

The Loon Talk

Neighbors Flocking Together



Shore Acres Estates Home Owners Association

Spring Membership Meeting We Hope You Can Join Us!



Saturday, May 28, 2022



9:00 – 10:00 AM

On the Beach – Picnic Table Area

Key items on the agenda are:

- Election of Board Members: Three slots are up for election (or re-election) this year: one from blocks 5-6, another from blocks 7-8, and one at large (so can be from any block). See the lot diagram in this mailing to determine the block of your lot. Also see more detail on board membership on the next page.
- Dock Maintenance: Plans for continuing repair of our boat docks.
- Woodlands Assessment and Steps Forward: Discuss options for moving forward in managing our 40-acre parcel of woodlands. See more detail later in this newsletter.
- Approval of 2022-2023 budget.

Upcoming Loon Lake Activities

The Loon Lake Property Owners Association sponsors a number of events that may be of interest to SAE members. Upcoming events include:

- Chipper Day – June 4th for disposal of yard waste
- Dock Demolition – June 25th at 8AM
- Fireworks – July 3rd at approximately 10PM
- Pancake Breakfast – Unfortunately not currently scheduled for 2022

Visit www.loonlakepoa.org for more details.

Please remember that fireworks are not permitted on any SAE properties, per our Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions CCR 2B.

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Welcome New Neighbor

Please extend a warm welcome to our new neighbor Shannon Kries in Block 5 Lot 7.

Board Member Election

We currently have three positions on the Board of Directors up for election – one from Blocks 5-6, one from Blocks 6-7, and one At-Large (so from any block). A diagram showing each SAE property and its associated block is included in this package.

What's Involved? Board members serve for a two-year term handling HOA business. The Board meets a minimum of three times per year, and meetings are conducted either in person or by video chat, with a phone-in option, to accommodate our geographically dispersed members. Computer skills are a big help (especially Microsoft Word and Excel), as much of our communication and work is done electronically.

How to Volunteer? If interesting in serving in this capacity please contact Tim Peterson prior to the meeting, or nominations may be made during the meeting.

Rule Updates – How can we live in the right relationship with each other?

Please be sure to review the enclosed community rules and inform your guests when you invite them to share our space. Based on your feedback, we have updated the rules to clarify neighborhood expectations regarding property appearance and considerate behavior. Per CCR 2B, which restricts “Noxious, destructive, or offensive activity, or any activity constituting an unreasonable source of annoyance,” we ask all members to note the following:

- Please keep your property clean and maintained to avoid offensive activity, including abandoned vehicles and litter
- Refrain from unreasonable or excessive noise levels, especially past 10 pm

New 4-Wheeler

The purchase of a 4-wheeler for beach maintenance was approved at the Fall 2021 membership meeting. Terry Boxleitner selected and purchased one (practically like new!) on behalf of the association. Here's Rod Feyk taking a test drive. Larry Coleman and Terry rake the beach the majority of the time, so will really enjoy this new purchase.



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New Dock Anchors

Windstorms have been a major problem for our association in recent years, frequently blowing our docks out of position. Funding to purchase new heavier anchors was approved at the Spring 2021 membership meeting, and they were installed this April. As you can see the new anchors are quite substantial (weighing 700 pounds each) so should do the job well. A big thanks to Karen Feyk for coordinating this work!



As the new anchors were being installed we pushed the docks further out into the lake to increase the depth of the boat slips. Previously the shallow depth of the slips nearest the beach made them unsuitable for larger boats. Here's Dock 2 in its new position.



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Washington State DNR Woodlands Assessment

The association owns approximately 40 acres of woodlands to the west of our community, on the far side of Shore Acres Road. Proper stewardship of this land was discussed at both the Spring and Fall 2021 meetings. This land has been logged in the past and provided some income for the association, and it was hoped it could provide additional income for our current dock repair. The fire danger it poses to our community was also a concern, especially in light of the 2021 fires at Ford. Also discussed was the possibility that the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) might participate in sharing the ongoing cost of managing this land.

Last summer Jim Rudisill contacted four forestry companies and obtained two bids for harvesting timber and recommendations for ongoing maintenance of the land. Since contracting would be involved the board took responsibility for moving forward. This April Beth Coira, acting on behalf of the board, arranged for an assessment of our land by DNR representatives. Participating in the walkthrough were Beth, Dan Alicea, Jennifer Pearson, Terry Boxleitner and Holly Boxleitner. Beth's comments are below.



On April 29th, our community enjoyed a visit from the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to assess the overall health of our 40 acres of community woodlands. Conducted by veteran DNR forester Steve DeCook and DNR entomologist Melissa Fischer, the no-cost assessment revealed a great deal of good news. The SAE Community Woods have been deemed healthy, with overall good tree spacing and regeneration, no sign of fire activity, and no urgent action needed. A small area along Shore Acres Road was identified for possible future thinning. The community was advised that due to the relatively small size of our land, high fuel costs, and labor shortages we do not stand to make money from logging the property. Community members were also informed about the important role upland woodlands play in maintaining the health of Loon Lake. Opportunities for regular, no-cost woodland health checks with DNR, as well as improvement to a simple woodland footpath for community enjoyment have been identified, with future updates to be provided by neighbor Beth Coira.

