Lake Lorman Newsletter Jan-Feb 2017 A bi-monthly publication to provide general news to the Lake Lorman Membership.

Dear Homeowners,

Our Annual Meeting was held in December 2016. 3 members ran for the three open board positions and were unanimously voted in. The new board met immediately following the annual meeting and committees were established as follows:

2017 Board of Directors:

Karen deKock - President, Water and Sewer Myra Cook - Vice President, Treasurer, Construction Requests Tommy Draughn - Lakes and Dams Mandy Robertson - Secretary, Communications Kathy Warren - Clubhouse and Social, Beautification Rebecca Broom - Roads, Nominations

Board Meetings are the 3rd Monday in each month and are held at the clubhouse at 6:00pm. This year, every quarter, we have decided to add a **Community Meeting** that will follow the regular board meeting. We as a board want to hear what you have to say so that we can build a strong neighborhood. Our first **Community Meeting for 2017 will be Monday March 20th** immediately following our regular 6:00 board meeting. Members will be given the chance to ask questions, express concerns, and make suggestions. We hope you will attend.

Next Door. Next Door's mission is "to provide a trusted platform where neighbors work together to build stronger, safer, happier communities, all over the world." Lake Lorman currently has 206 people signed up to receive Next Door neighborhood notices. We encourage both spouses and any interested adult family members to sign up. Many times this is the fastest and easiest way for us to get information about alerts/warnings/lost and found as well as general information to the community. Next Door also allows neighbors to connect with one another and post photos from around our beautiful neighborhood. When making a post or commenting on a post, Next Door community guidelines remind us that "**Everyone here is your neighbor. Please treat each other with respect**". If you have questions about Next Door or are interested in signing up – please email Karen deKock (karen@proteadekor.com).

The Beautification Committee is planning a Men's Saturday morning clubhouse clean up day this spring. Look for more information about this event.



The Beautification Committee is also gearing up to presell a custom designed Lake Lorman Flag - designed by Mike and Janis Clark's son, Jakob. The flag is 3' x 5' in size, 2 sided, and will fit on a standard flagpole. The flag will be on display at our next board meeting and will sell for \$55.00 each, payable to Lake Lorman Beautification Committee (memo flag). Previously the Beautification Committee has used funds to paint the brick gates and install

landscaping around the gates. This year we hope to work on freshening up the clubhouse. We need your support! If you are interested in purchasing a flag – or making a donation contact Kathy Warren at kathy.warren@jacksonera.com.

Boat Stickers for 2017-18 and new boat ramp keys for Lake Lorman members will be available in early March. Please remember that our lake is private with only registered member-owned boats allowed. Boat owners must provide a current State board boat registration and proof of insurance covering the boat. Your Lake Lorman decal should be displayed at all times. For more boating rules and info: http://lakelormanms.com/images/Boating Regulations amended 52014.pdf

Dam – The Board has approved small tree removal for the Dam. This work will begin as soon as the weather permits and will be overseen by Tommy Draughn. See details about bids received in the minutes from January 2017.

3-Person Road Trust Committee – The board approved Clint Brantley to fill the interim position on the 3-person Road Trust committee replacing Karen deKock who is serving another 2 years on the board. Clint will serve through December 2017 at which time lake residents will vote for a permanent replacement for Karen's position. If you are a member in good standing and are interested in serving on this committee (which will have 9 years remaining), please contact Rebecca Broom at becbroom@bellsouth.net

Roads – The board has approved road work to begin soon to repair the area washing in Gate 5. This area is currently sectioned off with orange cones. Problems with this area stem from a couple of trees in the ditch that need to be cut down and removed because water was being forced over road causing deterioration. Removal of these trees has already begun. Thank you to Clint Brantley, Lucky Chaplain and Barry Woodward (3 person Road Trust Committee) for their monitoring and oversight of this area.

2011 one-time Special Assessment for \$100 in Trust for Emergencies on dams, lakes, streets and roads

At the Monday, December 12, 2016 Lot Owners Annual Meeting there were questions about the \$100 Special Assessment of December 2011 and the associated Trust Account. All of these funds are on deposit in Bank First in Madison, in a Trust Account. That account is intact with a balance of \$24,245.82. It is on deposit in a special Lake Lorman trust account "#_____960" a designated "Emergency Trust Fund" awaiting any "emergency" as defined in the Assessment, and supporting documents.

Board Member Spotlight:

The Lake Lorman Newsletter will be spotlighting a board member in each publication and this month is our President, Karen deKock.

Karen and her husband Stephen moved into their home at Lake Lorman in March 2013 from Ridgeland. They have two rescue pups, a white American Bulldog named Bakkies and a brown/black Beagle/Dachshund mix named Gus, both who joined the family once the de Kocks moved to the lake. You will often see all of them cruising the lake in their pontoon boat.

Karen has owned Protea Dekor, an interior design boutique in Flora, for 12 years. Before that, she was in the radio and television business, working at WCBI-TV in Columbus, WAPT-TV, Arrow 94 radio and Mississippi Outdoors/MS ETV in Jackson. Karen was named one of the top 50 Business Women in Mississippi in 2014. Karen is very active in tennis, where she recently served as Vice President, President and Disciplinarian for the 980 member Jackson Ladies Tennis Association (2013–2015). She currently sits on the board for the Flora Area Chamber of Commerce and was honored in February 2016 as Flora's Small



Business of the Year. She was first elected to the 2015-2016 Lake Lorman Board of Directors where she served as Vice President. She was elected for another two terms in December 2016 and serves as President.

Stephen is a Senior Vice President at Origin Bank and is a commercial lender. He hails from Cape Town, South Africa and you will see him often on his paddle board cruising around the lake, regardless of the heat, cold, rain, or blazing sun! *The Lake Lorman Board of Directors needs you!* It takes many hands to create a strong community. Please let us know if you are interested in serving on a committee or helping with a social event. Some upcoming events you will hear more about soon: Easter Egg Hunt, 4th of July Boat Parade.

Thank you for your support!
Karen, Myra, Tommy, Kathy, and Rebecca

<u>A Personal View</u> – by: Bill Jones

I find it unfortunate that Madison county can no longer afford recycling curbside pick up in the county. It evidently was a financial decision based on cost and the number of households participating. Having talked with individuals at the county who were involved in the project we at Lake Lorman and Lake Cavalier were reportedly very active in the program.

As of now the recycling will continue but will be limited to drop-off bins placed around the county.

For those who are conscientious about the need for recycling, we have a bin located at the South West Fire Station - 141 Lake Cavalier Road (approximately 5 miles south of Gate 5). I have been using this drop off weekly and have seen other Lake residents doing the same.

I would like to encourage Lake Lorman Residents to take advantage of this close-by recycling that will help our environment and also not create other landfills.

Materials which can be placed in the recycle bins are paper, cardboard, plastics and aluminum. GLASS IS NOT ALLOWED.

In order to continue the recycling opportunity items such as garbage, furniture, old mattresses or animal carcasses must not be left around the recycling bins. If we all will participate in this effort not only will the environment be helped but the need for additional landfills which must be monitored and maintained to EPA standards for many costly years will be reduced.

Other recycling bins are located at:

- Yandell Road Fire Station 114 Yandell Road
- Stribling Road Fire Station 520 Stribling Road

If you have questions about recycling or if you find the bin full and need emptying please call Madison county at 601-855-5503.

And finally.....



A perfect evening on the lake - photo credit to Liz Woodward!