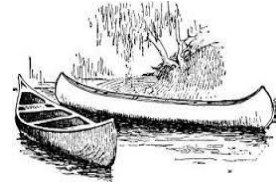


# The Ken Laker



*The June/July 2025 Newsletter for the Lakemoor Community Club  
Olympia, Washington [www.kenlake.org](http://www.kenlake.org)*

If you are new to our amazing neighborhood, please reach out to the lovely Erin Murray at [kenlakewelcome@yahoo.com](mailto:kenlakewelcome@yahoo.com) to obtain your Ken Lake Welcome Packet! The clerk can help with your park id bands at [kenlakesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:kenlakesecretary@gmail.com)



If you know folks not receiving community emails, please have them email the clerk to get on the list. This is for renters and owners alike, to keep up on community events. VIS has emails that were provided by homeowners at closing time and for billing only.



*There is a waitlist for boats at both beaches. All boats must be registered with LCC – contact the park managers at [kenlakeparks@gmail.com](mailto:kenlakeparks@gmail.com) with questions.*

Friendly reminder to use the porta-potties and not pee in the lake! Currently, it is clean...let's keep it this way. WE pay to maintain this lake, no one else...just us community members. Love it because it's your own!

Volunteers for many committees are being recruited! Please see inside for more information and a list of all committees on the last page.



A friendly reminder to folks fishing from docks to not leave behind trash, bait, lures and especially fish hooks! Lake access can be restricted for those leaving these items behind.

Please remember that parties of 10 or more will need a party permit. Under 10, just use your guest bands. Our website has the calendar where you can check availability and make requests!

**Volunteer needed** to maintain the Little Library at the Ball Park! Contact [kenlakesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:kenlakesecretary@gmail.com) if interested! Also, the intent of the little libraries is to take one, and bring one.. please contribute

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>- LCC BOARD PLANNING SESSION @ 6PM**

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup>- LCC BOARD MONTHLY MEETING @ 6 PM**

**AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> – CONCERTS IN THE PARK @ 2:00 - SEE INSIDE**

**YOUR COMMUNITY IS IN NEED OF AN EVENTS COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSON. HELP BRING BACK MANY OF OUR FAVORITE ACTIVITIES BY BEING A LIASON TO THE BOARD AND COMMUNITY, AND RALLYING VOLUNTEERS!! EMAIL THE CLERK IF INTERESETED!**

## Notes from the LCC Board Meeting June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025

(these are just highlights, official minutes to be posted when approved and shared by board)

Approval of May minutes. There was some discussion about the official minutes lacking detail and how to better include motions, etc. Community comments include lack of compliance enforcement in the neighborhood and suggestions on how to limit negativity during the upcoming board elections. Alicia Roberts Frank volunteered to take on the ad-hoc security committee.

Security officer Ralph Oliver reported that not much was going on, and he was patrolling the lake. Evan Clifthorne stated the intent of the security committee was to determine if our security officer required a license.

The Community Gardens reported on the upcoming Garden Swap on July 12 at 10 am.

Al Hatten of the Lake Committee reported that the lake is currently 77.5 degrees, and that new reports will be posted on the website. Our lake is in excellent recreational condition, and there has been zero detection of fecal coli or nitrates. Al also reported that there are 45 lakeside owners and 15 canal owners, and the committee is working with them to help reduce the spread of nuisance weeds. In addition, they are problem solving the large cedars blocking the canal.

The Finance Committee, chaired by John Ulmer, met June 16 to develop a charter.

The ACC had the following approvals: fence installation at 2147 Lakemoor Drive, fence installation at 2290 Lakemoor Drive, tree removal notification (3 trees) at 1857 Lakemoor Place and a tree removal approval (2 trees) at 1889 Lakemoor Place.

The Events committee had no report. Wendy Harris reported on the upcoming July 4<sup>th</sup> event, and the urgent need for volunteers.

The Technology Committee has a community poll they would like folks to participate in. This link will access the poll <https://forms.gle/R2qXk9ynkcoJ8B5i8>. Some of their ideas are to monitor chats at the meetings, possibly purchase a system that would allow for hybrid meetings, and a more robust website.

The Common Areas Manager Mike Frank discussed more dead/dying trees that need to be dealt with in the neighborhood. Mike is working on that. He is also trying to get the sinking west side dock repaired, and addressing the brown spots in the grass at the Main Rec.

The Treasurer's report said the draft 2026 budget will be mailed to the community in August.

The company that was selected for our new legal representation was unable to fulfill our needs, so the board voted to work again with Stephen Smith of Sound Legal Partners.



## *A note from the LCC President...*

7/11/25

Summer greetings to all Ken Lakers! It's fun to watch all the swimmers and boaters out there now that temperatures finally have risen.

The good weather presumably contributed to a great turnout for the Fourth of July festivities, including the parade, horse riding for kids, and of course food! Thanks to all the volunteers who made it happen!

We are seeking a volunteer to chair our events committee to coordinate our remaining events for the year. We thank former chair Andrea Jensen for her work this year.

I'm pleased to announce that residents will finally be getting an updated directory. In the past we've updated it every two years, but the last one came out in 2021, so we are way overdue.

Mike Gowrylow

**LAKEMOOR COMMUNITY CLUB PRESENTS**

# **MUSIC IN THE PARK**

**SATURDAY, AUG 16**

**2:00 PM  
THE LEMMINGS**

The Lemmings is an original rock band from Olympia featuring Ken Lake resident Jake Peetz. Drawing inspiration from the roots of rock and roll while incorporating elements of blues, country, and modern rock, Lemmings crafts catchy, well-produced songs with a distinctive sound.

**4:00 PM  
GENERATIONS**

Generations (featuring Ken Lake resident Dave Pitts) is a South Sound-based band that showcases the classics from the '60s to the present. Made up of different "generations" (from college to retired) they pay homage to rock music greats like the Beatles, Steppenwolf, Billy Idol and Kaleo, with some original songs mixed in.

**KEN LAKE - MAIN REC PARK**

Come on down with a chair, a blanket, or your swimsuit and enjoy an afternoon of super local music!



## *From our Lake Committee...*



What are the jelly blobs under my deck? We have everything you need to know about the Bryozoan species that populates freshwater!

Source: Fountains 2 Go

<https://share.google/INeOZpS8ePn5KRHS7>



## *A few items from our Park Managers...*

We are looking to hire help to clear out muck/silt along the Westside shore. Can you help? Please contact [kenlakeparks@gmail.com](mailto:kenlakeparks@gmail.com) to discuss further.

The most frequently ignored boat storage rules are as follows:

Your boats need to be securely locked to post, stored upside down so they don't collect water, cleaned once a year and in good repair, and the managers require notification if there is an ownership change.

Please pull locking gates shut behind you and keep our parks secure, clean, and safe!



## The LCC Board is asking for volunteers for committee work:

Code Enforcement Committee: Mission: This group is tasked with reviewing the LCC compliance program and the architectural control committee. The processes will be examined, and the group will possibly make recommendations for updates/clarifications and/or changes for community review and approval. Chris Meserve, Jeff Wagnitz current members.

Governance Committee: Mission: This group is tasked with reviewing the LCC present covenants and By-laws. It will possibly make recommendations for updates and/or changes for community review and approval. Elle Burger, Tory Tjersland, Chris Meserve, current members

The Lake Committee: On March 27, 2025, the LCC Board approved the creation of a Lake Committee to address the concerns identified in the Comprehensive Lake Management Plan (CLMP) approved by the LCC Board on January 30, 2025.

Specifics of the CLMP can be found on the Kenlake.org website.

The Lake Committee will be a central clearinghouse for several potential subcommittees such as:

1. Water Quality (including: Algae, Recreational and Community access)
2. Flora and Fauna in/around the lake (Including: Invasive Aquatic and Shoreline Plants)
3. Storm Water (includes: Lake muck and detritus materials)
4. Flood Mitigation
5. Shoreline Management Responsibilities
6. Canal Sediment Buildup

These 6 potential subcommittees are a way for individual HOA members to engage themselves in the direction of preserving our lake now and into the future for all to enjoy.

If you have interest and/or expertise in any one or more of these subcommittees, would you please contact me by email [afhatten@comcast.net](mailto:afhatten@comcast.net) or call if you have any questions (360)742-7455.

Please help in this effort if you can and keep our lake the asset we all can enjoy.

### The Tech Committee is Recruiting!

Many hands make light work. Recruiting all those hands; that's communication. Join the tech committee and support better communication throughout Ken Lake. As a community with an HOA, we have a unique opportunity to connect and strengthen Ken Lake hyperlocally: using tools to inform, automate, connect like interests, and protect each other. The tech committee will evaluate and develop systems of communication to better connect neighbors - this includes evaluating tools for board meetings, developing a modern website with convenient features, and recommending solutions to better aid in building a community infrastructure we can be proud of.

To get into the action, email Elle at [fitellieburger@gmail.com](mailto:fitellieburger@gmail.com).







## A reminder about protecting our canopy

It seems important for us Ken Lakers to protect the **wonderful trees** we all appreciate and enjoy in our landscapes/yards. Trees take a long time to grow and enhance our neighborhood. Our dry summers now seem to start in May and extend until November instead of June to September. Our PNW conifer trees are adapted to survive about 3 months of dry weather. But they are not adapted, nor can they be expected to adapt, to 6 months of dry conditions compounded with very warm temperatures.

Please consider your landscape and doing a **deep watering at least once a month** on your mature trees until the seasonal rains start again. There are a couple of easy ways to do this: 1) I have begun using drip hoses laid out in concentric circles around the perimeter (within the drip line) for 4+ hours to try to get water down to their roots, 2) or one can use some 5 gallon buckets with a few (2/3) small holes drilled into the side at the bottom. Put a few buckets out under the branches and fill them w/ a hose. The water slowly leaks out soaking down into the soil. I move them to another area under the same tree and do it again, and again, etc. NOTE: a 30 minute sprinkler session won't come close to getting the needed amount of water down to the tree roots.

We recently got a bit of rain (4/10<sup>th</sup> of an inch). BUT it didn't penetrate the soil more than 1/4". Prior to that it was very dry and hot. One can look into our conifers now and see orange (dead) needles. Each windy day has them falling and covering the streets and landscapes. Typically, in the PNW, most evergreen conifers will shed their oldest needles in the late summer and fall, typically between August and November. So, our trees are stressed and dropping needles prematurely. It is important to help protect our trees AND HOUSES in the event of a wildfire. I encourage you to join this effort and share this with others.

This web site has GREAT information on TREE

WATERING <https://clackamascountymastergardeners.org/watering-guide-trees/>

Marian Bailey

## Kudos Corner!!

Thank you Randy Lubert for cleaing all of the floating docks! Thank you to Wendy Harris and the many volunteers for the amazing July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities!



# Ken Lake Classifieds & Lost/Found

If you have lost something, email [kenlakesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:kenlakesecretary@gmail.com) to see if someone has sent a message about it. All messages will be deleted for the next newsletter. If you'd like to renew, please send a new one to [kenlakesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:kenlakesecretary@gmail.com). Understand that these are posted online and may be accessed by non-community members. Submitting an ad indicates acknowledgement of that.

## Neighborhood Offerings

Brooke Harris (15yr CHS honor student) Very responsible, animal-obsessed student who adores DOGS, CATS, and PETS of all shapes and sizes. She will give your dog an active walk and the best play session they can handle, or snuggle and brush your cat while you travel. Experienced with other animal care and meds, also. Reference. Call/text 360-951-5488.

YARDWORK, MOWING (your mower or mine), PRESSURE WASHING (my washer), PLANT watering, experienced and responsible PET sitter (feeding, walking, etc.) Excellent references and experience. Call/text 360-951-5488 Nathan Harris (college freshman earning tuition money).

Eleanor Kinn (age 14) would love to babysit your children for \$10/hour. Also available for summer sitting! Text or call Julie Kinn (360-250-0309) for more info.

Nathan Rothman (15 yrs) Offering babysitting & yard work. Ages 4 and up. Completed babysitting certification class. Loves kids and will play with them, experienced special needs peer mentor. \$9/hr. Lawn mowing, snow shoveling and basic yard work also, with great rates. Call/text 360-480-7742.

BAYER PET CARE- Experienced pet care you can trust! Wendy Bayer (mom), or Ella Bayer (college) depending on availability. Experienced with all age/needs pets. Drop-ins or overnight house sitting. Very responsible with lots of positive neighborhood references available. We will care for your pets like our own! Organizational services while you are away are also available. Text Wendy @205-617-2785 or [wendybayer1@gmail.com](mailto:wendybayer1@gmail.com).

Hi! I'm Adela - Your new Ken Lake babysitter! My key goals are to keep your kids safe, happy, and healthy. I am almost always free on weekends. I'm a cadet in Girl Scouts and an older sister of rambunctious twins. I love kids and have lots of ideas to entertain energetic little ones. I'm Red Cross CPR and Heimlich certified. Can't wait to hang with your children and allow you to have some time for yourself! Rate is: \$12/hr. Please reach out to Ben Widawsky for scheduling or details 503 941 0513

Photojournalist with many years of experience is looking for an excuse to use his cameras. Need someone to shoot a wedding? event? senior portraits? headshots? photos of your dog? - Mark Avery - mobile: 949.616.0471 - email: [averyphotog@gmail.com](mailto:averyphotog@gmail.com) - portfolio: [averyphotog.com](http://averyphotog.com)

Hello, my name is Steven Miller. I am 14 years old, and enthusiastic for work. I can babysit (4yrs+ and \$10/hr), Pet sit, wash windows, pressure wash (driveways or sidewalks), do basic yard maintenance (mowing, edging, weed eating, weeding), or other odd jobs. I am homeschooled, therefore having a flexible schedule year-round, to meet your needs. I charge reasonable prices that are much less than any company. If you have any questions or want to get scheduled, please call or text (445) 265-7918, thank you!



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