleanup.
- e) Potluck/picnic at the boat ramp after the boat parade, award ceremony for parade.
- f) Silent auction/dance,
- g) Return of game night /potlucks.
- h) Selling bricks and making nice patio and covered eating area.
- i) Make Santa visit happen this year.

### SUMMIT LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

As of: 2/28/2019

Balance Forward from:

1/31/2019

\$13,282.36

	<b>Deposits</b>		\$3,140.00
	Category		Amount
	Dues	\$	1,500.00
	Hall Rental	\$	400.00
1200	Advertisers	\$	500.00
1300	Logo Items Sales	\$	100.00
1400	vacant		
1500	Raffles		
1600	Fisherman's Breakfast		*15 *5 Test (*1) *5 Test
1700	Donations	\$	640.00
1800	Special Events		
1900	Miscellaneous	j,	

Acct#	Deposits Detail Description	Amount
	Dues (1 New / 24 Renewal)	\$ 1,500.00
	Hall Rental (4)	\$ 400.00
	Logo Items	\$ 100.00
	Donations (2)	\$ 640.00
1200	Advertisers (5 Businesses)	\$ 500.00
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	Disbursements		\$349.41
Acct#	Category	-	mount
2000	Capital Projects		
2100	Repair & Maintenance		
2200	Utilities	\$	243.41
2300	Insurance		
2400	Taxes & Fees		
2500	Special Events		
	Logo Items	8-	
2700	Contracted Services		
2800	Supplies/Equipment		
	Miscellaneous	\$	106.00

	Disbursements Detail	
Acct#	Description	Amount
2900	PO Box Renewal 2019	\$ 106.00
2200	PSE	\$ 243.41

Balance as of:	
2/28/2019	\$16,072.95
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	Net Change	\$1,046.01
	2/28/2018	\$15,026.94
/	2/28/2019	\$10,072.95

#	Memberships to Date*	
10	Complimentary Memberships	
4	Paid for 2020	
37	Paid for 2019	
166	Unrenewed from 2018	
27	Unrenewed from 2017	
28	Unrenewed from 2016 or Later	

### Remarks

Renewals & New Members

Bold = New / Bold & Italicized = Returned

\*Memberships could represent more than one person

Aahl, Steven & Susan

Barry, Steve

Bastin, Brad & Sharon

Berney, Janet

Eide, Audrey

Filyaw, Michael & Susan

Galbraith, Debbie

Glenn, Robert & Teresa

Haggerty, Daniel & Sandra

Hodges, Shawna

Holstein, Fred & Lynn Kaivo, Ken & Luva Kirkwood, John & Dolores Leno, Pam & Nooney, Bob Martinelli, Deb & Benjamin, Jack Maynard, Kirk & Lorrie Miltenberger, Tony & Jania

Mitchell, Harol & Nancy Patterson, Michael & Janet Rust, David & Kathleen

Sorensen, Steve & Borgmann, Carol

Waldron, Katie Ward, Randy Wells, Randy & Aleta

Zabel, Kenneth & Vickie

# Summit Lake Water Quality Report

Summit Lake residents reported minor algae blooms on the lake, once in January and once in February. Although when the Thurston County Environmental Health Division staff reported they did not see any visible algae scum on the lake, they took water samples three times, January 14, February 7, and February 13. One sample (Feb 7) was not viable due to weather delays in getting it to the test lab, but the other two samples were tested and found **NOT** to contain detectible levels of toxins. Hopefully, this level of lake cleanliness will continue and the lake will be properly stocked for a normal fishing season, and the SLCA can have a successful Fisherman's Breakfast.

The following are notes from the SLCA Board:

The SLCA is looking to share water protection strategies through our regular news letter mailings.

Several of the board members will be sharing info and keeping water quality at the forefront as we work with the community to make the best possible choices we can to help protect our beautiful precious resource..... our water supply!

Our focus for this news letter is septic systems.

At our March 1, 2019 General Board meeting, we discussed briefly how to dye test your septic system and stop raw sewage from entering our water source. A dye trace can detect septic system leaks. A dye test will by no means find every septic failure and is not indicative of the complete condition of the system, but this method finds many failures that otherwise are unnoticed by a home owner. Dye testing involves flushing a non-toxic tracer dye down a toilet combined with a known quantity of water sufficient to put a working load on the absorption system. It's the volume of water introduced into the system that forms the actual "test". If waste water is coming to the surface and/or into the lake (an unsanitary condition indicating serious septic failure) one may see dye in that water.

The SLCA is working together with the Department of Environmental Health to provide to our Community with a comprehensive, step by step Do It Yourself dye test instruction process and a video link. It should be available within the next few weeks, and will be published in the next SLCA Newsletter. You can also request a copy by contacting SummitLakeSLCA@gmail.com. Another option is to hire a reputable plumbing company. We all need to be proactive and be sure we have working systems! Bart and Craig have offered to walk anyone through the process on site.

Other things to think about relative to maintaining our septic systems include:

Watching what goes down the drain.

Making sure everyone in the home understands that human waste and toilet paper are the only things to flush. Excess medications should be return to pharmacy or land-fill.

Eliminate drain cleaner use.

Do not use automatic toilet cleaners.

No hazardous waste, paints, solvents, chemicals.

Use disposable paint brushes.

Eliminate or limit use of garbage disposal.

No chlorine treated water such as from hot tubs.

Minimize use of anti-bacterial soaps, cleansers.

Detergents: measure accurately, use as little as possible.

Limit use of bleach-based cleansers.

Use natural cleaning products.

Things that can over load our systems include large party's, wedding, events, or anything that saturates the ground water beyond its capacity to filter... noticing the time of year and weather is also important. The following link below offers a great diagram and touches base on "not over loading your drain field". https://www.epa.gov/septic/septic-systems-and-surface-water

**Watch these videos** from the <a href="www.summitlakecommunity.org">www.summitlakecommunity.org</a>. page (water quality-septic system maintenance tabs) for additional information and instructions on how to check your septic systems. <a href="Septic systems 101">Septic systems 101</a> to watch a 19 minute video on how an onsite septic system works. <a href="Septic systems 201">Septic systems 201</a> to watch a 24 minute video on how to determine if your tank needs to be pumped.

SUMMIT LAKE NEWS

# Summit Lake Emergency Preparedness

#### **Emergency Kit Basics**

- Two-week supply of bottled water
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Candles, holders and matches
- Battery-powered radio with fresh batteries
- Manual (non-electric) can opener

- Extra blankets or sleeping bags
- One-week supply of non-perishable food

Vacuum bottle to keep drinks hot

Dry firewood, kindling and paper

- Windup or battery-operated clock
- One-week supply of baby formula, diapers, etc., if applicable
- Also be sure you have a neighbor or someone close by that you can team up with for help.

# Scotch Broom Is Not Our Friend! By Deb Martinelli



Hi Neighbors: You might think this plant is pretty, but it is a **highly** flammable noxious weed. Now and while these plants are blooming is the time to get rid of them. If you wait too long into the season, the flowers will fade and seed pods will grow. Within two years one plant can produce up to 300 seeds that can sprout for up to 50 years. Yikes! You will see Scotch Broom growing along road sides and on land that doesn't have dense tree cover. Scotch Broom is quickly making its way around Summit Lake. Can we work together to try to keep our homes and properties safe?

I have checked in with several sources in the area, and I have been told it is best and easiest to pull Scotch Broom out by the roots while the plants are young. I have purchased a scotch broom wrench—mine is an UpRooter--which makes the job a lot easier, but they are pricey. Thurston County lends these wrenches to residents for up to a week. Call Thurston County at 360-786-5576 to check availability; if no wrenches are available the County will place your name on a waiting list.

Scotch Broom plants that are cut down, dug up or pulled with a weed wrench can be chipped for mulch, provided they do not have ripe seed pods on them. If you can't chip them or if they do have seed pods on them, then you may need to find an area on your property that you can designate as a "sacrifice area". This can be a place out of sight in a forested area, where you can stack the plants and allow them to decompose. I am told you can also take Scotch broom to the County Waste & Recovery Centers where you will likely be charged a disposal fee. I am not advising you to burn Scotch Broom because it is hard to manage and burns very hot; but if you do, the fire has to be very closely monitored, kept small, and only a little Scotch Broom should be added at a time.

If you've got guestions -The County expert on Scotch Broom and other noxious weeds is Angela Celestine, Thurston County Public Works, 360-786-5833, celesta@co.thurston.wa.us Here is a link to the handout Angela Celestine sent me on Scotch Broom it contains lots of very good information:

https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?ui=2&ik=918f071187&attid=0.1&permmsgid=msgf:1626645594052289793&th=1693018ca8f0e501&view=att&disp=safe

# Important Community Announcement

On Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 5:00 pm, as required by RCW 85.38.040 Thurston County Public Works will conduct a hearing on the proposed formation of Summit Lake Special Use District.

This hearing will take place in the <u>Thurston County Courthouse</u>, Bldg 1, Room 280. All persons will have an opportunity to present their oral comments at the meeting. In lieu of presenting oral comments, written comments may be submitted to:

Tim Wilson
Water Resources Manager
Thurston County Public Works
Water Resources Division
929 Lakeridge Dr SW # 4
Olympia, WA 98502
wilsont@co.thurston.wa.us

Make sure your opinion is heard!

The SLCA neither supports nor opposes the forming of the Special Use District.

# In Memory



It is with great sadness and a heavy heart we must say goodbye to Tim Nole. Tim passed away on Sunday, February 24 th. Tim was "Mr. Music and Blues" at Summit Lake. Tim was responsible for giving us Open Mic nights which brought so much to our Community. So many of us enjoyed the local talent Tim brought, as well as his laid back humor and wit. You always knew Tim was in the room because he was all smiles and laughter. He was always willing to lend a hand, lend an ear, or play a little tune. We here at Summit Lake will miss him dearly. A date will be set to have a "Tim Nole Celebration of Life" open mic night.

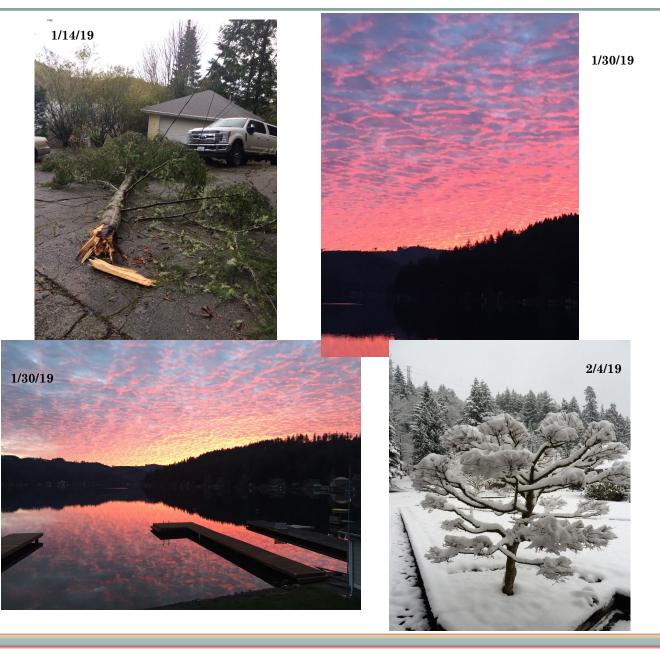
Our sincere condolences to Nancy and family

### Lake Life

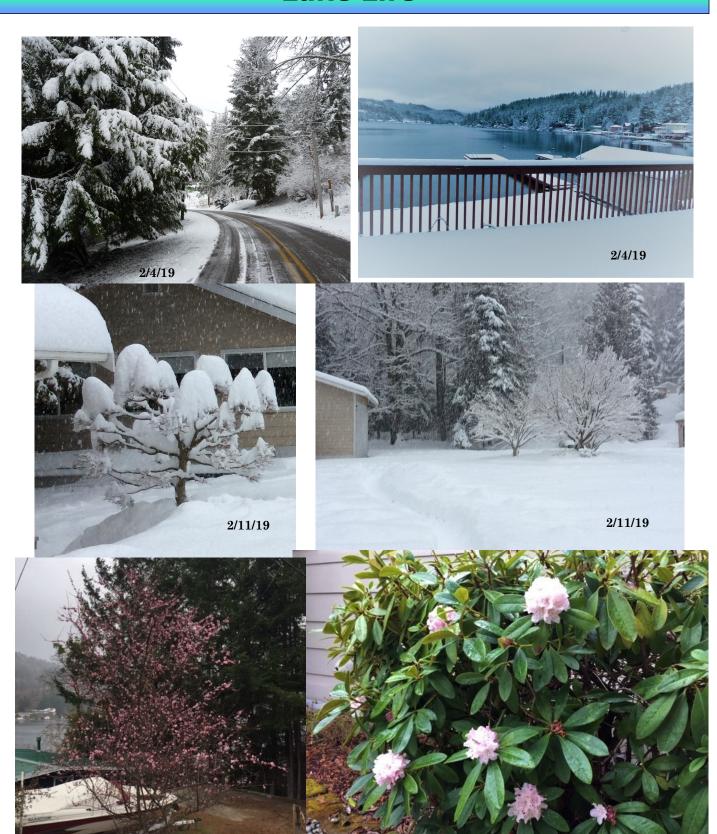
Note: The intent of this section of the newsletter is to provide interesting pictures of things and activities around Summit Lake. If you have inputs of items that would be of interest to other residents, please submit them to: summitlakenews@gmail.com

### WINTER AT SUMMIT LAKE

This was an interesting winter season at Summit Lake. The January wind storms, and February snow storms inundated the area with falling branches and trees and near record snow falls. Power outages affected lake residents and most of Thurston county for several days, and schools were closed for most of a week. In spite of the difficulties ensuing as a result of the storms, the beauty of the area was amazing with all of the snow. But winter has now officially come to an end and spring has come with its warmer temperatures and the color and beauty of blossoming trees and spring flowers.



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# What Is The SLCA?

The Summit Lake Community Association is just that (a Community Association)! It is a non-profit volunteer based organization in existence for the betterment of the community. That includes but is not limited to social events so that we can interact and get to know one another, events that improve the community such as the lake road clean-up, emergency preparedness team, and water quality team, as well as a group that can organize for communication and issues that affect our community. The SLCA is not a HOA (Home Owners Association), nor does it police issues between neighbors, it will, however, bring up common issues at times for awareness purposes (such as water quality information).

The cost to join the SLCA is just \$30.00 per year. If you know of any neighbors that are not members (maybe new neighbors), please tell them about the organization, and maybe print out and hand them a copy of the newsletter. Thank you!!

IF YOU ARE NOT A CURRENT MEMBER AND WANT TO JOIN, PLEASE SEE THE MEMBERSHIP FORM BELOW.

# Renew Your Association Membership Dues Membership!

Become a SLCA Member!

It's that time of year that the SLCA is collecting dues and appreciates your participation. As you probably know, we are a non-profit community association. There are no property covenants associated with the SLCA and your being a member is voluntary. However, your membership is important for the funding and upkeep of community property and our various events. With your membership you also receive the SLCA newsletter via email. If you do not renew your membership, this will be the last newsletter you will receive.

You may notice that the dues were increased substantially for the coming year. This is a result of the Association approving the increase by a vote in the November general meeting, which was deemed necessary due to reduced income from the annual Fisherman's Breakfast.

### Thank you in advance for your membership

Please note there is a place to indicate whether you would like to be contacted for SLCA volunteer activities when additional help is needed.

This would be strictly voluntary and dependent on your availability.

	SLCA MEMBERSHI	P FORM FOR 2019		
☐ New Membership ☐ Renewal Amount Enclosed: \$	Complete form and return with payn  (\$60 Per Household/PerYear)	nent to: Summit Lake Community Association PO Box 11763 Olympia, WA 98508		
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The SLCA publishes a Me	ember Directory for use by the men	ibers ONLY. Can we publish your:		
Name: Y/N Address: Y/	N Phone#: Y/N Email Address	: Y/N		
SLCA needs volunteers to	help with our events. Please check th	e events for which you can help out:		
☐ Easter Egg Hunt	☐ Lake Clean Up ☐	Boat Parade		
☐ Fisherman's Breakfast	☐ Cinco De Mayo Party ☐	Emergency Preparedness Team		
☐ Annual Picnic	☐ Oktoberfest ☐	Lake Water Quality Committee		
☐ Reader Board Posts	☐ Community Garage Sale	32.0 St		