October 30, 2026

Hi! Last weekend, October 24th, we had a great group of guys participating in a "trash" fishing tournament. In four hours, 6 boats pulled out 52 pounds of green sunfish (rock bass) and some yellow bass. This group has helped develop plans to improve the fishing experiences at Sunset Lake. They have started a fund to boost the fish habitats. They donated all the prize money from the "trash" fishing tournament to this fund.

Tomorrow, Saturday, October 31, they are hosting a Crappie Tournament which starts at 7:00 a.m. at the Sunset Lake Boat Ramp. The tournament ends at 11:00 a.m. We understand that many of us can't get our boats out due to the low water level, but we can still support their effort and the group by stopping by the boat ramp at 11:00 a.m. Last week, it was fun to see the fish caught, collected and weighed.

We also have an UPDATE for the proposed Sunset Lake Community Sonar Study. Professor John Ferry would like to use any have your old recordings to start building a community map. This map combines sonar/fish recordings from different fish finder manufacturers. This map will show the lake depth and bottom shape, shoreline and underwater structural features, vegetation, and areas frequented by fish and areas where fish are seldom detected.

Please note: THIS MAP WILL NOT SHOW YOUR FAVORITE FISHING SPOTS!

If you are willing to share your sonar/fish recordings, this is what we need:

Fish-finder manufacturer and model and does it use traditional/down sonar, side imaging, CHIRP or other modes. The SD or microSD card with the recordings.

We will be at the boat ramp tomorrow, Saturday, October 31, at 11:00 a.m. to collect the SD or microSD cards. These cards will be returned within a week. Please place the SD cards in a self-addressed envelope with your name and address. If you are unable to meet with us this Saturday, please call or text Valerie Jagiela at (952)334-9233 and we will come get the SD cards.