Lakeshore Village

2019 Annual Report August 2018 – August 2019



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Message from the Board Chair

On behalf of the Lakeshore Village Board of Directors and Property Manager, Ann Michel, I would like to welcome you to the 2019 Annual Meeting of Lakeshore Village homeowners.

Through the dedication and hard work of our volunteer Board, staff, and members of the community, we have been able to accomplish a lot over the last fiscal year.

We've replaced additional railroad ties with stone wall, repaired and sealed our parking lots and driveways, completed installation of our new light fixtures, added additional native plants to our community gardens, made repairs to carports, improved our boat storage and launch areas, and so much more!

It truly does take a village to create a thriving environment and, as we move into the new fiscal year, one full of exciting new projects and opportunities, we continue to encourage you to become involved in your community. We always welcome ideas and assistance from all Villagers and hope you will volunteer for a committee or two or share your thoughts on how Lakeshore Village can continue to improve.

Don't forget to frequent our website, www.lakeshorevillage.org, or become a member of our Facebook page. You will find lots of reminders and information on both sites.

Thank you to all who have made this a great year and here's to a great 2019 – 2020!

Gretchen Feld

2018-2019 Board of Directors and Staff

Property Manager Ann Michel

Village Maintenance Rick Barker

Board of Directors Bridge Bickel Treasurer, term ending 8/20

Karen DiGirolamo Secretary, term ending 8/21

Gretchen Feld *Chair, term ending 8/19*

Patricia Hughes Term ending 8/19

Tom Martin *Term ending 8/20*

James Miller *Term ending* 8/21

Nana Seitz Filling term of Tonda Johnson, ending 8/19

> Larry Snipes Vice Chair, term ending 8/20

> > **Rick Thompson** *Term ending 8/21*

Board Alternates

Alternate terms ending 8/19 Charlotte Berry Vicki Philippi Joanna Rodes

Reflections

Administrative/Financial

- Welcomed a new Board, including first time Board member James Miller and appointed Gretchen Feld as Chair, Larry Snipes as Vice Chair, Bridge Bickel as Treasurer and Karen DiGirolamo as Secretary.
- Finalized the agreement with MetroNet for installation of fiber optic internet service to Lakeshore Village.
- Entered into a contract with Winchester Towing to provide services for when vehicles are parked illegally on Lakeshore Village property, especially when they are blocking fire hydrants.
- A strong effort was made to identify the owners of all the boats on LSV property.
- Revamped the information for potential homeowners and created a welcome packet for new residents to make our rules and regulations as clear as possible.
- Rick worked with KAWC to locate and label many water meters for units throughout the Village.
- Officer Bige Towery of the Lexington Police Department gave a presentation to homeowners regarding safety practices.
- Many residents took advantage of the Lexington Fire Department's offer to install free smoke alarms with a 10-year life span.
- Introduction of a new badge system for the pool to eliminate trespassers and encourage neighbors to get to know one another.

Infrastructure/Maintenance

- Sidewalk work to improve pooling of rainwater in targeted areas.
- Completed the installation of new light fixtures throughout the Village, eliminating much of the light pollution the old fixtures

created. Also completed wiring upgrades, significantly reducing the number of blackouts.

- Continued work on replacing railroad ties with stone retaining walls in the Village by replacing all ties in the 86-95 courtyard.
- Repairs, sealcoating and restriping of all the common area parking lots, driveways and curbs.
- Facelifts to 4 carports in the east lot.
- Emergency repair of a sewer line in the courtyard of units 1-9 at the city's expense led to a new stone wall, replacing more railroad ties, at a cost of only \$700 to LSV.
- Purchased a John Deere Gator utility vehicle for Rick Barker to use around the Village, greatly increasing his efficiency.
- Removal of large squares of impermeable concrete in the courtyard of units 1-9 to alleviate flooding during hard rainfall, which made the area impassable.
- Introduction of a new product for unit repairs: Miratex is a wood and resin compound that may be used as an alternative to cedar trim.
- Completion of Feasibility Study by CDP Engineers to develop a long-term plan to address the ongoing drainage and water run-off issues throughout the Village.
- A grant application has been submitted to the city to address the drainage issues in the first 2 sections of the Village in the aforementioned feasibility study.
- Final installation of new valves for pool pump system.

Grounds/Lake

- A project was launched to improve accessibility and storage for Village boats.
- Worked with local plant specialist John Ed Scalf to landscape the large plant bed in the courtyard of units 86-95 with native plants.
- Presentation by Ryan Koch from Seedleaf regarding options for composting.

- Multiple new trees planted while older ones were removed.
- A full pruning of all Village viburnums and burning bushes.
- Clean-up of the cemetery area, including trees, honeysuckle and ground creep inside and outside of the stone wall, creating an area for thought and reflection.

Social

- Wine and painting party in the Clubhouse in October.
- Macaroon making party in the Clubhouse in November.
- LSV Hootenany jam session in January.
- Multiple watching parties for UK Football and Basketball.
- Kentucky Derby party in May.
- Summer kick-off bash in June.
- Margarita, daiquiri and pizza party in July.

A Look at What's Ahead

- Moving forward on the feasibility study suggestions to address Village-wide drainage issues.
- Further clubhouse improvements including carpet replacement and sliding door repair.
- Repairs and painting of additional carports.
- Pool apron repairs and pool furniture replacement.
- Tree trimming creating clearance from the units.
- Pool fencing repairs.
- Grant writing for additional projects throughout the Village.
- Dock repairs.
- Signage updates.

Gratitude From the Board of Directors

The LSV Board of Directors wishes to thank...

- Property Manager Ann Michel, whose continued dedication to LSV has made a profound impact on the quality of life in the Village.
- Head of Village Maintenance Rick Barker, whose level of commitment to our Village shows no bounds and who always works hard to make sure LSV is seen in its best light.
- Dayle Vaughn and the Beautification Committee for contributing their time, labor and knowledge to ensure our grounds look their best in all seasons.
- PAC Committee Chair, Larry Snipes, and all the members of the committee for dedicating their time for property inspections.
- Social Committee Chair, Patricia Hughes, and all the members of the committee for planning some superb social events throughout the year.
- Tom Martin for keeping our website up to date.
- The pool closing volunteer team: Joanna Rodes, Christin Sims, Karen DiGirolamo, Larry and Vivian Snipes, Wendy Becker, Gretchen Feld, Kathy Smith and Bridge Bickel.
- Joel DiGirolamo for looking after the tree community of Lakeshore Village.
- Everyone in the community who has contributed one way or another to making Lakeshore Village one of the best places in Lexington. Whether you attended monthly meetings, picked up trash, volunteered on projects, reported a hazard, donated money, or any other contribution, we truly value each and every one of you.

THANK YOU!