

Fawn Lake Maintenance Commission

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FAWN LAKE NEWS AND VIEWS July 2023

Increase of vandalism and theft in the community

Since Memorial Day, we have seen an increase in the amount of vandalism and petty theft in the community.

- The Cabana counters and the men's restroom at Cabana Park have been "tagged" numerous times, along with a surveillance camera, the bus shed and several road signs in the community. A microwave was taken to the bus shed, graffitied then busted up, leaving glass and broken parts in the area.
- We have had three of our new "doggie stations" destroyed and several others have had the bags removed and thrown into the lake. FLAG will be replacing the three stations, but will not be able to replace any more, should there be continued vandalism to the stations. Thank you to those residents who sponsored these doggie stations—we are as deeply disappointed at this senseless vandalism as you are.
- We have had a bicycle stolen from a lighted carport area and a street sign ripped from it's post.
- We have had a report of a group of people hanging out in the Cabana area and nearby empty lots, trying to tip over a port-apotty, throwing trash and dismantling a wood pile, all the while cursing and screaming and waking up nearby residents at 3 am.

We have surveillance cameras in many of the public areas. Identifying the perpetrators of these nighttime activities in accordance with MCSD guidelines has been difficult. In order to proceed with pressing charges and assessing fines, we need your help and working together we can bring an end to this.

We'd like to remind all residents of the curfew in Fawn Lake. Chapter 14, Section 3, Subsection O Safety and Community Protection states "In the interests of public safety and community protection, Fawn Lake has instituted a curfew for all youths under the age of 18, when not under the immediate supervision of their parent. Curfew will be considered the hours of [darkness] 10:00 pm to 6:00 am within the gated confines of our community. The Commission encourages responsible parents to ensure that their children and visiting youths adhere to our community desires to maintain a safe community..... The Board of Trustees,....shall have the authority to issue notices of violation for curfew violators. Notices of violation and fines shall be issued to the member parent for their child and any child visiting who has been caught loitering, trespassing or roaming the streets of Fawn Lake during the hours of darkness. Violation of this Subsection constitutes a Class II violation....." A Class II violation imposes an immediate fine of 20% of the annual dues or \$215 for the 2023 year.

We all pay for the culprits' lack of social responsibility and selfishness in the form of higher costs to clean up and maintain our public areas. Please partner with us by providing the office with reports of curfew violations, along with picture verification when possible.

Remember, if you see criminal activity happening—call 911 or call the Sherriff's non-emergency line to report damage or theft.

MESSAGES FROM OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Bill Knight: Water

Watering restrictions continue throughout the summer. For lots with an odd-number address, you are free to water on the odd days of the month. For lots with an even-number address, you can water on the even days of the month. If you feel you need to vary your watering from this established schedule, pick up a "Request for Variance" form in the office. This permit is not required for hand watering, only for sprinklers and installed sprinkler systems.

There are approximately 86 trees that are near or on top of the AC pipe threatening to rupture the pipe. Those of greatest concern are 26 trees located on Alpine. We took bids from 5 contractors and are hoping to get the work scheduled soon. More information will be sent out when we confirm the details.

We are currently writing up the scope of work needed to install valves and replace a segment of the AC pipe along Crescent by the dam. Based on contractor's schedule, we hope to have the work completed by the end of September or early August.

Steve Jacobson: Treasurer

We are beginning the journey to develop the 2024 budget. This week we have distributed the initial worksheets to the Board for them to begin their estimates of expenses per department.

Why is this important?

These numbers lead to how much income the community will develop, which in turn affects how much money is directed toward Reserve funding.

This in turn affects how much in assessments that will need to be collected to support our rebuild of our infrastructure. That includes roads, water and upkeep of other assets.

We have been able to invest about half of our reserves in a savings account/cds so that we will be getting a return on that money. Thanks to Bill Knight for his efforts in getting that done.

We continue the research into other insurance companies that would give us coverage on all of our assets.

Matt Matincheck: Lake & Dam

Safety Issue! If you allow your child to go down to the lake without supervision, you are held responsible for educating your child to **NOT jump from the bridge**. We do not have insurance to cover any claims made due to any injuries that might occur. The bridge is marked very clearly—"No jumping from bridge". A fine would be involved if you allow your child to jump from the bridge. Please prevent a tragic situation.

I continue to research options for improving the health of the lake. If you have knowledge or experience about lake health that you would like to share with me, send an email to lake.dam@fawnlakecommunity.com.

Curt Pense: Septic Systems

We are working on scheduling the pumping of the LOSS (aka Community Drainfield). Bid requests have been sent to local companies and we hope to have something scheduled by late August/early September. As stated at the General Meeting, **any** resident in Fawn Lake may have the opportunity to have their septic inspected and/or pumped for a reduced rate when scheduling it on the same day the company services the LOSS. Contact the office if you are interested. We will contact you when we have details confirmed.

Bill Kysor: Parks & Grounds

Jessica Pense: Nominations & Elections

No Reports Submitted

It is that time of year again. We all need to maintain and keep our property clear of any fire hazards including grass, weeds, etc.

FLMC Bylaw Revisions Pending

Monthly FLMC Board Meetings offer an opportunity to get informed and participate in the growth and development of your community. 3rd Monday @ 7pm

BYLAW DRAFT PROVIDED VIA EMAIL OR REVIEW A COPY IN THE FLMC OFFICE



Celebrate July 4th Together!

Parade | Car Show | Fireworks

NEW FLMC BOARD EMAILS

Contact the FLMC Board Members directly through our new web email service. All active trustee emails are found on our website at www.fawnlakecommunity.com



"Email the board" @fawnlakecommunitv.com



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FAWN LAKE SECURITY GATE COMMUNITY

SAFE HOMES



SAFE COMMUNITY



GATE UPDATES

5 mph Exit Speed Limit

We need to SLOW DOWN when exiting to prevent extreme wear on our exit spikes, replacement cost @ \$30,000+ A new 5MPH limit sign will go up soon with a gate violation fine attached to anyone disregarding the slower speed.

New Call Box Frame???

We need a new callbox frame. However, replacing the framework could potentially result in more gate issues... What are your thoughts? securitygate@fawnlakecommunity.com

Member Only Entrance??
Many of you have expressed interest in a Member-Only Entrance Gate.
This gate would function by reading a sensor on your car or responding to a remote. We are looking into this option and value your input. Please email us:

securitygate@fawnlakecommunity.com

SAFE COMMUNITY SAFE HOMES

Dog Station Vandalism

We have a great community with many dog owners and walkers. Members have come together with dog stations to help dog owners discard of their dog's doo BUT recently these boxes have been destroyed at a significant replacement cost. Help us identify who is responsbile for the vandalism if you see it.

Neighborhood Watch

Help us re-start Neighborhood Watch here in Fawn Lake. We need sector leads to do this. For more information, email the Security Gate committee: securitygate@fawnlakecommunity.com
Also check out the Safe Home Tipsheet from our MCS meeting last November.

NEW Security Camera Lights in Fawn Lake

We have high-quality security cameras keeping an eye on members and guests in Fawn Lake. Soon, we expect to have added lighting for walkers and to alert neighboring homes of after-hour activity in our community. Motion lights are recommended by MCSD for added home security. Please report crime or thefts to MCSD at 360-426-4441 or to 911 when criminal activity is in progress.

Mason County Sherrif (MCS) reporting system shows crime in Fawn Lake at more than 50% lower...than the rest of Shelton.



MASON COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT FAWN LAKE COMMUNITY

Interested in a FAWN LAKE Neighborhood Watch securitygate@fawnlakecommunity.com

HOME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY TIPS

- When reporting criminal activity, ask for an update or call-back if you expect one.
- Report criminal or suspicious activity **in progress** to 911 immediately. They are trained to determine how these reports should be directed.
- Always report any vandalism, theft, etc **after it has happened** to the non-emergency number 360-426-4441. *This also helps to populate crime stats on the MCSD website.*
- Store ladders out of burglar/vandals reach (2nd story windows are less likely to be locked or they may break in through an attic window)
- Park your RV away from the home to avoid its' use as a "ladder"
- Criminals prefer cluttered, closely spaced lots to stay hidden and move from house to house taking easy-to-carry valuables.
- Keep all doors/windows locked on home and car
- Use dowels (cut to fit) inside of window frames to better secure windows
- Keep curtains closed and leave a radio or TV on when you are gone
- Use dusk-to-dawn lights on your property to discourage prowlers
- Use security cameras with recorded activity clips to best capture malicious activity
- Clean your security camera lens regularly
- Do not post vacation comments or pictures on social media until you get back home.
- DO NOT OPEN GATE FOR CARS OR PEOPLE who are not your guests

A LOOK AHEAD

<u>Tuesday, July 4:</u> Fawn Lake 4th of July activities. Hosted by FLAG—see article for information.

Monday, July 17th: General Board Meeting, 7pm at Bryant Hall

<u>Ladies Crafting Group</u>: 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 July Birthdays!!!

TIP OF THE MONTH

NEW SPEED LIMIT IN GATE AREA

To help preserve our aging spike strips and reduce the risk of damage in the gate area, we have posted a speed limit of 5 mph in the gate area. Thank you for observing the new speed limit when entering and exiting the community.

The posted speed limit is 20 mph on Fawn Lake roads. We have had an increase in the number of complaints about people speeding through the community at all hours of the day and night. Going too fast creates many problems including wear and tear on our roads and the edges of the roads. Please respect your neighbors, the wild-life and your community—Keep it at 20!

Disregarding the posted speed limits within Fawn Lake constitutes a gate violation, which is a \$430 fine.



Recreational fires only, maximum 36" diameter. Fire Marshall reminds you to have a connected water hose and shovel nearby.

New Feature to the News and Views! The Community Corner!

Got a promotion, got engaged, had a baby or a new grandchild, celebrated a milestone or something else fabulous? We would like to share your good news! Send us a short write up about your awesome news and we will put it in the newsletter. Send to fawnlakeoffice@gmail.com. Please note, all submissions will be reviewed for appropriateness before being published.



The Community Corner

FLMC would like to welcome our newest staff member, Tracy Winston, to the team! Tracy comes with many years of experience in office management, bookkeeping, customer service and logistics. Tracy is replacing Cheyanne Kelly, who recently moved on to a full-time opportunity.

Tracy grew up in Eastern Washington and calls herself "a farm girl". She recently moved to the Shelton area to be close to family, after a couple of years traveling around the US. Tracy loves to garden and is an avid quilter. She is looking forward to getting to know our residents and meeting other ladies with similar interests in the Shelton area as she puts down roots.

Feel free to stop by and meet Tracy Wednesday through Friday during Member Hours.



FAWN LAKE ACTIVITY GROUP 4TH OF JULY EVENTS!

All Events held on Tuesday, July 4th

Fawn Lake is excited to host another fabulous, funfilled 4th of July! Come join us at Willow Park for the day's events. Then, we hope to see you later in the day out on the water for our annual Boat Parade.

Community Parade—This year we will start at Cedar Park (northwest corner of the lake) with the classic cars in the parade and travel all the way around the lake to Willow Park where the "Pride in Your Ride" car show starts. Participants meet at Cedar Park at 10:45am We will line up and leave at 11am. If you want to walk or bike the parade route but can't do the whole way, you can join in from the office area, the dam area, or the intersection of

Crescent and Cabana. Put on your red, white and blues, decorate your pets and mode of transportation and come join the fun! Seniors, Veterans and Disabled—if you would like to ride in the parade, sign up in the office and we will arrange a ride for you.

"Pride in Your Ride" Show—Do you have a "set of wheels" you are proud of? We are inviting all ages to participate this year so whether it's a custom classic car, rat rod, or your very first vehicle—dress it up and bring it down! You're proud of it—so show it off for bragging rights! Show will be held at Willow Park (Well #4) area in the 1800 block of Crescent Dr., southwest corner of the lake from 11am to 2pm. Come by the office to sign up or contact Mike Salvetti at 360-358-8780. We would love for you to join us in the Community Parade with your vehicle before the show. We are hopeful that some of our custom car owners would be willing to join in the parade and drive some of our seniors, veterans or disabled neighbors to the show. If you are willing to chauffer, please let Mike know when contacting him or indicate on the sign up form in the office.

Music! Food! Games! Face Painting! Free Ice Cream & Popcorn! During "Pride in Your Ride", residents Richard and Carol Gerber will be providing music for our enjoyment. Raul and Blanca Mendoza have moved back to Fawn Lake and will be bringing their famous food truck to the park and will be offering tacos, quesadillas, burgers, hotdogs and sodas to purchase. FLAG volunteers will be offering free popcorn and ice cream (while supplies last) along with games and other fun stuff!

Boat Parade—Decorate your floating device and join us on the lake at **7pm**! Even if you don't have a floating device come on down to the lake and enjoy the many decorated ones. Visit with neighbors and stay to enjoy the fireworks.

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!



F.L.M.C Office will be closed on July 4th We will be open regular Member Hours July 3rd and 5th



Be Safe, Be Sane, Use Common Sense and Courtesy

A message from a concerned resident...... "With the 4th of July quickly approaching, I would like to request a reminder be sent to the community regarding fireworks laws in Mason County. And don't forget the stress that fireworks put on our pets"

The Mason County Fire Marshals Office calls for care in using fireworks.

Remember, the key to safe celebration is COMMON SENSE!

Washington State Law (RCW 70.77.395) allows consumer fireworks to be discharged between the hours of:

- 12 Noon to 11PM on June 28th.
- 9AM to 11PM on June 29th to July 3rd.
- 9AM to midnight on July 4th.
- 9AM to 11PM on July 5th.
- 6PM on December 31st until 1AM on January 1st

These dates and times apply to fireworks discharged in unincorporated areas of Mason County. Steps to safely using fireworks:

- First, set family boundaries. Only adults should light fireworks.
- Second, fireworks should not be readily available to tempt the curiosity of young children, and should be stored in a safe and secured location to prohibit their access.
- Third, check with your fire department for additional restrictions in your area. Take first-aid training. Most importantly, talk about safety with your family. Use care in selecting the "outdoor" area where you will be discharging fireworks. Place pets indoors as they may become frightened. Keep a bucket of water nearby in which to place all used fireworks. Have a charged water hose nearby to put out stray sparks. Keep a first-aid kit handy. Teach your children to "stop-drop-roll" if their clothes catch on fire. Do not allow children to light fireworks, only a designated adult. Wear eye protection. Light only one at a time, move away quickly, and keep at a safe distance until the display is finished. Never throw fireworks or hold fireworks in your hand.
- Finally, under State Law firecrackers, sky rockets, bottle rockets, are illegal to possess and discharge. Possession of illegal fireworks will result in loss of all fireworks and a possible citation.

PUD Pole Inspections

PUD #3 contacted us and they will begin pole inspections in our community starting August 1st. They expect it to take 2 to 3 days. If you have a PUD pole on your property, they will need to enter your property to inspect it. In the rare instance that PUD crews must replace a pole which may be deemed unsafe, requiring replacement and an interruption in service, customers affected by the outage will be notified in advance either by letter or a knock at the door. As always, the PUD recommends that you protect your electronics with surge protectors. Please be considerate; slow down and give them a wide berth when you see them working in the community.

Dogs and Deer

With the new fawns in the community, mother deer are on hyper-alert. We have had a report of a dog being injured by a mother deer protecting it's fawn. Please take extra caution before letting your dog outside. Check your area as a fawn may be bedded down and the mother nearby. As always, keep your dog on a leash when not confined to your property.

Fawn Lake Resident Ads



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pattysullivan@windermere.com pattysullivan.withwre.com

Does anyone in Fawn Lake raise Mason or Leafcutter bees?

If so, want to share information and ideas? Contact Lis Ellis at 360-292-5442 or email groovyjoker@gmail.com

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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