



The Crow's Nest

Newsletter for Lake Conway Estates

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Lake Conway Estates
Residents' Association

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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 Snavelly.

Payment may be made by check remitted to the P.O. Box listed above or by **Pay Pal** at www.LakeConwayEstates.com

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And Then What Happened?

Following a covered dish dinner, the LCERA Annual Meeting for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 was called to order in the fellowship hall at the First Baptist Church of Pine Castle on Hoffner Road. President Bob Buzzetti presided. At the start of the meeting, member households for 2018/2019 in the Lake Conway Estates Residents' Association totaled 199 of the 453 homes in our subdivision, and of that membership number, 46 households were in attendance, meeting and surpassing the quorum requirement as per our Bylaws.

Thirty days prior to the annual meeting, members had received--- via U.S. mail--- a list of nine proposed Bylaw amendments. The amendments were put forward by the Executive Council for the purpose of clarification, correction of errors, and for better organization of the Bylaw sections. These are the articles that were discussed and amended at the annual meeting:

Article III, Meetings of Members, Section 1. Annual Meetings
Article III, Meetings of Members, Section 2. Regular Meetings
Article III, Meetings of Members, Section 3. Special Meetings
Article III, Meetings of Members, Section 4. Order of Business
Article III, Meetings of Members, Section 5. Social Meetings
Article III, Meetings of Members, Section 7. Voting
Article IV, Executive Council, Section 3. Duties
Article V, Officers, Section 1
Article X, Amendments

At the meeting, an additional amendment regarding membership (Article VII, Membership, Section 1) had been proposed and lively discussion ensued; however, the proposed amendment was tabled for consideration at a posted meeting of members on an undetermined date in the future. The amended Bylaws in their entirety will soon be available on our LCE website: www.lakeconwayestates.com. On the home page, click on the *Membership* tab and select *Bylaws* in the dropdown menu.

Additional business at the meeting included the President's Report, Treasurer's Report, Committee Reports, Presentation of nominees for the 2018/2019 LCERA Executive Council, and discussion of new business. Bob Buzzetti discussed improvement projects and social events that had taken place in the past year. The biggest project had been the replacement of the fencing at the LCERA lake lot. Potential projects for the new fiscal year were summarized.

Treasurer Dave Sherard reviewed his report detailing revenues and expenses for the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year and presented the proposed LCERA budget for F.Y. 2018/2019 which began September 1, 2018. Reserve funds for future projects were identified and discussed. The proposed budget was approved unanimously.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November

4	Sunday	12:01 a.m.	Daylight Saving Time Ends (Set clocks back one hour)
6	Tuesday		ELECTION DAY 
8	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	LCERA Executive Council Meeting – Snavelly Residence *
11	Sunday		VETERANS' DAY Signing of WW1 Armistice, 1918 
12	Monday		Veterans' Day (observed)
13	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle City Council Meeting~ Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public) *
19	Monday – Friday, November 23		Orange County Public Schools Thanksgiving Break
22	Thursday		THANKSGIVING DAY 
27	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle Planning & Zoning – Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public) *

December

2	Sunday		Hanukkah Begins First Sunday of Advent
4	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle City Council Meeting~ Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public) *
7	Friday		National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  (half-staff)
15 & 16	Saturday & Sunday	p.m.	Boat Parades on Conway Lakes: Sat. – Big Lake Conway (middle lake); Sun. – Little Lake Conway (north lake)
18	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle City Council Meeting~ Belle Isle City Hall (Open to the public) *
19	Wednesday	p.m.	Santa rides through Belle Isle neighborhoods
21	Friday		Orange County Public Schools Teacher Work Day/Student Holiday
24	Monday – Friday, January 4, 2019		Orange County Public Schools Winter Break
25	Tuesday		CHRISTMAS DAY 
26	Wednesday		Kwanza
31	Monday		New Year's Eve

* Meeting time and date is subject to change.

 Fly the American flag

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

Our LCERA numbers continue to increase, and at present, 230 Lake Conway Estates households are members of our Residents' Association. We welcome these new residents in our subdivision who have joined LCERA:

Josh & Jody Alexander
2807 Hoffner Avenue

Tom Carpenter
5019 St. Germain Avenue

William Eisner & Heather Fildes
5113 St. Marie Avenue

Larry & Linda Ertel
5115 St. Germain Avenue

Luis & Isabel Garcia
2827 Hoffner Avenue

Duane & Melody Gunsch
5119 St. Marie Avenue

Erica Hyon
5118 St. Marie Avenue

Melissa Kirkey
5129 Dorian Avenue

Gustavo & Claudia Rey
5133 St. Marie Avenue

J. J. Slater
5019 St. Germain Avenue

FOUND: The owner of keys found at our tennis court area can call me at the number above to identify the keys for the purpose of being reunited with them.

LAKE CONWAY ESTATES RESIDENT DIRECTORIES: A small committee is working to revise and update our Directory. All residents in our subdivision are encouraged to provide current phone numbers; please contact me at the number above to update your information. The directory lists all households in LCE---not just Association members. Thanks!



Residents Pamela Rogan, Rosie Maltby, and Jenny Palmer have worked diligently to update and modernize our web site. They invite you to visit and peruse the various tabs that provide helpful information for residents and anyone interested in learning more about Lake Conway Estates.

Bylaws, as recently amended, will soon be available on the site and several years' worth of *The Crow's Nest* newsletter can also be viewed as well as a listing of Executive Council members. Links are provided for pertinent information about the City of Belle Isle, Orange County, local schools and services. Visit www.lakeconwayestates.com.

Pickleball Anyone?

Our tennis court area is now dual purpose and can now be utilized for either tennis on our two courts or on the four pickleball courts that have been striped for that purpose on the tennis courts. As with tennis where players provide their own racket and tennis balls, pickleball players must provide their own paddle and pickleballs. Non-members of LCERA may utilize the area as guests of Residents' Association members providing the member is present. As our Rules for Recreation Areas stipulates, maximum waiting time for a court is one hour. Contact Bob Buzzetti for further information at 407-825-9906.



Just Around the Corner.....

CHRISTMAS LUMINARIES Boy Scout Troop 76 partners with LCERA to assure this tradition of long standing in Lake Conway Estates continues year after year. Here is a quick glimpse of the schedule the scouts have put together: **Saturday, Dec. 1** – Envelopes and sales forms will be distributed to every home; **Saturday, Dec. 8** – Scouts will pick up early orders and deliver do-it-yourself kits; **Saturday, Dec. 15** – Second opportunity for order pickup and delivery; **Monday, Dec. 24** – Luminary installation. More information

will follow in the December Holiday edition of *The Crow's Nest*.

Annual Meeting – Continued from Cover

The role of Street Captains in the distribution of newsletters and other neighborhood-related information was cited, and each Street Captain was named. Those present were acknowledged with appreciation. The service of the captains to our subdivision is invaluable.

Vice President, Jenny Palmer, discussed the development of a revised website for Lake Conway Estates and recognized Pamela Rogan of Rogan Marketing and Communications for donating and maintaining the new and improved site.

Past President, Steve Udouj, called on Jinou Avenue resident, Allen Gatlin, to introduce the nominees for the LCERA Executive Council. The slate of officers included Bob Buzzetti, President; Ken Balboni, Vice-President; David Sherard, Treasurer; and Bill Parker, Secretary. There were no nominations from the floor and the slate of officers was unanimously approved. Bob and David are each continuing to serve on the Executive Council as President and Treasurer, respectively. Ken and Bill are first-year council members stepping into the positions vacated by Rosie Maltby (Secretary) and Jenny Palmer (Vice-President).

As the meeting began to wind down, several topics were brought up by members. In the interest of economy, Dave Woods and Corina McCorkle both felt that delivery of *The Crow's Nest* could be accomplished electronically rather than by delivery of a hard copy to each home in Lake Conway Estates. Members offered a variety of opinions, but ultimately, residents indicated by show of hands that they preferred receiving the paper copy of the newsletter. It should be noted that current and past issues of the newsletter can be accessed on our new web site.

Jeff Williams broached the topic of speed bumps at various intervals along Cullen Lake Shore Drive as a method of curtailing the always-present speeding vehicles on that roadway. However, it was pointed out that installation of speed bumps is a response to speeders that can only be initiated by the City of Belle Isle.

Anita Sacco, Editor

In Belle Isle

2019 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS The three-year terms of office in the City of Belle Isle for Mayor and commissioners for Districts 2, 3, and 4 will expire in April of 2019. A municipal election on March 12, 2019 will determine representation on City Council for those positions, and individuals wishing to be a candidate for any of those elected offices are required to file a qualification packet within a specific period of time.

Beginning at 12:00 noon on Monday, November 12, 2018, packets can be picked up at City Hall. Completed qualification packets must be submitted to the Belle Isle City Clerk along with a \$35 qualifying fee by 12:00 noon on Friday, November 16, 2018. Miss that specified window for filing, and perspective candidates are out of luck.



All commissioners as well as the Mayor are elected at large; however, while a candidate for Mayor can live in any district of Belle Isle, candidates for commissioner must reside within the district they hope to represent. Lake Conway Estates lies within Belle Isle District 1 and District 7. The terms of office are expiring for neither of the commissioners representing our subdivision, Ed Gold in District 1 and Sue Nielsen in District 7. Nevertheless, on March 12, qualified voters in LCE will have the opportunity to vote on commissioners for other districts.

Lydia Pisano currently serves as Mayor; Anthony Carugno is Commissioner for BI District 2; Jeremy Weinsier represents District 3; Mike Sims serves District 4. It is assumed that each of those incumbents will file to run for the office they presently hold, however, that will not be known until the qualifying filing period has closed. When the new term of office begins next April, any candidate who was unopposed automatically assumes the position he or she qualified for.

DUCK HUNTING & PUBLIC SAFETY After protracted discussions with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, a compromise was reached that prohibits duck and water fowl hunters from firing into the shoreline and residential areas around the Conway Chain of Lakes. Sportsmen must be at least 200 feet off shore and can only discharge weapons over the water, not into the shore line. The City pursued a legal remedy with the FWC because of safety concerns that developed in recent years. Hunters hoping to bag varieties of water fowl in season that populated areas around our lakes were using shot that often found its way ricocheting off boat houses and lake-front homes and had the potential to injure residents living around the lakes. Signs citing the hunting prohibition are now posted at multiple locations around the water's edge of the Conway Chain of Lakes.