

# Woodland Lake

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Bimonthly Newsletter

5th Edition



A bimonthly newsletter for all Woodland Lake lot owners. This newsletter is intended to inform and entertain you.

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## OH YES, IT IS SUMMER

Summer is a time for us all to relax, a time for being together, a time for fun. A time for seeing new friendships form, grow and continue for years, this has easily been my favorite part of the season. There's no better place to spend summer days than on Woodland Lake.

There is something for everyone whether you like to fish, experience nature, or just relax. The evenings are often beautiful, a great time to kick back, have a barbecue, and enjoy your spot on the water. Messing about on boats has to be one of the most fun ways to while away an afternoon. Lake living means boating and enjoying the waterways no matter what day of the week.

When the temperatures soar, you cannot beat the escape of jumping in for a refreshing swim or paddling the waters in a canoe, kayak, or paddleboard. If you brace yourself, you usually find that it's actually not bad in there at all. In fact, "Come on in, the water's lovely!" Daniel Start, author of Wild Swimming (Wild Things Publishing) knows exactly why swimming in lakes, rivers and the sea is good for us: "Cold-water dipping dilates the blood vessels and expels toxins from the body, at the same time releasing endorphins that elevate mood and libido." What's not to like?

The biggest party in the area? Spending the day chilling on the water with old friends. In addition, the admission is FREE! Friends tie up and create what we call a FLOATILLA, where we can have two to as many as 14 boats; I think our record is 30. There isn't a time of the day when you cannot find a friend on the lake.

There are the sun risers and early morning boaters, the anglers. Mid day you are likely to find swimmers, sunbathers, kayakers, and canoers. The happy hour crowd, these folks are not amateurs; they bring a mix of food and spirits and music. This group usually merges with the evening crowd and is usually reserved for adults only. Then finally, there is the late-night crowd, usually the stargazers where Mother Nature provides the entertainment.

Everyone leaves behind schedules, work, and stress. We enjoy the fellowship and comradery while laughing and even singing at times. At Woodland Lake, there is no pressure, if you want to be social come on over, tie up your boat, and jump into a conversation. We welcome all new soon-to-be friends! If you are out on your boat, you are welcome to join!

## SEE YOU ON THE WATER

# BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

## 2022 Reminder

### Have you paid your HOA Dues?

Have you received your 2022 Boat Stickers and Lake Passes? Pay your dues via the Woodland-Lake Web page. <https://woodland-lake.com/pay-fees>

## 2022 BOAT STICKERS ARE NOW REQUIRED

### Welcome New Association Members

- Scott Hurula - Lot 72
- Paul Leslie - Lot 112
- Tony & Connie Williams - Lots 202 & 203
- Amir & Maya Sharabi - Lot 205
- Randy & Nanette Stark - Lot 208

## SPILLWAY UPDATE

*Update from Jon Anderson, Board Director for Dam and Spillway,*

Woodland Lake HOA has entered into an agreement with M&H construction company to make repairs to the head of the dam in an attempt to slow down the water flowing around the spillway. Burns Cooley and Dennis engineering firm will oversee the work and run tests to see what further work and improvements need to be made to hopefully have a permanent repair to our dam.

As of yet, we haven't any dates for the work. Due to water levels and conflicting schedules, we are on standby, and will be available at a moment's notice when everything aligns.

Be on the lookout for more information as it develops via the Facebook page and/or our web page.

## MEETINGS

### Annual Meeting June 4th

**Board Meetings** are scheduled for the FIRST THURSDAY of each month.

- July 7th
- Aug. 4th
- Sept. 1st
- Oct. 6th
- Nov. 3rd
- Dec. No Meeting

The monthly board meeting schedule may change with the new board.

## DID YOU KNOW...

Everyone is welcome to attend the monthly board meetings. Be on the lookout for an email each month for details.

If you would like to bring a topic to the board, email [info@woodland-lake.com](mailto:info@woodland-lake.com).

New agenda items must be submitted at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

**Did you know we are on social media?**

Woodland Lake Website: [Woodland-Lake.com](http://Woodland-Lake.com)

Facebook: Woodland Lake, MS

# 2022 ANNUAL MEETING

## Important Dates to Know

### **May 21 - Proxy Due Date**

Proxies are essentially the equivalent of absentee balloting. Members can assign their proxy to a proxy agent (association member). This authorizes the agent to vote on behalf of the member. If you are mailing your proxy(s), they must be postmarked no later than May 21st, to be counted. 1 vote per lot.

### **June 4 - Annual Meeting**

Eudora Baptist Church  
9670 W. Commerce / MS-304  
9 AM - 12 PM

Chef Miguel Palmieri will make an encore performance by providing breakfast snacks. The meeting will start promptly at 9 AM, please come early for breakfast. You will have an opportunity to pay your 2022 dues so your vote will count!! If you can't attend, be sure to get your proxies filled out and return to the association via mail or email. Please reach out to any of the Board of Directors if you have any questions.

## **2022 Board Position Candidates**

### **Positions Open for Nominees**

Several board positions will be voted on at the Annual Meeting. It is imperative everyone is familiar with how board positions are assigned. If you are considering a run for the board, it is important to know, one does not run for a position but instead runs to be on the board. The board meets directly after the annual meeting to match each position with a board member. This means a board member is not guaranteed the same position year after year.

Listed below are the positions to be considered at the 2022 Annual Board Meeting.

Position 1 - The board voted in Lori Harrison to fill this position temporarily due to a resignation. The board proposes Lori Harrison finish the one remaining year. If not validated, a new vote will ensue to complete the remaining year.

Position 2 – Ally Martin has decided not to run again for the board, so this position will not have an incumbent.

Position 3 – Tori Williams has decided not to run again for the board, so this position will not have an incumbent.

## Meet some of our 2022 Nominees for Woodland Lake Board of Directors

This year, we would like to highlight the nominees running for a board position. Below you will find out more about those who have decided to run for a position on the Woodland Lake Board of Directors. Bios are in no particular order and were added randomly.

NOTE: The bio/profile is not required. Nominations for the board can still be announced at the annual meeting.



### Lance Martin

I've lived here at Woodland for 6 years.

I love this lake and plan to make this hidden paradise my forever home. I will do all I can to ensure everyone's rights are respected and this place stays the amazing place it has always been.



### Scott Blake

Scott became hooked on Woodland Lake in 1966 when he started fishing here with his grandparents. The Blakes owned lots and cabins on both Woodland and Lake of the Hills for over twenty-five years. He returned and bought his own cabin on Spruce Drive in 2010 and now has property on Maple Drive.

Scott served as a board member in the 2020-21 term. He led the Strategic Planning Committee to envision our lake community as we grow over the next decade. This year, he has been the volunteer designer and project manager for the current upgrades to the jon boat landing at the pavilion.

He is the executive director of a non-profit downtown Memphis community development corporation, which is similar in structure and governance to the WL homeowner's association. The neighborhood has 3400 residents, and the corporation operates on a \$150,000 annual budget. For over fifteen years he has led this organization based on the principles of community health, wealth, and vision - working with governmental leaders and philanthropic foundations to raise the level of individual property values, community resources, and designs for "aging in place". Aging In Place, is the idea of creating or remodeling your home so that you can live there comfortably, regardless of ability, for as long as possible.

Scott is often called on to advise neighborhood associations on best practices of running not-for-profit homeowner groups.

He is the president of Design 500 Inc. This design firm specializes in museums and attractions, historic properties, and custom residential design. Regionally, he has designed the Tunica RiverPark, the Gateway to the Blues Museum, the National Civil Rights Museum, and the Elvis Presley Birthplace Museum. He has designed and built 15 homes in the Mid-South area. He serves as a board member on the Memphis Medical District Collaborative. Scott is a retired adjunct professor of Fine Arts at the University of Memphis.

He splits his time between the lake and a drafty old Victorian house in downtown Memphis with his constant companion, Sweet Puppy Pearl.



## Tim Cottam

Hello, I'm Tim Cottam. I've been a part of Woodland Lake literally my whole life, first visiting while still in my momma's belly, while the family cabin was under construction in 1963. I am the lucky Cottam cousin who, in 1996, got the chance to purchase our family getaway, and have lived here full-time ever since. My wife Kyla and I raised our two sons here from their early years until they graduated college. Currently living in Chattanooga, they still come home to visit their very own WL lot overlooking the Delta.

Woodland Lake is part of who I am. From fishing with my granddaddy as a young boy, to marrying Kyla on the island, to my too numerous to count "lake decompression tours" looking to snap just the right photo of the lake, sky, wildlife, local flavor, and everything in between, I love living here. This is a magical place. A place that attracts quite the assortment of good people from varying backgrounds, beliefs, and means. Yet, when we're all here together, our community excels like no other, welcoming our differences and sharing in life's bounty. I wouldn't trade it for any place in the world. I'm home here.

I spent 7 years on the WLIA Board at a time when full-time residents, meetings, and issues were few. Recently my volunteer service to the Board has increased dramatically. Using the skills I've honed over a 15-year IT career and 22 years as a successful small business owner, I've helped in numerous ways. For example, on the strategic planning committee, I was the primary resource for both the 2021 Survey and Strategic Planning documents. I've helped develop and track the last two budgets and was the primary interface working with our accountant on the successful 2021 Accountant's Compilation. Further, I implemented online invoicing, payment via credit card, "Opt-In" e-communications, and the Member Directory. I administer the email and Quickbooks databases along with the Woodland-Lake.com website. Finally, I'm on the Communications, Dam Repair, and Jon Boat Landing Committees.

I'm the primary volunteer caretaker of the island while also helping others plant numerous ornamental plants and flowering bulbs. Working with Blake Warman, we built the island dock for his island wedding.

Times have changed since my first stint on the board. "Woodland" isn't nearly as remote or simple as it once was. 21st-century complexities have crept into our community, as in all others. The increase in full-time residents and reduced travel time, via I-69, bring more voices to bear. I want to help ensure all member perspectives are included in the discussion. Please consider me for a spot on the 2022 Board of Directors.



## Terry Mark-Major

Five years ago, my husband Gene and I moved to Woodland Lake when I retired from the UT Health Science Center. I was a business manager for several non-profit Research Centers of Excellence and the Dept. of Genetics. I have 23 years of experience in non-profit planning, budgeting, and accounting and a Bachelor of Science degree in Management. I served on the Central Gardens Assn Board of Directors in Memphis for 12 years including one year as the Secretary. My volunteer positions for 21 years with the King Biscuit Blues Festival include Operations Chair and the Steering committee.

I was a den leader and Cubmaster of pack #1 for 10 years with the Chickasaw Council of the Boy Scouts of America. I feel that I have the knowledge, experience, and genuine interest to help our neighborhood association be even better than it is now, inclusive but not obtrusive, and willing to listen to all Woodland Lake Improvement Assn members.

If you are unable to attend the annual meeting and you would like to vote for me, please return your signed proxy designating me as your proxy.

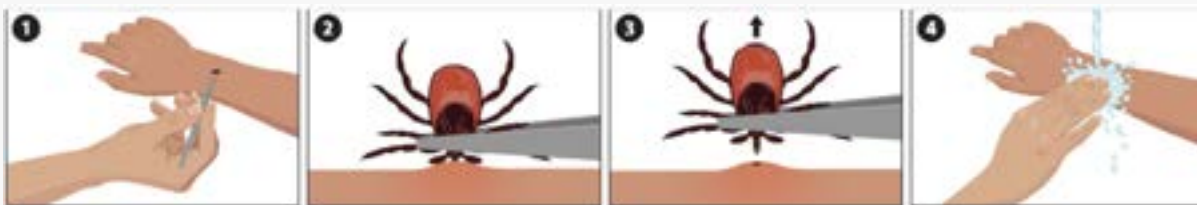
I am available to discuss your ideas, concerns and issues regarding our wonderful lake neighborhood. You can reach me via email [tmarkmajor@gmail.com](mailto:tmarkmajor@gmail.com).

Thank you for considering me to represent your interests. I would appreciate your vote.

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## CDC instructions on the proper way to remove a tick

1. Remove tick immediately.
2. Use clean, fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible.
3. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouth-parts with tweezers.
  - If you cannot remove the mouth easily with tweezers, leave it alone and let the skin heal.
4. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol or soap and water.



**Never crush a tick with your fingers!** Dispose of a live tick by putting it in alcohol, placing it in a sealed bag/container, wrapping it tightly in tape, or flushing it down the toilet

In general, CDC does not recommend taking antibiotics after tick bites to prevent tickborne diseases. However, in certain circumstances, a single dose of doxycycline after a tick bite may lower your risk of Lyme disease. Consider talking to your healthcare provider if you live in an area where Lyme disease is common. Watch for symptoms for 30 days Call your healthcare provider if you get any of the following:

- Rash
- Fever
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Muscle pain
- Joint swelling and pain



# EVENT COMMUNICATIONS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2022	JUNE 2022	July 2022
<p>28<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 12 PM -2 PM Memorial Day Picnic &amp; Fish Fry @ Clubhouse &amp; Pavilion</p> 	<p>4<sup>th</sup> - Saturday Annual Meeting 9 AM – 12 PM</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 4 PM –6 PM WL Appreciation Potluck @ Clubhouse &amp; Pavilion TWIN SOUL @ 7:30</p> 	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup> Boat Parade &amp; Celebration</p> 

Note: All dates are subject to change; this includes but is not limited to the addition of new events, date changes, cancellations, etc. Change announcements are communicated via email, our Website or the Facebook Page.

## PREVIOUS HAPPENINGS

*Thanks to all that attended the previous events!*

**Any Fish Tournament** - We had a good group of anglers turn out for the tournament. The Big Fish winner was Nick Ocker who caught a 4.5 lbs. Bass. The Over All Weight winners were Bill Warman and Lori Harrison with a boat full of crappie totaling 15.6 lbs. Thank you Bill and Lori for donating the fish to the fish fry, and the money to Lake Management!

**Lake Clean-Up** - Spring clean-up brought out a dedicated group of 12 familiar faces, and even though this is grunt work, everyone was cheerful. We only hope we will see new faces in the Fall Clean-Up event.

**Woodland Craft Fair** - See Sunshine Committee article for more information.

**Bass Tournament** - The official tournament was canceled due to the rainstorm. However, the rain moved on, the sun came out, and the phone calls started. Turns out the Bass Tournament still happened. The total catch was 18.26 lbs. and the Big Fish was 4.90 lbs.

**Earth Day Plant/Seed Swap** - We had plenty of plants to share including Variegated Hosta's, Giant Hosta's, Cannas, Elephant Ears, Rose of Sharon, Tomatoes, Aloe Veras, Peppers, the prized Salsa Begonias, Lemon Balm, and about 4 species of trees. Diane Bullington brought packets of milk weed and cosmos seeds which will be donated to the island beautification project. Free household items were also available, including cool Fish Friday stools, bar stools, serving dishes, planting pots, and much more!

**Catfish Tournament** - We had 3 teams fishing in the tournament. It was slow going a first, but picked up a bit later in the night. Due to the stormy weather, fishing was cut short. Total caught 198.41 lbs., Team Totals: Ann, Bill, Bubba, Blake & Lori - 87.12 lbs., John & David - 61.24, Carl, Dean, Jeremiah, & Lance - 50.05 lbs. **Congratulations to everyone!**



# Sunshine Corner



The Sunshine Committee is here for you, the association, friends, and neighbors. We not only welcome new lot owners, but we also do many different things to bring a little sunshine to our neighborhood, our fellow association members, and lake neighbors.

The Sunshine Committee has been busy delivering meals to those who were ill, delivering bereavement baskets to those who have lost a loved one, and delivering welcome bags to new neighbors. This committee goes beyond the members, as we have been blessed to have community volunteers step up when a meal was needed.

Remember to contact Sheila or anyone on this committee if we can spread some sunshine to you or for someone you know who needs a Happy!

## Sheila Deese Island Volunteers



Looking for volunteers for input on continuing beautification of our lovely Woodland Lake Island. There's a lot blooming now and we'd need to take a look before the native plants/grasses get tall. This team will discuss what should be planted and where. We will also be looking for volunteers to plant and help manage the islands growth.



No worries if you have no way to get to the Island - we have Pontoon Uber. You'll receive a great deal of satisfaction in enhancing the beauty of this place we call home! If you'd love to join our small but mighty group, please reach out to Sheila Deese.

We would like to send a shout out to Tim Cottam. Thank you for your vision and passion about the Island!

The April 9th **Woodland Lake Craft Fair** was another success. A total of 15 sellers displayed their talents at the pavilion. A special thank you to everyone who helped pull it together.

A big shout out to David and Mallory Smith who were busy at the food table, where hotdogs and refreshments were being offered for donations. This was a needed addition to the fair.

Another acknowledgment of appreciation goes to Clif Deese, John Lauzon, and Tim Cottam, who donated their talent to the silent auction. All proceeds went to the sunshine Committee and Lake Management.

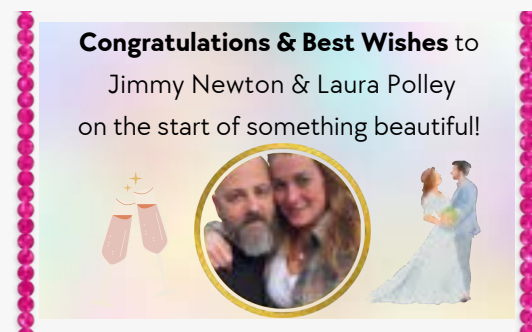
As this is only our second fair, we continue to learn. We will be contacting all vendors this summer to discuss the November craft fair. We encourage anyone who would like a table for the fall fair to contact Sheila Deese or anyone on the Sunshine Committee.



### Thank You!



Condolences to the Wilhite family on the passing of Jerry Wilhite





# Lake Management

## Woodland Lake

This Spring we caught nice sized Crappie and Bass. Now the Bream have bedded up and are starting to bite.

We strive to keep the lake as healthy as possible. Please complete the Fish Harvest report on the Woodland Lake website ([Woodland-lake.com@lake-management](mailto:Woodland-lake.com@lake-management)) to help us monitor and maintain these efforts.

### SPECIES DETAILS

**CATFISH** - Fish anywhere on the lake with minnows. No limit. DO NOT release mudcats back into the lake. Yo-Yos are allowed from sundown to sunrise and must be labeled with your name and lot number. Questions: Chris Christian [Mfallrabb@gmail.com](mailto:Mfallrabb@gmail.com).

**CRAPPIE** - Fish with minnows and/or jigs by the bank. They are slowing down now. Will pick back up in the fall. No limits, but please release the small ones.

**BASS** - Numerous large bass have been caught with crankbait around the banks. All bass over 14" should be released.

### THREADFIN SHAD

Thank you for all of the donations to purchase Threadfin Shad. We released approximately 20,000 into the lake on April 26th. Hopefully, this will help keep the Crappie and Bass population healthy. We're also still trying to purchase feeding stations to increase the size of our Bream.

Also, thank you to the Lake Management Committee volunteers for coordinating this effort and helping stock this lake. If you have ideas or questions about Lake Management contact Lance Martin @ 870-335-8048.



John Roberts with his BEST matey, Hunter.

### Woodland Lake's Boat Patrol

On behalf of the WLIA Board of Directors, we would like to welcome John Roberts as the new Boat Patrol.

John is an association member and a full-time resident. John lives with his fiancé', Liz Justice and her four children Krista, Ashley, JoJo and Hunter.

We are excited for John and believe he will be one of Woodland's best assets. When you see him on the water, stop and say hello, wave and give him a thumbs up! Welcome aboard John!

His contact information is on the Woodland Lake web, in the "Paid Contractors" section of our Board Members page: <https://woodland-lake.com/board-members>

### REMINDER

**This is a NO WAKE lake!**

All boats must belong to an association member, and have:

- 2022 Woodland Lake sticker (both sides)
- lot number stickers should be on both sides of the boat
- Motor may not be larger than 9.9 HP
- ALL guests **MUST** have Lake Pass if not with the lot owner. This will be strictly enforced.

See the handbook for details

**SLOW DOWN!**

# THE SNAKE PIT

## Timber Rattlesnake

(Crotalus horridus)

The final pit viper we're going to cover is the Timber Rattlesnake. This viper is also known as the Canebrake and the Velvet snake. Identifiers for this snake are its lighter color, with dark chevrons down its back, a black tail with possible rattles, and a rust/orange stripe down its back. It also shares the shorter, thicker build. The photos were pulled from the internet for identification and learning purposes.



This snake is mostly encountered in forests and lower stream areas, and they are present throughout our state. But like the others, they can find themselves closer to areas that we inhabit as well.

The Timber Rattlesnake is sometimes more hesitant to strike than other snakes and may prefer to lay still to allow a possible threat to pass. They may not even rattle in some instances. Should they feel threatened, they will rattle and possibly strike to defend themselves.

As with all other snakes, the Timber Rattlesnake is not aggressive and will not chase you. Should you be lucky enough to see one, admire it from a safe distance and it will eventually be on its way.

I should also mention it is a state-tracked species. If you encounter one alive, a time and location should be recorded for reporting. A picture would be an added bonus.

Researched and written by M. Foshée



## SUMMER SPIRITS

### MEXICALI BEER MARGARITAS

3 12 oz. bottles or cans of Mexican beer, chilled	½ cup of triple sec
1 12 oz. can frozen limeade concentrate, thawed	1 ½ cups gold tequila
	1 lime, cut into 6 wedges
	Kosher salt



#### Instructions:

Gently stir together beer, limeade, and tequila in a pitcher. Wipe rims of glasses with a lime wedge then dip rims in salt.

Fill glasses with ice and beer mixture. Squeeze a lime wedge into each. Add beer and stir just before serving. Garnish with lime wedges.

Chill up to 24 hours. Yield: Makes 6 – 16 oz. drinks

### BLOODY MARY MIX

1 46 oz. Can V-8 Juice	6 Shakes Black Pepper
2 6 oz. Can V-8 Juice	6 Shakes Tabasco Sauce
1 1/5 Bloody Mary Mix	6 Shakes Worcestershire Sauce
1qt. Vodka	2 tsp. Celery Seed
1 c. Fresh Lemon Juice	



Mix together in a gallon jug, ready to Serve



# Meet the Neighbor Interview by Ashok Kara

## A Poet Sings and Flowers Grow

Professor Gordon Osing and Professor Mary Jane Fenwick moved to Woodland Lake in 1997. They built their home in a secluded and thickly wooded cove, a tall two-story structure enclosed in thick Cypress that discretely blends into the spiring trees. We had gathered in spring, in late March when the budding trees, coaxed by the multihued songbirds, were readying to burst forth their greening leaves to join the songbirds to sing the sweetest melodies of life eternal once again. As we sat reminiscing MJ (the Professors prefer being called MJ and Gordon) suddenly recalled how the periwinkles she had been nurturing over the years had suddenly popped up this year. You can see them from the lake, a field of vivid colors winking and nodding in assent to the peaceful and productive lives lived by their hosts, in simple and quiet dignity. No one on the lake who knows them, even if only through chance encounters when either is seen walking their dog(s), cannot avoid being struck by their average everyday ordinariness. Encountering them, who could possibly venture the thought, "here pass before me, Giants." But the periwinkles know: "A poet sings, and flowers grow."

I have asked MJ to allow me to introduce her to our lake community. However, she remains reluctant, promising to think about it. And so, it has come to pass that this writing, and the link below that will introduce you to a more extensive discussion, has come to focus on Gordon. Before I proceed, I should like to say that both Professors have led extraordinary if simple lives. They have taught at the University of Memphis. Gordon has taught writing and MJ Spanish Literature. They are both well-published and highly regarded.

When Gordon arrived at the UM (then MSU) he held the position of Instructor and when he retired in 2010, he had achieved the status of Professor (Emeritus with Honors). During this time, he has taught scores of individuals, some of whom live on the lake with us. He has published 3 major hardcover texts and some 20 volumes of poetry. In addition, there are collaborative works, four volumes of

the Song Era, and contemporary Chinese poetry. Now, during his late life, he has completed a dozen or so chapbooks. Gordon continues to write. In this regard, in the article to follow (see link below), I will present you with what the Word means to Gordon. To do so, I will present you with one of his poems and help you to see how poetry works, in this case how it led the young Gordon to move from a religious occupation into becoming an English Professor. In addition, I will help explain his creative method, the way he comes to his poems, or better, how his poems come to him. Of course, the following reading will be dense and for those unfamiliar with the subject, I should like to say, please be patient and read the article slowly, so that you may unpack it bit by bit and see the whole. Then, if you are intrigued, you may go to Burkes Book Store at 936 S. Cooper in Memphis which keeps a collection of his works and delve deeper.

In 1976, Gordon established The River City Visiting Writer Series at the University of Memphis making it possible for numerous luminaries to teach on Campus. They are too numerous to list. However, amongst them were two Nobel Laureates Czeslaw Milosz and Seamus Heaney, and other gifted writers, Eudora Welty, Robert Bly, Kamau Brathwaite, Carlos Fuentes, etc. MJ tells of the sheer joy that these luminaries brought to the University, and into their lives; and as it happens, I had the good fortune of meeting one of the writers in residence, Robert Bausch who had been kind enough to come and speak to our reading group some 10 years ago.

Gordon has traveled widely, and he has lived abroad to teach. In 1986 he was an Exchange Professor at Wuhan University. Thereafter, from 1989 to 1991 he taught as a Fulbright Scholar at the British Hong Kong University. Through these and similar experiences, Gordon has deepened and enriched his poetic voice, learning to dialogue and sing with his ghostly interlocutors from

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## Real Estate / Lots

Lot 150, on Spruce Dr., 1.3 acres, \$19,900, Diane Haskett -  
Crye-Leike Hernando 662-429-2442

Lots 158, 159, & 160, Spruce Dr., 2.39 acres, \$60,000, Lisa  
Burnette/ Agner & Ass., 662-470-5398

Lots 206 & 207 - 1.8 acres, \$55,000, Seth Billings/United Real  
Estate Mid-South, 662-470-6058

Lots 224 & 225, on Woodland Lake Dr., \$28,500, Seth  
Billings/United Real Estate Mid-South, 662-470-6058

Lots 239-245, located on Woodland Lake Dr., 10.5 acres total,  
\$175,000, Lisa Burnette/ Agner & Ass., 662-470-5398

Lot 250, Woodland Lake Dr., 1.03 acres, \$9,000 Seth  
Billings/United Real Estate Mid-South, 662-470-6058

## Meet the neighbor continued . . .

various cultures, times, and languages; and lest you wonder, that is what language is, the gathered voice of all beings in diaspora, of those gone by, who are present now, and are yet to come. They live in the Word and thus in us. We are the haunt of these ghosts, their voice. A poet's genius is to understand this and to learn to sing along with them in harmony, and sometimes reach a point of such perfect communion that the poet can lead, "stones to weep and flowers to grow" (Kalidas of Haripura). In its deepest sense, poetry is restorative and regenerative. It renews and rejuvenates. It supplements Genesis. But you will have always already known this, because even as a child you will have already understood, "In the beginning was the Word." Thus, having departed from his once preordained religious occupation, Gordon has meandered through the myriad pathways of the Logos, to arrive at the slopes of Mount Parnassus where dwell the holiest of ghosts, the Holy Ghost, the archetype of the Poets.

## DID YOU KNOW

### DETER DESTRUCTIVE ARMADILLOS!

Armadillos have a knack for messing up your yard. They dig unsightly holes everywhere while searching for insects to eat and places to hide from predators. The good news is, there are natural toxin-free ways to keep them away from your prized lawn!

Just sprinkle cayenne pepper around your yard, and it'll irritate their sensitive noses so much, they'll have to look elsewhere for food.



### REPEL MOSQUITOES WITH TWO FRAGRANT PLANTS

Mosquitoes buzzing and biting can be a real nuisance. There's a simpler way to keep them from hanging around your garden or patio.

Basil, lavender, marigolds, rosemary, peppermint, lemon balm and pansy are a few plants that make mosquitoes turn up their noses. Try planting them around your patio or deck – you'll get tasty herbs, beautiful flowers, and fewer bugs!