



# FAWN LAKE NEWS AND VIEWS

## March 2024

### ONLINE PAYMENTS ARE HERE AND THEY'RE AWESOME!

We recently partnered with Freedom Merchants to offer our members an online payment option for making assessment payments. It is quick, simple and secure. There is no fee to use an E-Check (aka ACH) and only a 2.5% fee to use a credit or debit card. Comments from members who have used it include "Wow, that was simple!", "How convenient" and "Love it!". Contact the office to get more information on how to receive your assessment invoice and a link to the payment portal by email.

#### Fawn Lake Maintenance Commission

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Shelton, WA 98584  
Office Phone: (360) 426-1657

#### Member Hours

Mon, Wed and Fri 8am—1pm  
Tue & Thu 1:00pm—5:00pm  
(5-6pm by appointment only)

#### Member Services

[FawnLakeOffice@gmail.com](mailto:FawnLakeOffice@gmail.com)

#### Website

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#### Corporate Secretary

[secretary@fawnlakecommunity.com](mailto:secretary@fawnlakecommunity.com)

### NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD POSITIONS

Our Annual Spring Meeting is just weeks away. Now is the time to consider applying as a candidate for the Board of Trustees. Let your voice be heard! Do your part to help us improve our community! If there are more nominations than positions open, we will be having an election this year. Board applications are available in the office and nominations will be accepted from the floor at the Spring General Meeting. Contact the office for more information.

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### FLMC Employment Opportunity

We are hiring for the following part-time positions:

**Maintenance Assistant**—Join our Maintenance team and assist with the upkeep of FLMC buildings and common areas. **\$16.25 per hour**. Complete job description is available in the office during Member Hours. Must be 18 or older.

### LOOKING FOR A TECH-SAVVY RESIDENT

We are looking for someone in the community with experience in computer technology to provide occasional, volunteer tech support to the FLMC office. We utilize laptops and integrated computers, a commercial copier and a smart TV, all connected through a wireless LAN. Support could include problem-solving computer issues and connection problems, software installations and upgrades, tech support at General Meetings, recommendations for future technology needs, etc. Interested residents please submit an email outlining your computer knowledge and experience to the office.



### DON'T BE THE LAST TO KNOW!

#### Sign up for E-Service

Get community notices, account information and the News and Views by email! E-Service Agreement forms are available in the Office or on the [FawnLakeCommunity.com](http://FawnLakeCommunity.com) website.

# **MESSAGES FROM OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## **Bill Knight: Water**

- ◆ Water Line Replacement: Construction will begin again on the water line replacements at the dam and spillway on the East end of the lake. We had to postpone the work because we found a different configuration of water lines than what the maps indicated. When the construction begins will be dependent on the weather. With all the snow and rain the ground is heavily saturated making it difficult to excavate and drain the water from the trench to complete the work. We will provide residents as much of an advanced notice as we can.
- ◆ Firewood Cutting: We will be meeting in March to schedule access for those interested in the firewood stored at the water towers. There are about fifteen residents that have signed up and we will try to accommodate everyone fairly and equitably. If you are interested, please contact the office. You will need to sign a form that releases Fawn Lake Maintenance Commission from any liability if you are injured while gathering the firewood.

## **HOW THE FAWN LAKE WATER SYSTEM WORKS**

We have four wells that supply the source water. The water towers provide most of the system's water pressure and service water when the wells aren't running. When water use causes the tower water level to drop below a determined level, a signal is sent to start one of the wells. The well pumps water into the water distribution system. This well now supplies system pressure and service water. Anything not used while the well is running goes to fill the water towers. Once they are full the well shuts off and the water cycle repeats itself. The towers provide equalizing storage of water to meet peak demands, fire fighting, and water pressure. For the properties at the top of Alpine, there is a water pressure booster pump that draws water for the water towers. It provides pressure when the tower water level isn't high enough to supply sufficient water pressure to those at the top of the hill.

## **Mat Matincheck: Lake and Dam**

- ◆ THE FLMC Board and Staff wish Mat Matincheck a speedy recovery! We miss you!
- ◆ Our Fish On! Event is happening Sunday, April 28th. This is our annual event for residents of all ages and one of Mat's favorite events here at the lake. One of his favorite things is to see the kids learning to fish and the excitement on their faces when they catch the "big one"!
- ◆ With Mat being unavailable for the near future, we will need all the help we can get to put on this year's event. Consider volunteering to help organize the activities or donating prizes. There's a task available for everyone. Big or little, it all goes to making another memorable event for our residents and families. Any residents who would like to donate prizes for the prize drawing at the event, please check with the office.

**Many hands make a great community event!**

## **Teresa Becker: Parks and Grounds**

- ◆ Welcome to Teresa Becker! Teresa recently joined the Board of Trustees and will oversee Parks, Grounds and Roads. Thank you, Teresa, for stepping up!

## **Debra Deir: Office**

- ◆ The office is getting an update! We will begin this Wednesday to repair and paint the inner office and install new desks. The office will be open during Member Hours throughout the refurbish, but please be patient of noise, dust and paint fumes while we give the office a much-needed makeover. Thank you.

## A LOOK AHEAD

**Sunday, March 10th:** Daylight Savings Time begins, 2AM, turn clocks forward 1 hour

**Monday, March 18th:** Monthly Board Meeting, 7PM, Bryant Hall

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

**Saturday, April 27th:** Spring General Meeting, more information coming in April newsletter

**Sunday, April 28th:** Fish On! Family Fishing Event, more details coming in April newsletter

**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 March Birthdays!!!**

### No “Looky-Lou’s” Allowed

The spring and summer usually bring an increase in home sales. If you are planning on selling your home, remember any potential buyers must be accompanied by a realtor when viewing properties for sale in FL. Please ask your agent to include this requirement in the “agent notes” of the property listing.

### Eyeglass Donation Box is Back!

The Lion’s Club has brought another eyeglass donation box to Fawn Lake. Drop off your old prescription and/or reading glasses to the office during Member Hours.



## COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Fawn Lake Community Library located outside of the FLMC office is accessible by everyone in the community, including children. Any books that may be of a “mature nature” should not be placed in the box where children can access it without adult supervision. Consider whether the content of the book is appropriate for a free lending library before placing it in the stand. Thank you!

### “Did You Know That....?”

As the outdoor temperatures begin to warm and we begin to spruce up our lots from the ravages of winter, please keep in mind that per our bylaws, Chapter 14, Section 3A:12 “Property address to be prominently displayed and visible (day and night) so that fire, police or other emergency vehicles can respond, as needed, in a timely manner. Please ensure your house address is easily visible.

## PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



Washington state has two property tax relief programs for senior citizens and people with disabilities.

For more information about this program, click on the following link <https://fawnlakecommunity.com/news-and-forms> to download the brochure. For those who pick up a hard copy of our newsletter, brochures are also available in the office for pick up during Member Hours.



# FAWN LAKE ACTIVITY GROUP

## Fish On! - Last Weekend in April

FLAG is working with Mat Matincheck, our Lake & Dam Trustee, to plan our annual Fish On! Event. It will be held Sunday, April 28th. Specific information about the event will be coming in the April newsletter and on E-Service in April. In the meantime, we are looking for donations of prizes for our raffle drawing during lunch. The raffle drawing is free and open to all ages. These raffle prizes are separate from the prizes given out for fish size. If you, or someone you know, is able to donate suitable prizes, please let the office know.

There are other activities and events that FLAG is still considering. We will announce those once we make a determination. Have an idea for a great community-wide, family-friendly event?

The donated power scooter was sold. We are looking for ideas on how we can best enhance the community with the money received. Something solid and long-term

We appreciate your ideas! Drop a note by the office with your idea, your name and contact information to be forwarded to FLAG for consideration. Thank you!

**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!



Fawn Lake has lost several residents over the winter. Charlotte Ritz, Lorraine Duggan, Stan Morken, Gordon Jones and Kathy Patterson passed away over the last few months. They were all long-time residents of the community and will be missed by family, friends and neighbors.

## A Little St. Paddy's Day Fun!

What does a leprechaun eat for lunch?  
A "Ba-larney sandwich!"

What kind of spells do leprechauns use?  
Lucky Charms!



How can you tell if a leprechaun likes your joke? He's Dublin over with laughter!



## Assistance Programs

We all need a hand sometimes.  
We're here to help.

If you or someone you know could use energy assistance, PUD 3 has programs for customers who are having difficulties paying their bill or need to adjust their energy use to keep their bills in control. Click on the link below for more information

<https://www.pud3.org/service/billing-options/assistance-programs>

## Low-Income Incentives

Take advantage of exclusive benefits and savings with our low-income incentives.

PUD 3 offers billing credits for ENERGYSTAR® - certified electric clothes washers and dryers for existing residences. Additionally, homes that meet PUD 3's low-income qualifications are eligible for Tier 3 and Tier 4 heat pump water heaters, as well as ductless heat pumps.

<https://www.pud3.org/service/conservation-incentives/low-income-incentives>

Customers who qualify for the PUD 3 Low-Income Energy Assistance Grant are also able to participate in our low-income energy efficiency programs:

## Fawn Lake Resident Ads

### Looking for Pontoon Boat

If you have or know of anyone that has a 15-16 foot pontoon boat for sale that is in good to very good condition, please let us know. You can call or text us at 360-229-3535 or email us at terryandsusy@comcast.net. We are very interested in purchasing one. Thanks in advance.

### CUSTOM FORGED KNIVES AND

KNIFE SHARPENING

MICHAEL SALVETTI,

Fawn Lake Resident

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**Wanted Dead or Alive:**

**Cowboy Boots**

**Any Size, Any Condition. Give them a new future as a knife sheath!**



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**Sunday Services 9:00 + 10:30 am.**

**Latino Service 5 pm.**

*Leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus.*

### 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](http://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.



# Fawn Lake Board of Trustees



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## OFFICERS

(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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**OPEN: PRESIDENT**

**OPEN: VICE PRESIDENT**

## **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.