



# Lake Desire News

January, 2006

## Coming Up:

3/4/06

St. Patrick's  
Event  
7 pm

2/10 & 3/24

Ladies' Craft  
Nights  
7pm

4/18/06

Community  
Meeting 7:30pm

### Newsletter

E-mail information for newsletters to Heather Smith at [Heather@Smith.net](mailto:Heather@Smith.net) or call 425-917-9533. Send your E-mail and receive news online to save on postage!

### Advertising

Put your ad in the newsletter. Only \$5 for business card and \$10 for half page.

## Lake Desire Area Membership

Last year the Lake Desire Community Club sponsored the following activities:

- Valentine Potluck
- Fishing Derby
- Roadside Cleanup
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Pancake Breakfast
- Summer Picnic
- Christmas Party

It is time once again to send in your membership fee for 2006.

**Clubhouse Rental** – The clubhouse features a full

kitchen, dance floor, tables and chairs to seat up to 40 people (max 60), and restrooms. Members receive a discount on renting the community clubhouse. The normal rate is \$75 to rent the clubhouse for the whole day or (\$15 per hour - min. of 3 hours.) Members can rent the clubhouse at a discount for only \$60 per day.

**Scouting Discount** - If you are involved with scouting

(or other service clubs), leaders who are members

may rent the clubhouse for \$10 a month.

**Community Meetings** – The clubhouse is free for a member's use for any community meetings.

If you have any questions, please call Vi Anderson at 425-226-7005.



## St. Patrick's Day Event— 3/4/06



Join us for a fun St. Patrick's Day Event.

There will be a community potluck with live music at the Lake Desire Community Clubhouse on Saturday, March 4th at 7pm. The potluck will begin at 7pm. The club will pro-

vide corned beef and cabbage, punch and coffee. Please bring a side dish. There will be live music/dancing starting at 8pm. You won't want to miss this live country/country rock band, "Pardners".

All neighbors are invited and are welcome to bring their friends.



Cost is \$5 donation per couple/family to offset the band.



**Don't miss  
'The Pardners'  
Live Band!!**

## Next Community Club Meeting—4/18/06



Join us for the next Lake Desire Area Community Meeting

on April 18th, 2006 at 7:30pm at the clubhouse. We will be discussing the latest issues and planning events for the rest of

the year. All neighbors are welcome to come. (The next Board Meeting will be February 7th at 7:30pm at Vi's house.)



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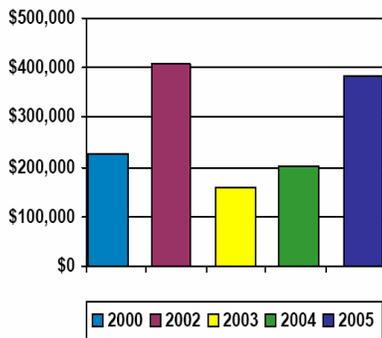
Our community is a place where people want to move to. If you know someone that wants to move to our area or if you need to sell your home, call me. I know our area well, having lived in Fairwood for 12 years, the last 2 in Trovitsky Park.

By using the most advanced computer technology available, I am able to:

- Help Buyers find more houses for sale
- Help Sellers find the buyer who will pay top dollar for their house.

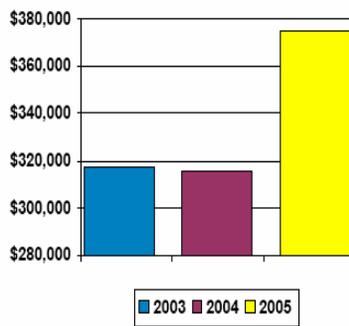
### Lake Desire

Average Sales Price



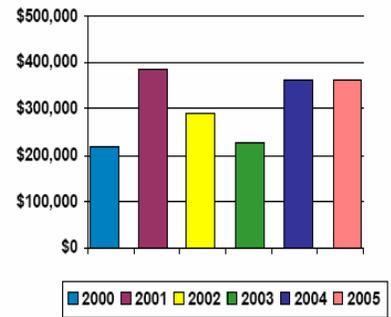
### Trovitsky Park

Average Sales Price



### Shady Lake

Average Sales Price



## Ladies' Craft Nights- 2/10 & 3/24, 7pm

Ladies in the area are welcome to come on February 10th and March 24th at 7pm to

the Lake Desire Community Clubhouse. Please bring any craft you would like to work on. This is an opportunity to meet new friends and have some time to your-

self to work on your crafts. If anyone has any questions, please contact Lynn Jameson at [snips4@aol.com](mailto:snips4@aol.com).

## Lake Volunteers Needed

Kathy Shertz is in contact with staff from King County agencies who are looking into setting up a program for volunteers to monitor and document water quality, both of Lake Desire as well as the retention ponds that drain from THE PARKS, TROVITSKY PARK, and WOODSIDE BOULEVARD. Volunteers are also needed to work with King County staff and perhaps the King Conser-

vation District to find a solution to the beaver problem at Lake Desire. It may be possible to obtain a grant to fund some type of device, or other method, to alleviate the flooding at our lake. Volunteers are also needed to monitor noxious weeds such as Scots Broom, Poison Tansy Ragwort and Purple Loosestrife at Lake Desire.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED

CONTACT: Kathy Shertz by phone 425-228-8666 or e-mail [katshertz@poetworld.net](mailto:katshertz@poetworld.net).





# Lake Desire Community Meeting

1/10/06

8:00 PM

Lake Desire Community Club

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1. **Secretary's Report** – Heather reviewed the minutes from the last meeting.
2. **Old Business** –
  - **Renton Annexation/Fairwood Incorporation** – Nancy Alter was unable to attend but sent an update via E-mail.

## **Public Community Meeting - "A Greater Renton - a Better Fairwood"**

Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2006

Time: 7:00 - 8:45 PM

Location: Fairwood Library

Topic: City of Renton representatives will answer questions on issues regarding the proposed City of Fairwood and the alternative option of annexation to Renton.

Go Fairwood Volunteers will be present at the meeting to ask questions, hand out information and meet with interested volunteers for Incorporation!

<http://www.gofairwood.com/faq.htm#Q6>

### **Q: Why isn't annexation to Renton preferred?**

A: Our feedback from the community has substantially favored creation of a new city over incorporation into Renton. A city of Fairwood will give the residents of the community more control over what happens in this area than if it were annexed by Renton, and strengthens the Fairwood identity. Also, Renton has expressed no interest in moving toward annexation in the near future.

### **Q: How will the tax rates for Renton, Fairwood and Unincorporated KC compare?**

A: One of the most important work items that is set in motion by filing the Notice of Proposed Incorporation is a financial feasibility study, which is paid for by King County. A draft of this study is currently complete, and shows that the City of Fairwood could provide slightly higher levels of service for the same tax dollars that residents currently pay. King County has stated that they intend to continue raising taxes, so remaining unincorporated we are certain to continue to pay higher taxes. With the City of Fairwood, the community will have the ability to decide what we want to pay in taxes, and what our tax dollars should be spent on. Initially, at least, no tax increase will be necessary for Fairwood. **The costs of annexation to Renton are unknown. According to Renton's city council minutes, they are currently exploring ways of offsetting costs of annexation.**

**Nancy's Input: "Offsetting costs" is another way of saying they won't tax or surtax the current Renton Citizens, but will do so with the areas they win by annex. Costs are "improving or aligning the infrastructure of the annexed area to conform (at surtaxed cost) to the Zone and other building codes). As a resident on the far side of an ecologically challenged lake; I don't want the 1 lane road torn up or sewer pipe laid across the wetlands, we call our backyards. Why would the City of Renton**

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interfere with the successful petition and incorporation process so far? Depending on whether BRB allows any annexation until the incorporation vote, it may or may not involve a vote. The process of the City of Fairwood Incorporation requires a vote. Who wants to gamble with their choices and possibly not have the right to vote.....on annexation.

- **Clubhouse Repairs** – An electrician was hired and lights were repaired and installed to illuminate the clubhouse for safety precautions. A few more lights still need to be installed. It was agreed to light up the address, the front sign and inside the storage bin. This will help people find the facility since there was an issue. Here are some more requests for repairs:
    - Paint the inside of clubhouse
    - Install chair rails to prevent the tables from marking up the walls
    - Replace post that rotted
    - Check fire extinguisher and make sure it is certified for fire requirements
    - Fix men’s urinal (flusher sticks/replace wax rings/)
    - Fix toilet leak in men’s restroom
  - **Cabinets for storage** – Nick Vacca is working on cabinets in order to store items properly in the men’s restroom.
  - **Beaver Problem** – Thanks to Tony Sieger and son, Carl, for cleaning out the outlet. This was done prior to the rains.
  - **Christmas Party** – Last month’s Christmas Party had 10 children in attendance. Thanks to Darryl Anderson who volunteered as Santa Claus this year. All the children received gifts, punch and cookies.
3. **New Business** –
- Nominations for officers** – The following were nominated, but there were only 5 members in attendance at this meeting so we could not vote. We need to have 7 members in order to have a quorum. We will need to vote via mail this year.
- **President** – Vi Anderson
  - **Vice-President** – Melody Sieger
  - **Secretary** – Heather Smith
  - **Treasurer** – Tom Sill
4. **Upcoming Events** –
- **St. Patrick’s Event** – Vi is coordinating a potluck with live music entertainment. This will be held on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. Potluck begins at 7pm and music/dancing begins at 8pm.
5. **Next Meeting** – Our next Board meeting will be on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 7:30pm at Vi’s house. The budget will be finalized for the year. Next time we have a general meeting, it was suggested to call members to see if they were coming in order to have a quorum. It was also suggested to start a phone tree.
6. **Meeting Adjourned** – 9:10pm

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#### **Lake Desire Reminders:**

- The US Postal Service has stated that residents must maintain a 15-foot clear area at their mailboxes. Mail will not be delivered to boxes that are blocked by automobiles, garbage cans, etc.
- It is illegal to park vehicles on the paved portion of roadways around Lake Desire. Vehicles that block the pavement are subject to ticketing by the King County Sheriff's Dept. To report blocking vehicles phone 911 with the description and license number of vehicle. Not only do illegally parked vehicles cause a problem for traffic they can impede emergency vehicles. Please do not park on the paved roadway.

#### **Lake Desire Announcements:**

- Tom Sill and Gretchen Nelson are getting married on March 4<sup>th</sup> at University Presbyterian Church.
- House for sale—18528 W Lk Desire Dr SE, contact [Shannonrussell@comcast.net](mailto:Shannonrussell@comcast.net) for more details
- Free Maytag dishwasher (works)—Call Kathy at 425-228-8666
- Free Heintzman & Co. Piano—Call Heather 425-917-9533

# Vote for Lake Desire Officers

Since we did not have quorum at the last community meeting, please vote for the 2006 Lake Desire Community officers. You must be a member to vote, and the deadline is January 31st, 2006. Please send this along with the membership form on the reverse side. Feel free to enter a write in candidate, and let us know if you are interested in helping out in any way. Thanks for your help on this!

- Vice President:**  
 Melody Sieger  
 Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Secretary:**  
 Heather Smith  
 Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Treasurer:**  
 Tom Sill  
 Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Trustee:**  
 Nick Vacca  
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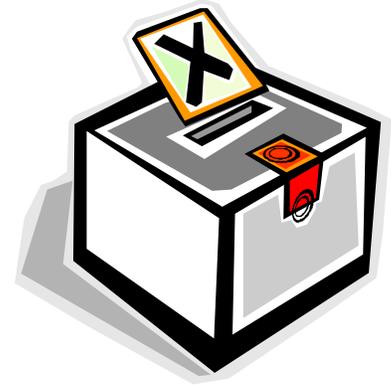
I am interested in volunteering in the following areas:

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

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**President:**

- Vi Anderson  
 Write In \_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature:  
 X \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Must have signature to be valid)



*The earth is but one country, and mankind its citizens. - Baha'u'llah*

**One Loving Creator      One Unfolding Religion      One Human Family**

Could the world's major religions have one common source?

Could they all contribute to our spiritual heritage?

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Who are the Baha'is? What do they believe? And what are they doing to build a better world?

Come explore the Baha'i Faith with local Baha'is at any of the following open discussion events.

Wednesday, January 25th  
 7:30 to 8:30 PM  
 Fairwood Library

Friday, February 3rd  
 7:30 to 8:30 PM  
 Lake Desire Community Club

Thursday, February 16th  
 7:00 to 8:30 PM  
 Covington Library

Thursday, March 2nd  
 7:00 to 8:30 PM  
 Covington Library

For more information or local contact, please write to [info@kcsebahais.org](mailto:info@kcsebahais.org) or call Thom or Judy at 425-235-4803

To learn more about the Baha'i Faith, visit <http://www.bahai.us/> or call 1-800-22-UNITE

# Lake Desire Community Club Membership Application 2006

Dues: \$15.00/Individual & Family

\$10.00/Senior over 65

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address if you would like to receive community news via E-mail:

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In addition to our dues, we are also making a contribution in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to help with club expenses.

Please make checks to Lake Desire Community Club. Please send this form back in the enclosed envelope to Vi Anderson, 17232 174th Ave SE, Renton, WA 98058. Thanks!

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## LAKE DESIRE COMMUNITY CLUB

c/o Heather Smith  
17421 W Lk. Desire Dr SE  
Renton, WA 98058



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