

SCHEDULED EVENTS:

ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

Mark Your Calendar – Come and Vote

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 13, 7:30 at the clubhouse. Lot owners wishing to run for the Board should submit their names to Jim Watts at jwatts@opplus.net or 601-573-8726 who will present names to the Nominations Committee. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

The Annual Christmas Party at the clubhouse is scheduled for Saturday, December 4, at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share with your neighbors. Call Shirley Grace at 601-856-4483 if you would like to help with the decorations.

Twin Lakes Baptist Church

Christmas Holiday Schedule of Events:

- Hanging of the Green Service, Sunday, November 28 at 6:30 pm
- International Missions Day and Parade of International Flags
- Sanctuary Choir presents Christmas Music, "Oh Holy Night" -- Sunday, December 12 at 10:30 am
- Christmas Eve Service, Friday, December 24 at 5:30 pm

We would like to invite all our lake neighbors to join us as we celebrate Christmas, and to join us every Sunday for Worship and Bible Study. Worship 10:30 am and 6:30 pm each and every Sunday and Bible Study at 9:30 am.

We will be watching, for you!

LAKE LORMAN COMMUNITY NEWS
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In September, Bill Jones and I volunteered to restart publishing the Lake Lorman newsletter. To do that officially, in October the Board voted to appoint Bill and me to the communications committee headed by Kevin Long. Our goal is to strengthen our neighborhood and enhance community spirit by fostering good communications with an informative and interesting newsletter, published quarterly.

We Need Your Help if the newsletter is to succeed. Please send us announcements and news of births, weddings, awards, illnesses, mission trips, promotions, deployments, etc. We would also like to hear ideas for articles and other suggestions. We are looking for volunteers to help gather news and/or write articles. As in the past, we will have a free classifieds section - boats and other things for sale, babysitting services, yard sales, etc. We are also accepting paid commercial advertising to help defray the expense of printing and mailing the newsletter.

We reserve the right to edit for space and general interest considerations. Initially we are mailing or distributing hard copies to all lot owners. Delivery would be **less expensive** and quicker by email so please let us know if you would like to receive future editions electronically. Contact information appears at the end of the newsletter.

Kelley Dickinson

Lake Lorman Board Meeting*

At its October meeting, the Board voted to sign a one year contract with Ridgway Lane & Associates, which provides homeowner association management services. The Board agreed to pay \$14,400 in monthly installments of \$1,200. The contract can be cancelled with 30 days notice. Ridgway Lane provides similar services to Dinsmoor, Bridgewater, Reunion, Cross Creek, and other area homeowners associations. They will be sending out a letter to residents soon introducing themselves. Their website is <http://ridgwaylane.com/Features/Public/Display.aspx?navid=347> .

Several residents spoke out against hiring Ridgway Lane. Brian McDowell said it was not needed and if Board members are too busy to do the job, they should not be on the Board. Betty Marsh said the money would be better spent on the roads, lakes, and dams, which are our major responsibilities. She also said that although the Board had the right to sign the contract, it should let the lot owners vote on the matter. Ottis Byrd and Judy Lyons also spoke against the measure. Asper Antoon, the only vote against the contract, agreed the money should go to roads. He said that is what the summer survey indicated.

Jim Watts said the survey taken last summer showed that one of the main complaints people had was the inconsistent enforcement of the covenants. He said he has received strong email support for hiring an outside management team to enforce the covenants fairly. Woody Nance said that he is supporting the measure because he wants to protect his investment and the Board members can turn over complaints to the management company. Bill Jones also spoke in favor, noting that people are reluctant to serve on the Board because of all the complaints the Board gets.

The Board approved the 2011 budget, which calls for spending of \$72,370 with a capital projects fund of approximately \$67,000 (\$57,000 of which is carried over from unspent money and \$10,000 of which will come from next year's budget). Jim Watts said we need more than patches and the fund will enable large projects to be funded at some point in the future. At Asper Antoon's motion, the Board voted to raise the lot fee \$50 to be put specifically in the capital projects fund, which would then bring that fund up to about \$80,000.

Craig Lang will get estimates for repairing the boat ramp on the big lake. \$800 was appropriated for new regular buoys to replace the current buoys, which are PVC pipes, which have not worked well. The buoys should be more visible and work better as the water level increases.

***Next issue** we will start an **"Ask the Board" Q & A Corner**. Please submit questions of general interest to Bill or Kelley and we will get someone on the Board to answer.

Utility Board Report

Lake Lorman Utility District has installed a computerized analysis system with a built-in call program at the well site. It will continually monitor the fluoride, chloride, and water levels in the high-rise tank. Should a problem develop an automated call will be made to our engineer. Please remember, we have a backup system with Bear Creek Water System should we lose power in adverse weather conditions.

Within 2 weeks, dirt work will begin at the lagoon. The old saturated dirt will be removed and a gravel filtration system installed at the bottom of the run off field. We will also install an aerator in the lagoon. This should help us with odor control, especially going from hot to cold weather and vice versa. Plants will be placed around the high-rise water tank and pump area for beautification purposes.

Should you have a pumping station with a blinking red light, please call Mrs. Lee Huff at 601-856-5969. Give her your name and address, your call back number, and the pumping station number. She will immediately dispatch our engineer.

If you ever need assistance, please feel free to call your Utility Board members.

Don Seagrove, President	601-856-8583	Linda McGraw, Secretary	601-856-2393
Woody Holt, Vice President	601-856-3848	Jimmie King, Commissioner	601-856-6990
Mary Ann Sones, Treasurer	601-856-7625		

Yard of the Month

Board Member Asper Antoon is working to reinstate the "Yard of the Month" Award. This Award, presented for many years, due to circumstances, which arose early last year, was discontinued. Asper is asking for a committee of at least three volunteers to make the award selection each month. Please contact Asper Antoon (601-856-5754) if you would like to serve or can recommend someone who might do this service.

Inventor in Residence

Did you know we have an award-winning inventor living in Gate 7? She is 15 year-old Mary Chiang, a freshman at Rosa Scott. Mary and two teammates were recently awarded a \$25,000 grant to bring their project, “Arthritis Magic”, to production.

The Christopher Columbus Awards Competition encourages young people to find solutions to problems in their community. Because Madison is a certified retirement community, Mary and her teammates decided to develop something to help the elderly. Noticing that opening doors is sometimes painful for older relatives with arthritis, because of the gripping and twisting required, the three teens tried various methods to open door knobs using different motions. Their winning design is a Pilates (rubber) band with cabinet liner sewed on the bottom and a triangular handle at one end. The user wraps the band around a circular doorknob and places the fingers or hand inside the handle. The door can then be opened by pulling down and out, eliminating the need to grip and twist. “Arthritis Magic” is also helpful for people with any other hand disability, Mary said.

Mary and her teammates presented their invention at the Christopher Columbus finals held at Walt Disney World in Orlando, where they were awarded the \$25,000 grant. The three have a preliminary patent but expect to sell it to a facility that can manufacture the devices. Recently Mary took her invention to the White House Science Fair, where she met President Obama and two characters from “Myth Busters” on the Discovery Channel, Adam and Jamie. Mayor Mary Hawkins Butler has declared June 17 Christopher Columbus Foundation Day in honor of the three Rosa Scott students.

Mary has lived at Lake Lorman for about four years with her parents, Tony and Lisa Chiang, older brother, Henry, and younger sister, Peggy. Her hobbies are reading, writing, drawing, and animals. She hopes to study veterinary science.

Are You Building An Ark?

With the water as low as it has been in many years building an ark would not be the most productive thing to do; however, it is a great time to take a look at boathouses, piers and seawalls and do the necessary repairs that might not be visible at full lake level.

Those who have retaining walls can see the bottom of the wall and can do maintenance. One thing that can help if washout (or critters) has dug out below the bottom boards is to place “riprap” along the base. This will discourage critters from digging under and will slow (hopefully stop) wash out. If no riprap is available – placing a row of “Quick Crete” along the base does the same thing. This will help to maintain the seawall longer and delay expensive replacement. At any rate, the water will return (it always has) and if you want to build an ark that is your choice.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to:

- Mary Ann Sones, recently hospitalized for some surgery is home recuperating.
- Ann Sullivan, who had a fall and hurt her leg and knee, but did not break anything.
- Twin Lakes Pastor Hugh Smith, who has had some health issues, which can be corrected and says he is on the road to recovery.

Congratulations to:

- **Bill and Karen Hulett** on the birth of a granddaughter, Daisy LeNell Yarrow, last summer.
- **Dan and Kelley Dickinson** on the birth of a grandson, Maximilian, in October.

A Few of My Favorite Things:

This is a new feature. We are asking people their favorite thing about living at Lake Lorman. You can send in something you enjoy about living here or you can wait for a random call.

- **Myra Hester** says she loves watching and listening to all the birds. She said she had four woodpeckers on her birdbath at one time last week.
- **Doye Wood** especially enjoys the sunrises.
- **Bill Wroten** appreciates the tranquility and quietness.

Classifieds:

Woody Nance has a ski boat for sale that needs some motor work. Contact Woody at **601-624-3581**.

Larry Simmons is selling his house at 407 Lakeshore Drive. Contact Larry at **769-226-1507**.

Larry and Cathy are selling a lot on the little lake. You can reach them at **601-856-1605**.

Board Members

The 2010 Board of Directors and Officers for Lake Lorman are:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Committee Chaired</u>
President	Jim Watts	
Vice President	Woody Nance	Roads
Secretary	Amy Heidelberg	Clubhouse and Social
Treasurer	Kevin Long	Communications
Director	Asper Antoon	Covenants and Bylaws
Director	Craig Lang	Lake and Dam
.	Don Seagrove	Water and Sewer Nominations

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At their first meeting following the annual meeting of members, The Board of Directors appoints the membership of six standing committees. Each of these committees, with the exception of the water and sewer committee, is comprised of one member of the Board of Directors and four additional members of the Corporation, and is subject to approval of the Board. The standing committees are 1) Water and Sewer 2) Roads 3) Clubhouse and Social 4) Lake and Dam 5) Nominations and 6) Communications.

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For additional lake information, visit the Lake Lorman website at <http://www.lakelormanms.com/Board.html> or Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Madison-MS/Lake-Lorman/309416818289>.

Please contact **Kelley Dickinson** or **Bill Jones** with information for the next Lake Lorman Community News and suggestions for stories of interest to your neighbors.

Be sure to provide your email address if you prefer to receive future newsletters online.

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