Lake Limerick Country Club Newsletter

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Call to Annual Meeting

Saturday, April 16, 2022 @ 2:00pm

via Hybrid (LLCC Great Hall & ZOOM)

ZOOM Meeting ID: 860 8895 1205 Passcode: 166671

President's Message

To all members and staff of the Lake Limerick Country Club, I want to say, "Hi!" For the next month, I have the honor, pleasure, and responsibility of serving you as the President of the Association. We have a lot of work to do this month, with the upcoming election and more in the next few months working on many other issues that are of great concern to our community.

Up first is the election of members for the Board of Directors and the Water Committee. Each year the community elects 3 members to serve on the Board of Directors and 2 members to serve on the Water Committee. It is all of our responsibility to choose the candidate(s) that will not only serve your interests but, more importantly, the best interests of the community at large. In case you missed it, we have placed the "Meet the Candidates" video on our website for you to watch and see what each candidate has to offer. To take a quote from a movie that I really love, "we've got serious problems to solve, and we need serious people to solve them."

I also want to give a shout out to all of the various Committee Chairs and members who volunteer their

time to work on projects to make this community a great place to live. Also, to the staff that keep this community up and running. Food & Beverage, Greens, Golf, Facilities, Water, and the Office Staff. You are all appreciated more than you know.

Lastly, a heartfelt "Get Well" to our favorite bartender, Dale, who is home recovering from surgery. We miss you and wish you a quick recovery. But, in the meantime, Chad is doing an excellent job filling in for you.

John C. Ingemí, President LLCC Board of Directors



Thank you, Chad!

Lake Limerick April 2022 Candidates

Board of Directors



Mike Berni - DIV 03 (Write In)



Marlo Brown - DIV 01



Dean Dyson - DIV 02



Mandy Paradise - DIV 03



Pat Paradise - DIV 04



Russ Preuit - DIV 04 (Write In)



Mitch Robinson - DIV 01



Amy Sem - DIV 04



John Sem - DIV 04

All ballots must be received no later than 2:00pm on Saturday, April 16th

Water Committee



Bruce Bronson - DIV 04



Wallace Montz - DIV 01



John Sem - DIV 04



Esther Springer-Johannesen - DIV 02

Community Association Manager

Thank goodness Spring is here and the weather is warming up!

Our community successfully worked through two long years of the pandemic by following public health requirements. Masks finally came off for indoor business access on March 12th. It's time to pause and congratulate ourselves for keeping Lake Limerick services and buildings as healthy as possible.

Budget planning begins in May for fiscal year October 2022 - September 2023. Annually two budgets are developed: Operating expenses and Capital asset projects. The process includes inputs and review by Operating departments, Committees, Treasurer, Board of Directors, and Members. This year the Board will conduct a final review on August 20 for an adoption vote, followed by Member voting that ends on September 17.

We have several planned activities and events:

- * The Community's Annual meeting for Board and Water candidate elections is April 16. Ballots were mailed March 29th to Members in good standing.
- * The annual 2022 Fishing Derby sponsored by the Lake Dam Committee is being held Saturday April 23 from 6am 1pm. Derby volunteers have planned well with Derby prizes awarded for the biggest fish, and raffle prizes. This year will include breakfast and lunch including beverage services supported by the Inn Committee. \$12 Derby tickets and \$1 raffle tickets are both on sale at the Pro Shop Café. Our seven parks are being cleaned-up by Facilities and will be ready for the opening day of fishing. Our two boat ramps will be open for boat launching on Friday April 15th. It will be great to see boats back on the water!
 - * Mother's & Father's Day brunches are planned at the Inn.
 * Trivia and Bingo events take place monthly at the Inn.
- * On Saturdays for Memorial Day, plus 4th of July and Labor Day weekends music events are planned with Committee's volunteer support.

 In addition to LLCC provided food and beverage, food trucks will be back.

Chef Jon is providing delicious meals at affordable prices including weekly specials. A new menu is coming soon. Plan to make an Inn dinner reservation by emailing foh@lakelimerick.com or on-line using Lake Limerick Table Agent. Dale serves the best drinks on the water in the Blarney Room. The lounge opens at 4pm and Inn restaurant at 5pm for indoor and patio service Thursday through Sunday. Our golf Superintendent Jason and Pro Shop Manager Elen manage a terrific golf course. The Shelton Mason County Journal recently announced for the second year in a row Lake Limerick Golf Club and Café with second place honors for the people's choice awards. This is a tremendous award with five courses in the county! The golf course is open 7 days per week with Tee times available by calling 360.426.6290

The Café is open Wednesday – Sunday with meals prepared by Cook Brian with a new Café menu coming soon. The Pro Shop Café is open Wednesday through Sunday 7:30am – 3pm for indoor and patio serving breakfast until 11am and lunch 11am - 3pm.

Member approved Capital Projects update:

- * The Inn's Great Hall has been updated with new paint and flooring complementing the deck completed last year. The Inn Committee is working on revised contracts for Member and Public events.
- * The Inn ADA lower floor bathroom was constructed in-house by the Facilities department and is awaiting flooring delivery to complete the project. Look for upgrades to the other bathrooms in the future.
- * The golf course chipping practice area is being developed in-house by the Greens department. Designed to improve Member and Public experience and as a revenue generator.
- * A new business telephone system is in the works to improve call routing to Operating departments.

The Office recently upgraded to a dependable email service provider. If you have yet to sign-up for LLCC notifications, go to the Lake Limerick website home page and in the lower right side Subscribe with your email address.



Our Inn and Pro Shop Cafe buildings have a new janitor service. It was time for a change resulting in a modest cost increase.

Our Water Department has a new manager with 30 years of experience. Welcome Chris McMullen.

Facilities Manager Norm successfully completes multiple maintenance responsibilities across our community's vast greenbelts, seven parks, three dam structures, two lakes, and three buildings including parking lots. With the Greens support, they recently repaired the cement pads securing the Anglia Park dock.

Your Office staff Christy and Rhonda continue to respond to your calls providing information services. We strive to provide excellent customer service with a smile! The office is open Monday through Friday 9am – 5pm for phone calls or by appointment. A kind thank you to your staff is always appreciated.

I cannot say enough about the dedication of your Committee Chairs, volunteers and Board of Directors providing the support and follow through enabling our community to deliver multiple services and functions. We all support the efforts of our committees: Architecture, Compliance, Greens, Hearings, Inn, Lake Dam, Water, Welcoming, Youth and of course the Magpies. If you want to know what is going on, plan to attend a regularly scheduled meeting and get involved. Volunteers are vital to our community's ongoing success.

It is my pleasure to work for Lake Limerick with a team of professional employees focused on delivering customer service to a community with a 56-year history. Together we are all making a difference.

Roger Milliman,

CAM, Lake Limerick Country Club

Inn Committee

If you haven't stopped by the Café and tried Brian's famous breakfasts and lunches or swung by the Restaurant/Lounge to try Chef Jon's and his team's food, you are really missing out. Both locations are serving up phenomenal dishes that you can't find anywhere else. Each experience is perfected with the excellent customer service from our staff at both locations and (of course) one of Dale's margaritas.

We've got a lot of entertaining things going on this Spring as the weather starts to warm up. Join us for Bingo on the 3rd Thursday of each month hosted by Carol Morrow. We have Pub Trivia Night going on the second Sunday in April (third Sunday usually). Those fun and challenging trivia questions are developed by Kristine Anderson and the event is hosted by Board VP Tamra Ingwaldson. Look for a music night with Paper Moon on Saturday, May 28th. Those are always a good time.

The Fishing Derby is on April 23rd with a breakfast starting at 8:30 at the Inn and a hot dog lunch at noon. You can pick up your tickets at the pro-shop.

Finally, you'll notice that the Great Hall is getting a make-over. Brighter colors and new flooring that should make that space look... well... great!

The Inn Committee

We have a great group of people and are constantly doing our best to come up with fun community events, including a couple of things we're kicking around for this Spring/Summer. If you're looking to get involved in the community and want to do something fun, come meet us in the Great Hall on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10am.

LLCC GREAT HALL MAKE OVER







Flooring

See you all at the bar this Spring. Cheers!

Kyle Skinner, Committee Chair

Water Committee

New Water Manager: Lake Limerick hired Chris McMullen as the new Water Manager who started March 14th. We are very pleased to have Chris lead the Water Department. Mike Boyd stays on as Water Operator and Northwest Water Systems continues to provide backup to Chris and Mike.

Chris comes with excellent qualifications including:

- - * WDM 1, WDM 2, CCS, CESL, Backflow tester certifications
 * Water grant experience
 - * Volunteer fireman and fire commissioner for Grays Harbor district #12

Water Committee Candidates: The Water Committee is pleased to have several new candidates for the Water Committee. Check the Lake Limerick website for the candidate's information for both the Water Committee and the Board of Directors. Remember to cast your ballot before the April deadline.

Water Project Status: Several projects have been completed:

Well #3 is back in full operation after replacing the well level sensor and making minor repairs to the emergency generator.

Well #6 is back in full operation after replacing the failed variable frequency drive (VFD) controlling the well pump and replacing the emergency generator battery

Well #5 was tested and some water flushed to get that ready to put back online

New flow meters were installed at Wells 1, 3 and 4 to provide real time flow measurements into the water system

Chris McMullen is working with the Water Committee on a consolidated list of future short and long term projects

Water System Financials: Through February, revenue was significantly below budget by about \$12,500. Total expenses year to date were about \$40K below budget due to projects not started. Therefore, net operating income was above budget by \$27K due to lower operating expenses. Cash just over \$1.26M in all accounts with reserves over \$900K. Accounts receivable shows about \$19.5K over 90 days on 157 accounts which is a decrease in both the amount owing and the number of customers in arrears.

Water Billing System Upgraded: The Water billing software was upgraded in February with the first bills on the new system sent in March. The bill includes a summary of the last years monthly water usage by month.

Water System Town Hall in May: The Water Committee and Water Department will be putting on a Town Hall presentation in May.

The topics will include the following:

- * Introduce new Water Manager to the community
- * State of the Water System
- Plans for short and long term future projects
- * Water rate structure as it relates to budget
- Discussion about the fire suppression capabilities including water supply, water mains and hydrants

No specific date has been set at this time. Watch the Lake Limerick website for details.

Water Consumption and Leak status: Water consumption remains low with 3.6 million gallons in January and 3.4 million gallons in November. Thanks to the diligence of members and Water Department staff the monthly leak rate is down to 171 thousand gallons which was about 5% of total consumption giving us an annual average leak rate of about 7%.

Water System Backflow Device Survey: The Water System is required to periodically collect information from every customer on the possible risks to the water system including underground irrigation systems, hot tubs, spas, swimming pools, etc. You were previously sent a survey to be filled out. Most people have filled out and returned the surveys. However, some people have not returned them of there are questions that still need to be answered. You may be contacted by the Office staff or the Water Department staff to complete these surveys. Please answer their questions if you are contacted.

Water Conservation Reminder: As always, please continue to conserve water, check your water bill monthly and watch for leaks. The Chris McMullen has already noted some locations indicating possible water leaks and he an Mike will be investigating those. Thanks for continuing to care for our Water System.

Lake/Dam Committee

Spring has sprung and it's time to prepare for the upcoming Boating and Fishing season activities. Now is a good time to familiarize yourself with our <u>Park Rules and Safety Guidelines</u> as well as the "<u>Lake Rules and Safety Guidelines</u>" and the new <u>Lake Patrol Guidelines</u>. Also if you are considering repairing or replacing your dock or installing a boat lift there is an update to the <u>Dock and Float Guidelines</u> to assist with the permitting requirements.

Help Needed!

There are still a couple of openings for **Park Hosts**. If you know someone who would like to enjoy our facilities and locate their RV at one of our parks as a Host, please contact the LLCC office at mail@lakelimerick.com. Information is also available on the Club's website at http://lakelimerick.com/parkhost. This opportunity is open to the public.

We also are looking for Lake Patrol volunteers. Please call or email the office if you would like to participate in this effort.

Please utilize non-phosphorus fertilizers and conduct regular septic system maintenance in accordance with county guidelines. Both **phosphorus** and **septic seepage** can impact lake water quality and contribute to, and enable, weed growth in the lakes. Working Together, we can keep our lake waters safe and healthy, and reduce the proliferation of lake weeds.

The Lake/Dam Committee is responsible for supporting our lakes, dams, and parks, establishing usage rules, monitoring maintenance, and planning and supporting long term improvements. Current Lake/Dam priority projects include:

- - * Conducting park walk-throughs to address safety and maintenance needs
 - * Obtaining community input (via survey) about park usage priorities and improvements

PARKS UPDATES

Summer Parks Season: All Parks will be de-winterized and fully open by **May 1st**. The parks and lakes are one of the *no-fee* features in our community and we encourage all members to enjoy what all they have to offer. This includes beaches, swimming, nature, and play structures for kids.

Park Pass Reminder: LLCC enforces an existing policy that requires *proof of membership* in order to use the Club's parks. This step is taken to help control vandalism and ensure the availability of our facilities for our members and their guests. You will be asked to leave the park if appropriate ID is not available. Membership Cards for 2022-2023 will be mailed to each owner of record the week of April 12, 2022.

LAKES UPDATES

Fun for the Whole Family: The annual Lake Limerick fishing derby will be held this year on April 23rd from 6 AM to 1 PM. After two years of restricted derby format due to COVID, this year will be more normal in nature. Food and drink specials will be available at the Inn throughout derby day and we will host an awards ceremony with second chance and a raffle drawing's after fishing concludes at 1 PM. Derby cash prizes up to \$100 will be provided for largest fish in both adult and children's category. Entry tickets are \$12 and allow purchaser a chance to win a cash prize. More information is available on the LLCC website.



Lake Weed Treatment – The Lake/Dam Committee, community members and the LLCC Limnologist, **Lake Advocates**, continue efforts to reduce weed growth in our lakes. Some areas have seen vast improvements, while others are still in process. One of Lake Limerick's current areas of concern is the bird sanctuary.

Lake/Dam Committee has assisted with enacting an extensive treatment plan that has vastly improved weed levels from prior years. We intend to continue following our plan for weed control to continue improving enjoyment, as well as creating clean, healthy lakes that have minimal weeds. You may notice that weeds exist in both Limerick and Leprechaun, that is normal. Enabling some weed growth helps suppress other more invasive weeds and algae from taking over. There is a balance we must achieve, and our experts are guiding our approaches.

Treatment approaches vary a little from year to year, depending on the situation found during the spring survey, and as an example, last year's treatment schedule was as follows:

- For Lake Leprechaun, the treatments for targeted areas are as follows: a) early to mid-May, treat with a contact herbicide which kills existing leaves, b) late May to early June, treat with a liquid Fluridone, a systemic herbicide that kills root crowns and roots and c) mid to late June treat affected areas with an algaecide and also treat all Yellow Iris.
- For Lake Limerick, the treatments are similar: a) mid-July, treat targeted areas with a contact herbicide and treat all yellow Iris, c) in late July, treat with liquid Fluridone, d) between mid August and September 3rd, treat with an algaecide. A pellet form of Fluridone will also be applied in both lakes in September if needed. Weed treatments such as those listed above are effective, though costly.

Our committee is examining options to slow down nutrient delivery that enables weeds to proliferate in our lakes. **Here is how you can help:** 1) stopping or reducing the fertilizing of lawns or flower beds with phosphorous based fertilizers, particularly on land near and next to

shorelines, and 2) diligently maintaining your septic system. If you'd like to learn more about what Lake Advocates has suggested and reported regarding LLCC lake health, their annual report will be posted soon on the LLCC website. If you'd like to learn more, read the notes from our recent study session meeting with Lake Advocates. Notes can be found on the LLCC website in the "Master Meeting Search" filed under Lake/Dam Committee within the "Lake Limerick and Leprechaun Management Study List"

Lake Levels Update: LLCC will start placing weir boards in Lake Limerick and Lake Leprechaun dam structures the first week in April, which will raise both lakes to established summer levels. The off-season lowering, which started in October, is done to protect property over the winter months from significant rainfall and lake level rise. Installation of the weir boards will take approximately 3 weeks to complete, depending on weather. Expect the level of both lakes to rise to normal levels.

Dock/Float Compliance – All New and/or Repaired docks, floats, and boat lifts require architectural approval/permit and adherence to LLCC <u>Dock and Float Guidelines</u>. If you have questions about building a dock/float or maintenance of the dock/float you already have, please contact the Lake/Dam Committee or the LLCC office who can direct you. Failure to adhere to the Dock and Float Guidelines can result in fines and/or suspension of HOA privileges.

Boat Registration Reminder: Any member vessel over 16 feet or powered by a motor of 10 HP or greater requires registration by the State and LLCC. Your vessel will need to be registered in the LLCC office before putting it onto the lake. To register, you will need to be a member in good standing and have a current Washington State Boat Registration. Non-member vessels are not allowed on the lake unless actively fishing. Member vessels must display a current Washington State registration tag (or state of primary registration if used in Washington for a limited time) and WN number plus a Lake Limerick registration decal on the right side (preferably at the side windshield). Remember, your boat must also have your division and lot number prominently displayed on the rear sides, both port and starboard. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Boating Season & Lake Patrol: Now is the time to start planning for the 2022 boating season. All members are responsible for reviewing the LLCC "Boating Rules and Safety Regulations". The Lake/Dam committee is tasked with monitoring boating on Lake Limerick for compliance through our Lake Patrol group (no motorboats allowed on Lake Leprechaun). Please refer to the newly released <u>Lake Patrol Guidelines</u> for more information. We are always in need of volunteers to help with this important task. If interested, please send a note to the office who will then forward it to our committee.

Ted Lovgren, Committee Chair

MAGPIES

Our Ladies' Magpies continue to support the Lake Limerick community in any way we can. We welcome any ideas for new or upcoming events or fundraising opportunities. You can bring your ideas to our monthly meetings, which occur the **FIRST TUESDAY of each** month at 10 AM in the Great Hall – or contact our current president, Susie Friends-Magee, email sqfriends@msn.com.

We have formed a **SOCIAL COMMITTEE** to assist with planning and carrying out events. We held our second "Walk & Talk" for ladies on Thursday, March 24th. Those who attended had an enjoyable stroll around the golf course while getting to know each other.

We are currently planning a **LADIES SOCIAL** to be held on **SATURDAY**, **MAY 14**th. Tickets will cost \$12 each, and include lunch and a beverage. Tickets will go on sale Friday, April 8th (at the LLCC Office between 2:00 & 4:00 PM; and at the Pro Shop on Fridays from 3:00 to 6:00 PM) – until sold out. This year's theme is "Flower Power" (as in Spring flowers!) You're encouraged to wear your floral wear. We hope through this event we can bring new and old members together to catch up and build new friendships in the community!

(Mark your calendars!) Our upcoming meeting dates are **April 5, May 3** and **June 7** where we'll continue planning for the Social and start lining up volunteers to work the SNACK SHACK at Lake Limerick DAZE (Sat, July 2nd). We also hope to plan more "Walk & Talks" or other activities that provide an avenue for getting together with friends and neighbors in the community. We hope you'll take the opportunity to get involved. ALL ladies in the Lake Limerick community are invited to attend our meetings (10 AM in the Great Hall). We try to keep them short (no more than an hour). Hope to see you there!



Greens Committee

Pro-Shop: Time to get our golf clubs dusted off and get ready for the upcoming golf events.

Tournaments: The Masters tournament will be Saturday April 9. Set your own tee times. Format is Four-person low net, 18-hole. Entry fee \$10.00. Each team will purchase a pro, to be on their team as the 5th team member in their scoring. The price for the pro is set by the Pro-shop staff.

Lake limerick Fund Raising Tournament: The Fund-Raising Tournament is on Friday May 20th, at 9:30, a person scramble format. Put your own team together or you will be assigned to a team. You will be able to sponsor a hole for \$100.00. Entry fee is \$50.00. These funds will be for golf course improvements. (Leveling tee boxes) Both Ladies and Men's League starts April runs through September. Mem's golf Tuesday's and Sunday's 18-holes, Monday's and Thursday's 9-holes. Ladies golf 18 holes on Monday's and Wednesday's and 9-holes on M-W-F.

Wednesday's night scramble at 5pm for \$5 begins in March after daylight saving starts. Lessons will begin this summer. Check with the Pro-shop for details.

2022 Men's Club: On Sunday, the third of April, the Lake Limerick Men's club will kick off the golfing season with the 18 - hole division playing from the white and blue tees. This event will be followed by the 9-hole division playing on Monday, the fourth of April, playing from either the red or yellow tees. With additional play days on Tuesdays (18-hole division) and Thursdays (9-hole division), there will be many opportunities each week to have a round of golf with new and old friends alike. The only requirements are an established GHIN and to pay \$15.00 to join the league. Daily prize winnings are drawn from the \$3.00 fee to enter each day of play. Other options are closest to the pin (KP) daily competition and a skins game on Sundays. Much of the league is team play, but there are times when individual play will be conducted. For additional information inquire at the Pro Shop.

2022 Ladies Club: Ladies Club begins the 2022 season The first week of April. We are looking forward to an exciting season and hope to bring back activities that were put on hold during the pandemic. Any questions call the Pro Shop. Hope to see you soon 0n the fairway! Swing away! Gail Gagner & Sheila Nokes Co-captains

Greens Management: We have had a very busy winter and spring to ensure the course is ready to play this year. We are developing a practice chipping area out by the blue tee on hole three. We are punching the greens, the last week in March. A reminder, to be respectful to our workers on the course. If there is a problem, contact the Pro-Shop.

Walkers: When walking on the golf cart path, walk from green to tee. When walking and seeing a golfer ready to hit the ball, please stop, move off the path and watch the flight of the ball. This is for your and the golfer's safety. Resume walking after all golfers have hit. Golfers and Walkers always be respectful to each other. Control you children and animals. Dogs must be on leashes. Pick up after you animal. No motorized vehicle on the golf cart path, except for golf carts. No bicycles, trikes, skateboards, roller skates, rollerblades on the carts path. These policies are for the safety and enjoyment for everyone.

We are looking forward to another great year. Call the Pro-Shop or go online to book a tee time. Our entire staff work hard and do a great job. The Café' is open Wednesday through Sunday until 3 o'clock, to everyone. They have good food. We have a great staff. We have a fund raiser in May, for Course improvement. Everyone is welcome to come and contribute. Call the Pro Shop for Details.

Please vote and know who you are voting for!

Vern Duggan, Committee Chair

Contact the Pro Shop for Tee Times

T: 360.426.6290 - E: golfpro@lakelimerick.com

Or visit lakelimerickgolf.com

Café OPEN Weds - Sun

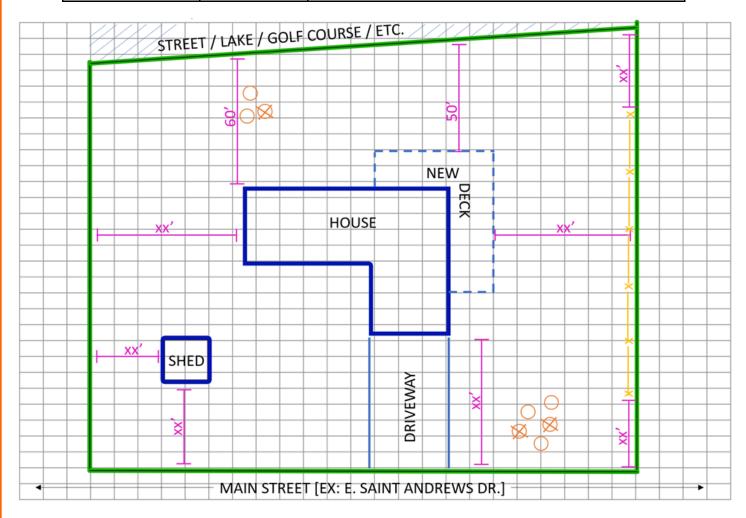
7:30am to 3:00om - Dine In or To Go

360.426.62.90 or 360.545.2896

Architecture Committee

Spring has sprung and so have the honey do lists! Here at the Architecture Committee, we want to make sure your projects start off without a hitch. Don't forget to submit an application for any projects that change or add to your property. We've put together a plot plan 'best practices' that will guide you and get your application approved quickly. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact liccarch@hctc.com or come in person to a meeting (2nd Friday of the month in the Crows Nest @3:30 PM).

	Property Lines	Identify lot lines and lot size. This will be your basis for your setbacks.
XX'	Setbacks	If you are building or adding something to your property, clearly marking the setbacks is critical. Per the association guidelines, no building shall be erected 30' from street lot line, 5' from sidelines, 50' from waterfront or golf course. Check out the guidelines for more restrictions.
$\bigcirc \boxtimes$	Clearing Trees	If your property does not have a house on it, you must notify and get approval from the Architecture Committee prior to clearing trees. If you're property does have a house, you do not require a permit, however, it is good practice to notify the committee for awareness.
хх	Fence	Adding a fence? Show us where on the property and don't forget those setbacks. There are restrictions from the street and water or golf course.
STREET / LAKE / GOLF COURSE / ETC.	Labels	Label key landmarks. This tells us what structures are and where the front or back of the house is.



Sharon Hamilton, Committee Chair