

LAKEVIEW ESTATES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (LECA)

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FIRESMART VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT: On September 11, 2021 LECA hosted a BBQ in Phoenix Estates as a thank you to all of the volunteers who maintained an ongoing patrol of our neighbourhood this past summer to keep it safe from the White Rock Lake fire. This event was well attended and enjoyed by all present. Thank you also to Juve Furtado for BBQ'ing the main course. Photos of the event are posted on LECA's website.

LECA TREASURER: At LECA's Board of Directors meeting on August 20, 2021, a Motion to have LECA outsource the position of Treasurer, which requires accounting or bookkeeping experience, was unanimously accepted by the Board. Being a salaried position, this individual would not be a member of the Board but would report to the Board at its meetings and fulfill the duties of Treasurer for the Board as outlined in LECA's position description. Although LECA notified CLE residents of this vacancy, no volunteers stepped forward. After contacting a number of accounting and bookkeeping businesses in Vernon, the LECA Board has hired Michelle Fleck as its Treasurer. Michelle attended the Board of Directors meeting on November 10, 2021 to bring the Board up to date on financial matters. The Board is of the opinion that it has made an excellent choice and we trust Michelle will continue with us for some time.

DEER PARK – CLE: LECA was advised in June 2021 that the construction drawings for the Park had been completed and the Parks Procurement Dept. had

begun preparing a Request for Quotations (RFQ) to begin construction in mid July 2021.

Unfortunately while CLE was under emergency evacuation alert for much of the summer, construction on the Park was not possible. Subsequently, on September 29, 2021 LECA was advised that work on the Park was expected to be tendered this past Fall, and some construction would begin this year. The work would be completed in the Spring of 2022.

On November 8, 2021 LECA was advised by Parks staff that they were involved in addressing some issues with three major projects: Marshall Fields Playground; Civic Memorial Park and Kin Race Track Park. We were also advised that Deer Park is next on the list with the plan being to issue a tender in early December 2021, for construction in the Spring of 2022. LECA has not received any further update from Parks. Hopefully, there won't be any other requests for Park space in Vernon and we won't be bumped off our #1 spot yet again.

FIRESMART UPDATE: As 2021 comes to an end we can say the residents of our community stepped up to help prevent fire from reaching our homes. With the guidance of Wilf Mulder and Bill Crumb we maintained patrols over the worst nights and were able to secure the tools necessary to communicate as well as be effective should the situation demand it.

A big part of preparedness is education and practicing to be FireSmart around our own homes. We were fortunate to have the assistance of a new Vernon FireSmart representative to work with us in putting on a very successful clean up of four of our five “kingdoms”. The turn out was incredible and we filled all the bins supplied twice over the week!

We will be getting, with luck, a new representative in the new year as Alan is now a deputy chief of Vernon's Fire Department. Regardless, we will be holding more FireSmart events in the Spring and look forward to recruiting more residents to help.

Regan Borisenko
Director of Emergency Planning

ATTEMPTED THEFT INCIDENT: Canadian Lakeview Estates had an attempted theft of a boat in early November. It appears that even way out here we aren't safe from thieves. The onus is on us to protect our property and in the case of boats off the water, the best defense is to combine the suggested methods noted below. These efforts will help us not to become victims of crime and to protect a valuable investment. Here are a couple of options:

Use a wheel boot:

A wheel boot, such as those used by parking enforcement agencies, is another great option for securing the trailer. Try to use a model that covers the wheel lugs to make it more difficult for the thief to simply remove the wheel from the trailer.

Use a coupler lock:

Your rig is secure when you're out and about with a receiver lock. What's stopping even a clumsy thief from pulling up to your house at night and hitching your parked trailer to his truck? That's where a coupler lock comes in handy. The lock fits around the coupler, making it impossible to hitch it to anyone's trailer.

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RESOURCE UPDATE: This past summer was more labour intensive than any other previous year, in terms of maintaining the community beach area. For the first time in 15 years, items such as empty liquor bottles, broken bottles, beer cans, and cigarette butts littered the beach area throughout the summer months. Given the fire situation this past summer, this stupid behaviour is appalling. Thank you to Larry Shaw for doing the constant clean-up.

A reminder to all residents in CLE that the beach area is maintained by volunteers, they are not paid to clean the beach area, nor are LECA Board members paid. There are trash bins and recycle trash bins in full view on the beach. There are also NO SMOKING signs on the beach area in full view. Use basic common sense

and some consideration and clean up after yourselves. Obey the signs posted in this area, they are there for the benefit of all.

AIR BNB: A reminder to those recent neighbours to Canadian Lakeview Estates who operate Air BnB's, your paying guests are NOT allowed on the beach area. They are not permanent residents in this neighbourhood and are not covered by the beach area's liability insurance. Any incident on the beach with Air BnB guests is the full responsibility of the Air BnB homeowner. This restriction includes the beach boat launch.

VACANCIES, LECA BOARD: Three LECA Board members will be leaving at LECA's year end this April 2022. All three members are relocating outside the Vernon area. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please email LECA at the email address above.

WE WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES JOY, GOOD HEALTH AND HOPE FOR THE COMMING NEW YEAR.

A Very Merry 2021 Christmas To All



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