



# Neighborhood News

LAKE FOREST ESTATES HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, May 2021

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## President's Message

Welcome springtime, welcome nice weather, and welcome everyone who have come out of winter and covid hibernation! It is certainly nice to see the spring flowers again.

The HOA has purchased several new picnic tables and benches for our park. We had hoped to have pictures in this Newsletter; however, we are still waiting delivery. Our plan is to purchase several table/benches each spring until all the original 30-year-old tables are gone. The new tables/benches will go to the beach area and are equipped with umbrellas. The older benches will be moved to the shelter area until they are eventually replaced. A bar-b-que was purchased for the newer northwest picnic area. The umbrellas can be opened and tilted by turning a crank on the supporting pole. PLEASE – if you open an umbrella, close it before you leave. We don't want to lose an umbrella to a windy thunderstorm!

Our Easter celebration was a great success this year. We were a bit challenged figuring out how to make our traditional easter egg hunt in the park into a covid-safe activity. Thanks to Lorelie Kaid and the many bunny helpers, we made up individual easter baskets and families were called down to the park to pick up their treats. Even the bunny wore a mask! A special thanks to Miranda Rice who was this year's bunny. Hopefully, next year we can again have our traditional easter egg hunt. (Note: many easter photos later in the Newsletter – if you would like an e-copy, shoot us an e-mail with the photo #).

New this year is a Good Neighbor Day program being led by Kim Hancock. Please see her article following in the Newsletter. I'm sure this will be a big help, especially for families who are quarantined due to Covid. I know I was grateful for a little help following knee surgery. Also, Jody Carder is taking over the Block Watch program and serving as Block Watch Captain. Please see her article following in the Newsletter. Thanks to Kim & Jody for your community spirit!

As for several other community springtime activities:

- Community Garage Sale – we have canceled this year as it doesn't seem consistent with the covid risk we are all facing. Hopefully, next year.
- Community Pride Day – where we complete a community improvement project and have a community bar-b-que lunch in the park – we will postpone until later in the year, if appropriate.
- July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration and fireworks in the park – The City of Maple Valley has cancelled the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks this year. We'll share the Lake Forest Estates HOA plans for July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration shortly.

Shortly, we will be issuing new lanyards for the park keys (new color is lime green). When you receive the new lanyards, please discontinue using the old red ones. When you wear the brightly colored lanyard, it helps identify legitimate park users as a number of homeowners have lost their keys and lanyards.

We have included a copy of our park rules in this edition of the Newsletter. Please make sure all of your family members who will be using the park are familiar with and abide by these rules.

With that, enjoy a glorious summer in our fabulous Lake Forest Estates Park.

**Wayne Anderson, President LFEHOA**

## Important Information to Share

### Announcing Good Neighbor Day!

Saturday, March 27 was our first Good Neighbor Day. We had a great group of volunteers gather for a day of landscape beautification at one of our neighbors' homes. The project included pruning trees and overgrown shrubs, trimming hedges, clearing out wild blackberries and weeding the garden beds. We hauled out two utility trailers full of debris.

We are looking forward to scheduling our next Good Neighbor Day! Each home we beautify improves the appeal of our neighborhood for fellow residents and potential home buyers! Please contact me if you'd like to request assistance. All the labor will be provided by volunteers, however, the homeowner will be responsible for dump fees.

And, in case you were wondering, our neighborly assistance is not limited to landscape maintenance! For example, do you need a ride to a doctor's appointment or help with groceries? Are you going on vacation and would like someone to get packages off your front porch or put your trash and recycle cans out on garbage day? Just know that Lake Forest Estates is full of Good Neighbors who are ready and willing to help if the need arises!

Kim Hancock, [k.hancock@comcast.net](mailto:k.hancock@comcast.net), 425-413-5086

### Neighborhood Blockwatch Update

Hi neighbors! I am Jody Carder, my husband and I have lived here since September 1997. Since the pandemic, we have been walking the neighborhood daily, talking and meeting more of you than ever before. It has given us a better perspective on community and how important it is. We love living here and would like to keep our neighborhood safe and strong. I will be helping to start up the Neighborhood/Block Watch and have agreed to be your new captain. I need your help to make it successful. Please let me know if you are willing to help with your block as a go to person. It just involves keeping aware of suspicious people, cars, etc and reporting them to each other, the police, and me. While we do not have much crime in our neighborhood (for which I am grateful), we still need to keep ourselves and our ever growing population of children safe.

On that note, we have had recent concerns about some of the youngsters who are not mindful of the big hill (235<sup>th</sup>) on their boards, bikes, etc. Please remind your children of the need to be safe, as there have been several near misses between cars and kids.

We will likely meet as a neighborhood later this summer to clean up the park and possibly meet with the Maple Valley police to reaffirm our relationship with them and keep us safe. Please feel free to text me on my cell phone at 206-375-8924. I will always answer a text if you identify yourself. I will only answer your call if I know who is calling, so text first.

Stay safe!

**Jody Carder**

### A Few Reminders...

As we head into the sunny months for camping, outdoor projects, etc. here are a few reminders per our CC&Rs:

1. No storage of goods, motor homes, boats, trailers, trucks (other than pick-ups), campers, or other equipment or devices shall be permitted in open view from any Lot or right-of-way...Upon 48 hours notice to the Owner of an improperly parked Recreational Vehicle, truck, or other equipment or devices, the Board has the authority to have towed, or obtain a court order to have the offending vehicles or other equipment or devices removed, at the owner's expense.
2. Pet owners accompanying animals are required to exercise "scooping" of animal waste.
3. No exterior addition structural alteration or exterior structures of any kind may be made until plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, and location of the proposed structure or alterations have been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the ACC. The ACC shall also review proposals to change the exterior color of homes in the Plat.
4. All refuse shall be kept in sanitary containers sealed from the view of any Lot.

## Easter 2021 - Photos

2020 was our first year without an Easter Egg hunt at Lake Forest Estates and it was very disappointing for many. This year, we wanted to do something to brighten the changing times and I am so grateful for the community for coming through. You donated candy and goodies for 49 Easter Baskets! For two hours, the Easter Bunny (thank you, Miranda!) handed out baskets as families came to get their treats. It was a great time and I am looking forward to next year when the easter egg hunt will return!

**Lorelie Kaid**



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## Easter 2021 - Photos, Cont.



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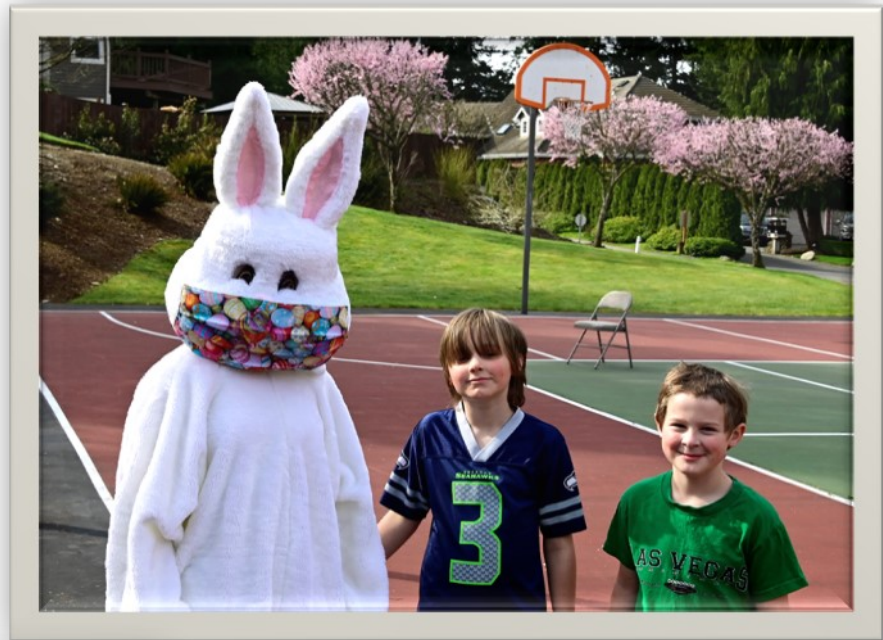
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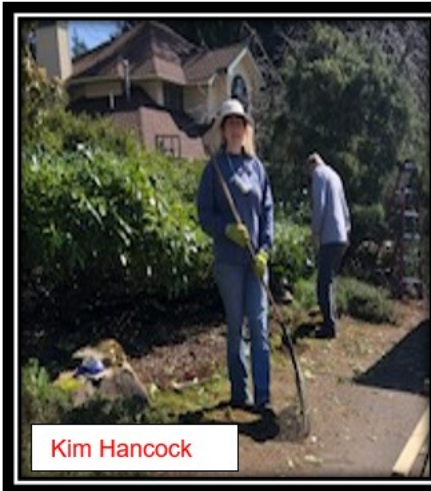
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Good Neighbor Day 2021 - Photos

# Good Neighbor Day

## Volunteers in Motion



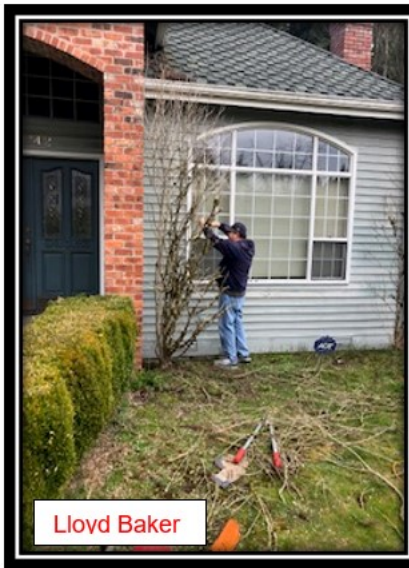
Kim Hancock



Wayne Anderson

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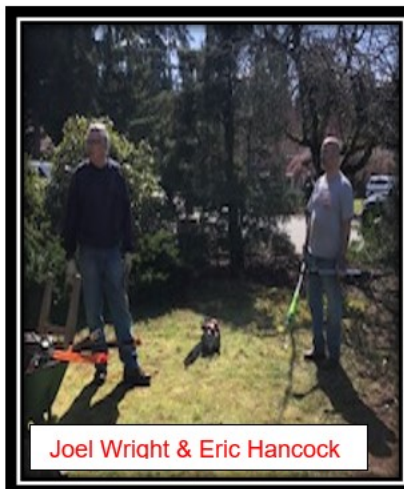
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- Wayne Anderson
- Lloyd Baker
- Dick Lopes
- Gary Schroder
- Sandra Munsey
- Kolya & Miranda Rice
- Diane & Joel Wright



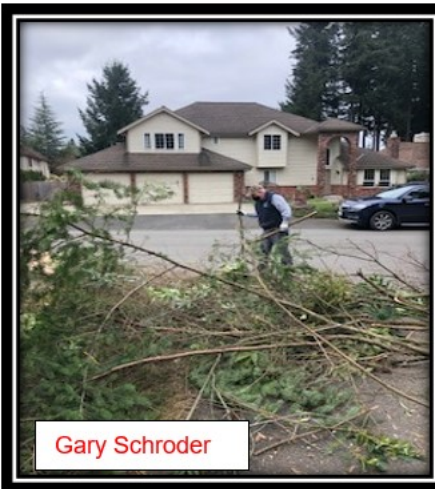
Lloyd Baker



Dick Lopes



Joel Wright & Eric Hancock



Gary Schroder



# Good Neighbor Day 2021 - Photos, Cont.





## LFEHOA - Park Rules

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The Lake Forest Estates Homeowners' Association Park and Sports Court are owned by and maintained for the enjoyment of the current homeowners and their resident family members at Lake Forest Estates. Conditions of use and responsibilities are contained within our CC&Rs.

### Authorized Users

Homeowners and their resident family members.

Homeowner's parents, children, and grandchildren not currently residing within Lake Forest Estates may obtain use privileges if the homeowner notifies the HOA, indicating names, relationship, indicates that non-residents agree to abide by these rules and the homeowner agrees to be liable for any damages caused. LFE keys checked out to the homeowner may be used by the registered non-resident family members for unaccompanied use of the Park and Sport Court. No keys will be issued to non-residents. Guests will be limited to two (2) per key. Privileges may be revoked if problems develop.

Renters/lessees and their resident family members within Lake Forest Estates may obtain use privileges if the homeowner notifies the HOA Treasurer with the name, phone number and e-mail address of the renter. The Treasurer will contact the renter and issue keys upon the renter making a key deposit and agreeing to abide by these rules. LFE keys are to be returned prior to vacating residence. Non-resident family use privileges will be granted to renters according to the previous paragraph. Privileges may be revoked if problems develop. Homeowners are not to pass LFE keys to renters.

### Hours:

- Gated park and lakefront - Dawn to Dusk.
- Sports court - 9 AM to Dusk.

### LFE Park and Parking Lot Keys:

- Contact the Treasurer for new or replacement keys.
- Keys are issued to homeowners and renters and are for the use of resident family members only.
- Keys are not to be given out to any other individuals, except as allowed above.
- LFE keys must be used to enter or exit the park and parking lot.
- A key must be in the authorized user's or their family's possession while they are in the park.
- Persons without an authorized key or as authorized by these posted park rules will be asked to leave or may be referred to Maple Valley Police.
- Keys found in the possession of unauthorized people will be confiscated.

### Parking:

- All vehicles should park in the HOA parking lot.
- No parking on the private drive adjoining the park, King County Trail or on park access roadway.
- If the parking lot is full, please be considerate of homeowners living adjacent to the park by observing the "No Parking" signs posted on the adjoining streets.
- Parking lot and park entrance gates are to be closed and locked immediately after entering or exiting.

### Supervision of children:

- Children under 12 years of age should be accompanied by an adult.

### Alcoholic Beverages:

- The consumption of alcoholic beverages is permitted in the park in accordance with Washington State liquor laws, i.e., persons must be 21 years of age or older.

### Fireworks:

- No fireworks of any kind permitted in the park, beach, dock, sports court or parking lot.

### Guests:

- The park and sports court are intended for use by residents of Lake Forest Estates.
- Guests must be accompanied by an authorized user with a LFE key at all times.
- The authorized user is responsible for opening and closing gates for their guests.
- In the park, authorized users under 21 years old are limited to two guests each unless accompanied by an authorized user over 21 years old.

## LFEHOA - Park Rules

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### **Homeowner's Responsibility:**

- The homeowner will be responsible for adhering to these rules and for any damages caused by members of their household, authorized non-residents, guests or pets.

### **Pets:**

- Pet owners are to clean up after their pets in the park and sports court areas. A dispenser for plastic bags for this purpose is located on the restroom building.

### **Sports Court:**

- To preserve the surface of the sports court –
  - Athletic shoes are required.
  - No bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards or wheeled vehicles are permitted.
  - No fireworks.
- Court use is on a first come – first served basis; no reservations. One-hour time limit if others are waiting.

### **Fires and BBQ's:**

- No campfires are allowed.
- Fires are permitted only in the BBQ's.
- Use only charcoal briquettes in the BBQ's.

### **Beachfront and dock:**

- Swim at your own risk. No lifeguard.
- Children under 12 should be supervised.
- No climbing on or diving from the dock handrail.
- No bicycle riding on the dock.
- No swimming under the dock (there are mooring chains under the dock)
- No glass containers on the beach or dock.

### **Picnic Shelter Reservations:**

- The picnic shelter can be reserved by LFE homeowners and renters for private events.
- Reservation requests for groups larger than 50 need to be submitted to the Board for approval.
- A reservation covers only the picnic shelter and immediate area. The remainder of the park is open to all homeowners.
- Reservations should be made with the LFE Secretary at least two weeks in advance:
  - First come, first served.
  - The reservation form may be downloaded from our web site: [www.LakeForestEstatesHOA.com](http://www.LakeForestEstatesHOA.com).
  - The name and phone number of the Secretary can be found on the Association Website.
  - A completed reservations form and a refundable \$50.00 cleaning deposit is needed to confirm your reservation. This deposit will be refunded if the area is cleaned up and your trash removed from the park immediately after the event.
- The HOA Secretary will provide the homeowner with a "Picnic Shelter Reserved," notice to post on the day of the event.
- Out of respect for your fellow homeowners, the picnic shelter and surrounding area should be left in the condition that you found it.

### **Enforcement**

- Any LFE homeowner or resident may ask users to show LFE key or proof of residence. Homeowners are encouraged to escort unauthorized users out of the park and/or report inappropriate activity to the Maple Valley Police.

### **Safety issues or items needing maintenance:**

- Please report any safety problems or facilities needing maintenance to a HOA Board member. The LFE e-mail address is [LFEHOA.POBx782@gmail.com](mailto:LFEHOA.POBx782@gmail.com).

**Please Enjoy and Help Maintain our Facility**



## LFEHOA Contacts

[www.LakeForestEstatesHOA.com](http://www.LakeForestEstatesHOA.com)



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	Patti Hammett	
	Debbie Brothers	
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<b>BlockWatch Chair</b>	Jody Carder	206-375-8924
<b>Newsletter Publisher</b>	Lorelie Kaid	425-413-9575
<b>Webmaster</b>	Emil Scioli	253-642-6761



LFEHOA Maintenance Work Accomplished	
Task	By
Take down lights in center entry island	Emil Scioli, Gary Schroder, Sandra Munsey, Dick Lopes, Wayne Anderson
Open restroom for Spring time!	Emil Scioli, Gary Schroder, Sandra Munsey, Dick Lopes, Wayne Anderson

***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!***