

Inland Shores Community

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August 2026 Newsletter

Hello Inland Shores Homeowners!

Greetings from the Inland Shores Homeowners Association Board of Directors.

As summer begins to wind down, we'd like to thank everyone for helping make Inland Shores such an attractive place to live. Whether you've been enjoying walks around Staats Lake, spending time with neighbors, or simply taking pride in your property, your efforts help preserve the character and value of our community.

Looking Ahead – Inland Shores Vision 2050

For nearly 30 years, our Board has focused primarily on maintaining the community and protecting the investments we all share. At our July Board meeting, we also began discussing an important question:

"What do we want Inland Shores to look like 20 to 30 years from now?"

As our neighborhood enters its fourth decade, the Board has begun developing a long-range planning initiative we're calling **Inland Shores Vision 2050**. The goal isn't to make immediate changes, but rather to thoughtfully prepare for the future by considering topics such as:

- Preserving and enhancing property values
- Updating aging infrastructure (i.e. irrigation) and landscape planning
- Modernizing communication with homeowners by adding more social events
- Technology improvements to improve homeowner engagement via an updated website
- Evaluating future Architectural Review guidelines based on current housing trends
- Assessing wise water use regarding landscaping and sustainability options
- Long-term financial and reserve planning

Many of the families purchasing homes in Inland Shores over the coming decades will likely be younger households attracted by our larger homes, beautiful lake setting, and proximity to public schools. Planning today helps ensure our neighborhood remains an attractive and desirable place to live in the future.

Annual Homeowners Meeting / Please mark your calendars!

Our **Annual Inland Shores Homeowners Meeting** will be held during the **last week of September 2026** on Monday, September 28th. Invitation notifications to follow.

In addition to the Association's annual business, the Board will provide homeowners with an overview of the early discussions surrounding **Inland Shores Vision 2050** and invite feedback on future community priorities. We encourage every homeowner to attend. Your ideas and participation help shape the future of our neighborhood.

Staats Lake Association (SLA) Update

The SLA focuses on maintaining the health and appearance of the lake environment. This includes appropriate enforcement of lake rules such as no bikes, skateboards, etc., no unleashed dogs, and no feeding of the wildlife. Please also remember that displaying a valid Lake-Use Permit is required for all lake use such as fishing and boating, etc.

Lake-Use Permit is required for all lake use such as fishing and boating, etc. The Lake-Use Permit Policy is viewable on the Association's website in the Rules, Regulations, and Requirements document. Comments and Questions for the SLA may be sent to staatslakeassociation@hotmail.com.

Landscape Review Committee Updates

Pacific Landscape continues its scheduled maintenance throughout the community. Summer irrigation, common-area landscaping, and routine pruning remain ongoing priorities as we work to maintain the appearance and health of our shared spaces.

Rejuvenation of the southwest corner of the lake is complete (between lamp posts 14 and 21) and under current watch to ensure the new plant life takes root. The watering schedule has been increased to accommodate the plants. In addition to the new plants, some rocks have been added as well and will be adjusted to have a more natural look. We are also exploring options around adding more, larger rocks to add to contribute to the overall aesthetics. Homeowner reactions to the new landscaping have been very positive with some concerns about the plants drying out due to lack of water.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, there are birch trees throughout the neighborhood that have succumbed to a beetle infestation and will need to be removed. The board has received contractor bids for the project and will begin removing those trees in the next couple of months.

The Landscape Committee also continues developing a long-term replacement strategy for trees affected by the Bronze Birch Borer infestation. Replacement trees will be introduced gradually over the coming years using a greater variety of species to improve the long-term health and resilience of our landscape.

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Reminder

Summer continues to be one of the busiest seasons for home improvement projects.

Please remember that **all exterior modifications** require Architectural Review Committee approval before work begins. This includes fencing, exterior paint colors, roofing, sheds, significant landscaping projects, and other visible exterior improvements.

Submitting your request before construction begins helps avoid delays and ensures consistency throughout the community. ARC guidelines are available on our community website: <https://inlandshoreshomes.org> in the Rules, Regulation, and Requirements document.

Community Reminder

As always, thank you for helping maintain the beauty of Inland Shores by:

- Keeping sidewalks and common areas free of debris
- Cleaning up after pets
- Reporting vandalism or suspicious activity
- Following the SLA rules, including the Lake-Use Permit Policy
- Being considerate neighbors

Small actions by each homeowner make a lasting difference for everyone.

Stay Connected

Community Website: <https://inlandshoreshomes.org>

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact your HOA Board through the website. **Thank you for helping keep Inland Shores one of the Valley's premier lake communities.**

The HOA Board is also seeking nominations for a new Lake Forest Estates Board representative. Please contact the Board if you have questions about the upcoming elections.