



# The Crow's Nest

Newsletter for Lake Conway Estates

Fall/Winter 2022

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.

Membership Chair dispenses access cards

Payment may be made by check remitted to the P.O. Box listed above or by **Stripe** at [www.LakeConwayEstates.com](http://www.LakeConwayEstates.com)

## *The Crow's Nest*

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## Annual Meeting 2022: Heavy Rains, Moderate Turnout

The Lake Conway Estates Residents' Association held its annual meeting on Thursday, September 15. Although the LCERA annual meeting in 2020 and 2021 were held outside at the LCERA lake lot, after a two-year hiatus due to COVID concerns, the First Baptist Church of Pine Castle on Hoffner Avenue once again accommodated our Residents' Association and facilitated use of its fellowship hall as the Association's meeting venue. Unlike pre-COVID times, however, the executive council decided to forego the covered-dish dinner prior to the start of the meeting.

All addresses in Lake Conway Estates received notification of the meeting date and location by U.S. mail 30 days before the meeting. Residents who had not been able to remit LCERA dues in advance of the event were provided a brief window of opportunity to pay their membership dues for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 before the meeting began. Payment prior to the start of the meeting enabled residents to take advantage of the discounted dues rate and helped establish the quorum required to proceed.

It was fortuitous that the meeting had been scheduled to be held inside at FBCPC because a heavy long-lasting rain storm moved into the area shortly before the meeting's start, and Association members were dry and comfortable inside the church's hall. Had the gathering been planned for the LCERA lake lot, it would have had to be rescheduled. Additionally, the fellowship hall provided amenities that would not have been available at our lake lot setting.

President Jason Hunter called the meeting to order shortly after 7:00 p.m.; a quorum was verified. A power point presentation was utilized to provide the minutes of the annual meeting for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 as well as the treasurer's report provided by David Sherard. The proposed budget for F.Y. 2022/2023 was approved. The presentation also addressed projects at the LCERA properties that had been completed and projects that would be undertaken in the new fiscal year, including re-roofing of the two pavilions at the lake lot. Resident volunteers who had taken the initiative to provide a service to our subdivision were acknowledged, including Mike and Emily Mannix for supplying event signs and David Meneses and Shirley Tjiong for providing and planting drought-resistant landscaping materials at the Darden and Hoffner wall planter box.

The main purpose of the annual meeting, of course, is election of a slate of officers for the Executive Council of LCERA. The slate proposed was President, Jason Hunter; Vice President, Bill Parker; Treasurer, David Sherard; Secretary, Chanelle Huff. There were no nominations from the floor. The proposed slate was approved unanimously. The position of Membership Chairman is an appointed one and is presently held by Rachel Tierney who has diligently kept membership and key card records up to date.

Anita Sacco, Editor

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## DECEMBER

14 & 15	Wed. & Thurs	6:30 p.m. 'til ?	Santa Ride through Belle Isle
16	Friday	7:00 p.m.	Boat Parade – South Lake
17	Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Boat Parade – Middle Lake
18	Sunday	7:00 p.m.	Boat Parade – North Lake
19	Mon. thru Mon. Jan. 2, 2023		Orange County Public Schools – WINTER BREAK
20	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle City Council – Belle Isle City Hall *
23	Friday	Evening	Luminaria orders delivered by Boy Scouts
24	Saturday	Morning	Luminaria orders delivered by Boy Scouts
25	Sunday		CHRISTMAS DAY 
JANUARY			
1	Sunday		NEW YEAR'S DAY 
3	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Orange County Public Schools – STUDENT HOLIDAY Belle Isle City Council – Belle Isle City Hall *
7	Saturday	TBA	Movie Night at Lake Lot
16	Monday		OCPS – SCHOOL CLOSURE Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday 
17	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle City Council – Belle Isle City Hall *
FEBRUARY			
5	Sunday	4:00 p.m.	<u>1st Ever! Lake Conway Estates Chili Cook off at Lake Lot</u>
7	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Belle Isle City Council – Belle Isle City Hall *

\* Meeting time and date is subject to change.



Fly the American flag

## Luminaria Reminders:

1) Sand for “Do It Yourself” kits can be secured from sand pile inside the fence at lake lot. 2) Estimate one cup of sand per luminaria bag for bag stability. 3) Light luminarias at dusk on Christmas Eve; extinguish at 10:00 p.m. 4) Light luminarias at dusk Christmas night; allow to burn through the night. 5) Dec. 26, properly discard spent candles and bags; broadcast sand across lawn

## Membership Musings

by Rachel Tierney, Membership Committee Chairperson Phone: 407-602-4994

Going into our new fiscal year which began September 1, there were 206 households that had joined our Residents' Association by our annual meeting on September 15. By the end of November, our membership had increased to 239 households!



I can be reached by utilizing the LCERA phone number above. Please do leave a message if necessary. In the alternative, you can also leave a message utilizing [lceramembership@gmail.com](mailto:lceramembership@gmail.com).

Once membership dues are paid, expect at least 24-48 hours before your key access card is updated for access to amenities. If you are a new paying member and need to obtain a key card, reach out via our membership phone or email to connect and set up a time to pick up the card.

Please understand that the boat ramp slider gate is closed until Orange County opens up the public ramps on Lake Conway. Thank you for your patience! In the meantime if you need to pick up your 2022-2023 trailer sticker, please connect with our membership volunteer, Rachel, to obtain your sticker. We are all excited to get back on the water and enjoy the lake!

## Our Residents Are The Greatest!

Rising above personal interests and putting the needs of others first is at the core of volunteerism. It's no different for HOA's. Those who tirelessly work towards achieving the greater good tend to be the most successful, no matter what challenges they face, they always put community first. We have two shout outs that we are thankful for:

**CARD MY YARD** We are thankful for the generous gift from Mike and Emily Mannix to celebrate our Easter Egg Hunt and Annual Picnic. This gift was amazing and added so much character to the community. If you are interested in utilizing their service for a creative announcement, you can contact <https://www.cardmyyard.com/orlando/>



## GOLD KEY ROOFING

Additionally, we are thankful for the generous roofing gift from business-owner Jeff Hewitt, who resides in Lake Conway Estates. Gold Key provided the two pavilions at our LCERA Lake lot with new roofs. Not only is this awesome, but this generous gift from Gold Key allows the LCERA Executive Council to allocate our budgeted roofing funds to other projects to make a better community.

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# In Belle Isle

## Belle Isle Newsletters Available On Line

The City's quarterly newsletters contain a wealth of useful information, but because of publishing and mail expense, hard copies are no longer being distributed to Belle Isle residents by U.S. mail. Electronic copies can be viewed at the Belle Isle web site [www.belleislefl.gov](http://www.belleislefl.gov). Senior citizens who are not internet active or have no access to a computer can request delivery of a paper copy of the Belle Isle quarterly newsletter by contacting the **Belle Isle Police Department Senior Watch Officer, Jennifer Bausch at 407-240-2473.**

## Voluntary Annexation: Sienna Place Condominium Association

The long-time Sienna Place condominium complex abutting the eastern-most border of Lake Conway Estates on Darden Avenue has been annexed into the City of Belle Isle. The annexation expands the City's tax roll and boundaries as more residents are welcomed to Belle Isle

## Your Opinion is Sought: Artificial Turf

A moratorium has been set on the use of artificial turf in Belle Isle until the Planning and Zoning Board can determine if the synthetic product should be allowed within City limits for residential properties. All Belle Isle residents are invited to complete a public opinion survey on artificial turf. A link for the survey can be found the City website at [www.belleislefl.gov](http://www.belleislefl.gov). The survey should be completed by January 1, 2023



## Volunteer Opportunities: Boards and Committees

Currently, there are several openings for Belle Isle residents who are interested in volunteering and becoming part of our City government. Opportunities exist on the Comprehensive Advisory Board, the Solid Waste Committee, the Tree Board, and the Transportation Advisory Board.

Interested residents should respond by sending a letter of interest, resume, and application for City Council to consider via e-mail to the City Clerk at [yquiceno@belleislefl.gov](mailto:yquiceno@belleislefl.gov). Applications can be found on the Belle Isle web site at [www.belleislefl.gov](http://www.belleislefl.gov).

## Looking Ahead: Municipal Election

During the recent qualifying period in November for residents in BI Districts 1 and 7 who were interested in throwing their hat in the ring for the City Council seats as Commissioner for those two districts, the only individuals who qualified were the incumbents, Ed Gold in District 1 and Jim Partin, in District 7. Therefore, each commissioner will be re-sworn into office in April of 2023 to continue serving their respective districts.

## Christmas Tree Recycling

After the Christmas holiday, live Christmas trees can be set out at the curb on yard waste collection day (Mondays in Lake Conway Estates) for recycling. Of course, all ornaments, decorations and tree stands should be removed before the trees are placed at the curb, and trees taller than six feet should be cut in half. And no, artificial trees will not be collected with yard waste.

## *Belle Isle Planning for 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

The City of Belle Isle was incorporated in 1924, and preliminary plans are being formulated now for a celebration to observe the momentous 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary occasion in September or October of 2024. Numerous events that will maximize resident involvement and participation will be considered and may include food and music events, cultural and historic events, art and wine events, and a family fun day.