



LAKE LORMAN COMMUNITY NEWS

October 2019

Around the Lake

Mike Clark, President
Board of Directors, Lake Lorman Corp.

In my four and a half years here on the Lake, I have witnessed so many good things, very positive things, being accomplished in and for our community. We've seen quite a bit of investment come to the Lake: very nice, new homes built; numerous existing homes renovated, updated, and, in some instances, expanded; a major road project to make our streets more safe and attractive; updated road signs; a badly needed remodeling of our clubhouse and our gates; growing property values; and a steady influx of new people with which to share our wonderful place here. We've had some challenges, as well; but, fortunately, we have some great people who are personally invested in making our community better, and I believe we have done so.

Speaking of our great people, we need some of you to step up and submit your names for the Board election in December. Please contact any member of the current Board to do so. We can only continue to better Lake Lorman with the help of our people. Please seriously consider contributing in this way.

A Note from the Lake Lorman Utility District

Don Seagrove, president

C-Spire has been a joy to work with. Lake Lorman Utility granted C-Spire the right to piggy back our existing easements. They have been very concerned about damages and repairs. C-Spire will compensate Lake Lorman Utility for all damages and repairs and locates. When completed this will be an asset to our community. Thank you for your patience and cooperation

Election Season

The Lake Lorman Covenants state:

"SECTION 1 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. ...On the second Monday of each December, there shall be held a meeting of owners of the various lots in Lake Lorman Subdivision having the right to use said Lake Lorman as aforesaid, which meeting shall be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Lake Lorman Clubhouse for the purpose of electing members to the Board of Directors."

It's election season at Lake Lorman. At this year's annual meeting on December 9 we will be voting on the 2020 budget, several covenant changes, a commissioner for the Lake Lorman Utility District, and three new board members. Board president Mike Clark explained that the budget will not be increasing although some of the money will be apportioned differently. There will not be an increase in the annual fee.

Three board members' terms expire in December- Margaret Deavours, Allie Elkin, and John Gill. We sincerely thank these neighbors for their service to our community. So far three neighbors, Diane Pradat Pumphrey, John Marchetti and Glenn Sanford, have agreed to stand for election. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

Mary Ann Sones is up for reappointment as a commissioner for the Lake Lorman Utility District.



Diane Pradat Pumphrey's parents have lived on the little lake for almost 30 years. Diane and her husband Mike Pumphrey have had a house here since 2006 and have been full time residents for almost five years. Diane is an attorney at Wilkins Patterson and practices insurance defense law. Diane, who has served on the board of Catholic Charities, is currently an officer in the Catholic Foundation, which provides financial support to schools, parishes, and other Catholic organizations. She's also active in her church's outreach program. *"I have a great love for the community. I would like to serve."*



John Marchetti is married to Linda and has been a resident at Lake Lorman since 2016. He has 3 grown children and one grandchild. He graduated from Mississippi State and has worked in the property/casualty insurance business for over 30 years. He is a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Jackson. *"I love the sense of community at Lake Lorman and I appreciate the opportunity to serve my neighbors and the lake community"*.



Glenn Sanford has lived in Gate Seven for over forty years during which time he has witnessed a lot of growth and change around Lake Lorman. He is now retired after owning a successful business, Southern Breeze Gallery. He served as president of the Board for Very Special Arts MS working closely with the VSA National Office in D.C. on a major reorganization of the MS chapter. He helped found an arts nonprofit on which he served as assistant director and currently serves on the MS Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities. He designed and maintains the Lake Lorman website and currently serves on the Communications Committee. *"The sense of community is most important to me as*

is the protection of our community through following the Lake Lorman Covenants."

New Fire Station Almost Ready for Business



Southwest Madison Fire Department

department plans to hold an open house on a Saturday in late October or early November to introduce members of the community to the new station. People will be able to tour the building and see the new equipment.

Ben Hawthorne, chief of the Southwest Madison County Fire Department, reported that he expects the Madison County Board of Supervisors to sign off the construction project and officially accept the delivery of the new fire station on Coker Road at its October meeting. At that time members of the department will be able to start moving in equipment and furnishings.

Ben who is also a member of the Lake Lorman board said the

The new station has three full bays and will house three vehicles in the next month, although it can accommodate six vehicles. Moving into the new station will be a tanker truck, a new engine, and a new rescue truck with advanced life support capability. Ben explained the advantage of the full bay is trucks can pull through quickly without having to back up. The station has a day room, kitchen, pantry, office, conference room, two bunk rooms, and two full bathrooms. The station is equipped to have someone there all the time. The chief explained there is no money in the current budget for paid people, but he will be requesting in next year's county budget money for three paid firefighters so one would always be on duty at the station.

Ben pointed out that Pafford Ambulance Service has the contract with the county to provide ambulance service. They are the first responders in medical emergencies and are located in three positions around the county. They have received approval to station one of their ambulances with a full-time crew at the Coker Road station.

Ben expects they will be on hand at the open house so residents can also meet them. Ben has also asked the UMMC AireCare team to send a helicopter to land near the station for the open house. He explained that an AireCare helicopter would transport victims of a bad accident if necessary.

Dominic's Garden

Karen Hulett

Congratulation to **John Malanchak** of Coker Rd for being chosen as one of two Master Gardener Of The Year for the state of Ms. He received the award at the state convention in May in Cleveland.

John's project "Dominic's Garden" involved building raised table gardens for day care centers, and community outreach centers such as The Little Lighthouse, Mustard Seed, Hope Hollow, Grace Ministries etc.

John is a retired geologist who years ago named the "child within himself" Dominic. John promised himself when he retired he and Dominic would do something together... Hence the name of his project.



Master Gardener John Malanchak

John is now serving as the state president of Master Gardeners and the Madison county Master Gardeners chapter.

The Master Gardener program was started in 1973 at Washington State University Extension program to teach urban gardening and horticulture. The Master Gardener program is available in all 50 states.

How to become a member? Classes are taught locally at intervals - 40 hours are needed over a 6 week period . Within a year of completing the program 40 hours must be given back in volunteer hours. .After the first year 20 hours are required each year.

Each local Master Gardener group has projects e.g. The Herb Garden at the MS Ag Museum, Madison Library, The Oaks, Mynelle Gardens, garden presentations, etc. The hours need to be focused on improving the community - not just working in our own yards.

Interested? Contact Mississippi State University Extension (601) 857-3242.



Hello! My Name is Edith and I live on the Little Lake. This is my first attempt at an article for the Lake Lorman Newsletter so understand I'm not a professional writer... and by the way, I am a swan. I live near my human friends Betty and Bob Marsh who happen to have a perfect place for me to rest and survey what is going on around the little lake, although I meander over to the big lake from time to time.

I enjoy contact with other birds, people, and even dogs. Occasionally a small group of mallards will fly in and I enjoy visiting and swimming with them as well as some Canada Goose friends who show up rarely. But the most interesting news I have found relates to a new friendly family that has recently visited both big and little lakes. They are not human friends but otters.

Oscar, Olive and #1, #2 and #3; the otters (who have not named the children yet) enjoy swimming around piers and were recently seen traversing from the little lake to the big by way of the overflow tube. They seem to delight in sliding through and coming up to see who is nearby. #1, #2 and #3 are particularly curious, pop there heads up and look at the human people as if to say "who and what are you?".

As an established resident of both lakes I was worried that they might be trouble makers for the lakes like the beavers gnawing down trees and building dams or muskrats burrowing into the seawalls and dams to create havoc or catching all the fish in both lakes which the fishermen would not like. So, using my human voice, I called the *Wildlife and Fisheries Department* and also talked directly with Scott "the Critter Man" we use on the lake to rid us of "pests". I found from both sources that River Otters, the family we have here, were almost killed to extinction but are returning and while no longer in the endangered category are still vulnerable.



Photo from online source



Photo from online source

I was delighted to learn they are considered a sign of a healthy Eco system and can actually help a lake by catching small fish (3" size and under if lucky) and eating mussels and other crustaceans such as crayfish. The young, when mature, usually will leave the area to find their own place (think empty nest). Both of the contacts I made indicated that the otters were no threat and do no harm in lakes this size... although they can play havoc in fingerling catfish ponds in the delta where small size ponds are crowded with fingerlings which are fed in such confined spaces to mature.

If you are on your pier or possibly out in your yard and see a little face or two pop up and look at you as if to say "who are you?" it is probably one of my new otter friends.

On the Little Lake the heat has reduced fishing. A bit of summer pond scum has been an irritation to me because, girl that I am, I like to stay clean and pretty.

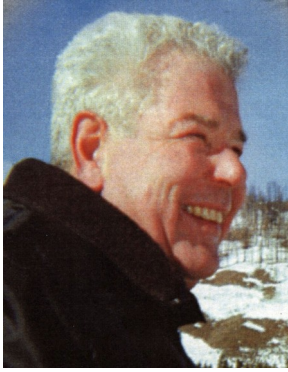
The human family of Ricky and Kendall Deel just moved into a beautiful new house on Lorman Lane.

Hope you have a good fall and I will keep you up to date on Oscar, Olive, #1, #2 and #3, if they stay around and I see them again.

Your favorite swan,

Edith

In Memorium



Richard Morgan, decades long resident of the Lake, died recently (August 31). Richard retired several years ago as a lobbyist for the Electric Power Association. He loved golf. One interesting fact is, a good many years ago, he won a pickup truck with a hole-in-one during a tournament. Marilyn, Richard's wife of 47 years, says "The truck is still going strong".

*"Give me a sense of humor, Lord;
Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some happiness from life,
And pass it on to other folk."*

"It's Been a Pleasure"

That's how **John Grace** characterized his 50 years at Lake Lorman. John and his wife Shirley reminisced about their time at the lake as they prepared to move to their next stage of their lives at Beau Ridge in Ridgeland in the [November/December 2016](#) issue of the Lake Lorman Newsletter.

John passed away September 16 at the age of 97. Shirley, his wife of 49 years, was a tireless volunteer around Lake Lorman and especially the clubhouse for the many years when they called Lake Lorman home.



The Bird's Eye View

By Dale and Sarah Lea Anglin

Just in time for fall migration, The Bird's Eye View is migrating back to your in box! In celebration, we thought we'd share with you our not-so-scientific observations of which birds may be coming to stay for the winter in the coming weeks. It's not-so-scientific because a) we can't find our journal; b) we're pretty sure said journal was last seen four years ago; and c) we're going purely from memory. Combined, we have *%# years of memory, so something should be accurate here.



White Throated Sparrow

Joining the ever-present and always enjoyable mix of Carolina chickadees, Northern cardinals, Tufted titmice, and Carolina wrens at our feeders, we expect to soon see Dark-eyed Juncos and White-throated sparrows. If you bird with your ears as well as with your eyes, you will hear a familiar song, "Oh, Canada, Canada, Canada!" that tells you to keep your eyes open for the beautiful White-throated sparrow (which does indeed migrate here from

Canada). This small brown bird can be seen scratching on the ground under bushes and often at the bases of trees. Rarely will you see it perched higher than a small bush, although they love to perch on our Crepe Myrtles while they watch the feeders on our second floor deck. If you want to attract these birds, they'll munch on just about any wild bird seed, and especially love sunflower seeds. Being ground feeders, white-throated sparrows prefer a



Dark-eyed Juncos

platform-type bird feeder. The Dark-eyed juncos are equally interesting, feeding in a similar manner to their cousins the sparrows. The sounds they make are, to us, quite interesting, and remind us of the sounds an old computer makes (so if you're outside in late October-March, and you think you hear your computer, check for a junco!).



American Goldfinch

American goldfinches frequent our feeders during the winter and should arrive late fall; while not in their lemon-yellow with black breeding plumage, these little birds are beautiful and will flock (pun intended) to a sock feeder filled with thistle seed. Another small bird that ventures our way in the fall is the Pine Siskin; it actually looks quite a bit like a female house finch (which we have here year round), but is smaller with a thinner beak. All of the finches will eat at a thistle feeder but they will also eat finch blend or wild bird blend from a traditional hanging feeder. They will feed on a platform as well, but it is their nature to hang upside-down on a plant (such as milk thistle) and pick out seeds, so they very much like long hanging feeders.



Pine Siskin

If you like woodpeckers, the Yellow-bellied sapsucker is our only migrating woodpecker, and it loves to stay on the edge of the woods and in the woods during winter. While we have never had luck getting these beauties to come to a feeder, many woodpeckers love to eat at suet feeders—so we'll continue to give it a try. A suet feeder is absolutely delightful to have in the winter (the birds here will not eat at them during the summer, because they do not need the high heat that the fat in the suet provides; come to think of it, neither do we. It's hot enough here in summer!). The fat in suet is ideal during cold spells in winter; a wide variety of birds will eat at a suet feeder.

As the days become cooler, take a little time to sit outdoors and just listen. Listen for bird sounds that you haven't heard in a while, or that you may be just noticing for the first time ever. Then try to find the bird, and watch how it behaves. It can be a really enjoyable adventure to follow them. Happy Birding!

Calling all Super Heroes, Princesses and Cowboys!



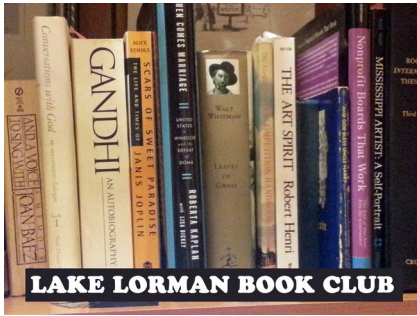
What started as an impromptu gathering of friends has turned into an annual event that continues to grow. Each year, young families in the Lake Lorman community gather the Saturday before Halloween for a hay ride and trick or treating within Gate 7. This year, the festivities will begin Saturday afternoon October 26 (time to be determined) at Ben and Heather Bailey's home on Lakeshore Drive in Gate 7. There will be snacks and playtime for the kids.

From there, everyone will load up for the "hayride" (golf carts, mules, etc. are welcome to join in the parade) to go trick or treating within Gate 7. Details will follow on Nextdoor/email as we get closer to October 26. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Heather Bailey (601-813-4600) or Kimberly Cleland (601-573-5144) for more information.

We hope to see you there!

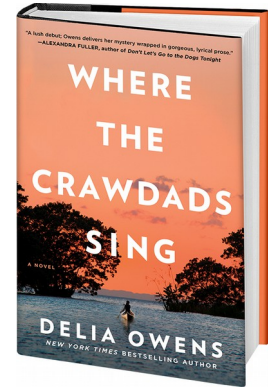


Lake Lorman Book Club



Do you like reading good books? Enjoy discussing books with friendly neighbors? If so, consider joining the Lake Lorman Book Club. We usually meet the first Monday of the month at the clubhouse from 6 to 7 pm. We alternate between fiction and non-fiction books.

Our November 4th book is Where the Crawdads Sing, a novel by Delia Owens. Garnering almost 22,000 reviews at Amazon, its average rating is



4.8. On December 2 we'll be discussing Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine, and the Murder of a President. Candice Millard is the author of this New York Times Notable Book and Booklist Notable Book of 2012.

Linda McCraw mentioned the book club helps expand our horizons because we read books we might not otherwise have read. Karen Hulett added everyone is welcome to join us.

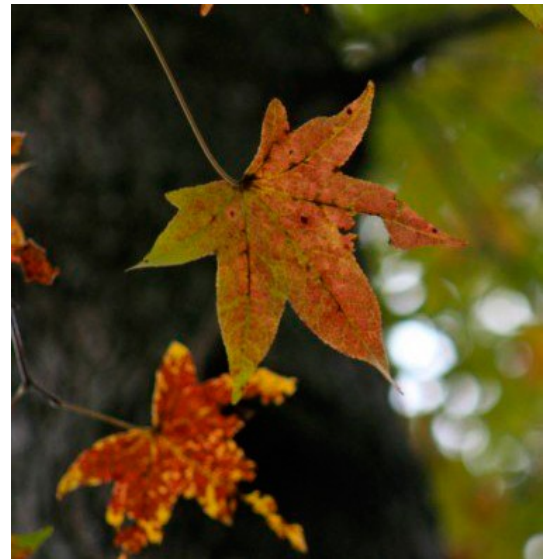
Notes from the **dirt dauber**

Will There Be A Fall This Year?

The dirt dauber is concerned! This is the first week in October and we have experienced record breaking heat (no such thing as global warming?) but Mother Nature will, hopefully, wake up and cool weather will come soon. With cooler weather may possibly come some welcome fall colors into our landscape.

Not everyone knows where these beautiful colors come from. The answer is in the structure of the leaves. Leaves function to absorb light transforming light into chemical energy. Plants use this energy in the form of sugars to grow. The process is called photosynthesis (you probably learned this in high school science).

Sunlight is composed of different wavelengths and each wavelength is a different color (rainbows will show these different colors of light after rainfall). Pigments in leaves absorb different wavelengths of light. Chlorophyll (green), the leaf's primary pigment, absorbs red and blue light. Chlorophyll reflects the portion of sunlight and masks the orange and yellow pigments which are known as carotenoids as well as the red, blue and purple pigments, the anthocyanins.



As days shorten and nights get cooler trees sense these changes and chlorophyll is recycled from the leaves and transferred to the roots for use next year. Once the chlorophyll is gone, the other pigments (anthocyanins – red, blue and purple) become visible.

Fall colors in Mississippi are not as bold or spectacular as in the mountains of Tennessee and North Carolina or New England but enjoy the red-orange maples, reds and purples of dogwood and crepe myrtle and other plants Mother Nature paints with her fall brush.

~ Peace & Love,

dirt dauber 



Lake Lorman Yard of the Month
Cindy Holt awards the Yard Of The Month Award Receptient
a \$25.00 Lowe's Gift Card.
Photographs are taken by Bill de Veer.



June – Ray and Mandy Robertson – Gate 3



July - Chris and Lisa Roberts – Gate 5/6



August – Gabe and Claire Groethe shared with neighbor Garrett Hill - Gate 7



September - Sandra and Joe Phelps - Gate 7

Recipes from the Garden...

Allie Elkin

When the squash comes in, it can really seem to take over the garden and your kitchen. Here is a squash recipe that is a family favorite.

Mexican Spaghetti Squash Casserole

Ingredients

- 1 medium spaghetti squash — *about 2 pounds*
- 1 pound 93% lean ground beef or turkey
- 1 small onion, diced
- 1 green bell pepper, diced
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 cans of Ro Tel tomatoes - drained
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2-3 T taco seasoning – more depending upon how spicy you prefer
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 cup grated Mexican blend cheese - divided
- Chopped fresh cilantro for garnish – if desired



Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Slice the squash in half lengthwise and scoop out the seeds. Place on a foil lined cookie sheet, cut-side down. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes, until the flesh of the squash is easily pierced with a fork. When cool enough to handle, pull the squash strings out of the squash's center with a fork and transfer to a large mixing bowl. The squash strings should look like spaghetti. This step may be done ahead of time.
2. Reduce the oven temperature to 350 degrees F. Heat skillet over medium high. Add the meat, onion, bell pepper, salt, and black pepper. Cook, breaking apart the meat, until meat is browned and the vegetables are tender, about 8 minutes. Drain any fat as needed. Add the drained tomatoes, garlic, taco seasoning, and red pepper flakes. Let cook until most of the liquid from the tomatoes has cooked off, about 4 minutes, and then add the reserved squash. Cook and stir until most of the remaining liquid has cooked off, about 1 to 2 minutes more, increasing the heat if needed. Stir in 1/2 cup of the shredded cheese. There may be some liquid remaining in the pan.
3. Lightly coat a deep 8x8-inch baking dish or 2-quart casserole dish with nonstick spray. With a slotted spoon, scoop the squash mixture into the pan in an even layer, discarding any excess liquid (some in the pan is OK—just not too much). Bake, uncovered, for 20 minutes. Remove from the oven and sprinkle with the remaining 1/2 cup cheese, and then return to the oven and bake until the cheese melts, about 5 to 10 additional minutes. For an extra-golden-brown top, place the casserole under the broiler for a few minutes. Remove from the oven, sprinkle with cilantro, and let rest 5 minutes. Serve hot and enjoy!

Save the Dates:

SCHEDULED EVENTS:

- Lake Lorman Utility District Board Meeting: Monday, Oct. 14 – 7:00 p.m.
- Lake Lorman Corporation Board Meeting: Monday, 21 – 6:00 p.m.
- November 5 MS State Election Day, Polls Open 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Lake Lorman Utility District Board Meeting: Monday, Nov. 11 – 7:00 p.m.
- Lake Lorman Corporation Board Meeting: Monday, Nov. 18 – 6:00 p.m.
- Lake Lorman Annual Christmas Party: Saturday, Dec. 7 – 6:00 p.m.
- Lake Lorman Utility District Board Meeting: Monday, Dec. 9 – 6:00 p.m.
- Annual Meeting – Lake Lorman Corporation Board – Dec. 9 – 7:30 p.m.

Be sure to check the [Calendar](#) on the Lake Lorman website for scheduled activities, meetings and events.

Twin Lakes Baptist Church

You Are Invited to Join Us ~ Everyone is Welcome!

Regular Weekly services:

- **Sunday**-Bible Study 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 am and 6:30 pm. Youth meet at 6:30 pm.
- **Tuesday** – Community Men's Bible Study 6:15 am in church fellowship hall
- **Wednesday**, Supper 5:30 pm and Bible Study 6:30 pm. Children 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Call church at 601-856-2305 no later than Tuesday morning to make reservation for meal. Cost \$6.00.

Hugh Smith, Pastor (601-259-4567) - ALL ARE INVITED

Upcoming Events:

- **October 27** 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - **Trunk or Treat** - Dinner Served - Fun and games.

Notice to Residents:

Your help is needed in order to make the Newsletter comprehensive, interesting, informative and meaningful. Contact any Communications Committee member with suggestions for stories of interest, "Letters to the Editor", school awards, births, weddings, trips, etc. We need your help in making an interesting and informative Newsletter. We reserve the right to edit to fit available space. We will make every attempt to contact those who provide articles, etc. prior to publication if changes are necessary. Any submissions should be sent to lakelormancommunitynews@lakelormanms.com with proper info as to how to contact contributor.

If you know of a neighbor who does not do "computer" please let us know and we will get a hard copy delivered... we want everyone involved in our Lake Lorman Community.

For additional lake information: <http://www.lakelormanms.com> and on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Madison-MS/Lake-Lorman/309416818289>.

Change Happens:

Please let us know of changes to your email or home address lakelormancommunitynews@lakelormanms.com.