

LAKE TAPAWINGO NEWS

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By John Braden

THE ROCKET'S RED GLARE -- from a resident's pre-show illuminates other residents (above) on the point of A Cove as they await the start of the annual Lake Tapawingo fireworks display on the dam.

Lake Board bans unencapsulated foam on docks by April 2027

By John Braden

The Lake Tapawingo Country Club Board gave final approval July 5 to a ban on unencapsulated dock foam by March 31, 2027.

The rule requires owners of nearly one-fourth of the Lake's docks to replace their conventional foam flotation with encapsulated foam in polyethylene boxes. Lake Office records indicate there are 368 docks on the lake. That includes both floating docks and stationary docks. A visual inspection by the *Lake Tapawingo News* found 88 floating docks are resting on unencapsulated, or partly unencapsulated, foam flotation. A handful of those are already slated for replacement or a foam change.

The board added language that board members said would declare that replacement of unencapsulated foam under the rule would not constitute more than 50 percent replacement of a dock, meaning "grandfathered" docks that do not conform to "new" dock standards would not be forced to be modified or completely replaced in order to meet other "new" dock requirements for size, design, boatlifts and placement.

Board Member Susan Stiles made a third and final reading of the rule, under DOCKS, WATERFRONT AND SHORELINE, F. Docks, 15, adding the new language after subsection c. The board passed, 11-0, her motion to approve the rule change.

The board originally proposed a deadline of March 31, 2024, for foam replacement but extended that to March 31, 2027, citing the relatively short time for dock owners and contractors to complete the costly task.

In response to protests from owners of affected docks, Stiles said reports have shown carcinogens leak from unencapsulated foam, which she said is harmful to fish and humans.

See new rule language, Page 3.

Lake finalizes rules to protect fish

By John Braden

The Lake Board gave third reading and final approval July 5 to Lake rules to tighten restrictions on the size, type and numbers of fish that may be caught and not returned to the lake.

The rules, which were advanced on first and second readings in June, would: eliminate the taking of bass altogether (including hybrid bass), compared to the previous take limit of 3 bass per day; limit the take of crappie to 15 per day, 10 inches and larger; limit the take of blue, channel and flathead catfish to 5 per day, combined total of all species.

The proposed rules also would set a nine-point penalty for violations. A nine-point penalty results in suspension of Lake privileges for 14 days. Higher accumulations include 12 points, 28 days, and 15 points, 12 months.

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Around the Lake

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to:

John Gale, 95 Beach, on the death July 6 of his father, James Gale, 89, Blue Springs. James also was uncle of Joe Rush, 80 Beach, and Jeanne Turner, 6 Anchor.

BIRTHDAYS

Aug. 8 Barbara Miller, 41 Anchor
 Aug. 11 Mary Ellen Miller, 37 Anchor
 Joyce Thomas, 8 Emerald Shore
 Aug. 14 Patti Fedo, 85 Beach
 Aug. 18 Christine Roberts, 26 Dockside
 Aug. 19 Kylene Hefley, 19 Emerald Shore
 Aug. 21 Lou Bellinghausen, 26 Anchor
 Toni Clark, 17 Emerald Shore
 Karey Feightner, 10 Anchor
 Lana Farnsworth, 32 Anchor
 Aug. 27 Colleen Drinkard, 32 Beach
 Aug. 30 Margaret Means, 13 Emerald Shore

WELCOME TO THE LAKE

Enrique and Barbara Chavez, 108 Beach

If you know of anyone who needs a Get Well card, Sympathy, Birthday greetings, Congratulations or Welcome to New Resident, call or text Lisa Davis of the Women's Club at (530) 386-1629.

Invasive species training to stay at Lake Office

The Lake Board has moved invasive species training permanently to the Lake Office from the Clubhouse. The next session is set for 9 a.m. **Aug. 20**. Training normally is on the third Saturday of each month. It is required before residents may obtain boat registration stickers or dock permits, or use the lake "for any activity."

Preregister for training by contacting the Lake Office at office@laketapawingomo.com or (816) 228-3721.

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City to give notice of building permits near Lake property

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The board took action in response to a crappie-stocking initiative by the Sportsmen’s Club. The club recently invested \$4,000 to stock the lake with 2,000 crappie. The fishing rule changes are meant to protect against over fishing and to parallel Missouri Department of Conservation guidelines. Board members have complained of instances in which residents have been seen harvesting far more (and smaller) fish than allowed by rules.

The board passed, 11-0, a motion by Board Member Cyndi Peterson to approve the third reading of the fishing rule changes. President Jayme Dean requested the Lake Rule Book be updated for the files and on the Country Club website, www.laketapawingomo.com.

See new fishing rule language, Page 9.

COUNTRY CLUB BOARD REPORT

The Lake Tapawingo Country Club Board of Directors met July 5 and 18 at the Clubhouse. President Jayme Dean presided.

Visitors: Fred and Gina Graham Chavez, 34 Anchor; Darren Davis, 22 Clipper; Polly Johnson, 30 Anchor; T.J. McGinnis, 102 Dockside; Scott Patton, 102 Anchor; Brad Rynearson, 126 Beach; Doug Sharp, 70 Beach; Andrew Taylor, 43 Emerald Shore; John Braden, 45 Anchor; Barbara Smith, owner 8 Clipper, (via phone); Realtor Kalene Bagwell for Smith.

Municipal Business: President Dean said an oversight by the city allowed a permit for installation of a concrete driveway from the pasture next to the property at 1 Anchor across nearly 37 feet of Country Club property on Anchor Lane. Dean said the Lake Board needs a process to prevent the city from allowing encroachments on Country Club property in the future.

Board Member Steve Meek said the joint city-Lake Board Municipal Committee proposed a solution in which the board would be given notice of

applications for projects near Country Club property before the city acts on them. (Dean e-mailed the information and asked that it be included in board minutes):

E-mail dated July 1, 2022, from Alderman Brad Cloverdyke to Steve Meek:

Subject: Municipal Committee Follow-up

As background, we are currently sharing permits with the CC (Country Club) administrator when it appears the permit request might abut or encroach on CC property. The permits are shared at the discretion of the City Clerk and after the permit has been approved. To improve this process, we are proposing the following:

City of Lake Tapawingo (City) and Country Club Board (CC) Permit Process

1. Permits will be shared with the CC administrator via e-mail at the time a permit is requested by a resident or contractor representing a resident.
2. All permits will be shared with the CC administrator except those involving roof replacements (with the exception of permits for metal roofs which will be shared) and any type of permit involving work regarding the interior of a residence.
3. The CC administrator will share the permits with the designated CC members (limit of 4) as directed by the CC. The list of the designated CC members will be provided to the City Clerk and it will be the responsibility of the CC to keep that list current.
4. The sharing of permits is for information purposes and permits will be processed through the normal course of business by the city. This process does not provide for approval by the CC.
5. In the event a designated CC Board member has concerns or questions about a permit the responsible CC member should contact the City Clerk as soon as possible to determine what additional research, information or action is warranted. The CC Board member should not contact the resident or contractor directly but should work

through the City Clerk or if he cannot be reached a member of the City Council.
6. The City will provide the CC additional information, or if appropriate, a revised copy of a permit in as timely a manner as is practical.

I believe this process addresses the desired outcome of our discussion and look forward to your feedback. Over time there may be additional types of permits that the CC prefers not to receive and if so, we can make the necessary adjustments, with the understanding that the yes/no decision should be clear and simple. If the process is acceptable to CC, we can put it in place as soon as you communicate to the necessary CC staff/Board members and provide (City Clerk) Paul (Blixrud) the list of CC members who will be reviewing permits. Thanks for your help and support in working towards a productive outcome.

The board passed, 10-1 with 1 abstention, a motion by Meek to approve the proposed process.

Asphalt encroachment on Lake property.

President Dean said a contractor working on a house on Beach recently poured an asphalt parking spot on Country Club property on Beach Circle for a resident not associated with the new build. The asphalt was poured without city or Lake Board permission. She said the resident said he did not give permission for the asphalt to be installed. The board passed, 9-1 with 1 abstention, a motion by Board Member Scott Johnson to require the contractor to remove the asphalt.

Dean said letters would be sent to residents on Beach Circle reminding that parking is not allowed on Country Club property in that area.

Miller’s pond dam. Meek said the board should determine a process and agree on an amount to offer the Miller heirs for a parcel of the Miller farm property containing two ponds that drain into AB Cove. He said he thinks the board should present a firm number to the Miller siblings as the property

See Fourth, Page 4.

Add to Lake Rule Book, under DOCKS, WATERFRONT AND SHORELINE, F. Docks, 15, after subsection c.:

d. Non-encapsulated foam must be fully removed from all docks by March 31, 2027. (Violation is 3 points). Installation of encapsulated foam in compliance with this subsection requires a dock permit and quarantine, but is not considered against the 50% replacement described in section 19.



Fourth: Fireworks improve, boaters a concern

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has been for sale for quite some time. Board Member Randy Thatcher said the offer likely would be for 15 to 20 acres that include the ponds and surrounding area.

Board Member Joe Rush said the property has been considered by developers who have opted out due to the exorbitant costs associated with installing necessary utilities. Meek said the Country Club could purchase the parcel and then divide and sell portions of the land not involved in the pond management acreage.

President Dean asked Meek and Thatcher to investigate what actual dollar amount will be offered for the property.

Fireworks: President Dean said the fireworks display lasted longer this year due to a negotiation with Gladiator Pyro resulting from a misfire of last year's pyrotechnic show. She said the misfire shortened the 2021 display. Dean said the negotiation included a 20 percent increase in fireworks at the same rate as previous years. John Braden said the 2022 fireworks show lasted 28 minutes. Dean said the board is open to proposals from other pyrotechnic vendors for future Fourth of July shows if anyone wanted to offer a recommendation. A comment was made regarding the late start of the 2022 show. Dean said she would look into the start time and pass the comment on to Gladiator Pyro.

Roads, Easements and Pathways:

President Dean said Board Member Clayton Holland told her road asphalt patching by Seal-O-Matic was scheduled to begin in September.

Water Patrol: Board Member Wes Knox said, while Lake Rules allow sailboats on the water any time of any day, the Water Patrol and some residents noticed what he called a few "close calls" with sailboats using the lake during extremely busy times on the Fourth of July. He said his hope would be for sailors to use their best judgment and sail during more peaceful, less busy times.

Knox also said a number of boats were too close to the Fourth of July fireworks display. He said other most recent issues reported by the Water Patrol included standing while driving, anchoring in the main body, and swimming or floating in the main body. President Dean said

there had been an increasing number of paddleboarders on the main body of the lake in violation of Lake Rules.

Knox said citations are being issued. He said being new to the Lake does not constitute an excuse for not knowing and obeying Lake safety rules and regulations.

Gina Graham, 34 Anchor, said she was concerned about boaters displaying a lack of safety over the past few weeks. She asked if citations could be made public. Knox said it is the middle of summer, citations are being issued as opposed to warnings especially when violations involve safety issues.

T.J. McGinnis, 102 Dockside, suggested

creating a top-ten list of safety related rules. President Dean said there are stickers in the Country Club office that are handed out regularly with that information.

Knox said the Water Patrol pontoon boat malfunctioned one day but was operating correctly after that.

Clubhouse: Office Manager Diana Reyes said an invoice was issued to the Sportsmen's Club to pay for half the cost of new chairs purchased by the Country Club for the Clubhouse. She said the payment had not yet been received.

See Engineer, Page 5.

BLUE SPRINGS EVENTS

Enjoy the end of summer with these local activities

- AUG 4** Kids Closet - Fall Savings Event 10 am Centerline 1910 SE 40 Hwy
- AUG 4** Comedy Night 6-9 pm The Mill Room East 40 1202 W Main
- AUG 13** Out of Shape Flag Football 10 am - 12 Blue Springs HS 2000 NW Ashton
- AUG 14** Concert in the Park - Nace Brothers 6pm Rotary Park 600 NW Vesper
- AUG 21** Concert in the Park - Michelle Hawkins 6pm Rotary Park 600 NW Vesper

Monthly Home CHECKLIST

The dog days of summer are barking and Labor Day is just around the bend. But before you give your flamingo float one last hurrah, take a break with some home maintenance prep for the changing season ahead.



- ✓ Check your washing machine connections
- ✓ Prune dead wood in your lawn & garden
- ✓ Clear the gutters
- ✓ Deal with wasps & other annoying insects
- ✓ Clean any natural stone
- ✓ Prep your furnace for winter

Market UPDATE For Lake Tapawingo



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Today its easy to find an online video that explains how to tackle any home repair. However, some projects really are best left to a professional.

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Engineer consulted for source to repair dam spillway

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Dam & Spillway: With the lake level down due to lack of rain, Board Member Steve Meek asked about the window of opportunity to make recommended dam spillway repairs. President Dean asked Meek and Board Members Randy Thatcher and Mike Stiles to contact engineer Affinis Corp., which examined the Miller's pond dam, to ask who they recommend for repairs. At the subsequent meeting, Stiles said he contacted Affinis, which said it would assign the matter to an engineer.

Stiles said he photographed spalled concrete areas on the dam spillway. He said the Department of Natural Resources mentioned "minor spalling" that should be monitored, which he pointed out on the photos presented on the overhead projection.

He said the report indicated concern with vegetation growing in joints and cracks of the spillway. He said the vegetation currently appeared to be dead. Board Member Brian Smith said Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf dealt with spillway vegetation.

Stiles said the Missouri Department of Natural Resources report on the dam commended care in exercising the drain valve. Smith said Kempf was concerned about lack of exercising the valve and said the problem would not be with opening the valve as much as it would be to close it when finished.

Stiles said erosion on the downstream edge of the roadway was found during the inspection with a notation to monitor it. Board Member Susan Stiles said it is important to address recommended maintenance for insurance purposes as well.

Docks and Waterfront: 20-A. Board Member Susan Stiles presented a permit application by Daniel Curby to replace the wood decking on his dock at 20-A. She said the dock has a steel frame and encapsulated foam, with a footprint that is exactly the same. The board passed, 11-0, a motion by Ms. Stiles to approve the application.

30-A. Board Member Mike Stiles presented a permit application by David and Polly Johnson for a side boatlift at 30-A. He said there previously had been a variance for the dock length due to a rock shelf leaving the water too shallow for the 25-foot normal maximum dock length. He said a concrete portion of the dock on the shoreline is 14 feet wide by 16 feet long with a wooden

dock add-on of 12 feet wide by 12 feet long. He said the 9-foot by 9-foot boat lift would be installed alongside the wooden dock structure that is 12 feet wide.

President Dean consulted Lake Rules and said the width of the concrete portion of the dock makes the overall dock width 14 feet no matter how narrow the wooden part is. Mr. Stiles said the water depth is 19 inches at the shore side of the dock. Dean said the dock can be extended to 30 feet per variance rules but a side boatlift cannot be added to a dock that is considered to be 14 feet wide. Polly Johnson said she would revise plans to work within the parameters of the rules.

At the subsequent meeting, Board Member Susan Stiles presented a revised application to replace the wooden portion of the existing stationary dock at 30-A, which would increase the length of the combined concrete and wood dock to 30 feet from the existing 28 feet due to shallow conditions. The 12-foot-wide wooden platform would be replaced by a 14-foot-wide structure of Trex decking with a well holding a boatlift. She said the Johnsons planned to add a canopy over the lift. The board passed, 12-0, a motion by Ms. Stiles to approve the modification and the lift with canopy.

68-A. President Dean said the reflective above-water marker placed on a detached underwater boatlift at 68-A was sinking. Board Member Mike Stiles said the 60-day window to move or remove the lift would be coming up and asked that a follow-up letter be sent.

191-A. Board Member Mike Stiles said Ray Hubbard wanted to know whether the board would allow him to install a boatlift at 191-A prior to purchasing it from

another Lake resident. Mr. Stiles said he had measured the dock and the space to neighboring docks. Mr. Stiles moved and Board Member Clayton Holland seconded that the boatlift be allowed.

Board Member Scott Johnson said a boatlift permit application should go to the Lake Office with the appropriate fee and drawings before the board acted. Holland agreed and asked if the board would be open to an e-mail vote once paperwork is properly filed in the Lake Office and the permit fee is paid. Board Member Wes Knox said he remembered the exact conversation last year in which incomplete applications would not be brought before the board for a vote. The board rejected the motion, 5-6.

At the subsequent meeting, Mr. Stiles presented a completed boatlift permit application from Hubbard. He said the lift would be moved from 110-D and would eventually include a canopy. He said the space between docks was 40 feet on either side. The board passed, 12-0, a motion by Mr. Stiles to approve the boat lift with a canopy to be added later.

17-C. Board Member Susan Stiles said she is waiting for concrete contractor Chad Eickleberry to provide drawings and a materials list for Tamara Thissen's seawall permit application at 17-C.

5-D. Board Member Scott Johnson presented a dock replacement application by Dave and Cyndi Peterson to install a 12-foot-wide by 25-foot-long replacement dock with encapsulated foam built and installed at 5-D by Lake resident Randy Gregory. Johnson told the board the Petersons would like to center the replacement dock so there is 30 feet between their dock and neighboring

See Lake, Page 6.



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VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Knowledge is power

Make the Lake Rule Book your summer 'beach read'



By Cyndi Peterson
Lake Board Vice President

We are halfway through the summer and I am sure we can all agree it has been busy, hot and fun! We have many new residents and families here at the Lake, which is very exciting to see.

With new residents this also means there are individuals who are new to our Lake Rules and Regulations. Recently on a Facebook post there was some concern about how new residents were made aware of our rules here at Lake Tapawingo.

● The Lake Tapawingo Country Club sends the title company and the Realtor of a new buyer an e-mail with a welcome letter informing that invasive species training is required by all residents prior to use of the lake in any way as well as attaching a copy of the Lake Rules and Regulations.

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● The LTCC also contacts the buyers providing them with the same information.

● When a new resident comes into City Hall to set up their water bill, they are given the rules and regulations book again at that time.

● The rulebook also is available on the Country Club website, www.laketapawingomo.com.

With residents new and old, it is our responsibility to read and familiarize ourselves with the rules and regulations here at Lake Tapawingo.

Not knowing a rule is not an excuse for breaking a rule.

Most of the rules are in place to protect the residents and their loved ones from accident and harm. Let's all work together to keep our beautiful Lake Tapawingo a safe place for all! So read that rule book and enjoy the rest of your summer!

Lake Board faces two-lift, one-space problem

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docks on both sides. Johnson said the dock would be 12 feet wide by 15 feet long with a ramp that is 12 feet wide by 10 feet long. The board passed, 10-0 with 1 abstention, a motion by Johnson to approve the application.

126-B. President Dean said Brad Rynearson, 126 Beach, had returned to the board to renew a request to move a boatlift he had purchased from the neighboring dock of James Corazzo at 48-B to his own dock at 126-B. She said it was the board's understanding that when the dock neighbors appeared before the board on June 6 with the boatlift request, Corazzo wanted the old lift moved from his dock to Rynearson's dock so he could install a new boatlift in the vacated spot.

Board members noted there is not room between the two docks for two boatlifts and granting Rynearson's application would prevent Corazzo from having a new lift. There is about 20 feet between the 126-B dock and the lift in its current location at 48-B; moving the dock over to 126-B would then leave those 20 feet between the lift and Corazzo's dock. Installation of an additional boatlift in that space by Corazzo would leave a space between the two boatlifts of

less than the 15 feet required by Lake Rules. Dean noted the board previously declined Rynearson's application and suggested the neighbors seek another solution.

Rynearson renewed the boatlift permit application and asked the board to approve his boatlift without consideration for a potential new boatlift at Corazzo's dock. Rynearson said he had been in contact with Corazzo and that Corazzo was fine with him moving forward with the boatlift installation.

Dean said she wanted it to be 100 percent clear to Corazzo that

the application he'd been granted years before for his boatlift would be relinquished once the lift was installed at Rynearson's dock. Rynearson said they are good neighbors and Corazzo told him he had no immediate plans for the vacated boatlift space on his dock.

Board Member Scott Johnson said when Rynearson and Corazzo were before the board June 6, he was under the impression Corazzo wanted the lift moved in order to make way for his

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Board denies lift placement that could restrict ramp traffic

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new lift and that Corazzo had made his intention clear at that time. Dean said she wanted to be certain Corazzo was clearly informed he would lose his boatlift space as a new application would not be granted. Rynearson said he had a text from Corazzo and said he would read directly from the text: "Let them know I am aware and have no immediate plans for the space."

Board Member Cyndi Peterson said it is a board concern that no one had spoken directly to Corazzo. However, she said she could see no reason not to approve the boatlift for 126-B. The board passed, 9-1 with 1 abstention, a motion by Peterson to approve the boatlift.

8-C. President Dean said a waterfall pump cover structure that was installed by Greg Pitts at 8-C in early 2000 obstructs Country Club property on a concrete walk atop the seawall. She said she had been in touch with Pitts' sister, Barbara Smith, who lives in Illinois, who inherited the property upon Pitts' death. Office Manager Diana Reyes said a registered letter dated October 2009 was found in the file instructing Pitts to remove the pump covering.

At the subsequent meeting, Dean contacted Smith by telephone so she could join the discussion regarding the waterfall pump housing on Country Club lakefront. Dean said Pitts had provided a permit application and drawing to the board for approval a number of years ago. The drawing was for the housing configuration to enclose the pump and piping for the waterfall. Dean said at one point there

had been a wishing well structure at the location which, at the request of the board, was removed in 2009.

Dean said the existing pave stone enclosure does not conform to the approved drawing provided. She said if the enclosure were within the submitted plan, that would allow space for passage on the currently blocked walk. She said in addition, the stacked pavers are not secured to the walk.

Board Member Wes Knox suggested the pavers be restacked leaving ample concrete walk space and secured to the walk. Board Member Kim McReynolds suggested there might be another configuration that would consume less space.

Board Member Mike Stiles moved to reconstruct the pavers to within the original approved dimensions or less. As part of the motion, he said if the pump and pipe do not fit within the approved dimensions, the pump and pipe must be moved. He added the pavers must be permanently secured. The board approved the motion, 11-1.

43-E. Board Member Mike Stiles presented a boatlift permit application for 43-E submitted by Andrew Taylor. He said Taylor sought to install a lift he acquired from 36-A on the side of his dock next to the Lake boat ramp. Taylor said he wanted to leave the opposite side of his dock open for a pontoon boat. Mr. Stiles said he waded in the water and measured the space between the edge of the boat launch ramp to Taylor's dock. He said there is 27 feet at the widest point reducing to 22 feet at the narrowest. Mr. Stiles said the space to the ramp is more than the minimum space required to

neighboring docks by Lake Rules. Mr. Stiles moved the application be approved. Board Member Susan Stiles seconded the motion

Board Member Brian Smith said Taylor should be aware it was likely a lift in that location could be hit by a boat being launched or removed from the water. Board Member Bill Ellwood questioned whether the space would allow removal of old docks being pulled off the lake at the boat launch ramp. Board Member Jennifer Moran said a rescue boat towing a disabled boat could not navigate well in the space remaining. Ms. Stiles said a pontoon boat would take up more space on that side of the dock than the lift. Moran said the pontoon could be untied and walked out of the way to create more room to accommodate unusual situations.

A tie vote of 6-6 was cast. President Dean displayed the Jackson County parcel viewer on the overhead projection and used the measurement tool, which indicated a space of 30 feet between Taylor's dock and the boat launch dock. She said she was concerned about creating a bottleneck situation and would not approve the installation of the boat lift on the requested side of the dock. President Dean's tie-breaking vote resulted in rejection of the application, 6-7.

Taylor said he was willing to install the boatlift on the opposite side of his dock. The board approved, 12-0, a motion by Board Member Scott Johnson that the boatlift be installed on the opposite side of the dock.

Dock measurement procedure.

Board Member Susan Stiles said she was **See Board, Page 8.**

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Board eyes improved dock measurement requirement

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confused by e-mail instructions given by President Dean to a Docks and Waterfront Subcommittee member regarding measuring for permit applications. She said she and Board Member Mike Stiles have been measuring the docks, ramps and space between neighboring docks. She asked that Docks and Waterfront Subcommittee responsibilities be defined.

Board Member Brian Smith, who had been on Docks and Waterfront for several years, said it is time consuming to measure all of the areas required for permits. Board Member Scott Johnson said the permit application instructions on the second page indicate a place for the applicant to complete the following: explanation of work with measurement; shoreline configurations and, if applicable, distances between neighboring docks.

President Dean said she was concerned that too much was being asked of the volunteer Docks and Waterfront Subcommittee and did not want any committee member getting burned out.

Andrew Taylor suggested a template indicating exactly what is required from the applicant be included in the application packet. Board Member Kim McReynolds suggested a materials list example be included as well. The permit application packet would then include: page 1, page 2, diagram template and materials list example.

President Dean said the remaining task for the Docks and Waterfront Subcommittee member would be to verify the location and confirm measurements. She said they would discuss particulars with the applicant and present the permit application for a vote at the board meeting and let the applicant know the outcome.

No fishing signs. President Dean asked for suggestions for the wording on the “No Fishing” signs that are to be installed on the Railroad Cove dam. She said suggestions included “No fishing along shoreline,” with arrows pointing toward the relevant area or “No fishing from dam” referring to the dam forming the end of the cove.

Maintenance: Trees. Board Member Brian Smith said he had seven bids from Monster Tree Service for tree removal or treatment totaling \$8,500. Board Member Clayton Holland asked if having a tree “treated” has

been successful in the past. Smith said the arborist has been fair and straightforward in their assessment with the ultimate goal of saving a tree rather than cutting it down. The board passed, 11-0, a motion by Smith to approve the bids for tree work.

Board Member Bill Ellwood noted the Liberty Tree, a bur oak in Liberty Gardens, had some dead branches. Smith said the tree would be examined for dead branches and overall health.

Silt basin, drainage grates. President Dean said Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf mowed the weeds in the former silt basin on the Ponderosa property.

Dean said she had spoken to Glen Tombleson of Underground Plumbing Pros regarding the time line for replacement of the last road drainage grates. She said Tombleson told her the parts are all in and he would complete the work on the three grates by the end of the week.

She said while discussing the grates, Tombleson told her he is aware the contractor left unfinished restoration work in the corner of the former silt basin area, where there was a runoff issue in the spring. She said she told him not to do anything until fall when grass has a better chance of survival.

Board Member Bill Ellwood said the board had previously discussed telling the contractor to remove his vehicles from Country Club property by the Maintenance building but noticed they are still there. President Dean said Alderman Bob Seago told her it is cost effective and convenient to have the contractor’s vehicles on site in the event of city water/sewer emergencies and it avoids possible penalties from the

Missouri Department of Natural Resources in the case of a sewer breach.

Board Member Steve Meek recommended allowing the contractor to complete replacement of the box drains before discussing any further work on the former silt basin.

Treasurer’s report: President Dean said the remaining three residents with unpaid 2022 assessments are listed along with the long-standing past due accounts on the no Lake privileges list. She said one of the three remaining residents that had not yet paid the past due 2022 assessments told her she would be in to pay the late assessment for that property.

She asked that board members report lake use by anyone on the list to her immediately. Board Member Scott Johnson asked if that included being on their docks. Dean confirmed it included being on the lake by means of their docks.

Treasurer Randy Thatcher said a second landscaping payment to Kristy and Andy Rogers was included in the month’s bills to be paid. Dean said it is the best money ever spent on landscape beds.

President Dean said former Board Member Renny Buckaloo told her IDEXX, the lake water testing supply company, double-shipped an order and said returning the second order would require paying return shipping. She said the duplicate order was for supplies the Lake needs anyway and she saw no reason to pay return shipping when the stock would last into next season.

Official Country Club minutes may be read at the Lake Office.

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Replace the Fishing Rules in the Lake Rule Book with the following, approved July 5, 2022:

FISHING RULES

NOTE: Non-compliance or refusal to comply with the following rules and catch/keep guidelines can mean loss of Lake privileges.

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Any fish you catch is included in your daily limit unless you release it unharmed immediately. You may not replace smaller fish in your possession with larger ones caught later. You need to make a keep-or-release decision as soon as a fish is caught.

Fishing is often for pleasure rather than for food. Catch-and-release, or releasing fish immediately after they are caught is a conservation measure that helps maintain a fishery for the future. Follow these guidelines to increase the chance of a fish's survival:

1. Whenever possible, do not take the fish out of the water.
2. Filing or crimping the barbs off of hooks makes removing them easier.
3. Never pull a hook from the fish's throat or stomach; it is better to cut the line. Many hooks will rust away or be expelled by the fish.
4. Avoid excessive handling of fish.
5. If handling is necessary, make certain not to squeeze or drop the fish.
6. Please wet your hands before handling fish to be returned to the water.
7. Never put your fingers in the fish's gills or eye sockets.

B. GENERAL RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. The body of water known as Lake Tapawingo, within the subdivision of Lake Tapawingo, is only available to property owners, legitimate renters, and their guests. Property owners, legitimate renters, or one of the members of their families must accompany guests. All are subject to the following rules. (3 points)

2. The taking of more than the following number, type and size of fish any one day by any property owner, legitimate renter, or guest is prohibited. The taking of other aquatic species is regulated by the Wildlife Code of Missouri. (9 points)

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| Blue Gill | 9 inches and larger, any number |
| Crappie | 10 inches and larger, limit of 15 per day |
| Bass | This is a sport fish therefore catch and release is required. Please return to the water unharmed immediately. |
| Hybrid Bass | This species is protected. Please return to the water unharmed immediately. |
| All Catfish | Daily limit of 5 fish, combined total of all species (blue, channel & flathead). |
| Walleye | 20 inches and larger, 1 per day. |
| Redear Sunfish | This species is protected. Please return to the water unharmed immediately. |
| Carp | These are nuisance fish and are not to be returned. |
| Perch (Green Sunfish) | These are nuisance fish and are not to be returned. |

The foregoing limitations are in accordance with the Missouri State regulations and are subject to change from time to time by the State and by the Lake Tapawingo Country Club. Check with the Lake Office for any revisions.

3. No seining (other than for personal use bait fish), gigging, trapping, or grappling for fish shall be permitted, except by special permission from the Board of Directors. This may be granted for carp or other rough fish. (3 points)
4. Throw lines, trotlines, or setlines are prohibited. Not more than two (2) poles or lines with not more than two (2) hooks per line are permitted to each person. Each line must be attended at all times. (3 points)
5. Garbage, refuse, fishing line, or other foreign matter shall not be thrown into the lake. (6 points)
6. Don't dump bait in the water. All unused bait must be thrown in the trash. (3 points)
7. No fish can be cleaned on docks or lake property. (3 points)
8. Fish may be fed oatmeal, cornmeal, stale bread, cornbread, fresh ground meat, or dried commercial meat scraps, but not in excess of 1 pint per day in front of any one lot. (3 points)



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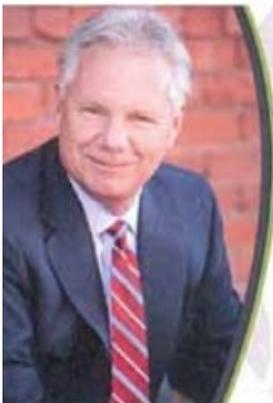
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Garden Corner

Native plants can help wildlife, lake ecosystem

By Alderman Kate Gray

Summer is by far my favorite season, as I'm sure it is for most of us lake lovers. Sunshine, swimming off our dock, hanging out with neighbors, juicy peaches, popsicles, homegrown tomatoes, walking barefoot, lightning bugs, sun tea, grilling, and watching the wildlife in my garden are some of the many reasons.

As a horticulturist and landscaper for 25 years -- including working as the assistant gardener at Kauffman Memorial Gardens in Kansas City, gardening in England at an organic farm community, assisting graduate students in the Plant Pathology department with native plants in the Konza Prairie Biological Station at Kansas State University, and furthering my education by completing the Master Gardener's training of Greater Kansas City, I've seen a shift in the importance of growing for wildlife and biodiversity rather than solely for aesthetic purposes.

We all know by now that wildlife habitats are on the decline, and as a result, wildlife is on the decline as well. An example of this is one of my favorites -- the monarch butterfly. Monarchs need milkweeds throughout spring and summer for breeding throughout North America and for successful migration every year. The milkweeds are host plants that have co-evolved with monarchs in a specialized relationship. The first time I heard this my mind was blown!

Previously I had thought, and I'm not alone, that having an assortment of exotic perennials, flowers and trees was the basic recipe for a beautiful garden, and wildlife visiting was an extra bonus. However, I've learned that most of our native birds, bees, butterflies, etc. will only eat certain native plants and have a symbiotic relationship developed over thousands of years! How cool is that?!

Exotic plants, from other parts of the world do not support the native wildlife and often become invasive by destroying the natural areas. This is happening all over the country, for example, Autumn olive, Callery pear trees, euonymus, honeysuckle, kudzu. They compete for resources and push out or suffocate the natural landscapes. This, plus



urban expansion, roads, lawns -- well, you get the picture -- all diminish resources for our native wildlife populations.

Check out Doug Tallamy's book "Bringing Nature Home," which is excellent and informative; monarchwatch.org; or grownative.org. You can find native plants at

nurseries Sow Wild Natives, Colonial Gardens, and Soil Service. I've added some native plants to my existing garden beds at home and in landscapes for clients over the years. It's essential we as homeowners help.

Some examples of Missouri natives that would do well in our gardens: Echinacea purpurea, Oenothera macrocarpa, Rudbeckia missouriensis, Aesclepias tuberosa, Liatris pycnostachya, Dalea purpurea, Lobelia cardinalis, Aquilegia canadensis, and Iris cristata.

Not only are these perennials beautiful, but they are adapted to our area and so they will need less water once they are established, less maintenance, no harmful pesticides or fungicides, and will filter runoff from our lawns and the streets into the lake.

When we all contribute in this way around the lake individually and in our shared spaces the impact is greater as a whole for our precious lake's ecosystem now and for future generations.

Now, excuse me while I go jump in the lake! Cannon ball!

For more information, contact Kate at (913) 274-8309 or kgraybooks@gmail.com.

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CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Alderman named; Lake Board to be advised of building plans

The Board of Aldermen of the city of Lake Tapawingo met July 7 at City Hall. Mayor John Sellars presided.

Visitors: Jan Baldwin, 9 Anchor; Dave Brumagin, 80 Anchor; Darren and Lisa Davis, 22 Clipper; Jeff Elkins, 85 Anchor; Kate Gray, 156 Anchor; John Braden, 45 Anchor; Orrie Covert, city intern.

Alderman appointment: Mayor Sellars introduced Kate Gray as his choice to be appointed Ward 1 alderman, replacing Rhonda Dolan who moved from the city. The council voted, 4-0, to pass a motion by Alderman Morgan Combs to approve appointment of Gray to fill the remainder of Dolan’s term, through April 2023. City Clerk Paul Blixrud then inaugurated Gray.

Municipal Committee: Alderman Brad Cloverdyke said the joint city-Lake Board Municipal Committee met June 29 and discussed the building permit approval process the city uses. An oversight by the city allowed a permit for installation of a concrete driveway from the pasture next to the property at 1 Anchor across 37 feet of Country Club property on Anchor Lane.

Current city practice had been to share permits with the Country Club after they were approved. The panel recommended a procedure in which city building permit applications would be provided to the Lake Board before approval so the board could advise whether it thought any permits affected or encroached on Country Club property. Cloverdyke said it was made clear the Country Club does not have authority to approve or reject city permits. The text of the proposal is included in the Country Club Board Report on Page 3.

Audit: Mayor Sellars presented a proposed engagement letter to again hire auditor Troutt Beeman & Co. for \$18,255 to perform the city’s audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. City Clerk Paul Blixrud spoke of the history Lake Tapawingo has with Troutt-Beeman’s auditing services. After discussion the council unanimously passed a motion by Alderman Steve Magel to approve the engagement letter.

Water and Sewer: Alderman Bob Seago said the Water and Sewer Department had five grinder pump service calls since the previous council meeting; three pumps were repaired and two new pumps were installed. He said there also was a water meter break that was repaired during the period. Seago said Water and Sewer employee Dan Rowe would retire July 15. Aldermen were invited to a luncheon for him on that day at City Hall.

Community Development: Alderman Steve Magel said the Water and Sewer Department staff put up new stop, yield, and no parking signs. New speed limit signs were still to be installed. He said there had been a lot of questions and comments from the community regarding some of the new signs.

Dave Brumagin, 80 Anchor, and Jeff Elkins, 85 Anchor, questioned why No Parking signs had been erected eliminating 183 feet of on-street parking in front of their houses. Magel said a study of the area showed parking congestion made the

area unsafe and required some motorists to back up to allow oncoming traffic to pass through the area. Magel said he would meet with Police Chief Tammy Taylor and residents to see if signs could be moved to allow some street parking.

Magel asked Alderman Brad Cloverdyke to verify the signage the Country Club desires for the dam at the end of Railroad Cove. Magel said he would order those, to be reimbursed by the Country Club, plus signage for the new truck size and weight ordinance and the requirement for a city business license.

Mayor/Office: Mayor Sellars said the forthcoming audit will determine the financial status of the year that just ended on June 30, 2022, but noted the financial reports furnished showed positive balances in all funds. He said he, Alderman Brad Cloverdyke and intern Orrie Covert were reviewing the human resource manual for needed revisions. Covert said he is doing some comparisons with comparable-sized communities.

City Clerk Paul Blixrud said the final transition of the city’s e-mail to the Office 365 computer program was expected to take place on July 8. Alderman Steve Magel asked if the old e-mail history would be lost in the transfer and Blixrud said he would check.

Official city minutes may be read at City Hall or on the city Internet site, www.laketapawingomo.org.

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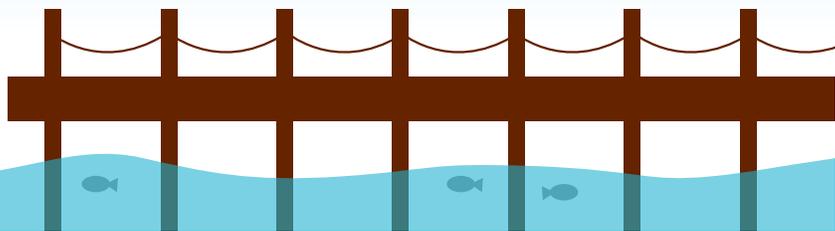
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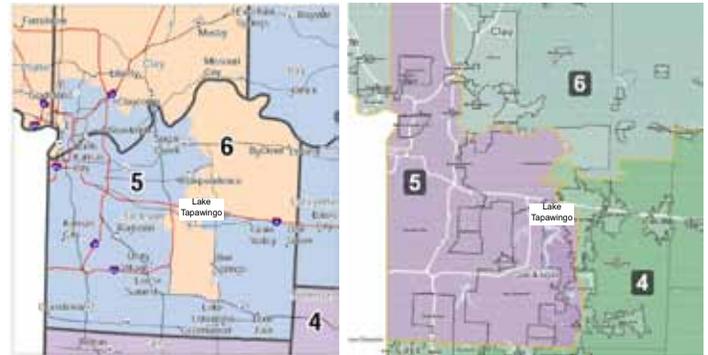


Lake voters to sort through 34 U.S. Senate candidates

Lake voters get to choose from among 34 U.S. Senate candidates across four party primary ballots in the Aug. 2 primary election. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

Thanks to redistricting of Missouri’s U.S. House seats, Lake Tapawingo also was moved out of the northwestern Missouri 6th Congressional District, currently served by incumbent Republican Rep. Sam Graves. The Lake now resides in the 5th District including the Kansas City area, currently served by incumbent Democratic Rep. Emanuel Cleaver. So, Cleaver is on Lake Tapawingo’s Democratic ballot, but Graves is not on the GOP ballot.

For contents of the primary ballots, see Jackson County Election Board ballot information on the Internet at <https://www.jcebmo.org/>. If you are registered to vote, you can click on the “Next Election” box to enter your name and date of birth and the website will generate your sample ballot for Lake Tapawingo.



FROM 6 TO 5 – Congressional redistricting eliminated the southward peninsula of Missouri District 6 currently held by Rep. Sam Graves, R-Mo., (left) and moved Lake Tapawingo into the Kansas City area District 5 currently held by Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, D-Mo.

WOMEN’S CLUB NEWS

Block Wars! loom; Got game?

By Shannon Follis

With the end of July, it feels like we are halfway through summer. So far this summer, we’ve waved down the ice cream boats, worn our Lake swag, and watched a fun summer movie. Best of it all, the Women’s Club is just getting started!

In 2019, C and E blocks won Block Wars!; D Block won in 2021. Who will win the glory of the Golden Paddle in 2022? Will D maintain their championship? Will C and E make a comeback? Will a different block take the golden paddle? Only time will tell.

Join the Women’s Club on Aug. 6 for the third annual Block Wars! Wear your block’s colors and come to participate in an event or cheer on your block. All are welcome.

Ice cream will be for sale after the conclusion of Block Wars!

Block Wars! Schedule

- Registration, 11 a.m. at the Shelterhouse
- Competition starts at noon at the Shelterhouse

Upcoming Events

Aug. 13 -- Sportsmen’s Club Luau: desserts provided by the Women’s Club

Sept. 22 -- Master Gardener talk on native plants: 6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse

Oct. 22 -- Barn Dance: live band, watch for a flier with more info in the September newsletter.

Volunteer Opportunities

Aug. 6 -- Block Wars: Contact Lisa Hodges about how you can help

Aug. 13 -- Sportsman’s Club Luau, volunteers needed for: dessert donations; to set up and run the dessert table; to set up and run the Lake logo items table

2022 Events

- Trivia
- Kayak relay
- Obstacle course
- Cup to cup
- Tug of War

Team Colors

- A Block**, red
- B Block**, orange
- D Block**, green
- C and E blocks**, blue



The Women’s Board meeting is at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Clubhouse. Want to get more involved or help plan an upcoming event? Have ideas to share? Feel free to join us. Any Women’s Club member is welcome to join the meeting.

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FIRST -- "E Block Family," 49-E.



SECOND -- Stiles Family. 26-B.

SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Boat Parade portrayed Red, White, Blue Beautiful America



THIRD -- Mark & Wendy Jensen, 200-A.



HONORABLE MENTION -- Ty Francis & Friends, 3-E.

By John Nicol

A gratifying turnout of eight decorated boats entered the 2022 Fourth of July Boat Parade with similar but varied approaches to the "America the Beautiful" theme. Thank you for your efforts to decorate and share for all to enjoy, all worthy of being the best.

That made for keen competition for the top recognitions. First place was the "E Block Family" in Roxy Herman's 49-E boat with extensive red, white and blue side wrapping, a large America Beautiful poster and American flag cloth with the Statue of Liberty and American eagle, American flags, and of course the waving crew. The second place 26-B entry from the Stiles family gathered energetic renditions of the Statue of Liberty, Uncle Sam and George Washington among the well-wishers with flags and bunting all being led by the perched American eagle.

Mark and Wendy Jensen's 200-A entry was third place with red, white and blue scroll with blow-up Uncle Sam and American eagle with real life Statue of Liberty and Abe Lincoln interpretations. In a change of pace, the 3-E sleek inboard loaded with "Ty Francis and Friends" featured classic rock led by blond-wigged Ty with a spirited patriotic crew that received Honorable Mention.

We all appreciated your efforts for a grand and beautiful Fourth of July event.

Aug. 13 Luau to feature tasty pork, Hawaiian décor

Saturday, Aug. 13, will feature the first Lake Luau since 2019, so wear your colorful Hawaiian dresses and shirts, and

enjoy a menu of delicious pork loin, roast pork, macaroni salad, baked beans, and tropical fruit with desserts provided by the Women's Club. To cool you off, there will be Mai Tais, beer, soda and water. Join us Aug. 13 at the Shelterhouse.

Pick out your complementary lei and enjoy the 5 p.m. social hour, then begin dining at 6 p.m. Later, the younger children can do battle with Hawaiian piñatas. Just \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and of course credit cards are welcome. The Women's Club will also be offering Lake Tapawingo logo gear and tropical plants.

Thanks for supporting Fireworks Sale



President Jim Clarke opened the July 12 club meeting and thanked all who helped set up and sell fireworks as well as residents buying fireworks.

Treasurer Chuck Welch provided comparisons of fireworks sales from 2014 thru 2022. The Monday holiday might have lessened total sales in 2022, but they were still good considering some higher prices and supply limitations.

First Vice President John Harrison reported the membership as 171. New resident Tom Burge Sr., 28 Clipper, was welcomed and introduced.

Second Vice President Joe Rush thanked the family of Lake Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf who served as judges for the Boat Parade. Trophies were given to winners listed above. Menu and cost decisions were made for the August Luau with more details to be finalized at the August meeting.



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PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Watch your step on Lake roads

By Chief Tammy Taylor

There have been questions in regard to bicyclists' and walkers' responsibilities while on the road. Here is an explanation regarding Missouri laws: Vehicle drivers must treat bicyclists the same as they would any other vehicle and bicyclists must obey all traffic laws just as any vehicle would.

All residential neighborhoods have speed limits anywhere from 15 mph to 25 or 30 mph, but as we know not everyone adheres to those speed limits. So, for your safety, please consider the following:

Walkers should be walking against the traffic to be seen by a passing vehicle/motorist and walkers need to be able to see the vehicle clearly as well. Avoid wearing earbuds or talking on the phone so you hear sounds happening around you such as vehicles approaching you.

Pedestrians - Under Section 300.375 of the Missouri code, pedestrians have the right to cross the street at a marked crosswalk and vehicles are to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks if the pedestrian is crossing the driver's side of



the road. If there are no traffic control signals or they are not operational at the crosswalk the vehicle must slow down, stop, or yield to the pedestrian in the crosswalk. Other vehicles are not allowed to pass a vehicle that is stopped for pedestrians under this section.

As we know, there are no marked crosswalks or intersections in our city so when do pedestrians have to yield? RSMO 300.390 states that every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than in marked crosswalks or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield to the right-of-way to all vehicles on the roadway.

I hope this answers some of your questions. Play it safe while out walking. Walk on the side of the street instead of down the middle. If you see an oncoming vehicle or a walker, respect each other and move over because, as you can see, the laws apply to everyone no matter the situation/scenario, and they are not always as you might think.

See Police Reports, Page 21.



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	1 Country Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse	2 Primary Election 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Clubhouse	3	4 City Council 6 p.m., City Hall	5	6 Block Wars! 11 a.m. Shelterhouse
7 Block Wars! rain date, 11 a.m. Shelterhouse	8	9 Sportsmen's Club 7 p.m. Clubhouse	10	11 Women's Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse	12	13  Sportsmen's Club Luau, 5 p.m. Shelterhouse
14	15 Country Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse	16	17	18	19	20 Invasive Species Training, 9 a.m. Lake Office (preregister)
21	22	23	24 Municipal court cases 1:30 p.m., Circuit Court, Independence	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

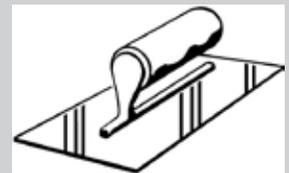
Police Reports

	June 1-30	May 1-31	April 1-30	March 1-31	Feb. 1-28	Jan. 1-31	Dec. 1-31	Nov. 1-30
Traffic - Anchor offenses	5	1	9	3	1	2	2	6
- Beach	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0
- Clipper	4	0	0	0	2	2	0	1
- Dockside	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
- Emerald Shore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
- Woods Chapel	1	3	1	2	4	4	3	9
- U.S. 40	30	16	20	27	20	20	38	24
- Total	41	20	31	35	29	28	45	42
Warrant arrests	1	3	4	2	0	0	1	1
Arrests	1	3	4	2	0	0	1	2
Felony arrests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Codes complaints	2	3	0	1	1	0	0	0
Calls for service	14	17	14	11	11	9	16	13
Warnings	16	14	27	17	12	17	36	34
Total	75	60	80	68	53	54	99	92



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