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# LAKE LIMERICK COUNTRY CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

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#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

##### *A Message from the President*

There is a Chinese proverb that says, "May you live in interesting times." The last 12 months and even just the last two months would certainly indicate that we do. I suspect that interesting times will best describe the coming year as well.

Our Town Meeting held on February 18<sup>th</sup> provided members with a great deal of information regarding past, present, and future operations and potential changes to improve efficiency and customer service. The suggestions presented by members to the board will be reviewed and acted upon at future board meetings all with the goal of better support for our members. Our next Town Meeting will be held in July.

**Meet the Candidates** for the Board of Directors and the Water Committee on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM in the Restaurant. Candidates will share their thoughts formally and then be available to answer questions and talk with members afterwards. This is a wonderful opportunity to help you discern candidates and issues. Look for their profiles and candidate statements elsewhere in this newsletter.

April 15<sup>th</sup> is the date for our **Semi-Annual Meeting and Elections**. The Board of Directors will again have detailed information to share and will be focusing on prioritizing member services. Your participation is the key to making our gatherings successful. We will also be electing three new board members and two Water Committee members. Watch your mail for your ballots. They will be mailed right after the Meet the Candidates event on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

The last year has been "interesting" AND rewarding. LLCC is in far better shape than a year ago. We are well on the way to long-term financial stability, and we are looking forward to a very bright future. Your involvement and support will guarantee it!

*Kelly Evans*, President

LLCC Board of Directors

**TREASURER REPORT ~ Norm Bartoo**

**WATER COMMITTEE ~ Phyllis Antonsen – Chairperson**

**ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE ~ Brian Smith - Chairperson**

**LAKE/DAM COMMITTEE ~ Linda Smith - Chairperson**

**INN COMMITTEE~ Rhonda Mayner – Chairperson**

**YOUTH COMMITTEE ~ Emily Fleshman, Chairperson**

**GOLF COURSE NEWS ~ Ron Stull – Golf Pro**

**GREENS COMMITTEE ~ Jason Howerton - Superintendent**

**CHEF'S NEWS~ Michelle Molinari – Head Chef**

## **TREASURERS REPORT, Norm Bartoo**

At the recent Town Hall Meeting I reviewed several important points relative to LLCC's financial condition as it is now known. Points are both positive and negative.

On the positive side, all accounts payable are current with over \$100,000 of outstanding bills and debit paid in full with the exception of Legal fees which are being addressed. This FY17 we have had over \$107K in one time, unbudgeted, income, from several sources which has allowed us to pay back bills and keep us from running out of available operating cash without defaulting on current bills due. This allowed us to begin rebuilding our credit rating from a very low point. Additionally, LLCC's office team has had significant success in recovering unpaid dues and assessments owed by approximately 15-18% of member accounts which were significantly past due, without incurring additional legal costs, in most cases. Restructuring of Accounts Payable with terms more favorable to LLCC, along with stopping or reducing seasonally unneeded costs, has reduced fees and costs to LLCC by over \$1400 per month. This is made possible by paying our debts in full and careful attention to business details.

On the negative side, LLCC still has budget issues due to structure budget imbalance and cash flow. A structural budget imbalance of over \$130,000 exists. This is due to both unbudgeted costs and under budgeted items. These range from minimum wage increases mandated by the Legislature to insurance cost jumps, to employee medical cost increases, significant utility cost increases, and just plain emergency events like tree removals after storms.

Adding to this, the current budgeted income does not allow for any capacity for maintenance upkeep, out of the ordinary, like erosion protection of our dam and Inn island shoreline, painting of the Inn or unexpected emergency repairs to our assets.

Cash flow problems, available cash to pay bills and employee wages, exists because of LLCC's quarterly billing model, the structural budget imbalance (above) and the income differences between spring-summer and fall- winter. Quarterly billing leads to cyclic cash availability which reaches a high peak in the middle of the quarter and drops rapidly in the quarter's second half. In the spring-summer period income from golf, food and beverage are much higher making the problem smaller and manageable. In the fall-winter period these non-dues income sources are much less and make keeping cash available (above zero) a problem. Part of the solution to the cash flow issue could be reduced by moving to a monthly billing cycle which should smooth peaks and valleys in the cash available over time. Addressing the budget structural problem will also aid the cash flow problem. Finally changing to a summer/winter operations model where full staffing and facilities operations are available in the summer when income and demand is higher. And in the winter period, lower staffing and facilities operations to match demand will reduce costs when income is lower.

The recent town hall meeting generated many ideas to address the budget issues and the Board of Directors will immediately develop a financial action plan.

## **WATER COMMITTEE, Phyl Antonsen, Chairperson**

There have been no major problems in the last few months. All wells are performing normally and all known leaks have been repaired.

This winter our staff has been called numerous times when a resident turned off the water at the Cross Connection Control Assembly instead of at the meter, thus inadvertently shutting off his neighbor's water as well. We will address this problem at our annual Consumer Education presentation during the April 15 Semi- Annual Meeting of the country club. (Required by the DOH) The topic will be "Where is my meter and how do I turn the water off". Water meter keys are available at Home Depot \$9.28, Toziers \$11.98. They can be borrowed from the water office or if they are closed, from me.

We are doing a Hazard Survey this year as required by the DOH every three years. EVERY property owner that has a water line, even if it is shut off MUST submit a simple form which will be mailed to the property owner. We need a 100% compliance. Make it easy for yourself and the LLWS, and save time and money by making sure the office has a current mailing address and phone number. If you are a landlord, it would help in an emergency to have a contact with your renter as well.

## **ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE, Brian Smith, Chairperson**

As I write, it looks like we are finished with snow for the season. For some this is good news. For others, it means the stuff lying around your yard is visible again. Litter, piles of junk and garbage, broken furniture, old weight machines, and derelict cars are not landscaping. If this sounds like your yard, do your neighbors a favor and clean it up. If you are a landlord, please make sure your tenants are keeping your property neat, because you are still responsible for it.

For the Architectural Committee, this change of season also brings the opportunity to work with our neighbors as they improve their properties. Improvements like fences, new outbuildings, docks, decks, home additions and new homes require permits from Lake Limerick. The Committee is charged with making sure these property improvements comply with Lake Limerick's rules. We will try to process permit applications quickly. The best way to get quick approvals is to know the rules before making application, and only submit projects that meet the rules. This is critical because the Board of Directors must follow the Declarations of Restrictions (AKA CCRs) as written, with the only discretion allowed in setbacks for fences.

To help our neighbors, the Committee is reviewing the several sets of Architectural Guidelines that have been developed over the years (most recently about five years ago) with the intent of publishing new, comprehensive guidelines for Board of Directors

adoption. These guidelines attempt to summarize the requirements of the Declarations of Restrictions for each housing Division, along with various policies that Boards of Directors have adopted (for example guidance on maximum square footage for storage sheds, fence heights, etc.). The better we can help everyone understand the rules, the fewer conflicts and delays we should have in approving permits.

If you are interested in helping, the Committee meets the second Saturday every month at 9 A.M. in the lounge at the Inn. We are also seeking a Secretary for the Committee—we estimate at most 10 hours per month work preparing correspondence, meeting agendas and minutes; attending the monthly meeting; and maintaining files, for which we pay \$110/month. If interested, please email us at [llccarch@htc.com](mailto:llccarch@htc.com).

## **LAKE/DAM COMMITTEE, Debra Moore, Chairperson**

He bent over her, lost in her lovely aqua-marine reflection ... when suddenly he noticed a noxious weed. He yanked it out by its roots, marched it up to the compost pile near the road cursing as he knew he'd have to go back looking for its relatives!

### **Weed Control**

We have a multiyear weed treatment plan, designed by Harry Gibbons that is adjusted every year to fine tune what chemicals are used, in what strength, and where they are applied to be most effective. For that last couple of years that was scaled back in light of dredging activities. After last year's treatment we did a follow up lake inspection and noticed some areas with more than usual growth. In June we'll inspect the lakes again. Unless the cold weather killed off a bunch of weeds, we're expecting to treat more heavily this year.

Treatment typically occurs between July and August depending on the areas and weed types being treated. Our contractor will be responsible for making sure proper notices are posted prior to treatment with aquatic herbicides. Herbicide treatment is regulated under a permit issued by the Washington State Department of Ecology. Advisory signs will identify water use restrictions along waterfronts.

During the short treatment periods, follow the directions on the notice regarding withdrawing lake water for potable, domestic animal, livestock, or irrigation purposes. LLCC makes every effort to treat weeds as required, in an environmentally safe and healthy manner.

### **More Weed Control**

Based on my perception and conversations I've had with other LLCC members, there seems to be a prevailing belief that chemically treating the lake should solve all weed problems. On the contrary. Each homeowners' efforts are vital to reducing algae and weeds in the lake. If you see weeds in the lake - pull and remove them. If you use fertilizers for your landscape - make sure they're phosphate and nitrate free. If you drain hot tubs, kiddie pools etc. do it in such a way that they don't drain into the lake. If you wash cars, boats or outside gear - do it as far from the lake as possible. If you see a duck – make it move off your property. If you're tired of the bio-muck in shallow areas – come talk to the lake dam committee for ideas as to what you can do.

### **The 2017 Fishing Derby is just around the corner! Fun For The Whole Family**

The annual Lake Limerick fishing derby will be held this year on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and we hope you will plan on participating in the derby as well as attending the derby festivities at the LLCC Inn. Derby cash awards will again be for the largest fish caught; \$100 for first place, \$60 for second place and \$30 for third place and there will be two categories of prizes; 1. anglers ages 16 and over and 2. anglers ages 15 and under. Tickets will go on-sale in early March at DJ's Market, the LLCC Pro Shop and the LLCC Lounge and you must purchase a ticket by April 21<sup>st</sup> to participate in the derby. In addition, there will be cash prizes for catching a tagged fish, Inn food and drink specials, door prizes and a raffle for a variety of special gifts.

The derby begins at 6:00 AM and the awards ceremony and raffle drawing begin at 1:00 PM.. The rules for the derby are included on the last page of this newsletter. See you there

PS: If you have an interest in contributing something for the raffle (merchandise or a gift certificate) please contact Laurie Beier at 253-651-0877

### **Dredging Report**

There isn't one silly. Except for some cleanup work we're done with the "BIG PROJECT." We'll be sandbagging the shore of the Inn Island location where erosion has been an issue. It is a temporary solution while we work to get the engineering, necessary permits, materials and man power for Ken Martig's fabulous long term solution. Even better, the sandbags we'll be placing now are a component of that final solution. Yay us! Bollards will be addressed. The ones at Banbury were in the wrong place and the ones at Lake Leprechaun are missing. We're working to rectify both of those issues. To the member who brought up the lack of cleats at the Anglia dock - we're working on that too. And, sigh, we'll be nagging those homeowners who have yet to comply with the dock floatation rules.

## **Dam Weir Boards**

LLCC staff will begin placing weir boards into the Lake Limerick and Lake Leprechaun dam structures in April. The weir boards provide higher lake levels in the summer and help maintain flow in the Cranberry Creek watershed. You should notice water levels rising throughout April.

## **Some "If -Thens":**

If you see a flyer in this newsletter - read it thoroughly, it's important. If it's been more than a couple years since you cleaned out your septic system - make an appointment. If you see illegal or dangerous activity - report it. If your dock is still floating on white or blue encased Styrofoam - replace the floats. If you have guests that want to visit the park without you accompanying them - get a guest pass from the office (it's an annual pass.) If your dock is in poor condition - repair or replace it. If you got a new (or new to you) power or pontoon boat 16 feet or longer powered by a motor of 10 HP or greater - register it at the office before you put it in the water. If you see garbage - pick it up. If you see something that needs doing - do it. Please do not assume that somehow it'll get done by someone else cause usually those someone else's are already doing more than their fair share.

## **....And Number Your Dock**

The Lake Dam Committee has noticed that a lot of you dock owners have placed numbers on your docks. Thank you. We encourage the rest of you to "play along" by adding division and lot numbers to your docks. We suggest they be 3" - 4" high and of a contrasting color to your dock.

## **Boating Season Approaches**

The key to safety on a small and busy lake is to be able to predict what other people are going to do. **READ THE LAKE RULES. FOLLOW THE LAKE RULES.** If you have guests – give them a copy of the lake rules to read and follow. If you swim in the lake - read the lake rules. If you kayak in the lake - read the lake rules. If you paddle boat in the lake - read the lake rules. If you fish - read the lake rules. If you rent your property out - provide your tenants with a copy of the lake rules. If you own a power boat - hang the lake rules above the keys. If you're reading this right now - read the lake rules – even if it is the 50<sup>th</sup> year you've received a copy. **READ THE LAKE RULES**, it could save a life.

## **Boat Registration**

If your boat isn't registered by Lake Limerick, or you have a new boat, please register it before using it on Lake Limerick. The Lake Dam Committee will have a table at the Fishing Derby from 9-1 to register boats. You must have a current Washington State boat registration that shows the length of the boat, and that you are the owner of record.

**We wish every one of you a safe and fun summer on the lake. Here's hoping the weather cooperates!**

## **INN COMMITTEE, Rhonda Mayner, Chairperson**

We are definitely in our quiet time! Although many of our friends are away in the sunshine, we continue to offer fun, food and fellowship in the lounge and restaurant. The special Valentine's Day dinner on Saturday, February 11 was well attended. Chef Michelle and her staff did an outstanding job on the menu and service.

The current restaurant and lounge hours and menus are posted on the website. Checking here frequently is a great way to see what's new.

We have reduced the menu and the staff to reflect our lower attendance during these months. We will expand again in the late spring. Due to rising costs, we recently raised alcoholic beverage prices slightly, the first increase in nearly five years.

We will continue to serve breakfast in the dining room on the weekends until the café at the Pro Shop re-opens in late March. The Board recently voted to suspend offering banquets to non-members. Any functions already booked will be fulfilled, and we will still cater for golf tournaments. The Great Hall is available for space rental without food service for non-members, and we will continue to offer full-service banquets to our members in good standing.

In order to facilitate better service for all members in the dining room, the Board has approved new policies that: 1) The maximum number of people per table in the dining room will be limited to 16. People calling for large reservations will be so advised. Larger parties may be booked as a banquet in the Great Hall, or divided into multiple tables of smaller parties; 2) **The seating in the dining room is for meal service only;** meetings must be held in one of the meeting spaces or the Great Hall; 3) The existing policy of an automatic gratuity of 18% on groups of 9 or more will be enforced; 4) A minimum **FOOD** purchase of \$10 per person will be required at large tables. For example, the minimum bill for a table of 16 is \$160, plus the 18% gratuity. Liquor and beverage purchases **do not** count toward the \$10 per person minimum. The member making the reservation will be responsible for meeting the total due.

As always, we encourage reservations in the dining room. This greatly assists Chef Michelle in planning her menus and staffing to ensure the highest level of customer care.

In order to facilitate better service in the lounge, as well as maintain safe and adequate space around the tables, we have initiated a policy that the maximum number of people at a table in the lounge for dinner service is 8. Larger groups must separate, or move into the dining room when they wish to order food.

St. Patrick's Day is Friday, March 17. Chef Michelle is planning a special menu, and there will be games and fun activities as well. Families are encouraged to come and participate.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 15, and Easter Brunch will be offered in the dining room on Sunday, April 16. More details will be available at the Inn and on the website.

The annual Fishing Derby will be Saturday, April 22. We will once again be offering a breakfast buffet from 8:30 to 11:00 am for \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10, and a hot dog and chips for \$3.00 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Free Family Bingo is held the third Thursday of every month in the lounge and restaurant, beginning at 6:30 pm. Come down for an evening of fun with friends!

The Inn Committee meets every second Saturday at 10:30 am at the Inn. Join us and help make the Inn one of the best places to go in Shelton!

## **PRO SHOP NEWS, Ron Stull, PGA Head Golf Professional**

### **The Rules of Golf**

Below is an article I copied from the USGA website. This is in response to the problem involving Dustin Johnson (although there are many other incidents like this) at the US Open. Our Green Committee, Men's Club and Ladies Club will need to adopt this new Local Rule to put it into effect. **Below in bold print is the wording for the Local Rule:**

**When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.**

**The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1.**

The USGA and The R&A today announced the introduction of a new Local Rule that eliminates the penalty when a ball is accidentally moved on the putting green.

The Local Rule will be available for any committee in charge of a competition to use starting Jan. 1, 2017. It will be adopted by the USGA and The R&A in all of their championships, qualifying competitions and international matches.

"Eliminating this penalty responds to the concerns we have heard from both golfers and committees about the difficulties in applying the current Rules when a player accidentally causes a ball to move on the putting green," said Thomas Pagel, USGA senior director, Rules of Golf and Amateur Status, said. "This change is a good example of the type of Rules modernization changes we hope to implement after completing our fundamental review of all of the Rules. We are looking for ways to improve the Rules by making them easier to understand and apply."

David Rickman, executive director - Governance at The R&A, said, "For the past several years, as part of The R&A and USGA's Rules Modernization initiative, we have considered the penalty for a ball that is accidentally moved on the putting green. Both Rules Committees agreed that it needed to be changed and decided that in this particular case it was important to act now, through a Local Rule, rather than wait for the next overall set of revisions to the Rules of Golf."

The Local Rule has been welcomed by all of the major tours worldwide, and the PGA Tour, European Tour, LPGA, PGA of America and the Masters Tournament are among the golf organizations that will implement the Local Rule for all future events, beginning Jan.1, 2017.

If a committee wishes to introduce this Local Rule, the following wording is recommended:

"Rules [18-2](#), [18-3](#) and [20-1](#) are modified as follows:

When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.

The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1.

This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

Note: If it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced."

For more information about the new Local Rule, including explanatory diagrams, videos and a detailed question-and-answer document, please visit [usga.org/2017localrule](http://usga.org/2017localrule).

### **Pro Shop Merchandise**

New golf apparel will be arriving in March and continue coming in each month through at least June. For the non-golfer, we will have Lake Limerick shirts and sweatshirts available. Please come by to check out the new styles of apparel.

### **Women's Indoor Swing Clinics**

Dates: March 28; April 4, 11 and 18, 2017

Time: 9:30 to 10:30 am

Where: The Great Hall

Who should attend: Experience and beginning golfers.

Cost: Free

At these four clinics, I will be covering the basics of the golf swing as follows:

Lesson 1: The setup, which includes the stance, posture and grip.

Lesson 2: Will be a review of the first lesson and the beginning of the short swing.

Lesson 3: Is a review of the two prior lessons and the beginning of the full swing.

Lesson 4: Is a continuation of the full swing and fine tuning all the basics covered.

These clinics are designed for experienced golfers to go over the basic fundamentals prior to the golf season. The clinics are, also, designed for women that may be interested in learning to play golf.

### **The Pro Shop**

I will be back to work when daylight saving goes into effect on March 12<sup>th</sup>. My staff and I am excited to implement our golf programs for the members and guests this golf season. We have a full schedule of golf events for everyone to enjoy. It will be a busy and fun golf season for all of us. Please be on the lookout for flyers on our upcoming events. The calendar of events will also be posted on the website, [www.lakelimerick.com](http://www.lakelimerick.com).

I owe a special thank you to Elen and Nick for helping out during my absence. I am very thankful to have such a capable staff.

I am looking forward to seeing the refurbished pro shop and café. Thank you to the BOD, the staff and volunteers for helping get this project done.

### **Lesson Programs**

Short game clinics will be scheduled this spring and summer, I should have the dates published sometime in March. They will include instruction on putting, chipping, pitching and bunker play. All levels of players are welcome. There will be a small cost yet to be determined.

An outdoor session on the rules of golf will be scheduled for a date in May. This is great time to get your questions answered on any subject related to the rules. It will include demonstrations on the proper procedures for applying a Rule of Golf. This will be at no cost to you.

Private lessons will also be available as well as group lessons.

### **Golf Tip**

This has been a lousy winter for golf and keeping in great shape. Conditioning is difficult to maintain when it is snowing and raining. What you can do indoors is stretch and move. Keeping or increasing our mobility during the winter months can have a big impact on how you “come out of the blocks” this spring. Online you will be able to find many resources for golf specific exercises. This works great for the hardcore golfer. However, for those not as ambitious, I think that taking golf swings in the garage every day or simulating the golf motion without a club can be very helpful and only take a few minutes per day.

Here is the real deal though, you can play golf mentally! This is the perfect time to train yourself into acquiring a wonderful golf swing before spring hits. Mental exercises simulating the golf swing can groove your swing in as little as three weeks. The exercises need to be done religiously and consistent with the mental picture of your golf swing. Many players do this all year long. What a great habit to make sure you are always engaged in the game.

Lee Trevino is an interesting man! When he would find himself in trouble with his golf swing, instead of going to the practice tee to find what was wrong, he went to the “easy chair”. He would visualize his golf swing and figure out what the difference was from the way he had recently been swinging. After all, why groove a problem? Others go to their golf instructor which can work wonders also; but the point is the best players in world play by feel. What better way to learn to play by feel than resting in your easy chair while playing golf mentally.

## **GREENS COMMITTEE, Jerry Nokes, Chairman**

Hello to all from the Greens Committee. Spring is just around the corner so it's time to dust off the golf clubs dig out the golf shoes and get ready for 2017 golf season. There's a new coat of paint on the walls of the “IF IDA ROOM”, Café and Pro shop thanks to volunteers Mary Lou Trautmann, Bonnie Morrow, Budd Morrow, Dave Sims, Nadine Dunning, Sheryl LaBrie, Julie Muretta and Elen Gaschet De L'isle. Thank you all very much from LLCC golfers and café patrons for the fresh coat of paint, along with restaging the interior and especially your time and energy. It has been a long cold wet winter but thanks to Superintendent Jason Howerton and his small crew the course is playable and the greens are rolling great. Elin and Nick are manning the Pro Shop from 8:00am until 3:00pm (except for very in climate weather) to field your calls and collect fees for the

2017 season. Our resident Golf Pro Ron Stull will be back in the office on March 12<sup>th</sup> just in time to get the golfers registered for the upcoming season and reassemble the Pro Shop in partnership with the rebranding / remodel of our café. The 2017 golf season kicks off with a two person best ball 9 hole St Patrick Day Tournament 10:00 March 18<sup>th</sup>. Call Pro Shop to sign up then call a friend and join in on a fun day of golf. Next tournament thanks to LLCC resident and Men's Club Member Bill Huston, is the Clam Chowder 9 hole scramble at 9:30 am on March 21<sup>st</sup> open to the first 40 people to sign up to join. I am looking forward to warm dry spring days and seeing fairways and greens bustling with golfers. See you on the course.

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE, Bonnie Morrow and Bill McDonald**

Meet the candidates for Board of Directors and the Water Committee at 2pm on March 18, 2017 in the restaurant.

## **CHEF'S NEWS, Michelle Molinari, Head Chef**

Valentines night here at Lake Limerick Country Club went amazingly well. We had in total served 80 guests that night, and I look forward to doing this again. President's Day weekend we were shocked to see we had also served just as many guests on Friday, and almost 70 on Saturday. We as a kitchen, were amazed with how smooth this went over, and are quite excited to see these numbers every weekend.

I am anxiously waiting to see what our warmer month's numbers in the restaurant will be. Also happy to see our snowbirds come back in around May. It brings me great joy to serve all of you the best that we have to offer. The warmer months will be bringing back a more extensive Inn Menu including a lot of lighter menu items and specialty salads.

I would like to send a huge THANK YOU to the Magpies not only for your recipe's that compliment my special menu each week, but for the amazing donation of new items for the kitchen. I can't wait to use our new plates and chargers. The pasta pot will help us cook our pasta's more than one plate at a time, reducing ticket wait times in the kitchen.

As breakfast at the Inn soon comes to a close, I look forward to our fishing derby breakfast, Easter brunch, and Mother's Day brunch. I hope we will see all of you there.

## **MAGPIES, Penny Cory, President**

With the holidays behind us and the sun teasing us towards warmer weather, we've begun planning for our **SPRING FASHION SHOW/LUNCHEON**, which will be held on **Saturday, May 20th**. We're still looking for volunteers to help with decorating, raffle baskets, and planning for this fun event, and welcome you to join us. You can contact Bona McDonald at 426-6640 or Penny Cory at 432-2680 to volunteer, and we thank you in advance.

We'll also be holding our annual **BAKE SALE** on **April 15<sup>th</sup>**, the same day as the LLCC Annual Meeting, so grab those aprons and bring us your favorite treats. Sales begin at 12 Noon. Meeting starts at 2 PM.

At our last meeting, Robbi Alberts was elected the position of Secretary, filling the vacancy created when Samantha Franklin resigned. Thank you, Sam (*for your past service*) and Robbi (*for stepping in*).

For those who do not know, Lake Limerick Magpies is a volunteer group of women whose main purpose is to raise funds to help support our restaurant, golf course and café ... plus it's a chance to socialize and get to know others in your community. We hold an Annual Bazaar (October 28<sup>th</sup>), operate the Snack Shack at Lake Limerick Daze (July 1<sup>st</sup>), have bake sales and offer social events in the spring and again in the fall. Also the past few years, we've sponsored local families in need at Christmas. We welcome new members to our meetings which are held the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 in the great hall.

As a final note, we express our most sincere condolences to our friends and fellow Magpies, Sharon Corrigan, MaryAnn Wagner and Pauline Nichols. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

## **MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR LLCC MEMBERS AND FAMILIES**

Lake Limerick Country Club offers use of the Great Hall, free of charge, for memorial services for deceased members. In order to avoid confusion, we require a family member to initiate the request and designate the individual who will be in charge of arrangements. Dates are subject to prior commitments and must be approved by the Events Coordinator. Please call Gayle Wilcox at 426-5174 for Magpie assistance.

## **LAKE LIMERICK FREE FAMILY NIGHT BINGO SCHEDULE FOR 2017**

Free Family Night Bingo is held the third Thursday of each month. Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. and is FREE of charge. Play with your family in the restaurant, or play in the lounge. Come early and enjoy dinner before the fun begins. **The Bingo Schedule for 2017 is:** January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20, May 18, June 15.



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In an effort to ensure we have correct information in our homeowner files, please fill out the below requested information and mail it to the office or email the information to: [mail@lakelimerick.com](mailto:mail@lakelimerick.com).

Thank you!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DIV: \_\_\_\_\_ LOT: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**GREAT HALL RENTAL** If you are planning a wedding, wedding reception, reunion, meeting or banquet, please remember our wonderful facilities here at Lake Limerick Country Club. Our rates are comparable or better than other facilities in the Shelton area and our beautiful setting compares to none. We have special rates for the members of Lake Limerick Country Club. We also host Bounce House Parties and offer Movie Screening Party Packages!

**WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S GAME DAY** Our Lake Limerick Wednesday Women's Game Day is every Wednesday at 11:30am, located at the Lake Limerick Café's "If Ida Room". We play a variety of games & newcomers always are welcomed! Come early to have breakfast with us and meet new friends!

**LAKE LIMERICK'S PAPERBACK BOOK & PUZZLE LENDING LIBRARY:** We are lucky to have our own paperback book lending library and also a jigsaw puzzle lending library here at Lake Limerick! It is located in the Lake Limerick Inn upstairs at the top of the stairs in the Board Room. Please leave only paperback books in good shape. Feel free to borrow a few books to read and then return them after you are done reading them. Please leave only jigsaw puzzles that are complete and please have the puzzle pieces in a zip-loc bag inside the box, so that the puzzle pieces don't fall out.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

**DEADLINE DATE FOR THE NEXT LAKE LIMERICK NEWSLETTER** is May 15, 2017 at Noon. Please submit your article or ad to the Lake Limerick office via email to [mail@lakelimerick.com](mailto:mail@lakelimerick.com)

**NOTICE TO ALL LAKE LIMERICK MEMBERS:** no anonymous ads or articles will be accepted in the Lake Limerick Newsletter. This newsletter will not print any political ads used for either promotion or condemnation of any candidates or issues.

### CLASSIFIED ADS PRICE INFORMATION:

Please note the following classified advertising rules and pricing:

- The only business classified ads that will be accepted are BUSINESS CARDS ONLY! The cost of a business card ad will be \$20.00 per issue.
- Member ads will remain the same, 15¢ per word, or a \$1.50 minimum.