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MEETING AGENDA

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Sunday, May 1 at 2:30 p.m.
Carnation Library
4804 Tolt Avenue
Carnation, 98014

Please attend so your questions can be answered and your voice can be heard.

- Chair Opening Remarks & Rules of Order
- Member Comments (2 minute time limit)
- Approval of Meeting Agenda
- Approval of Minutes of November 2015 Special Membership Meeting
- Committee Reports
- Director Nominations
- New Motions
- Member Comments (2 minute time limit)

President's Corner

This special winter 2016 edition of the Lake Marcel Community Club newsletter focuses on drugs and crime related issues in our neighborhood. Please see Lee Culverwell's feature article, which includes an invitation to our upcoming town hall meeting on this topic.

Our town hall meeting will be held from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, March 19 at the Carnation public library. All Lake Marcel community residents, including property owners and renters, are invited to attend. Let's step away from our keyboards for a while and participate in meaningful, face-to-face discussion with key leaders from the King County Council and Sheriff's Department and the Friends of Youth.

On a related topic, Duvall-King County Fire District 45 has scheduled its own town hall meeting for 7:00 pm on Tuesday, April 5 at the headquarters station in Duvall. Attendance is open to all residents of the greater Carnation-Duvall area who are interested in local issues and service challenges. The District's goal is to provide factual information to citizens and to answer any questions before they cast their vote on the Duvall Fire levy proposition that is on the ballot for April 26.

The problems we are facing in our community are not unique. However, two things make our situation special. First, we have a strong local communication network that includes the LMCC email alert system, the unofficial Lake Marcel Facebook page, and frequent and timely telephone conversations among concerned neighbors, all of which provide a heightened awareness of local issues. Second, we have a demonstrated desire to be proactive in addressing problems, identifying root causes and implementing solutions. These things help to keep the Lake Marcel community a safe, healthy and wonderful place to live.

John Held

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events

- March 8, 7:30 pm Board Meeting at LMCC Office at Beach 1
- March 12, 9:00 am Adopt-A-Road clean up along Fay Road.
Meet at Beach 1.
- March 19, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm LMCC Town Hall meeting at
Carnation Library
- March 26, 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt at Beach 1

Geese Control



Unfortunately this time of year brings unwanted visiting geese to our lake. In an effort to discourage them from making our parks and your yards their home, we will occasionally use a bird banger to discharge a loud explosive sound to scare off these geese. The shells used in the bird banger are blanks and no geese are harmed.

Town Hall Meeting

Lake Marcel Community Club
with special guests
King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert,



Jerry Blackburn, M.Ed., CDP, Program Manager- Substance Abuse
and Prevention Services, Friends of Youth,



and Representatives from the King County Sheriff's Office



You are invited to attend to find out more about drug and property crimes affecting our
community and what YOU can do to protect your home and family.

Saturday, March 19, 2016, 11am – 1pm
Question and Answer session
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Drug and Property Crimes – What to Look for and How to Respond

Lake Marcel community members have made ongoing reports of property crimes – break-ins, gas thefts, car prowling, missing packages and stolen mail. Additionally, we have drug crimes – both dealing and using of illegal drugs – occurring within our neighborhood. Your help is needed to stop criminal activity in our neighborhood.

Like other Pacific Northwest communities, our Snoqualmie Valley has been hit hard by heroin and methamphetamine addiction and the associated crimes carried out by addicts. In the past year alone, our neighborhood has seen a drug house raided by a SWAT team, as well as two home invasions in houses bordering our community. Repeat offenders spend short stints in jail, then immediately resume property crimes and illegal drug activities.

Why would gas be stolen when the price of gas is so low? Addicts often put all cash into their habit – even \$10 can buy enough drugs to get high, leaving nothing left for filling the tank.

What do illegal drug activities look like?

Watch for suspicious activity:

- Many vehicles stopping by at all hours of the day, or meeting someone at a corner, getting in a vehicle for a short time, then leaving.
- Many visitors staying for a short duration, perhaps arriving empty handed and leaving with a package or backpack.
- Visitors at strange hours, blocked-up windows, and odd smells
- Excessive foot traffic to and from a house, along with loitering in or around a home.

Keep an eye out for drug paraphernalia. Surprisingly, people can be careless about concealing drug paraphernalia such as hypodermic needles and pipes, even when a police presence has been established in the neighborhood. If you see signs of these materials, call the police.

- If you find evidence of drug paraphernalia, take note of where you found it, what type of paraphernalia it was, what time of day you discovered it, and on what date, and report those details to the police. Consider taking a photo.

Examples of Heroin Paraphernalia:



What happens when you report a crime to the King County Sheriff?

King County Sheriff's Office North Precinct Captain Rodney Chinnick states that when you call 9-1-1 to report a crime, "the response is dictated by the facts and circumstances that are reported by the caller. If, for example, a crime is reported to be in progress because suspects are present, the call will receive a much higher priority response than if this is something that has occurred in the past." When you call, be sure to have details like the location with cross streets (for example, 320th Ave NE and NE 106th St), and details about the vehicle or suspects involved - approximate height, clothing, age, etc.

"If the KCSO receive calls about a problem person or drug house in a neighborhood, then with a caller's assistance, a Narcotics Activity Report can be completed. Reports can be submitted online or over the phone. Once these reports are generated, they are routed to the appropriate work location, reviewed and assigned for any appropriate follow up."

"If you see something, say something. If that something is a suspicion of an in progress crime, that should result in a call being made to 9-1-1 without delay. We count on our partnership with communities to increase our effectiveness. That works best when community members act as extra sets of eyes and ears for us." If the concern isn't a crime in progress, calls can be made to 9-1-1 when convenient. Online reporting is another option in some situations.

Don't assume someone else will call. We live in a family neighborhood. It's up to all of us to report crimes to protect our community. Crimes, and reports of crimes, can bring down property values. More importantly, drivers under the influence of illegal drugs pose a risk to pedestrians, pets and children walking home from school.

Please attend the **Lake Marcel Community Club Town Hall Meeting with special guests:**

King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert A member of the Law and Justice Committee and Criminal Justice Task Force, she works on issues such as gangs, drug abuse and protecting citizens from violent offenders.

Jerry Blackburn, M.Ed., CDP, Program Manager- Substance Abuse and Prevention Services, Friends of Youth will speak on the topics of substance abuse prevention and treatment.

Representatives from King County Sheriff's Office will also be present to answer your questions on criminal activity and law enforcement.

Question and Answer session following our speakers' comments.

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Questions? Contact the Lake Marcel Office at 788-2525 or lkmarcel@frontier.net

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Are You Moving or Selling Your Home?

If you are moving from your house here in Lake Marcel, but still own the property, please keep the Community Club updated with your current mailing address. The same applies if you own a lot.

If you are selling your home we would like to remind you, it is your responsibility to inform the realtor and buyer of the HOA rules and regulations. Please keep the office informed of any change of address or ownership by emailing lkmarcel@frontier.com or call the office at 788-2525.

Thank you!



- Friendly Reminders -

- If you lose something at the park, you can check LMCC's lost and found.
- Please do not park on the walking paths per King County Code.
- Do not trespass or dump garbage on vacant lots.
- Dog waste bags are located at both parks. Please only take what you use. We've noticed members taking multiple bags for personal use and this is causing our supply to run low. Please don't take more than you use, so that we can continue to provide bags at the parks and keep our parks free from pet waste.

Thank you!

Going Green – Your Electronic Newsletter



We offer an electronic newsletter to reduce the cost of our paper version. We have had a positive response from those who have made the switch.

We recognize there are some individuals without email capabilities and will continue to provide those individuals with a paper version; however with the rising costs of postage every year, we continue to try to find ways to cut costs to manage expenses.

We again encourage you, if you have not already, to send an email to lkmarcel@frontier.com or make a phone call to the LMCC office 425-788-2525 to join the cost saving effort. The email you provide will only be used for the purpose(s) you have designated. LMCC has a Newsletter Email list and also an Urgent Advisory Email list for community crime and safety issues. Let us know which email list you would like to be on. We respect your privacy and hope you will join us by going Green.