

# Neighborhood News

# LAKE FOREST ESTATES HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, July 2024

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## President's Message

Hi Neighbors,

We hope you're all still basking in the warm glow of our incredible 4th of July celebration! A tremendous **thank you** goes out to everyone who came out, participated, and made it such a memorable event. It was truly a day to celebrate our wonderful community spirit.

**Special Recognition for Champions:** A huge round of applause for **Tammy and Calvin** for their tireless efforts! They were true champions, going above and beyond to ensure the success of the event.

#### **Shaping Our Future: Board & Committee Positions Open**

As we celebrate our community, we're also looking ahead. This year, we have 2 openings on the HOA Board of Directors and various committees. How the process works? The community finds 5 brave volunteers and the positions are assigned based on experience.

#### Why Get Involved?

The Lake Forest Estates HOA thrives because of dedicated volunteers like you. By contributing a few hours a month, you can make a real difference:

- **Maintain our Curb Appeal:** A well-maintained entryway and park enhance our community's beauty and attract new residents, boosting property values.
- Keep the Fun Going: The sports court provides a vibrant space for kids and adults to enjoy outdoor games.
- **Direct Control & Savings:** A resident-led HOA ensures our community reflects our values and avoids the high costs associated with a management company.
- We understand everyone's busy, but even a small amount of your time can have a significant impact. Serving on the Board or a committee allows you to:
- Make a Difference: Directly shape the future of our community.
- Gain Valuable Insight: Learn how the HOA operates and gain a deeper understanding of our neighborhood.
- Build Connections: Meet new friends and neighbors, fostering a stronger sense of community.

We encourage you to consider joining our team! It's a truly rewarding experience that allows you to leave your mark on Lake Forest Estates.

**Interested?** Please don't hesitate to contact me <u>E.scioli@gmail.com</u> directly. I'd love to chat and answer any questions you might have. Thank you again for making Lake Forest Estates such a special place!

Emil Scioli - President, LFEHOA

### Important News and Updates!

# LFEHOA Year To Date (YTD) Financial Information

#### **2024 Dues**

LFEHOA Dues letters were mailed out in January and were payable by February 28, 2024. Certified late notice letters were sent out in May.

As of July 9, 2024

<u>Paid</u>: 113 Homeowners (98%) <u>Remaining:</u> 2 Homeowners (2%)

YTD Operating budget through June 2024 is slightly under target.

### Volunteer Needed Create Quarterly Newsletter

Dear Homeowners – Are you interested in putting your creative talents to work. The LFEHOA is looking for a volunteer to help us pull together our quarterly newsletter. You don't have to write the articles just package the final product. Lori Kaid, who has graciously and artistically pulled together our newsletter for the past 12 years, would like to retire from this activity. Lori will help and assist in order to make this a seamless transition. Thank you in advance for your consideration in this very important assignment.

# Park Rules - Friendly Reminders

- 1. Keep the Parking Lot Gate Closed.
- 2. Don't allow unauthorized individuals to follow you into the park
- 3. Display your Green Lanyard when you are at the park. If you have lost your lanyard, notify Larissa Nixon (Treasurer) for a replacement. Larissa can be reached at our LFEHOA Gmail Account. (Ifehoa.pobox782@gmail.com)
- 4. If you ever feel threatened, it is your

right to call the police. Police Non Emergency # 206-296-3311



This is a reminder to all homeowners, please treat your park keys as something of significant value.

New homeowners are issued (2) park keys for a deposit of \$20.00 per key.

When a homeowner moves out of LFE and returns their keys to the LFE Treasurer, their deposit will be returned. If a homeowner needs a replacement key, the cost is \$40.00 per key.

Park keys & locks are specifically made by a security company with unique numbering. Our cost of \$20.00 covers the cost of the key. Over the years when keys were lost or not returned, the HOA had to issue new keys and replace locks for security purposes. This was a large expense and a huge effort. The \$40.00 replacement cost is each homeowner's contribution to replacing future new keys and locks.

# Architectural Control Committee (ACC)

You can now email us!



Our members are Eric Hancock, Dick Lopes, Jacob Morgan, Gary Schroder and Robert Sterzinger

To reach us, you can email us at Ifeaccommittee@gmail.com

**Just a reminder:** When there is an absence from home for an extended length of time, please arrange for property maintenance during the absence.



## Community Pride Day!

Volunteers came out to join in the fun and show their community spirit and pride in helping beautify LFE park ahead of the 4th of July Event. Parents and children of all ages chipped in. As you can tell from the pictures, the youngest was being carried by his mom learning the values of "Giving Back". This event was led by Dick Lopes with the assistance of Audrey Mills.













# Fireworks - July 3, 2024

Once again, another wonderful display of Fireworks on July 3<sup>rd</sup> hosted at Lake Wilderness Park. LFEHOA families and friends enjoyed a front row seat view of the fireworks being launched over the lake. Our beautiful park hosted over 100 people and the weather created a perfect setting.









# LFEHOA 4th of July Event—Hosted by Tami Miller & Calvin Marks

It was another fun outstanding 4th of July even at Lake Forest Estates. The morning kicked off at 10am with a parade. The kids all dressed in their Independence Day outfits with their decorated bikes. Homeowners, with their pets, also lined up to participate. Nick Myers led the day with his amazing rendition of the Star Spangled Banner. Tami Miller started the morning with a few announcements, thanking the Board of Directors, the volunteers and the 169 sub-committee, all of whom work tirelessly behind the scenes to keep our community looking great and our dues low. Tami also announced a change up this year, instead of recognizing Grand Marshalls, Tami announced a King (Dick Lopes) and Queen (Sandra Munsey) for their volunteerism. Eric Hancock drove the honorees in his red Shelby GT 500 convertible Mustang.

The park was organized with face painting, bubbles, snow cones, raffles, and races for kids. The entrance to the park was decorated with a red, white & balloon arch and there were a lot of wonderful foods and delicious desserts. Our sincere thanks to Tami and Calvin for their leadership in creating this magical day for everyone - parents, grandparents, and kids



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# Thank you to everyone who pitched in to help our community stay the beauty it is!

If you see items needing repair, let us know! Volunteers are always welcome to pitch in!