## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome 2021, and goodbye 2020!

What a year of so much change. A **pandemic** emerged, causing people to distance from one another, masks to be worn, children to do online schooling, people to work from home, events to be cancelled or scheduled virtually, and a shortage of toilet paper. Thank you to all the Lansbrook residents who have done their part to stay home and slow the spread of the virus.

The **ice storm** in October was devastating, leaving a lot of residents without power. It was a year of change and devastation. But, with bad comes good. A lot of residents helped this year, and I truly thank each and every one of you. Lansbrook is built on volunteering, and you have made a difference in our community. Thank you!

Now, to see what 2021 will bring. I hope we'll get the debris cleaned up with volunteers, open the pool in May, have a successful pool season, and continue our annual traditions to bring old and new residents together. However, I don't have a crystal ball and don't know what will happen this year, so please email the board and join the Facebook page so you can stay up to date.

I also challenge everyone to **be a good neighbor**. We have all been living in seclusion and may underestimate the value of a good neighbor. Of course, there is the wave and brief chats, but a good neighbor can be the difference between having a good experience or a disaster. Over time, the art of being a good neighbor has significantly changed.

Not so long ago, people would introduce themselves and help. I would like to challenge all of you to meet that new neighbor, do a simple act of kindness, maintain the exterior of your home, and be a good pet parent.

It has always been said that you should treat people the same way you wish to be treated. Even if the neighbor is not as welcoming as you are, what is important is just being a good neighbor at all times.

This simple act of kindness can create something most neighborhoods in the world do not possess anymore, which is the feeling of family. I hope our neighborhood values can continue for years to come.

- Leslie Quinalty

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### **BLOCK CAPTAINS**

The board has reinstated the **block captains program**. At one time, block captains were a norm in Lansbrook, and we hope it will be that way again! The backbone of a thriving neighborhood, block captains serve as the point people for issues pertaining to their block. They act as a liaison to the HOA and are a source of information and communication.

Block captains are not mediators between neighbors. Instead, they facilitate information between the neighborhood and HOA board. Your block captain may contact you by a variety of methods. As we continue our safety precautions, many captains may choose to introduce themselves digitally or via a flyer. If you have not heard from your block captain by the beginning of February, please contact lansbrookhoa@gmail.com so we can connect you.

We still have a few blocks that need captains. If you live in a vacant block and would like to volunteer, please contact us at lansbrookhoa@gmail.com.



Latham, Knightsbridge, Broughton Ct: VACANT

**Brentford:** Stacia Morrison

Urschel, Bingham, Saintsbury: Mike Rogers

Whitehall, Chatham: Kimberly Chretin and Ray Dykes

Kensington: Beth Challis

Overcourt, Connaught, Sunny Bridge: Hugh and Aletta Sprague

Marlow/Harwich, Shaftsbury, Norwich: Joe Mallonee

Lansbrook Ct, Shilling shore, Stoneleigh, Stanford: VACANT

**Burnham, Sulgrave**: Tom Allen and Josh Wells **Queensgate, Old Brompton:** John and Katie Meyer

# **2021 DUES**

The dues in 2021 will be increased 0.6%, or \$3.12 a year. The new dues will be \$130.78 a quarter, per covenants.

#### LANSBROOK COVENANTS VII 3A

A. The maximum annual assessment may be increased effective January 1 of each year without a vote of the membership conjointly with the rise, if any, of the Consumer Price Index (published by the Department of Labor, Washington, D.C.) for the preceding month of July.

#### **CPI JUNE 2020**

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.6% in June on a seasonally adjusted basis after falling 0.1% in May, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 0.6% before seasonal adjustment.

## **EVENTS CALENDAR**

(Tentative, subject to change)

TBD: Pancake Breakfast

**TBD:** Progressive Dinner

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

Egg Hunt 9 – 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

Spring Clean-Up 9 - 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

First Responders Appreciation

MONDAY, MAY 31

Pool Opens

SUNDAY, JULY 4

Fishing, parade, pool party, BBQ

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

Last day of weekday pool hours

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Last day of pool season // Doggie dive-in

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25** 

Campfire at fire pits

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

Wine walk

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23** 

Fall clean-up

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

Sleigh ride

Stay up-to-date on upcoming events! Email lansbrookhoa@gmail.com to receive the monthly emails and join the Lansbrook HOA Facebook page.



## **2021 BUDGET**

SECURITY	\$5,000
POOL WAGES	\$18,000
POOL	\$20,000
MOWING CONTRACT	\$55,000
GREENBELT MAINTENANCE	\$16,500
HOA SERVICES	\$10,260
INSURANCE	\$9,000
LEGAL/COLLECTION EXPENSES	\$2,500
UTILITIES	\$28,000
LAKE MAINTENANCE	\$23,500
ADMINISTRATION	\$750
SOCIAL	\$3,000
SHED POOL AREA	\$0
CAPITAL	\$10,000

**TOTAL** \$201,510







### LANSBROOK BOARD MEMBERS

NOTE: Board meetings have changed to the THIRD Tuesday of every month.

Leslie Quinalty: President, Term expires 2021

Andrew Mattheisen: Vice President, Term expires 2022

Karen Allen: Treasurer, Term expires 2022 Elizabeth Green: Secretary, Term expires 2023

Austin Sterling: Term expires 2023 Ron Barnes: Term expires 2022 Kori Weisser: Term expires 2021

The Board is an all-volunteer group.



Feel free to contact the board with any questions, comments, or concerns at lansbrookhoaegmail.com.

Board meetings held monthly on the 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

### **REMINDERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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