September 2021

# Woodland Lake



## **About this Newsletter**

This is a new bi-monthly newsletter for Woodland Lake lot owners. It is intended to inform and entertain you. This Newsletter has articles and announcement such as:

- Woodland Lake Improvement Association (WLIA)
  - Annual Board Meeting Information (handbook amendments, board members voting results)
  - o Upcoming Events
  - o Fishing Report
  - o Spillway Update
  - o Proposed Strategic Plan
  - List of Board Members
- Fishing Report
- Welcome New Neighbors
- Photograph Contest
- Recipes
- Social Media
- Meet the Neighbor
- Sunshine Committee
- Items for Sale

#### WANT TO HELP?

Contacts

- Ann Warman 901/438-4824
- Lori Harrison 901/485-8012
- Shirley Harris 662/429-5144

#### ARTICLES

Want to contribute an article or information to add to our monthly topics. Send it to us.

#### RECIPES

Got a favorite recipe? Or a good quick and easy recipe?

#### PHOTOS

Living at this beautiful lake we know you have landscape or wildlife photos to share.

## **Upcoming Events**

#### SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH -</sup>- PLANT & SEED SWAP

- Sunday 2:00 PM 3:00 PM @ Pavilion
- Must have at least one plant or seed packet to trade
- All items must be labeled with the type of plant and care instructions
- Make sure your plants are pest free and healthy (potted or bare root)
- For details, contact Sheila Deese @ 901/484-2940

#### OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup> - WOODLAND LAKE OCTOBERFEST AND BEER SWAP

- Saturday 3:00 PM 10:00 PM @ Clubhouse & Pavilion
- Bring your favorite beer (bring enough to share or trade)
- Coolers and Ice provided
- Musicians Welcome/Open Mic
- Bring a cool stein

#### OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

- Thursday 6:30 PM @ Clubhouse (tentative)
- All lot owners and spouses welcome to attend

#### OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup> - LAKE CLEANUP MEET AT CLUBHOUSE

• Saturday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

#### OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup> - HALLOWEEN BOAT PARADE

- Saturday 4:30 PM Meet at the Clubhouse
- Please let us know if you plan on decorating your boat. info@woodland-lake.com

#### **OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup> - HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY**

- Doors open @ 7:00 PM 1475 Lakeview Dr/Lot 12 Triple Annie Band starts @ 8:00 PM
- Parking
  - o Park Cars @ Clubhouse / ATVs park at Lori's
  - o Boats may dock at lots: 10 Larry Gingery, 11 Wayne Henry and 12 Lori Harrison
- Scary Costume Contest, Bon Fire, Dancing, BYOB, Bring your scariest food (optional)
- For more details, contact Lori Harrison 901/485-8012

#### NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

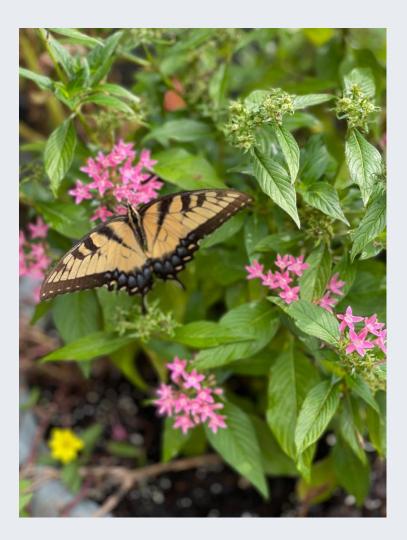
• Thursday 6:30 PM @ Clubhouse (tentative)

#### NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> - CRAFT SHOW & SALE... SHOP LOCAL!

- Sunday 12:00 PM 4:00 PM @ Pavilion
- \$5 per rental space, rental space proceeds go to Woodland Lake Association
- To sign up and for details, contact Sheila Deese @ 901-484-2940 by October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- This is an opportunity to display and sell your homemade craft items for the busy Christmas season. Show us what you have!

#### **MISCELLANOUS EVENTS:**

Monthly Poker Party For more details, contact Lori Harrison 901/485-8012 EVERYONE WELCOME!



## **Sunshine Committee**

The Sunshine Committee does more than welcome new lot owners to the lake. But like raising a child it takes a village. We need everyone's help, to know where the Sunshine Committee is needed. Some of the categories include:

- Delivering a welcome bag to the new owners.
- Errands for lot owners that are housebound, sick, or hurt.
- Meals for the sick

If you have any important updates regarding our neighbors', status such as:

- Prayer Requests
- Lake Moves Saying Goodbye
- Serious Illness/Death

### **Photo Contest**

## Calling all Photographers!!!

The Woodland Lake Community is announcing a new fun photo contest. Everyone is encouraged to send in your pictures of the beautiful nature and wildlife that we are blessed to enjoy at our magnificent lake. For now, we are open to all categories. If we have a lot of participation, we may make monthly categories. We could even have a side contest to create captions for some of the wildlife pictures.

There will be a \$20.00 gift card for the best picture. The winning pictures may be included in the Woodland Lake 2022 calendar, so please send the best resolution pictures possible.

Please send 2 entries to Ann Warman <u>awarman63@gmail.com</u> by October 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **Welcome New Neighbors:**

- Nick Woolsey, Lots 233, 234, 235 & 236
- Michael Earl Miller, Lot 20
- Blake Mullican, Lot 33
- Stephen and Melissa Elkins, Lot 166
- William and Crystal Byrd, Lot 63
- Sammy and Candice Westcot Lot 91

We are looking for people to join the Sunshine Committee and/or if you would like to donate towards supplies or volunteer your time, please reach out to Sheila Deese at <u>sdeese2@gmail.com</u>.

## Annual Meeting Voting Results

Yes/No	Article
YES	<b>Article III Section 3. Quorum:</b> Annual meeting ballots will be distributed and handled confidentially.
YES	<b>Article III Section 5. New Proposed Amendments:</b> Any proposed amendments to the covenants or bylaws voted in cannot be added and voted on for a period of 2 years.
NO	Article IV Section 1. Members: Board Position Term Limits
NO	<b>Article IV Section 1. Members:</b> Allowing Spouses and Significant Others to be on the Board of Directors. <i>Note: In current covenants and bylaws the spouse can be on the Board of Directors.</i>
YES	<b>Part C. Building Covenants:</b> Adjacent Non-Residential Lots having a building constructed
YES	<b>Part F. Miscellaneous 12. Rental Property:</b> Short Term Rentals shall not have any lake privileges including common areas or lake access.

Handbook Amendments:

## **New Board Members:**

- Jon Anderson has another 3-year term
- Roland Harris was voted in for a 3-year term

#### Would you like to get to know our board members?

We could add a board member of the month to the newsletter, so you know all they do for us! Send us your thoughts and questions about this or any other recommendations for the Board section is the newsletter.

## All Board Members:

- Ally Martin President
- Chris Christian Vice President and Lake Management
- Tori Williams Secretary Treasurer
- Roland Harris Construction
- John Anderson Dam and Spillway
- Jerry Plunk Events/Communications
- Ed Miller Grounds

info@woodland-lake.com

### Announcements

Starting September 2021, the board meetings have been moved to the first Thursday of the month at the clubhouse. Any changes will be communicated via email. If we do not have your email address, please either let us know to add it or provide another way to contact you.

All lot owners are invited to attend. If you want to get an item added to the agenda, please contact the board members by email to <u>info@woodland-lake.com.</u>

## Spillway Repair Update 9/02/2021

In an update to the previous inspection in January, the engineers from B&W Engineering Laboratories Inc. came back out on July 26th to check the status of the sinkhole and a spot at the base of the spillway that has moving water under the edge of the spillway.

We received the updated inspection report on September 2nd. Quoting from this report, "The application of bentonite clay into voids that were noted during a January 2021 inspection, appeared to be effective in that prior conditions did not appear to have become further degraded."

The new report discusses the need for a more thorough inspection by boring several 1-inch holes in the concrete spillway to verify the flow pattern of the seepage under the spillway. These borings will identify areas where "cementitious bentonite grout" will likely be injected as part of a "permanent repair".

The report also recommends several test borings (and possible installation of temporary piezometers) to the left of the spillway headwall (looking downstream), in front of the sinkhole, to further evaluate seepage volumes. This is the location where it is believed the seepage is originating and will also need to be repaired in the future. Options for this part of the "permanent repair" include the injection of grout into the "permeable soil zones" or by the installation of barrier walls into excavated trenches, depending on the flow volumes detected.

The more detailed inspection has an estimated cost of \$4,000-\$6,000. The association budgeted \$5,000 at the June annual meeting for this process. We have no way of knowing the potential cost of the "permanent" fixes until this detailed inspection is complete. The detailed inspection report can be found at woodland-lake.com under "News & Updates".

info@woodland-lake.com

## **Proposed Strategic Plan**

Please don't forget to check out the "Proposed Strategic Plan" for our community. It can be found at https://woodland-lake.com/strategic-plan-2021-2026. It was developed over several months by the former Strategic Planning Committee, at the request of the previous Board of Directors, to help the Board of Directors prioritize areas for investment and improvement. The plan was developed using the community survey taken in the spring of this year that measured the member's priorities and concerns. The plan is a guide to serve as a living, changing map as the community grows.

At the 2021 Annual Meeting in June, \$2,500 was approved for repairs of common areas, docks, the pavilion, and clubhouse, as well as, \$13,500 was approved for capital improvement expenses. While this is a significant increase from years past, it will only cover a few of the items identified in the plan. Please take time to review the plan and let a board member know your thoughts on where to invest first. Board email information: info@woodland-lake.com

### Want to advertise here?



Advertise your company, service, or personal announcement

Small - \$10 Medium - \$20 Large - \$30 (1/2 Page) X-Large - \$50 Full Page Add

All proceeds will go to Lake Improvement Projects.

### **For Sale**

#### **Household Items**

Twin Bed Frame Lori Harrison 901/485-8012

Large Antique Buffet Mirror 5-foot X 3-foot came out of my old restaurant Miquel Palmieri 901/496-2982

#### Miscellaneous

Hickory Wood - FREE Cut into 2 ft lengths Russel Yackey 240/772-7202

#### Wanted to buy

SCARY Halloween décor Lori Harrison 901/485-8012 or Ann Warman 901/438-4824

## Recipe of the Month

Please share your recipes!

Sbharris20@aol.com

### **Broiled Bass by Chris Bowen**

- 4 8 oz boneless bass filets
- 1/4 Cup Butter

1 - Large Onion (sliced thinly and separated into rings)

- 2 Tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 Tbs. Lemon Pepper

2 - Lemons

1/2 - Tsp. Cayenne Red Pepper

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Dip bass filets in melted butter and place them on a non-stick broiler pan. Sprinkle fish evenly with lemon pepper and cayenne pepper. Place onion rings on fish and then sprinkle them with Worcestershire sauce. Bake for 8 minutes on the center over rack, then turn broiler to 500 degrees and allow enough time to brown fish and onion rings (3 to 6 minutes). Remove and cool for 3 minutes. Squeeze lemon over fish and serve. Yields 4 servings.

### Look at sites and see all we have to offer!

Social Media



#### Woodland Lake Website:

#### Woodland-Lake.com

There are many resources available on our website.

Did you know, you can review news and updates about the lake, view the Strategic Plan, download important forms, pay fees, and view some wonderful pictures submitted by your neighbors?

Contact Jerry Plunk <u>1970jerryplunk@gmail.com</u>

or Tim Cottam <u>tim@statesouthaven.com</u> for more information.

#### Facebook - Feel free to look it up and request to join.

Woodland Lake MS - This group is to foster an open, inclusive, non-controversial environment to share the joys of living in this special place. This site is private and includes members of our Woodland Lake Community.

Did you know, on this site you can request help, view awesome pictures, get advice about lake living, identify wildlife, learn about community activities and much more!

Contac Sheila Deese sdeese2@gmail.com

or Tim Cottam <u>tim@statesouthaven.com</u> for more information.

#### Woodland Lake Buy, Sell, Swap, or Borrow

This group is just as it states, it is a place to advertise anything you want to buy, sell, swap, barter services, trade or even borrow. This is a public site, and anyone can join.

Contact Chris Bowen<u>xyanky2@aol.com</u> for more information.

#### **Drop Box at Club House**

Did you know, there is a drop box at the Woodland Lake clubhouse? Drop any information you would want the board to know, such as payments, suggestions, donations, etc. However, please notify someone on the board prior to dropping of anything. We want to be sure your item is picked up in a timely manner.

Contact board members at info@woodland-lake.com

# **Fishing Report**



Lake management in past years worked on their crappie and bass programs. This year they will concentrate on quality of bream.

Details
Fish top waters in cover on points using shad baits or topwater bait very early and late in the day (or at night). Flip, pitch, or cast jigs and/or soft plastics deeper in any cover on the same points midday.
For best results use minnows around cover. You can also troll/drift with jigs and/or minnows, pull or push crankbaits, or jigs using active sonar 8 - 12 ft deep in the deeper water. Crappie not much action, too hot. Be patient cooler weather coming soon.
Fish with crickets. Use small rooster tails and beetle spins for the big mamma.
Fish lines or jugs (noodles) with minnows in the shallow water (3 - 5 ft deep). Best fishing by bright or full moon. If using Yo-yos, jugs, or trotlines - Please check with Chris Christian <u>mfallrabb@yahoo.com</u> for rules/guidelines.

We are looking for volunteers to help us with the fishing report. It should not take long. Please contact someone on the newsletter committee if interested or email us any feedback about you fishing experiences at woodland lake.

Have you ever looked out on the lake and much to your surprise, you see a person swimming across the lake? You might be even more surprised when you see this during the winter! Who is this?

## Meet the Neighbor - The Swimmer Richard Larrimore - Lot 14 on Lakeview Drive



#### Tell me about your family....

I am married to Mary Ann. She mostly comes around for the Halloween parties because she loves designing and wearing her famous custom costumes. To see Mary Ann is very special, because she only visits 2 or 3 times a year. The Woodland house is kind of my place, and she has the Memphis house. It works out great!

We have twin daughters, many grandkids (who call me Papa) and now a great-great grand Papa.

## We have seen you and your wife at a few Halloween parties with some extravagant costumes. Do you do theater?

This is 100% Mary Ann. She is just one of the most creative people I've been around. I mean, you should see our house in Memphis. There are 16 or 17 holidays starting with New Years. Halloween by far the biggest. She custom makes every costume so, I guess you can say it is almost like theater to her, and it is just fun. Several years ago, we won the Woodland Lake costume party and placed 3rd at one of the larger venue Halloween parties. She tells me what I am wearing, and she drags me along with her. We have a great time.

Let me tell you about a party we went to. When I get home after working all day, Mary Ann, said "We are going down to this Halloween party, the grand prize is an all-expenses paid trip to New Orleans." I was tired and did not want to go. She said, "We're going! Next thing you know she is pulling down these beautiful Mardi Gras costumes. Mary Ann brought out a box of beads and started throwing them to the judges and people. We won that contest! I learned my lesson! Whatever Mary Ann has got me dressed up as or whatever she wants to do, I'm doing it! I always liked Halloween, but nothing like this, I promise. We act like a bunch of kids, that's for sure!

#### Are you from around here?

I grew up just down the road on Baldwin Rd. not far from Woodland Lake. My father was a cotton plant breeder and had a lot of business in the delta so that is how I ended up living in the area.

#### Where did you go to school?

I went to Bishop Burns High School in Memphis (about an hour commute from here). Then I went to Mississippi State and got a degree in Horticulture "Which explains my love for plants."

#### Where do you work?

At Comcast Cable as a Community Account Representative (which is liaison between the cable company and the developers of new communities). I just celebrated my 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. "Yep, went to college for 5 years for a hobby."

## Talking about your hobby, your garden, it is very healthy with beautiful flowers and healthy vegetables. How did you get interested in Horticulture, and get such a green thumb?

My mom started the garden and the original asparagus bed. I just kind of added on. I grow potatoes during the spring. This time of year, I grow peppers and tomatoes. I enjoy my lettuce garden more than anything, I like working out there in the fall. The greens carry me through the winter. Again, it's just one of those things that gets you away from the day-to-day stuff. I get really excited with my Zinnias which I cut for my wife!

#### How did you come to live in our lake community?

My family has had a lot on Delta Crest since 1968 (on the east side of the lake, maybe lot 13 or 14, right off the spillway). That is where I learned to fish...It was a really, really, steep path to get down to the water, and you would wade through poison ivy from about ½ way down. My dad liked to fish, but by the time I got hung up about a hundred times, I would ask, "You call this fun? Let's try to do something else" I would say laughingly. To this day I am not much on fishing.

When he passed in 1988, my mom, sold the house on Baldwin Rd, and moved to Southaven and eventually remarried. Their dream was to buy a lake house. In 1992, Ralph and my mom purchased lots 14 and 15 at Woodland Lake and built the house that currently stands today. After about 10 years, they decided to move back to the city, so I bought the house from them in 2002

#### Did you know you're known as 'The Swimmer' in our community?

Yeah, I've known for quite a long time. I always have people telling me, "You're the one that swims" or "Hey, I see you swimming even in the winter", I always respond, "Yes that's right. The Swimmer!"

#### How did you get started swimming in the lake?

I've always been an athlete, played basketball in high school and went everywhere on my bike. I would ride my bike all the way to Whitehaven from here on a 1 speed Schwinn. I didn't even have a car until I was a junior in college. I also grew up with 3 athletic and competitive brothers.

After I started working, I heard about these triathlon races and in 1982, I joined a race. I was hooked on this for about 12 years. I thought, I got the greatest place to train, THE LAKE! So, me and a buddy would ride our bikes from Baldwin Road to the lake and swim, then ride the MS delta for about 45 to 50 miles and would return to the lake where we would run around the lake a few times, up and down those hills. Man, we were a glutton for punishment! But this is where I started swimming, and I have never stopped.

#### Have you ever won any of the triathlons?

I can't say I ever finished first, but I was a competitor in my age group, let's just say that!

#### Are you still competing in the triathlons?

I stopped doing the races in the 90's. But I still really enjoy exercising at this beautiful lake. Exercise is not only a physical thing it is a mental thing, because it takes me away for whatever is stressing me. You know I have a problem; I like to eat, so I must do something to try to make me slim.

#### Is there anything else you would like to share with your Woodland Lake neighbors?

I really love the place on the lake, it is my place to get away from the city, it is sort of my man cave.

I am also a birder. Not a bird watcher, because sometimes you hear but don't necessarily see them. I think other people on the lake would appreciate this activity too. This area is like ground zero for the migration of waterfowl in the winter or the migrant warblers in the spring. I keep a life list of all the birds I've seen or heard. I had fun on birding trips to Arizona and Texas. I have even got other people interested in it.

## Thank you, Richard for taking the time to allow us at Woodland Lake to get to know you a little better.

**To all our wonderful neighbors,** say "Hi" to Richard next time you see him swimming across the lake, working in his vegetable garden, topping the flowers on his zinnias, or sporting one of Mary Ann's custom creations.

## FUN TIP AUGUST 2021:

Have a *BURNT* pan, skillet, or pot, you've lost all hope to clean? Try this passed down recipe to clean it up, just like new.

- ¼ c Baking Soda
- 1 tbs Lemon Juice
- 1-3 c White Vinegar
- 2-3 drops / tsp Dishwashing Liquid

Mix all ingredients in pan  $\rightarrow$  Cook on high heat to a full boil. Reduce heat to med-high for 5 min.  $\rightarrow$  Scrub it out! Repeat as necessary.