# The Crow's Nest

Newsletter for Lake Conway Estates

September – December 2024





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LCERA membership dues are \$175 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 electronically by Stripe at www.LakeConwayEstates.com

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### Holidays are Right Around the Corner!

BSA Troop 4036 Luminary Holiday Fundraiser

Once again, the Scouts BSA Troop 4036 is committed and thrilled to help our streets shine this Christmas season. This community activity helps the scouts earn their way, with funds earned helping send them to summer camp and other adventures. Residents can purchase luminaries at two Early Bird price points: EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS 12/6/2024. Sand for the DIY Kits will be available at the lake lot.



DIY Kit with 10 luminary sets Early Bird price of \$12 until 06 Dec. After that they will be \$16. Delivered by 12/21/24.



Full Service Set Up of 15 luminaries Early Bird price of \$25 until 06 Dec. After that they will be \$35. Full Service set up will be the 23rd and morning of the 24th.

Order and pay via the following link: https://holiday-luminaries-2024.cheddarup.com

If you prefer to pay via cash or check, please add desired option item to cart and choose cash/check for instructions. Mail cash or check payment made out to Troop 36 to:

6691 Bougainvillea Crescent Drive Orlando, FL 32809 Must be received by December 10th.



Troop 4036 greatly appreciates this opportunity and your support.



### **EDGEWOOD SANTA FLY-IN**

Join your friends and neighbors on Friday, December 6th from 6:00-8:30PM for the 9th Annual Santa Fly-In Event! Watch as Santa arrives via helicopter (around 6:30PM) to meet his friends in the City of Edgewood! This event is FREE (besides the food/dessert and alcohol). Enjoy a fun, family friendly event with:

- Free Santa Meet and Greet
- Food and Dessert Trucks / Beer & Wine Bar Bounce Houses
- Christmas Lights in Bagshaw Park
- Holiday Music
  - Face Painting / Letters to Santa Station
  - A performance from the kids at The Dancer's Pointe

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### Calendar of Events

#### December 2024

Wednesday, December 4 Police Advisory Board - 3:30pm Belle Isle Light the Way 2024 - Christmas Event - 5:30pm

Friday, December 6 LCERA Luminary Order Early Bird Special Deadline

Tuesday, December 10 Santa Ride Around the City - 5:30pm

Wednesday, December 11 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting - 6:30pm\*

Thursday, December 12 Santa Ride Around the City - 5:30pm

Tuesday, December 17 Belle Isle City Council Meeting - 6:30pm\*

Friday, December 20 Lake Conway Boat Parade - South Lake - 8:00pm

Saturday, December 21 Lake Conway Boat Parade - Middle Lake - 7:30pm

Sunday, December 22 Lake Conway Boat Parade - North (Little) Lake - 7:00pm

Monday, December 23 Luminary orders delivered by boy scouts

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Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 31

\* Belle Isle City Hall - times subject to change.

#### January 2025

Wednesday, January 1 New Year's Day

> Saturday, January 4 National Spaghetti Day

Monday, January 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Inauguration Day Schools and District Offices Closed

> Tuesday, January 21 National Hug Day

Tuesday, January 28 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting - 6:30pm\*

#### February 2025

Sunday, February 2 Groundhog Day

Sunday, February 9 Superbowl

Friday, February 14 Valentine's Day

Monday, February 17 Presidents Day

Saturday, February 22 National Margarita Day

Fly the American Flag

### Lake Conway Chain Annual Christmas Boat Parade



The lake temperature is definitely a bit chilly already this year, but thankfully there is no snow in the forecast. Break out the bins from the garage and get your final plans all together, because it's time to decorate your boat and join the annual Lake Conway Christmas Boat Parade. There is no registration. Just show up at the meeting point prior to the departure time.

If you don't have a boat, throw a watch party at your lake home or visit one of the locations the city and county make available to watch.

Both the City of Belle Isle and Orange County arrange to have certain parks stay open on the nights of the parades so that people can use those areas to watch the parades. Please be respectful of park rules and nearby neighbors so that they can continue to offer this in the future.

This year, Friday, December 20th will kick off the weekend of 3 Lake Conway boat parades. Parade starts at 8:00 PM at the South side of the Nela Bridge and will run clockwise. Save the date! Start planning your backyard watch party.



Parade starts at 7:30 PM on Saturday, December 21st at the Sand Bar (SE Corner of Middle Lake) and will run clockwise around the center lake.



Middle Lake Conway

Parade starts at 7:00 PM on Sunday, December 22nd at 'the Point' on (North) Little Lake Conway and will run clockwise.



North (Little) Lake Conway

### LCERA Tennis Court Resurfacing - December 2024

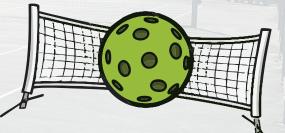
We are excited to announce that our neighborhood tennis courts will be undergoing much-needed resurfacing to improve playability and ensure the courts remain in top condition for years to come. This upgrade is part of our ongoing efforts to enhance community amenities and provide a better experience for all tennis and pickleball enthusiasts. As a result, the courts will be closed from December 2nd, through December 10th, 2024.

During this time, the tennis courts will be closed to allow the resurfacing team to complete the necessary work. We kindly ask for your understanding and cooperation in avoiding the courts while the improvements are being made. We know this may be a slight inconvenience, but the end result will be well worth the wait!

The resurfacing will involve cleaning, repairing, and re-coating the courts to create a smoother, safer playing surface. Once completed, the courts will be ready for use again, providing an enhanced experience for both casual players and those looking to challenge their skills.

We would like to send a note of thanks to our District 1 and 7 chairs, Jim and Victor for their assistance in the BING contributions, alleviating some of the financial burden for the association.

We appreciate your patience and look forward to enjoying the upgraded courts together. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.



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## Second Annual Lake Lot Cold Plunge

Kick off the New Year with a splash and a shiver! LCERA is bringing back the New Years Day Lake Lot Plunge. Last year's plunge brought us laughter, community spirit, and a LOT of cold limbs, and we plan to make it even better this year.

The plunge this year will have multiple tanks, guaranteed icy water, and fun for all who attend. There will be timed events to test even the bravest of participants, as well as a warm-up fire pit and music for all to enjoy.

Taking a cold plunge together creates a unique shared experience that can bring people closer. It's a challenge that often results in laughter, support, and a sense of camaraderie as everyone encourages each other to dive in. A group plunge fosters social interaction, whether it's with friends, family, or even neighbors you haven't met yet. The shared "discomfort" often leads to fun conversations, jokes, and lasting memories.

Whether you are jumping in or cheering from the sidelines, come celebrate the New Year with your friends and fellow neighbors in our chilly new tradition.

Just bring your swimsuit, courage and a really warm towel or robe! See you all at the lake lot.









## Luminary Reminders and Dates

- 1.) Sand for "Do It Yourself" kits can be had from the sand pile inside the fence at the Lake Lot. Bring your own bucket and shovel.
- 2.) Estimate One Cup of sand per luminary for bag stability and safety.
- 3.) Light Luminary's at dusk on Christmas Eve, extinguish at 10:00 p.m.
- 4.) Light Luminary's at dusk on Christmas Night Allow to burn throughout the night (as long as you are comfortable with).
- 5.) Properly dispose of spent candles and bags on December 26 spread leftover sand across your lawn.



