

# The Crow's Nest

Newsletter for Lake Conway Estates

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### Lake Conway Estates Residents' Association

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### <u>Executive Council</u>

President: Steve Udouj

Vice President: Bob Buzzetti

Treasurer: Jennifer Hinkle

Secretary: Trudy Boston

### Committee Chairman

Membership: Barbie Snavely

lceramembership@gmail.com

Web Site: Unfilled position

Property Mgr. Jim Sacco
Street Captains: Anita Sacco

LCERA membership dues are \$150 per year. The fiscal year begins September 1 and ends August 31 of the following year. A \$25 discount is available to Lake Conway Estates residents who remit dues **PRIOR TO OR AT** the annual meeting every September. Keys are dispensed by Barbie Snavely.

Payment may be made by check remitted to the P.O. Box listed above or by **Pay Pal** at <a href="www.LakeConwayEstates.com"><u>www.LakeConwayEstates.com</u></a>

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# Hooray for Fall

New Fiscal Year; New Goals

The new fiscal year for our Residents' Association began September 1, and our Executive Council members have begun identifying projects and goals to accomplish in the coming months. One of the first projects to be addressed will be the pressure washing of the playground equipment and the boat dock at our lake lot property on Cullen Lake Shore Drive. Once the dock has been pressure cleaned, it will painted utilizing the multiple gallons of high-quality paint donated by Chris and Pamela Rogan. The pressure washing and painting will be hired out to professionals.

Another job that will be hired out is the removal of accumulated sand on the boat ramp itself. This is back-breaking work and is necessary because the collected sand on the ramp is increasing and is fostering the growth of vegetation which captures and holds eel grass and other decaying plant materials that get washed ashore and produce a foul odor.

The wall planter box in the signage area at the Darden Avenue entrance to Lake Conway Estates is in need of some TLC. Lack of irrigation in that area seriously hampers our ability to keep any plantings alive and thriving. Bob Buzzetti is investigating ways to supply the necessary irrigation for that area. Once a dependable water source is established, the planter and adjoining area will be attractively landscaped.

Perimeter fencing at the tennis courts is probably as old as the earliest parts of our subdivision, and it is showing its age. Likewise, the entry gate at the courts is not working reliably. The western span of fence--- that area closest to Darden Avenue---as well as the gate and the offset area will be replaced.

As all conscientious property owners recognize, regular on-going maintenance and repair is necessary to assure stability of property value. Such is the case with the LCERA lake lot and tennis court areas. Long-range fiscal planning in anticipation of future needs for our aging facilities is being addressed. Your Executive Council has been and continues to be planning for big ticket repairs and improvements--- particularly at the lake lot---which will be inevitable.

Your Residents' Association officers are practicing the old adage, "Take care of what you value." Your interest and assistance is welcome and sought.

Anita Sacco, Editor



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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November			
1 6	Tuesday Sunday	6:30 p.m. 12:01 a.m.	Belle Isle City Council Meeting – Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public)* Daylight Savings Time ends (Turn clocks back one hour)
8	Tuesday		ELECTION DAY (
11	Friday		Veteran's Day Armistice Day (signing WW I Armistice – 1918)
14	Monday	7:00 p.m.	LCERA Executive Council – Snavely residence *
15	Tuesday	6:30 р.т.	Belle Isle City Council Meeting – Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public)*
23-25	Wednesday-Friday		Thanksgiving Break - Orange County Public Schools
24	Thursday		Thanksgiving Day
December			
3	Saturday		Luminary order envelopes delivered to all homes by Boy Scouts
6	Tuesday	6:30 р.т.	Belle Isle City Council Meeting – Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public)*
7	Wednesday		Pearl Harbor Remembrance (half-staff) Belle Isle Snow Day Celebration – (specific location at CCA to be determined)
10	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Place completed luminary order at door for pickup by Boy Scouts. "Do-It-Yourself" luminary kits will be dropped off at your home.
12	Monday	7:00 р.т.	LCERA Executive Council – Snavely residence *
17	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Second chance. Place completed luminary order at door for pickup by Boy Scouts. "Do-It-Yourself" luminary kits will be dropped off at your home.
19	Mon. thru Fri., Je	an. 2	Winter Break - Orange County Public Schools
20	Tuesday	6:30 р.т.	Belle Isle City Council – Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public)*
21	Wednesday		Winter Begins
24	Saturday	morning	Boy Scouts will install "full-service" luminaries for those who have ordered them. DIY luminary kits will be on sale at the lake lot, while supplies last. Hanukkah Begins at sundown Christmas Eve
		6:00 р.т.	Light Luminaries — extinguish at 10:00 p.m.
25	Sunday	6:00 р.т.	Christmas Day Light Luminaries — allow to burn through the night
<b>26</b>	Monday	•	Kwanza
31	Saturday		New Year's Eve

<sup>\*</sup> Meeting time and date is subject to change.



Fly the American flag

# Membership Masings by Barbie Snavely, Membership Chairman Phone: 407-859-6890

As we begin the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year, I am pleased to announce these new-resident members in Lake Conway Estates Residents' Association:

Gary & Jill Dunn 5106 St. Marie Avenue Miguel Laiton 5120 Monet Avenue Josue & Elizabeth Machuca 5112 Dorian Avenue

Wendell Manuel 5120 Dorian Avenue

Tim & Chrissy Mentzer 5024 Louvre Avenue

Susana Schlundt-Bodien 2827 Hoffner Avenue

Scott & Lindsey Smith 5016 Gramont Avenue

Brenda Troy 5112 Pelleport Avenue B.J. Tucker and Emily Dunham 5002 St. Marie Avenue

Trev & Leslie White 3103 Cullen Lake Shore Drive

Please note the names and addresses of our new residents and LCERA members in your Residents' Association Directory.

By mid-October, LCERA had 208 Member households

Key Exchange: For members of our Residents' Association, I will be available to provide or exchange the restricted boat ramp keys and passage gate keys for our lake lot and tennis court areas. I also have new boat-trailer stickers for 2016/2017 for members utilizing our lake lot boat ramp.

Riddle from August/September: Lweigh nothing, but you can see me. Put me in a bucket, and I'll make it lighter. What am l? Answer: A hole

### ANNUAL MEDIUNG: IN REVIEW



The annual meeting of the Lake Conway Estates Residents' Association for the Fiscal Year ending August 31, 2016 was held on Thursday, September 15. As in past years, the venue was the fellowship hall at the nearby First Baptist Church of Pine Castle on Hoffner Avenue. Holding true to tradition, a pot luck dinner at 6:00 was held before the meeting which was called to order at 7:00 by President, Steve Udouj.

Prior to the meeting's start, payments of dues were accepted and resident members were able to return and exchange keys for the LCERA lake lot and tennis courts. The check-in process moved along fairly quickly because so many residents had elected to remit their dues for the new fiscal year by mail prior to the meeting date, thereby taking advantage of the \$25 discount that was offered for early/on-time payment. Likewise,

Barbie Snavely, Membership Chairman and "custodian of keys" facilitated early return/exchange of keys beginning the week prior to the meeting, and that also helped eliminate the registration backup before the start of the meeting.

Steve Udouj utilized a power point presentation prepared by Bob Buzzetti to cover all items in the agenda. Minutes for the 2015 Annual meeting prepared by Jennifer Hinkle had been available for perusal prior to the 2016 meeting and they were approved as submitted. Out-going Treasurer, John Neusaenger, was thanked for his service to LCERA following his Treasurer's Report. The budget for FY 2016/2017 was approved. Street Captains were acknowledged for their contribution to LCE, and events and projects of the past year were reviewed.

The slate of officers for 2016/2017 was introduced; there were no nominations from the floor. Officers for 2016/2017 are President, Steve Udouj; Vice President, Bob Buzzetti; Treasurer, Jennifer Hinkle; Secretary, Trudy Boston.

## What's Happening!?

Most Fridays, retired gents in Lake Conway Estates gather with other

local friends for coffee, cake, conversation, camaraderie and several spirited games of free-style Bocce. No defined court is



# Talking Trash

Trash collection for Lake Conway Estates is contracted by the City of Belle Isle.

Republic Services is the current provider for the City. For our subdivision, there are three collection days per week. On Mondays, yard waste is collected. Household waste is collected on Tuesdays and Fridays; recycling is picked up on Fridays.

On the heels of Hurricane Matthew, this is a perfect time to review yard waste information. These points to remember are published on the Belle Isle web site and can be found on the City's *Let's Talk Trash!* flyer:

- There is no limit to the quantity of yard waste you can place at curbside for collection; however, the hauler will not remove large tree limbs or trunks unless you make special arrangements with them and pay for removal. Contact Republic Services at 407-851-7730. Be sure to state that you are a Belle Isle resident.
- Yard trimmings, brush and other organic matter from the landscape---like citrus---will be collected. All material must be in containers (not exceeding the rim of the container by more than 12 inches), in bags or tied bundles not exceeding four feet in length. No container or bundle should exceed 50 pounds.

**Reminder** Qualifying packets for prospective Belle Isle candidates for District 1 and District 7 representation on City Council (both of which comprise parts of Lake Conway Estates) will be available at BI City Hall beginning Monday, November 14 at noon. Completed packets must be returned by noon on Friday, November 18, 2016.