

LLCC NEWS



Lake Limerick Country Club Newsletter



December 2019

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Community Association Manager

We can all take pride in a successful year at Lake Limerick. Starting with employees focused on customer service, consistent volunteer efforts by Committees and Magpies, guidance of the Board of Directors and Membership support, we have accomplishments to share.

Growth:

Lake Limerick continues to be a desirable community where we live and play. Over the past 2 years there has been 91 (2019) and 79 (2018) property title transfers of new Members.

Financials continue to improve:

- +7% sales revenue growth vs 2018 for combined Golf, Restaurant, Lounge, Café & Catered event sales
 - HOA Net Income performed better than budget improving savings and capital reserve accounts
 - Water Net Income performed on budget achieving planned savings and additions to capital reserve accounts
 - All financial reports are now 100% produced from our Quick Books accounting system
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Marketing program implemented:

We started a marketing program initially focused on our Golf and Café operations broadening our appeal to Members and the Public. Four successful promotions showcase the beauty and value of Lake Limerick assets. See Golf and Café sales performances.


Personnel:

- Hired Chef Josh in January managing Food & Beverage
- Promoted Elen as our Golf Manager and hired 2 part time customer service focused employees
- Hired Ron as our Accounting Manager experienced with GAAP financial practices, reports and SOPs
- LLCC employs up to 19 part time/seasonal employees in food services, golf and greens in addition to our 14 full time employees including 5 department managers

Water:

- Maintaining 6 wells, fire hydrants and 14 miles of distribution pipes
- Installed SCADA electronic equipment providing remote monitoring and system management
- Work includes water sampling, flushing, compliance reporting, installing/maintaining service connections and meter reading
- Focused on customer service and the best water at a low cost

Facilities

- Maintaining lakes, dams, buildings and grounds
 - Multiple work orders completed at 2-3 per week in addition to routine maintenance
 - Our 7 Parks are in great condition e/w restrooms, play equipment, picnic tables, beach areas and docks. Olde Lyme is currently being remodeled for improved access and equipment scheduled for April 2020
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Greens:

- Completed 30 planned projects in addition to daily maintenance program
- Maintains vehicles and equipment
- Managed the rebuild of Green #7 with ¾ paid with golf donations
- Lake Limerick's Golf Course continues to improve its beauty and playability

Golf:

- Revenue up 13% vs 2018 April thru September
- Developed, promoted and delivered 2 Kids Golf training clinics with 8 participants
- Hosted 6 golf tournaments
- With the support of volunteers, repaired golf carts
- Established a Golf Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/Lake-Limerick-Golf-Club-100395807979869/> and website - <https://www.lakelimerickgolf.com/> <https://www.lakelimerickgolf.com/>
- Open 7 days per week

Restaurant:

- Revenue up 11% vs 2018 April thru September
 - Supported multiple themed events
 - Implemented Comment Cards
 - Seasonal menu changes - <http://lakelimerick.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/RestaurantMenu2019.pdf>
 - If you haven't been INN, we serve your favorite meals and weekly seasonal chef specials - <http://lakelimerick.com/dining-facility-rentals/inn-restaurant-lounge/>
 - Serving 5 - 8pm Wednesday - Sunday
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Lounge:

- Achieved revenue plan
- Happy hour priced food and drinks Wednesday – Sunday 4:30 - 5:30pm - <http://lakelimerick.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/HappyHourMenu2019GreenAndBlue.pdf>
- Best bar on the water where everyone knows your name
- Serving 4 - 10pm Wednesday - Sunday

President's Message



This newsletter marks the start of the winter holiday season leading to the promises and possibilities of the New Year. As I write this over the Thanksgiving weekend I am reminded that we Homeowners Association (HOA) members have a lot to be thankful for at Lake Limerick.

Community Association Manager Roger Milliman recounts many of the successes the Association experienced this past year elsewhere in this newsletter. Our two recent water system problems were quickly and successfully resolved, thanks to the hard work of Water Manager Joe Castelluccio, with the assistance of Facilities Manager Duane Carlson and Golf Superintendent Jason Howerton and their staff. Importantly, we learned that we did not have a good means of rapidly and effectively communicating alerts and instructions to our members. We have taken some actions to remedy this, as Vice President Tim McKern explains in more detail in his column. Tim and Roger have worked with Mason County to add Lake Limerick to its automated alert system, which can send out text messages, recorded messages, and e-mails for both Lake Limerick community and countywide emergencies. This system will only work if everyone signs up, and landlords encouraging their tenants to sign up, so the responsibility for the success of this effort is on all of us. When the County Alert System is updated, members will be mailed signup information. This system will NOT send out general information about activities in Lake Limerick, so I encourage all members to subscribe to the Association's email list as well. Email signup on the <http://www.lakelimerick.com> home page, right side halfway down.

I am also thankful for the volunteers who make up the groups that focus on improving the quality of life in our community—the Inn, Lake Dam, Greens, Youth, Architecture and Compliance Committees, and the Magpies. I have just come back from the Christmas Tree lighting ceremony at the Inn, an event enjoyed by children of all ages in our community (including those with gray hair), and a great example of what our volunteers and staff can do working together for the benefit of our members (thank you Santa and Olaf!).

I want to thank and recognize those members who have volunteered and been elected to the Board of Directors and the Water Committee. Their hard work has paid off this year with effective decision-making leading to organizational and financial stability and essential services provided for our members. I believe this is the most collaborative and engaged Board I have seen in 14 years living at Lake Limerick. Vice President Tim McKern brings valuable public safety and government service expertise to our discussions and decisions, as well as coordination with county government and services; Treasurer Connie Wong has done a great job of improving our financial reporting and investment practices and volunteers for the Compliance Committee. Dave Kohler also chairs the Lake Dam Committee. Don Bird chairs the Water committee and along with Connie, Secretary Samantha Franklin and Tim McKern also serves with me on the Executive Committee. Dean Dyson attends most committee meetings and volunteered to be the Board liaison with the Compliance Committee. Pat Paradise has taken on the Inn deck repair project, including an accessibility assessment of our public facilities. Amanda Stephen and Norm Bartoo have demonstrated their willingness to contribute the time they have left after work and family commitments ensuring the Board makes informed and thoughtful decisions. Thank you all for making my job easy!

The end of the calendar year also marks the beginning of election-time at Lake Limerick. We see many interesting suggestions on social media for how the HOA could do a better job. Elections in April provide an opportunity for any member with good ideas and a commitment to improving the community to run for office. If elections aren't your thing, then volunteer for a committee or two, where your ideas can be massaged into recommendations for Board action.

Lastly, I regret to announce that Board Secretary Samantha Franklin is moving out of Lake Limerick near the beginning of next year. The Board will be seeking volunteers interested in being appointed to the unexpired portion of her term. Sam and Mark have been active members in the community the whole time they have been here, serving on multiple volunteer committees including the Board of Directors and Water Committee. We will miss their contributions to making life better at Lake Limerick, and their sense of humor, and we wish them the best.

Brian Smith, President
LLCC Board of Directors



CAM (Continued)**Café:**

- Revenue up 7% vs 2018 April thru September
- Customer service focus operation serving breakfast and lunch - <https://www.lakelimerickgolf.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/7030/2019/10/CafeMenu09302019-1.pdf>
- Open 7:30am – 3pm Fri – Sun November – March
- Open 7:30am – 3pm @7 days per week April - October - <http://www.lakelimerickgolf.com/pro-shop/pro-shop-cafe/>

Great Hall Catered Events:

- Revenue up 4.6% vs 2018
- Supporting Member and Public events
- Rental contracts and pricing for the Great Hall can be found on the Lake Limerick website - http://lakelimerick.com/static_document/great-hall-rental-agreement/

Administration:

- Membership communications via website, emails and newsletters
- Compliant with WA State business licenses and employment requirements
- Contracted a new Medical Insurance policy saving money
- Hired a new attorney with Whitehouse Nichols
- Updated the employee handbook
- Updated employee job descriptions and conducted annual reviews
- Developed HOA budget Assumptions and Operations budget
- Re-implemented Capital Project Approval Form
- Implemented a secure Dues and Water payment system
 - Signup via the Lake Limerick website
 - To date 242 Water and 124 Dues accounts established
 - Migration from call-in credit cards and walk-in payments over time

To learn more about Lake Limerick, go to your website - <https://www.lakelimerick.com/>

Happy Holidays to all in Lake Limerick!

Roger Milliman, CAM
Lake Limerick Country Club

**Treasurer's Report**

In the last few months the budget was approved, our fiscal year began and along with that a new look to our financial statements. I have wanted the financial statements to show information useful for review, which we now have. More importantly the data comes directly from Quick Books. The new layout has the thumbs up from the Board, CAM and Department Managers. I want to thank Ron Harper in the office for his diligent work on this project. I hope you will take the opportunity to review the new statements at a Board meeting in the near future.



One of my goals as treasurer has been to make sure that all of our funds and investments are secure, with minimal risk and somewhat higher earnings. Towards that end I have been working on an investment policy for the Home Owners Association. This will be helpful for any investment company that we choose to work with by outlining our expectations. With Board approval, I have started to move funds to investments that ensure their safety and meet deposit insurance thresholds.

We have continued to put aside an average of \$6,800 per month from monthly paid dues, for future costs of repair and maintaining our assets. That being said, at the last BOD meeting, the President announced that we would be forming a Reserve Study steering committee. In a brief summary the committee will develop criteria, timeline, request and review consultant proposals, recommend strategy, implement and direct the study. Not a small task!!! The Committee will have representatives from the Board of Directors, Water Committee, all standing Committees and the general membership. If you have asset management or investment expertise and would like to help, please contact the office. More to come on this in 2020.

Lastly, I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. I encourage everyone to come and enjoy the club during this wonderful time of year. I am wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year.

Connie Wong, Treasurer
LLCC Board of Directors

Inn Committee - 2nd Saturday @ 9:00am (12/14, 1/11, 2/8 & 3/14)

The Inn committee has been eager to welcome the holiday season to the Lake Limerick community. A special thank you to all of the members that volunteered their time to decorate the Inn. We have events planned through the month of December with Sunday Night Family Dinner Specials, Christmas Buffet, Seahawks Game Day Events and much more. Please check the LLCC website calendar for dates, details and times.

The annual End of Year bash wrapped up a successful and busy summer season. Children's activities were held in the great hall due to weather concerns in the morning. Nobody complained highlighting our new bouncy house for the little ones. Free hot dogs and root beer floats offered by the Magpies at the newly repainted snack shack were snapped up. A diverse field of entries for a corn hole contest along the lake was capped off with prizes. Our first country western theme buffet and musicians drew large crowds and wrapped up a busy Labor Day weekend.

Our third annual trunk or treat event was a fun event for adults and children both. Record number of decorated cars greeted the participants and was highlighted with perfect weather conditions.



Santa at the Inn - Sunday, December 1st

We look forward to serving our community in 2020. We hope to start new activities along with always improving our traditional events.

The Inn Committee saw a successful 2019 bringing many new upgrades to our facilities. These included repainting the walls in the restaurant and painting the ceiling tiles in the lounge. Upgraded wood trim was placed around all of the windows in lounge and restaurant. A new wood railing was attached in the lounge. All of these volunteer driven upgrades are showcased by the new lighting fixtures in the restaurant and entry way.

One of our biggest projects will begin right after the first of the year. We plan to replace the flooring in the restaurant, lounge, stairways and entryway at the Inn. We hope to have an unveiling party in mid-January. We also hope to remodel one or more restrooms and look into replacing chairs and tables in the lounge and restaurant to compliment the new flooring. The Inn Committee hopes to look into a feasibility study on the Great Hall fireplace to make it a working gas fireplace.

The new year offers lots of exciting challenges for our committee and community. We invite all community members to attend one of our monthly meetings held the second Saturday of each month at 9 AM at the Inn. We look forward to new insight, concerns and observations on all aspects of our clubhouse and facilities. It's always a pleasure to meet new faces and see an active and friendly community involved. The committee couldn't do any of this without the support of our members, staff and countless volunteers. Your time and efforts are appreciated.

The committee would like to wish you all a happy holiday season, all the best and good health in 2020.



Lake Limerick Calendar of Events

Remember to check the lakelimerick.com Calendar of Events for the most current information.

December

- 12/8 12's Game Day Event - 5:20pm
- 12/15 12's Game Day Events - 10:00am
- 12/21 Christmas Dinner Buffet - 4:00pm
- 12/31 NYE Dinner at the Inn
- 12/31 NYE Dance at the Inn



January

- 1/1 Restaurant & Lounge Closed for Cleaning
- 1/15 Restaurant & Lounge Reopen



Spring 2020 At-A-Glance

- March - St. Patrick's Day
- April - Annual Meeting
Fishing Derby
- May - Mother's Day Brunch



February

- 2/14 Valentine's Dinner at the Inn



Please contact the office if you are interested in running for the Lake Limerick BOD or Water Committee.
Members will be voted in during the April 2020 Annual Meeting. WE NEED YOU!!!!

Lake-Dam Committee - 1st Saturday @ 9:30am (12/7 1/4, 2/1 & 3/7)

JUST WHAT DID THE LAKE DAM COMMITTEE DO THIS LAST YEAR?

Do you wonder just what we do through the year? Here's a list for you to consider as to what 2019 looked like for us: Leprechaun playground completed (swing set, spring toys, tables) * Olde Lyme planning for new play equipment * Dog waste stations provided for all parks * Weed treatment coordination, including coordinate lake inspection and dissemination of treatment information * Geese mitigation project, contracted with the USDA Agriculture Department * Support for lake safety and education * Lake patrol, rules communication and information sharing with members, family, and guests * Support the Fishing Derby * Support for Park Hosts * Recruiting and staffing, host rules updates, and general support of hosts * Styrofoam Dock Mitigation project Dock survey, member compliance letters, lots of questions - this was a significant effort with 30 members impacted in the first wave and 30 more members impacted this next season * Dock permitting * Support for over 30 permits, many required significant consulting and coaching * Dock signage program * Provides fabrication of a professional Div/Lot number sign for member docks (51 so far) * Lake Management discussions * we need to manage the lakes in significantly expanded ways, including the initial scoping and education for three new projects: to create a Cranberry Creek sediment pond, dredging Lake Leprechaun and dredging the Bird Sanctuary * Inn Island Mitigation * Continue to find options for the Inn Island erosion, including exploring options to adjust the weir board * Ski course maintenance discussed and proposals sent to the Board * Place new no-wake buoys for strategic locations * Yellow Iris eradicate education - This is a noxious weed that must not be cultivated on member property * Investigate Lake Leprechaun dam spillway valve - , maintenance may be required * Added new volunteers to the L/D committee.

As you can see, our list is long. We are lucky to have some truly wonderful people in our committee focused on what we can do for our entire community. Please come join us -

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO LOVE, LOVE, LOVE YOUR LAWNS; Effect of Fertilizer around Lakes

It is well known that Phosphorus, which comes in many manufactured lawn fertilizers, is the primary cause of vigorous plant growth in Lakes and Streams.

Additional or excess Phosphorous entering water bodies creates this growth because it removes nutrient limitation. Excess Phosphorous can stimulate blooms of algae that turn water green and some blue-green algae can be highly toxic to human and pets.

Excess Phosphorous can result in extensive beds of large plants, such as Lilies and Eurasian Milfoil. These plants can choke waterways, impair boat traffic, restrict Bays and interfere with fishing and swimming.

Low or no oxygen conditions can also occur during the summer in shallow Bays, which can have a disastrous effect on fish. Give that studies have shown that the application of Phosphorous provides little, if any, apparent benefit to established lawns in Washington, coupled with the benefits of preventing Phosphorous from entering Lakes and Streams and the related cost savings to Lake users. This is a compelling reason to adopt the Phosphorous ban on lawns around our Lakes and Streams.

I have researched some non-Phosphorous Lawn Fertilizers available at local stores like Ace Hardware and at Amazon. The middle number on a fertilizer is the Phosphorous content and it needs to be Zero (0).

- Ace Hardware – Hi Yield Lawn Fertilizer 15-0-10 \$15.99
- Ace Hardware – Ace Lawn Fertilizer 29-0-4 \$15.99
- Amazon – Green Thumb Winterizer Lawn Fertilizer 24-0-12 \$36.69

Scott's Turfbuilder with weed control – local stores.

FERTILIZERS ARE NOT THE ONLY WEED "FEEDERS" IN OUR LAKE

If there are weeds in the lake in front of where you know your drain field is – it's time to check your drain field and septic tank and fix issues you discover. Those weeds are indicating you have a problem. For all of us, plant vegetation between your drain field and the lake to use up some of those nutrients and make sure your septic system is functioning correctly.

Geese are also major contributors to the chemicals feeding the weeds in the lake. Waterfront lawns act as dinner tables to those geese. Please refer to your Winter 2018 newsletter to refresh your memories as to how to help those birds be motivated to find another lake to live at. Anywhere but here!

DOCKS

Numbering your docks is mandatory. Steve Glenn, a member of the Lake Dam Committee is making dock placards with reflective lettering. They are 4" x 10" aluminum plates that your division and lot number are placed on, then attached to your dock with screws. The cost to you will be \$10 and the plates with numbers attached can be ordered in the office. There are about 100 lot owners who haven't done so yet. Please reach out to Steve to get your name off the list.

STYROFOAM SUPPORTED DOCKS

To comply with state regulations, quite a few years ago, Lake Limerick Country Club enacted rules prohibiting the use of Styrofoam or a Styrofoam type product, whether wrapped or unwrapped, to support your dock. In August 2018 and October 2018 infraction letters were mailed to owners of docks still using Styrofoam floats or Styrofoam floats wrapped in plastic. You also received such a letter if your dock's condition had deteriorated to the point of no longer meeting the condition requirements for docks. Having a dock is a privilege and can be revoked if you choose not to comply with the rules that allow you that privilege in the first place. Many of the recipients of the letters have responded to the committee with plans for their dock to be in compliance or removed from the lake by the summer of 2019. The Lake Dam Committee is deeply grateful for your response and willingness to be in compliance with the rules that govern us all. Thank you. For those of you who've not responded to the infraction letter, please do so immediately. Follow up letters will be mailed to those of you that haven't yet committed to a course of action. 30 new original



Compliance Committee - 1st Wednesday @ 5:30pm (1/TBD, 2/5 & 3/4)

CALL OUT FOR VOLUNTEERS!!!

Who's interested in improving our community and building it to all it can be?? If you are interested, please join us on the first Wednesday of each month in the Great Hall at 5:30pm.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Many thanks to our recreational members who have removed their R.V.'s for the winter months. We look to seeing you next Spring!

Leslie Roswell, Committee Chair

Candidates Needed to Fill Board of Directors Vacancy

The Lake Limerick Homeowners Association (HOA) Board of Directors has a vacancy due to a resignation. The term for this position runs through April 2021. Any HOA member in good standing who is interested in serving the Lake Limerick community in this position should submit a Declaration of Candidacy (located on the Lake Limerick website under *Association Documents* or available in the office) and a resume to the HOA business office by January 3, 2020. The Board intends to fill this vacancy in January.

Fluoride Supplements

Lake Limerick's water is very good because it usually has no additives. This is good but it means there is no fluoride in our water. From years of experience as a dentist in Seattle where the water was fluorinated at the time I started my practice. I saw the difference between the numbers of cavities in people who grew up having fluoride as compared with those who grew up without fluoride. The difference was dramatic. Therefore, I want to urge all parents to talk with their dentist or pediatrician to find out what fluoride supplement they can give to their children to help prevent cavities. I also recommend that everyone use a fluoride toothpaste.



Dean Dyson, DDS

Exercise Group

The exercise group has been in full swing for about 3 month now! It is a one hour audio exercise routine at the Great Hall on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30-9:30 am All abilities and ages are welcome. The routine includes a warm up, stretching, weights (if you want to use), cardio (steps are optional) and floor exercises (chairs available for those who do not want to be on the floor). Any questions should be directed to: Kathy Jensen, Susan Smart or Connie Wong at the following email: mail@lakelimerick.com Come and try us out. You may find it to be a great warm up before golfing that morning! If you decide to attend regularly there is a \$50/year charge to fund the group exercise needs.

*Stay Hydrated
Stay Healthy*

Lake-Dam (continued)

infraction letters will be mailed to those of you who haven't received such a letter but have docks out of compliance. If you have any questions, please contact the Lake Dam Committee or come to one of our fascinating meetings.

YELLOW IRIS

This plant has made a "comeback" in the last year. We need to act quickly before it becomes a very expensive problem to solve. This plant multiplies amazingly quickly and is tough to kill. Think of it as a "lake" "scotchbloom" taking over acreage rapidly. It is a weed prohibited from populating lakes and needs to be eradicated from both of our lakes. Many of you have little patches growing on your lakefront beaches. You need to dig it out while it is a "little" patch.

PUT STUFF AWAY

If you haven't put your summer toys away, please either secure them or put them away in a safe location as soon as possible. If your dock is in poor condition, make extra sure it is secure. Our nasty weather has been known to cause things to leave properties and damage neighbors property.

In closing, the Lake Dam Committee thanks you for working with us in 2019 for the betterment of our community and health of the Lakes and Parks. We also wish you a wonderful holiday season.

Debra R. Moore, Committee Member
LLCC Lake/Dam Committee



Water Committee - 2nd Saturday @ 9:00am (12/14, 1/11, 2/8, & 3/14)

Recent Water System Events: During a few weeks in October and November we experienced a Total Coliform event and a water main break with low pressure and partial outage:

Total Coliform Event:

- On October 17 one of the two monthly water quality tests showed a minor total coliform event, however there was NO E. Coli and NO fecal coliform detected. Tests were repeated at sites nearby.
- According to the DOH, this type of event is fairly routine and typical causes are small bugs or a small amount of vegetation getting into the water system. The last time that we can remember having this type of issue was in 2013.
- In an abundance of caution, NWS and Joe chlorinated the water in the storage tanks to clear up the coliform found in the test. The community was notified by multiple methods of the need to chlorinate.
- The concentration of chlorine that was introduced to the water system was no higher than the normal chlorination levels for cities like Seattle, Bellevue, Federal Way, etc. and was well within DOH guidelines.
- In accordance with the Revised Total Coliform Rule adopted by the State in 2016, Joe and NWS performed a Level 1 Assessment and inspected the water distribution system, well sites and storage tanks.
- During the inspection they located and fixed several small openings in the storage tanks that could have let bugs or vegetation into the tank, especially during the heavy rains in October and November.
- By November 11, the chlorine had dissipated, and the subsequent coliform test result came up clean.

Water Main Break:

- Just before noon on November 12, a contractor for the cable TV company was boring under St. Andrews Dr. N in the 2200 block and punctured a 4" water main causing a sizable leak with water flowing directly into the adjacent culvert.
- As a result, pressure in multiple areas of the water system went down below 20 PSI.
- Joe immediately turned on additional pumps through the SCADA system to raise the pressure.
- Once we assessed the situation we engaged a contractor, that provides emergency service, to repair the broken main and repair the road once the main was repaired.
- Because of the low pressure there was a small chance of contaminants entering the water system, therefore NWS, Joe and LLCC Board members decided we needed to issue a boil water advisory and chlorinate the system again.
- Thanks to hard work from staff members from many departments, boil water advisory notices were printed and hand delivered to all members' houses.
- As of Monday November 19, the tests for coliform came back and they passed so the boil water advisory was rescinded.
- Roger and Joe are documenting the water main break, have contacted the contractor and are pursuing compensation for the damage and extra staff labor.

Emergency Response Notification: Tim McKern has initiated the process to get Lake Limerick included in the Mason County, Division of Emergency Management's telephone emergency notification system. We encourage every member and renter within Lake Limerick HOA to sign up for this service so they can be notified in a timely fashion of emergencies like the ones we just recently experienced. All residents will be receiving information on how to sign up for the Emergency Alert System via US Mail in the coming weeks.

Water Rate Increase in Effect: The new water rates took effect at the beginning of November for water used in October. If you pay by automated services (such as internet bill paying services) you need to adjust your payment amount. If you have signed up for the Payment Services Network automated bill paying service for water, then the amount you are billed is automatically adjusted according to the actual water usage and rates. In either case, please review your water bill to be sure you don't have excess usage and possibly a leak.

High Water Loss: We are still experiencing higher than normal water loss when we compare the total amount of water pumped out of our wells vs. the amount distributed to customers. Joe and NWS continue to look for water leaks and are examining our source water meters, our metering and billing systems to determine where the leaks, real or perceived, are located.

Mason Lake Rd. Railroad Trestle Seismic Retrofit: As mentioned in the November Board meeting, the Navy has contracted to perform a seismic retrofit on the railroad trestle over Mason Lake Rd. The work is to begin after the first of the year once preliminary research and County permits are complete. As part of the work, the 8” water main under the railroad trestle will have to be relocated. Fortunately, because Lake Limerick Water System was built in a loop configuration, the portion of the 8” water main affected by the construction can be isolated and shut off by valves at Ballantrae and at Olde Lyme Rd and all customers will still have full water service. There will only be a very short interruption of service to a limited group of customers once the construction is complete and a relocated water main is brought into service.

Cold Weather and Frozen Pipes: Cold winter weather is upon us. Everyone needs to weatherize or shut off their outside water faucets, hoses and irrigation systems. After very cold weather, we all need to be watchful for possible broken pipes and leaks within houses, outdoor faucets and irrigation systems. Check on your neighbor’s property if they have been away for the winter. If needed there are a few water shutoff tools in the LLCC office and the Water Office to borrow in order to shutoff water at the water meter. Remember that all water piping and fixtures on the customer side of the water meter is the customer’s responsibility and the water sources and water distribution system are Lake Limerick Water System’s responsibility.

Contact Information: As a reminder, for Water System issues please contact the following:

Water Billing Questions:

LLCC Office: 360-426-3581

Water Distribution System Problems:

Water System Manager, Joe Castelluccio Jr. Water Office: 360-426-4563

Northwest Water Systems (when Joe is not available): 1-888-881-0958

Customer Plumbing Issues:

_____ (Fill in your favorite plumber’s number)

Don Bird Committee Chair



Nominating Committee & April Elections

It’s time to establish a Nominating Committee to determine candidates for the April election. Lake Limerick will have three open position on the BOD and two on the Water Committee. The task of recruiting BOD and Committee members has been challenging. It’s due to Lake Limerick members who serve and Committee volunteers that we have a community making progress.

Over the last year we identified and worked on a number of issues. The next year will likely bring discussions on policy, best practices and finance (dues or assessments). Please weigh in proactively and get involved. The time to voice your opinion is at the Committee and Board level. After policies and budgets are approved by the Board, they are very difficult to change. Your involvement will help plan our future and provide for our changing demographics. Contact the office with your interest to be on the Nominating Committee or on how to run in the April 202 elections.

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