

The Crow's Nest

Newsletter for Lake Conway Estates

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LCERA membership dues are $175 per year. The fiscal year begins October 1 and ends September 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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LCERA Annual Meeting - September

Mark your calendars! All residents are highly encouraged to attend our annual neighborhood meeting to stay connected and help shape the future of our community. To make it a true neighborhood event, fried chicken will be provided! Please bring a favorite side dish to share with your neighbors.

- When: Thursday, September 17 | 7:00 PM (Dues & Decal Pickup: 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM)
- Where: Generations Church (formerly First Baptist Church of Pine Castle)

Meeting Agenda:

- Association accomplishments & upcoming neighborhood initiatives
- Membership report
- Treasurer's report
- Election of officers

Membership Dues & Lake Lot Trailer Decals

Dues for FY2027 are due prior to September 17th. For your convenience, the LCERA board will accept payments in person from 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM before the meeting. New trailer decals for the lake lot will also be available for pickup during this hour.

Why Join LCERA?

The board works hard to keep annual dues affordable while maximizing value for our neighborhood. Your paid membership supports community efforts and grants exclusive access to:

- Private members-only pickleball and tennis courts
- The private lake lot on the Lake Conway chain of lakes
- Invites to neighborhood events throughout the year

While membership is completely voluntary, we want every resident to feel included! If you choose not to join officially this year, please consider sharing your email address or phone number with our membership committee so we can keep you updated on important community news, safety notices, and local initiatives.



Calendar of Upcoming Events

September 2026

Sept 7 Labor Day Observance

Sept 9 1st Public Budget Hearing + Belle Isle City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.*

Sept 17 LCERA Annual Meeting — 7:00 p.m.*



Sept 19 Talk Like a Pirate Day

Sept 22 Autumnal Equinox (First Day of Fall)

Sept 23 2nd Public Budget Hearing + Belle Isle City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.*

Late Aug – Early Nov: Halloween Horror Nights & Theme Park Haunts — Universal Orlando, SeaWorld's Howl-O-Scream, and Mickey's Not-So-Scary Halloween Party run select nights throughout the month.

October 2026

Oct 1 Launch of Fiscal Year 2027

Oct 4 National Taco Day

Oct 6 Belle Isle City Council Meeting — 6:30 p.m.

Oct 12 Columbus Day / Indigenous People's Day

Oct 20 Belle Isle City Council Meeting — 6:30 p.m.*

Oct 21 Special Events Committee Meeting — 6:00 p.m.*

Oct 27 Planning & Zoning Board Meeting — 6:30 p.m.*

Oct 28 Boo!-gie on the Bridge — 5:00 PM - Nela Bridge

Oct 31 Halloween



All Month (Saturdays & Sundays): Keel Farms Harvest Days — Plant City. Offers hayrides, corn mazes, pumpkin painting, and seasonal ciders.

* Belle Isle City Hall - times subject to change. Fly the American Flag

Back-to-School Safety Tips for LCERA Residents

As local classrooms reopen across Belle Isle, our neighborhood streets are seeing a big increase in foot traffic, school buses, and morning drop-off congestion. Whether you are driving to work, walking the dog, or dropping off students at Cornerstone, Shenandoah, or surrounding schools, please keep these quick safety tips in mind:

- Watch Your Speed: Slow down in active school zones and residential neighborhoods—especially during morning drop-off (7:15 AM – 8:30 AM) and afternoon dismissal (2:00 PM – 3:30 PM).
- Stop for School Buses: Florida law requires drivers in both directions to stop for yellow buses displaying extended stop arms and flashing red lights.
- Hands Off Your Phone: Cell phone use in active school zones and crosswalk areas is illegal and puts walking students at risk.
- Stay Alert at Crossings: Watch for children walking or biking near major corridors like S. Conway Road, Nela Avenue, and Randolph Avenue.
- Thank you for doing your part to ensure a safe, smooth start to the school year for all our neighborhood families!



Preserving Our Shared Spaces

Lake Lot Parking Reminders

The Lake Lot and boat ramp are among the most valued amenities in Lake Conway Estates. With heavy weekend use during peak boating season, keeping our shared grounds clean, functional, and visually appealing requires a collective effort from all residents and guests.



One issue that frequently causes avoidable damage to the property is vehicle drivers backing their trailer tires over the concrete parking blocks and onto the grass. While it may seem like an easy way to gain a few extra feet of clearance or straighten out a rig, pushing tires over/around parking stops onto the lawn creates long-term structural and financial headaches for the association.

Concrete parking blocks are intentionally positioned to mark the edge of paved parking and protect the subsurface irrigation lines and sprinkler heads running along the perimeter. Backing a heavy trailer over these blocks puts direct pressure on underground PVC lines, frequently cracking pipes and crushing expensive sprinkler heads.

Help Keep Our Courts Looking Great

Our pickleball and tennis courts are some of the most popular amenities in Lake Conway Estates and are enjoyed by residents of all ages. Please help keep these facilities clean and welcoming by taking any water bottles, sports drinks, and other personal items with you when you leave.



Thank you for doing your part to help keep our shared amenities in great condition for everyone.