# Lake Limerick Country Club Newsletter

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### **APRIL 2022 LLCC ELECTIONS!**

Declaration of Candidacy Due by 5:00pm, Fri. 3/11/2022

OPEN POSITIONS - 3 Board of Directors & 2 Water Committee

**Declaration of Candidacy forms Board of Directors and Water Committee** 

# President's Message

Happy New Year. As I write this, we are entering what is supposed the longest dry spell since September—3 days! While I am sure most of us aren't missing the snow and ice on our roads and houses, I do miss watching 5 otters popping up on Lake Limerick to slide around and play on the ice and the snow on the docks and banks. Some great videos of these critters have been posted on social media. A group of otters on land is called a romp for good reason. It reminds me why we moved here.

As promised after budget adoption last October, the Home Owners Association (HOA) will be sponsoring a series of Town Hall meetings starting soon to discuss a variety of topics and issues of interest to the community, and to better inform the membership of the challenges the HOA faces in providing service and maintaining assets. HOA Board of Directors member Mitch Robinson is organizing the town halls and has conducted a survey of what issues most interest community members. A town hall type meeting was held Monday, January 10, 2022 with Sergeant Reed of the Mason County Sheriff's Department. The meeting, hosted by HOA Board Vice President John Ingemi, focused on security issues challenging Lake Limerick and the sheriff's department, and what measures community members can take to reduce and deal with crime. Given the on-going pandemic, the meeting with Sergeant Reed will likely serve as a model for future such meetings—a hybrid approach with limited, masked and socially distanced in-person attendance at the great hall combined with the ability for others to attend and participate remotely via Zoom.

Lake Limerick provides a variety of ways in which to serve the community. Volunteer committees usually focus on specific aspects of our community, like lakes and parks; food and beverage services and social activities; and golf. We have also seen a couple of new committees formed in the last several years. HOA Board member Stacie Stoney sparked the creation of a Welcoming Committee for the purpose of introducing those new to the community to the people and services available to Lake Limerick members. HOA Board member Tamra Ingwaldson most recently led the formation of the Greenbelt, Trees and Trails Committee with the intent of making better use and improving the aesthetics of common areas and of points of entry into Lake Limerick.

Another avenue of community service is serving as an elected member of the Water Committee or the HOA Board of Directors. In a few months, the Lake Limerick will be holding elections. This fiscal year the Board, acting on recommendations from the Water Committee, raised basic water fees and changed the usage rate structure. The Board also raised Association dues. These changes were necessary as we try to deal with aging infrastructure and maintain assets and services for the community. These actions were also controversial. The resulting increased interest in Association business can be healthy, however exploiting the politics of grievance and division as we have seen at the national level is not good for the local community. I urge Lake Limerick members to take positive actions by constructively participating in committees which advise the Board, and running for office to contribute to making the best decisions for the community.

**Brian Smith,** President LLCC Board of Directors

# Treasurer's Report

Financially the HOA actuals are performing on budget. Budgets are developed to monitor and manage income, goods purchased for resale, and operational expenses, resulting in Net Income.

Here's how you read the following figures:

Net income is derived by taking the Total Revenue, then subtracting Cost of Goods Sold (which are food, beverage, and merchandise we purchase for resale). Operating expenses are then subtracted as well as Reserve funding that is deposited in the reserve account. As you can see, through November, comparing actual to budget, we are about \$54,000 (49,800 + 4450) better than budget.

Accounts Receivable (AR) is unpaid HOA Dues and fines. It is standard accounting practice to break up AR by aging categories like those shown below.

November 2021 YTD Financial Report (2 months)

The Board and the Community Association Manager with attorney review, are currently assessing a viable collection policy to ensure the HOA remains financially solvent.

| December 20                       | 21 Data not yet available |            |            |            |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Revenue after Cost of goods sold: | Actual:                   | \$ 316,887 | Budget:    | \$ 297,994 |
| Operating Expenses:               | Actual:                   | \$ 246,429 | Budget:    | \$ 281,849 |
| Net Income from operations        | Actual:                   | \$ 70,458  | Budget:    | \$ 16,145  |
| less Reserve income               | Actual:                   | \$ 20,620  | Budget:    | \$ 20,595  |
| Net income after reserves         | Actual:                   | \$ 49,838  | Budget:    | \$ -4,450  |
|                                   |                           |            |            |            |
| Accounts Receivable:              | 0 - 30 days               | 31-60 days | 61-90 days | > 90 days  |
| Amount:                           | \$ 92,052                 | \$ 85      | \$ 24,916  | \$ 228,549 |
| Number of Accounts                | 945                       | 1          | 203        | 149        |

### Connie Wong, Treasurer

LLCC Board of Directors

## <u>Greens Committee</u>

Hello from the Greens committee. 2022 is a new year. After all the snow is gone will opening back up. We are excited about the new year.

The Women's and Men's golf club will be accepting new and previous members back. Our annual passes will be for sale. Buy, before March first at last years rate. Both clubs have many events coming this year and EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Contact the Proshop if you have any questions.

The Golf course is one of Lake Limericks assets. The members that use the golf course are people that live throughout Lake limerick. We support all the needs of the community. Not just the Golf Course.

Lake Limerick has volunteers that make up the Board, Committees, Water, Magpies and other activities. These people are they're because they are interested in making Lake Limerick better. The more input they receive, the better decisions can be made.

The people that work for us do a fantastic job. Under the direction of Roger Milliman, they preform work hard on the lakes, dams, parks, restaurants, water systems and golf course in a professional manner.

The golf course brought in over \$325,000, last year, to offset the expenses of the golf course. We have done this by making improvements to golf course, Advertising, (for all Lake Limerick Community) and hiring good people. Jason Howerton, Greens Superintendent and his team have made the golf course one of the better golf courses in the area. The Proshop Team, Elen, Mark and Dave have created fun, happy and professional place. In doing so, they increase play at our golf course.

The Café' is open to everyone. Not just Golfers. They do a great job.

We are looking forward to another successful year. Look at LLCC web page, under golf, for coming events. Any questions, call the Proshop. We are selling calendars in the Proshop. There is a lot of LLCC meetings and activities in the calendars. All proceeds going to improving our facilities.

Vern Duggan, Committee Chair

## Community Association Manager

Happy New Year 2022! and we hope you had a good Holiday season enjoying all that we have to be thankful for during another challenging COVID-19 year. The community's health and safety continue to be a top priority.

The HOA had no choice and unfortunately needed to temporarily close the Restaurant, Lounge, and Café during freezing weather. The Café re-opened the first Thursday of January serving every Thursday – Sunday 9am – 3pm. The Restaurant/Lounge was closed for deep cleaning and reopened Thursday January 13. Be sure to take advantage of a 20% discount Café coupon in your mailed January invoice statements. Our Café is ready to serve you!

Operationally and financially, we are in a good shape. With the support of Members, Board of Directors and active Committees combined with employees focus on customer service, we are entering 2022 with a commitment for continuous improvement.

As a home owners association, Lake Limerick had several successes during the past year. Golf patronage continued to surge with public and Member play due to one of the best maintained courses in Mason county by Jason and his staff. Pro Shop staff Elen, Mark and Dave along with Women and Men's Leagues organized tournaments and staff organized youth, women, and men's golf lessons all of which are planned again for the 2022 season. The Greens Committee actively supports golf operations as one of the community's primary assets. Whether you are a seasonal golfer or have thought about taking up the game, contact the Pro Shop for more information at 360.426.6290. See our website <a href="www.lakelimerickgolf.com">www.lakelimerickgolf.com</a> and like us on Facebook Lake Limerick Golf Club. Open 7 days a week.

Food & beverage services at the Inn and Café continues improving with the hiring of a Chef Jon plus a new Café cook Brian providing delicious breakfast, lunch and dinner selections including weekly specials. With the support of the Inn Committee, we continue to promote events for your enjoyment. Your Inn service led by Kristine and Café by Carianne enjoy the social interaction as much as you do, including planning and delivering music, themed events, and community annual gatherings. Food & beverage and music bring people together and will continue with COVID-19 protocols. See your LLCC website for updates and like us on Facebook Lake Limerick Country Club.

Our Water department manager recently resigned, and the position is advertised. Our water system continues providing excellent water with Mike supported by Northwest Water Systems combined with the Water Committee and Rhonda in the Office. We strictly follow WA State Department of Health requirements ensuring safe water. Lake Limerick Water System is a primary asset and continues being maintained and improved ensuring quality delivery. With the cold weather, you are encouraged to continue insulating you exterior facets and turning on an interior facet to drip. Customers are responsible for their internal plumbing including piping from the meter to the home. For Water issues during business hours 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday, call the Office 360.426.3581. After hours, Holidays and during weekends call Mike 360.507.6258.

The Facilities maintenance department has an active role throughout our community with a large territory of over 500 acres. In the past year we hired a new Facilities Manager Norm and assistant Gerardo. They provide maintenance and repairs on HOA common property. When necessary we contract services for our buildings, heating/cooling, lighting, electrical, plumbing, our 7

parks, tree maintenance, 3 dam structures and support of our 2 lakes. Our lakes, parks and damns are primary assets, and the Lake-Dam Committee plays a key role supporting. For HOA maintenance related needs, email <a href="mail@alakelimerick.com">mail@alakelimerick.com</a> or call the Office at 360.426.3581.

During the past year with the guidance and support of your Board Treasurer Connie, Accounting Manager Shauna and Member Services Coordinator Christy continue paying our bills on time, remain current on licenses, permits and payments to county, state, and federal agencies, maintain general liability and medical insurance policies, support the Board and Committees, and create annual operations and capital budgets with Committee inputs for Board and Member approval. Office Administration is open Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm. Email

mail@lakelimerick.com or call 360.425.3581 for assistance.



With ongoing COVID-19 and staff support, we continue to operate as safe as possible following federal, state and county requirements. Please continue to wear a mask when entering buildings and we appreciate those vaccinated helping everyone stay as healthy as possible. Our community has a long history of strength pulling together, helping neighbors, and supporting each other. Lake Limerick continues to drive forward now in our second year of the pandemic.

Roger Milliman,

### Water Committee

Water Manager Resigns; Advertising for New Water Manager: Doug Carothers our Water Manager resigned effective December 24<sup>th</sup> During Doug's year and a half with Lake Limerick Water System he accomplished a number of things including:

- \* Arranging for an engineering evaluation of our water system resulting in two reports from RH2 Engineering available through the Lake Limerick website.
- \* Hiring and training Mike Boyd as Water Department staff
- \* Educating Water Committee and Board members on operations of the Water System
- \* Reducing the quantity of leaks within the water system

The Office is currently advertising for a new Water Manager to fill the position. In the interim, Northwest Water Systems (NWS) resumes operating as the Water System managers with Mike Boyd providing local support to NWS.

**New Water Committee Members:** New Water Committee members Dan Cossano and Anne Moen were appointed to fill vacant positions when Phyl Antonsen retired, and Pat Paradise resigned.

The Water Committee wants to thank Phyl for her many years and Pat for serving on the Water Committee as members and Phyl as chair of the Committee.

**Power Failure, Low Water Pressure and Water Quality:** On January 7<sup>th</sup> Lake Limerick suffered another 1 hour power failure similar to other ones that occurred in December. Unfortunately, this time, due to equipment failures caused by the extended cold weather, neither of the two well sites with generators were able to come online to provide water. This resulted in a loss of water pressure. Once power resumed, other well sites came online to provide water. Water quality samples were taken shortly after power resumed. The samples showed one negative test and one positive coliform test. Fortunately, a positive coliform test has been rare for our water system but does occur occasionally and is not cause for concern. NWS staff informed this is common after a system pressure reduction. There was **NO e-coli** detected. A follow up test resulted in **NO coliform** detected.

Well #3 was brought back online on January 10th and is back in full operation. Repair parts are ordered for Well #6. Spare parts will be ordered to provide more immediate repairs for some failures.

**Water Consumption and Leak status:** As normally occurs in winter, water consumption remains low but increased to 4.1 million gallons in December from 3.5 million gallons in November. Thanks to the diligence of members and Water Department staff the monthly leak rate is down to 47 thousand gallons which was only 1.1% of total consumption giving us an annual average leak rate of only 4.3%.

#### **Water System Engineering Reports and Improvement Projects:**

As a follow up to the RH2 Engineering Reports, the Water System is beginning to implement projects to determine the actual maximum capacity of each of our well sites and to monitor in real time the amount of water we are delivering to customers. While Doug was Water Manager he contacted multiple well system contractors to perform the well capacity evaluation but only one was able to respond that they could do the requested tasks. Unfortunately, their quote was lacking in sufficient detail and so has been put on hold until we have more contract details.

Well site flow meters have been ordered and received and will be installed when we can schedule our maintenance contractor to perform the work.

Water System Financials: Due to the extended period of snow and cold weather at the end of December, the Office staff were unable to complete the December financial statements prior to the newsletter being published. At the end of November, revenue was significantly below budget by about \$26,000. Total expenses year to date were about \$51K below budget due to projects not started. Therefore, net operating income was above budget by \$25K due to lower operating expenses. Cash just over \$1.1M in all accounts with reserves at about \$780K. Accounts receivable shows about \$21K over 90 days on 171 accounts which is an increase of about \$5K.

Water System Water Rates Adjusted: New water rates were implemented for the November billing covering the period from the beginning of the fiscal year on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Due to member concerns, the water rate base amount was adjusted from 4000 gallons to 5000 gallons effective November 1<sup>st</sup> by vote of the Board. As indicated by the Board motion it is a temporary change and could be rescinded if necessary.

**Water Conservation Reminder:** As always, please continue to conserve water, check your water bill monthly and watch for leaks. Thanks for continuing to care for our Water System.

Don Bird, Committee Chair

### Lake/Dam Committee

<u>Change in Committee Leadership.</u> Kelly Evans, chairmen of the Lake Dam committee recently announced he is taking a leave of absence from the committee for personal reasons. We applied his outstanding leadership and look forward to his return in the near future. Ted Lovgren, with support from Joel Gray, has assumed committee leadership. The transition between Kelly and Teddy has been seamless and the work of the committee continues. In 2022, committee work will remain focused on maintaining and improving our lakes and parks, as well as planning for long-term future improvements. Specific emphasis areas are discussed below.

#### LAKE MANAGEMENT/IMPROVEMENT PLANS;

Lake Leprechaun and Lake Limerick are reservoir type lakes created by installing earthen dams on outgoing streams. As such, our lakes are shallow in nature, experience high water temperatures in the summer months and trend towards becoming overgrown marsh areas without constant community attention and remedial action. These issues are accelerated by the effects of climate warming. During 2022, the L/D committee will accelerate its focus on initiatives to "maintain our lakes". They include; 1) continuing efforts to control weeds, 2) evaluating future lake dredging needs including core sampling/testing and county permitting, 3) restarting a water quality testing program in both Lake Limerick and Lake Leprechaun to monitor their overall health and 4) studying the feasibility of establishing retention ponds on Cranberry Creek.

Experts from Lake Advocates will support all 2022 Lake Dam initiatives. Lake Advocates is a company that specializes in Lake Restoration, Management and Protection. They have been under contract to advise LLCC on steps to maintain and improve both Lake Limerick and Lake Leprechaun for a number of years. The Lake Dam committee recently held a two hour zoom meeting with Lake Advocates to review results from 2021 activities such as weed control as well as discuss 2022 lake projects. Community members were allowed to attend and several did. Also note that the BOD is planning to host a meeting with Lake Advocates in which community members may also participate. An announcement on this meeting is anticipated in January.

**Weed Control** - Weed control is a continuing problem on both our lakes. Chemical treatments are currently used to control lake weeds and we are planning for additional treatments in 2022. We are also studying alternate methods of weed control such as use of a weed harvester, which would physically pull weeds from the lakebed. Weed harvesters are commercially available and our task will be to identify an appropriate unit and conduct analysis of both cost benefit and capabilities to ensure it will do the intended job. Alternate approaches are also being considered. If a suitable alternative to chemicals is identified, study results will be coordinated with the BOD to secure implementation funding.

Lake Dredging - Lake dredging is a method used to remove sediment buildups from the lake bottom along with the nutrients they contain. In 2016, we performed dredging in the Kings Cove and Cranberry Cove areas. In 2022, we will study future dredging needs in these areas as well as in the bird sanctuary and in Lake Leprechaun. Current plans include taking core samples to confirm the amount of sediment buildup in candidate areas and, correspondingly, the necessity for future dredging. Core samples have been taken from Lake Leprechaun and results suggest some dredging is needed. Permit requests will be prepared for this project (county, WDFW and Squaxin approval) and cost-benefit analysis conducted prior to seeking go-ahead from the BOD.

**Lake Limerick Water Quality** - A program to monitor both Lake Limerick and Lake Leprechaun water quality is being reinstated. Water samples will be taken from selected lake areas on a defined schedule throughout the year and sent to a laboratory for analysis. We will be monitoring for parameters such as dissolved oxygen, phosphates, nitrates, contaminates and pH.

Cranberry Creek Retention Ponds - Cranberry Lake sits above Lake Limerick and directly feeds water into it via Cranberry Creek. Cranberry Lake is unmaintained, very shallow and a large portion (30-45%) of it is highly productive wetlands. Cranberry creek includes nutrient rich sediment which flows into Lake Limerick and, in turn, reduces lake depth (via sediment accumulation) and promotes weed growth. Dredging Cranberry Cove, as previously discussed, would not solve the problem of incoming sediment. The concept of installing retention ponds on Cranberry creek to partially remove sediment and nutrients is being studied for feasibility. This is a challenging task which involves determining a suitable area for the ponds, designing the ponds and obtaining required permitting and finally installing and maintaining them. Efforts in 2022 will be focused on feasibility and cost/benefit analysis relying heavily on Lake Advocates experts.

**Dock/Float Compliance** – Success! After several years of concerted effort on the part of the Lake Dam, Architecture and Compliance Committees, all required dock updates, repairs and/or removals have been completed for existing, non-compliant Docks and Floats on Lake Limerick and Lake Leprechaun. The principal focus of this effort was elimination of all non-encapsulated Styrofoam floats in addition to general maintenance and repairs. Many thanks to all the HOA owners who worked and cooperated with these Committees to help reach this objective.

#### PARK MANAGEMENT/IMPROVEMENT;

The Lake Limerick community is fortunate to have seven parks for the enjoyment of its members. Five of these parks are located on Lake Limerick, one on Lake Leprechaun and one in Division 4.

During the summer months, these parks see extensive usage by the membership. During the winter season the parks are winterized, which involves closing the rest rooms and turning off all water to avoid the pipes freezing. The parks will be fully reopened in late April. You should also be aware that parks are open for winter use, but be aware restrooms and water are not available.

During 2022, the L/D committee is implementing a long range park improvement planning program to establish direction for future upgrades. During 2021, we completed upgrades to Old Lyme Park. We are also moving forward with procurement and installation of new park entrance and rules signs for each LLCC park.

Park Hosts - During the summer months, LLCC utilizes hosts at each Lake Limerick Park to oversee park activities and provide guidance to members and guests. In 2022, we are anticipating the need for two new park hosts, so if you know anyone who may have interest, please reach out to the office. Park hosts are needed from May 15 until Sept. 15. Our hosts are on duty from mid-day to dusk on Fridays, Saturday and Sundays and are there to ensure park visitors understand and follow park rules. Host compensation includes space in a lovely, wooded setting with power, water, septic and local phone service provided. Access to other club amenities includes the tennis courts, golf course, and restaurants. For further info on host duties and an application form, see the Lake Limerick Country Club website: <a href="http://lakelimerick.com/parkhost">http://lakelimerick.com/parkhost</a> or send email to the attention of the Lake/Dam Committee at: <a href="mail@lakelimerick.com">mail@lakelimerick.com</a>

Light Pollution - As we are all aware, LLCC property development and population continues to increase. Growth brings many added challenges, one being light pollution. Our LLCC CAM is working with PUD 3 to reduce the impact of light pollution on our many park neighbors, while at the same time maintaining security the current lights provide. Reducing lighting brightness will allow members to better enjoy outdoor recreational activities such as camp fires, star gazing and satellite searching. PUD 3 will be working on park and inn lighting over the coming months as time allows. Whether you are impacted by LLCC park and inn lights or not, you may want to assess your own property lighting to help ensure your lighting is not negatively impacting fellow members.

### Ted Lovgren, Committee Chair

### Greenbelts, Trails & Trees Committee

Your Greenbelts, Trails & Trees Committee meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month from 6:00pm-7:00pm in the Crow's Nest (upstairs in the Great Hall).

Our focus is to work on being more intentional with the appearance, use, & upkeep of our greenbelt areas and entranceways. Work to mitigate safety concerns. Provide opportunities to volunteer on the committee, and or, in helping adopt various areas for upkeep and neighborhood watch as plans progress.

We are working on two projects we hope will encourage volunteerism & community building with neighbors adopting any trails/ greenbelts spaces nearest them, as well as hoping for each entranceway to be adopted or possibly sponsored by members who are small business owners, and or our Magpies group or both as part of our sustainability goal.

- 1. Beautify all 7 entrances. We are using the main entrance across from the Fire Station as our template. As plans develop, the first entryway to be completed, hopefully 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2022, will be the one on Dartmoor so that both sides of the main entrance are more welcoming. We will then work our way towards one intersection at a time as funding and labor support allows.
- 2. A pilot project to create more walkable trails so it is safer for families to walk together. We are looking at the greenbelt area between Saint Andrews & Marioneth. The plan for this space is to check the trees for any we think may need an arborist to inspect, as well as what it would take to get it cleaned up for fire safety prevention. Committee volunteers will be working on a plan to reach out to the approximate 28-30 homes on either side to gauge their comfort level, concerns, how best to clean it up and maintain privacy, as well as a hoped for excitement for possibly creating a small walking trail for members & their guests. It is anticipated to be able to start any clean-up for fire safety, and any needed tree mitigation in early spring.

We invite you to join us at future meetings, if that does not work for your schedule, we hope you will reach out(mail@lakelimerick.com) to add your name for future volunteer work parties. There's no CommYOUnity without You.

Tamra Ingwaldson, Committee Chair

### Compliance Committee

I thought I would spend my time for this newsletter and talk about the Lake Limerick Country Club and all of the great things that the volunteers in this Community do.

We have 9 members of the Board of Directors that are tasked with overseeing the operation and the running of the HOA. Also, a member of the Board but not a voting member, is the Chairperson of the Water Committee. Every year, after the April Election, the Board of Directors, itself, elects a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers make up the Executive Committee. All of the members holding these positions do not receive ANY compensation for the work that they do. Nor do we receive any gratuities either. No Board Member, from the President on down to the Directors receive any special treatment because of their status. All are subject to the Bylaws, Declarations, Resolutions, Rules, etc. that all other members of the HOA are — and in the years I have been active within the HOA, I have found this to be true.

#### All are members in good standing within the Association and VOLUNTEER their time and expertise for the benefit of all.

I hope I am not leaving anyone out when I say we currently also have 10 "standing" Committees. They are Architecture, Compliance, Greens, Greenbelts and Trails, Hearings, Inn, Lake/Dam, Water, Welcoming, and Youth. These Committees are staffed by "volunteer community members" who again **VOLUNTEER their time and expertise for the benefit of all of the Community!** Again, there is no pay and no gratuities associated with Committee membership.

Though they are not considered "standing" Committees, both the Nominating Committee and the Election Committee are indeed an integral part of our organization. They too are staffed by volunteers from our community.

I have just pointed out somewhere between 75 - 100 members of this Community who dedicate a good part of their day, week, and month, to make Lake Limerick a great, and viable, place to live. This doesn't happen by itself.

Many of us have noticed, and commented that there are the same people that volunteer and how hard it is to get new people to join in. As with the Committee work, the events that get planned also need volunteers. I know I have met many of you this past year at these events (End of Summer Bash, Family Christmas event), even Bingo and Trivia night at the Lounge. These take volunteer effort.

As a current Board Member and a Committee Chairperson, I can assure you all that it's not always a "bed of roses." We have arguments, disagreement and fight "tooth and nail" for our positions but, in the end, it's all about the Community and not about the individual.

Lastly, a shout out to LLCC's own Robbi Alberts for keeping us informed, as well as the Magpies for all their contributions!

I just thought I would say, how proud I am of being able to work with each and every one of you and, this Community owes you all a great debt of gratitude and appreciation for all that you do.



John C. Ingemí, Vice-President, LLCC

Chairperson, Community Compliance Committee (Email: compliance@hcc.net)

### **MAGPIES**

All women who reside in the Lake Limerick community are considered part of the Magpie Ladies Club.

The mission of Magpies is to support the community by: contributing to improvements for the Inn, Café and parks; assisting with memorials; decorating the Inn for the holidays; and helping those in need. We hold annual fundraising events to sustain our contributions to LLCC. However, due to the COVID situation, we haven't been able to do so for nearly two years.

We have also planned several fun <u>non-fundraising</u> events to include all LLCC Magpie members and their families. This year, we held a "Walk & Talk" event in October. Ladies wandered the cart paths, getting to know each other – then met outside the Pro Shop for hot chocolate & warm apple cider. It was a great success, so we hope to plan more of these\*.

On December 11<sup>th</sup>, we sponsored a Christmas caroling event including decorated golf carts. We walked and rode carts on cart paths along the golf course, singing carols as we went. This was well attended and all had a wonderful time!

As things continue to improve on the health-front, we hope to sponsor more fundraisers in the Spring. We have <u>tentatively</u> scheduled the following events in the coming months:

**Spring Bazaar** – Saturday, March 12, 2022

**Spring Fashion Show** (or other event) – Saturday, May 14, 2022

Watch for more details, and we hope you can join us! Magpies is a great way to get to know your neighbors!



\*If you'd like to serve on the "**Social Committee**" to plan more events

(or get on the email list to learn details of coming events)

please contact Robbi Alberts at <a href="mailto:ralberts@reachone.com">ralberts@reachone.com</a>, or Susie at <a href="mailto:sqfriends@msn.com">sqfriends@msn.com</a>

Our committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month, at 10 AM at the Great Hall! Meetings generally last no more than one hour. We hope to see you there!