



LAKE SAWYER NEWS

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Santa is Coming to Lake Sawyer

As a warm up for the big day, Santa will be making the trip from the North Pole to Lake Sawyer on December 14th to bring Candy Canes to all the good boys and girls. Santa will fly in on his sleigh and then switch to his boat because reindeer do not float. The Santa Boat will set sail at 4:00 from dock 36 (The Geiger House) on the east side of the lake. This year Santa has decided to head clockwise around the lake.

If you would like to have Santa deliver a present to your child or children, please arrange to drop them off at Santa's Northwest Annex, aka the Geiger House (29837 232nd Ave SE) by December 12th. Please contact Julie Geiger at 360-886-2834. To ensure that Santa's boat will not be overloaded and violate Coast Guard regulations, please, one gift per child and keep the gifts smaller than a bread box. Due to an incident on a different lake, Santa has announced that he will not be able to deliver live animals this year. Santa will not be able to deliver presents to the boat launch. This year Santa will only be able to stop at

the docks of current Club members. To ensure that he does not get confused, please have your Club membership plaque firmly attached to your dock.

Santa will also be accepting donations of food for the Black Diamond Food Bank. Please be generous to help those that are less fortunate. Anticipating that the lake residents will be generous, Santa is looking for places to unload his boat as he makes his round. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Steve Garvich at 360-886-1837 or Cindy Wheeler at 360-886-1472.

In case of poor weather that will prevent Santa from making his rounds safely, meet him at the Lake Sawyer Community Club house between 5 and 6:30. If Santa will not be able to set sail, you can check the web site or call 360-886-2834 after 3:00.

Giving Tree

Help make the holiday season brighter for those in need. The Lake Sawyer Community Club will again be sponsoring a giving tree at the Lake Sawyer Grocery Store. The tree, with tags indicating a needed gift, will be in the store on November 20th. All gifts should be wrapped, with the tag attached, and returned to the store by Saturday, December 20th. Gifts will be given to local Black Diamond families. See the tree for more information.

New Year's Eve Party

Ring in 2004 with friends and neighbors on December 31st at the Lake Sawyer Community Clubhouse from 8:00 pm until 1:00 am. There will be games, door prizes, party favors, and music for dancing provided by Melody Music. Please bring an appetizer or dessert and your own beverages. Ice, coffee, cups, plates, and tableware will be provided. This event is free to LSCC members (you can join or renew your membership at the door). Cost for guests or a nonmember is \$5 per person. So that we have an idea of how many people to expect, please RSVP by December 28th to Marlene Conran, 360-886-9770; schreiber11@comcast.net or Becky Olness, 360-886-1853; rolness@attglobal.net.

Yard Decoration Contest

Santa will be keeping an eye out for more than good girls and boys when he visits Lake Sawyer on December 14th. He will also be checking out the yard decorations and will be awarding prizes to the best decorated yards.

4th of July Celebration Returns to Lake Sawyer Next Year!

The Community Club has secured new insurance and absolutely ALL of the Independence Day Celebration activities are covered! The insurance is good for one year and the renewal date is in August. This will allow the Club a whole bunch more time to secure insurance if the company decides to non-renew us.

4th of July Contributions

Thank you to all who donated at the Lake Sawyer Store for the 4th of July. We received \$164.48; \$16.48 in coins and \$148.00 in small bills. There were not any checks or application forms to indicate where these donations came from, so thank you to all who did contribute at the store.

Adopt-A-Road Cleanup

On October 11 a bunch of people led by Jean Boston cleaned up 216th Ave and 288th Street. This time, 30 bags of garbage were collected. This is less than was picked up in the spring. Thanks go out to those that have been keeping the streets clean during the summer. Analysis of the garbage by a consultant showed that cigarette butts were by far the most popular item. Thanks to all of the volunteers, the roads look a lot better.

Boat Ramp

The Black Diamond City Utility Department briefly closed the Lake Sawyer Park boat launch for safety reasons on October 15th. A portion of the ramp has deteriorated, resulting in the presence of a number of sharp steel “dagger-like” points protruding up from the ramp. These protrusions presented a serious safety concern for those launching boats and were certainly not tire friendly. Temporary repairs were made by cutting off and removing the protrusions.

The city plans a permanent fix. It is anticipated that the boat launch will remain open while the permanent repair is engineered, permitted with the Washington State Fisheries Department and installed. No timeline for this work has been established. Those with questions may contact Dan Dal Santo, Public Works Supervisor at 360-886-2560.

Water Safety Committee

The City of Black Diamond is interested in setting up a water safety committee. The kick-off meeting was held on November 5th at the Black Diamond City Hall. The committee is looking for volunteers. Interested parties should contact Rick Luther at bdpd@comcast.net. The next meeting is planned for December 3rd at the Black Diamond City Hall.

LSCC Membership

Just a reminder that the LSCC membership dues for 2004 are due in January. A membership form has been included with the newsletter. Annual dues are \$35 per family or \$20 for retirees. You can also join at the New Year's Eve party at the clubhouse on December 31, 2003. All renewing members will receive a 2004 sticker to attach to their dock plate.

Please feel free to make your 4th of July donation now to help The Board plan the funding for the events, including the fireworks.

Lake Sawyer Dock Party Huge Success

They came by car, foot, boat, canoe and raft. Over 50 Lake Sawyer residents and friends joined Bob and Janie Edelman for a dock party and barbecue. Chef Bob presided over the barbecue and produced tasty ribs, chicken and flank steak. Appetizers, salads and desserts were provided by the guests. Many neighbors met for the first time after living in the neighborhood for many years. The party was still going strong 6 hours later!

Let a board member know if you would like to host a dock party next summer. It's a great way to meet your neighbors.

Lake Sawyer Community Club Hosts Candidate Forum

Black Diamond candidates making a run for three positions on the Black Diamond City Council gathered before a crowd of approximately 40 community members at Lake Sawyer Community Club to answer questions put before them. Moderator Steve Garvich asked a set of five questions in random order of each candidate. Candidates responding to each question included incumbents Mario Sorci, Position #1; Michael Cline, Pos. #3; George McPherson, Pos. #5; and challengers Anna Marie Morris, Pos. 1; Barry Kombol, Pos. 3; Robert Kemmer and write-in candidate Manfred Stamm, Pos. 5. Following the questioning, candidates fielded questions from the floor by citizen.

Club Web Site Info

The Lake Sawyer Community Club maintains a web site at www.lakesawyer.org. You can find a lot of information about the club and the lake. There are links to information about the community club, pictures, boating information and classified ads. You can even check the weather at the lake.

2003 LSCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Elected Positions

POSITION	NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
President	Steve Garvich	(360) 886-1837	steven.garvich@bigfoot.com
Vice President	Cindy Wheeler	(360) 886-1472	bill2287@aol.com
Secretary	Karen Carlson	(360) 886-7098	carlsok@eagle-home.com
Treasurer	Carol Benson	(360) 886-1354	cbenson@barghausen.com
Trustee No. 1	Robert Schueler	(206) 799-1513	robert.schueler@metrokc.com
Trustee No. 2	Julie Geiger	(360) 886-2834	dkgeiger@comcast.net
Trustee No. 3	Becky Olness	(360) 886-1853	rolness@attglobal.net
Trustee No. 4	Alf Ladderud	(360) 886-2798	lladderud@foxinternet.net
Trustee No. 5	Jean Boston	(360) 886-9402	jean.bill.boston@comcast.net

Appointed Positions

Clubhouse Manager Michelle Young (360) 886-1923
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Newsletter Coordinator Bart Selz (360) 886-1679 bmselz@hotmail.com

Web Site Manager Doug Geiger (360) 886-2834 doug.geiger@bigfoot.com

Board Position Terms are as follows:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer - 1 year

Trustee 1 - 2 Years (elected in odd years)

Trustee 2 - 2 Years (elected in even years)

Trustee 3 - 2 Years (elected in odd years)

Trustee 4 - 2 Years (elected in even years)

Trustee 5 - 1 Year (Filled by Previous Term President)

Appointed Positions are appointed by the Board President