Lake Sherwood Acres News & Views

2022 SLA and LSCA JOINT ANNUAL MEETING EDITION

SLA President's Message by Doug Pacas

Hello, neighbors!

Hoping your 2022 is off to a good start. Whether you've had the opportunity to call our special community your "home" for 40 days or 40 years, I hope you are finding your journey here at Lake Sherwood Acres to be fulfilling.

A big "thank you" to the residents who attended our budget forum on December 7 and our annual meeting on January 25. The intent for both your HOA (SLA) and your Club (LSCA) during these meetings is to provide accountability and transparency regarding past year's activities, and to share plans for the future. We appreciate the feedback and questions offered during these gatherings. Your voice is important to us!

At the end of our annual meeting, resident votes were tallied. The board of directors for both SLA and LSCA were approved, as were the 2022 annual dues. I'm grateful that Kaycee Kersch has "accepted the call" to serve on the SLA board this year. Appreciation is also expressed to Tommy Milazzo, who is taking a well-deserved break after serving faithfully since 2013.

Your club continues to implement great improvements to its facility. The pool has new plaster, new brick coping, new edge/swim lane tiles, and two additional handrails for easier access. It also sports a brand new pump and filtration system. It's practically brand new! Call a neighbor, and ask them to join you down at the club this year. And if have friends who are looking to join a pool club for the summer, membership at the Lake Sherwood Club is a great value...and has one of the nicest pools around!

As we look forward to 2022, we are mindful of a few challenges in our area.

Security continues to be a top priority of our community. We have seen an uptick in crime in surrounding areas. Even so, we have been fortunate that the presence of our officers continues to offer a successful deterrent. Please continue to do your part - lock the doors of your cars and your home, turn on security systems, and watch out for your neighbors.

This fall, our board was able to oversee some improvements in water depth to three of our lake "fingers". We continue to monitor lake levels, and are hopeful that through the use of eco-friendly treatments, the success that was achieved can be sustained. Our lake is important...and we want it to continue to be healthy and vibrant for decades to come!

Some noise challenges near Coursey at Sherwood Forrest continue to cause some difficulty. We have seen some improvements in this condition mainly due of the tireless actions of residents, who continue to report when difficulties flare up. The issue with drag racing also continues to be a struggle throughout Baton Rouge. Please continue to be diligent - if you see or hear something that is out of bounds, call the police immediately.

SLA President's Message –continued

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Sewer and gas line work continues throughout Lake Sherwood. While this will yield improvements long-term, there have been accidently breaks in our street light power along the way. Entergy did correct a large portion of these power issues in late December. Even so, there are several individual street lights still out. Your HOA has marked these dark lights with tape, and has contacted Entergy via 311. I would encourage you to do the same, if you are in proximity to such an issue. The 311 app on your smart phone is especially easy to use for this purpose.

Well, enough for now. Please know your SLA board is excited for the upcoming year. Remember: We are all volunteers...just plain ol' residents. We would love for you to join us and to help us on the journey. No effort is too small or too large! Call on me if you want to discuss the possibility.

Doug

2022 SLA Officers

At the required special meeting of the new board immediately following the Annual Meeting, the following were selected by the directors as officers for the 2022 term:

Doug Pacas as President, Don Frattini as Vice President, Jennifer St. Cyr as Secretary, and Shannon Long as Treasurer.

Appointments for the committee chairs will be approved on February 7th. at the first regular monthly meeting of the new board.

SLA Directors Elected for 2022

Officers

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2022 Annual Meeting

SLA President Doug Pacas (at podium) and LSCA President Reed Mundy welcome the residents and introduce the speakers. Later, LSCA Treasurer Tom Schoen gave a financial presentation for the Club.

At the end of the presentations, Doug handled the call for any names to be considered for SLA and LSCA directors from the floor. There were none. He then announced the results of the 2022 vote totals. (See page 5)

Residents representing 23 lots attended the January 25th Annual Meeting

LSCA Directors Elected for 2022

Officers:

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Voting Results from Annual Meeting

A total of 111 ballots were cast representing 166 votes (remember that lake lots have three votes). This is six fewer ballots than last year, and represents a turnout of only 35.5%. However, we are pleased to point out that your vote supported the 2022 Budget and Assessment was 94% favorable. Thank you for your support.

2022 Assessment Breakdown

	Off Lake	Lake
SLA Operations	$89	$267
SLA Special Projects	$0	$0
Security	$97	$97
Club Operations	$158	$158
Club Special Projects	$85	$85
Total	$429	$607

2022 Assessment Votes

For	163	98%
Against	3	2%
Blank	0	0%
Total	166	100%

2022 Lot Participation

Off Lake	35.8%
Lake	34.1%
Total	34.5%

2017-2022 Historical Results

Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Favorable Vote	94%	97%	93%	98%	94%
Turnout	40%	37%	35%	35%	36%
Dues Off Lake	$415	$416	$410	$370	$429
Dues On Lake	$567	$558	$546	$512	$607

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Volunteer Recognition by Doug Pacas and Reed Mundy

As part of their comments at the Annual Meeting, SLA President Doug Pacas and LSCA President stressed the importance of volunteers to the success of the organizations. They praised the many volunteers that improve Lake Sherwood by serving on the SLA and LSCA Boards and their committees. From security to communications to budgeting and managing the business, it is only possible with the dedicated help of our volunteers. Below is a copy of the plaque that is displayed in the Clubhouse recognizing the 2021 volunteers.

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LSCA President's Message by Reed Mundy

Hi Neighbors

It's a new year and another season at the club! There are a lot of improvements that took place over the off-season. The pool refurbishment project and the filtration system replacement have been completed. While I know there are a lot of items that need more attention and updating, these are a great improvement to our largest asset. As stated in our annual meeting, we have a plan for the tennis courts, but it will take 2-3 years for the funding to be replenished in the Reserve Study Fund. Another improvement that will be taking place is the installation of new starting platforms for our lap lanes. If your child is on the swim team this will be much better and safer than our old platforms.

The LSCA Board of Directors have already been hard at work! We have many exciting social events being planned. Many of them have been put on for many years, but there are a few new ones as well. One of the new events will be a Penguin in the Pool swim on March 5th! Please feel free to come out and check out the new pool and jump in if you dare! Or cheer on others as they plunge into the chilly water.

We have had a couple changes on the LSCA BoD this year. Our awesome Secretary Bonnie Kersch stepped down, but will be helping with many items such as our swim team, Pool Oversight Committee, and Social Events. I would like to welcome our newest BoD Heather Jefferson, we are very excited to have Heather join as she brings her experience and expertise to our Board.

Lastly, I want to thank our awesome volunteers for 2021! Please do not forget, volunteers make our club! We always need help in many different ways. We will be hosting another Club Maintenance day on March 12th starting @ 8am. I will be sending out a list of items that need attention soon. If you would like to help, please contact me at reedmundy@gmail.com.
See you this summer!

Club 2022 Calendar

March 5th- Penguins in the pool swim. (to help celebrate the refurbished pool, have a short swim for those that are daring enough to jump in)

March 19th- Wine tasting / SLA 2022 dues drop off event.

April 16th – Easter egg hunt

April 23rd- Open House

May 6th – Pool opens Fridays evenings, Saturdays and Sundays will be normal hours

May 7th – Mother's Day Ice Cream Social

May 9th- Swim Practice begins

May 28th - Pool Opening Party (pool opens through the week)

FUN FRIDAYS – Fridays in May, June and July

September 4th – Pool Closing Party

September 10th – 5K/ Fun Run

October 30th – Halloween Bash

TBA- LSU Tailgating party

December 3rd- Breakfast with Santa

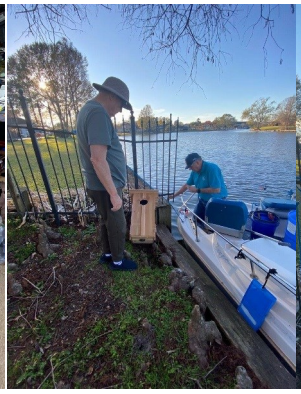
TBA- Bingo Night

TBA- Dance Lessons

Attracting Wood Ducks to Lake Sherwood by Mike Hayes

We had a little room in the newsletter and thought we could give a preview of a soon to be released report from the lake committee.

We used to have a more diverse population of waterfowl on the lake. One of the ducks we hosted in the past on the lake was the wood duck. Recently, a few were sighted on the lake. The lake committee felt if we could place some nesting boxes on the lake we may be able to entice these birds to winter with us. In past years, we had such boxes on the lake. There was a need to replace those missing boxes in order to attract these wood ducks onto our lake. We will be emailing an update report shortly on the placement of these boxes.



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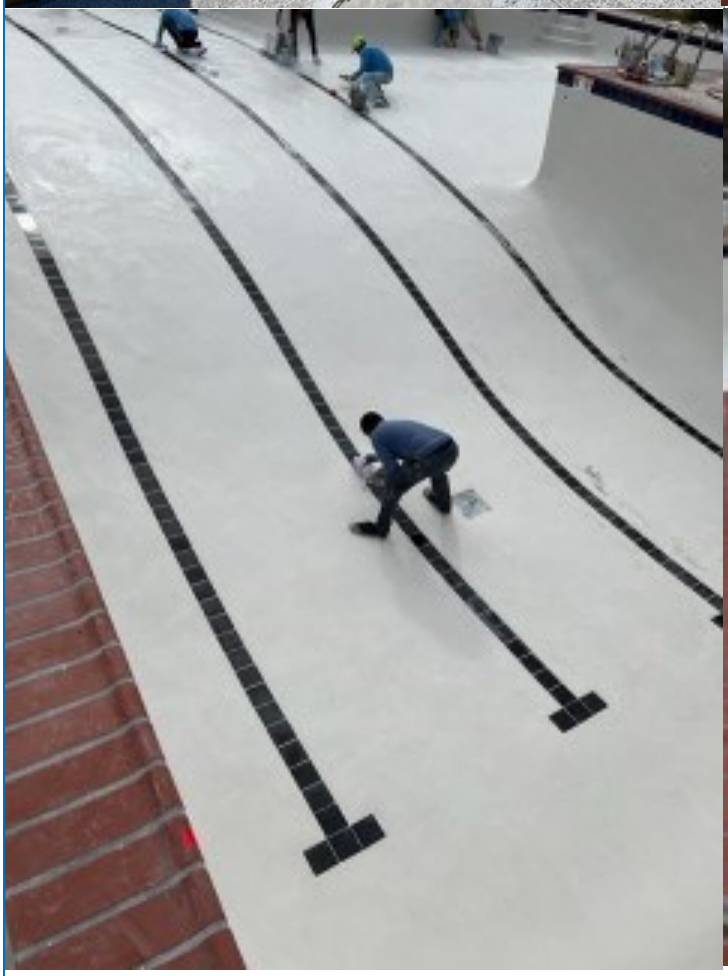

Don't tempt this thief…..Do your part. Lock your stuff and make it difficult for these criminals to succeed in our neighborhood.

7th Annual Christmas Decoration Winners by Doug Pacas

Didn't the Holiday Season shine throughout Lake Sherwood? It seemed like more residents decorated this year than ever before. Thank you for making our subdivision a festive community.

Below are some of the folks who went "above and beyond"....our winners.

Brandon & Kelli Colletti
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Colleen Fava & Jerry Peck
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Frank & Leah Arrigo
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Glenn & Monisa James
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Jim Pastorick
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Christmas Decoration Winners-Continued

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Leslie & Whitney Kinchen
12326 Lake Sherwood Ave S

Michael & Pamela Billings
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