

BOARD REPORTS

November 2024

Cedar Lake Splashes Newsletter

We are happy to announce help has been offered to rekindle the Cedar Lake Association newsletter. We are looking at sending a newsletter out 3 to 4 times a year. As a reminder, if any member has a suggestion or input, please forward via email to the Association's email address clha@socket.net.

Annual Meeting

The 2024 Annual Meeting of the Cedar Lake Homeowners Association was held, as scheduled, on

Lake Report

Details about our **Dredging/Silt Removal Project** is on the back of the Splash Newsletter. In addition to the project, Spoonbill paddlefish were harvested from the lake last winter and plans to restock the lake are being pursued. A modest fee from the company was received and would be expected from any future agreement.

Lake Report Cont.

Lake water quality for safe swimming was testing throughout this summer and the lake again was below maximum levels. Testing results will be posted on our website at www.cedarlakecolumbia.com.

Dog Etiquette

The Board continues to get comments regarding dog waste. As stated previously, it is required that dog owners pick up after their pets when walking them in the neighborhood and in common areas. This is also required per City Ordinance Chapter Five Sec. 5-67: Dog Waste. **In addition, it is requested that dog waste bags not be discarded in the porta potty in the common area at the lake.** They are not conducive to these types of toilets and result in additional costs to the Association. Please help keep our neighborhood clean and safe.

Property Maintenance

Lawn mowing is coming to an end, but as a reminder the Board asks all members to collect and bag grass clippings, leaves and other lawn debris or blow them back into the lawn. This includes debris that is deposited in the streets. Please be sure to remind and monitor lawn maintenance contractors of the required lawn maintenance. The health of the Lake depends on limiting as much organic and other debris/trash from the Lake. It takes everyone to be mindful of this fact. As always, please keep your property in good order. Our Covenants require that we keep the properties clean, neat, safe, and reasonably attractive.

Home Improvement

Association approval is required for any structural changes or modifications to the property, such as additions, fences, decks, docks or other physical changes. A complete description of the project needs to be submitted to the Board. To contact a Board member, send a request to our email address or follow links on our website. Please allow adequate time for Board approval.

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To contact the Board, use the contact form on the website or email: clha@socket.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Meeting

February 16th, 2025

4:00 P.M. at
Bethel Baptist Church

CEDAR LAKE WEBSITE

The CLHA website can be found at:
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DREDGING/SILT REMOVAL PROJECT

The project for dredging and removing the silt from the east end of the lake is moving along. Several alternatives were investigated in this process to remove the silt. Due to the low levels at the east end of lake, the most cost effective and practical plan involves lowering the lake level along with removing and hauling off the silt that has accumulated over the years. Equipment is required to access the lake from several property owners on the north side of the lake. Easements to access the lake are required and will need to be written, then approved by the property owners. Surveys to establish these easements are also required and are currently being approved. It has been a long process and slower than hoped but a contractor has been chosen for this project. They are experienced, competent, and interested in the dredging and removal of the silt. The legal documents/contracts have been prepared, they will be reviewed once the easements are completed and approved.

Finally, it is incumbent for the Association to assure that city/county/state codes are followed and performance by contractors is established contractually.

Additional information and budget estimates will be presented during the Annual Meeting February 16th, 2025. And as necessary, a special meeting will be held to provide detailed information regarding the project and specifics about lowering the lake along with additional updates as needed. Please do not hesitate to contact the Board via email.

CLHA Shorts

- Property issues such as unkept lawns (long grass), potholes, street problems, etc. can be addressed to the Association but certain code violating issues can also be directed to the City through the Community Development Dept. The City response may have a bigger impact on the problem.
- As some of our property owners have seen the removal of the stairs to our lake area. This was done as the stairs were rotting and a hazard to our homeowners and guests. Future plans for stairs are in discussion and further more to come on that.
- Please report any geese nests that you notice around the lake to reduce the nuisance factor that a large population can cause. With lot owner's permission, geese and egg numbers will be managed.
- Neighborhood watch is an organization which provides information on home safety and security. You can visit their website at www.columbianeighborhoodwatch.org, to find out about their programs and services.
- If you have any suggestions for articles or information you think should be included in the **SPLASHES**, please contact Peter Koukola (contact information under Board Members Section) or email the Association at clha@socket.net. The next issue of **SPLASHES** will be in December and it will include winter reminders, when to pay annual assessments, and updates from the Board.
- Also, as a reminder to all:
 - Keep vehicles locked when parked outdoors.
 - Any type of sidewalk buckling caused by trees or natural expansion and contraction is the responsibility of the homeowner to repair. Buckled sidewalks present a considerable tripping hazard.
 - Please watch your speed and be mindful of young children in our subdivision playing outside.