



NEWSLETTER

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2013 Annual Membership Meeting

The annual meeting of the Lake Sawyer Community Club will be held on Friday, February 22, at 7:00 pm at the clubhouse. The meeting is on a Friday this year because we currently have renters Monday through Thursday.



Our rental income is down by 50% over prior years, therefore we wanted to give our renters priority. Black Diamond City and King County Officials will be in attendance to present the Lake Sawyer Weed Survey and update us on the Shoreline Master Plan.

The following positions are open for election this year: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees #1, #3 & #5.

Please consider running for one of these open offices. Officers and trustees must commit to attending board meetings held each month and supporting and/or helping on various club events.

Save the date and plan to attend. Doors open at 6:30, giving you time to enjoy refreshments while you visit with your neighbors. There will be door prizes, a slideshow and the unveiling of the brand new LSCC Website!

It would be very much appreciated if you would join the LSCC for 2013. Please complete the application form found in this newsletter and mail back to LSCC PO Box 191 prior to the annual membership meeting. Your current board is listed below:

2012 Board

President - Steve Frank
Vice President - Sheila Hoefig
Treasurer - Jeff Merrill
Secretary - Sue Waller
Trustee No. 1 - Julie Earley
Trustee No. 2 - Gary Henrich
Trustee No. 3 - Kurt Kulesza
Trustee No. 4 - Sue Sherer
Trustee No. 5 - Alan Gangl

Save The Date!
LSCC ANNUAL MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND 2013.



Santa Boat From The Other Side



The Wheeler family had a wonderful opportunity over the holidays; having hosted large parties to celebrate and share the Santa Boat Experience on Lake Sawyer for the last 16+ years, this year we got to experience the Santa Boat from on board! My husband Bill was Santa, our daughter Sarah was an awesome elf and I (Cindy) was Mrs. Claus. Doing some of the hardest work required for these early deliveries from the North Pole were Rick Bingle, driving the sleigh, and Anthony Martinez, who manned the dock hook at each landing.



It is important to acknowledge what a massive group effort this event is. Kudos to the Hoefigs (especially Sheila) who gathered gifts at their home, prepared Santa's list to guide the sleigh and handmade fabulous new elf outfits and toy bags! Many men (Kurt Eby, Alan Gangl, Kurt Kulesza, Bill Wheeler, Steve Frank and Jeff Merrill) assembled the raft in advance and converted it to the sleigh we all recognize. Sarah Wheeler made a Lake Sawyer Santa Facebook page and updated it through the night of deliveries to "post" our location. This is also a great place to see many of the photos from that night!! We received great feedback from members on how helpful it was to be able to track Santa on Facebook, not NORAD!



All off this effort culminates in *MAGIC* for young and old. Even with the serious challenges and discomfort posed by Mother Nature the night we sailed, all of us on board had our hearts (if not our hands!) warmed by the excitement, joy and wonder that we witnessed in the children as they got their visit, candy cane or gift.

Santa would sometimes conclude passing out gifts to a group of children, then reach deep into his bag and swirl his hand around. Looking confused he would then upend the bag and announce "I'm all out of presents now but I know I have more! I'll have to come back and leave them under your tree!" One 4 year old girl, part of a group of 8 kids all under 10, began to clap her hands and shout "I can't wait....I can't WAIT! I CAN'T WAIT!" while jumping up and down.

May the joy of the season stay with all of you the whole year round.....and never miss an opportunity to be a part of giving that joy to others!

Santa Boat? Love Boat?



Mr. & Mrs. Claus were aware of the plan, but dock hook man, Anthony Martinez was taken aback when a young fellow in a nice suit boarded the Santa Boat at dock 83, home of Kent & Heather Rasmussen. Hopeful groom to be, Ryan Williams hitched a ride to the Hardebecks at dock number 79

to surprise girlfriend Alycia Gonzales and ask for her hand in marriage. Alycia was surprised and happily said "YES" Congratulations to the happy couple!

The weather on 12/16 made it a difficult night for pictures, if anybody has Santa Boat pictures to share, you can download them to Lake Sawyer Santa on Facebook – OR send ANY pictures from the year to stevenmfrank@comcast.net so we can include them in the slideshow at the annual meeting!



Santa's EXTRA stop

The Santa Boat crew was given 25.00 cash and 300 lbs. of non-perishable foods to deliver to the Black Diamond Food Bank. Thank You! To all of the Lake Sawyer residents who donated.



Thanks also to The Lake Sawyer Grocery for "hosting" the Giving Tree and to Trevi Eichelberger for coordinating all that goes with it to support the Black Diamond Community Center. Children & Seniors had a brighter Holiday because of you!



Note from the President

Members, Neighbors and Friends

I don't know about you, but for me, 2012 just blew right by. Here we are in the **New Year 2013!**

I believe most everyone knows how extra special it is to live on Lake Sawyer and be part of this community. The beginning of the year is where I ask for your support for both the Lake Sawyer Community Club (LSCC), and our Fourth of July Celebration fundraising efforts. Your July 4th donations are intended to cover the expense of the fireworks, and the costs that come with running a safe and law abiding show. Last year's fireworks donations achieved that goal and we plan to do the same this year.

Your LSCC Board had its first board meeting of the New Year and set the goals for 2013. **GOALS: Membership of 200 & our Fourth of July Celebration funding of \$17,000.** Last year we had 183 members and collected \$17,105 for fireworks. As you can see, with your support again this year these are achievable goals.

As your board we have worked really hard to deliver more value to being a Lake Sawyer Community Club Member. Many of our activities and services during the year are for members only. I would like to review for you some of those benefits.

LSCC Member Benefits:

Preferred rates to rent the newly remodeled clubhouse for special events
Year round Newsletter, if you are not a member, you miss out on the later editions.
4th of July special edition newsletter detailing the week long list of fun, family \ activities
Free Admission to family nights out for food and refreshments at the dock parties & Oktoberfest.

The Santa Boat! Exclusive dock side gift delivery from Santa, Mrs. Claus and crew of Elves and 8 Reindeer! Did I mention the Santa Boat?
Members can vote on issues brought up at the annual meeting

Membership fees also support the Black Diamond community as well. The Black Diamond Food Bank receives 250.00 quarterly donations. Funds go toward buoy maintenance and replacement, lake water quality testing and reports. The LSCC holds an Easter Egg Hunt open to the public at Boat Launch Park and supports the BDCC with a Holiday Giving Tree at the Lake Sawyer Grocery.

Again, this year the annual membership fee is **only \$50. You will not find a better value for your money!** Please fill out the enclosed membership form and mail it in now, you won't miss a newsletter and the LSCC board can skip a visit to your house!

Thank you in advance for your support!!

Steve Frank
2012 President

Why Recycle?

“Why recycle?” Asking that question is a little like asking why we should breathe. We breathe because we want to use our bodies to get the most out of life. We recycle because we want to use the Earth’s resources to get the greatest benefits at the least environmental cost.

That doesn’t mean that recycling is always the best choice environmentally, or always gets accomplished as well as it could. However, governments and recycling companies do try to make sure recycling is as efficient as possible. In general, the benefits of recycling greatly outweigh any negatives.

On the local, regional, national and global levels, recycling:

- Conserves natural resources.
- Saves energy.
- Creates “green” jobs in manufacturing, transportation and materials processing.
- Decreases greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change.
- Reduces pollution caused by making products from virgin materials.
- Extends the life of landfills.

Recycling also:

- Allows us to model the “circle of life” seen in nature.
- Preserves the environment for future generations.
- Illustrates for children the importance of not leaving waste behind
- Contributes toward “zero waste” meaning that materials of value, whether for reuse, resale or recycling, won’t be put in the garbage and end up in the landfill.

On a personal level, recycling:

- Saves money if you can switch to a smaller-size garbage can.
- Can earn money in some cases for certain materials, such as aluminum.
- Generates pride and satisfaction.
- Increases environmental awareness in your household.

We need to remember that recycling is more than just putting materials in our recycling cart at home. That’s just collection. An item isn’t really recycled until it is made into a new product or packaging that someone uses again. We can take best advantage of the benefits of recycling not just by setting out our recyclables for collection but by buying products made from recycled materials.

Recycling will never be the solution to all our problems, but it will always make perfect sense. Recycling simply acknowledges that all that stuff we throw away doesn’t need to be garbage at all. Those are materials. It’s not waste until we waste it. “Why recycle?” Perhaps the best answer is, “Why not?”

Try Rizzmic!

It is not too late to keep that New Year's resolution for better health.

It is NEVER too late to try something NEW!

Here is your chance to support a small business (and the LSCC) while getting a great cardio workout.

Rizzmic is open to the public – Let your friends know about the Thursday night classes at the LSCC – *if Corey gets 30 people in a class, Steve Frank, the LSCC President will even try it out!*



THE RIZZMIC[®] EXPERIENCE

UNITED WE DANCE!

Rizzmic is an exhilarating new dance fitness experience, dedicated to American music and dance styles from early generations to today's biggest dance crazes. Incredible variety, united under one name: Rizzmic!



Lake Sawyer Community Club is now offering a Rizzmic[®] class on Thursday nights with Cory Crawford! Class starts at 7:00 and is only \$5 to attend! All you need to bring is workout shoes (in hand) and a water bottle! Do not miss out on this fun and exciting new fitness format!

Boater Education

Much happens around the lake during the year that goes unnoticed or unreported. Many of you know there has been a rash of burglaries lately. On December 6th a lake residence was burglarized and vandalized and since then there have been 5 more break-ins in Black Diamond. Remain vigilant and report suspicious activity immediately to the Black Diamond Police by calling 911. Better safe than sorry. It is so dark so early this time of year, check that all of your exterior lights are in working order, and consider installing motion sensitive lights. We all value our privacy, but reach out and exchange numbers with your neighbors, talk about ways to make your homes less susceptible to break-ins. Offer to install motions detector lights for older neighbors and let folks know when you will be away from your home for awhile.

When do I need my card?

Year	Your Age
2008	20 and younger
2009	25 and younger
2010	30 and younger
2011	35 and younger
2012	40 and younger
2013	50 and younger
2014	59 and younger

Persons required to have a Boater Education Card must carry it on board whenever operating a motorboat with 15 horsepower or greater.



New Dock Stickers Are Here!

The newly designed 2013 dock stickers will be available to pick up at the LSCC Annual Meeting on February 22nd. The new and improved dock stickers cover the entire dock plate and will not fade. The sticker will be mailed to those members who are unable to attend the meeting.

Dock plates will also be available if you need a replacement.

Lake Sawyer Community Club

"Building Community"

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Lake Sawyer Community Club (LSCC) Membership Form 2013

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

E-mail _____

Mailing address (if different) _____

Dock Number _____ 2013 Dock Stickers Will Be Mailed to Members. Do you need a dock plate? Yes No

LSCC Membership Dues (\$50) _____

July 4th Donation: _____	Platinum:	\$500+
	Gold:	\$200-\$499
	Silver:	\$100-\$199
	Bronze:	\$1-\$99

Please mail payment and form to LSCC, PO Box 191, Black Diamond, WA 98010

Membership in LSCC provides a sense of community and opportunities to meet neighbors and participate in the variety of events we hold every year.

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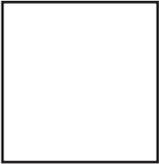
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If you have any special skills you would like to offer, or to volunteer with the LSCC, please feel free to contact any board member and don't forget to visit our web site at www.lakesawyer.org

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