



Summit Lake Community Association

Newsletter

October - December 2020



Winter is here, with short days, long nights, and cool rainy weather. The lake has a peaceful beauty this time of year, with spectacular sunsets and different waterfowl on the lake. We are all preparing for the holiday season with Christmas lights going up and children looking forward to the holidays. We need to remind everyone to drive carefully, with frosty mornings and the potential of snow making the lake roads slippery at times.

We want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

SLCA Upcoming Events

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

- SLCA General meeting - Friday, January 8 - 7:00 pm (Annual Meeting and installation of officers)
Meeting will be a virtual meeting streamed live on Facebook hosted at the Boy Scout camp facility.
- Santa Visit - Cancelled this year due to COVID19 issues. Enjoy a healthy and happy holiday season with your family.

A preliminary schedule of events for the 2021 year is shown on the page 5!

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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SLCA 2021 OFFICERS and TRUSTEES

The following is the SLCA board for the 2021 calendar year.

President: Craig Edwards - craigipe@yahoo.com

Vice President: Dwayne Swenson - dwayne@mscWASHINGTON.com

Secretary: Joni Fuchs - summitlakeslca@gmail.com

Treasurer: David Dishman - SLCATreasurer@gmail.com

Trustees (two-year terms): Duane Inglin, Richelle Gonzales, Melissa Neff, Kylie Gustafson, Michael Patterson, Ross Lampky

Trustee (one-year term): Terry Brannberg

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.

Clubhouse cleaning — A group of volunteers will be needed on call to clean the clubhouse for meetings and other gatherings (after COVID)



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



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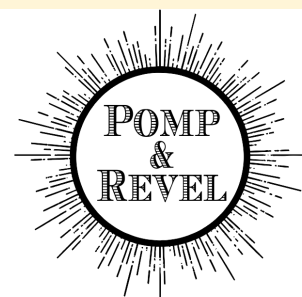
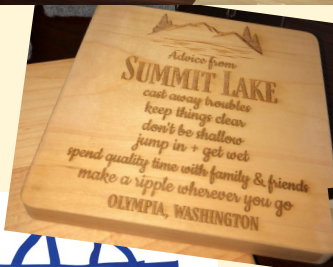
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SLCA 2021 CALENDAR

All events at Community Hall, unless otherwise stated
(Note: this is a preliminary schedule and is subject to change)

JANUARY

JAN 8TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 7:00

(Live on-line meeting via SLCA Facebook page)

FEBRUARY

No SLCA sponsored activities

MARCH

MARCH 5TH GENERAL MEETING 7:00

APRIL

APRIL 3RD EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00-11:00 AM **

APRIL 24TH FISHERMANS BREAKFAST 6:00 -11:00 AM **

MAY

May 1ST LAKE CLEANUP 8:30-11 AM

MAY 8TH CINCO DE MAYO / POTLUCK 6:00 **

MAY 12TH AND 26TH PINOCHELE 7:00 **

JUNE

JUNE 4TH GENERAL MEETING / ICE CREAM SOCIAL 6:30 **

** Assumes release from COVID restrictions

JULY

JULY 4TH BOAT PARADE 10:00 AM

AUGUST

AUGUST 6, 7, 8TH COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE 9 AM – 3 PM

AUGUST 14, 15TH COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE 9 AM – 3 PM

AUGUST 21ST SLCA PICNIC 5:00 -10:00

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 9TH AND 23RD PINOCHELE 7:00

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 1ST GENERAL MEETING / OKTOBERFEST 6:30

OCTOBER 7TH AND 21ST PINOCHELE 7:00

OCTOBER 30TH HALOWEEN TRUNK-OR-TREAT

NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 5TH GENERAL MEETING (ELECTIONS) 7:00

DECEMBER

DECEMBER 11TH KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY/SANTA VISIT
10:00-11:30 AM


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2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP LIST

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME
Aahl	Steven	Everson	Gary & Catherine	Keller	Ryan & Christina
Adams	Louella & Kent	Eygabroad	Dan & Jody	Kelley	Bill & Kathy
Agnelli	Jill	Fenton	Gary	Kelson	Michael & Janis
Ammons	Bernie	Filyaw	Michael & Susan	Kinnaman/Bowen	Patricia & Linda
Anderson	Amy	Fjeld	Dave & Katrina	Kirkwood	Dolores
Anderson	John & Susan	Foust	Jason & Bridget	Kovash	Donna
Allen	Roy & Stephanie	Fuchs	Joni & Craig	Laflamme/Grimsted	Denise/ Brad
Bader	Terri & Dave	Galbraith	Deborah	Lamky	Ross
Bailey	Michael & Cindy	Geraci	Joseph & Tara	Lanigan	Tim & Jane
Barmuta	John & Becky	Glenn	Bob & Teresa	Lathrop	Willard & Lucile
Barry	Steve	Glore	Gavin N	Leachman	Dan & Shawni
Bastin	Brad & Sharon	Gonzalez-Vining	Manuel & Richelle	Leingang	Clarence
Bastin/Schloz-Bastin	Brink/ Janet	Grow	Randy	Lowery/Hubbert	"A"/Teresa
Blackner	Greg & Debbie	Gustafson	Kiley & Voshte	Lusier/Capretta	Tim & Jaquie, Mark & Susie
Blum	James & Kristan	Haggerty	Dan & Sandi	Marsh	Nancy
Boknecht	John & Heather	Halstrom	Craig & Beth	Martin	Rollie & Audrey
Bonjorni	Daniel	Hamilton	Ross & Whitney	Martinelli/Benjamin	Debra / Jack
Booth	Brian & Susan	Hansen	Mike & Barb	Maynard	Kirk & Lorrie
Bowen/Kinnaman	Linda / Patricia	Harkness/Lumsden	Cindy & Dave/Ednalee	McDonald	Betty J.
Brannberg	Terry & Gerry	Hart	Kerry & Judy	Melendez/Kemper	Cesar / Laura
Braseth	Arin	Hartman	Rich & Kristen	Meyer	Bob & Joy
Brewer	Tim & Carole	Hayes	Leonard	Mitchell	Harold & Nancy
Brinton	John	Hess	Bryan & Rose	Moffitt	Steve & Linda
Bruebaker	Gary & Aleta	Hipp	John	Morales	Fernando & Amanda
Buckholtz	Paul & Connie	Hodges	Keith & Shawna	Morefield	Marjorie
Bush	Richard	Hodgins	Greg & Kathleen	Mullin	Mark & Leslie
Campbell	Kevin & Jill	Hodgins/Larson	Vaughn/Tracy	Murphy / Chapman	MaryAnn / Paula
Cangelosi	Terry & Millie	Holstein	Fred & Lynn	Nabbefeld	Lenore
Chase	Rick & Melissa	Hopseger	Mark & Shelli	Neff	Michael & Melissa
Christensen	Derwyn, Neal & Lynn	Horn	Ben & Joy	Nelson	Steve & Chris
Christoffer	Jesse	Hunter	Andy & Tracey	Nole	Nancy
Cockrell	Brian & Brandi	Hunter	Ron	O'Byrne	Josh & Krista
Cole	Eli & Amelia	Iannarone/Dishman	Nancy/David	Okamoto	Kiyosato
Collins	Bart & Ronni	Inglin	Duane & Sheri	Olson /Zabriskie	Steve / Kris
Collins	Bob & Glenda	Japhet	Carl J.	Ounsted	Larry & Barbara
Collins	Charlie & Jodi	Japhet	Diane	Padgett / Berbells	Cindy / Genie
Conover	Kevin & Sarah	Japhet	Don & Lisa	Patterson	Michael & Janet
Crocker	Timothy & Carisa	Japhet	Floyd	Patterson	Rikki
Darby	Gordon & Linda	Japhet	Ginger	Payne	Doug & Alice
Delaney/Leitch	Robert / Kathy	Japhet	John & Sandy	Payne	John & Mary Sue
Desanto	Tom & Sherry	Japhet	Wm. "Butch" & Diane	Pellegrino	Nick & Sheila
Dizon	Ramel & Grace	Jasper	Bob & Barbara	Peterson	Venn & Cathy
Dobrovich	John & Sharon	Jenkins	Al & Shannie	Piccolotto	Dennis & Nancy
Duke	Pat & Deb	Jenkins	W.K. "Bill"	Pierce	Carm & Regina
Duvall	Lanny & Kelli	Johnson	Renee & Eric	Pierce-SL Church	Jeff
Earley	Dan & Mindy	Jones	Kenneth & Emmie	Piercey	Gary
Edgberg	Rod & Shem	Juergens	Marty & Heidi	Pierson / Hart	Jane / Celia
Edwards/Sandstrom	Craig / Cindy	Kaivo	Ken & Luva	Pollard/Johnson	Lori & Brian
Eide	Audrey B.	Karnas / Cole	Natalie / Jerry	Raedel	Larry & Holly
Ellertson	Mark & Barbara	Keiser	Bruce	Ramstad	Mark & Debbie
Espirito	Keith, Janet, Beth,	Kellar	Leonard & Margaret	Reiling	Keith & Hallie

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2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP LIST (continued)

Roberts	Bruce & Sharon	Thomasson	Lee & Joyce
Rohrbaugh	Kyle & Leah	Torgerson	Greg & Pam
Roper / Franks	Tom / Janet	Tracht	Ron & Lisa
Russell	Chris & Barbara	Waldron	Katie & Chris
Rust	David & Kathleen	Walmark/Barrett	Steven & Frances
Salmon	Jay & Kris	Walker	Lyndsay
Salzer	Ray & Cathy	Wallace	Stewart
Sanger	Rick & Barbie	Ward	Randy & Sundry
San Juan	Theirry & Rina	Wells	Randy & Aleta
Santhuff	Scott & Stacey	White	Cindy
Saunders	Craig & Kathy	White	Debbie
Sebasta	Janelle	White	Dorris
Shaffer	Mark & Pam	Wiegand	Paul & Jean
Shelstad	Michael & Jan	Williams	April & Grady
Sloane	Rich & Lori	Williams	Brian & Peggy
Snyder	Mitch	Williams	Doug & Lori
Solis	Alex & M'Lissa	Williams	Joe & Cheryl
Sorenson/Borgmann	Steve / Carol	Williams	LJ
Spacciante	Anthony & Leah	Willrich	Mavis
Spacciante	Joe & Marueen	Wilson	Carole
Spero	Amy	Wilson	Patrick & Jill
Spomer	Barry & Lisa	Wright	Chuck & Tamie
Stewart	Bob & Merrily	Wright	Jeff & Amy
Stoehr	Ron	Wybenga	Thomas & Sue
Stonecipher	Michele	Wyllie	Bryan & Rebecca
Strong	Don & Lorna	Yonek	Jeff & Jody
Swenson	Judy & Dwayne	Zabel	Ed & Vickie
Taylor	Doug & Darryl Ann	Zimmerman	Bill & Karen
Telling	Randy & Recky	Zimmerman	Cynthia
Tetzlaff	Brian & Jennifer		

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General Membership Meeting Minutes

SLCA FACEBOOK VIRTUAL GENERAL MEETING October 2, 2020 7:00 PM

President Edwards calls meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

TREASURERS REPORT/MEMBERSHIP -DAVID DISHMAN -See Attachment Treasurers Report was approved and accepted.

MINUTES-JONI FUCHS -Reading of the Minutes were waved. Minutes were approved and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

PHASE TWO of 4 ACRE PROJECT UPDATE—President Craig Edwards and Vice President Dwayne Swenson – SLCA would like to start Phase 2 of the 4 Acre project. This consists of the 20x20 covered Pavilion and finishing the RV spots. Budget is 8K. Added on the top is the purchase of interactive playground equipment (\$1500) that won't add to our insurance liability.

Building will not start until Spring as lumber prices are extremely high. We are asking for donations of material to help defray costs. The Pavilion will be located by the well head.

Motion is provided to the Membership as a motion with a second from SLCA Board. The membership will have till Oct 5th,2020 to vote on the motion. The budget is 8K for the building of the Pavilion and \$1500 for Playground Equipment.

Motion- The SLCA BOARD requests approval from the Membership to start Phase 2 of the 4 Acre Project with a budget of \$9500 Budget. Voting can be virtual, or by email, or in person. Voting will close on October 5th,2020.

SLCA GARAGE SALE -RECAP – President Edwards

A big thank you to the Community for donating to the Garage Sale. The Garage Sale was the biggest fundraiser SLCA has had to date. There was over 5k received and leftover items are still being sold online. Logo sales were also over \$5K. We received 11 new Members and over \$300 on the raffle! Thanks to everyone that has made this fundraiser such a success.

BOAT PARADE RECAP- Vice President Swenson

Parade was the best representation on the Lake yet. 13 Participants competed and fun was had by all. It has been rumored that several families have started planning for next year's 4th of July Parade!

FLAG PERSON STILL NEEDED- Craig Edwards

As of meeting time we did not have a Flag Person. Thank you to Eric and Renee Johnson for stepping up and agreeing to take it on.

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10-02-2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Continued)

RESULTS OF WDFW MEETING– Craig Edwards /Duane Inglin,

The three-year moratorium on stocking from WDFW has expired.
WDFW will resume stocking 30K (3 – 10K increments) per year in 2021

INTERNET ABILITY AT CLUBHOUSE -DWAYNE SWENSON

Full time Internet is not feasible at this time as the cost is \$1800 a year.

NEW BUSINESS

CLUBHOUSE CLEANING

SLCA is looking for a group or individual that will deep clean the Clubhouse twice a year. It was suggested it could be done on Lake Clean-up Day and then also in the Fall after the picnic.

COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIPS POLICY MOTION

The following motions are provided to the SLCA membership as a motion with second from the SLCA Board to be voted on at the October 2 General Meeting. Because of the necessary virtual nature of the meeting, these measures are put forth to the membership in advance of the meeting and can be voted on by return email prior to the meeting, or by contact through Facebook during the live streamed virtual meeting:

Motion: Be it resolved that as of the 2021 membership year and following, all current complimentary memberships in the SLCA are hereby rescinded. Complimentary memberships with all rights and privileges of membership in 2021 and following years are limited to the following:

1. **Floyd Japhet shall have a lifetime membership honoring his status as a founding member of the SLCA and predecessor organization, the Summit Lake Community Club.**
2. **The person managing the rental of the Summit Lake Community Center shall have complimentary membership during the membership year or years in which that service is performed.**
3. **The person managing the purchase and sale of the Summit Lake Logo items for the SLCA shall have complimentary membership during the membership year or years in which that service is performed.**

PURCHASE OF A CONEX VAN/STORAGE SHED -CRAIG EDWARDS

Motion -The SLCA Board requests approval from the membership to purchase a metal “CONEX” type container of size approximately 10 x 20 feet to use for storage of SLCA materials, with spending authorization up to \$3500. Voting will close October 5th, 2020

Pertinent information: The container would be a locking weatherproof box similar to shipping containers used on semi-trucks and ocean ships and can be purchased used occasionally from on-line sources at prices that range from \$1500 to \$5000, depending on condition and configuration. If approved, the SLCA board would shop for a decent container at the best price possible, not to exceed the approved price. The container would be installed on the SLCA property behind the existing pump house, but back slightly further into the woods. The board believes this would be a maintenance free and better option than trying to build or purchase a wood product storage shed, and would free up much needed space inside the clubhouse, and provide better security for items that are needed but infrequently used such as chairs and tables, and for additional items that may be procured in the future for outside activities.

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10-02-2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Continued)**THURSTON COUNTY FIRE COMMISSIONS MEETING RECAP-Craig Edwards**

It was stated that in the Fall when Chief North came put to explain the Levy to us, he promised us if the Levy passed, we would get our Firemen. That did not happen.

Chief North was asked what were his plans for our empty Station. President Edwards asked that Summit Lake residents and SLCA be included on plans for the future of our empty Firehouse.

Davie Kendal has sent applications for Volunteers, but the criteria is set so high, it is doubted anyone in a volunteer status can meet the requirements.

Chief North is saying they have a 12.5-minute response from Station #91 to Summit Lake. Because of several serious accidents etc., we know the time to be over 25 minutes up to 34 minutes.

Summit Lake residents pay a premium rate in taxes and we receive very little services from anyone in Thurston County.

More information needs to be sent out to the community to get SL residents involved in the Fire Commissioners meetings. It is time to start putting some pressure on the Fire Commissioners. The meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 5:30. To speak, you have to call the Blacklane McLane fire department and ask Davie Kendall to put you on the Agenda. It is time for Summit Lake to speak up.

ON THE ROCKS FUNDRAISER –

On the Rocks did a fantastic job over Labor Day with their on the water concerts. On the Rocks gave SLCA a \$1200 donation for putting out their information to the Membership! Thanks so much!

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES – Terry Brannberg

Please see attached proposed changes. The Motion was made and seconded and it will be voted on in November.

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10-02-2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Continued)

PROPOSED CHANGES TO SLCA BYLAWS (Amended November 4, 2016)

Motion to change Bylaws by Terry Brannberg (submitted for Oct 2020 meeting, to be voted on Nov 2020 meeting per SLCA Bylaw change requirements).

Whereas the SLCA Bylaws (Amended October 5, 2018) contain numerous changes that were never approved by the Association other than one related to an increase in annual dues to \$60 per year, and whereas many of those non-approved changes and deletions are inappropriate, confusing, and/or typographical errors, I move that the October 2018 Bylaws be hereby rescinded, and the November 4, 2016 Bylaws be reinstated, and changed as follows:

- Change “(Amended November 4, 2016)” to “(Dated November 6, 2020)”.
- Article I, PURPOSE – Change the word “improvement” to “involvement”
- Article II, Section 2 – Following the first sentence, add the words “Dues for 2019 shall be \$60. For 2020 and beyond, the”, and delete the word “The” at beginning of next sentence.
- Article III, first paragraph – Change the word “associations” to “Association”, change the words “five Trustees” to “five to seven Trustees”.
- Article IV, Section 2, second line – change the words “SEC 1” to “SECTION 1”.
- Article IV, Section 3, third line – change the words “the next regular meeting and/or in the monthly newsletter” to “the next General meeting and/or in the next SLCA newsletter”.
- Article IV, Section 4
 - * second paragraph, last sentence – add the words “, credit card, or other properly documented method”.
 - * **third paragraph – change the words** “clubhouse repair” to “the Clubhouse repair” and change the words “a vote of the association members” to “a vote of the majority of the Association members”.
- Article IV, Section 5
 - * First line – change the words “five Trustees” to “five to seven Trustees”.
 - * Fourth line – change the words “two of five Trustees” to “two of the Trustees”.
 - * Sixth line – change the words “two or three Trustees” to “two to four Trustees”.
- Article V
 - * Third line - change the words “six (6) regular association meetings” to “six (6) General Association meetings”
 - * Fourth line - change the words “Meetings shall be held on the first Thursday of the month” to “Meetings shall be held on the first Friday of the month”
 - * Seventh line - change the words “notification to be given” to “notification shall be given”.
- Article VI – change the words “Not less than eleven members” to “Not less than twenty-one members”.
- Article VII, Section 1, third paragraph – change the words “Odd numbered terms start years (January date) shall have three Trustees elected; even numbered term starts years shall have two Trustees elected.” to “Odd numbered term start years (January date) shall have three or four Trustees elected; even numbered term starts years shall have two or three Trustees elected.”.
- Article VII, Section 2 -- Change the words “Any other office shall be filled by nomination and election at the meeting following that in which the vacancy occurs.” to “Any other office shall be filled on a temporary basis by the Executive Board, with subsequent nomination and election to complete the term of office at the SLCA general meeting following that in which the vacancy occurs.”

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10-02-2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Continued)

- Article VII, COMMITTEES – Change Article number from “VII” to “VIII” to correct typo.
- Article IX, title – Add the words “Changes or” ahead of the word “Amendments”.
- Article XI, Section 1, items 1 and 2 – change the word “offence” to “offense”.

Notes:

1. Article I – Better defines the Association purpose. Improvement and betterment are redundant.
2. Article II – Dues change approved in November 2018 SLCA General meeting.
3. Articles III and VII -- Although we need more trustees, we should not lock ourselves in to seven trustees and be forced to fill slots on board just for the numbers.
4. Article IV, Section 3 -- We do not have a monthly newsletter (it's currently issued five times per year).
5. Article IV, Section 4 – Change allows Treasurer to make payments by documented means other than paper check.
6. Article V – Changes general meeting day to Fridays to agree with current schedules.
7. Article VI – With a membership of almost 200, a quorum of only 11 makes no sense –suggestion is 21. The number of 11 was established back when there was almost no interest in the organization and the membership was much lower.
8. Article VII -- We need to be able to fill Trustee position on temporary basis as we did (apparently illegally) this summer by Board approval since we can have several months gap between general meetings.
9. Article IX – Changes and amendments are different. Changes are what we are doing here, whereas amendments are additions to the Bylaws as an Amendment sheet.
10. Other minor changes (some of which were derived from the 2018 changes) are included for procedural purposes, and to improve clarification / correct typographical errors.

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10-02-2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Continued)

NOMINATIONS FOR 2021 BOARD President Edwards explained that the 2021 Board was expected to be a “working” Board. He detailed that in addition to members of the Board attending meetings, they need to help and take on other projects.

Nominations were as followed.

Craig Edwards was nominated for President

Dwayne Swenson was nominated for Vice President

David Dishman was nominated for Treasurer

Joni Fuchs was nominated for Secretary

Nominated for Trustees are:

Kylie Gustafson **2 Year Position**

Debbie White **2 Year Position**

Michael Patterson **2 Year Position**

Ray Salzer **2 Year Position**

Melissa Neff **2 Year Position**

Terry Brannberg **1 Year Position**

A letter will be sent to these nominees to get their acceptance or their refusal to being nominated. Nominations will remain open until Nominations are closed for voting at the General Meeting Election, Nov 6th 2020.7:00 PM.

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting will be Friday, November 6th at 7:00. This will be the Associations 80th Birthday. Even if the limitation on attendees is raised, we will still put all General Meetings from here on Virtual Facebook LIVE with a video to watch at any time for those that still want to attend remotely.

The Internet stopped abruptly and so the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joni Fuchs
SLCA Secretary.



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SLCA 2020 October Financial Report

SUMMIT LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

As of: 10/31/2020

Balance Forward from:

9/30/2020

\$33,566.50

Deposits		\$1,580.00
Acct#	Category	Amount
1000	Dues	\$ 900.00
1100	Hall Rental	\$ 150.00
1200	Advertisers	
1300	Logo Items Sales	
1400	vacant	
1500	Raffles	
1600	Fisherman's Breakfast	
1700	Donations	\$ 390.00
1800	Special Events	\$ 140.00
1900	Miscellaneous	

Total Deposits \$ 1,580.00

Deposits Detail		
Acct#	Description	Amount
1000	Renewal or New Member Dues	\$ 900.00
1100		\$ 150.00
1700	Donations	\$ 390.00
1800	Garage Sale	\$ 140.00

Disbursements		\$2,023.88
Acct#	Category	Amount
2000	Capital Projects	
2100	Repair & Maintenance	
2200	Utilities	
2300	Insurance	
2400	Taxes & Fees	\$ 1,340.44
2500	Special Events	
2600	Logo Items	\$ 442.65
2700	Contracted Services	
2800	Supplies/Equipment	
2900	Miscellaneous	\$ 240.79

Total Disbursements \$ 2,023.88

Disbursements Detail		
Acct#	Description	Amount
2000		
2100		
2200		
2300		
2400	Property Tax 2nd Half Turkey Hill	\$ 86.40
2400	Property Tax 2nd Half 4.0 Acres	\$ 598.33
2400	Timber Sale Tax	655.71
2600	ThisThat Logo Items	\$ 442.65
2700		
2800		
2900	Quickbooks Purchase	\$ 240.79

Monthly Net \$ (443.88)

Balance as of:

10/31/2020	\$33,122.62
10/31/2019	\$20,348.64
Net Change	\$12,773.98

Membership

#	Memberships to Date*
8	Complimentary Memberships
15	Paid for 2021
182	Paid for 2020

*Memberships could represent more than one person

General Membership Meeting Minutes

11-06-2020 SLCA MEMBERSHIP GENERAL MEETING (VIRTUAL)

Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Karen Meier and Dan Collett (Ranger Dan) presented their future plans for Camp Thunderbird. Presentation started after the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30.

High Points to the Meeting.

- **Three areas of focus**
 1. Capital Campaign – 11.5 M
 2. Endowment Campaign – 5 M
 3. Operations – 1.5M
- **BSA will be planting 7000 trees in the Spring**
- **RV lot will be on the other side of the stream and not backing SLCA 4Acres. Capacity will be 30 maximum and for families of BSA only. Short term overnight only.**
- **Waste water treatment plant is for Camp Thunderbird only.**
- **They plan to shift the swimming area from the current swimming hole to a lake front**
- **Communication between BSA and SLCA is most important.**
- **Cleanup on the logged areas and also where the new Camp Thunderbird sign is located have been delayed because of COVID19 and then the smoke conditions.**
- **40 Acres to be purchased in the Green Dimond area SW of the Camp.**
- **We thank Karen and Ranger Dan for taking the time to keep us informed and also sharing their facility for our meeting.**
- **Michael Patterson is now on the Executive Boards and will be the Community Liaison for BSA.**

SLCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Meeting was called to order 7:00 PM -Duane Inglin and David Dishman (excused) were not present. There were 54 attendees online.

Pledge of Allegiance

TREASURERS REPORT/MEMBERSHIP -DAVID DISHMAN -see attached. Treasurers report was read, accepted and approved.

MINUTES-JONI FUCHS – Minutes were read and accepted and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGES TO ADD TRUSTEES VOTE

Amendment to the Bylaws was passed unanimously

2.PHASE TWO of 4 ACRE PROJECT UPDATE–President Craig Edwards and Vice President Dwayne Swenson

- The motion for starting Phase 2 of the 4 Acre Plan, budget \$9500 was passed unanimously.

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11-06-2020 SLCA GENERAL MEETING (Continued)

- Motion for purchase of a Conex up to \$3500 was approved. Update: A Conex was found for a \$200 donation and the cost to haul it was \$600. Conex is now at the Clubhouse and will be painted and utilized as soon as weather permits. Thanks to VP Dwayne Swenson, President Craig Edwards, and Craig Fuchs for getting this done.
- President Edwards found someone tearing a school down and talked him into donating a \$1500 concrete table and bench! Good Job Head Cheese whiz!
- Michelle Neff also mentioned they had one and they would donate it also!

3. Motion to only have three Complimentary Memberships starting 2021 passed unanimously.

Complimentary Memberships will be: 1. Floyd Japhet 2. Clubhouse Rental Manager 3. Summit Lake Logo Bling Manager

4. THURSTON COUNTY FIRE COMMISSIONS MEETING

Joni will send out a reminder for everyone to try and virtually attend the Fire Commissioners meeting next Thursday at 5:30. If Members want to speak, they must contact Davie Kendall at the BlackLake McLane fire Department to be put on the Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers for the 2021 Board Results

- President – Craig Edwards - Unanimous
- VP – Dwayne Swenson - Unanimous
- Treasurer – David Dishman - Unanimous
- Secretary – Joni Fuchs - One opposed

TRUSTEES

- Melissa Neff
- Michael Patterson
- Kylie Gustafson
- Terry Brannberg (1 year term)
- Ross Lampky

Finishing out 2nd Term

- Duane Inglin
- Richelle Gonzales

Thank you to all who voted early and also those that attended virtually.

We would like to thank Debbie White for all her years of serving on the Board and her devotion to keeping our Lake clean. She will continue to be our Water Quality Chairperson.

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11-06-2020 SLCA GENERAL MEETING (Continued)

NEW BUSINESS FROM FLOOR

1. ALERT SYSTEM VIA WEBSITE

- Not all residents are Members and there is concern for a way to reach **ALL** residents at the Lake. It was brought up that the new Trustee Kylie Gustafson has a program he uses for his employees. We will bring it up to him at the next Board meeting.

2. SANTA VISIT DECEMBER 10TH

- Joni is looking for ways to make sure we can still have this Event but be COVID conscious. SLCA is asking for ideas.

- 3. SLCA GARAGE SALE** – Joni reminded everyone that when they are cleaning out closets, etcetera, please remember SLCA's garage sale this summer. I will meet you at the Clubhouse and we will accept your items anytime.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Joni Fuchs, SLCA Secretary



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SLCA 2020 November Financial Report

SUMMIT LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

As of: 11/30/2020

Balance Forward from:

10/31/2020

\$33,122.62

<u>Deposits</u>		\$981.28
Acct#	Category	Amount
1000	Dues	\$ 820.00
1100	Hall Rental	
1200	Advertisers	
1300	Logo Items Sales	\$ 121.28
1400	vacant	
1500	Raffles	
1600	Fisherman's Breakfast	
1700	Donations	\$ 40.00
1800	Special Events	
1900	Miscellaneous	

<u>Deposits Detail</u>		
Acct#	Description	Amount
1000	Membership Dues	\$ 820.00
1300	Logo Items	\$ 121.28
1700	Donation	\$ 40.00

<u>Disbursements</u>		\$200.00
Acct#	Category	Amount
2000	Capital Projects	\$ 200.00
2100	Repair & Maintenance	
2200	Utilities	
2300	Insurance	
2400	Taxes & Fees	
2500	Special Events	
2600	Logo Items	
2700	Contracted Services	
2800	Supplies/Equipment	
2900	Miscellaneous	

<u>Disbursements Detail</u>		
Acct#	Description	Amount
2100	Storage Container	\$ 200.00

Monthly Net

\$781.28

Balance as of:

11/30/2020	\$33,903.90
11/30/2019	\$21,156.01
Net Change	\$12,747.89

#	Memberships to Date*
9	Complimentary
2	Paid for 2022
40	Paid for 2021
202	Paid for 2020

SLCA President's Report

Hello Summitarians,

Feliz Navidad, Merry Christmas, Hyvaa joulua.

Well, as this interesting year comes to an end (probably none to soon for some), I reminisce on my Christmas memories of old. When I was just a wee one with nothing but joy in looking forward to Christmas eve, we opened presents at my grandparent's house on Southside in Aberdeen, and then at great grandparents at their Palix house past South Bend. My brothers and my favorite time was when my one brother got a submarine that was 2-3 ft long that shot torpedo projectiles 3 inches long across the floor, and my other brother got a 3 ft long destroyer that shot projectiles across the room and also fired planes off its deck. I got a tank which probably was 2 1/2 ft by 2 1/2 ft (which seemed huge at the time), that shot 2-3 inch projectiles clean across the room. All of them guaranteed to put a eye out. Good times. They don't make stuff like that anymore.

Then we got older and played games like paddle pool which, to be a lot more fun, we adapted by playing with 2 balls at once and you worked your way to first chair. My recollection was I said I was the Rams and mostly held first chair....again my recollection....we also would play the game of Risk which now holds a permanent ban from family functions as it ended up in a brawl one time between us cousins. Somebody promised they wouldn't attack somebody, then of course he did. I don't see why a good scrum at family doings should be a big problem! We also created welfare for monopoly so you could keep a guy around and thrash him some more....brothers can be tough.....

Anyways, thanks to everyone for the great year we ended up having in spite of the issues. We got a lot accomplished and lots of people to thank. Our board was great and has really stepped up to make the Community club and property look good, with help also from others in the community. We look forward to next year, my final year as President to accomplishing lots including a new pavilion, interactive kids playground and cement bench area and more. I sure hope we can get together without the COVID mask issue and get back to just having fun together.

Happy Holidays and New Year,

Craig Edwards,
President and head cheese whiz

PS get better Craig Fuchs and don't milk it to long, we got to much to do this next year and we can't let a little 3 way bypass slow us down.



Community Center Upgrades

Phase 1 projects are now complete, including upgrades to the parking lot with asphalt surfacing the portion closest to the clubhouse to improve parking and eliminate the constant mud holes in the parking lot near the clubhouse door. That also provided a smooth surface for the basketball and pickleball courts which are available for use by the membership.

Phase 2 upgrade projects on the SLCA property estimated at \$9500 were approved by the association membership during the October General Meeting, which included the building of a covered picnic area/ pavilion, adding some RV camping spots in the area cleared by the logging project, and some appropriate play equipment for kids. During the October meeting, the purchase and installation of a CONIX container for use as a storage shed (up to \$3500) was also approved in addition to the Phase 2 project.

A suitable CONIX container became available at a very reasonable price (\$200) through a contact of Vaughn Hodgins, and plans were made and implemented by the SLCA board to obtain the container, prepare a spot on the SLCA property for it, and have it moved into place. This was accomplished in late October, and the storage facility is now in place as shown in the pictures. With some interior modifications and built-ins (and exterior painting), it will soon be available for use, and allow some major decluttering of the Clubhouse, all at a cost of less than \$1000.

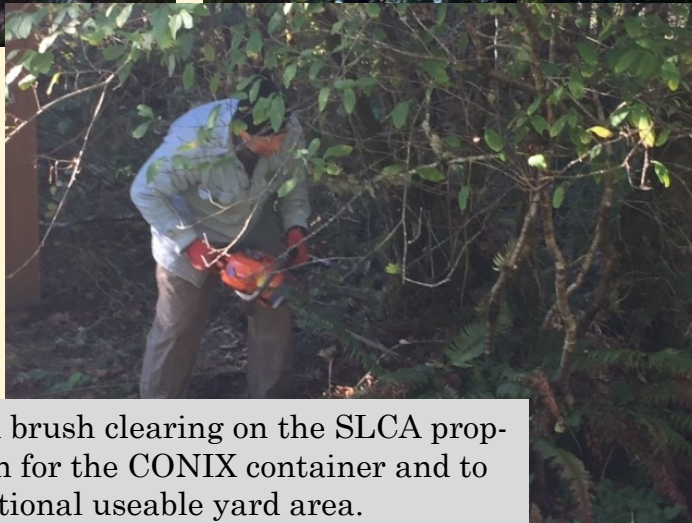
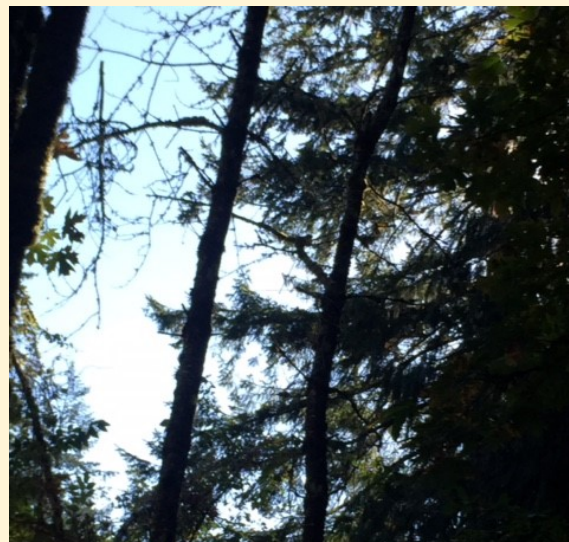
Stored items have already been removed from the back room behind the kitchen, and this area converted to use as a locked place to store and show Summit Lake logo items for sale. A big thank you to Craig Fuchs for his effort in building in the walls, doors, and shelving to Joni's specifications.

Planning for the other Phase 2 projects, starting with the 20 x 20 ft covered pavilion, is in work by the SLCA board, with actual work to proceed when the spring weather arrives, and the projects can be reasonably implemented.



Storage container in place near SLCA clubhouse.
Some leveling and interior work remains to be accomplished.
See photos on following page for clearing and preparation work.

Community Center Upgrades



October 24 tree and brush clearing on the SLCA property in preparation for the CONIX container and to open additional useable yard area.

Thanks to Craig Edwards, Dwayne Swenson, Terry Brannberg, and Craig Fuchs for their effort here.



Summit Lake Fire Station

STATION 93

The Summit Lake fire station is part of the McLane-Black Lake Fire district, and is described by them on their web site as follows:

“The western-most fire station, Station 93 is located on the north-western corner of Summit Lake. This station allows fast access to citizens that live in the rural area surrounding the lake, the State Route 8 Highway corridor, the Straddeline ORV park, and the wilderness area Capitol Forest. Six full-time Resident Volunteers live at the station.”

This all sounds great for the Summit Lake and surrounding area, but unfortunately the facts are different. The picture is more representative of the current situation, with the station empty and no-one around. There are no Resident Volunteers, and the station is only staffed during times considered to be potential emergencies, such as severe storms. The SLCA board is currently conducting ongoing discussions with the Fire District officers and Commissioners about the situation, in hopes of resolving some of the issues and getting the station staffed to some reasonable level.

The following was provided by a long time Summit Laker regarding some of the history of the fire department at Summit Lake:

“52 years ago last Feb, my late wife Deana and I bought our lot on Summit Lake. When we came to look at 'our' lot we passed the fire station. It was burned to the ground! The volunteer fire department had acquired a used tank truck. A fireman went to the station to work on it. In working on it he discovered that the gas line was leaking. he immediately started it and drove the truck towards the door. Unfortunately he had left a trouble light on the running board. When it fell off the bulb broke, the gas ignited and the fire station, fire trucks and EMT vehicle were destroyed. Other fire departments loaned and donated equipment and the department was again working. A new building was built on the site. Fast forward many years and a firemen working on a fire truck drove out with a bin door open on the left side of a fire truck. It clipped the garage door and tore a part of the front wall out. Thurston County deemed the building unrepairable so it was totaled which I never understood. The building was torn down and the 3rd Summit Lake Fire Department building was built! The volunteer fire department acquired used a ambulance and rebuilt it and equipped it. We had a wonderful group of firemen and a good working fire department. Thurston county then said we could not have a volunteer fire department and staffed the station and mobile home with trainees and took ownership of all fire fighting equipment. When the new fire department was built we were promised full time staffing. I found you could knock on the door and call the number and get no one at times. We now have our 4th fire department building that is empty 100% of the time. I feel we deserve better than this. I lived for 40 years in Central Park just East of Aberdeen. They had full time fireman, a paid chief and volunteers, a good mix! Keep the heat on their feet until we get something for our tax dollars.

Lee H. Thomasson, Long time Summitterian! “

McLane-Black Lake fire district commissioner meetings are held at 6:30 pm on the second Thursday of each month (currently on Zoom only), and are open to all residents to observe, or to provide comments or questions. You can tune in at the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/726323262> .

Summit Lake Fire Station

The following article was provided by Chief Steve North and assistant chief Leonard Johnson of the McLane Black Lake Fire Department:

It has been an honor to serve as your fire chief for the last 18-years. After 40-years in the fire service, effective January 1, 2021, I am retiring.

I am extremely grateful for the support the department has received over the years from the Summit Lake Community. The installation of dry hydrants and acquisition of property from the Green Diamond Resource Company for construction of Fire Station 93, stand testament to that support. Sustaining and enhancing this community partnership is important for the department to meet the needs of the community now and in the future.

Last year, the closing of the Fire and Emergency Services Technology Program ended a partnership the department enjoyed with South Puget Sound Community College since 1991. The end of the program eliminated a readily available source of volunteer firefighters and has resulted in significant staffing challenges within our volunteer resident firefighter program districtwide. I am pleased the Summit Lake Community Association is working cooperatively with the department in our volunteer recruitment efforts. If you interested in serving as a volunteer firefighter, please contact the district office at (360) 866-1000.

The District Board of Fire Commissioners has selected Chief Leonard Johnson of Grays Harbor Fire District #2 to serve as your next fire chief. Chief Johnson has years of experience working within a combination fire department (career/volunteer) and is an excellent choice to lead the department. I am confident that Chief Johnson and the men and women of McLane Black Lake Fire Department will continue to professionally serve the Summit Lake Community for years to come!

Steve North – Fire Chief

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank Chief North for his many years of service to the Fire District and the welcome to the McLane Black Lake Fire Department and the many communities that we serve. I am fortunate and honored to be afforded the opportunity to lead this organization. Under the leadership of Chief North, a sound foundation already exists to continue to improve on how we deliver services to the residents of the Summit Lake Community.

As with many things in the business of delivering fire and emergency services to community's, changes in the availability of volunteer personnel are a constant. The Fire District is committed to finding solutions both within the community and through recruitment in the area for volunteers and residents. We look forward to working collaboratively with the community and continuing the relationship of providing quality service to it's residents and visitors.

Leonard Johnson – Assistant Chief

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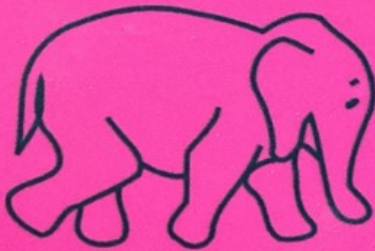
Summit Lake Emergency Preparedness

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.

COVID-19 IS STILL WITH US!

During the winter months, with most activities curtailed by the Governor's edicts, we are still seeing an unprecedented rise in reported cases. Hospitalizations and deaths are increasing proportionately as well. One of the editor's closest friends has passed away due to the effects of the virus.

As we wait for the promised vaccines to arrive, 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. Help keep yourself and others safe and healthy!



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- ☐ Children's items, toys, books
- ☐ Battery radio, extra batteries
- ☐ Toilet paper, hand wipes, soap
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- ☐ Albums, photos, home videos
- ☐ Family photos on display
- ☐ Military decorations, records, mementos, plaques
- ☐ Luggage (packed)
- ☐ Valuable items, cameras
- ☐ Heirlooms, art, collections
- ☐ Primary cosmetics
- ☐ Secondary vehicles, RV
- ☐ Camping equipment, tent
- ☐ Journals, diaries, letters
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Water Quality Report

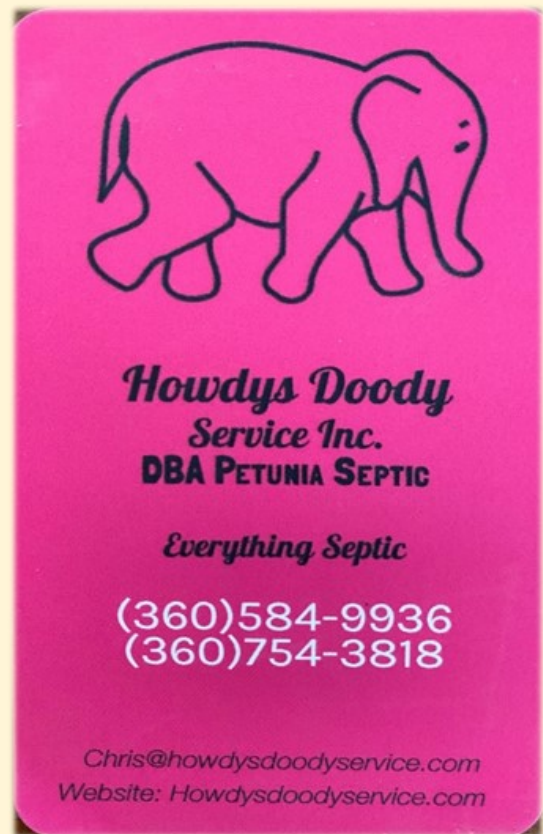
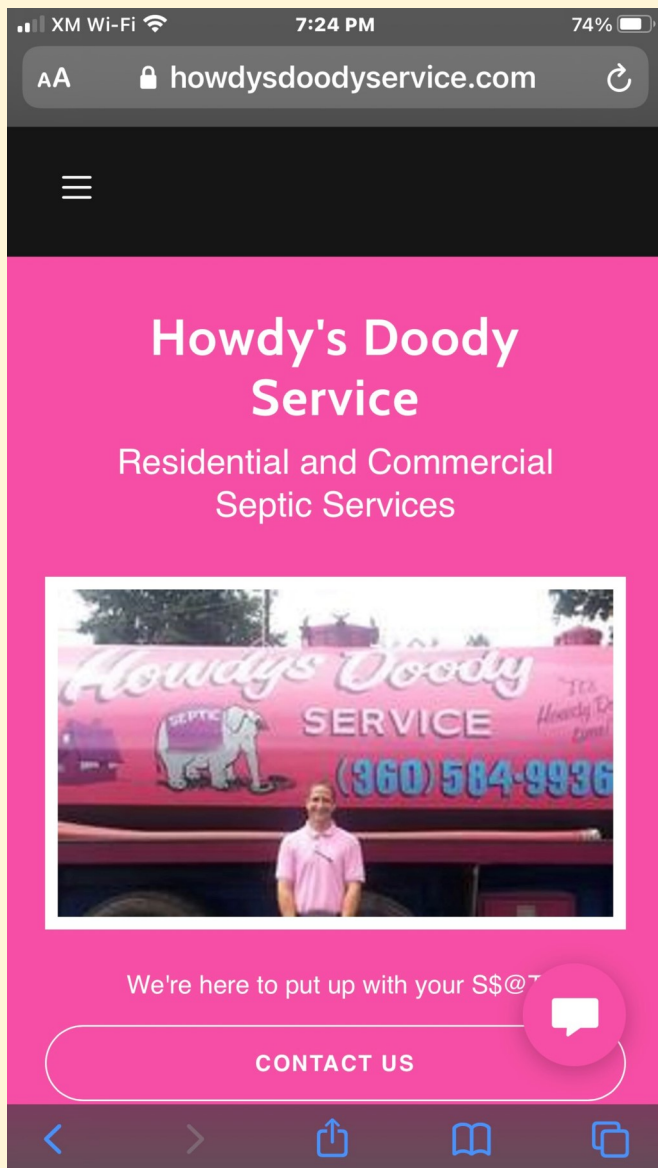
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LAKE LIFE

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 IS HERE—CHRISTMAS IS COMING

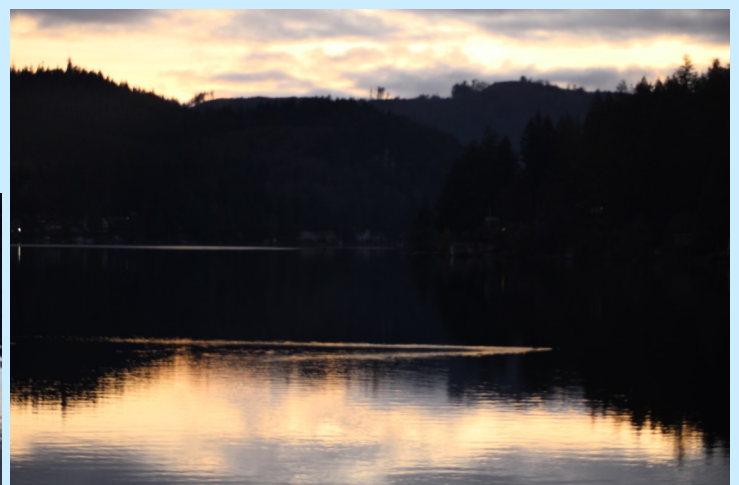
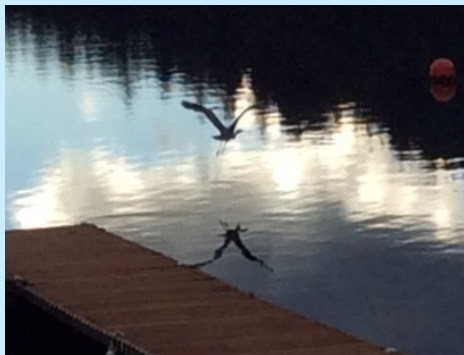
With the Winter Solstice approaching, fall is officially over and the days are short and nights are long. The rain and storms of the winter season at the lake are upon us. Many of our "snowbirds" are off to Arizona and other warm places, leaving us year round residents to enjoy the peace and quiet that comes to the lake along with the winter weather.

December arrived and holiday lights and decorations are showing up around the lake. It is enjoyable to look out across the lake and see the lights reflected on the water, as well as seeing them along the road in the evening.



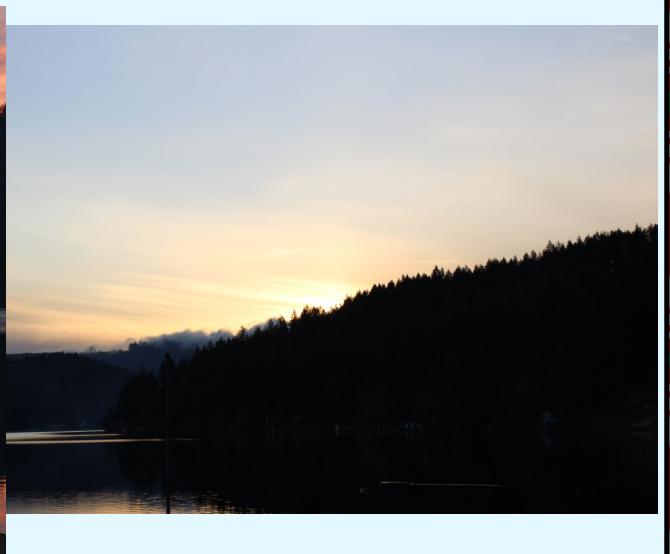
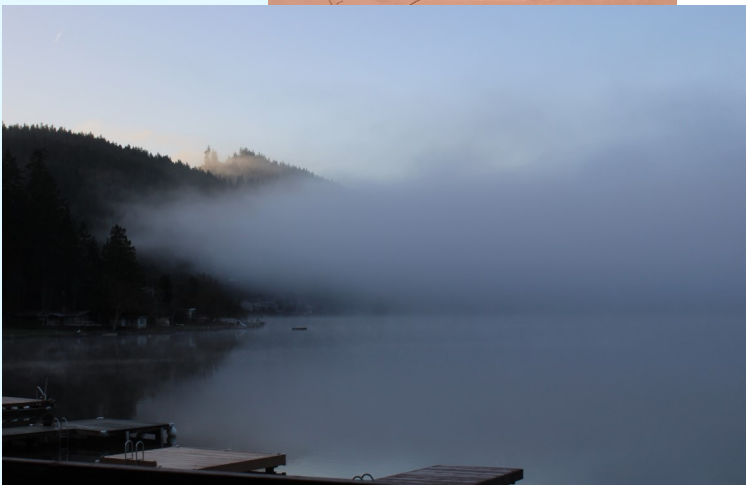
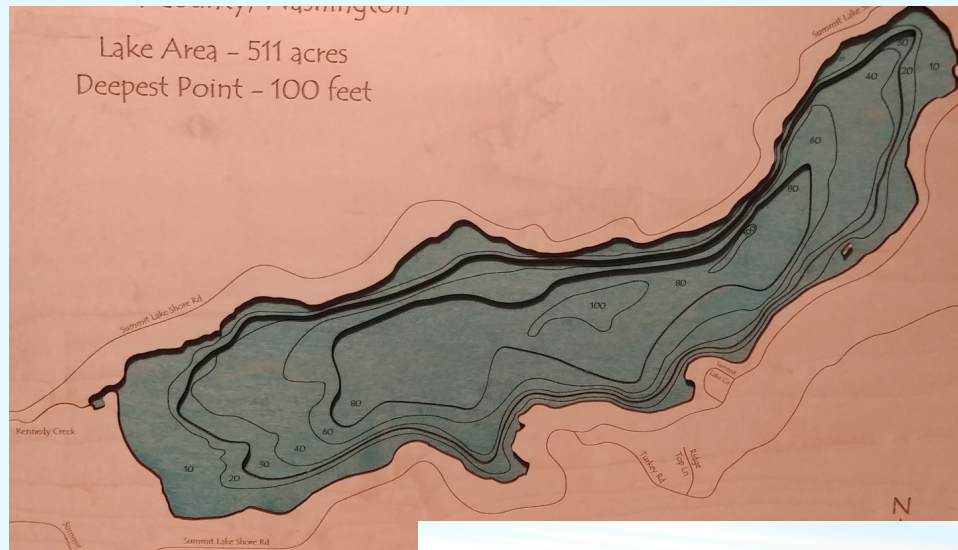
As we prepare for the approaching Christmas time, we are all still trying to figure out how to deal with the COVID pandemic issues. Unfortunately, most of the usual Christmas activities including Santa visits, Christmas concerts, and other group activities have been cancelled. With vaccines on the near horizons, the hope is that we can all get back to a normal life, or whatever the new normal will be sometime next year, hopefully early in the year.

But until then, we can enjoy the peaceful pleasures of the lake in the winter with great sunsets, wildlife in abundance, and the quiet days on the lake.



LAKE LIFE

Summit Lake is a natural glacial formed lake and is the deepest and clearest of the Thurston County lakes. This topographic view of the lake shows the lake depth in the different areas of the lake, with the maximum lake depth of 100 feet along the northern edge of the lake near and to the west of the dogleg bend. Almost half of the 511 acre lake is 80 ft or more in depth.



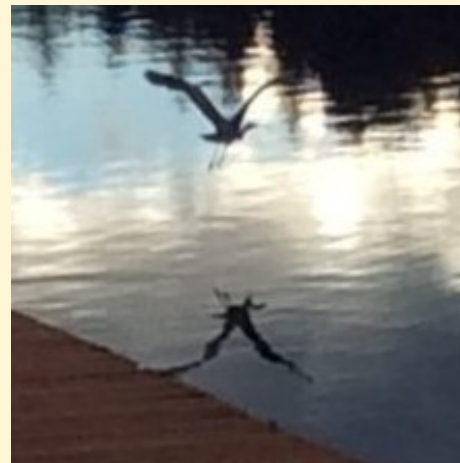
LAKE LIFE



Great Blue Heron

We had a blue heron this fall that decided our dock was the ideal place to roost and watch for fish. He (or she?) was there almost every morning, either close to shore watching the shallow water for small fish, or near the end of the dock just resting. It would stay there for a long period of time if not

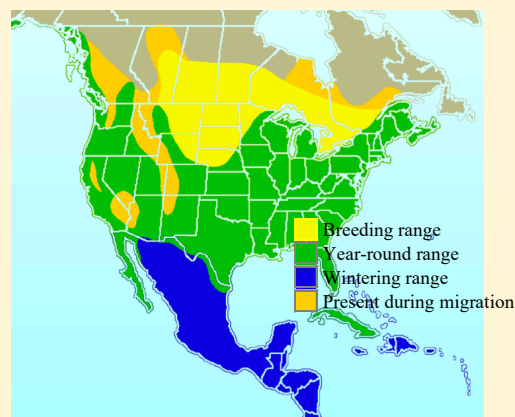
disturbed, but just opening the sliding door to take a picture would send it on its way to somewhere else. I thought an article about the great blue heron might be of interest to the lake residents, so here is some information gleaned from a couple of sources.



Whether poised at a river bend or cruising the coastline with slow, deep wingbeats, the **Great Blue Heron** (*Ardea herodias*) is a majestic sight. This stately heron with its subtle blue-gray plumage often stands motionless as it scans for prey or wades belly deep with long, deliberate steps. They may move slowly, but Great Blue Herons can strike like lightning to grab a fish or snap up a gopher. In flight, look for this widespread heron's tucked-in neck and long legs trailing out behind.

The great blue heron is a large wading bird in the heron family, common near the shores of open water and in wetlands over most of North and Central America, the Caribbean, and the Galápagos Islands.

The great blue heron is found as far north as Alaska and the southern Canadian provinces in the summer. In winter, the range extends south through Florida, Mexico, and the Caribbean to South America. Birds east of the Rocky Mountains in the northern part of their range are migratory and winter in the coastal areas of the Southern United States, Central America, or northern South America. However, their hardiness is such that individuals often remain through cold northern winters, as well, so long as fish-bearing waters remain unfrozen (which may be the case only in flowing water such as streams, creeks, and rivers).



Despite their impressive size, Great Blue Herons weigh only 5 to 6 pounds thanks in part to their hollow bones—a feature all birds share. Notable features of great blue herons include slaty (gray with a slight azure blue) flight feathers, red-brown thighs, and a paired red-brown and black stripe up the flanks; the neck is rusty-gray, with black and white streaking down the front; the head is paler, with a nearly white face, and a pair of black or slate plumes runs from just above the eye to the back of the head. The feathers on the lower neck are long and plume-like and the bill is dull yellowish. Immature birds are duller in color, with a dull blackish-gray crown, and the flank pattern is only weakly defined; they have no plumes, and the bill is dull gray-yellow. The heron's stride is around 8.7 in, almost in a straight line. Great Blue Herons have specialized feathers on their chest that continually grow and fray. The herons comb this “powder down” with a fringed claw on their middle toes, using the down like a washcloth to remove fish slime and other oils from their feathers as they preen. Applying the powder to their underparts protects their feathers against the slime and oils of swamps.

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LAKE LIFE

The primary food for great blue heron is small fish, though it is also known to opportunistically feed on a wide range of shrimp, crabs, aquatic insects, rodents, and other small mammals, amphibians, reptiles, and birds, especially ducklings. Primary prey is variable based on availability and abundance. Herons locate their food by sight and usually swallow it whole. They have been known to choke on prey that is too large. It is generally a solitary feeder. Individuals usually forage while standing in water, but also feed in fields or drop from the air, or a perch, into water. Mice are occasionally preyed on in upland areas far from the species' typical aquatic environments. Thanks to specially shaped neck vertebrae, great blue herons can quickly strike prey at a distance. They can hunt day and night thanks to a high percentage of rod-type photoreceptors in their eyes that improve their night vision.

This species usually breeds in colonies, in trees close to lakes or other wetlands. Adults generally return to the colony site after winter from December (in warmer climes such as California and Florida) to March (in cooler areas such as Canada). Usually, colonies include only great blue herons, though sometimes they nest alongside other species of herons. These groups are called a heronry (a more specific term than "rookery"). The size of these colonies may be large, ranging between five and 500 nests per colony, with an average around 160 nests per colony. Heronry sites are usually difficult to reach on foot (islands, trees in swamps, high branches, etc.) to protect from potential mammalian predators. The female lays 3 to 6 pale blue eggs, which can measure from 2 to 3 inches in length. Eggs are usually laid at two-day intervals, incubated around 27 days, and hatch asynchronously over a period of several days. Males incubate for about 10 hours of each day, while females usually incubate for the remainder of each day and the night, with eggs left without incubation for about 6 minutes of each hour. Both parents feed the young at the nest by regurgitating food. Parent birds have been shown to consume up to four times their normal amount food when they are feeding young chicks. By the time they are 45 days old, the young weigh 86% of the adult's mass. After about 55 to 80 days, young herons take their first flight. They return to the nest to be fed for about another 3 weeks, following adults back from foraging grounds, and are likely to gradually disperse away from their original nest over the course of the ensuing winter.



[Excerpted from [All About Birds.org](http://AllAboutBirds.org) and Wikipedia]

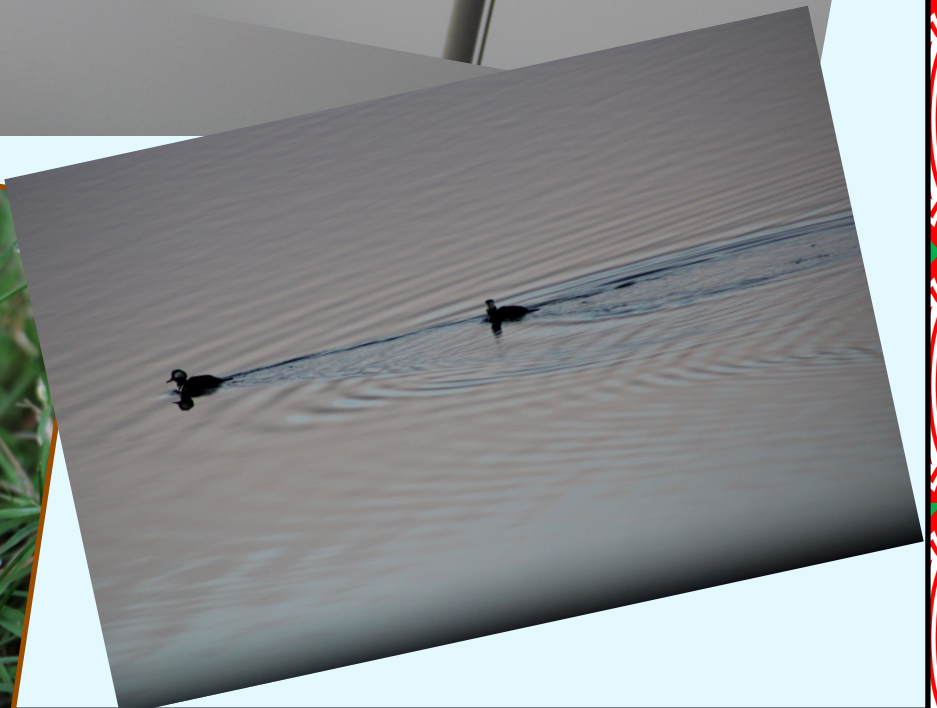
CHRISTMAS PACKETS

Since there could not be a meet with Santa time this year, the SLCA provided Christmas packets to be distributed to children of participating families around the lake. This seemed to be a good alternative, and something for the kids to enjoy.

Thanks Joni Fuchs, for setting this up and making sure there was something fun for the kids this year.



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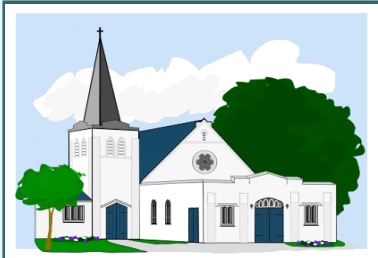


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Need a Christmas Present for someone? Have you thought about Summit Lake Logo items?

The SLCA has a great variety of logo items for sale. COVID is definitely still around, but we will make sure there is no contact with other people! The plan this year is two fold!

- 1) Call Joni at 206-406-1797 , or email her at summitlakeslca@gmail.com to set up an appointment to come and shop at the Clubhouse. You pull your items, someone will give you a total, and you pay and are out the door . No close contact with anyone !
- 2) If you know exactly what you want, call or email Joni (see above) with your order and she will pick up your items and put them in a COVID safe bag or box for pickup or delivery. You can call Joni with your credit card number, or put cash or check in a ziplock bag and pick up your order on her front porch, or have delivered to your front porch. We did this earlier this year when the wine glasses came out and it worked really well ! Good way to have some really cool SLCA bling and support the Association at the same time. Remember to buy local this year and also support our Advertisers! Small businesses in Olympia need our support this year more than ever !



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.

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



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, January 8th 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!

Signing up now will provide membership privileges for the full year 2021.

SLCA MEMBERSHIP FORM FOR 2021

☐ New Membership Complete form and return with payment to:
Summit Lake Community Association PO Box 11763 Olympia, WA. 98508

☐ Renewal – no new contact info ☐ Renewal – with new contact info below
(RENEWAL YEAR IS JAN 1st – JAN 1st)

Amount Enclosed: \$_____ (\$60 Per Household/Per Year)

Cash ☐ Check ☐ #_____ Credit Card ☐ (to cover SLCA costs we must add a \$3 fee)

Credit Card#_____ exp date_____ security code _____

Name(s): _____

Phone: #1_____ home ☐ mobile ☐

Phone: #2_____ home ☐ mobile ☐

Mailing Address:

 Lake Address (if different from above):

 Email Address for Newsletter and Community Alerts:

The SLCA publishes a Member Directory for use by the members ONLY. Do you want to be included in it? Yes ☐ No ☐

We understand families are busy and not able to volunteer for SLCA activities. We do accept cash donations from Members that are not able to participate in events but still want to support SLCA.

SLCA needs volunteers to help with our events. Please check where you can help out:

☐ Easter Egg Hunt ☐ Lake Clean Up ☐ 4th of July Boat Parade

☐ Fisherman's Breakfast ☐ Cinco De Mayo Party ☐ Emergency Preparedness Team

☐ Annual Picnic ☐ Oktoberfest ☐ Santa Visit

☐ Reader Board Posts ☐ Work Parties ☐ Community Garage Sale

☐ Baking for Bake Sales ☐ Welcome Committee

Please remember when you use the SCLA indoor or outdoor facilities, (Basketball/Pickle Ball Courts, Playground or Pavilion), you are doing so at your own risk. SLCA assumes no liability for you, your family, or your guests.

I have read this and acknowledge I am taking full responsibility for using SLCA facilities.

 Member Signature

 Date