

Annual Meeting

Board members present: Bev Franklin, Al Brooks, Sam Packer, Wes Cox, Chip Cochran, Nancy Thompson, Dave Wilson, Dan Kolcun

- Board members and community members made brief introductions of themselves
- All attendees took several minutes to review the minutes of the 2013 annual meeting. Meeting minutes were approved.
- Treasurer's report
 - The LFCA account was saved for a few years to build up some reserves, much of those reserves had been spent on refurbishment of the walking trails throughout the neighborhood (approximately \$59K). Tree removal/disposal also cost more than most years due to unusually harsh winter weather.
 - The trails had been in place for 30 years. Last fall, our contracting company scraped the old paths and used them as an underlayment for new asphalt. They also replaced one culvert. The remaining paths will be refurbished in the coming years.
- Last year's Community Day in September was very successful, giving many neighbors an opportunity to get out and meet each other. Community Day will be held again this September. Maritime Lane seems to be the best location since it is relatively flat with lots of mature trees shading the street.
- The LFCA now has a Facebook page: lakeforesthwa on Facebook. It is designed to be non-intrusive, and only sends out updates very occasionally. All community members are encouraged to "friend" lakeforesthwa if they are members of Facebook.
- Architectural Committee report
 - There have only been a few requests submitted to the Architectural committee this past year. All were fairly routine requests such as painting or trim changes or new decks. Al noted that, generally speaking, replacing an existing deck does not require board approval unless significant changes are being made.
 - There was a discussion regarding what to do regarding non-compliance with HOA by-laws and the possibility of revising the by-laws. The original by-laws have some out-dated provisions (e.g. policies regarding large roof-top antennae). Times have changed and it may be worthwhile to explore updating by-laws. However, in order to legally change the community's by-laws, we need 75% of homeowners to approve any new or changed covenants. This may be such a high threshold that changing the by-laws could be impractical.
 - Community members were encouraged to let the board know if a resident has a fence or shed that is out of compliance with the by-laws. Board members are still in consultation with lawyers regarding enforcement options.