



THE LAKE SHORE BREEZE

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A Note From Your Board of Directors

New Board Member

We would like to welcome our newest board member, Gary Gilliard. Gary has lived in Lake Shore for about four years and brings his experience from 25 years in the finance industry.

Gary is very active in the community and has served on several boards and commissions including as Chairman of the Aurora Business Advisory Board. He is currently the Treasurer of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Aurora Citizen's Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development.

Gary's background and experience will be tremendous assets to the board and to our community. Welcome aboard, Gary!

Farewell and Thank You

Marty DeKramer has resigned from the board. We would like to thank our former President for his dedication and service. Marty has made a tremendous contribution to our community. With Marty's resignation, we have a Director position available. Please contact a board member or CMG if you are interested in volunteering.

Fence and Playground Repairs

Arbor Fence will begin the repairs to the perimeter fence the first week of May and should have them completed by the end of the month, weather permitting. A couple months after these repairs are finished and the new wood has had time to season, the fence will be stained. All of this work should extend the life of the fence for another five years.

You may have also noticed the broken slide at the playground has been replaced with a metal ladder and the fence at the playground has been repainted. The pole, backboard, and rims at the basketball court should be replaced by the middle of May. And soon we will have new signs at the basketball court announcing the closing time of 10:00 PM.

Amendment to the Protective Covenants

Just thirty more signatures are needed to approve the amendment to the Protective Covenants regarding the Architectural Control Committee. If you have not yet returned your form, please sign it and send it to CMG right away. If you need a form, please contact **Lisa Coleman** at 303-671-6216 or **Lisa Kelly** at 303-337-1989. You can also pickup and/or drop-off signed forms at the Pool Opening Party.

Board of Directors

- **President**
Lisa Kelly, 303-337-1989
- **Vice President**
Lanna Bailey, 303-337-7651
- **Treasurer**
Tony Hamilton,
303-755-9846
- **Secretary**
Gary Gilliard, 303-368-5971
- **Director**
Vacant

Interested in the vacancy?
Contact a board member or
CMG at 303-752-9644

Event Announcements

Pool Opening Party

Our pool opens on 29 May! We will have our annual party to celebrate at the pool. Bring a side dish or dessert and our association will provide sandwiches and drinks. Games begin at 11:00 AM and lunch at 12:30 PM. Contact **Kim Fawcett** at 303-745-1199 if you'd like to help. Pool hours will be 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

We will also be having a Volunteer Drive at the Pool Opening Party. Come meet the board and committee members, share your ideas, and get involved in your community. We'll see you there!

4th of July Parade and Picnic

This is our largest social event of the year. Everyone is encouraged to join or view the parade through the neighborhood. Afterwards, we will have a BBQ and games at the pool. *The fire department will be here to lead the parade* and to cool off anyone who needs relief from the heat. The parade will begin at 11:00 AM and the BBQ at 12:00 PM. Bike and car decorating will be held on 3 July at the pool parking lot.

We need volunteers to help with the planning and coordination. Please contact **Kim Fawcett** at 303-745-1199 to sign up!

Bits and Pieces

Neighborhood Watch

Thank you to **Officer Sellman**, our PAR officer, who has provided so much valuable information at our last two Neighborhood Watch meetings. If you were unable to attend the last meeting, here are a few highlights:

- If in doubt, call the police. The website also has a copy of a pamphlet with additional information (www.onlinelakeshore.org/callPolice.html).
- The Neighborhood Watch program relies on two-way communication. Our committee members take their job of relaying information to us very seriously. We, in turn, need to pass along any relevant information to them.
- No one cares about our own neighborhood as much as we do. If we see a problem, we need to address it. Taking care of our neighborhood sends a message to those who do not. The message is "We are invested in what happens in and around our community."

We'd like to extend a huge thank you to **Lisa Kelly** for getting our Neighborhood Watch program going. After this next meeting, we will be able to get the familiar Neighborhood Watch signs in our neighborhood. The next meeting will be on 3 May at 6:30 PM at Vassar Elementary School in the gym. Please plan to attend what promises to be a very infor-

mative meeting and hear about a great new program.

Mailbox Clips

Throughout the neighborhood, a number of the clips nailed to the mailbox posts are broken. These clips are used for the distribution of newsletters and other notices. We will be coming by to replace the broken clips during the month of May.

We Love Our Puppies

Which is why we keep them on leash when walking them, for their own safety. And because the grassy areas are used by people as well as animals, we need to pick up after our dogs. We also must keep them out of the lake. Puppy paws are hard on the lake liner and the water isn't clean enough for them (a wading pool is just \$5). Did you know Aurora has an off-leash dog park? The park is on Quincy, just east of Buckley (your dog must have a current license from the city to play).

Join the E-mail List

Did you know you can have Lake Shore news delivered to you by e-mail? Just click on the E-mail List link at www.onlinelakeshore.org to join today!

Water Restrictions Advisory

The City of Aurora's water supply continues to recover from a historic drought. Aurora water customers have done an amazing job of conserving water. In 2003, water customers reduced their water consumption by 30 percent when compared to average water use.

Aurora receives the majority of its water supplies from the snow pack in three river basins: South Platte, Colorado, and Arkansas. Unfortunately, for several years in a row, the snow pack in the watersheds which Aurora relies on have been significantly below average. That means that mandatory watering restrictions will continue to be in effect in 2004. Effective 1 May, Aurora will implement water restrictions as follows:

- Lawns may be watered two days a week, before 10:00 AM or after 6:00 PM.
- There is no time limit on watering, but water must not run off landscaping and a tiered rate structure applies.
- Trees, shrubs, and vegetable or flower gardens may be hand-watered any day.
- Cars may be washed with a shut-off nozzle and bucket.
- Installation of new lawns requires a new lawn permit, available from Aurora Utilities.
- Xeric trees shrubs, and perennials may be planted.

The schedule for lawn watering is below. For more information on water restrictions or to report a water wasting violation, please call 303-739-7195.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Even	City/Permit	Other	Odd	Even	Other	Odd
Single family, Duplex, Triplex, and Fourplex	No watering except city needs or by permit	Multi-family, HOAs' common areas, and Businesses	Single family, Duplex, Triplex, and Fourplex	Single family, Duplex, Triplex, and Fourplex	Multi-family, HOAs' common areas, and Businesses	Single family, Duplex, Triplex, and Fourplex

Committee Focus

Do you have an idea for making your neighborhood an even better place to live? Do you have an idea for a committee, activity, event, or project that would foster a sense of community? Would you like to get more involved in your community? Would you like to get to know your neighbors better? Consider joining one of the Lake Shore Community Association committees!

Many of our committees are currently seeking volunteers. Consider joining, volunteering to help with a specific event, or becoming a floating committee member -- someone who can be called on when there is a particular need.

In addition to our committees, dedicated residents who have taken the initiative to approach the board with an idea and a plan for executing it have accomplished numerous jobs around the neighborhood. The gazebo restoration in 2000 and the installation of electrical outlets at the entrances are two great examples of this sort of resident-driven initiative.

We are planning a Volunteer Drive at this year's Pool Opening Party. This is an opportunity for you to meet the board and committee members, hear about upcoming events, and offer your suggestions. We look forward to seeing you there and hearing what you have to say!

Committees Seeking Volunteers

Architectural Control Committee (ACC)

The ACC ensures we maintain the exterior appearance of our property by reviewing our improvement requests and investigating complaints. Of paramount concern is preserving the aesthetic harmony of the neighborhood, assuring a pleasant environment for all of us. If you are interested in volunteering or have suggestions for the ACC, please contact **Teresa McCaskill** at 303-750-8277.

Neighborhood Directory Committee

The Neighborhood Directory Committee gathers contact information from all of us and compiles that information into a directory which is distributed annually. If you are interested in volunteering or have suggestions for the Neighborhood Directory Committee, please contact **Kimberly Sexton** at 303-886-7544.

Neighborhood Watch Committee

The Neighborhood Watch Committee identifies and informs us of safety and security issues and promotes security awareness in the community. The committee needs someone who lives on East Baker Place to volunteer to be your street's Block Captain. The Block Captains are primarily responsible for relaying information between the committee and the residents of the block. If you are interested in volunteering or have suggestions for the Neighborhood Watch Committee, please contact **Lisa Kelly** at 303-337-1989.

Newsletter Committee

The Newsletter Committee gathers information for and distributes a bi-monthly newsletter. The purpose of this newsletter is to inform us about what is happening in and around the neighborhood and to keep us apprised of issues

facing the Board of Directors. If you are aware of an event or issue of interest to your neighbors, please pass it along to the committee. If you are interested in volunteering, have input for the newsletter, or have suggestions for the Newsletter Committee, please contact **Earl Bradshaw** at 303-752-9433.

Pool Committee

The Pool Committee oversees the maintenance and operation of the pool. The committee also establishes rules to ensure our safety and to accommodate our use of the pool and reports damage or unsafe conditions to the Board of Directors and property manager. If you are interested in volunteering or have suggestions for the Pool Committee, please contact **Brenda Hummel** at 303-750-0219.

Social Committee

The Social Committee plans and coordinates social activities in the neighborhood such as the Pool Opening Party, 4th of July Parade and Picnic, and Winter Holiday Buffet. We look forward to these events each year, but they do require a tremendous amount of planning and coordination. If you are interested in volunteering or have suggestions for the Social Committee, please contact **Kim Fawcett** at 303-745-1199.

Website Committee

The Website Committee maintains our website (www.onlinelakeshore.org). The purpose of the website is to allow us to quickly and easily access documents, news, and other relevant information online. The committee is always interested hearing our ideas for enhancing or improving the website. If you are interested in volunteering, have input for the website, or have suggestions for the Website Committee, please contact **Earl Bradshaw** at 303-752-9433.

Spring Cleaning Days Are Here

It's time once again to gather together your unwanted or outgrown treasures. This year we have planned several events to help you to dispose of these items.

Community Garage Sale: 14 and 15 May

Our community garage sale will be on Friday, 14 May and Saturday, 15 May from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM both days. We will advertise the event in the newspaper and will have signs at the entrances. Here are a few tips:

- Start preparing several days in advance.
- Pickup \$25 to \$50 in change from your bank beforehand and have a calculator.
- Never leave your cash unattended. Consider keeping it in a fanny pack.
- Wear sunscreen and sunglasses.
- Have some drinks and snacks handy so you don't have to leave your own sale.
- Put removable price tags on everything.
- Organize and display items in an orderly fashion with every item clearly visible.
- Put visually striking items near the street.
- Turn on your radio for background music.
- Keep your pets out of the sale area.
- Be prepared for the early birds.
- Be friendly, but wait until a buyer approaches you before speaking.
- If your prices are reasonable, it's possible you can make most of your sales without going down further on the price.
- Save newspaper to wrap fragile items.

- Save your grocery bags for people who purchase several items.
- Consider selling refreshments.

If you don't manage to sell everything, you can always donate it to charity during our...

Cerebral Palsy of Colorado Pickup: 17 May

We have arranged for CP of CO to make pickups in the community on Monday, 17 May. You can donate clothes and other household items by bagging or boxing them, marking them CP, and placing them at your curbside by 8:00 AM. CP of CO will not itemize or appraise your donation, but they will provide a receipt for your tax records.

And if you still have some items to dispose of, you can get rid of them during our...

Dumpster Days: 22 and 23 May

We will provide two large dumpsters at the basketball court parking lot on Saturday, 22 May and Sunday, 23 May. Because this is always a hugely popular event, we ask that you please place all items in the dumpsters. If an item is too heavy to lift or the dumpsters are full, do not place it next to the dumpsters. Any items not placed in the dumpsters will cost the association additional money to haul away.

If you have any questions regarding any of these events, please contact a board member.

ACC Requests

Now that Spring is here, many will be making home improvements. Our community is full of beautiful homes and lovely, landscaped yards. We all appreciate the effort our homeowners put into maintaining their property.

Please remember Lake Shore is a covenant-controlled community and the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) must approve all the improvements we make to our homes' exteriors and landscaping. The ACC request process en-

sures we all comply with community standards, thereby preserving the unique beauty of our neighborhood, assuring a pleasant environment for all of us, and protecting our property values.

Before you start your project, please get ACC approval by filling out an ACC Improvement Request Form (available from CMG or online at www.onlinelakeshore.org). Once you've completed the form, submit it to CMG for ACC review. Thank you for your cooperation!



Mark Your Calendar
Neighborhood Watch
Meeting: 3 May
Board Meeting: 20 May
Pool Party: 29 May
Board Meeting: 17 June

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