

## **President's Report – Gerry Stoll**

I began with LECA as Membership Director after being elected at our AGM in April, 2013. Following the resignation of both LECA's Social Director and President and, in accordance with LECA Bylaws, four new Directors were appointed in July and I was elected President. The Board restructured and new responsibilities were undertaken by a full contingent of 8 Directors.

In the summer, LECA learned of concerns over traffic congestion at the last S curve before the beach area. Trades people from two houses under construction were blocking road access, parking was erratic, and there was a safety issue with street clearance. Both builders were contacted and over the duration this situation improved. Recommend: monitor the S curve new build closely.

Our Resource Director and many beach volunteers are all to be commended for the careful maintenance and attention to LECA's unique beach area. Recommend: continue with ongoing appropriate beach maintenance.

LECA's Family Beach BBQ was on Saturday July 27. I had the pleasure of coordinating our Adult Pot Luck Dinner on Thursday August 22. Thanks to all for the great tasting fare and everyone who assisted with the details. You helped make this a beautiful evening with live music and dancing under the stars...at our beach! Recommend: repeat with zeal.

A most sincere thank you to our Board of Directors, who all stepped up and heartily participated in our tasks. Also, to the many volunteers who have gone out of their way to make this a better community, Bravo and Brava! We really came together as a team. Finally, I want to mention what a joy it has been to meet our LECA members and neighbours who create one of the best places to live. How lucky we are.

## **Communications Report – Gerry Stoll**

This year, LECA published five Newsletters shortly after each Directors' Meeting, ensuring good community information sharing, in an interesting format. Our Newsletters were edited by our Communications Volunteer and distributed primarily through emails. There are now only a few hand deliveries to those members without an email address. The LECA web page is at [www.leca-vernon.ca](http://www.leca-vernon.ca). A huge thank you to all who have spent energy coordinating LECA's significant data base and member information. Recommend: continued electronic communications improvements.

In July, LECA's Website Hosting Agreement was renewed for five years and LECA's Domain Name was renewed for two years, both through GoDaddy.

LECA received a letter from the City of Vernon, dated June 12, 2013, on the Fire Protection Plan for CLE, acknowledging LECA's presentation at City Hall on May 27 regarding the need for adequate fire protection for the CLE neighbourhood. LECA also received a copy of Fire Chief Keith Green's report on OK Landing Fire Station # 2 and a City Council history on this issue, concluding with "Unless directed otherwise by Council, Okanagan Landing (Station 2) will continue to be operated as a Paid-per-Call (Volunteer) fire hall and will operate in conjunction with Downtown Station 1...". Per City of Vernon Core Review Documentation dated May 13, 2013, Council directed the Fire Chief to provide a comprehensive Fire Rescue Emergency Response Policy for consideration by City of Vernon Council in August 2014. Recommend: keep LECA members informed of the City's Emergency Response Policy.

Two LECA Directors met with Rob Dickinson, Vernon's Director of Engineering, in October to discuss the upcoming road barrier placement and requested an extension toward the CLE sign. On December 2, LECA wrote a thank you letter to the Mayor and another to Rob. After learning of upcoming line painting, LECA communicated with Rob the need for more improvements along Tronson Road. Recommend: continue dialogue with City Engineering & ICBC Road Safety.