

**LAKENGREN  
PROPERTY OWNERS  
ASSOCIATION, INC.  
BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES - Regular  
Open Meeting  
November 8, 2010**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at the LWA Meeting Room. Present were: President Paul Ellison, Vice-President Deron McEldowney, Secretary Judy Thaxton, Treasurer Randy Blaich, Asst. Treasurer Rick McMahan, Amy Gilbert and Matt Brueggemann. Also present were Manager Kevin Thorpe, Officer Kevin Caplinger, Board Recorder Daphne Brunett and 9 visitors. Absent: Gerald Estes, Bill Hapner, and Office Manager Tammy Moore.

10-11-168 Randy Blaich made the motion to approve the October 25, 2010 Regular Open Board minutes. Amy Gilbert seconded. Motion approved.

Manager's Report: Kevin Thorpe reported framing is progressing on the Marina building and trusses should be on by the end of the week, weather permitting. He also noted he will be taking some vacation days before the end of the year.

The back gate ballot boxes are working well. Lake lowering will start Monday, November 15th and will take about 3 weeks to get to winter pool. The aeration system

OK. It will take about a year to a year and a half before we see any good results from the system.

The leaf truck has a burnt valve and/or another sticking which makes loud popping noises. Security has received calls that someone was firing a gun or firecrackers, but it was the noise of the leaf truck.

1300 ballots were mailed Monday and 17 more on Friday. About 180 ballots have already been returned, with very few questions about the vote.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Policy Review Committee-Deron McEldowney stated the committee met on November 2, 2010 and discussed a Noise Ordinance and a policy revision about handing out anything at the gates, which could go in the Door to Door Solicitation Policy. The next meeting is December 7th.

Viking Editorial Committee-Janet Davis noted the deadline for the December issue is November 19th. There will be lots of pictures from the Halloween Walk and the Adult Halloween Party.

Building Committee-There will be a meeting on Wednesday.

Marine/Lakes Management Committee-The report from Charlie Moore they met on November 4th. The 2011 Open Bass Tournament schedule was changed as follows: Spring Open Tournament - April 10, 2011 7am - 3pm

w/ practice April 3 from 7 am - noon. Summer Night Tournament - July 23, 2011 11pm -7am w/ practice July 16 from 7 am - noon. Fall Open Tournament - September 25, 2011 7am - 3pm w/ practice Sept. 17 from 7am - noon. Guest Paul Healy presented the idea for two separate committees (Marine committee and Lake Management Committee). After discussion it was agreed to remain one committee and make a sub-committee to study and monitor the lakes management portion. Dane Brierly read the year-end report and noted the fathead minnows have been delivered and put in the lakes. The next meeting will be April of 2011.

Lakengren Waste Management Committee-Next meeting is November 18th at the Lodge.

There was no OLD or NEW BUSINESS

**RECOGNITION AND HEARING OF VISITORS**

Jerry Rohr asked for a variance on the size of a shed.

10-11-169 Matt Brueggemann made the motion to stay with the Building Committee's recommendations and deny the variance for Jerry Rohr. Deron McEldowney seconded. Motion approved.

10-11-170 Deron McEldowney made the motion to approve the New Memberships. Randy Blaich seconded. Motion approved.

10-11-170 Rick McMahan made the motion to adjourn. Amy Gilbert seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

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Asst. Treasurer Rick McMahan, Amy Gilbert, Matt Brueggemann and Gerald Estes. Also present were Manager Kevin Thorpe, Office Manager Tammy Moore, Board Recorder Daphne Brunett and Deputy Kevin Caplinger and 8 visitors. Ab-

sent: Bill Hapner. 10-11-171 Judy Thaxton made the motion to approve the November 8, 2010 Regular Board minutes. Randy Blaich seconded. Motion approved.

LWA Report: Roger Riga announced LWA holiday closings of Thursday, December 23 through December 26th and December 31 through January 2. Allen Stobaugh replaces Gary Wagner as LWA General Manager on December 4th.

Treasurer's Report: Randy Blaich noted the following funds available as of November 19, 2010:

2009 Carry Over - Final \$0.00 Transferred to Capital

Operating Fund \$230,480.42

Desig. Lodge/Bldg. Deposit \$9,170.27

Lake Improvements Fund \$129,589.05

Road Improvements Fund \$12,000.26

Capital Improvements Fund \$46,806.85

(\$11,652.50 paid for 2004 Chevy Security Truck)

Emergency Reserve Fund \$107,536.65

Accounts Receivable include:

2009 & Previous Delinquent Accounts of \$80,624.66 (60 members)

2010 Delinquent Accounts of \$87,308.59 (227 members either non-payers or delinquent on payment plans)

Payment Plan Balances of \$21,746.00 (173 members making consistent payments)

41 Small Claims were filed. 8 of those filed have paid in full and 5 of those have paid down on their balance.

Mr. Blaich continued with his report to note the Lakengren Waste Management, LLC Accounts

Profit and Loss Statement showing a total income of \$163,543.35 and total expense of \$98,808.13 for a Net Income \$64,735.22 for the period of June 1 - November 18, 2010.

10-11-172 Matt Brueggemann made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Deron McEldowney seconded. Motion approved.

Manager's Report: Mr. Thorpe reported the new Security Truck, a green Chevy Colorado, is now on the road. The leaf vac is still working, but really should be replaced.

The roof at the marina building has been shingled, doors and windows should be done this week.

Plumbing, electric and HVAC installation will be

next. Lake lowering started last Monday. Work on the 2011 Operating Budget began last week. A preliminary budget should be ready for the December meeting. Mr. Thorpe will be using more of his remaining vacation time during the next couple of week.

The Gasper Township trustees did a traffic count on Paint Creek Road. Five years ago a traffic count showed an average of 853 cars/day on this road. Last week's count showed an average of 692 vehicles each day. The drop in traffic was contributed to the new bar code gate system which makes entry harder for non-Lakengren residents to enter and excludes vehicle entry with trailers.

Mr. Thorpe also noted that documents were signed with Chase Bank showing the sale of the trash collection truck from the LPOA to the LWM for loan purposes.

**COMMITTEE RE-**

**VIKING  
DEADLINES  
2011**

January 21st  
February 18th  
March 18th  
April 15th  
May 20th  
June 17th  
July 15th  
August 19th  
September 16th  
October 21st  
November 18th  
December 16th

**PORTS**

Policy Review Committee-next meeting is December 7th.

Viking Editorial Committee-the December issue is expected in next Tuesday.

Building Committee-next meeting is Wednesday at 10:30 am at the Lodge.

Website Editor-Matt Brueggemann is taking

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**LPOA BOARD MEMBERS**

Paul Ellison .....President  
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Randy Blaich .....Treasurer  
Dave Foreman .....Asst. Treasurer  
Amy Gilbert .....Member  
Tim Simmons .....Member  
Matt Brueggemann .....Member  
Rodney Suman .....Member

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Maintenance Barn: 456-3359

LWA email address: alakengrenwater@woh.rr.com

LWA web site address: lakengrenh2o.org

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Building Committee-Jerry Spaeth

Road Committee-Gary Ketron

Dams Committee-Gary Ketron

Lakes Management/Marine Committee-Charlie Moore

Safety Committee-Gerald Estes

Webmaster-Barry Clutter

Policy Review Committee-Daphne Brunett

Financial Planning Committee-Vacant

Election/Nomination Committee-Carole Moore

Judiciary Committee - Linda Tibbetts

Activities/Entertainment Committee - Vacant

**LAKENGREN WATER AUTHORITY TRUSTEES:**

Roger Riga, Chairman

Tom Pierce, Secretary

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Viking Editorial Committee

Janet Davis, John Keefe, Jerry Spaeth

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as Website Editor in place of Amy Gilbert.

Lakengren Waste Management Committee-The committee discussed ways to get more people to recycle, including a possible money reward. More info on recycling will be posted in the paper. Recycling reduces the amount of trash taken to the landfill, reducing the cost for disposal and increasing the profit margin for the LWM, benefiting the community.

Election Committee-Carol Moore announced the results of the recent voting as follows:

Issue 1: passed 482 in favor, 136 against.

Issue 2: passed 489 in favor, 130 against

Issue 3: passed 515 in favor, 107 against

Issue 4: passed 381 in favor, 220 against

Board Members elected: Dave Fourman (3 years); Judy Thaxton (3 years); Tim Simmons (3 years); Rodney Suman (1 year)

Restaurant Committee-Gerald Estes noted 5 applications were presented to run the Lodge Snack Bar. The recommendation of the committee is to grant the contract to "Tuffy's" owners Bill Hapner, Bill Shaft and Brett Maggard.

10-11-173 Randy Blaich made the motion to grant the contract for the restaurant to Bill Hapner, Bill Shaft and Brett Maggard. Matt Brueggemann seconded. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS - no old business presented.

NEW BUSINESS

It was recommended that a policy be made to deposit \$10,000 per year from the LWM into the Capital Improvements Fund until \$100,000 is reached to have funds for large purchases.

It was recommended that the LWM create its own policy manual separate from the LPOA policy manual.

10-11-174 Gerald Estes made the motion that the LWM deposit \$10,000 per year to Capital Improvements until a total of \$100,000 is reached. Judy

Thaxton seconded. Motion approved.

Randy Blaich noted he has contacted several banks concerning a commercial loan for the road repairs. Two of the banks have viable options at this time.

Matt Brueggemann requested a laptop computer be purchased to be used by the Website Editor which would belong to the LPOA and would be used strictly for LPOA business.

10-11-175 Randy Blaich made the motion to approve up to \$450 for the purchase of a laptop computer for the LPOA. Deron McEldowney seconded. Motion approved.

RECOGNITION AND HEARING OF VISITORS

Alice Forte asked if Randy Pierson was going to have a self-defense class as he requested at a previous meeting. She was told he has not returned to the Board with his proposal for the class.

10-11-176 Judy Thaxton made the motion to adjourn. Randy Blaich seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

ATV RULES

Here are a couple of reminders on our Rules and Regulations regarding ATV's and Snowmobiles. We want everyone to be safe this winter so we ask that everyone please follow the L.P.O.A. Vehicle Operating Rules and Regulations. Thank you.

L.P.O.A. VEHICLE OPERATING RULES AND REGULATIONS

This is from Definitions Section 1, paragraph E, of the Vehicle Operating Rules on the use of ATV's within Lakengren.

E. "All-Purpose Vehicle (APV)" - any self-propelled vehicle steered by wheels or caterpillar treads, or a combination of both, designed primarily for cross-country travel on land and water or on more than one type of terrain. This definition specifically includes, but is not limited to, vehicles known as all-terrain vehicles (ATV's), all-season vehicles, snow-

mobiles, mini-bikes, trail bikes and vehicles that operate on a cushion of air. This definition does not include vehicles not principally used for personal transportation, any motor vehicle designed for and primarily used in playing the game of golf, and any vehicle excepted from the definition of the term "Motor Vehicle" set forth hereinabove.

NOTE: ATV's were banned from Lakengren roadways on April 12, 2004. ATV's are not permitted to be operated in Lakengren except on the individual property owner's property.

This next regulation is

from Section IV. REQUIRED VEHICLE EQUIPMENT AND SPECIFIC OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS, Paragraph C.

C. Snowmobiles

1. Operation of snowmobiles upon any L.P.O.A. area is AT YOUR OWN RISK. Ice conditions on the lakes WILL NOT be monitored by the L.P.O.A. and remains the responsibility of the operator. Caution signs will be posted in strategic locations at all lakes.

2. Operation of snowmobiles upon L.P.O.A. roadways is strictly prohibited except during ex-

reme emergency snow conditions wherein normal transportation is impossible. Any snowmobiles on L.P.O.A. roadways during such conditions must adhere to all Ohio state traffic laws and posted traffic signs.

3. Child Operators ñ Any person less than 16 years of age, but 12 years of age or older, must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is a licensed driver 18 years of age or older. Child operators under 12 years of age are prohibited without exception.

4. Depth of snow must be a minimum of 3 inches

before operating any snowmobile upon L.P.O.A. property.

5. Operating hours for snowmobiles upon L.P.O.A. property will be from dawn to dusk. The only exception will be for emergency travel under emergency conditions.

6. Areas of operation shall be limited to:

a. Within the confines of the property owner's or renter's real property.

b. L.P.O.A. common access, recreation areas and lakes. The Beach and Marina can be used for starting points for lake

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travel.  
 c. Cross country travel upon private lots without written permission of the lot owner(s) is prohibited, and could result in trespassing charges against the operator.  
 7. Required Equipment:  
 a. All snowmobile riders must wear protective helmets with fastened chin straps.  
 b. All snowmobile riders must wear protective eye goggles or face shields.  
 c. At least one headlight.  
 d. At least one red tail-light.  
 e. Adequate brakes.  
 f. All snowmobiles must have an effective muffler system, as prescribed by Ohio state laws



## Third Annual Chili Cook Off

The Lakengren Social Club is planning for the Third Annual Chili Cook Off set for Saturday, January 29 at 2:00 p.m. at the Valhalla Lodge. Anyone who wishes to join in on the fun to see if they have what it takes to become a Lakengren Chili Master, is most welcome. Last year's winners already think they will be taking home the trophies.

Turn your entry form in to the LPOA office by January 28. Free entry with a four-quart minimum. This year there will be a charge of \$1.00 to the spectators for all those wonderful bowls of chili. You eat until it is gone. In the past, we have had plenty to go

around with most people having several bowls of chili. This minimal charge will cover the cost of styro bowls, spoons and crackers. Anyone wanting to donate any of these items listed, please call and let the Social Club know. Donations are always welcomed.

If you would like to join the Social Club, they meet the last Wednesday of each month at the Lodge, or you can give me a call at (513) 254-7895, or ask for Susie at the LPOA office (456-3173). We will meet on January 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lodge. Come join in on the fun. The more members we have, the more activities we will be able to plan for the Lakengren community. Hope to see you at our next meeting.



## Bass Club News

By Ron Foulk  
 The Lakengren Bass Club concluded its nineteenth season on Saturday, December 11 with its annual Family Christmas Dinner and awards presentation at the Golden Corral in Hamilton.

Thirty-eight people enjoyed a sumptuous all-you-can-eat buffet dinner plus a good time of fellowship.

President Bruce Clark awarded plaques to junior members who fished with their dads this summer. Todd Davis, Brian King and Jeff Bowling all had their sons fish with them.

The Angler of the Year Award for the highest number of points in the club based on tournament placement went to Luke Haynes. Kevin Caplinger was second. Jeff Bowling captured third place, while Ron Bowling took fourth place. Bob Jones and Leon Roberts tied for fifth place in the final standings. Angler of the Year received a plaque and a patch, while the others received plaques.

Other awards were: Big Bass of the year, Bob Jones (4.72 pounds) who received a plaque. Bob also was elected Club Member of the Year and took home another plaque. Bob was also presented with a beautiful, handmade patch quilt made by Mrs. Brian King. Junior Angler of the Year was Ryan Bowling, who also received a plaque.

The "Big Catch" of the year award was won by Luke Haynes with a bag for one tournament weighing 14.32 pounds for which he received a plaque. Luke also had the second biggest catch of the year with a bag weighing 12.70 pounds. These are outstanding catches on any lake.

Louie Ross received a "special" award for catching the biggest bass in club history to date in a tournament. Louie's bass was over five pounds. He received a trophy.

Bruce Clark was recognized for his ten years as president of the club, and for his outstanding leadership.

A good, fun evening was had by all. The next meeting will be held Satur-

day, January 8, 2011 at the lodge at 9:30 a.m. Officers for the new year will be elected and plans for the year, including the tournament schedule will be made. The club fishes eight monthly tournaments all on Lake Lakengren a year. Membership is open, offering both individual and family memberships. Any Lakengren property owner is eligible to join. The club is about family, fellowship, learning and sharing tips and insights to become better bass fishermen. The club

is co-ed, and one does not need a boat or any experience to join. All are welcome. 2011 will mark the twentieth year of the club's existence.

The Bass Club returns all caught fish to the lake, and is interested in preservation and lake management to keep our lakes healthy and available to all residents. It has members on the Marine Committee, and helps with the three open tournaments, the proceeds of which help to stock and maintain our lakes.

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## CINDERELLA PARTICIPANTS

Four Lakengren residents participated in the Richmond Civic Theatre production of the classic Rodgers and Hammerstein musical Cinderella, which was performed to sell out crowds during two weekends in December. Sarah Vincent, daughter of Sherri and Darrell Vincent and a recent theatre graduate of Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, played the title role of Cinderella. Sherri Vincent played the Queen, mother of Prince Christopher, who would find and lose Cinderella at the ball, and then find her again as he slipped the glass slipper on her foot. Eaton High School student Brenna Heuberger, daughter of Barbara Rose, played a feisty townsperson and ballroom dancer. JoAnn Hoffman had the distinction of playing first violin in the orchestra.

The Richmond Civic Theatre is known for its high quality productions. All four Lakengren residents have extensive experience with the Theatre. During the last few years, Sarah Vincent has performed leads in West Side Story and Oh Henry and the Tin Lizzie. Brenna Heuberger had the lead of Marie in The Story of the Nutcracker, the holiday production in 2008, and has also performed in 2010 productions of Anne of Green Gables and The Wizard of Oz. Sherri Vincent has served many roles both on and off stage in productions over the years. JoAnn Hoffman has made musical contributions in 2010 productions of The Wizard of Oz and Seven Brides for Seven Brothers, and previous productions of West Side Story, Thoroughly Modern Millie, Oklahoma, the Story of the Nutcracker, and Ahmal and the Night Visitors.

Congratulations to our tireless and talented Lakengren residents who have made such significant contributions to the theatre experiences of thousands of local residents.

## Community Chorus Happenings

By Paul Healy  
A letter from Bob Walsh has informed members of the Eaton Area Community Chorus that he is retiring from the directorship of this singing group. He will be sorely missed. Prior to his many years directing the chorus, he taught music at

Eaton High School. Their choral groups won many Ohio State High School awards.

He enriched the lives of his former students. I only wish I had had a contact with someone like Mr. Walsh in my youth. When I was about 73 years of age, I

visited Bob's house and did the scales, etc. He told me that I was a base with two octaves. I have enjoyed singing with the chorus and hope some others will pick up the reins.

When I told him that I tried out for my university choral group and never got a call back, he said the director had plenty of men with experience and he did not need a novice. I was envious of my buddies who were in the chorus and traveled all over and they wore Tuxes!

If you think you have a singing talent, call Bob Walsh at 456-3892 for a singing evaluation.

This was written without his permission, but I know Bob is always looking for magical voices.

## ART CLASSES

The Preble County Art Association is pleased to announce two art classes to be held at the Preble Fine Arts Center in Eaton during the months of January and February.

**Creatures and Characters - Giving them Shape** is for children ages six and up, taught by Janet Burkett. In this class students will design and build creatures and characters from their imaginations. Driftwood, seeds, ovenbake clay, paint, paper, and other materials will be used to give the creatures shape and character. Materials will be provided. The class will be held every Thursday from 6:30-8:30pm for four weeks beginning January 6. Tuition is \$45, due by the first day of class.

**Adult Art** is for ages 18 and up at any level of experience, taught by Joyce Young. In this class students will be instructed in the basics of drawing and painting: perspective, shading and shadowing, and color mixing. All mediums are welcome. A supply list will be provided on the first day of class. The class will be held every Monday from 1-4pm for four weeks beginning January 17. Tuition is \$45, due by the first day of class.

For additional information or to sign up for these classes, please call the Fine Arts Center at 937-456-3999 or email at [office@takepartinart.net](mailto:office@takepartinart.net). Additional information, including directions, about the Art Association and the Arts Center can be found at the website, [www.takepartinart.net](http://www.takepartinart.net).



Date	Time	Street	Nature Of Call	Disposition
12/7/2010	11:42 AM	Baltic Cove	Alarm Drop	Handled by Fire Dept.
11/23/2010	10:41 AM	Brande Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/26/2010	8:09 PM	Brande Drive	Welfare Check	Call Recorded
12/4/2010	12:55 PM	Brande Drive	Mental Subject	Call Recorded
11/22/2010	6:37 AM	Dragon Drive	Fire	Handled by Fire Dept.
11/25/2010	7:06 PM	E. Lakengren Drive	Grand Theft	Call Canceled
11/26/2010	8:30 PM	E. Lakengren Drive	Suspicious Vehicle	Call Recorded
11/30/2010	11:38 AM	E. Lakengren Drive	Petty Theft	Report Taken
12/8/2010	11:39 AM	E. Lakengren Drive	traffic Detail	Call Recorded
12/16/2010	4:53 PM	Finland Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/22/2010	2:13 AM	Fiord Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
11/23/2010	9:39 AM	Fiord Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
11/24/2010	4:01 PM	Hammer Drive	Grand Theft	Call Recorded
11/22/2010	3:59 PM	Hatchet Drive	Warrant	Unable to locate
11/26/2010	8:37 PM	Hatchet Drive	Warrant	Call Recorded
11/24/2010	2:38 PM	Haugesund Cove	Abandoned 9-1-1 Call	Call Recorded
11/22/2010	8:57 PM	Kastrup Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/24/2010	4:18 PM	Kastrup Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/26/2010	10:09 PM	Lightening Drive	Fire	Handled by Fire Dept.
11/27/2010	11:13 PM	Lightening Drive	Traffic Stop	Call Recorded
12/9/2010	10:07 AM	Lightening Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
11/29/2010	6:43 AM	Old Norse Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/27/2010	10:10 PM	Ram Drive	Juvenile	Call Recorded
12/11/2010	12:45 PM	Ram Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
12/9/2010	6:40 PM	Skodborg Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
12/6/2010	4:43 PM	Snedstead Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/24/2010	8:36 PM	Striver Drive	Crash Property Damage	Call Recorded
12/8/2010	9:08 AM	Thor Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
12/9/2010	6:05 AM	Thor Drive	Warrant	Report Taken
12/1/2010	6:23 PM	Vinland Drive	Threatening / Harassing Tx Calls	Call Recorded
12/14/2010	6:12 PM	Voyage Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
11/29/2010	11:38 AM	W. Lakengren Drive	Fire	Handled by Fire Dept.
11/30/2010	1:44 PM	W. Lakengren Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
12/13/2010	6:12 PM	W. Lakengren Drive	Attempted Suicide	Handled By EMS

## NATURE OF CALL COUNT

Alarm Drop	1
Abandoned 9-1-1 Call	1
Ambulance	10
Attempted Suicide	1
Crash Property Damage	1
Fire	3
Grand Theft	2
Juvenile	1
Mental Subject	1
Petty Theft	1
Suspicious Vehicle	1
Threatening / Harassing Tx Calls	1
Traffic Detail	1
Traffic Stop	1
Unclassified Offense	4
Warrant	3
Welfare Check	1
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# A DAY IN THE (BIRD) LIFE OF LAKENGREN

By Jo Ann Hoffman

Tues. Dec. 13, 2010 began for me at 9:15 a.m., a cold cloudy windy day, only 10 degrees above zero. Three or four inches of snow had fallen the day before and still covered the ground. After refilling the bird feeders and suet cages, I settled at the dining room table, a cup of hot tea in one hand, binoculars in the other to count my backyard breakfast birds. Daryl Michael, the Preble County Coordinator for the annual Audubon Society Bird Count, had phoned the night before to remind me that despite the cold and snow, the count must go on. It wasn't long before House Finches and Cardinals were sharing perch space, dispersing for only a moment when Chickadees flew in to grab a sunflower seed and leave. A pair of Song Sparrows hunkered down out of the wind on the platform feeder feasting for quite a while until a Mourning Dove landed with a whirl of wings sending millet seed flying onto the deck below. Ground-feeding Juncos, Tree and White-throated Sparrows gladly cleaned up the mess. Male and female Downy Woodpeckers took turns on the suet cake alternating with a White-breasted Nuthatch. In only 30 minutes, at least 34 individual birds of 11 different species had shared breakfast with me!

Even though the usual Blue Jay and Tufted Titmouse had not appeared, I gathered my gear, loaded the 4-wheel drive and hit the road. It wasn't far out Valhalla Cove onto Valhalla Drive that a flurry of activity caused me to stop. The folks living at the corner of Valhalla Drive and Europe Cove had several bird feeders in their yard. I counted 17 House Finches and 10 House Sparrows! Some of the House Sparrows were actually clinging vertically to the brick on the side of the house. 3 Mourning Doves, 2 more Cardinals and 4 Juncos joined the crowd. Then he came in all his blue majesty, the first Blue Jay of the day. Thank you, 318 Europe Cove!

Driving onto the dam at 11:15 a.m., all I saw was a pair of Mallards hugging close to the rocks, no gulls, no geese, no diving ducks, no Blue Heron along the bank and no hawks soaring above the trees past the spillway. The temperature had climbed to 21 degrees and hints of sunbeams were peaking between the clouds. Disappointed and a bit curious why no other fowl were taking advantage of the open water, I crossed over the dam where a swarming flock on Brande caught my eye. Swirling and dipping, landing and taking off again, I counted 250 European Starlings before they disappeared over the rooftops toward the barren fields on Paint Creek.

I continued up Brande to Kristina and down Old Norse to no avail, but backtracking to Haugesund, I spotted a Cardinal in Sue Pohlbel's yard to add to the list. At Carole Moore's house on Oslo Cove, I spotted another Blue Jay, a Downy, 4 more Juncos and the first Crows. Alas, Carole's view of the lake was even more devoid of waterfowl than at the dam. No bird rippled the water. I wondered where all the geese had gone.

Between Lars Cove and St. Olaf Dr. there are a couple vacant lots with scrub cedar trees, tall grass and bramble bushes sporting red berries. A flash of yellow on the ground and I immediately pulled to a stop on Lars Cove. A birder never ignores a flash of yellow, especially in winter! I sat for a good half hour to be sure and to enjoy 2 Yellow-rumped Warblers (once called Myrtle Warblers) flitting through the weeds feasting on the red berries. Most warblers are insect eaters that must fly south for the winter. The Yellow-rumped, however, has the unique ability to digest the wax in bayberries allowing it to survive where other warblers cannot. Like the Goldfinches, warblers molt in fall to subdued colors for winter, but there is no mistaking the bright yellow rump of this winter wood warbler. What a delight to see them! A pair of Brown-headed Cowbirds also hopped around in the brambles above the warblers and 2 White-crowned Sparrows scratched the ground underneath where thick branches had kept the snow off the ground. I added 3 new species to the list at that one stop!

The main lake view from the end of Lars Cove did reveal 8 more Mallards, 4 male and 4 female. Two Crows poked among the rocks of the frozen stream that drained to the lake and three Mourning Doves flew from the tree above them, but still no geese, gulls or diving ducks.

It was 12:30 p.m. when I turned onto St. Olaf Drive to look at the other side of those same vacant lots. There on the ground hopping from side to side under a bush was a beautiful tawny Fox Sparrow. Larger than other sparrows with a distinctively "foxy" color to its feathers, Fox Sparrows visit us only in winter. Nearby 4 Juncos scratched for seeds on the ground while 3 Cardinals chased each other through the cedar branches above and a Robin sang from the telephone wire. Yes, Robins often stay around Lakengren in winter eating berries when the ground is too frozen to dig for worms. So many birds had congregated on those vacant lots; it reminded me just how much wild life depends on wild space.

A drive through the wooded Baltic Cove recreational area showed me no woodpeckers. The public dock across from Lolland was encased in ice; the lake frozen solid and snow covered. The gulls I usually see there had gone elsewhere. The lake at the Lodge was frozen as well. Plunder Cove was the next reward. Not one, not two, but a whole flock of 14! Robins flew from Paul and Margaret Healy's yard across the street in front of me and then back again to land in the tree at Donna Guethlen's driveway. I parked in Donna's driveway and walked around to her front yard startling a House Finch as I first heard and then saw what I was hoping to see, a Belted Kingfisher rollercoasting through the air. Thank you, Donna! For all Paul's complaints about geese gathering in his yard, I still saw not a one even though the lake there was not yet frozen. Was this day to end with no geese in Lakengren?

Back in the car, heater at full blast, I stopped next at Eagle Drive. Mike and Anne Schleich usually have Great Blue Herons on their bank and I hoped to find them there for Count Day. The Kingfisher cried at me as I scared him back toward Plunder Cove. Living on a peninsula, Anne and Mike have water on 3 sides. Scanning the open water in the cove to the left, I counted a whopping 45 Mallards swimming along the banks! There was not a single Canada Goose among them, but lo and behold, I finally found the geese, not in the water, but bills under wing, curled up asleep like black rocks in the snow on the far bank. They were much easier to count asleep like that, all 344 of them! In cold weather, birds, like humans, cuddle up together to conserve body heat.

Geese accounted for; I turned to the other side of the Schleich peninsula and caught a fleeting glimpse of a slender duck arching its back as it dove to disappear underwater. Patiently I waited to catch sight of it as it popped up for air a ways away, but the light was wrong and all I could see was a silhouette. Back in the car, I headed down Norwegian Cove to the Yoder's house thinking I could identify the diver from a better light angle. Little did I expect to catch another 350 Canada Geese napping in their neighbor's yard and another 75 Mallards! My approach woke and frightened them as heads jerked up; they all strutted off into the water honking and quacking their displeasure. With the great flotilla now in the water, I could not find the diver. The day was long, the sun was getting low in the sky and hunger forced me home at 3 p.m.

With so many usual species still unseen like the Tufted Titmouse and the Great Blue Heron, I called in the cavalry, phoning friends for help in the last couple of hours before sunset. Sure enough, on their 4 p.m. daily walk, Anne and Mike Schleich also saw the 2 diving ducks and were able to confirm my silhouette impression that they were Pied-billed Grebes. Three pairs of eyes are always better than one! Thank you, guys!

Virginia Wehrly on Thor Drive called back with 5! Mourning Doves on her back deck along with House Finches, Juncos, a male Cardinal and another Crow.

Three of the missing species were found by Joyce Shrader at 117 Fiord. She reported not only Downy's, Cardinals, a Nuthatch, a Chickadee, Juncos and House Finches but also the elusive Tufted Titmouse as well as 2 Red-bellied Woodpeckers and 5 Goldfinches. Three cheers for Joyce!

Jean Armour on Lakengren Drive started watching and counting right after I called. She also saw a Red-bellied Woodpecker, Cardinals, Mourning Doves, Chickadees, House Finches, a Nuthatch, Juncos, House Sparrows, our only House Wren! "... and the best ... a Cooper's Hawk." Her email made me chuckle. "I saw one in our front yard a couple days ago feasting on its catch (and hoping it wasn't one of our woodpeckers) and after I got off the phone, thought, darn, why couldn't that be today. Then I looked out the kitchen window and saw it sitting in our neighbor's tree. Got the binoculars out to look at it closer and it raised its tail, pooped and flew away. Guess that was what he thought of me!" Credit for the only House Wren and only hawk of any kind seen in Lakengren for Count Day goes to Jean Armour. Thank you, Jean!

Bill and Julianna Barnes up the road from me on Valhalla Drive had just come in with their girls from playing outside in the snow when I called. They had seen Nuthatches, Downy and Red-bellied Woodpeckers at their suet feeder that day, but also 2 male Flickers! Flickers have a black bib and a spotted breast where the Red-bellied is all white. Along with lots of House Finches and Juncos, Bill and Julianna also reported the only Carolina Wren for the day! as well as the Tufted Titmouse that had eluded me, four more Goldfinches, Robins, Mourning Doves, Chickadees and Cardinals plus one warbler of uncertain identity. We ruled out the Yellow-rumped as it had no yellow rump, instead a yellow bib. After repeat appearances at their suet for several days after the count and two short videos, we think it might be a Pine Warbler, quite a rare bird for this time of year, but certain ID is pending confirmation from Daryl Michael.

While I happen to write the bird articles for The Viking, there are many other awesome birders right here in Lakengren. I thank all of you for your help in making this Count so successful. I couldn't do it without you!

Feeling so much better after all of you called back, I bundled up at 4:45 p.m. to stand outside and listen. The previous weekend while waiting for the Vincents or Heubergers to pick me up for Richmond Civic Theater's "Cinderella" performances, I had heard a Great Horned Owl call just at sunset. Would he call for me again on Count Day? A dog barked in the distance. A skein of Canada Geese honked as it flew overhead, but no owl hooted at the setting sun. Mourning Dove wings whistled as they landed, gathering in the cedar tree by the mailbox to roost for the night, but still no sound of an owl. There is stillness, a peace in cold air at sunset. I waited a while longer to no avail. Sighing in defeat as no owl had called for me, I turned to head back inside just as a loud "wuk" broke the cold quiet. I turned to the sound looking up into the Aristocrat pear tree by the garage and what should I spy but a Pileated Woodpecker! He was big, black and beautiful with his punk-rocker shaft of red across his head.

A day in the bird life of Lakengren produced 31 confirmed different species, 1 pending positive ID for a total of 1375 individual birds! Not 12, but 11 days before Christmas, Count Day 2010 ended with a Pileated in a Pear Tree!

*Happy Birding!*

# LWA VIKING REPORT FOR JANUARY 2011

## Credit Card Payments

The Lakengren Water Authority is now accepting credit card payments. Customers can choose to make payments via credit card in person at the LWA office, by phone, or on the LWA website at: <http://www.lakengrenh2o.org>. There is no charge to the customer for this new service.

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## Tom Pierce Retires

Tom Pierce, a member of the Lakengren Water Authority Board of Trustees since 1996 and currently its Secretary, is retiring at the end of 2010. All of us at the LWA want to thank Tom for his fifteen years of dedicated service and extend our best wishes for the future. Terry Parks, former BOT Chairman, has been selected by the LPOA BOT to fill the vacancy created by Tom's retirement.

## Card Scores

Dec 3 - PINOCHLE - 1st Judy Thaxton, 2nd Joanne Parks, 3rd Barbara Reushaw, 4th Donna Guethlen

Dec 10 - DOUBLE DECK EUCHRE - 1st Tom Carr, 2nd Joanne Parks, 3rd Sue Harrison, 4th Mark Schoettinger, 5th Fran Bender

Dec 17 - SINGLE DECK PINOCHLE - 1st Elsie Burkle, 2nd Dave Senfton, 3rd Joanne Parks, 4th Sheila Senfton

The Card Club welcomes new members Dave & Sheila Senfton of Plunder Cove, coming for their first time and ending up winning two winner's spots...Good playing.

There were no cards on 12/24/10 and 12/31/10 due to the holidays.

The Card Club will not be having games during January and February due to the possibility of uncertain weather conditions. See you all in March.

## DEATHS

Walter R.

## Craig Passing

By Paul Healy

Walter R. Craig passed away on November 29 at the Greenbriar Nursing Center. Services were held at the Barnes Funeral Home on December 2 and his burial was at Earlham Cemetery in Richmond, Indiana. Walter was 93.

Walter had three children, eleven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Walter served as a LPOA Board Trustee and was an active member of the Dragons. He was an auditor for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Ohio. He served as a U. S. Army Infantryman in Europe and was involved in the Battle of the Bulge. With this background, you would expect Walter to be outspoken and he was. His devoted wife, Margaret will attest to this. His comments were right on the mark.

Our condolences to Margaret and to Walter's extensive family.

## Mary Lou McMillan

It is noted that Mary Lou McMillan passed away in mid December. Her husband Bob used to be a security guard for Lakengren many years ago. Many longtime residents will remember them.

## Tentative Dragons Schedule

Jan 8 Texas Hold'em

Jan 13 Meeting - election of new officers

Feb 5 Texas Hold'em

Feb 10 Meeting - plans for shoreline cleanup

Feb 26 Shoreline Cleanup - meet @ Barn 9 a.m. breakfast & lunch provided

Mar 5 Texas Hold'em

Mar 10 Meeting - plans for Ham & Bean Dinner

Mar 26 Ham & Bean Dinner 4 to 7 pm @ Lodge.

## Lakengren to Rebuild Website

Lake Lakengren's community website has recently seen some major changes and updates. Webmaster Barry Clutter and website editor Matt Brueggemann, LPOA Trustee, have begun working together to rebuild and redesign the community's website to maximize the sites potential.

Over the next couple of months both Clutter and Brueggemann will continue to work together to develop a user friendly, easier to navigate website. One of the most noticeable changes is the navigation buttons that have been redesigned and now include a drop down function that allows the user to access specific pages more quickly. Many other minor features have been added or deleted from the site with many more changes yet to come.

One goal is to keep the site full of updated information on LPOA Board issues, community events, club and committee reports to inform those who are interested. Another is to allow the user to access certain Lakengren employees email addresses in order to increase communication between the community, Manager, security team and LPOA board/office.

For the next couple of months please excuse our mess with the site. The intent is to have the site fully functional and updated as much as possible by mid-February. Please continue to visit the site and see the changes for yourself, if you feel you have a good idea or suggestion for the site please click on Matt Brueggemann website editor on our home page and email your suggestion.

Thank you for your support

Barry Clutter and Matt Brueggemann LPOA BOT

## Lakengren LPOA Board considering a rewards program for recycling

The community of Lakengren has heard how important recycling is for the community and most importantly for the environment. After all, the average American creates about 4.7lbs of waste every day. While searching the internet for a user friendly list of items that can be recycled I have determined that it would be easier to provide a list of items that cannot be recycled. That's when I realized that sixty percent of our household trash can actually be recycled.

During the November 22nd LPOA board meeting the LWM committee and the board discussed the possibility of starting a rewards program to reward those who "get caught" recycling. The program will give the member an opportunity to win a ten dollar gift certificate to a local restaurant or a ten dollar gas card. Recycling one ton of aluminum cans conserves the equivalent of 1,665 gallons of fuel. Then at the end of each year a grand cash prize will be awarded to one community member that was "caught" recycling.

A survey was done a few years ago in which 9 out of 10 people surveyed said they would recycle more if it was easier to do so. In Lakengren the process is simple, if you do not have a red Rumpke recycling bin simply email me at [m\\_brueggemann@lakengrenpoa.org](mailto:m_brueggemann@lakengrenpoa.org) Please leave your address and quantity of bins you would like to receive and they will be delivered within a few days. Or stop at the LPOA office during normal business hours and one of our office staff will be glad to assist you.

Once you have your red bin, fill it up and set it out at the end of your driveway on Sunday evening for Monday pickup. This is all done free of charge to you by Rumpke. Below is a short list of items that cannot be recycled for various reasons. On behalf of the LPOA board I remind you to please reduce, reuse and recycle.

- Items that cannot be recycled
- \* Broken glass
- \* Ceramics
- \* Rubber bands
- \* Wet, dirty or moldy paper
- \* Plastic types #3, #4, #5, #6 and #7
- \* Plastic bottle caps
- \* Napkins and tissues
- \* Fast food wrappers
- \* Aluminum foil
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**Christmas Lights Committee-2010**



**SANTA CLAUS AT THE LODGE**

By Paul Healy

Santa Claus stopped by the CLC's Open House in the Lodge on Saturday, December 11th. The children and parents enjoyed the cookies, punch, the Magic Act, and all the new decorations. Hank, the Magician selected several kids from the audience to complete his illusions using colored scarves, rope, vanishing water, balloons and even pulled a live rabbit out of a hat. He also created balloon sculptures for all the kids. He received a round of applause, but when Santa Claus came through the door, the room filled with joyous laughter and children squealing with glee. The kids sat on Santa's lap and told him of their fondness wishes. Santa's Elf took photos, along with the Viking staff members. All received fancy candy canes as a treat.

The Christmas Lights Committee members had their picture taken with Santa, too. They are: Mike & Ann Schleich, Tom Wissman, Judy Thaxton, Bob & Jane Rutherford, Rick & Karla McMahan, Paul & Margaret Healy, Dale & Peg Baker, and Bob & Jeannie Stoner. We need to thank the other CLC members who could not attend but helped in planning: Bob & Loretta Varney, Bob & Charlene Kelch, Paul & Debie Meyer, Robert & Lucinda Coveney, Tom & Sue Pohlabel, Bill & Jan Turner, Dennis & Michelle Wilhoit, Dave & Kathy Courtner, Larry & Jean Armour, John Shipley, Tim & Peggy Simmons, and John Ness.





At the December 13th 2010 LPOA Board regular business meeting, President Paul Ellison, on behalf the LPOA Board and community members honored three retiring Board Members.

On the left is Jerry Estes who served eight years on the board. Jerry first joined the board eight years ago filling in for another who had stepped down. He then ran for LPOA office and was elected twice. While on the LPOA Board, he has served as Vice President as well as being the chair of many LPOA committees. Jerry will still be the Chairman of the Safety and Security committee and will continue to attend board meetings to give updates and reports.

Below on the right is Rick McMahan, Rick served three years on the board. Rick has brought much knowledge to the table over the past years. He proved over and over what a valuable asset he was to the LPOA Board through asking tough thought provoking questions. Rick will continue to be active in the Dragons Club and by serving on LPOA committees, where he will remain in communication with the LPOA Board. The community and LPOA Board will be able to continue to benefit from his contribution.

Not pictured is Bill Hapner, Bill served several months on the LPOA Board in 2010 filling in for another member who had stepped down for career reasons. Bill has brought much knowledge and experience to the meetings over the past year. Bill chose not to run for re-election so he can dedicate all his efforts on successfully operating the Lakengren Inn next year.

The LPOA Board would like to say thank you to all three of them for their time and dedication to the community of Lakengren. Bill, Rick and Jerry will be greatly missed; the board is losing three very fine and capable members. If you see either of these three gentleman, please thank them for their dedication and efforts.

Matt Brueggemann LPOA BOT  
(reprinted from LPOA Website)



## New Board Members take Oath of Office

During the regular LPOA business meeting on December 13th 2010, the four newly elected board members took the oath of office. Once they were sworn in by President Paul Ellison all took their places at the board table and participated in the rest of the regular meeting.

Rodney Suman, Judy Thaxton, Dave Fourman

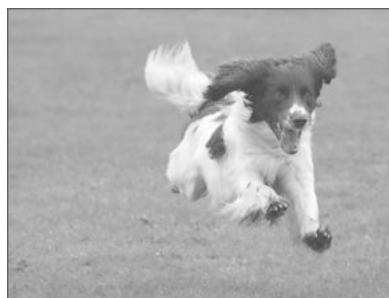
Please welcome returning board member Judy Thaxton and newly elected Rodney Suman, Dave Fourman and Tim Simmons (not pictured) to the board. Just as the rest of the board does, they want to welcome all community members to the regular meetings which are held at the LWA office on every 2nd and 4th Monday every month with certain exceptions during the summer months.

If you have any questions for the board please click on the "trustee's bio" link from the main page and email a board member your questions or comments and they will respond to you as soon as they can.

Lakengren Board of Trustees.  
(reprinted From LPOA Website)



## Dog Licenses on Sale



Preble County Auditor Mindy S. Robbins has announced that dog owners may purchase their 2011 dog license now through January 31. For the convenience of the Lakengren community, dog licenses may be purchased at the LPOA office, 22 Lakengren Drive for \$14.75..



# County Landfill Notice

By Paul Healy

The Preble County Sanitary Landfill has asked us to announce that the landfill will be closed on Saturdays through the winter months until March 5, 2011. The landfill will remain open during their normal business hours Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

Their information sheet about household hazardous waste related that such items should be taken to the landfill where they can be dropped off. Those items include: Resins & Adhesives (Bondo, putty, glazing, glue epoxy), Oxidizers (nitrate base fertilizers, chlorine tablets, pool chemicals, hydrogen peroxide), Household Cleaners (drain cleansers, bleach, ammonia, muriatic acid, oven cleaners, photo developers, etc), Used motor oil and anti-freeze, Pesticides- Herbicides - poisons (insect killer, weed killer, Decon, etc.), Household batteries (nickel-cadmium, lithium, mercury, silver oxide, alkaline), Oil-based Paint (not latex which can be mixed with kitty litter, sand, or saw dust and allowed to harden and placed in regular trash with lid off).

## Recap of Women's Club Meetings in 2010

January & February - No meetings.

March - Chili tasting and Zumba dance demo by YMCA.

April - History of Lakengren, a sharing of local stories. Slate of officers presented.

May - Field trip to Dayton Art Institute with lunch at Cafe Monet. Tour entitled "Ninety Treasures." Election of officers.

June - Salad & dessert carry-in. Installation of officers.

July - Field trip to Wayne Co. Historical Museum with lunch at Ghyslain Restaurant,

August - Carry-in picnic and program planning at Carole Moore's house.

September - Computer tips by Cheryl Taylor at LWA building.

October - Field trip to Hawthorne Hill with lunch at Carillon Park (Culp's Cafe).

November - Guest speakers Rosemary Collins and Jean Maynard entitled "It's All About You."

December - Christmas carry-in and Quarter auction for charity

These hazardous items can be dropped off at the landfill located at 4239 US Rte. 127 South, Eaton, at no cost.

Check your garage. We took old oil paint and a gallon of Creosote that is a real no-no. It was in the garage for 20 years.

Recycling Ink Cartridges

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### Letter to the Editor

New Year's Resolution  
Now is a good time to set some goals for 2011.

What are you going to do to improve your health, your relationships, your spiritual life and your allegiance to your community and country?

Some forecasters are predicting that we may have riots as have happened in Greece, London and France due to the debts caused by their governments. In addition to that, there are so called "Progressives" like Al Gore, and some members of our government who think we should become part of a "Global Government."

As our forebears fought the British to gain "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness," we must be active in telling our local and Federal representatives to get our financial houses in order so our government does not become bankrupt.

Please go to a computer and search "George Soros." Afterwards, you may wish to direct your high school and college age children to the site. George Soros and others can be more of a problem than Hitler and Stalin were for those who lived in the 30's & 40's. George Soros reportedly has bankrupt four countries and "broke the Bank of England."

Paul T. Healy, Sr.  
Lot 1403



## Women's Club Carry-in Luncheon

On December 1, 35 members plus 3 guests met at the lodge for the Annual Lakengren Women's Club Carry-in Christmas Luncheon. Everyone was welcomed by President Jean Armour followed by a rousing rendition of "We Wish You A Merry Christmas." Outdoors they were snowflakes falling preparing everyone for a joyous holiday season. Joanne Parks read "A Christmas Prayer," followed by her own personal prayer for the ladies.

Connie Moore read the November minutes and they were approved as read. There was no treasurer's report since the treasurer and the assistant treasurer did not attend. Gladys Myers of Good Cheer Committee stated she had sent out two cards last month - Deanna Parks and Dorothy Roebuck. Bereavement Committee reported that Walter Craig had passed away and that the family would be coming back to the lodge. A meat platter would be purchased and that any deserts remaining from the luncheon would be donated.

Jean Armour brought to everyone's attention, the new bookcases for the Lakengren library. The shelves would be filled over the winter months with children's books. JoAnn Hoffman made an announcement about the Richmond Community Theatre show "Cinderella." Sarah Vincent of Lakengren Drive had the lead, and her mother, Sherri, was the wicked step mother. It was announced by Jean that the Lakengren cookbooks were still available.



Margaret Healy made the announcement about the Children's Magic Act, Santa Party, and Open House on December 11 at 6:30 p.m. There is a need for cookies to be donated for this event. It was discussed and decided that there would be a cash gift to Jack Tobias for his work for the LWC during the past year. A committee was formed for the Employee Appreciation lunch. Those volunteering were: Phyllis White, Gladys Myers, Jean Armour, Liliana Islamovsky, and Betty Beck. Virginia Wehrly won the 50/50 raffle.

A lengthy explanation about how to participate in the quarter auction, and Judy Thaxton was the auctioneer. The event took most of the afternoon, and following the afternoon of fun, all the change was counted. The \$253.30 in the till was donated to the Lakengren Security Division for the guardhouse upgrade.

Jean reminded everyone that there are no January or February meetings of the Women's Club, and the next meeting would be March 2, 2011.



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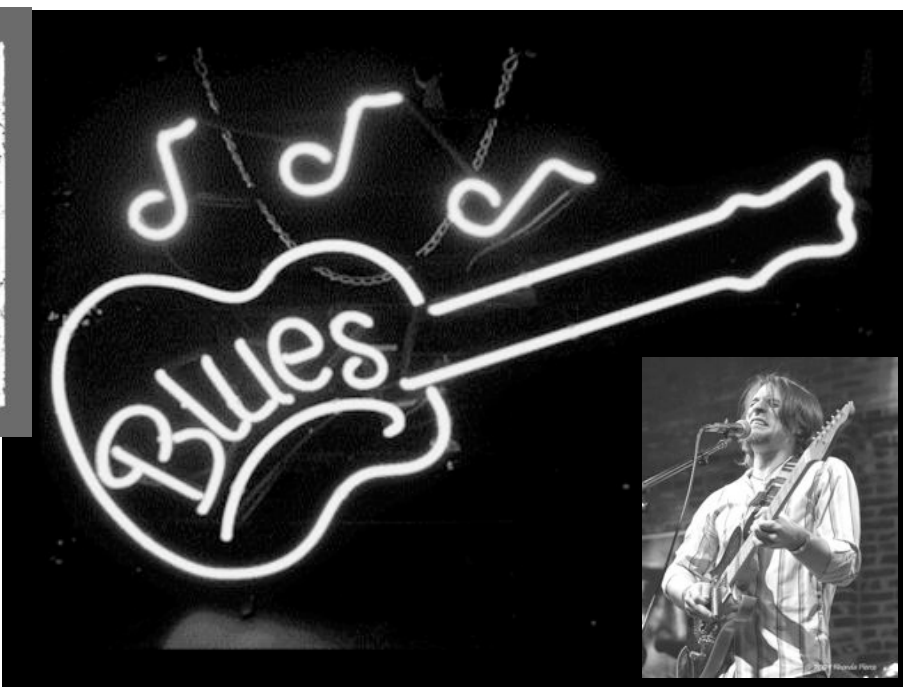
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What could be better than a "free" Winter Blues Blast at the Lodge? Sure sounds like a pretty good idea to bring yourself out of the winter doldrums.

Andrew Gaydosh of the Gaydosh Team, Rob Wagner of X-tremequote, and the Christmas Lights Committee have teamed together to bring to the Lakengren community Josh Garrett & the Bottom Line to perform from 8 to 11 p.m. on Friday, February 4 at the Valhalla Lodge. This is the same group that played to a full house at the Eaton Country Club and at the Independence Day celebration before and after the fireworks show. This blues jamming band was formed several years ago in Houma, Louisiana. Be sure to make plans to enjoy their soulful blues and jazzy stylings.



**January & February  
Calendar of Events**

Pinochle and Euchre Friday 7 p.m. @ Lodge  
BP/Glucose screenings at the fire station

- Jan 8 CLC removes Christmas deco 9 a.m.
- Jan 8 Bass Club Mtg 9:30 a.m. @ Lodge
- Jan 8 Dragons Hold'em 7 p.m. @ Lodge
- Jan 10 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg
- Jan 13 Dragons Mtg 7:30 p.m. @ Lodge
- Jan 19 Christmas Lights Mtg TBA
- Jan 20 Safety Committee Mtg 5 p.m. @ Lodge
- Jan 21 Viking deadline for February
- Jan 24 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg
- Jan 26 Social Club Mtg 6:30 p.m. @ Lodge
- Jan 29 Chili Cook Off 2 p.m. @ Lodge
  
- Feb 4 Winter Blues Blast 8 to 11 p.m. @ Lodge  
- free
- Feb 5 Bass Club Mtg 9:30 a.m. @ Lodge
- Feb 5 Dragons Hold'em 7 p.m. @ Lodge
- Feb 10 Dragons Mtg 7:30 p.m. @ Lodge
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb 14 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg
- Feb 16 Christmas Lights Mtg TBA
- Feb 17 Safety Committee Mtg 5 p.m. @ Lodge
- Feb 18 Viking deadline for March
- Feb 21 Presidents Day
- Feb 23 Social Club Mtg 6:30 p.m. @ Lodge
- Feb 26 Shoreline Clean up 9 a.m. @ Mtc Barn
- Feb 28 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg



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