



FAWN LAKE NEWS AND VIEWS

January 2024

Taking a Moment in the New Year to Give Thanks

2023 was an incredible year with lots of changes, challenges and progress. It only seems appropriate to take some time to say “Thank You!” to all who helped out in and around the community. Your willingness to be a part of the effort to improve our community and future is one of our most valuable assets!

The Fawn Lake office has benefitted in numerous ways throughout the year: volunteers helped to keep the office open and running as we transitioned to new staff at the beginning of 2023, volunteers keep our library stocked and looking good, others have helped to decorate for the holidays, some come in to the office on a regular basis to help with “odd jobs” and keeping Bryant Hall clean and ready for use, and several helped to fold and stuff our 2024 assessment mailings just last week.

We had the most volunteer turnout remembered for our annual Fall Clean Up, despite the cold and foggy weather. We’ve had lots of volunteers and support from outside the community to put on our spring Fish On! event including donating prizes. Some community members have used their skills and expertise to help plan and execute projects around the community saving us time and money. Several have answered the call to join a committee to help shape our future.

FLAG would like to thank everyone in the community for your support of our community events, whether you recycle aluminum cans or help to put on one of our events or just attend the event—your effort helps to build community.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED IN SOME WAY TO BETTER OUR FAWN LAKE COMMUNITY!

OUR OFFICE SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY

Although not in their normal job description, both Tracy and Renee jumped into action to help a resident who was having a medical emergency. While Tracy called 911 and coordinated getting the first responders to the home, Renee went and sat with the member until a family member arrived to take over as support. I understand that this was a full-fledged emergency with the member spending some time in the hospital recuperating. I have to thank the member’s spouse for coming by the office to update us on the member’s status and thanking Tracy and Renee for their actions.

We are seeing increased wellness checks and emergency response within our community. Please be sure to complete the resident information sheet that you will find in your January assessment mailing. This helps us to reach out to an emergency contact if a member is unable.

Debra Deir
Office Administration Trustee

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Maintenance Commission**
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NEW!
Member Hours
Mon, Wed and Fri 8am—1pm
Tue & Thu 1:00pm—5:00pm
(5-6pm by appointment only)

Member Services
FawnLakeOffice@gmail.com

Website
www.FawnLakeCommunity.com

Corporate Secretary
secretary@fawnlakecommunity.com

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Get community notices & News and Views by email! E-Service Agreement forms are available in the Office or on the FawnLakeCommunity.com website.

MESSAGES FROM OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Steve Jacobson: Treasurer

- ◆ The Board has moved to move any funding from the checking account to the Morgan Stanley reserve funds in excess of \$140,000.
- ◆ We are realigning how money is handled, with additional security being used.
- ◆ We came in under operating budget for 2023, with increased spending in Capital Expenses.

Steve Jacobson: Roads

- ◆ Road work has concluded for the year
- ◆ We are in the process of making an offer for a new Maintenance Technician to replace Don Williams, who has retired as of December 31st.

Bill Knight: Water

- ◆ AC Pipe Replacement—Last month they started excavation and water valve replacement on Crescent by the dam and spillway at the east end of the lake. It turns out that the configurations, size and structure of the water lines were not as expected according to our maps. As a result, we need to redesign and make adjustments to the project. Work will start again the middle of this month and we will notify all residents affected by any water shutdowns necessary for completion of the work.
- ◆ Firewood Access to Residents—With the holidays and busy schedules we decided to postpone the access of our residents to the trees stored at the water towers until the end of this month. We have a lot of residents interested and we are trying to develop a schedule for cutting that is fair and equitable to all participants. Something will be forthcoming in the next few weeks to allow access to the trees for cutting firewood.
- ◆ 811 Water Line Location Services—When you call 811 to request locations services, our Water Technicians receive these requests directly. Please note, that FLMC is only responsible for locating the water line from the street to your water meter. The resident is responsible for the water line from the water meter to their home. The PVC water lines to your home are non-metallic and therefore undetectable. In this situation, you must use ground penetrating radar (GPR) to locate the water line. We do not have this instrument at FLMC because they cost anywhere from \$50,000 to \$70,000. There are contractors that you can hire to locate your water lines with GPR. There is a practical alternative using visible water facilities such as water meters, water valve covers and junction boxes. If you draw an imaginary line between your meter and neighbor's meter and don't dig/trench between that imaginary line, there should be no risk to the community water mains. Should you find the need to dig within the space where our water mains are, be aware that we believe they are at a depth of 12-24 inches. Also, they have been in the ground for over 50 years, so should be presumed to be brittle and fragile. If you find that you will be digging near the main, we encourage all digging to be done by hand to mitigate any chance of breaking the main water line. Please be advised that if the water main is damaged, the residents will be responsible for all expenses associated with the repair by FLMC.

Computer Equipment for Sale

As we transition into 2024, we have completed our goal of conducting a complete audit and inventory of our technology equipment in the office. We have identified surplus items and offer the following USED equipment for sale:

- ◆ HP Pavilion Desktop & Dell 24" monitor combination for \$150. Windows 10 OS. This would make a great student or basic home office computer.
- ◆ Acer 22" monitor for \$50. Makes a great second monitor for gaming, studying or work.

Please contact the office at 360-426-1657 or fawnlakeoffice@gmail.com for more information

Matt Matincheck: Lake & Dam

◆ Over 200 14 " to 18" trout were planted on December 28th.



A LOOK AHEAD

Monday, January 15th: Monthly Board Meeting, 7PM, Bryant Hall

Ladies Crafting Group: Every Tuesday 10am to Noon. Meet in Bryant Hall. Are you new to the community or just looking to meet some new people? Tuesdays are the best time to meet this group of crafty LADIES!!!! Come on in, relax, and have some fun while you share your talent and interests.

Happy Birthday to all Fawn Lake Residents with January Birthdays!!!

“Did You Know That....?”

Per Chapter 14, Section K or our bylaws, “Dogs are prohibited from running loose on FLMC roads. Any pet causing or creating a nuisance, such as excessive barking or howling and/or is allowed to deposit waste or destroy neighbor’s property will be considered a nuisance for which the pet owner will be held responsible.”

We all know that dogs have a mind of their own and even the best behaved dog can have issues. Now is the time to ensure that your dog is not able to get out from your property and that they have identification in case they do find a way out. Fences are great, if in good condition and doing their job and any gates remain closed at all times.

Recently a community member, while walking their dog, was bitten by a dog who ran out from it’s property to attack the walker’s dog. The walker was severely injured while attempting to get away from the attacking dog. The walker would like to thank the unknown gentleman who stopped to help break up the melee.

Merry and Bright! But, Not Too Big!

This time of year there is nothing better than a nice roaring fire, whether its in your fireplace in the living room or outside in a firepit. Outdoor burning is allowed at this time of year but no burning of rubbish or garbage and burn barrels are illegal for any form of outdoor burning. The fire must not create a nuisance from smoke, obscure visibility on roads or endanger life or property. Recreational fires must be in a metal or concrete fire pit and are limited to a maximum of 3 feet in diameter. Remember, when it comes to recreational fires—size matters! For more information about guidelines for outdoor burning in Mason County, stop by the office for a brochure.

Attention Fawn Lake Readers!

We’d like to gauge interest for a community book group starting in January 2024. We’re thinking of doing a monthly “No Pressure” discussion-based group, meaning there’s no set book or reading assignments. Members can come talk about what they’re currently reading, whether that’s a novel, poem, article, or even a podcast! We’ll share ideas (and maybe some food!) as we get to know what people are reading in our neighborhood. Text/call Sophie Rogers with question/comments a 503-809-9573. Happy Reading!

CHANGES TO FREE RESIDENT ADS IN 2024

BUSINESS OR SERVICE ADS

To have a free ad placed in the newsletter, come by the office or go to our website and download the newsletter submission form and email it to fawnlakeoffice@gmail.com. Deadline to request submission is the 25th of the month. Free ads will run for 3 months per request, and will be on a first-come, first-served basis with limited slots available. Requesting an ad with a picture or business card? You must supply the digital file (jpg format only) for the ad or your ad request will be considered a “Shout Out” ad and will be handled as noted below.

“SHOUT OUT” ADS

(text-only ads selling or looking for something specific) will only run for a single month per request. If you did not sell or find what you were looking for, you will need to submit a new written request (email with the exact information/wording to be published is fine) to have it run the following month.

Questions? Contact the office at 360-426-1657.

FAWN LAKE ACTIVITY GROUP

Thank you to everyone who donated, assisted and attended our Craftsmen's Fair and Christmas Cheer at the Cabana events! It is great to see community members coming together to encourage each other and to share the magic of the season.

The donated power scooter was sold and the proceeds will be used to enhance the community in some way.

FLAG will be meeting in January to plan our events for 2024. If you are interested in being a part (large or small) of this fun, dynamic group, contact Renee Olson at 425-387-6604.



Happy Holidays from FLAG 2023



Keep those cans coming! The proceeds from recycling is donated to FLAG to help fund our community events. There are large recycle bins placed on the back side of Well House #3 near the Office for all community members to place their clean cans in. Please remember:

- ◆ Only aluminum beverage cans—no tin cans, plastics, garbage, etc.
- ◆ Only CLEAN cans—please insure cans are rinsed before placing in container. This keeps bacteria, odors and bees at bay and makes it much nicer for our volunteers to deal with the cans. THANK YOU!

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NOW IN OLYMPIA!

Getting rid of your junk is easy:

- 1 Start by setting up a no-obligation on-site appointment.
- 2 Choose a 2-hour arrival window and we'll call you when we're on the way.
- 3 Sit back and relax while we remove your junk for donation, recycling or disposal.



1-800-468-5865 | 1800gotjunk.com

1-800-GOT-JUNK?
 THE WORLD'S LARGEST JUNK REMOVAL SERVICE

A SPECIAL OFFER TO RESIDENTS OF FAWN LAKE

Now through February 2024, Fawn Lake residents can receive 10% off of a removal. Just mention "GotJunk OlyBrem" and let them know you live at Fawn Lake when you book at 1-800-GOT JUNK.

Fawn Lake Resident Ads

Exerpeutic 900SL recumbent exercycle with pulse. Adjustable seat that supports rider up to at least 6'3". Might deliver if within a few miles. \$95.00. 360-229-9535



CUSTOM FORGED KNIVES AND KNIFE SHARPENING
MICHAEL SALVETTI,
 Fawn Lake Resident
 360-358-8780
 msalvetti@msn.com
Wanted Dead or Alive: Cowboy Boots Any Size, Any Condition. Give them a new future as a knife sheath!

Serving Thurston, Mason, and Lewis Counties



Are you looking for information or resources in the community? Do you require assistance or support with basic needs? Do you have questions about access to any social services in the community?

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EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY: HVAC Rebates for Low-Income Households from Mason PUD3

We are excited to share an exclusive opportunity that could significantly reduce your energy bills and increase comfort in your home.

We've partnered with Mason PUD3 to offer special HVAC rebates for low-income households. This program aims to provide financial relief while promoting energy efficiency.

Ductless Mini-Split System Rebate up to \$6,000.00.
Ducted Air Source Heat Pump System up to \$9,000.

This is a limited time offer, so we encourage you to take advantage of it as soon as possible. Together, we can make a positive impact on your household's budget and the environment.

To learn more and start the application process, please visit www.bradleyaircompany.com or call 360-426-1284. Our team is here to assist you every step of the way.

Thank you for considering this opportunity. We look forward to helping you achieve greater comfort and savings in your home.

Warm regards,
 Brad McCutcheon
 360.426.1284



Here's what you need to know:

What's Covered: The rebate program includes a range of Ductless and Ducted Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems, ensuring you have options that suit your needs.

Eligibility Criteria: To qualify, you must meet specific income criteria. Don't worry; our aim is to make this opportunity accessible to those who need it most. Call to see if you are eligible.

How to Apply: The application process is simple and straightforward. We've streamlined it to ensure you can take advantage of this opportunity without any hassle. Simply reach out to the PUD by calling 360-426-0777.

Potential Savings: By upgrading your HVAC system through this program, you can look forward to substantial energy savings and a more comfortable living environment.



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(elected/appointed in November of each year for one year terms)

**2024 Corporate Secretary & Treasurer appointed by the seated Board 12/2023,
in lieu of no President to appoint these two Officers.

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Communicate with the Board

If you have a question, comment, compliment or a complaint you would like to voice directly to one of the Trustees or Officers, email the board member at the address listed under their name and title above. The Board cannot address your concerns if we don't know what they are. *We want to hear from you!*

To address the Board of Trustees in person, you can submit a request to speak at a monthly Board meeting. Be sure to include the topic you'd like to discuss or the question you want to ask the Board. Submit your request to the office, during member service hours, **at least two weeks before the meeting date**, as stipulated in our bylaws.