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Lake in the Woods Year in Review

I love Lake in the Woods. I'm not sure I can say it enough.

This year, I once again had the pleasure to work with an amazing group of dedicated LITW residents. The trustees spend many hours volunteering to keep the neighborhood running and in top shape.

Thank you all for your service. It is most appreciated.

There are many positives to highlight in LITW this year.

Spring cleanup day is our unofficial start to the LITW season. The efforts put forth by all the residents to work in the front entrance, the Lake, the pool and around the entire neighborhood was, in my estimation, the best turnout we've seen in 5 years.

The entrance improvement project continues to progress. This year, bubbler aerators were added to the ponds in lieu of the fountain to improve the look and health of the front ponds.

The pool, with its new heater, was in fine shape this year and the lifeguards, swim team, and all other neighborhood families certainly made good use of it. And at the end of this season, the pump and motor were replaced.

Several social events highlighted the summer and the resurrection of the "social" committee and Girls Night Out was fueled by a few key individuals and the excellent use of Facebook for invites and announcements.

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Each of our residents has a reason to be proud of our neighborhood. While we hate to see old neighbors leave, it is so nice to know that the homes around us continue to sell quickly. And that is a testament to how much we care for and tend to the little things that make this such a great place to live.

However, there are some challenges on the horizon. Challenges that are going to take leadership and, to be quite honest, decisions that may not be popular with every resident of our Association.

As you look around you can see that the Lake, mailboxes (yes, those are the Association's property), the Tennis courts, the common areas such as pavilion and pool and parking lot, front and rear entry signs, and even the landscaping is all showing signs of the 30 years of fun, winters, summers, families, and use.

Repairing, replacing, refinishing and rejuvenating the Lake in the Woods neighborhood is everyone's responsibility. Join me in making 2016 even better than 2015.

Construction and Signs

NOTICE 25 MPH

As a courteous reminder to everyone in our neighborhood, if you are planning an outdoor construction project, please notify the Trustees and your neighbors. The association bylaws require a review prior to the project beginning.

Also, please remove any signs from your yard as our bylaws also prohibit these items.

The speed limit for most of our neighborhood is 25 miles per hour. Please obey the posted signs on our streets to help keep our children, runners, dog walkers, and other motorists safe.

Also, watch out for kids at the bus stop and for the school busses.

Trustee Contact information

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NEW Lake in the Woods Directories

Allison Coulson and Trish Owen have been collecting information to update our resident directory. Please, if you have not gotten the information in to them, it is as easy as going online by clicking [here](#).

Collecting information this way will help keep everything in good order. For more information please contact Allison at:

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Trustees Needed

Lake in the Woods Trustee terms are 2 years long. The trustees must fulfill the obligations set forth in our association constitution and bylaws.

Currently, we run the risk of not having enough volunteers to fulfill all the trustee positions for the upcoming 2016 year. Please contact Eric Schmidt,

to find out more about what you can do to help maintain our association as a self-managed group.

It is a volunteer position. Trustees meet once a month or more often or less often as needed.

LITW Association is on Facebook

The LITW association does have a closed group Facebook page that is available to join. There are administrators of the page who will send invitations to join and who can post and monitor postings to this page. The name of the group is Lake in the Woods. Search for it on Facebook to be added.

With so many neighbors using Facebook, this is a good way to stay updated on events, dates, etc.

SANTA will make a return visit to Lake in the Woods!

He sees you when you're sleeping.

He knows when you're awake.

He knows that all of you have been very good because Santa will be in LITW on Sunday!!!

- Sunday December 6th will be the 5th annual LITW Santa Visit and food pantry donations for Bainbridge Food for Friends.

- Start time is 6pm. The plan is to cover the east side/Stafford side of LITW from 6-7pm and the west side from 7-8pm. Listen for Santa's sleigh (and van) for music, laughter and kids and you will know we are coming.

- The swim team will be caroling this year as well!!! Swim team members or parents of younger swim team members, please contact Paige Owen (powennos@gmail.com) for more details

- If you can't be home, please leave any food donations at the end of your driveway (NOT on your porch...it will be dark and we elves don't see very well in the dark).

- Kids of all ages will be welcome to sit on Santa's lap for a picture so, parents, have your camera ready

- Any questions, contact Dave Strauch at dhstrauch@yahoo.com