# LAKE LORMAN CORPORATION

# **Between the Buoys**

# The Newsletter for Lake Lorman

A QUARTERLY PUBLICATION

# State of the Lake ... By Tom Johnson, Board President

Happy New Year to all!

As we just get into 2008, I thought it would be useful to review last year's board activity. Here is a synopsis of actions in 2007.

• Our first ever full-color quarterly newsletter was launched, thanks to Barbara McDonald who has been gracious enough to take this on.

• Our Lake Lorman Web site was designed and posted at www.lakelormanms.com again thanks to Barbara's fine efforts.

• A very successful garage sale was conducted in April, which allowed all of us to clean out our closets and raised more than \$3,000 for the community.

- Much needed road repairs began with repaving all of Hanging Moss Road between Gates 5 and 6, as well as Lakeshore Drive (gate 7) up to Lorman Lane, to include all of Lakeview Court.
- All new road safety and street signs throughout the neighborhood replaced our old signs, thanks to help by the County.
- In addition to our regularly scheduled monthly meetings, we received presentations from Andy Taggart, our previous county supervisor, D.I. Smith, our newly elected supervisor, the county Roads department and Don Seagrove, president of the Lake Lorman Utility District.
- We had two very successful social functions: the

4<sup>th</sup> Of July party and boat parade, which included a great fireworks display on the lake, as well as our customary Christmas party which was a lot of fun and very well attended.

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• About half of our community attended the annual meeting where three members were elected to the Lake Lorman Board and two members (Woody Holt and Linda McCraw) were elected to the Lake Lorman Utility District board.

I'd like to thank Ron Smith, Tom Warriner and Larry Foote for their service to the board and welcome Bill Cox, John Grace and Larry Foote (2nd term) to the 2008 board. We look forward to continuing to make our community the best place in Madison County to live – which it already is.

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Where is our lake?

No one needs to be told that the big lake is dangerously low. We have had precious little rainfall since the lake level was purposely taken down in order to install a 24" overflow pipe more than a year ago. We have had a qualified engineer look at our lake and he reports that with no rain at all we will lose an average of an inch to an inch and a half each month due to evaporation. Needless to say – WE NEED RAIN!!! Many of us have had to take our boats out of the water until the level rises again.

We have looked into the possibility of using our old pump to raise the little lake with the overflow going into the big lake. There are several problems: first the state health board owns the pump; it is currently inoperative, and we have an estimate of \$85,000 to \$100,000 to repair. If it were repaired, it would only add about a half inch of water (taking into consideration evaporation) a month and that is if the pump ran 24/7. The power costs for running continuously would also be extremely high. This said, we need our lake filled from the sky.

## SPECIAL NOTICE !!!

### NEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE:

Board meetings are now held every other month on the 3rd Monday at 7 pm, beginning in January.

Meetings for 2008 will be:

January 21 March 17 May 19 July 21 September 15 November 17 December 8 (annual meeting)

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# **Clubhouse Renovations**

It has been a long time since any work has been done on the clubhouse and it shows. During our annual meeting in December, a \$100 assessment to the 2008 dues was overwhelmingly approved so we can tackle this job. The board realizes that not everyone uses the clubhouse, but it is available to everyone in the community. These changes will surely increase our property values and will definitely increase the usage of our clubhouse. We look forward to completing this project in 2008.

# The Garden Shed: Tips, Tricks The Anony

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President Vice President Treasurer Secretary Tom Johnson Larry Foote Margie Abel Bill Cox Daylilies are one of the most colorful, versatile, easy to grow, and adaptable plants for the landscape. The daylily has been referred to as the perfect perennial because it is:

- Available in a variety of colors, shapes and sizes
- Able to survive in a range of climates with little care
- Suitable for all types of landscapes
- Drought, disease and insect resistant
- Adaptable to different light and soil conditions
- Known to bloom from spring to fall

Although daylilies were originally native to Asia and parts of Europe, the large showy



**Bi-color hybrid** 

flowers and ease of culture have made them popular worldwide. There are over 60,000 registered cultivars.

The scientific name for daylily is *Hemerocallis*, which is derived from two Greek words meaning "beauty" and "day," referring to the fact that each flower lasts only one day. To

make up for this, there are many flower buds on each daylily flower stalk, and many stalks in each clump of plants, so, the flowering period of a clump is usually several weeks long. And, many cultivars have more than one flowering period. Unfortunately, very few daylilies are scented. Although daylilies are not commonly used in flower

# Tips, Tricks and Ideas from The Anonymous Yardman

arrangements, they make fairly good cut flowers for use in the home as a new bloom opens each day over a period of several days. The flowers of some species are edible and are used in Chinese dishes, including hot and sour soup and moo shu pork.

#### Where to Plant:

Daylilies love sun, full sun if possible, but will tolerate part-shade conditions. In fact, daylilies will do well here at the lake underneath the pine trees. A general rule is to make sure they get at least 6 hours of direct sun a day. Many darker colored varieties will benefit from partial shade in the hottest part of the day. Daylilies will grow in a wide range of soils, from sand to heavy clay, and in a wide range of soil pHs. You can improve our Madison County clay soils with the addition of compost, humus or peat moss, or sand which will help make it more friable. Daylilies prefer well-drained soil and raised beds are a good option.

### When to Plant and How to Maintain:

With special care, you can transplant daylilies most any time of the year. Here in the deep South, spring or fall planting works best. Water is essential for good performance and will help to ensure that you get as many blooms and as large blooms as possible. It is most important that daylilies get sufficient water in the spring, when plants are making scapes and buds, and in summer during bloom season. Daylilies can withstand drought conditions, but you will notice decreased numbers of blooms and smaller bloom sizes with a shortage of water.

In general, daylilies are not picky about their fertilizer. A balanced fertilizer like 8-8-8 or 10-10-10 works well. Apply about 2 to 3 weeks

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# Mark your calendars to get in on all the fun

# Upcoming in 2008:

**Spring Garage Sale** – Time once again to clean out the attic, storeroom and garage and donate your discards to the community. Like last year, proceeds will be used in the clubhouse renovation.

July 4<sup>th</sup> party, parade of boats and fireworks display - Hopefully we will enjoy better weather this year than last. **Publication of the first ever Lake Lorman calendar** – We want to have a calendar made with different pictures of the lake that you have taken. If you have some great digital shots, please send them to Tom @ tomjohnson14@comcast.net, or if they are film (negative), please contact Gloria Lay at 601.259.0050.

Annual Christmas Party – Of course we will enjoy another great Christmas party in 2008, but this time in our newly renovated clubhouse.

#### Serving you in 2008 ... The 2008 Lake Lorman Maintenance Fee of \$400 is now Name Office **Committee Chaired** due. Any fee not paid President Tom Johnson Communications by April I will be Larry Foote Vice President Roads and Grounds assessed a late fee of **Bill Cox** Secretary Covenants \$25 after April 1 Margie Abel Treasurer and \$15 per John Grace Lake Director month thereafter. **Gloria Lay** Social, Beautification, Clubhouse Director



Got E-Mail?

Since beginning our push to sign up as many neighbors as possible to receive communication via email, we now have almost half the community signed up. If you would like to be added to our email list, please email Barbara McDonald at <u>bmcdonald@esfweb.com</u> or Tom Johnson at <u>tomjohnson14@comcast.net</u>. This will allow us to get important information to you on a near real-time basis, as well as saving mailing costs.

Check out the community online at www.lakelormanms.com.



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after planting. For established daylilies, a single application in the spring is sufficient for most gardens, although some gardeners choose to fertilize again in the late summer or early fall. Mulching helps to retain moisture and discourages weeds.

### Landscaping with Daylilies

Because of their low maintenance and because they do come back year after year, daylilies make great additions to any landscape. Use them as ground covers, to hold banks, as borders along fences and walks, and in decorative beds throughout the yard. They also do well in containers.

Y'all keep digging!







Top: Red hybrid with yellow throat; Second from top: Very common red, illustrating the star shape; Left: Several Lorman lot owners have this very common triple orange; and Above: Pastel hybrid, slightly ruffled edges.

# Yesterday at Lake Lorman - a blast from the past!

The following articles were extracted from Lake Lorman newsletters of the past:

**December 1978** – As we look back over the Board's accomplishments and problems, their satisfactions and frustrations of the past year, two things stand out clearly: (1) They tried to do the best job possible, and (2) They put a tremendous amount of time and effort into serving the needs of the lake.

(That was 30 years ago. The same can be said for the 2007 board and almost every board in between. It ain't always easy, it is rarely fun, but it is ALWAYS necessary to have a board of concerned residents in order to have a great community.)

**May 1980** – There has been some confusion during the recent heavy rains and high water conditions. The Lake Committee has installed a flagpole at the clubhouse that will fly a red warning flag in any high water situation. The warning flag will be flown when the level of the lake reaches such a point that damage might occur to dams and piers by boat wakes.

(Fast forward 28 years and we face a much different problem – lack of water instead of too much. The red flag, however, remains a clear warning that NO WAKE is to be made on the lake. We are hopeful that we will not have to fly it this season, but time will tell).

**November 1986** – Speeding continues to be a problem at the lake. Numerous complaints have been made and a real problem exists. Our roads are narrow and the potential of a tragedy is great. The speed limit on the private roads is 20 mph. Be a good neighbor and SLOW DOWN.

(Some things never change. PLEASE be careful and drive slowly and courteously.)





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4 BR / 2.5 BA plus bonus room, sunroom, and formal living and dining rooms. Fireplace in master suite. Huge kitchen; updated colors, appliances and lighting. Fenced backyard and three decks. Approx. 2800 sq. ft. \$279,900

#### 2029 Silver Lane Treasure Cove S/D, Madison

4 BR / 2 ½ BA, formal living and dining rooms, family room with fireplace, sunroom. Covered back porch and fenced backyard. Approx. 3000 sq. ft. \$299,950





#### 481 Bellechase Place Northbay S/D, Madison

4 BR / 3.5 BA, bonus room, formal living and dining rooms. Large family room with fireplace. Fenced backyard. Located on quiet cul-de-sac. Approx. 3585 sq. ft. \$324,500

### 294 Red Eagle Circle Old Trace Village, Ridgeland

4 BR / 2.5 BA split plan with formal dining room. Family room with fireplace. Roof and a/c only two years old. Covered patio and partially fenced backyard. Approx. 2300 sq. ft. \$239,900





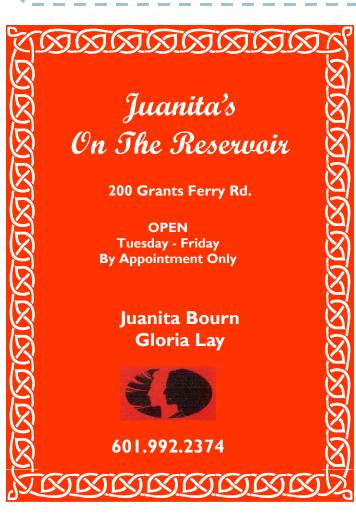
Lot 24, Deerhaven Madison Five-acre waterfront lot; one of the last left! Must build 2500 sq. ft. \$235,000

#### Lot 252, Northshore Drive Lake Lorman

Wooded lot in private lake community of Lake Lorman. Two lakes available for swimming, fishing, and skiing. Approx. lot size is 86' x 155'. \$21,500

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# **New! Boat Owners Association**

At the direction of the Board, a Boat Owners Association is in the process of being formed. **The first meeting will be Tuesday, February 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the clubhouse. Everyone is welcome.** The purpose of this association is to promote safe boating practices on the lake and facilitate healthy relationships between ALL boaters so that the lake is accessible to everyone. There has been somewhat of a divide between our fishermen and recreational boaters. Each has access to the lake but each uses the lake differently.

With a very active Fishing Association concentrating on protecting the lake and catching the big one, it is time to have a recreational boating association, whose charter will include working hand-in-hand with the fishing association. One of the purposes of this organization is to recognize and protect the use of the lake by the recreational boat users while recognizing the needs and interests of other people using the lake.

If you are interested in learning more about this association, please contact Maison Heidelberg @ 601.953.7000 or via email at <u>maison@heidelbergpa.com</u>, or Jim Watts @ 601.573.8726 or jwatts@opplus.net.

GET YOURS NOW! We have beautiful Lake Lorman baseball caps and T-shirts available for sale for a steal of a price. These are all-purpose garments great for fishing, camping, cleaning house, going to the movies or anything else you want to wear them to. Please contact Gloria Lay @ 601.259.0050 and she will be thrilled to assist you.